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GOP picks Dole Shelton wins bid for treasurer Incumbent Castro County Trea- with his 288 votes in the county Place 1, Patrice Barron, 422 votes;

surer Janice Shelton won the Democratic nomination in Tuesday's Primary election. She defeated challenger Carolyn Watts, 370 to 292 in a turnout of 25% of the county's spectively. registered voters.

Voting in both the Republican and Democratic Primaries in the county followed state-wide trends in most races, but bucked the odds in the Democratic race for US Senator.

While Victor Morales had 36% of the votes state-wide with 60% of the ballots counted, US Rep. Jim Chapman of Sulphur Springs proved the popular candidate here, pulling 251 votes for a 37% majority, well ahead of Morales, with 129, and US Rep. John Bryant of Dallas, with 120. John Odam had 37 votes.

In the Republican Presidential race, local voters gave Sen. Bob Dole the lead with 173 votes, for a 53% majority, followed by Pat Buchanan with 88, Steve Forbes with 24, Alan Keyes with 23, and Sen. Phil Gramm with 8.

However, Gramm handily won the Republican Senate nomination, Andrew Kupper, 420 votes; Justice,

(88%) closely matching the 84% he Justice, Place 2, Gene Kelly, 422. received state-wide. His challengers, David Young and Henry Grover, Judge, Place 1, Frances Northcutt, received 17 and 14 votes here, re-

For US Rep. Dist. 13, in the Democratic Primary, Samuel Silverman edged Aaron Alejandro, 299-200, similar to the margin in the race state-wide. News reports Wednesday morning stated that Alejandro conceded the race.

In the Democratic race, President Bill Clinton received 420 votes in Castro County, earning him a 63% majority. Fred Hudson came in a distant second with 27 votes, followed by Lyndon LaRouche Jr. and Heather Harder with 24 votes each, Ted Gunderson with 16, Willie Carter with 9, and Elvena Lloyd-Duffie and Sal Casamassima with five each.

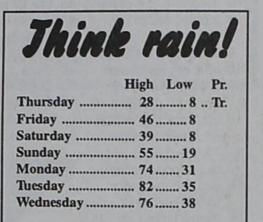
County results for other Democratic races:

Railroad Commissioner: Hector Uribe, 420 votes.

Supreme Court: Chief Justice,

Court of Criminal Appeals: 272, and Bob Perkins, 176; Judge, Place 2, Charles Holcomb, 205, Gary Taylor, 93, Norman Lanford, 71, and Winston Cochran, 57; and Judge, Place 3, Frank Maloney, 388. Other unopposed candidates in-

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March Moisture 1996 Moisture

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



The US Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals has affirmed the ruling of US Federal Court Judge Mary Lou Robinson in limiting to \$22,000 the amount of plaintiff's attorney fees that Castro County should have to pay in connection with a 1992 lawsuit.

Appeal denied

Judith Sanders-Castro, former attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF), had filed an appeal of Robinson's decision. MALDEF had requested \$250,000 in attorney fees for its work in the discrimination lawsuit filed on behalf of plaintiffs Joe Crespin and Frank Valadez and Emma Reyna, in connection with the redistricting of voter precincts in the county.

Castro County Attorney Jerry Matthews pled the county's case before the Fifth Circuit Court March 4, and received the decision of the three-judge panel Monday morning.

The appellate court upheld Robinson's ruling, after "having considered the briefs, oral arguments of counsel, and pertinent parts of the record, and finding neither error nor abuse of discretion."

The county has set aside the \$22,000 approved by Robinson, but has not paid it yet while it remained in dispute.

Sanders-Castro was the principal attorney for Crespin. She was fired by MALDEF last year after a disagreement over the method of voting by the board of directors of the Edwards Aquifer.

The redistricting lawsuit was finally settled in 1994, costing Castro County approximately \$376,000 in fees to its own attorneys.

Matthews reported to the county commissioners' court in a special meeting last Thursday morning on the

appellate court hearing. He told the commissioners that he felt Robinson's ruling would be upheld, but he did not expect a final

ruling for two to three months.

At the meeting last Thursday, Don Kimbrell asked Matthews whether there was anything that could be done about the amount paid to Daugherty & Associates, who represented the county in the lawsuit.

Matthews said that, in his opinion, the expense to the county in the lawsuit was unnecessary, and "she (Daugherty) did not do the county justice. But she got approval for everything she did from the commissioners' court at that time.

"Was it unethical? No. We can't go back on her for that.

"In my opinion, we are not going to get any of that money back. . . . It was a bad investment. We made a mistake that cost this county a considerable amount of money. (But) it didn't bankrupt us. We're still functioning. We all need to go forward from here and determine not to let it happen again. We can't dwell on it. We can't afford to.... We can become stagnant or go forward, be progressive, try to do what's good for this county and for our citizens. We cut our losses and got out of it as well as we're going to get out of it. We need to try to go on and progress from here."

"I agree," said Pct. 1 Commissioner Newlon Rowland.

"We need to go on from here," said Pct. 2 Commissioner Larry Gonzales.

Former commissioner Harold Smith told the commissioners he felt the state attorney general should look into the matter in keeping with his recent crackdown on people who "take people's money and give nothing in return."

Matthews told Smith, "You got something in return. You were not guaranteed to win. You got your day in court. You got legal representation.

"Let it die, and let it heal and let this county go on. Go find another crusade, Harold," Matthews said.



HIGH-ALTITUDE BATTLE-Two all-staters mix it up under the rim during the Class A state semifinals in Austin last Thursday morning. Avinger's Treston Dowell (32) blocks a shot by Nazareth's Nathan Hoelting (30). Although their arms got intertwined, no foul was called. Avinger got the

breaks at the free-throw line in the final minute, 5-1, and won a thrilling 61-56 victory. Hoelting and Dowell both were unanimous selections to the Class A all-state tournament team. Other Nazareth players in photo are Gaylon Schilling (24) and Robby Schmucker (20). Photo by Don Nelson

Indians squash Swifts' state championship hopes

Avinger freshman Darryl Jones picked off a pass at midcourt and drove in for a layup with 1:48 left to give his team a 56-53 lead over Nazareth.

That play, along with five made free throws by Avinger in the last 56 seconds of the Class A state semifinal game, lifted the Indians to a 61-56 victory over the Swifts last Thursday at the Frank Erwin Special Events Center in Austin.

Avinger went on to claim the state championship Saturday morning by beating Anderson-Shiro, 51-48. The Swifts, making their second appearance in three years at the state tournament, ended their season with a 28-7 mark.

"That's just something that happens in a game," said Nazareth Coach Mark Makeever about Jones' steal near the end. "It was definitely a big play. We just had a little lapse in concentration. When you're dealing with pressure like they apply for 32 minutes, it's bound to happen. It just happened at the wrong time for us."

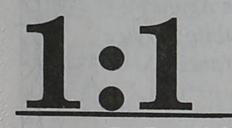
Jones finished with 10 points in the game, and eight of those came in the fourth quarter. He was the Indians' fourth high scorer. Treston Dowell, the Class A Most Valuable Player and an all-tournament selection, finished with 19 while Lee Hopkins, another all-tournament choice, added 14 and Bakari Ector

had 11. The Swifts were led by unanimous all-state tournament selection Nathan Hoelting, who had 23; Bryan Braddock, who finished with 12; and Coby Schacher, who contributed 11.

Makeever said scouting reports pointed to Jones as the Indian who doesn't look to score as often as other members of the team.

"He (Jones) came through for them. That's the mark of a championship team," Makeever said. "We've had it all year long, too. We've had five different guys who have led us in scoring. Jones stepped up and that's what it takes.

"You can always second-guess (Continued on Page 11)



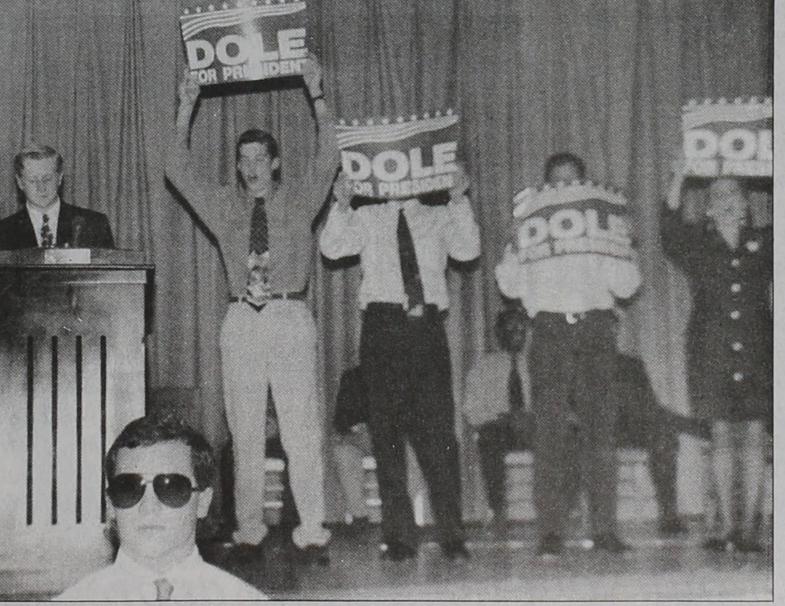
By Don Nelson

It may take Nazareth's boys a long time to get over it.

They went to Austin after a state championship, and they didn't get it. They have every right to be disappointed.

But they also have every right to be proud.

In their semifinals game against the eventual state champion, the Swifts led 14-12 after the first quarter and were tied 27-27 at halftime and 44-44 after the third period. Avinger won it in the final minute at the free-throw linewhich is what the Swifts would have done if they had had the upper hand going into that final minute. After defeating the Swifts by five points, the Avinger boys met another super-tough team in the championship game, defeating Anderson-Shiro by three for the title. With a different bounce or two, any of those three teams could have been the state champion. Right now, the Swifts-and the boys on 16 other state tournament teams that didn't win it all-think (Continued on Page 13)



Filing deadline is Wednesday for city, school hospital races

Candidates planning to run for election must file for a place on the ballot by Wednesday.

Seats on the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth boards of education, the Castro County Hospital District board of directors and city councils in Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth are up for grabs this year.

The election will be held May 4 and polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Early voting will be held April 15-30.

City of Dimmitt

Dimmitt voters will elect one atlarge councilmember and representa-

City of Hart

No one has filed for the three seats available on the Hart City Council. Councilmember seats up for grabs

this year are currently owned by L.C. McLain, Vickie Ethridge and Todd Pebsworth. Voters in the Hart city election

will cast ballots on May 4 at the Hart Golden Group Building.

City of Nazareth

Nazareth voters will cast ballots in a mayoral election this year, and that office, currently held by Ralph Brockman, is the only one up for election.

The May 4 election will probably

AND THE WINNER IS-Dimmitt High School's honors world history class, taught by Katie Ivey, staged a mock election last Thursday night, with students giving speeches representing the positions of the candidates for President. Standing up for Bob Dole is Jim Bryan (at podium). Among his "supporters" is Cameron Lust. Standing in front of the stage is Chris Paxton, who joined other students in portraying Secret Service agents. Dole won the voting, taking 37%. (See story, Page 14) Photo by Linda Maxwell

tives for Places 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the be held at the Nazareth City Hall, May 4 elections. according to Brockman.

Councilmembers whose terms expire this year include Don Sheffy (at-large), Gloria Hernandez (Place 1), Roy Garza (Place 2), Charles Richards (Place 3) and Roger Malone (Place 4).

Malone and Richards are the only incumbents who have filed for reelection, to date.

On election day, May 4, Dimmitt voters will cast their ballots at City Hall in the councilmembers' chambers.

Dimmitt ISD

Positions on the Dimmitt School Board which will be on the May 4 ballot are the representatives from Districts 3, 6 and 7; as well as one from District 5 to fulfill an unexpired term.

The District 3, 6 and 7 seats will be for three-year terms while the District 5 seat, which was vacated by (Continued on Page 13)

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Letter

'Cattle industry in serious trouble'

Dear Editor:

The cattle industry is in serious trouble and this is having a drastic effect on the economy of the High Plains.

Six million head per year (27%) of the fed cattle in the US comes from the High Plains. The economic impact is calculated to be over \$14 million annually.

Experts say the cattle feeding industry has been the economic salvation of the High Plains. Now we are in danger of losing this industry because of concentration in agriculture. In 1995 four beef packers controlled 87% of the market. Doans Agriculture Report states packers are earning 35 to 40% margin of profit while producers are losing 35 to 40%.

Agriculture Secretary Glickman has appointed 21 people to serve on an advisory committee to study agriculture concentration. The goal of the committee is to get as many people as possible to respond on this issue.

Hearings for public input will be held in St. Louis on March 25. Anyone can testify or send written testimony.

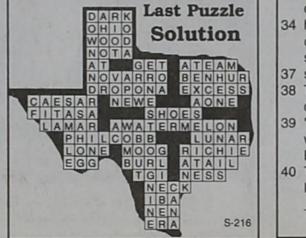
As a member of the committee I would appreciate a short letter expressing your opinion on agriculture concentration and how it affects you. Address your letter to Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman and members of the committee. Mail or fax the letter to me and it will be hand-delivered to the Secretary. I will answer any questions you may have.

Please, make a difference.

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THIRD AT REGIONAL—Overcoming difficulties in placement of their vehicle, the Dimmitt Middle School Odyssey of the Mind "Amusin' Cruisin" team took third place out of seven teams in their division at the recent regional OM contest. Team members are (from left) Jill Merritt, Ashley Irons, Patrick Hunter, Jason Harris, Colby Williams, and Cody Laurent. Coaches are Mary and Gary Hunter. All four of the OM teams will perform for the Dimmitt Book Club March 20 at 4 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library and the public is invited to attend. The three other teams include the DMS "Crusher" team, and the Dimmitt High School "Crusher" team and "Great Impressions" team. The high school teams qualified to advance to the state OM contest. Photo by Linda Maxwell





Amy Chambless

Chambless graduates Amy Michelle Chambless, a 1994 graduate of Dimmitt High School, will graduate from High-Tech Institute in Phoenix, Ariz., on March 21 at 7:30 p.m. in ceremonies at the Edit Radisson Resort Scottsdale in Ne Scottsdale, Ariz.

Chambless will receive her technical associate's degree in electro- mechanical drafting.

She is the granddaughter of John and Teresa Garcia of Dimmitt.

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Your support of our youth is greatly appreciated!

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Natalie Schmucker and her family siding over the meeting. She led the traveled to Austin on Feb. 28 to watch her sister, Melinda Schmucker, play in the state basketball tournament. Her sister and niece, Debbie and Melanie of La Grange, met them in Austin on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday they went to the Nazareth game at 8:30 a.m. After the game they visited relatives and watched more basketball games. On Friday they spent most of the day shopping. On Saturday they went to the final game and watched Nazareth win state.

Natalie reported they had a wonderful trip.

The Town and Country Extension Homemakers Club met on Friday morning with Ann Henderson pre- Stevens.

group in reciting the prayer and creed. Betty Freeman read the minutes and called the roll. Each member answered the roll call with a nutritious snack. Most of them answered with fruit or raw vegetables even though they liked cookies or doughnuts for snacks.

Oneida Hutto gave an informative program on "bread making." Pound cake as well as bread can be made in a bread machine.

Members present were Ann Henderson, Oneida Hutto, Betty Freeman, Edith Graef, Rosetta Bellinghausen, Margaret Womack, Mary Edna Hendrix, Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal and new members Mary Cox, Mattie Seale, Mildred Washington and Kay

Edith Graef served a delicious pumpkin bread roll with coffee.

Fern Jones, Rosetta Bellinghausen and I toured the new San's Cozy Corner Bed and Breakfast in Dimmitt on Friday afternoon.

This is a wonderful place for your out-of-town guests to spend the night. San has remodeled all the rooms and it is a lovely place.

She will serve a continental breakfast or a larger breakfast for a small charge. We enjoyed the tour as well as the delicious refreshments of cake, cookies and coffee. While we were there we visited with Worth and Othella Jones and with Worth's sisters, Millie Tudor and Hazle Fields, and with their friend, Arlene Briggs, all of Plainview.

Virginia Crider was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and she served fudge and peanut brittle for snacks and a delicious pineapple crush cake for dessert. Bernice Hill and Emily Clingingsmith served fish, French fries, salad and corn for lunch.

Johnnie Vannoy won high score and Virginia was second. Others playing were Loranell Hamilton, Alma Kenmore, Bernice Hill, Emily Clingingsmith, Dude McLauren, Fern Dickey, Louise Mears, Cleo Forson, Helen Braafladt, Edith Graef, Mary Small and Bill Thornton.

Out-of-town visitors at the museum last week included Bertha Klein of Nazareth.

The youth from the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church will sponsor a fish fry each Friday evening through April 5 at the church's community hall.

The group, which is called FAITH (Friends Always Interested, Thinking, Helping), performs voluntary services for those who may need help. The group is raising funds for its "Random Acts of Kindness" program. Norma Trigo coordinates the group.

A large crowd attended last Friday's fish fry. Those at our table were R.V. and Dolores Ivy, Ed and Betty Freeman, Mary Cox, Emily Clingingsmith, Fern Jones and Rosetta Bellinghausen. We also visited with Donald Schilling, Charles Richard, Melissa Martinez and several members of the FAITH group.

The meal consisted of fish, coleslaw, French fries and rolls. A fruit cobbler was served for an additional quarter.

Our sympathy to the family of Thelma Bryson, who died last week. She was a special person and she was lots of fun before she became ill.

Nikki Kenley is home for spring break from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She and her father, Paul Kenley, sang a special in church on Sunday morning and evening.

Bobby Jack Stewart is retiring after nine years as custodian at First Baptist Church. A reception was held Sunday evening after the church service. Pybus Christian School presented Bob with a money tree made with white pussy willow branches.

Other gifts included a large toy lawn mower, brooms, mops and other cleaning articles. Sandwiches, chips and cookies were served to a large crowd. Bob's family was there for all the fun.

Candace Fry and Reid of Amarillo, Sally Stanford and Shelby of Hobbs, N.M., Carole and Van Hopson and Cory of Dimmitt, and Cody Hopson, who was home from college at Snyder, were among those present.

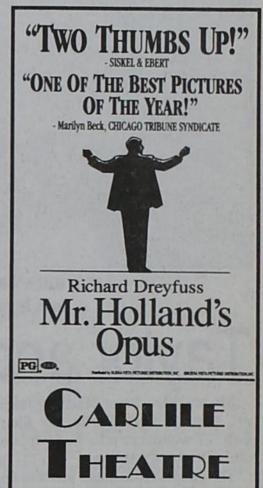
Bobby and Wanda Murdock and Doug and Debbie Smith and Alyson went to Austin for the boys' state basketball tournament. They watched 15 games including the Nazareth and Pampa games. They reported seeing some exciting games. They visited with Jim and Brenda (Parker) Schroeder and children. Debbie visited with Tanya Devaney, a former Dimmitt resident. Besides her state job, Tanya does volunteer work for the Special Olympics in Austin.

While they were in the area they went to Brenham and toured the Blue Bell Creameries (Doug is a sales representative in Amarillo for Blue Bell Ice Cream). In the beginning they only made butter, but by 1911 they made a gallon or two of ice cream a day and delivered it by horse and wagon to a few friends and neighbors. Now they make 100,000 gallons a day and they have over 100,000 visitors each year to vist the plant. They have 600 employees at the plant.

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Emily Clingingsmith, Mary Cox and Ed and Betty Freeman drove to Lubbock Village on Friday to help Bea Hawkins celebrate her 81st birthday

Todd and Karla Poulter, Wycliffe missionaries to Kenya, and their sons, John and Scott, drove to Dimmitt on Monday morning and spent several days with Ed and Betty Freeman.





We are very proud of our Nazareth Swifts who competed in the state basketball tournament in Austin this past weekend. They were denied a win, but their loss was to the eventual state champion, Avinger.

They were welcomed home Sunday afternoon with a reception at the Nazareth School Cafeteria. The program was emceed by Supt. N. Dean Johnson.

Coach Makeever thanked his team for its effort, and the fans for their support. He thanked those fans who went to the girls' state tournament in Austin and still made it back to Levelland in time to see the boys' great regional championship win over Klondike.

Coach said, "This was not only a good year, it was a great year."

Coach Waldrop thanked the team

with this special team of boys. The senior boys, Gaylon Schilling, Casey Hoelting and Robby Schmucker each expressed their thanks to Coach Makeever and Coach Waldrop and the fans.

The boys all really enjoyed the many posters hung on the walls for them.

Vicky Kleman put forth a lot of time, effort and talent to make a beautiful cake in the form of a perfect replica of a basketball court.

Thanks also was offered to Don Nelson for all the coverage in the Castro County News, and for the newspapers he handed out to fans at the game in Austin.

The Catholic Daughters of Amer- 20 at St. Mary's Hospital. Grandparica hosted World Day of Prayer for ents are Hubert and Joan Backus of Castro County on March 1 at the Nazareth and John and Sandra Marse CCD Building in Nazareth. Seventeen ladies from Dimmitt and 18 ladies from Nazareth were in attendance. Joining them was Father Neal Dee, pastor of Holy Family Church in Nazareth. Those who participated in the Guggemos and for Father Neal's program were Norma Schacher, Jimmie Schulte, Millie Birkenfeld, Alvina Gerber, Rosemary Wilhelm and Matilda Anderle. Organist was Sharon Brockman. The 109th World Day of Prayer service was written by Christian women of Haiti in spite of dangerous, violent conditions they were

experiencing. The theme was "God Calls Us To Respond."

Lunch was prepared by Rosemary Wilhelm and Dorothy Kleman, and it included tapioca pudding, fresh fruit, snack crackers, tea and coffee, which is the main food served in Haiti. Rice and beans were used for table decorations.

Lucille Drerup and her daughter, Carol Gary of Lubbock, enjoyed a weekend in Dallas visiting Lucille's daughters, Grace DeCardenas and Nancy Drerup.

Congratulations to Wayne and Susan Backus of Lubbock on the birth of a boy, Zachary Paul, on Feb.

for its best effort to win and for giving him the chance to go to state



Tim Rice Rice was cast in SPC production

Tim Rice of Dimmitt was featured in the 12-member cast of "Philadelphia Story," the spring production for the theater program at South Plains College in Levelland.

The three-act comedy written by Philip Barry was performed last week in the Theater for the Performing Arts on the Levelland Campus. Rice played the role of Seth Lord.

OM teams to perform for Book Club

The Odyssey of the Mind teams from Dimmitt will perform for the Dimmitt Book Club Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

The OM show will be a public performance and everyone is invited to attend.

The two Dimmitt High School OM teams have advanced to state and will compete in April.

Fish Fry set

The FAITH Group will hold a

Lady golfers set membership drive

The Ladies Golf Association from Dimmitt will hold its annual membership dinner Wednesday, March 27, at 7 p.m. at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

All ladies interested in joining the group are encouraged to attend the dinner. Those planning to attend should contact Kellie Proffitt at 647-5191 or Jan Glenn at 647-4151 by Tuesday, March 26.

Members unable to attend the meeting should contact Proffitt or Glenn if they still plan on renewing membership in the organization.

of Plainview. Great-grandmothers are Helen Backus and Louise Braddock of Nazareth.

Prayers are asked for Leonard Schulte, C.B. Wilhelm, Vincent mother, Nedra Dee of Indiana.

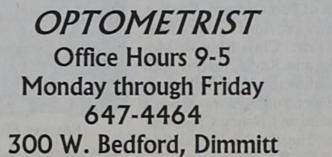
Collections to benefit US troops in Bosnia

A drive to collect food, snacks, notes, Easter cards, letters or other gifts to US soldiers serving in Bosnia will be conducted here through Easter.

Anyone interesting in sending a short note, card or letter, cookies, candies, gifts or canned, potted meats (with can opener) to the servicemen and servicewomen in Bosnia should bring the items to the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt on Mondays and Wednesdays through March 28. Items will be accepted between the hours of 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Mondays and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Gifts should be no larger than a shoe box.

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public fish fry every Friday evening during Lent through April 5 to raise funds for its "Random Acts of Kindness" program.

The fish fry meal will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. each Friday in the Immaculate Conception Community Hall. Meals will be \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 10 and under, all you can eat with all the fixings.

Coordinated by Norma Trigo, the FAITH Group consists of Dimmitt teenagers who perform voluntary service for the community and individuals where they are requested or see a need.



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MRS. BRIAN MATTHEW JOLIN ... nee Jennifer Kay Taylor

Taylor and Jolin wed

Feb. 17 wedding and a honeymoon cruise to the Caribbean.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Matthew Jolin Worth and granddaughter of Polly are home in Fort Worth after their Manning of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Claire Wildgen of Bremerton, Wash., and James and Carol Jilin of Port Orchard, Wash. Music was provided by the Chancel Choir, Mrs. Chris Rhoads, Melissa Hicks and Kayla Simons. The choir was directed by Dr. Stephen The bride is the former Jennifer Simons. Janet Pummill was the organist/pianist and Nancy Creel was trumpeter. The responsive reading was led by Dr. David Linguist. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Maid of honor was Melissa Hicks of Fort Worth. Matron of honor was Dr. Peggy Fenton Linguist of Memphis, Tenn. Bridesmaids were Kayla Simons of Fort Worth and Mrs. Billye Wallace Turner of Dallas. Best man was Paul Freed of Seattle, Wash. Groomsmen were Zach Goldberg of Chicago, Ill., John Eltringham of Seattle and David Russell of Roanoke. Ushers were Tony Gay of Arlington and Brendon Riley of Chicago. Presiding over the guest book were Lori Tillson Rhoads of Glen Rose and Kelly Wright Richardson of Arlington. Those handing out programs and assisting with gifts were Kerri Collins Wardlaw of Canyon and Louisa Dahl-Tillson of Fort Worth.

Book Swap set March 23

The Children's Book Swap will be held March 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

Children who are pre-school age through fourth grade are invited to bring books they are tired of and trade them one-for-one for some different books.

Entertainment will be provided by the FAITH Group of Dimmitt's Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, sponsored by Norma Trigo.

Children who are pre-school age will see a puppet show, featuring "Pocahontas" as the narrator and Sesame Street character puppets.

Children in kindergarten through second grade will see a comedy sketch by story tellers "Ima" and "Iza."

Third and fourth graders will see characters emerge from a giant book and tell about the characters in popubook series, such as lar "Goosebumps," "The Boxcar Children," and "The Babysitters' Club.



STATEWIDE CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE— Seven Dimmitt High School students were recently recognized for their educational achievements during a Celebration of Excellence program hosted by South Plains College. More than 1,000 students were honored at 18 statewide locations in a special program sponsored by the State Board of Education and Texas Education Agency. Pictured include (from left, front row) Jeremy Hall, Jill Davis, Taryn Hays and Carlos Garcia; and (back row, from left) Joel Townsend, Joshua Roberts and Jeff Riggs. Not pictured are Tawnee Matthews, Monica Ortiz and Colby McDaniel, who also were recognized.

Courtesy Photo





Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of March 14-22.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY-FRIDAY: No school. MONDAY: Choices of *steak fingers with gravy, ham and cheese sandwich or lasagna; *mashed potatoes, broccoli, rice and cheese or southern collard greens; *haystack finger salad, tossed salad with dressing or chilled fruit cocktail; *hot cheese rolls, flour tortillas or garlic bread; apple, orange or banana; *milk, punch or tea. TUESDAY: Choices of *hoagie submarine sandwich, poor boy steak or taco salad; *onion rings, potatoes au gratin or tomato and okra gumbo; *coleslaw, tossed salad with dressing or taco salad; hot wheat rolls, combread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea. WEDNESDAY: Choices of *cheeseburgers on a roll, green enchilada casserole, or grilled cheese with a bowl of soup; *Mexipinto beans, rice pilaf or French fries; *hamburger salad, tossed salad with dressing or cucumber and tomato salad; flour tortillas, white bread or saltine crackers; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea. THURSDAY: Choices of *beef and bean burrito with chili, chicken and dumplings or corn dogs; *Arroz Mexicano, pork and beans or potato salad; *fruited gelatin, tossed salad with dressing or orange wedges; homemade biscuits, combread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

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

HART THURSDAY: Ravioli (elementary), stromboli or lasagna, corn, salad, rolls, peanut butter bar and milk.

FRIDAY: Cheese enchiladas (elementary) or burritos, salad, refried beans, tortillas, pineapple and milk.

shortcake and milk.

THURSDAY: Pizza (elementary) or lasagna, salad, peaches, brownie and milk. FRIDAY: Baked fish (elementary) or corn dogs, corn on the cob, black-eyed peas, fried okra, cornbread, Rice Krispie bar and milk.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, rolls, applesauce and milk. FRIDAY: Chalupas, lettuce, cheese, green beans, pineapple and milk.

MONDAY: Sloppy Joes, carrots, fruit and

The couple exchanged vows in an evening ceremony Feb. 17 at the First United Methodist Church in Fort Worth with Rev. Tom McDermott officiating.

Kay Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon and Jean Taylor of Fort

Flores fine tunes teaching skills at Lubbock Monterey

Amy Flores of Dimmitt will be student teaching this spring at Lubbock Monterey High School under the supervision of Nancy Nanny.

Flores is a home economics education major at Texas Tech University. She will be teaching comprehensive home economics and food science and nutrition at Monterey.

She is the daughter of Johnny and Rosie Flores of Dimmitt. Her future plans include teaching home economics while striving to implement multicultural activities in the classroom. She plans to pursue a master's degree in the area of a professional licensed counselor on the elementary level.

In addition to teaching in the classroom, graduates also are prepared for careers in Extension, adult and community-based education, educational support services such as curriculum development and media, business, government, human services and other fields. Presently the demand for these graduates exceeds the supply in many areas of the state and nation.

Drama Club to perform

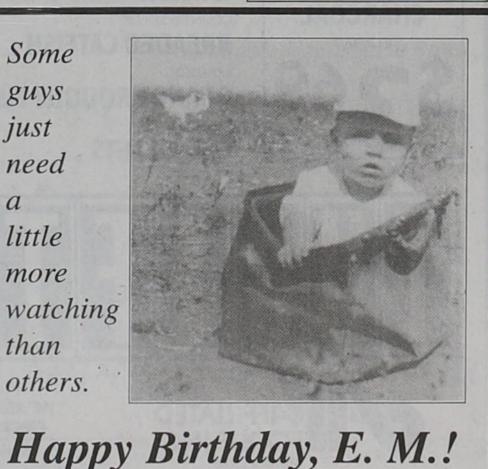
The Dimmitt High School Drama Club will present "A Canterbury Tale from the Wife of Bath" in a public performance March 21 at 7 p.m. in the DHS auditorium.

Admission will be \$2 per person, with children under 10 admitted free. Proceeds from the play will help pay for costumes, equipment and trip expenses for the group.

The one-act comedy was written by Herman Ammann, and is directed by Lisa Fixsen. The group is prepar-

The bride graduated from Eastern Hills High School in 1986. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in social work from Baylor University in 1990 and received her master's degree in social work from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1991. She is currently employed by the Arlington Independent School District in the campus health improvement program.

The groom graduated from Central Kitsap High School. He graduated in 1993 from the University of Puget Sound with a bachelor of arts degree in business leadership program. He is an alumnus of Sigma Chi fraternity and is currently the south central account manager for Quality Classics.



Stormy Michell Heller Stormy Heller places in pageant

Judges voted the "Best Eyes" award in the Sunburst USA Beauty Pageant to 3-year-old Stormy Michell Heller, and the girl finished as third runner-up in the pageant.

The beauty pageant was held at South Plains Mall in Lubbock Friday night and winners will advance to a state pageant, which will be held May 31 through June 2 at the Radisson Hotel in Dallas.

Heller also received a \$200 award toward her entry fee in the state finals.

Heller is the daughter of Tammy Heller and Craig Heller, both of Lubbock. Grandparents are Guy and Diann Leatherwood and Jerry and Delores Heller, all of Dimmitt. She is the great-granddaughter of Dorthy Stoner of Shamrock.



PLAINS MEMORIAL It's a boy for Keith and Kim Birkenfeld of Nazareth. Their son, Lane Michael, was born at 7:21 a.m. on March 4 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed 7 lbs., 3 ozs., and was 20 inches long. He has three older siblings including 5-year-old Kyle, 3-year-old Ryan and 20-month-old Haley. Paternal grandparents are Herman and Marilyn Birkenfeld of Nazareth. Maternal grandparents are Neil and Judy Harmon of Springfield, Colo.

Together We Can

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

St. Patrick's dance planned

The Nazareth chapter of the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day dance Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Nazareth Community Hall.

Admission will be \$10 per person, and music will be provided by the band "Rowdy Ace."

Proceeds from the event will benefit Catholic Family Services.



MONDAY: Enchilada casserole (elementary) or burrito, corn, salad, tortillas, cake, pineapple and milk.

TUESDAY: Ham and cheese sandwich (elementary), barbecue on a bun or hamburger; tomatoes, pickles, lettuce, potato chips, fresh fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Barbecued wieners (elementary) or brisket, baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, pinto beans, combread, strawberry

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TUESDAY: Roast, potatoes and gravy, corn, Jell-O, hot rolls and milk.

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WEDNESDAY: Corn dogs, cauliflower, apple cobbler and milk.

THURSDAY: Enchilada, tossed salad, carrots, applesauce and milk.

FRIDAY: Baked potatoes, tuna salad, broccoli, spiced bread, peaches and milk.





Happy Anniversary, March 15th, your special day. Happy Anniversary, Is what we've come to say. Happy Anniversary, Hope all your dreams came true. Happy Anniversary, From all of us to you!

ing the presentation for the district one-act play contest.

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UIL LITERARY WINNERS-These Dimmitt Middle School students won first or second placings at the District UIL meet held in Friona recently. They are

(front, from left) Holly Goode and Kelsey Welch; and (back, from left) Roxie Saenz, Jarod Newland and **Thomas Brockman.** Photo by Linda Maxwell

Dimmitt students place in UIL district literary contests

Dimmitt Middle School students participated in the District UIL Literary contests in Friona Feb. 26 and March 2, and brought home numerous ribbons.

Winning first place honors were eighth grader Holly Goode in ready writing, sixth grader Thomas Brockman in dictionary skills and fifth grader Roxie Saenz in oral reading.

Second place honors went to sixth graders Kelsey Welch, in ready writing, and Jarod Newland, in oral reading; and fourth grader Tyler Myatt in ready writing.

Eighth grader Ivan Flores tied for

third in the science contest. Sixth in the art contest, fifth graders Jenna grader Lyndee Behrends won third in spelling; and fourth graders Kyle Ray and Tyler Myatt were third in number sense and spelling, respectively.

Fourth place honors went to Stephanie Casas in seventh grade number sense; Lillian Stewart, who tied in seventh grade science; and Jeremy Bishop in sixth grade spelling.

Winning fifth place honors were Ivan Flores in eighth grade maps, graphs and charts; and Eric Martinez in sixth grade dictionary skills. Also,

The meeting will feature a presen-

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Steinle, Jody Stovall, Priscilla Caballero and Dalton Fisher; and fourth graders Sara Silva, Cinnamon Trotter, Shae Odom, Angelica Lara and Sheena Ehly.

Bringing home sixth place honors were eighth graders Silvia Medrano, in dictionary skills, and Holly Goode in maps, graphs and charts; sixth graders Jessica Dominguez, in dictionary skills, Rae Odom, in oral reading, and Sally Stahl, in number sense; and fifth grader Ramey Rice in ready writing.



Verba Sadler, Sharon Sadler and Gay Sadler were in Methodist Hospital to be with the Cleo Widner family while she underwent surgery for the removal of a brain tumor. All their kids were there. She went through the surgery fine, but the test results showed malignant.

Sharon Sadler also visited her uncle, Bob Davis, in the same hospital.

They visited in Plainview with Bess Bills before they went to Lubbock. Bess said the result of her biopsy Monday showed a malignancy, and she was scheduled to have surgery in Plainview Tuesday.

While they all were there, they found out that Shorty Lilley had undergone knee replacement surgery in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Sharon Sadler went back to see her uncle and his wife again Wednesday. He died Wednesday night. He was 75. Funeral services were held in Hart Friday. Attending the services were Sharon, Stacy, Tex and Norma Conard of Dimmitt, and Larry Sadler. Larry was a pallbearer.

Tex and Norma Conard and Sharon Sadler attended the funeral services Monday for Les Gordin, a neighbor of the Conards. They were with him when he died.

Rev. Benny and Joyce Wright visited in the home of Bess and R.V. Bills Saturday. They also visited with Teeny Bowden after church Sunday, since she had stayed in with a sore throat. Sunday was his first day as pastor, and they moved their church letter from First Church, Plainview, to Sunnyside Church.

Kelley and Dara Green are still working on their house, but are also moving in a little at a time.

W.B. and Gaye Tomlinson visited with Teeny Bowden Sunday afternoon. They also visited with Goldie

It was 10 degrees last Thursday morning.

Robert and Frances Duke were in Lubbock Monday to see Lori and visit with Sandra and Bob Duke. Bob had flown in to another conference Sunday. Larry was in Asia for a two-week business trip. He flew to Hong Kong and went other places, 100.

Robert and Frances spent the night with Lori and the girls so they could attend Ashlee's school program Tuesday morning.

Monday, Hershell Wilson and a brother-in-law and Lonnie Wilson went to Lake Fork below Sulphur Springs to fish for a few days. The wind was so high each day, they were only able to catch two fish, and they came home Wednesday.

Samantha Wilson is home from Texas A&M for the spring break. The family celebrated Saturday by taking in a movie and going out to eat in Lubbock. Those going were Hershell and Retha Wilson, Lonnie and Renee Wilson, Samantha, Jessica and Andrea. Flossie was in Missouri with her sister, Dovie, who was ill.

Karen and David Hutson of Dimmitt visited a while Saturday morning with Retha and Hershell Wilson.

Marshal and Kaye King visited Friday afternoon with Billie and Emma Jean King. Saturday, Billie and Emma Jean spent the day in Amarillo with Francis and Mary.

Emma Jean King was an election judge for the Republican Primary election in the Sunnyside Baptist Church Tuesday. Her helpers were Sharon Sadler and Stephanie Rogers.

Kevin Riley was the election judge for the Democratic Primary, also in Sunnyside Baptist Church. His helpers were Melinda Riley and Ray Joe Riley.

Debbie Elder of Lubbock was admitted to a Lubbock hospital Saturday evening with chest pains. She was dismissed Tuesday.

Leslie Loudder came home from Veterans' Hospital in Big Spring Monday afternoon and went to work. He is doing well.



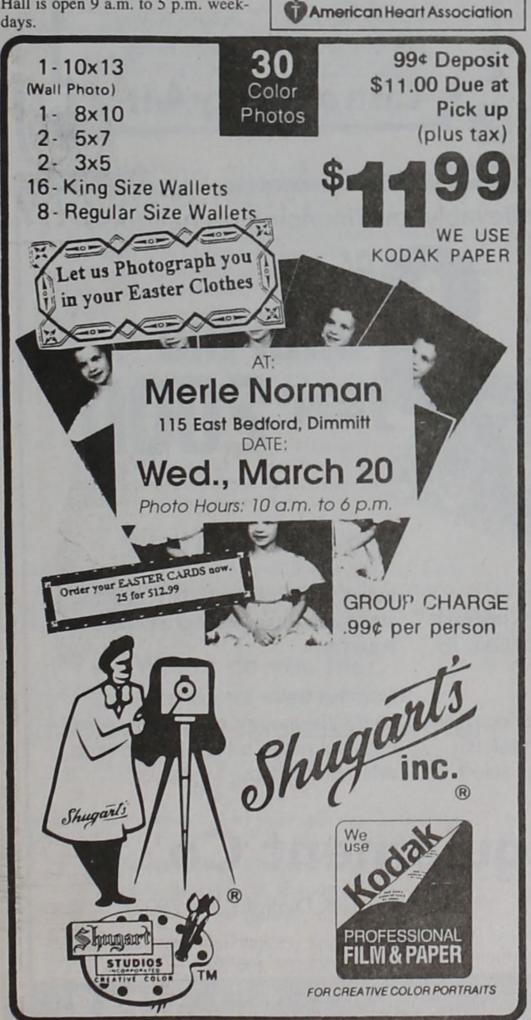
Parkinson's support group to meet

The Parkinson's Community Support Group of St. Mary of the Plains Hospital Neurology Research and Education Center (NREC) will meet March 22 at 1:30 p.m. in the NREC at 4102 24th Street, Suite 501, in Lubbock.

Cowgirl Hall of Fame to end tours March 27

The National Cowgirl Hall of Fame is closing its Hereford location and will move the museum to Fort Worth.

The last day tours will be offered at the Hereford site is March 27. The Hall is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.





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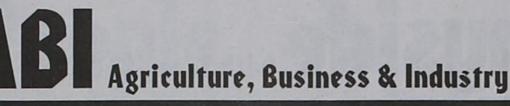
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Minding Your Own Business By DON TAYLOR



In the game of business the customer is king. In the game of chess the objective is to capture your opponent's king. In both games, you lose when your competitor captures your king.

You can also compare the game of business to chess in other ways. Players have the same opportunity to move and find a position of strength. They can also plan their strategy far into the future. In addition, if you make a stupid move, it's likely that your opponent

will take advantage of it.

Unfortunately, the similarity ends there. The real-life game of business is more like the game of Calvin Ball. Bill Watterson, the creator of the Calvin and Hobbes cartoon strip, conceived the game of Calvin Ball for Calvin and his imaginary tiger pal, Hobbes. The only rules are: 1.) There are no rules, and 2.) You can't play the same way twice.

Calvin chess

Maybe we should call the new game of business Calvin Chess. Opportunities still exist to capture "King Customer" and good strategies can still pay off. However, in Calvin Chess the pieces no longer have fixed moves and if you don't move quickly you opponent may make three or four moves while you're thinking. In Calvin Chess you not only have to manage resources and strategies, but you also have to manage velocity.

The old business rules no longer apply. The best practices of today become the mediocre models of tomorrow. Wal-Mart president and CEO David Glass summed it up in a recent speech to the National Retail Federation. He said, "All concepts of doing business are changing." indeed they are.

How can small businesses survive? How do you compete in a mega-competitor world? How do you overcome economies of scale, billion-dollar buying power and marketplace momentum?

It may not be as difficult as you think. It is not impossible, as some anti-big business experts would lead you to believe. Actually, smaller businesses have some very strategic advantages. For example, no big company can be closer to their customers, no large firm can adapt strategy as quickly, no mega chain can change operational tactics daily, and intelligence is not related to size.

Change the rules

Here are some thoughts for beating your competitors in the new game of Calvin Chess. Remember, you're in charge and you can change the rules.

• Ignore conventional business practice. Become ruthless and make October. changes. Don't accept "we've always done it that way" as an answer for anything.

Reinvent, raise your aim, get out of your rut and push the envelope. You ated from Harlandale High School in may have to work harder, but keep your focus on being quick and smart. Find San Antonio and obtained a degree ways to serve your customers better with less. Learn to love change.



ED LUEBKEN IS NEW AT FARM SERVICE AGENCY ... Started as ag credit manager last week.

Luebken is FSA ag credit manager

Ed Luebken started his duties as ag credit manager for the Farm Service Agency office in Dimmitt last week, moving here from Stanton, where he had been serving since

Luebken called himself "a transplanted Central Texan." He graduin production and management from

person to stay at least a year before moving again."

He said he felt comfortable about coming here, because the cropping systems and conservation practices are similar to what he was used to in Farwell.

While in Farwell, Luebken said he had been a member of the Lions Club, and was "taking his turn" as president when he was moved to Stanton

Deaf Smith REC plans annual meeting Tuesday

Cooperative will issue \$1,500,000 in prizes totaling more than \$1,000. A capital credit refunds from 1982, 1983 and a portion of 1984 to its members Tuesday at the cooperative's annual meeting and dinner.

The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. at the Hereford Bull Barn.

A fish, chicken and beef dinner will be served to guests and entertainment following the meal will be provided by the Dixie Melody Boys.

A short business meeting to elect two directors will follow the Dixie Melody Boys' first performance.

Incumbent Gilbert "Nick" Yosten and nominee Mike Brumley are candidates for Position 1. Candidates for Position 2 are incumbent Anthony "Tony" Acker and nominee Tommy Hoelting.

Another highlight of the evening's ern gospel music today.

Deaf Smith Rural Electric activities will be drawings for door color television set will be awarded as the grand prize.

The Dixie Melody Boys will be making their first appearance at Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's annual meeting. The gospel group has been together for 30 years. Along the way the group has established some impressive credentials. It recorded more than 30 albums with memorable hits in the Southern Gospel field as He Came Back, Lord, Don't Move That Mountain, Sending Up Some Boards and Antioch Church Choir.

The Dixie Melody Boys are extremely versatile and are reaching young and old alike in their concerts. The band has an unusual sound combining piano, bass, percussion and the best harmonica playing in South-

New 888 toll-free option supplements 800 number

A second option for toll-free calling started March 1 with the introduction of 1-888 telephone numbers. The 888 telephone numbers will supplement existing toll-free 800 numbers and also will be free to the caller.

The popularity of toll-free 800 numbers has nearly depleted its supply. Toll-free 888 numbers will open up more than 7.5 million new telephone numbers to consumers and businesses.

Toll-free 800 number service be-

gan in 1967. By May 1993 there were approximately three million toll-free numbers in use. Usage doubled during the next two years. Today there are more than seven million numbers being used and only 700,000 combinations left.



• Believe you can. Henry Ford said, "Whether you think you can, or think you cannot, you're right." Walt Disney said, "It's fun to do the impossible."

Both of these men changed the world they lived in. Both made their customers happy. You can, too, if you become convinced you can.

• Leave your comfort zone. Changing the rules always makes us uncom- School in San Antonio. fortable. Courage on the battlefield does not mean that we don't experience fear and anxiety. Rather, courage is entering the battle despite those feelings.

Ask yourself these questions: "If I don't serve the customer more effectively, who will?" and "If I don't do it now, when will I?"

 Protect your king. Don't lose sight of your objective because the rules are changing. Calvin Chess-business-is still about pleasing customers. You can only guarantee a winning position when you're protecting your king-customers. Stay focused on achieving the results you want while working hard to please your customers and press onward.

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

TFU elects Sims president

Wes Sims of Sweetwater was named president of the Texas Farmers Union at the group's state convention in Dallas in January.

A dairyman, Sims follows former TFU president Joe Rankin of Ralls, who had served as the organization's president and vice president for more than 20 years.

Delegates to the convention heard from four members of Congress, including US Congressman Charles Stenholm of Stamford, ranking minority member of the House Agriculture Committee.

Also, Texas House Agriculture Committee Chairman Pete Patterson of Brookston spoke to the group.

A TFU report on the convention

said that all of the state and national speakers emphasized the need to reduce the deficit and to provide programs to care for the elderly, as well as the need for reasonable, affordable health care for all Americans.

National Farmers Union President Leland Swenson told the gathering that the national farm group believes any agriculture program should include profitability for producers, flexibility in planting and marketing, accountability to the taxpayers, difamily-sized operations, and simplicity for both the producer and the federal agencies charged with administering the programs.

Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. He later obtained his teach-ing degree and taught ag classes at John Marshall High

He went to work for the US Dept. of Agriculture in 1989, and was a poultry inspector in Los Angeles for 10 months. In May of 1990, Farmers Home Administration called and asked if he would like to move back to Texas, and he accepted.

He began training at College Station in June, 1990, and was assigned to Farwell in March of 1991, serving there through October of 1995.

"My supervisor said everyone ought to go to West Texas at least once in their lives," Luebken said. "So, I tried it, and I've really enjoyed it here."

Luebken said even though West Texans think the dirt really blows here, they should see the way it was in Stanton during his few months there. He said the street lights would come on at 2 p.m. because the blowing dirt would make it seem dark outside.

"I wanted to be back on the plains," Luebken said, even though it's further away from his mother, who lives in San Antonio. "I was recting of benefits to moderate surprised they (FSA) let me move again so soon. Usually they like a

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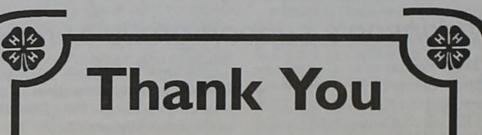
He volunteered in 1994 as a member of one of the JUMP teams that helped with flood disaster relief in Iowa, making damage appraisals, etc., and spent seven weeks there. He received several commendations, including certificates of merit from Michael Dunn, who was head of FmHA at that time, and George Ellis, who was the state director of FmHA at that time.

Luebken said he enjoyed working with FFA youngsters during his teaching days, but he hasn't had much opportunity to work with kids since then. While an FFA sponsor, he received an honorary State Farmer Degree.

He ran some cattle in the '70s with his uncle and did a little farming between San Marcos and Seguin. He has his Series 7 license for selling stocks and bonds.

Luebken said he enjoys trout fishing, woodworking, putting model airplanes together, and reading western novels, especially those by Louis L'Amour.

He is a member of the Lutheran Church, and is single.



We would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their donations and contributions to the livestock show's concession stand that was ran by the 4-H Parent-Leader Association. Without your help, our program would not be a success.

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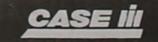
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Consumer counselors offer taxpayer advice

Tax time often makes many consumers feel that they are in a hopeless situation being faced with paying money that they did not plan for in their budgets. However, Consumer Credit Counseling Service can help consumers budget for taxes and plan ahead for next year's payments.

"For consumers who are already deep in debt as a result of holiday spending or other expenses, facing even a small tax payment may seem overwhelming," said Marianne Gray, executive director of CCCS. "Ideally, consumers should anticipate having to pay taxes and set aside money throughout the year for this expense. However, if they haven't planned for tax payments, there is assistance that many consumers may not be aware of."

Suggestions offered by CCCS include:

-Figure taxes now. Begin saving for the payment right away. Avoid late filing penalties.

-Decide the best source of funds for your tax payment. Depending on the amount owed, decide whether to use savings or a loan.

-There is still time to save. Trim your budget. Reevaluate vacation plans or substitute low cost activities close to home to save money.

-Investigate payment installment plans. One should be set up as soon as possible to avoid additional interest or penalties.

-You may qualify for benefits. -Don't withhold too much money next year.

-For tax questions, the IRS has several 800 numbers. TELE-TAX at 1-800-829-4032 is a pre-recorded menu of categories that will give you information immediately. TAX-HELP at 1-800-829-1040 will connect you with an IRS representative.

CCCS is a nonprofit organization that provides professional counseling and guidance to financially troubled consumers. There is a branch office in Lubbock and a satellite office in Plainview.



SAN'S COZY CORNER BED AND BREAKFAST in Dimmitt had ribbon-cutting ceremonies Friday morning. Located at 1108 W. Bedford, the business is managed by San Talley and owned by Worth and Othella Jones. Cutting the ribbon in the spacious sitting area

of the establishment are (from left) Othella and Worth Jones, San Talley, Avery Thrasher, Becky Stovall, Don Gregory, Dorothy Hopson, Shelly Nutt, Deanne Clark, Morris Wilcox, Mike Huseman and Percy Parsons. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Cotton Talks

Improving the flow of information to cotton farmers and the general support existing agricultural media public is the goal of the High Plains Cotton Information Committee ment of new media sources across (CIC).

Castro County News

According to Lubbock's Plains Cotton Growers (PCG), there is a very real demand for agricultural tural media are probably familiar news and information and the CIC was put together to fulfill that demand. Most of the individuals active sion outlets for the latest in ag news in the CIC are directly associated with agriculture.

The CIC, as it is sometimes called, growing season and works to develop and deliver cohesive, helpful Extension Cotton Specialist Kater information to area cotton growers.

Originally the group was organized to pool the local knowledge and informational resources of Texas Tech University, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agriculton Growers, US Dept. of Agriculture and the Texas Dept. of Agriculture.

The group represents a vast supply guests and speakers available to civic and community meetings to address various facets of the High Plains cotton industry.

Another goal of the group is to outlets as well as foster the developthe Texas High Plains.

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Regular listeners to local agriculwith members of the CIC. Producers can tune into both radio and televiand information.

Regular listeners to venues such as meets on a regular basis during the the Ag Producers Radio Network on KFYO regularly hear the latest from Hake and a variety of other CIC members. On television people can find KAMC (Ch. 28 in Lubbock) television at noon to get the latest in ag news and weather. These are just two of the local media outlets availtural Experiment Station, Plains Cot- able to producers and it is the CIC's goal to provide each of them with the best information possible.

Group members are available at of knowledgeable and enthusiastic any time. Local news agencies and civic groups wanting to learn more about the cotton industry are encouraged to make use of the tremendous resource that has been assembled.

Extension agents offer 'Value-added' list to help farmers, ranchers solve problems

A list of agricultural producers and majority of the contacts for the list. businesses that are involved in the value-added processing of Texas commodities is now available from assistance are listed as well. county Extension agents.

"Many Texans do not understand the process or know those people who add value to agricultural prod-Agricultural Extension Service livestock specialist in Corpus Christi and coauthor of the list.

Local, state and federal agencies able to provide information or financial

For example, one of the companies listed processes fajita meat for export to Mexico; another offers custom dying and finishing of both organic ucts," said Dr. Joe Paschal, Texas and conventional cotton fabrics for the sportswear manufacturing industry; and still another produces hanging baskets of plants for a major ate agribusiness major at Texas grocery chain in the state. Farmers and ranchers and associated agribusiness firms added roughly \$45 billion to the state's economic activity in 1995. That number grows substantially when value is added from the processing and manufacturing industries and retailing of food and fiber products. A business that adds value to agricultural products benefits not only agriculture but the community it is in, explains Dr. Dick Edwards, Extension economist. That business (512) 265-9203.

spends money for labor and supplies and adds to the base taxes of that community.

"It enhances the economy of that community," Edwards said.

The new resource directory was initiated by a committee of Extension faculty pulled together to find ways to add value to and create markets for Texas agricultural products. Hoffman, who was an undergradu-

A&M University-Kingsville, sought the help of county Extension agents and specialists in compiling the names for the list. "The index is by no means a complete listing of all the participants in the agricultural sector who add value to Texas products," Hoffman said. "But it does represent a diverse array of activity in the state." Producers and businesses may still be added to the list. Further information is available from Paschal at

ATTENTION BARROW **EXHIBITORS!**

PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL AVAILABLE FOR OVER-65 HOMEOWNERS

By filing a simple affidavit with their local appraisal district, over-65 homeowners can indefinitely postpone paying property taxes on their homestead.

For more information, contact **Castro County Appraisal District** 204 S.E. 3rd (Rear), Dimmitt, TX 79027 647-5131

"It's difficult to clarify what 'value-added' means and how an individual can add value to their products," Paschal said. "This index should help solve some of those problems and give the farmer or rancher a clear understanding of value-added products and services."

The new index contains entries for livestock and meats, fiber, forestry, fruits and vegetables, feed grains and seeds and nurseries, said Cristel Hoffman of Cuero, who made the

A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$5,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$45,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$5,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. (Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled-or if you're 65 years old or older-you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1995, you won't need to reapply for 1996 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home-or if you've moved to a new home-you'll need to file for an exemption for 1996. And if you turned 65 or became disabled during 1995, you need to file for the additional exemptions.

When and where should I file?

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

Castro County Appraisal District

If you had a hog penned in the small pig barn at this year's junior livestock show and you haven't cleaned your pen, you will not receive your check until the pen is cleaned and sawdust is hauled away.

Dimmitt Young Farmers

"Productivity appraisal" may lower the property taxes on your farm, ranch or timber land!

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "production value" of their land rather than on its market value. This "productivity appraisal" means qualified land is taxed based on its ability to produce crops, livestock or timber-not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

When is the application deadline?

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 1996 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

Do you need to reapply annually?

If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by:

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Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income-such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1995. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 1996.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 1996 renditions is Monday, April 15. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 15 deadline.

Where do you file? File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

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Bobcats win consolation crown in Frenship meet

After a disappointing 7-4 loss to Thursday, Dimmitt sluggers struck back to destroy Plainview Freshmen and Idalou for the consolation championship in the Frenship JV-Cooper Tournament.

Sports

Dimmitt pitcher Zack Matthews, who was on the mound for the Bobcats in the first-round game against Abernathy, made the all-tournament team.

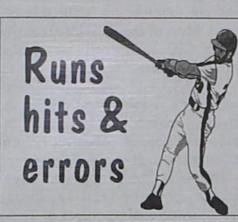
The Bobcats started off hot in the first inning against Abernathy, taking a 4-0 lead after the first. Then the Bobcat defense kicked in and held Abernathy scoreless through the first three innings.

The Antelopes managed one run in the fourth and fifth innings before exploding for four runs in the sixth to overtake Dimmitt.

Meanwhile the Bobcats were silent after their big first-inning rally, and didn't get another run in the game. The Antelopes added an insurance run in the seventh inning for the 7-4 win.

In the Abernathy game, Dimmitt managed four hits and four errors while Abernathy had eight hits and three errors.

Abernathy in the first round last Abernathy and losing pitcher was ble in the game along with Aber-Zack Matthews of Dimmitt. Jason nathy's B.J. Petillo.



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Consolation Semifinals Bobcats 15, Plainview Freshmen 3

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Consolation Championship Bobcats 12, Idalou 0 000 000- 024 Idalou 3 1 0 3 2 3 - 12 9 0 Dimmitt WP-Jason Nino, Dimmitt. LP-Bozeman, Idalou. 2B-Dwayne Espinoza, Zack Matthews, Zeke nino and Jason Nino. 3B-Luis Nino and Ramiro Gauna.

Hart players claim all-District 3-AA honors

Hart placed two girls and two boys honors. on the all-district team this year.

Charbra Lee, a sophomore post, and Tiffany Bradford, a senior wing, both made the girls' 3-AA honor Deal for the boys.

Most Valuable Players from 3-AA were Detra Johnson of New Deal for the girls and Jeff Walker of New

Winning pitcher was Delgado of Wooten of Dimmitt managed a dou-

Dimmitt hitters recorded 14 hits and 15 runners crossed the plate Friday as the Bobcats thrashed Plainview Freshmen, 15-3.

Dimmitt was on top 3-0 after the first inning and extended that lead to 6-0 in the second, 8-0 in the third

and 15-0 in the fourth before top of the fifth.

The young Bulldogs picked up blanking the Class AA team, 12-0. three runs in the inning, but the Bobcats had mounted enough of an advantage for the run rule.

Luis Nino got the win from the mound and Conrado Sauceda of Dimmitt was credited with a triple for the Cats.

Dimmitt got another run-rule vic-Plainview managed to score in the tory Saturday in the consolation championship game with Idalou,

> Dimmitt had solid offense through six innings, scoring in each inning but the third for the win.

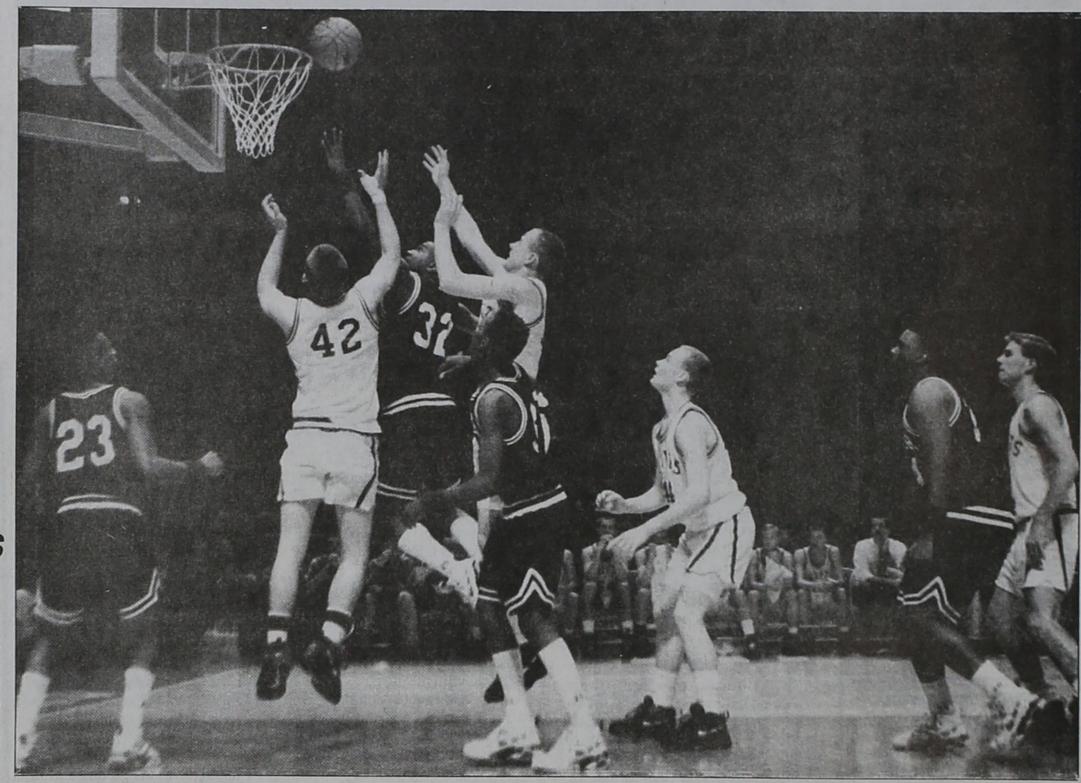
Dimmitt took another early lead, 3-0 in the first, then added a run in the second, three each in the fourth and sixth innings and two in the fifth

for their 12-0 win.

Dimmitt's defense had an errorless game while Idalou was charged with four errors.

Dimmitt pitched Jason Nino and Richard Carpio in the game.

Hot hitters for the Bobcats were Dwayne Espinoza, Zack Matthews, Zeke Nino and Jason Nino, all with doubles; and Luis Nino and Ramiro Gauna, both with triples.



squad.

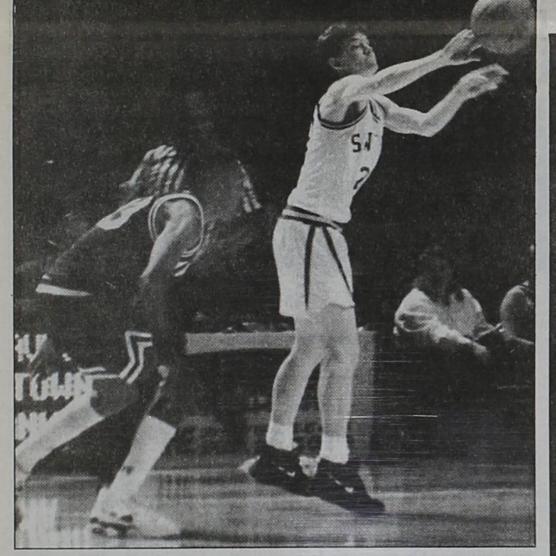
Dusty Ortiz.

both earned honorable mention Givens of Olton.

Other members of the girls' squad are Jennifer Williamson, Stacie The boys' all-district squad in- Nelson, Candice Riley, Krista Bryant cludes Hart seniors J.R. Lee and and Leisha Elliott, all of Abernathy; Angela Wood of New Deal, Meranda Gayla Reyna and Tylene Garcia, Barron of Hale Center and Valerie

THE BATTLE IS ON for a crucial free-throw rebound in the waning minutes of the Nazareth-Avinger game in the Class A state semifinals in Austin last Thursday morning. Avinger's Treston Dowell (32) is flanked by Nazareth's Coby Schacher (44) and Nathan Hoelting in

the air. Swifts in the lane are Casey Hoelting and Gaylon Schilling (right). Avinger won it, 61-56, then went on to capture the state championship. Photo by Don Nelson



ROBBY SCHMUCKER fires a cross-court pass to a teammate during the closing minutes of Nazareth's Class A state semifinals game against Avinger last Thursday morning in Austin. The Swifts were having to play catch-up at this stage, and cut a seven-point deficit to two, but Avinger pulled away in the final minute for a 61-56 win. Avinger went on to win the state title. Photo by Don Nelson

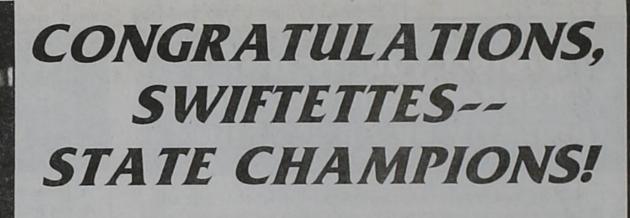


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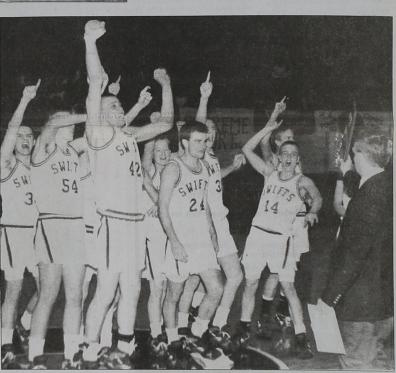
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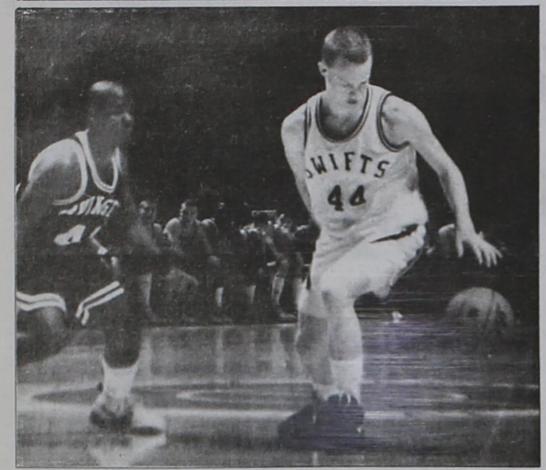
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BEHIND THE BACK-Nazareth's Casey Hoelting (44) changes directions while being dogged by Avinger's Darryl Jones in the fourth quarter of the Class A state semifinals in Austin last Thursday morning. The two teams fought toe-to-toe the entire game, with Avinger pulling out a hard-earned 61-56 win. Avinger then went on to defeat Anderson-Shiro, 51-48, for the state championship.

Photo by Don Nelson

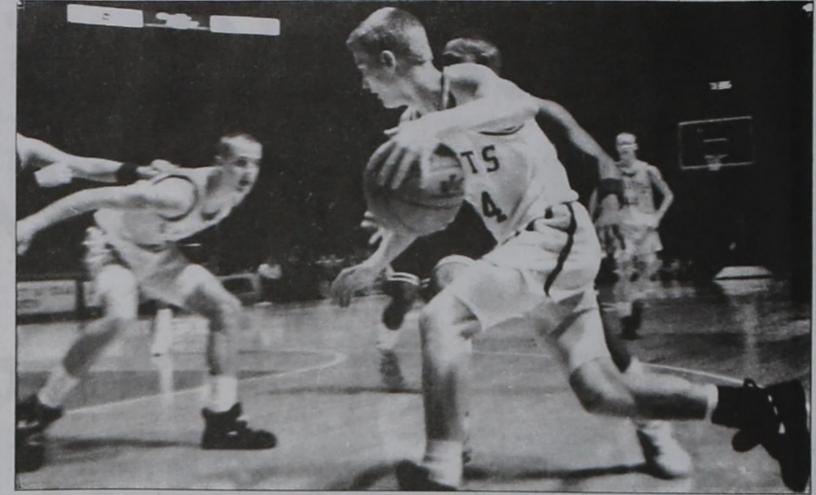


CLASS A STATE SEMIFINALS Swifts 56, Avinger 61 14 13 17 12 - 56 Nazareth 12 15 17 17 - 61 Avinger NAZARETH-Robby Schmucker 1 1-

2-3; Gaylon Schilling 3 1-4-7; Nathan Hoelting 11 0-0-23; Coby Schacher 5 1-2-11; Casey Hoelting 0 0-0-0; Bryan Braddock 5 0-0-12; Justin Bingham 0 0-0-0; Billy Don Cannon 0 0-0-0. TO-TALS: 25 3-8-56

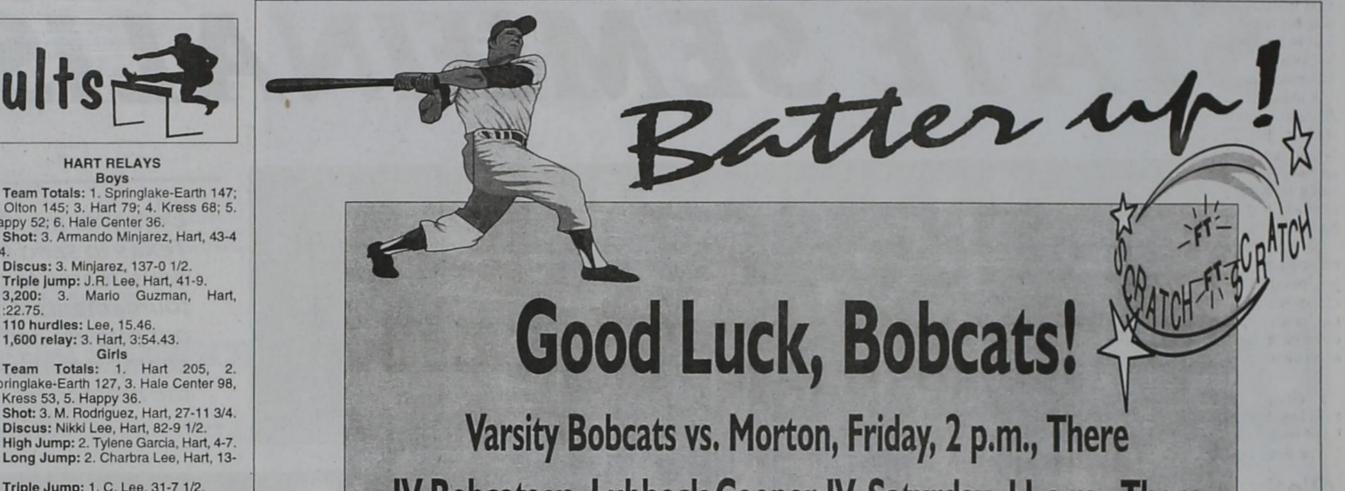
AVINGER-Chad Wilson 0 0-0-0; Lee Hopkins 6 2-3-14; Treston Dowell 7 2-2-19; Dondray Dowell 3 1-2-7; Darryl Jones 5 0-0-10; Bakari Ector 5 1-1-11. TOTALS: 26 3-4-61

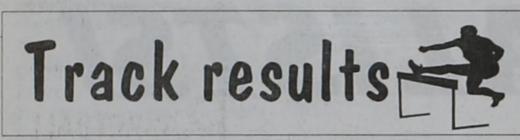
Three Point Goals: Nazareth 3 (Braddock 2, N. Hoelting 1), Avinger 3 (T. Dowell 3); Rebounds: Nazareth 28 (Schilling 6), Avinger 21 (D. Dowell 5); Turnovers: Nazareth 15 (Schmucker and C. Hoelting 4), Avinger 14 (T. Dowell 4); Steals: Nazareth 8 (Schmucker 3), Avinger 9 (Jones 5); Blocked Shots: Nazareth 0, Avinger 8 (T. Dowell 4); Assists: Nazareth 10 (Schmucker, Schilling and Braddock 3), Avinger 15 (D. Dowell 7, Hopkins 6); Total Fouls: Nazareth 10, Avinger 9; Fouled Out: None; Attendance: 8,090.



BRYAN BRADDOCK drives the ball while Nathan Hoelting works for position in the final moments of the Nazareth Swifts' Class A state semifinals game against the Avinger Indians last Thursday morning

in Austin. In far right background is Nazareth's Casey Hoelting. Avinger managed a 61-56 win over the Swifts, then went on to win the state championship. Photo by Don Nelson





MULESHOE INVITATIONAL Boys

Team Totals: 1. Littlefield 136; 2. Dimmitt 134; 3. Muleshoe 118; 4. Denver City 102; 5. Sudan 22.

3,200: 1. Joe Larra, Dimmitt, 11:06.54. 400: 1. Albert Ewing, Dimmitt, 53.17. 200: 2. Brandon Smith, Dimmitt, 23.31. 1,600: 1. Larra, Dimmitt, 5:02.93. 800: 1. Joey Flores, Dimmitt, 2:05.26. 1,600 relay:1. Dimmitt, 3:27.56. Pole vault: 1. Jason Wooten, Dimmitt, 11-0; 2. Derek Buckley, 10-6.

Girls

Team Totals: 1. Muleshoe 189, 2. Dimmitt 150, 3. Denver City 130, 4. Littlefield 74, 5. Muleshoe JV 8, 6. Denver City JV 5.

Boys Team Totals: 1. Springlake-Earth 147; 2. Olton 145; 3. Hart 79; 4. Kress 68; 5. Happy 52; 6. Hale Center 36.

HART RELAYS

Shot: 3. Armando Minjarez, Hart, 43-4 3/4 Discus: 3. Minjarez, 137-0 1/2.

Triple jump: J.R. Lee, Hart, 41-9. 3,200: 3. Mario Guzman, Hart, 11:22.75.

110 hurdles: Lee, 15.46. 1,600 relay: 3. Hart, 3:54.43. Girls

Team Totals: 1. Hart 205, 2. Springlake-Earth 127, 3. Hale Center 98, 4. Kress 53, 5. Happy 36. Shot: 3. M. Rodriguez, Hart, 27-11 3/4. Discus: Nikki Lee, Hart, 82-9 1/2. High Jump: 2. Tylene Garcia, Hart, 4-7.

300 hurdles: 1. Jennifer Vick, Dimmitt, 50.18. 200: 1. Kami Hand, Dimmitt, 28.30.

800 relay: 1. Dimmitt 1:55.31. 1,600: 3. Torres, Dimmitt, 6:21.20. 1,600 relay: 1. Dimmitt 4:32.29. 400 relay: 1. Dimmitt, 54:09. 3,200: 3. Torres, Dimmitt, 13:56.52. High jump: 3. Vick, 4-8. Triple jump: Jacy Buckley, Dimmitt, 31-Long jump: 1. Vick, 15-9 1/2.

Triple Jump: 1. C. Lee, 31-7 1/2. 3,200: 1. Isela Minjarez, Hart, 13:08.24; 2. Lisa Rincon, Hart, 13:08.35. 400 Relay: 1. Hart (Tiffany Bradford, C. Lee, Ysa Rodriguez and T. Garcia), 53.09. 100 Hurdles: 1. C. Lee, 18.05; 3. Valerie Gonzales, Hart, 19.18. 800 Relay: 2. Hart, 2:03.84. 400: 1. Brandy Key, Hart, 68.51 200: 1. Garcia, 27.85; 2. Y. Rodriguez, 28.50

1,600: 1. Minjarez, 6:03.56. 1,600 Relay: 2. Hart, 4:44.84.

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More about Swifts at state

(Continued from Page 1) yourself, but that's just the breaks of the game, especially when you get down to the Final Four. A made shot here or there, turnovers here or there can make a difference. Then they made their free throws down the stretch and limited our chances with under a minute left. That's a credit to them."

Nazareth, which claimed a 14-12 lead in the opening quarter, was up 24-18 with 4:09 left in the first half. But the semifinal game was full of comebacks. Avinger posted the first, then Nazareth erased two nine-point Avinger leads.

After Nazareth took the six-point lead Treston Dowell took control, hitting three straight three-pointers, including one with two seconds left to tie the game at 27 at intermission.

The second comeback belonged to Nazareth. The Swifts fell behind by nine midway through the third period, but battled back to take a 44-42 lead with eight seconds left. A basket by Avinger's Lee Hopkins tied it at 44 headed into the fourth period.

Another Swift drought allowed Avinger to take another nine-point lead at the midway point of the fourth, but the Swifts wouldn't give up and got within a point of Avinger twice down the stretch before the steal and free throws sealed the win for the Indians.

"It's like being on an emotional roller-coaster," said Makeever. "If you're down and out like we were, then you come back and get back in the game, then you get down and come back again, it's tough. It takes a toll on the players."

Hoelting, Schacher and Gaylon Schilling had Avinger Coach Ken Loyd worried in the first half.

The three combined in a post at-

tack that Avinger couldn't stop in the before Makeever called a time out. first 16 minutes.

"I was really worried in the first half when their posts were killing us," said Loyd. "They've got the best post attack we've faced all year, and we've played some of the big boys." Hoelting, Schacher and Schilling pounded away on the inside, hitting jumper after jumper in the first quarter. Then Braddock came in off the bench and hit two off-the-dribble shots, including one with two seconds left to give Nazareth a 14-12 edge.

Dondray Dowell had the hot hand for Avinger in the first, scoring three baskets to tie the game at 2, 6 and 8. The Indians also got big play from their bench-Jones in the second half and Bakari Ector in the first.

Ector kept it close in the final two minutes of the first when the rest of his team was cold, and he tied the game at 12 with 10 seconds left before Braddock gave Nazareth its 14-12 lead.

Avinger tied the score at 14 and 16 in the second before Nazareth started to pull away.

Hoelting and Schacher combined to give Nazareth a 20-16 lead with 5:40 left before Treston Dowell scored four seconds later to trim the lead to two.

Braddock and Schacher followed with two baskets to give the Swifts their biggest lead of the game, 24-18, with 4:09 left. Nazareth would be silent for the next two minutes. A free throw by Schmucker would be the only Nazareth point until Schacher scored with a minute left. Meanwhile Treston Dowell was doing his thing from three-point land.

He made the first with 3:04 left to cut the Nazareth lead to three. After Schmucker's free throw, Treston Dowell made his second trey with 1:20 left. He answered Schacher's last-minute basket, too, burying his third three-pointer at the buzzer to tie the game at 27 at halftime.

Braddock started a fire under the Swifts after the break.

The junior guard started Nazareth's first comeback with a threepointer at the 3:33 mark. Hoelting got a steal and scored to make it a four-point Indian lead, but Hopkins retaliated with a shot of his own.

Braddock had found his mark on the baseline and he popped his second three in 30 seconds to bring the Swifts within three.

Hoelting tied it at 40 by hitting a long-range shot of his own with 1:32 left.

Nazareth got baskets from Schacher and Hoelting in the final 42 seconds, but each was answered by Hopkins and the score was knotted at 44 after three periods.

"We used the time out to try and recapture some of our intensity," said Makeever. "We have three-point shooters, it's just that with Avinger's athleticism, they could play 10 feet off of us and still block our shots. We were hesitant to take the shots earlier. But I think when we got down by nine, the guys relaxed and decided to take their shots. They knew it was do or die."

The break between quarters changed the momentum of the game back to Avinger. A Braddock free throw early in the fourth was all Nazareth would see until the 3:58 mark. The Indians used three straight jumpers by Jones to take a 50-44 lead with three minutes gone in the final stanza. Jones got another basket with 4:40 left to put his team up 52-45, then Dondray Dowell made it a nine-point Indian lead with 4:21 left.

Nazareth finally got on track with a basket by Hoelting with 3:58 left. Then Schilling scored and Hoelting picked up another basket. Schmucker scored his first field goal with 2:32 left to bring Nazareth within a point, 54-53. That's when Jones got his steal at midcourt and turned it into two points, stopping Nazareth's 8-0 run. Hoelting got another basket with 1:24 left to make it 56-55, but Hopkins, Dondray Dowell and Treston Dowell combined for five free throws at the end to clinch the win.





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A \$5 fee will be charged for supplies.

The class will count toward completion of 4-H'ers clothing projects.

Those interested should call Marilyn Neal at 647-4115 to register

Avinger opened the second half with balanced production from four players-Jones, Hopkins, Dondray 'Dowell and Ector. Hopkins was the sparkplug, scoring 10 of his 14 points in the quarter.

Three minutes into the quarter Nazareth finally got on the board with a Hoelting basket, but Avinger had already mounted a big run and had taken a six-point lead before the first Nazareth shot.

After Hoelting's basket Hopkins and Ector put the next five points on the board and Avinger was up 38-29

"We gave it everything we had," said Schilling, who, along with Schmucker, were the only Swifts to play on the 1994 team which finished as state runners-up. "We don't have anything to be ashamed about. We did all we could. It's better to end the season here (in Austin at the state tournament) than at home."

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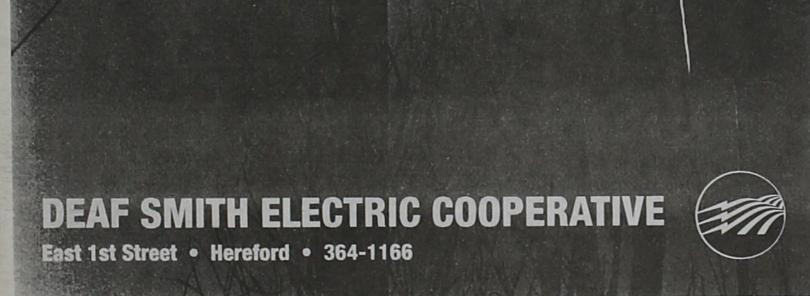
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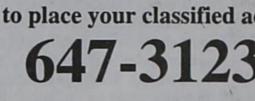
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25-Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Specifications may be obtained from Mr. Johnny W. Hill, Business Manager, at the school administration office. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. 25-48-2tc

NOTICE OF AVAILABLE STUDENT LOAN

The Burch-Settoon Student Loan Fund Trust has loans available to graduates of any high school located in Hale, Floyd, Lamb, Castro, Swisher or Briscoe Counties of Texas, to be used for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university. Applications will be considered without regard to religious preference, race, creed or color. Loan applications may be requested by writing to or coming by the Plainview Trust Dept. Of Norwest Bank of Texas, N.A., 205 West Fifth Street, P.O. Box 580, Plainview, Texas 79073-0580. Deadline for accepting applications is June 1, 1996.

25-48-4tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: BILL NICHOLS, and if he be married. to his wife, MRS. BILL NICHOLS, and if either or both of the above named parties be deceased, to their heirs, unknown heirs and legal representatives, if such or both of them as might be deceased, and to all persons, firms or corporations that may claim any interest in the property described below, hereinafter called Defendants in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause.

You and each of you, as Defendants, are hereby commanded to appear before the 64th Judicial District Court of Castro County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse of said county in the City of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, at or before 10 a.m. Monday next after the expiration of 42 days from the issuance hereof. That is to say, at or before 10 a.m. Monday, the 15th day of April, 1996, and answer the Petition of VALENTIN G. OLVERA, JR., Plaintiff vs. BILL NICHOLS, Defendant, which Petition was filed in said Court on the 26th day of February 1996, in the nature of which suit is as follows:

TRESPASS TO TRY TITLE for title and possession of the following described real estate situated in County of Castro, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Lot Twelve (12), of Block One Hundred Seventeen (117), of the Original

Commissioners accept truck change for Sunnyside Fire Dept.

Kevin Riley of the Sunnyside soil conservation office in Dimmitt of support for the Drug Abuse Volunteer Fire Dept. asked the Castro County Commissioners at their Monday meeting to accept a change in vehicles for the department and switch insurance coverage on the vehicles.

Riley said the SVFD will dispose of its 1954 GMC old Army truck, and has obtained a 1979 6x6 Army truck from the US Forest Service. He said the truck is at Lufkin, and they can pick it up or wait for it to be delivered.

The commissioners told Riley that the vehicle's title will have to be transferred to Castro County in order for the county to provide insurance coverage. Also, the old truck has to be sold by sealed bids.

The commissioners voted unanimously to accept the new vehicle and approve placement of it on the county's insurance as soon as SVFD takes possession of it.

Riley also told the commissioners that the Forest Service has offered some "dry" hydrants that can be used out in the county for filling up pumper trucks. He said the hydrants would be a permanent fixture, and an agreement would need to be signed with any landowners who would be affected by their placement.

Dimmitt Fire Marshall Randy

all-district laurels

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will examine the hydrants to see if they will work with irrigation wells with the addition of a special collar.

Griffitt told the commissioners that some welding might be involved in the installation of the fixtures. Pct. 4 Commissioner Vincent Guggemos told the firemen that he has a qualified welder and welding equipment that could be used. He said this would be a good time, DARE and the influence it is having while road crews are not very busy. on students.

other business, the In commissioners approved a mutual assistance agreement with Deaf Smith County. The agreement said that the two counties will provide assistance to each other in times of emergency, when the emergency personnel in a county are unable to handle things alone. The agreement gives authorization for the help and spells out how situations may be handled.

Commissioners said that the spirit of the agreement has been informally observed all along, but the written pact formalizes it. Besides approving this agreement, the commissioners asked that other neighboring counties be approached about similar arrangements.

In other action, the commissioners have approval for the Griffitt said Gary Hunter with the county to pay \$4,665.07 as its share

Resistance Education (DARE) program in Castro County for the 1996-97 program year. They also passed resolutions supporting the DARE program and supporting efforts to obtain grant funding for the program. DARE officer Richard Spears told the commissioners that personnel from all of the county's schools have spoken favorably about

The commissioners voted to support the Juvenile Probation Office in a grant application that will supply \$1,246 for that department.

In another matter, the commissioners voted to reject a road as a county road. It is located off of County Road 529 and CR 531 in Precinct 4. Guggemos said the road is really only a turn row, and trees in the vicinity would make it difficult to maintain.

Pct. 2 Commissioner Larry Gonzales was given permission by the other commissioners to seek bids on a backhoe for his precinct, and will offer an old backhoe and payloader for trade-ins.

Mark Fackler of The Software Group, Inc. of Plano told the commissioners that it would be less expensive to replace the computer hardware in use in the auditor's office than to keep paying the maintenance agreement costs. He priced a new system at \$27,283, compared with \$35,199.61 in upkeep over a five-year period. No decision was made, since the matter was not

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Frank Welch who moved out of the district, will be to fulfill the balance of a term-about a year.

Current board members filling the seats due to expire are Steve Buckley, District 7; Albert Acevedo, District 3, and Debbie Annen, District 6. Acevedo was filling a term vacated by Gracie Abrego, then he moved out of the district and also had to vacate the position.

Annen and Buckley are the only candidates to file for the posts so far.

Hart ISD

Voters residing in the Hart School District will elect two board members this year.

Board members whose terms are due to expire are Lester Aven and Danny Carson.

No one has filed for the positions, yet.

The May 4 school election will be conducted at the Hart Golden Group Building.

Nazareth ISD

Nazareth School Board seats currently held by Henry Ramaekers, J.C. Pohlmeier and Carroll Gerber will be up for grabs this year, and so far only two individuals have announced their intentions to run for the positions.

Those who have filed are incumbent Carroll Gerber and newcomer Dan Gerber.

Nazareth Supt. N. Dean Johnson said Pohlmeier and Ramaekers have indicated that they don't plan to seek re-election to their posts.

The home economics room at Nazareth High School will be the site for the May 4 election.

Hospital District

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The Castro County Hospital District board terms of Bill Clark and Teresa Lindsey are due to expire this

No one has officially filed for the hospital board election, but both incumbents have picked up packets from the hospital district.

Absentee voting will be held at the hospital, and the general election on May 4 will be conducted at Dimmitt City Hall.

The fool wonders, the wise man asks.

-Benjamin Disraeli



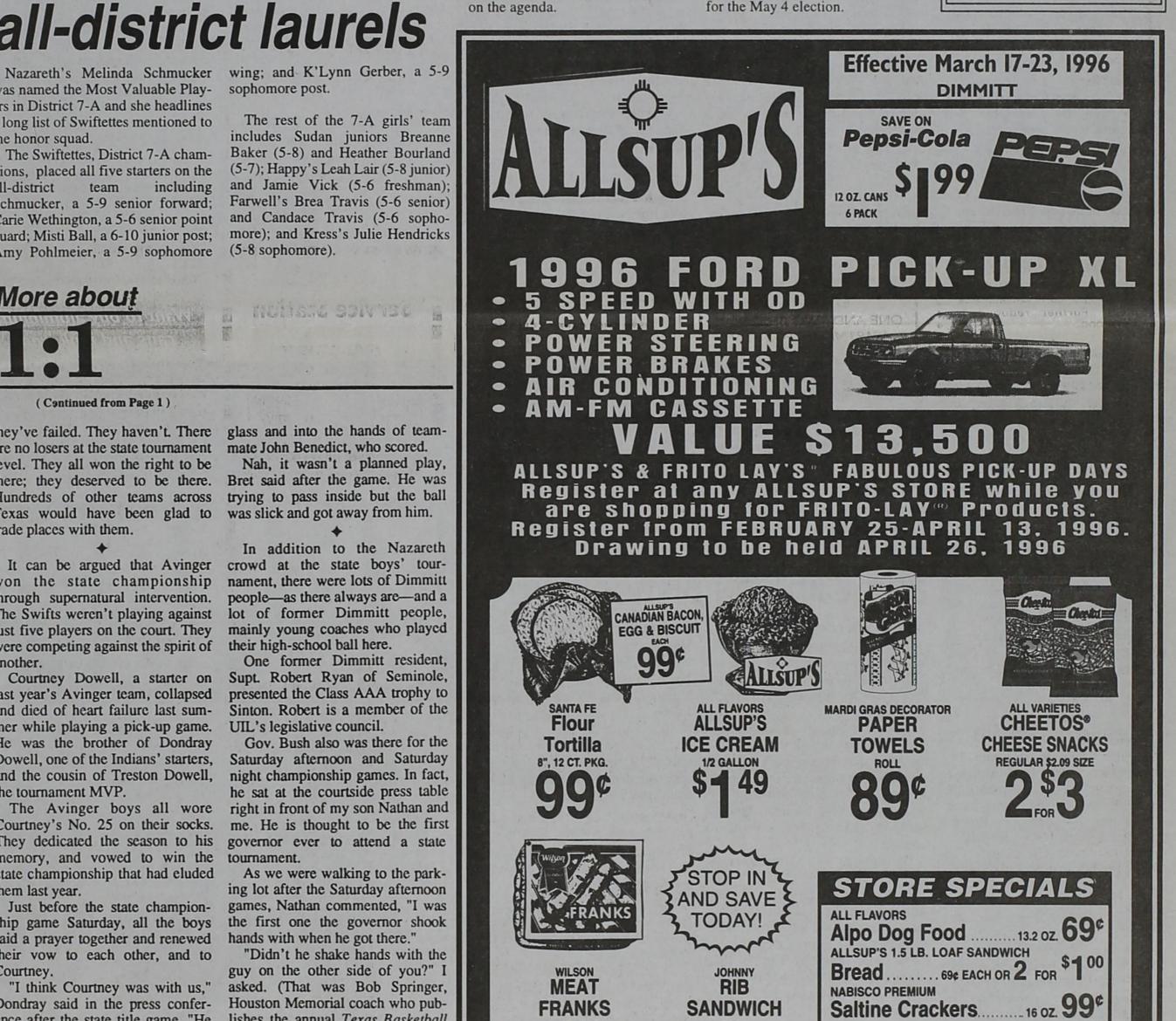
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Swiftettes sweep

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Plaintiff also claims title by virtue of the ten and twenty-five year statute of limitations as more fully shown by Plaintiff's petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned, unserved.

WITNESS the hand and seal of office of Joyce M. Thomas, Clerk of the District Court of Castro County, Texas, at her office in the City of Dimmitt, Texas, this 26th day of February, 1996.

JOYCE M. THOMAS District Clerk, Castro County, Texas

By: RONDA M. WEST, Deputy 25-47-4tc

More about Shelton

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cluded State Rep. Dist. 85, Pete Laney, 540 votes; County Attorney Jerry Matthews, 458; Sheriff CD Fitzgearld, 596; Tax Assessor-Collector Billy Hackleman, 601; Commissioner, Pct. 1, Newlon Rowland, 147; Commissioner, Pct. 3, Bay Baldridge, 224; Constable James Dobbs, 503; and County Chairman Don Newman, 549.

In the Republican Primary, other race total were:

US Rep., Dist. 13: Mac Thornberry, 297 votes.

Railroad Commissioner: Carole Rylander, 223, and Robert Wood, 68.

Supreme Court: Chief Justice, Tom Phillips 252; Justice, Place 1, John Cornyn, 241; Justice, Place 2, James Baker, 247; Justice, Place 3, Greg Abbott, 240.

Court of Criminal Appeals: Judge, Place 1, James Boone, 53, Matthew Paul, 48, Sue Holland, 40, Susan Brown, 31, Janice Law, 23, Glen Beaman, 17, and Jeffrey Keck, 13; Justice, Place 2, Pat Barber, 81, Paul Womack, 48, Mike Keasler, 45, Brad Wiewel, 26, and Ray McQuary, 22; Justice, Place 3, Cheryl Johnson, 83, Tom Price, 66, John Bradley, 59, and Gary Trichter, 12.

State Rep., Dist. 85: Hollis Cain, 216.

Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals: John T. Boyd, 240.

County Chairman Deanne Clark,

The Swiftettes, District 7-A champions, placed all five starters on the including team all-district Schmucker, a 5-9 senior forward; Carie Wethington, a 5-6 senior point guard; Misti Ball, a 6-10 junior post; Amy Pohlmeier, a 5-9 sophomore

was named the Most Valuable Play-

ers in District 7-A and she headlines

a long list of Swiftettes mentioned to

the honor squad.

More about

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they've failed. They haven't. There are no losers at the state tournament level. They all won the right to be there; they deserved to be there. Hundreds of other teams across Texas would have been glad to trade places with them.

It can be argued that Avinger won the state championship through supernatural intervention. The Swifts weren't playing against just five players on the court. They were competing against the spirit of another.

Courtney Dowell, a starter on last year's Avinger team, collapsed and died of heart failure last summer while playing a pick-up game. He was the brother of Dondray Dowell, one of the Indians' starters, and the cousin of Treston Dowell, the tournament MVP.

Courtney's No. 25 on their socks. They dedicated the season to his memory, and vowed to win the state championship that had eluded them last year.

Just before the state championship game Saturday, all the boys said a prayer together and renewed their vow to each other, and to Courtney.

"I think Courtney was with us," Dondray said in the press conference after the state title game. "He was helping us."

Avinger won the state Class A championship partly on the strength of the wackiest shot in the state tournament.

With three seconds left in the first half, one of the Avinger players launched a long hail-Mary pass downcourt to a teammate who was breaking toward the basket. But the

(5-7); Happy's Leah Lair (5-8 junior) and Jamie Vick (5-6 freshman); Farwell's Brea Travis (5-6 senior) and Candace Travis (5-6 sophomore); and Kress's Julie Hendricks (5-8 sophomore).

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glass and into the hands of teammate John Benedict, who scored.

Nah, it wasn't a planned play, Bret said after the game. He was trying to pass inside but the ball was slick and got away from him.

In addition to the Nazareth crowd at the state boys' tournament, there were lots of Dimmitt people-as there always are-and a lot of former Dimmitt people, mainly young coaches who played their high-school ball here.

One former Dimmitt resident, Supt. Robert Ryan of Seminole, presented the Class AAA trophy to Sinton. Robert is a member of the UIL's legislative council.

Gov. Bush also was there for the Saturday afternoon and Saturday night championship games. In fact, he sat at the courtside press table The Avinger boys all wore right in front of my son Nathan and me. He is thought to be the first governor ever to attend a state tournament.

> As we were walking to the parking lot after the Saturday afternoon games, Nathan commented, "I was the first one the governor shook hands with when he got there."

> "Didn't he shake hands with the guy on the other side of you?" I asked. (That was Bob Springer, Houston Memorial coach who publishes the annual Texas Basketball magazine.)

"Nope," Nathan said. "They talked, but they didn't shake. I was the first one he shook hands with."

"Well, I imagine he shook a lot of hands on the way to the table, while he was coming down the ramp," I said.

"Hey, don't burst my bubble," Nathan said. "I was the first one he shook hands with. Perception is

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reality." ball got away from him. He overthrew it, and it swished through the net just before the buzzer.

It was the longest three-pointer of the tourney.

But the niftiest play of the tourney came during state champion Krum's game against Haskell in the Class AA semifinals.

Krum guard Bret Andrus-who, always plays at full speed-threw the ball at the backboard from out front. The ball bounced off the





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Thelma Bryson

Thelma Bryson, 77, of Dimmitt, died Saturday morning at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Monday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Bryson was born Oct. 7, 1918, in Ackworth. She moved to Dimmitt from Mineola in 1974. She married N.A. Bryson on June 1, 1947, in Clarksville. She was a past member of the Rebekah Lodge and was active in her church. She was a housewife.

Survivors include a son, Dr. Neil Bryson of Tulia; a daughter, Frances Ramirez of Cedar Hill; three brothers, Thurman Quarles of Marshall, W.R. Quarles of Paris and Garland Quarles of Waynoka, Okla.; a sister, Dorothy Mason of Zachary, La.; and two grandsons.

Pallbearers were Troy Kirby, Milton Bagwell, Bay Baldridge, Bill Bunch, J.B. Moore and Elbert Smith.

The family requests memorials be

in Satevo, Chihuahua, Mexico, with burial to be in Pantion Municipal Cemetery at Satevo. Local arrangements were by Freeman Funeral Home in Hale Center.

Mr. Silva was born in Chihuahua. He married Beronica Borunda in 1990 at Spearman. He worked for A-2 Cattle Feeders in Dimmitt, having moved to Dimmitt from Hale Center in 1993.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Crystal of the home; his parents, Hortensia and Rogelio Silva Sr. of Chihuahua; two brothers, Carlos Rene Silva of Dimmitt and Manuel Silva of Chihuahua; and a sister, Magdelena Silva Hernandez of Chihuahua.

Mattie Stovall

Mattie Burrous Stovall, 92, of Dimmitt, died March 4 after a brief illness.

Graveside services were held March 6 in Grady Cemetery in Grady, N.M., with Rev. Johnny Robertson, pastor of Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Stovall was born Sept. 1, 1903, in Indian Territory, Okla. She married Jim Burrous in July of 1927, in Lindsay, Okla. They lived in Broadview, N.M., from 1944 to 1962. He died in 1962. In August of 1964, she married Henry Stovall in Grady, N.M. He preceded her in death on March 10, 1991.

Mrs. Stovall was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt. She was a member of the Castro County Senior Citizens and the Quilters' Group.

She also was preceded in death by six brothers, five sisters, two grandchildren and a great-grandson.

She is survived by a son, Reeford Burrous of Dimmitt; a daughter, Gaila Pool of Irving; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Danny and Sharla Vaughan Scholarship Fund, in care of Layne Myatt, P.O. Box 99, Dimmitt, 79027.

Police Calls

Bennie Manley, 75, of Hereford was taken to the Hereford Regional Medical Center Tuesday after a onevehicle roll-over north of Dimmitt on US 385.

Dept. of Public Safety reports said that Manley apparently fell asleep as she was driving north at about 1:26 p.m. near "Big Daddy's cutoff." Her 1994 Ford Tempo went off the west side of the road, rolling one and a half times.

A spokesperson of the medical at \$200.

then allegedly struck the Chevelle. The two drivers pursued the suspect vehicle and reported it to police. Reportedly, alcohol was found in the suspect's vehicle. Investigation into the incident is continuing.

Police were notified March 5 that someone threw eggs at and scratched the paint of a 1993 Ford Explorer belonging to Tammy Wilhite of Dimmitt. The damage was estimated



A RANATRA FUSCA AWARD for outstanding creativity in the spontaneous portion of the competition went to the Dimmitt Middle School Odyssey of the Mind "Crunch" team at the recent regional OM contest. Team members are (from left) Kylie Webb, Lori Schulte, Kelsey Welch, Joshua Hardwick, Daniel Proffitt and Alexis Proffitt. Coaches are Wayne and Paula Proffitt. Photo by Linda Maxwell

The Web offers agriculture treasure hunt

goats and horses than people in Texas?

Go to the Web during National Agriculture Week and play an online treasure hunt game to find out.

The online game, an effort to teach the public more about the state's No. 2 production industry, was developed by Texas A&M University's agriculture program with cooperation from the Texas Dept. of Agriculture and the Texas Farm Bureau. The game targets elementary school-aged children.

Players can access the game Monday, March 18, through Friday,

Are there more cows, hogs, sheep, March 22, beginning at 9 a.m. at found in the Agriculture Week home URL:http://agcomwww.tamu.edu/a gcom/news/agweek/agweek/.html.

> The first 10 players who answer the questions correctly will receive an imprinted computer mouse pad.

"Agriculture is a high tech industry, so we wanted to celebrate Agriculture Week in the most modern way," said Kathleen Davis, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station communications specialist. "Agriculture truly is felt from the farms and ranches to the inner cities. The Ag Week Treasure Hunt will help everyone make that connection."

Clues to the treasure hunt can be means to the state's consumers.

page, developed by Texas A&M's Dept. of Agricultural Communications. The page contains links to information about agriculture research, youth programs, a virtual city called Agropolis, Spanish publications, children's and adults' gardening pages, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, information on where to buy Texas-grown products, and information about the Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom program.

The pages also contain graphics about the impact of agricultural commodities on the state economy and fun facts about what agriculture

Road, Plainview; or to Dimmitt's First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt 79027.

Robert Davis

Funeral services for Robert D Davis, 75, of Littlefield, the brother of a Hart man, were held Friday afternoon in the First Baptist Church of Hart with Rev. Richard Coffman, pastor of Grace Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.

Burial was in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Olton.

Mr. Davis died March 6.

He was born in Liberty and moved to Littlefield in 1982. He also had lived in Oklahoma City. He married Christine Conard in 1941 at Plainview. He was a retired farmer and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Gary Davis of Russellville, Ark.; a daughter, Carolyn Coffman of Pampa; a brother, Doyle Davis of Hart; two sisters, Helen Sweatt of Odessa and Peggy Clay of Nara Visa, N.M.; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Leslie L. Gordin

Services for Leslie L. Gordin, 78, of Dimmitt, were held Monday morning in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home in Dimmitt with Rev. Lee Roark, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Friona, officiating.

Burial followed in McLean Cemetery.

Mr. Gordin died at 10:18 a.m. Friday in Dimmitt after a brief illness.

Born Sept. 8, 1917, in Nowata, Okla., Mr. Gordin lived in Shamrock until he moved to Dimmitt in 1977. He married Jo Nita Smith on July 22, 1978, in Dimmitt. He retired from El Paso Natural Gas Co. in 1982 after 34 years of employment. He served in the US Army.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Maxine Gordin, in March 1978; and by two brothers.

Survivors include a son, Gary Gordin of Dumas; a stepson, Michael Sparks of Amarillo; a daughter, Mary Evans of Midland; a stepdaughter, Nita Ware of El Paso; six

to Hospice of the Plains, 7109 Olton center said Manley was treated and released.

Over \$950-worth of merchandise was reported taken from the Anthony's store in Dimmitt. The theft was reported March 6. Investigation is continuing.

A 17-year-old Dimmitt youth was jailed early Sunday on charges of DWI, first offense, after his pickup struck two other vehicles in an accident in the 400 block of South US 385 in Dimmitt. Police reported that a Suzuki driven by Juan Hernandez and a Chevelle driven by Melchor Hernandez Jr. both were heading south, when the suspect passed the Suzuki and struck it. He Dimmitt woman Saturday morning.

Danny Rice of Dimmitt consumers told police March 6 that a suspect had taken and not paid for four tires, valued at \$218.10.

Antonio Barrera, 27, of Dimmitt reported last Thursday afternoon that his wallet was missing.

Early Friday, a 22-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested on a warrant charging him with evading arrest.

A 17-year-old Dimmitt woman was arrested Friday evening on charges of no driver's license and having an expired registration sticker.

Criminal mischief charges resulted in the arrest of an 18-year-old

Dole carries mock election and Clinton finishes third

carried the mock primary election held last Thursday night at Dimmitt High School, sponsored by the World History Honors Class, taught Larry Garcia, Michelle Leinen, by Katie Ivey.

papers representing the various Presidential candidates in both the Republican and Democratic primaries. A combined ballot including all candidates was passed out to all who attended, and the votes were then tabulated.

Students, as well as members of the public, attended.

Presenting the position of top vote-getter Dole was Jim Bryan. Justin Damron read a statement representing Steve Forbes. Morry Taylor was represented by Tim Proffitt. Jerry Thomas stood up for Allen Keyes. Andy Hill spoke for Pat Buchanan. Incumbent Bill Clinton was represented by Jimmy Ivey.

, The percentage of the vote going to each candidate was 37% to Dole, 19% to Buchanan, 16% to Clinton, 11% to Taylor, 9% to Forbes, and 7% to Keyes.

Other students on the program included Charley Sanders, who gave the welcome; Michaele Bell, who said.

With 37% of the vote, Bob Dole gave the invocation; and Tracy Damron, who led the pledge to the flag. A band ensemble of Wanda Finke, Sam Everet, Angie Acevedo, Jimmy Ivey, Jeff Riggs, Bradley Student volunteers read position Kinser, Miranda Turner, Amanda Annen and Josh Flores provided music for the event, and a choir ensemble led in the singing of The Star Spangled Banner.

> Other participants included ballot box watchers, ushers, and "Secret Service Men," as well as lighting and sound technicians and refreshment servers.

> Also, as each candidate representative spoke, supporters demonstrated by waving signs and cheering and applauding.

> "I think it was a resounding success," said Dana Beck, DHS history teacher, who assisted with the project. "The kids did a wonderful job and they really learned a lot."

She said the students couldn't have done it without having access to the Internet, from which they obtained the position statements on the various candidates.

"I'm really proud of them," Beck





grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were George Newell, Carl Askins, Coy Kidd, Harlis Logan, James Burnam and Dan McInroe.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Rogelio Silva Jr. Rogelio B. Silva Jr., 29, of Dimmitt, died March 5. Services were scheduled for later

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