

The Castro County News

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By Don Nelson

When starting out, don't worry about not having enough money. Limited funds are a blessing, not a curse. Nothing encourages creative thinking in quite the same way.

—H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

In the picture last week of me accepting the General Excellence Award for the *News* at the Panhandle Press Association convention, I was suited up and looked happy.

It was just a front. I was suffering from food poisoning, and was miserable. My stomach wanted to go east and west at the same time, while everything in it wanted to go north.

It hit me on the first night of the convention, and I spent the next day and a half trying to stay alive on 7-Up and club soda. I didn't know how bad food poisoning could be, and kept trying to handle it. Besides, I had to run a panel discussion on the final day, so I gave no thought to checking it in.

When Verbie got me home, she called the emergency room and they slapped me into the hospital for four days.

I was surprised at the number of people who knew I was sick and asked how I was doing. I guess I had just assumed that my ailment wouldn't be any big deal to anyone else. I'm impressed with the concern, and I appreciate it.

One of the advantages of living in a small town is that people care how you're doing.

When our youngest son Nathan and his wife Karen spent Easter weekend with us, I was reminded again of why I chose to raise my kids in a small town.

Nathan fights the Houston traffic every day as he drives to and from his job at the *Chronicle*. Here, he was "back home" on the local highways and on Broadway and Bedford.

"This is what it's all about, Karen," he said as he drove us home from the airport. "Look at how everybody waves at you on the road."

As he visited the downtown stores and renewed acquaintances Saturday, he commented, "Dad, everybody knows you've been in the hospital and they ask me how you're doing. That's great."

He can handle the fast track. But I'm glad that he knows the alternatives, and that he has the basic human values and self-worth concepts that our whole community helped him develop while he was growing up here.

I don't know much about cellular phones. I've assumed that they're like any other transmitting/receiving device—the bigger the antenna, the better the signal.

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LOOK, I FOUND ONE!—Leslie Kinner, daughter of Jannell and Daniel Kinner of Hart, scoops up an Easter egg Saturday during the hunt at Longhorn Stadium, sponsored by Parents Who Care. The entire football field was swarming with youngsters during the hunt.

Photo by Deana McLain

Lions Club's Radio Day to benefit medical funds

The Dimmitt Lions Club is hoping to strengthen the medical funds for Shawn Cotter, Lisa Mixson, Linda Grand, Eric Rose, Liz Sams, Brandon Walker, Amy Killingsworth and Oleta Raper by broadcasting a little *Medical Mania* Saturday morning.

The Lions will hold their annual Radio Day fundraiser Saturday and proceeds from the event will benefit the medical funds named above.

Organizer for this year's Lions Club Radio Day is Jerry Stump. The show will be broadcast live from the Gazebo on KDHN Radio, 1470 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday.

The community response to the Lions' fundraising efforts has been tremendous so far, and organizers of the event predict it to be a big success.

"We'll play some music and have a good time (during Radio Day)," said Boss Lion Lloyd White. But the Lions do a lot more than that.

The group has sold advertising to help finance the four-hour show and during the program the Lions will accept donations. Money raised during the program will be donated to "worthy causes," and this year the group has elected to concentrate on donating to previously established medical funds.

Fructose changes to Maize

It's no longer American Fructose—Dimmitt, Inc. It's now American Maize-Products Company.

American Fructose has merged with American Maize-Products Company of Stamford, Conn., according to company officials.

Prior to the merger, American Maize-Products Company owned 43% of American Fructose.

American Maize-Products Company plans to move forward in its two core businesses—corn processing and tobacco. The corn processing business will be conducted through two operating divisions, the Ingredients Division and the Sweetener Division.

The Dimmitt sweetener plant and another in Decatur, Ala., will operate as part of the new Sweetener Division of American Maize Products Company.

The completed merger strengthens the company and provides opportunities for future growth, according to Gary Thompson, director of operations for the Dimmitt plant.

"We've been really pleased with the community response we've received so far," said White. "Everybody seems to be going all out to help people in the community who are in dire need of assistance."

The Lions are hoping the generosity continues on Saturday when they go "on the air."

"This (Radio Day) is one of our regular money-making projects, and we usually clear about \$1,500. In the past we've donated small amounts of money to different causes, but this year we're going to concentrate on contributing to medical funds," said White.

For every donation pledged to a local, established medical fund, the Dimmitt Lion Club will match your individual donation, up to \$25, until it has apportioned its entire Radio Day sponsor fees, which are approximately \$1,600.

"We just ask that when you call in to donate, you are sure there is a fund set up at one of the local banks," White said.

Individuals who plan to be out of town on Saturday, but still wish to donate to a fund may drop their donations off between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the *Castro County News*, 108 West Bedford in Dimmitt.

On April 17, the show will open with an explanation of what the Lions will do during the four-hour period.

"Our guys will be roaming around the town with cellular phones and they will pick up donations which are called in during the show," White said. He added that those who donate will be mentioned on the air, unless the individuals request to be anonymous donors.

He added that trivia prizes will be given away during the four-hour period, and said the prizes have been donated by area merchants.

Health unit opens here

People needing health care services in Dimmitt soon will have two new providers.

One of them, the South Plains Health Provider clinic in Dimmitt is now reopened after a brief closure. It is located at 112 West Jones Street. Sherry Whiteaker, RN, is the conductor and supervisor of the clinic. She is a registered nurse practitioner in obstetrics and gynecology and a clinical nurse specialist in medical surgical nursing.

Other staff members will be Yolanda Medrano, LVN, Josie Garcia,

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Hart reps instruct Smith to back off

Four representatives from the City of Hart told Precinct 1 Commissioner Harold Smith to back off and let a contractor direct the improvements to First Street in Hart.

The four attended the Monday meeting of the County Commissioners' Court and expressed their city's support for county efforts to improve First Street. The commissioners voted to advertise for bids for the project on the condition that the winning contractor be allowed to perform the work without interference.

Previous attempts to seek bids

either drew no bids or were rejected due to Smith's efforts to control the project.

Hart Mayor Joe Bailey told Smith, "We're tired of messing with it. It doesn't matter who fixes it. We're tired of it."

Other Hart representatives at the meeting were Alderman Tony Liebel and citizens L.C. McLain and Todd Pebsworth.

Liebel said he thought homeowners along the street would be willing to go along with the project to correct the drainage problems that have developed along the

street. It was commented that some of the private drives may have to be redone where they connect with the street.

The other commissioners said they would allow the contractor to use any of their equipment or personnel needed in an effort to keep the cost down. However, they emphasized that the contractor would be in charge.

Smith said he would go along with whatever the people from Hart want, and he joined in the vote to seek bids for the project, making it

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DISD school board favors amendments

Monday night, the Dimmitt School Board passed a resolution in favor of the proposed constitutional amendments concerning school finance that will be on the ballot in the May 1 special election.

The resolution passed with three voting in favor, one against and one abstaining. Those in favor were David Schaeffer, Rick Wright and John Nino. Against was Rita McDaniel. Paul Garcia abstained. Board member Cheryl Pybus was absent due to health reasons.

McDaniel said she is against the amendments because they "hand the legislature a blank check," and because she feels there are other options available. She said consolidation and school closure are "empty threats."

DISD Supt. Bob Barrett said he favors the amendments. He said Proposition 1 avoids harsher solutions to the school finance situation, such as forced consolidation or caps on local spending. He said he feels it is a concensus among state legislators that if the voters reject the amendments it will be taken as a vote for mass consolidation.

"A few say, yes, there are other solutions, but not many," Barrett said.

Barrett said Proposition 1 would allow the present County Education District system to become constitutionally "correct." He said it would

limit recapture to 2.75% of the state budget, "which is an extremely small amount when you're dealing with billions."

Garcia abstained from the vote, saying he wants to know what better solutions have been offered.

In other business, the school board approved the proposed calendar for the 1993-94 school year. The first day of school will be Aug. 17, and graduation for 1994 will be on May 27. Spring break will be March 14-18, and the Christmas holidays will extend from Dec. 22-Dec. 31. However, classes won't resume until Jan. 4 due to an inservice day on Jan. 3. The first semester will end before the Christmas break.

Barrett said out of more than 200 staff, only four comments were received about the proposed calendar, and the district-wide committee felt the adopted calendar would best meet the needs of the entire district.

Action was tabled on the district's drug and alcohol policy until the district's attorney has a chance to study it.

An update of the Board Policy Manual was approved as recommended by the Texas Association of School Boards.

A field trip was approved for the high school advanced placement history class. Ten class members

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Candidate statements are sought

If you are a candidate for local office in the hospital, school or city elections set for May 1, *The Castro County News* wants to publish a statement from you concerning your views and qualifications.

"We want to give candidates a chance to express their views, and give voters a chance to see what the candidates stand for," said Don Nelson, publisher.

Questions the candidates might want to address include:

—What do you see as the major problems and opportunities facing the (hospital, school system, or city)?

—What changes would you like to see, and what suggestions do you have for making those changes?

—What makes you more qualified than the other candidates?

Please keep your statement to 300 words or less and turn it in to the *News* office by noon Monday for inclusion in the April 22 issue of the newspaper.

The *News* reserves the right to edit statements for content, spelling, grammar, etc.

Lumbrera being retried for son's death in Kansas

Diana Lumbrera, former Dimmitt resident who was accused of killing seven children, including six of her own, is being retried in Kansas for the smothering death of her four-year-old son, Jose Antonio.

In 1990, a Finney County District Court had sentenced Lumbrera

to life in prison for the May 1, 1990, death of Jose Antonio. But the Kansas Supreme Court last December cited errors in her original trial in Garden City, Kan., and ordered the new trial moved to another county to avoid pre-trial publicity.

She is now being retried for Jose Antonio's death in Barton County

District Court in Kansas.

On May 1, 1990, Lumbrera carried Jose Antonio to the emergency room of St. Catherine Hospital in Garden City. He was unconscious and doctors were unable to revive the infant. An autopsy revealed the child had died from "asphyxia caused by smothering."

After Lumbrera was accused of killing Jose Antonio in 1990, Texas investigators opened a series of investigations into deaths of other children who were under her care while she lived in Texas, including two in Dimmitt and others in Lubbock and Parmer Counties.

After she was convicted in Kansas, she was returned to Texas, where she pleaded no contest in Lubbock County to killing her two-month-old son, Jose Lionel Garza, in 1978; and in Parmer County to killing a two-year-old daughter, Melinda Ann Garza, in 1982. She was sentenced to life in prison for each incident, with the sentences to be served concurrently with the Kansas life sentence.

In return for her "no contest" plea, the state dropped charges she murdered two other daughters and a cousin's child.

During her Texas trials, Lumbrera blamed a mother-in-law's "curse" for the children's deaths, but investigators believe she sacrificed her children because she craved the attention brought by the deaths.



A WHOLE NEW LOOK—License plates and parking permit tags for the vehicles of handicapped motorists are now available from the Tax Assessor-Collector's office in the courthouse. The old license plates had a separate sticker with the handicapped symbol, but the new plates display the symbol more prominently. Also, a special tag that can be hung from the rear-view mirror of a parked vehicle has been made in bright blue plastic for greater visibility and durability. Getting tags from Tax Assessor-Collector Billy Hackleman (left) is motorist Garnett Holland (right).

Photo By Linda Maxwell

Weather

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On the Go

Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Easter services in the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt were inspirational and emotional. The children's choir sang *Great Day Alive* and the adult choir sang *Watch the Lamb*, narrated by Jack Howell.

Wayne Proffitt and Daniel Proffitt sang *Why Must My Little Lamb Die?* Wayne and Daniel joined Tanner Griffitt, Rich Bagwell and Leslie Davis in the play *Watch the Lamb*.

Sunday evening, Alexis and Paula Proffitt played *Crown Him with Many Crowns* on the piano for the offertory. Bill Newland and Nikki Kenley sang *The Night Before Easter* for the special music.

Joe and Jerre Shultz and sons, John and Justin, and nephews and a friend attended the Easter services in FBC.

Decimae Dennis of Midland spent her Easter holiday in Dimmitt visiting her mother, Geneva, and brother and family, Edgar, Coby and Connie Gilbreath, Chauncey and Cailee; and Danny and Debbie Underwood, Dennis and baby.

Dr. Charles and Esta Vandiver and their son, Craig of Midland, spent a few days at Lake Buchanan resting and visiting. They drove into Austin one day and Esta reported the wild flowers were beautiful — bluebonnets and paint brushes.

An out-of-town visitor at the museum last week was Bob Bowden of Hart.

The Town and Country Extension Club met last Thursday morning with Ann Henderson presiding over the business meeting. Margaret Womack called the roll and each member responded with "What I do to Prevent Crime." The thought for the day was, "Taxes could be worse. Suppose we had to pay on what we think we are worth."

Diane Hatla was in charge of the program and she invited Brian Frieda to speak. He is the Crime Prevention Officer for the Castro County Sheriff's office. He gave out brochures on "Crime Prevention (What Senior Citizens Should Know)," "What You Should Know about Preventing Car Theft," "The ABC's of Self Protection," "What Everyone Should Know about Vandalism," "How to Spot a Con Artist," and "How to Protect Your Rural Homestead." Brian showed a film on "Crime Prevention" as well. He gave a very interesting and informative program.

Ann Pevehouse served refreshments of vegetables, dip, crackers and coffee to Ann Henderson, Margaret Womack, Diane Hatla, Oneida Hutto, Betty Freeman and Mary Edna Hendrix.

Cleo Forson was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. She served cookies for snacks and peach cobbler and ice cream for dessert. Alma Kenmore won high score and Helen Braafladt was second. Other playing were Ferne Dickey, Louise Mears, Loranel Hamilton, Elizabeth Huckabay, Dude McLauren, Emily Clinging-smith, Neva Hickey, Mary Small, Virginia Crider, Ina Rae Cates, Dugan Butler, Johnnie Vannoy and Edith Graef.

Karron Smith of California has been visiting her dad, Jack Flynt, and Ralph and Avis Smith.

The officers and directors of the Hereford Community Concert Association sponsored the annual membership drive banquet at the Community Center on Monday evening with Ted Panciera presiding. The tables were decorated with Easter bunnies, chickens, baskets of Easter eggs and bouquets of Spring flowers. Mary Herring and her helpers catered the delicious meal of tomato aspic, ham with peach sauce, pineapple slices, carrots and broccoli, scalloped potatoes and ice cream cake. The string orchestra from Hereford High School played several selections including *Beauty and the Beast*, accompanied by Laura Spitzer.

The Hereford Community Concert presented Laura Spitzer, pianist, in concert on April 6. She is a talented musician and has extraordinary energy. We enjoyed her performance, since she played some familiar songs such as *Rhapsody in Blue*, *Maple Leaf Rag*, and *Waltz in D flat Major*. Attending were Betty and Ed Freeman, Mary Edna Hendrix, Bill and Deanne Clark, Sal and Nell DiCuffa, Doris Lindsey, Jack Flynt, and Karron Smith of California, Jack's daughter.

It is time to buy your tickets for membership in the 1993-94 Hereford Community Concert. Some of the Dimmitt residents who will be selling memberships are Ed and Betty Freeman, Oleta Gollehon, Doris Lindsey, Irene Carpenter and Mary Edna Hendrix. Members can see concerts in Hereford, Plainview, Pampa, Dumas and Borger. Tickets are \$15, \$7.50 for students, and \$40 for a family.

Ruby Ramsey had all five of her children home for the Easter holiday. John B. and Yvonne Pitts of El Paso, Lloyd Pitts and friend, Carolyn, of Dallas, Charles Pitts and friend, Jean Burns of Amarillo, Nancy Cranford and her grandson, Justin, of Virginia Beach, Va.; Brenda and Jim Truitt of Dallas; Sonya, Richard, Kinsey and Kit Cranford of Tulsa, Okla., and Becky Andrews of Farmington, N.M. They all attended the First Baptist Church on Easter morning. Leada Hance, Martha and Lonny Rhynes, Lisa, Crystal and Chris Keith joined all of them at Ruby's for Easter dinner and visiting. Phoebe Claborn also came for coffee and dessert.

Leada Hance had out of town guests for the Easter holiday. Martha and Lonny Rhynes of Sherman, and Lisa, Chris and Crystal Keith of Dumas. They also visited with Ruby Ramsey and Phoebe and T.D. Claborn.

T.D. and Phoebe Claborn had family for the holiday, including Bill Claborn of Amarillo, Sandra and Shanda Smith of Arkansas, and Vicky Claborn and son, Billy, of Amarillo.

In celebration of the completion of the new pipe organ at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Amarillo, the organist, Thom Robertson, assisted by a chamber orchestra and guest conductor, will present two staples of the concerto repertoire: *Rheingarten's Concerto in F* and the 20th century classic, *Poulenc's Concerto for Organ, Strings and Tympani* in a performance Sunday at 3 p.m. at the church at 4714 NW Fourth Avenue.

Deanne Clark joined other wives of Producers' Grain Board members at the Black House in Hereford for the museum's annual fundraising style show and luncheon. Dresses of the 1800s and early 1900s were modeled. The meal included chicken breast with cranberry sauce, wild rice from Michigan, spinach salad, and fruit and bread sticks, along with a chocolate mint dessert. Joining Deanne were Helen Rose of Hereford, Doris Weil of Hale Center and Marie Keist of Dalhart.

The Adult Choir of Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church performed a compilation of scriptures, anthems and congregational hymns as its Easter cantata entitled "We Are the Reason" last Sunday. Joyce Bolton and Jim Baker were soloists, and Charles Wales and Kathy Wright were readers. The choir is directed by Charles Axtell. Deanne Clark is the organist and Marie Winders is the pianist.

Fred Bruegel Jr. was 60 Thursday, and his wife, Bobbie, surprised him with a party of friends and family. Gag gifts and cards were enjoyed by the group of well-wishers.

Sam and Corinne Burke went to Muleshoe April 4 and ate lunch and

visited with Corinne's aunt, Virginia Wyer. The lunch was delicious, and Corinne enjoyed hearing the old history of her family in Clarendon.

She also talked about visiting the W.O. Laurences at the Birdwell Ranch in Muleshoe and their daughter, Elizabeth Laurence Huckabay.

She has lots of pretty flowers, including a big bed of pansies and some tulips and jonquils. Corinne said it was a lovely day.

Early voting is underway

Early voting in the May 1 elections began Monday and will continue through April 27.

Those wanting to vote early may obtain ballots at:

—The County Clerk's Office for the special Senate election and constitutional amendments.

—Administrative offices for city, school and hospital district elections.

The clerk's office is still accepting applications for mailed ballots for the special election, and will continue to accept them through April 23.

College students, service personnel, and others temporarily living out of the county may request that a ballot be sent to them by mail.

"The ballot must be returned by mail from out of the county," said County Clerk Joy Jones.

Jones said those requesting a mailed ballot should include certain information with their request, including: the voter's name, voter's registration certificate number, the voter's home address in the county, the address to which the ballot should be mailed, and a phone number in case more information is needed.

Mailed ballot requests for local elections should be directed to the governmental entity covered by that election.

Portraits to be taken

Blunck Studios will take portraits of anyone interested on May 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School auditorium.

Sponsoring the sitting is the DHS yearbook staff. Students of all ages, as well as members of the community, are welcome to make an appointment for a sitting. Two poses per sitting will be available without extra charge.

The portraits will be casual spring shots, and those getting their picture made may bring a favorite prop or use one of Blunck's. Group shots or friendship shots will be made for an extra \$2 per person charge, due on the day of the sitting.

Appointments may be scheduled by calling Kathy West at 647-3105 or any yearbook staff member by April 29.

Package prices will range from \$8 to \$26, with \$5 bonuses for extra 8x10s and 5x7s.



REGIONAL QUALIFIERS — Hart's Melinda Pantoja (left) and Norma Velasquez will compete in the Region 1-A academic meet April 22 and 23.

Pantoja will participate in Current Issues and Events and Velasquez will compete in Feature Writing.

Photo by Deana McLain

Several qualify for state

HISD entry is 'Best of Show' at drug abuse prevention fair

Hart students scored big in Saturday's Substance Abuse Prevention Media Fair, and several individuals and teams will advance to the state contest on April 23 at the Region IX Education Service Center in Wichita Falls.

All first-place winners at the regional level will compete at state. Chris Martinez, Vanessa Chia and Frankie Ayala, Hart elementary students, took "Best of Show" as well as first-place honors in multimedia in the Grade 4-6 division. Their entry included a video and audio performed by the students, a photographic essay and a drug prevention book.

Hart also took first in multimedia in the kindergarten to third grade division. Team members included Aubra McReynolds, Sammy Longoria, David Cisneros, Yvet Beanes, Jon Paul Abundez, Adrienne Hart, Tony Lopez, Sandra Menchaca, Marsela Morales, Ramon Puga and Sofia Flores.

Other first-place winners from Hart who will compete at state are Rudy Vega, Grade K-3 Clothing; Adrian Mendoza, Grade 10-12 Clothing; Grades K-3 Graphics team including Amanda Carrasco, Melanie Davis, Bertha Dominguez, Sonya Garcia, Tina Garcia, Kellie George, Erik Gogan, John Gutierrez, Isidro Lopez, Luis Lujan, Brandon Martinez, Whitney Mitchell, Edgar Montemayor, Mark Montemayor, Amber Ponce, Fatima Rodriguez, April Saldona, Marcus Velasquez, Salvador Velasquez and Micah White; Grades 7-9 Graphics team including Osbeldo Carrasco, Blanco Carrasco and Sergio Martinez; Grades 10-12 Graphics, Dusty Hunsaker; Grades 7-9 Computer Program team including Cassie Neinast, Kande Grossman and Melissa Ethridge; and Grades 4-6 Single-Camera Video team of Ve-

ronica Gonzales, Teresa Rodriguez, Amy Rodriguez, Modesto Saldona, Andres Rocha, Zachary Smith and Korina Torres.

Hart students who placed second or third at regional are Valerie Key, Juan Carlos Barron and Inez Flores.

"Students from all grade levels are encouraged to research and produce media which discourages all

illegal use of drugs by youth," explained Lorraine Maines, Region XVI education specialist for Drug Free Schools and Communities who coordinated the regional contest.

Entry categories included audio, computer programs, graphics, photographic prints, video and multimedia.

We Salute

9-1-1, a Year Later

It was a year ago this week that Castro County's 9-1-1 emergency telephone system officially went into use.

During the first year of the new system's use, there have been a couple of instances in which 9-1-1's quick response time was considered to have made a critical difference, according to a Sheriff's Dept. spokesman. Otherwise, most of the 9-1-1 activity has been fairly quiet.

That's good news.

Having the emergency response system in place is like having a guided missile base set up and ready—you're glad it's there, but you hope it will never have to be used.

At first, many callers dialed 9-1-1 just out of curiosity—to see if the system was working, or whether their call would go through. But now the dispatchers aren't bothered much with unnecessary calls.

"There are some inadvertent calls sometimes, where a child is playing with the keys on a phone or something like that," the Sheriff's Dept. spokesman said, "but as far as crank calls, we haven't had that many."

Although the system is working fine, there is one phase of the program that isn't working well. That's the updating of local residents' new addresses or telephone numbers when they change.

"We aren't having much luck getting people to come in or call in and give us their new address or phone number if they've changed," the spokesman said. "The system can only be as good as the information that's in it. When you move or change your phone number, you need to fill out another 9-1-1 information card and send it in. That's the only way we have of updating our records and keeping all the numbers and addresses current."

So if you've moved or changed phone numbers within the past year, or if you've added a second phone, contact the Sheriff's Office for a card so the vital information on you can be updated.

All of us still owe a big vote of thanks to the volunteers who helped organize the 9-1-1 system and get it going a year ago.

And let's hope everything continues to stay quiet.

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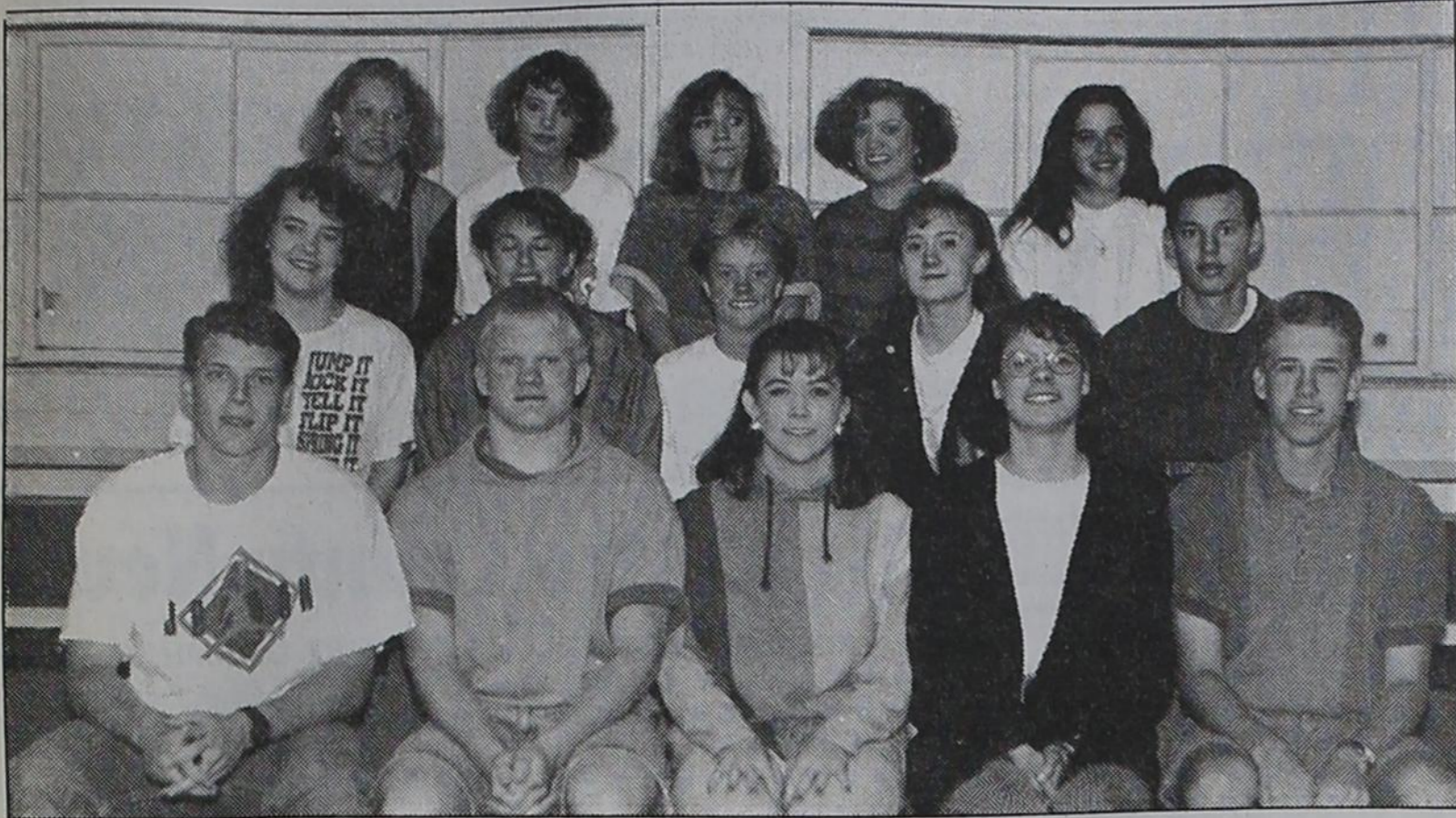
We've hidden "Newsy" somewhere in the CASTRO COUNTY NEWS.

If you find him (and he may be any size, anywhere), come to the Castro County News office, 108 W. Bedford St., during business hours, 8-5 Monday through Friday.

The first two to come in and show us where they found "Newsy" in this issue will win a 2-liter bottle of soft drink. (One win per month, per family. No phone calls, please.)

Last week's winners:
Extylene Lumpkin
Justin Roberts

Sunnyside By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703



ON TO REGIONAL—These Nazareth High School students will participate in the Region 1-A academic meet April 22 and 23, after placing at the district meet, recently. Pictured are (back, from left) Jill Pohlmeier, Nicole Kleman, Jaime Hatla, Melinda Birkenfeld and Amber Irlbeck; (middle,

from left) Ashley Hoelting, Karmen Pohlmeier, Lynette Kleman, Sabrina Acker and Colby Pohlmeier; and (front, from left) Nick Johnson, Russell Huckert, Chris Wethington, Kim Dobmeier and Scott Brockman. *Photo by Brenda Schulte*

Nazareth

By Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Nazareth parishioners enjoyed beautiful services in Holy Family Church during Holy Week, with Father Neal Dee officiating, assisted by Deacons Jerome Brockman and Al Maurer. Holy Thursday evening mass, Good Friday services and the Holy Saturday evening service were well attended. At the Saturday vigil, Trudie Gerber and Kim Birkenfeld were baptized and John Womack and Chris Williams were received into the church (these two were already baptized). Then they received the Sacrament of Confirmation and their first Holy Eucharist. May Hochstein is to be commended for the work she does

as coordinator of the RCIA program.

CPS selects essay winners

The Child Protective Services board has selected winners in its child abuse prevention essay contest.

First-place winners include Kimberly Brockman of Nazareth, first grade; Veronica Rodriguez of Nazareth, second grade; Blake Birkenfeld and Jase Merritt, both of Nazareth, third grade; Rachel Wall of Hart, fifth grade; and Cody Brockman and Belinda Martinez, both of Dimmitt, sixth grade.

Students from Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth participated in the contest and the first-place winners will receive a packet of gift certificates from local merchants.

Donna Stump told the board of a possible arrangement for obtaining children's clothing from Second Time Around, a "gently-worn" children's clothing store in Plainview.

Stump said Child Protective Services sometimes receives donated clothing in sizes which cannot be immediately used. Second Time Around will take the clothing, then will credit Child Protective Services for the items, then will allow Stump to select needed items from its inventory.

Stump told the board she feels the arrangement with the business will be beneficial because Child Protective Services has limited storage space and cannot hold items indefinitely.

The board agreed to set up an arrangement with the Plainview business.

Child Protective Services board members attending the April meeting were Stump, Lynn Cameron, Joan Aalbers, Frances Duke, Randy Smithson, Carleta Harkins, Clara Patton, Kathy Welch, Gracie Killough, Faye Killough and Toni Waldo.

Brandon Schulte, infant son of Olen and Barbara Schulte, was baptized Easter morning in Holy Family Church with Father Neal Dee officiating. His godparents are Bob and Beverly Schulte.

Our sympathy to the family of Kerry Kleman, who died Friday afternoon at his Sweet Shop in Dimmitt. Survivors include his mother, Georgianne; his brothers, Kelvin Kleman and family of Fort Smith, Ark., and Kenneth Kleman and family of Littlefield; and five sisters, Noreen Carson and family of Sweetwater, Gail Gagnon and family of Houston, Laura Moya and family of El Paso and Jocelyn Pohlmeier and family and Nicole Kleman, all of Nazareth.

Funeral services were held Monday morning in Holy Family Church with Rev. Neal Dee and Msgr. Harold Waldo co-celebrating the mass, assisted with Deacon Al Maurer. Beautiful hymns were sung by Greg and Glenda Birkenfeld, Tricia Rose and Dwayne Kleman.

Friends, relatives and classmates attended funeral services for Sue (Burt) Crume, formerly of Nazareth on Friday afternoon at St. Alice Catholic Church in Plainview. Our sympathy to her husband, Harlan Crume, and daughter of Plainview; and to Sue's sister, Gin Huseman and family of Nazareth.

Our sympathy to the family of Kevin Kleman of Tulia, including his wife, Kym, his daughter, Erin

and his son, Travis, all of the home; his parents, Urban and Roberta Kleman of Tulia; four sisters and a brother. Msgr. Harold Waldo, chaplain at St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, Rev. John Salazar, pastor, and Rev. Neal Dee of Nazareth officiated at the funeral mass which was held at Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia.

C.B. Wilhelm is home to recuperate after having surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. Margaret Braddock is a hip surgery patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital. We hope she mends well.

Max and Delese Ellison hosted a get together Friday evening for Trudie Gerber and Kim Birkenfeld. Delese has been a very educational sponsor for Trudie; as has Toby Gerber for Kim.

LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier enjoyed flying to Dallas last week where they accompanied Bob and Linda Kendrick and son Clint, and Lisa Pohlmeier to Carthage to watch Rob Kendrick play baseball with his college team. While there they enjoyed visiting with Stanley, Cheryl, Amy and Matthew Stork, who live in Carthage.

Joe and Imogene Drerup spent Easter weekend with their daughters, Tammy and Tracy at College Station. On the way home they stopped in Irving to visit with their son, Wade, and his wife, Julie.

Prayers are asked for Thorton Monroe, husband of Alvina Birkenfeld Monroe, who is a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. He is undergoing treatment for Hodgkins Disease.

Misty Odom, granddaughter of Leslie Loudder and the M.B. Odoms of Dimmitt, participated in the annual Young Musicians contest in San Angelo. It was sponsored by the Symphony Guild on Saturday, April 3.

Approximately 70 musicians in four divisions (elementary, junior, senior and university) competed in three categories (piano, vocal and instrumental).

Misty competed in the vocal category. The contest was held over three nights and Leslie attended the Saturday night performance while the Odoms attended later. The finals were held in the afternoon and a full-length opera was held at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Angelo State University auditorium. Winners and runners-up will perform with the San Angelo Symphony in a special performance on April 25 in the City Auditorium.

Misty has won many awards in competition.

Leslie Loudder went down Saturday before to help the Larry Odom family move into a new parsonage in San Angelo. The Odoms also helped them move, but at different times.

While moving, Sandy stepped off of something and broke her ankle. Doctors put a pin and screws in her ankle and she must stay off of it and walk on crutches for at least five weeks.

Sharon Sadler drove Teeny Bowden to St. Anthony's Pain Clinic in Amarillo Saturday morning for another epidural injection in her spine.

Mrs. Epperson hasn't been feeling well lately, so Retha Wilson picked her up Monday and now Mrs. Epperson is staying with Hershel and Retha Wilson until she gets better. The Wilsons left Mrs. Epperson alone Tuesday night so they could attend revival services at Seth Ward Baptist Church in Plainview. The former pastor of Dimmitt's Lee Street Baptist Church, Rev. Jim Ritter, was preaching dur-

ing the revival. Hershel Wilson and Janie Ritter sang a duet during the special music presentation.

Hershel and Retha Wilson have a booth in a new business at Sugarland Mall in Hereford. It's called "Mom and Me," and it is a craft shop. On Thursday the couple took supplies to Hereford to ready their booth for an open house, which is being planned for May 1.

On April 1, Hershel and Retha Wilson traveled to Plainview to celebrate Adam Freeman's 11th birthday. Also celebrating were his other grandparents, Adam and Jill Freeman, who prepared a steak supper for the occasion.

Hershel Wilson went to Abernathy Saturday to see Jessica Wilson compete in a track meet.

Clyde and Judy Damron, Tracy and Justin spent Easter Sunday in Dimmitt with Clyde's family.

Margaret Williams and Britni of Hobbs, N.M. spent Saturday and Sunday with Billie and Emma Jean King. Marshal, Lance and Lincoln visited with them Friday and Jimmy King and his girlfriend, Jo Ann Ybarra, also of Hobbs, visited with them on Sunday.

David and Gay Sadler visited in Hereford with her family on Easter Sunday.

Glenn and LaWanda Wilson went to Clovis, N.M. after church Sunday to spend Easter with her father, Jim Brooks, and other members of her family.

Ginger Hazel's sister, Rhonda Calloway, and her Grandmother Denman, both of Amarillo, spent Easter Sunday with Rev. John and Ginger Hazel.

Willie Mae and Embree Roy Sadler left after church to spend

Easter with Myles Sadler and his family.

Tex and Norma Conard and Ella Higdon, all of Dimmitt; Larry and Sharon Sadler, Laura Hurtado, Matt and Kristen spent Easter Sunday with Ezell and Verba Sadler. The kids enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the afternoon.

Jean and C.B. Lunsford of Danville, Ark., visited with Larry and Sharon Sadler on Saturday.

Roger and Christy Owens of Del City visited with Doug and Judy Loudder and Larry and Sharon Sadler on Saturday.

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Shawn Ewing and Jennifer Bailey

Ewing and Bailey to wed

Mr. and Mrs. O.F. Bailey of Amarillo announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jennifer, to Shawn Ewing, son of Edward and Sharon Ewing of Dimmitt.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26, at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Amarillo. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of Caprock High School in Amarillo. She is majoring in social work at Amarillo College. She is presently employed with Sam's Wholesale Club in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is a 1990 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He is studying to become a paramedic at Amarillo College. He is employed by Heath's Quality Store.

Following the wedding, the couple plans to live in Amarillo.

Engagements



Pam Nelson and Eddie Griffis

May wedding planned

Dan and Hazel Nelson of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Pam, to Eddie Griffis, son of Alva and Yvonne Griffis of New Deal.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at 7 p.m. on May 8 in the First United Methodist Church at Abernathy.

The bride-elect is a Dimmitt High School graduate. She graduated from Lubbock Christian University and is employed as a coach at New Deal.

The prospective groom is a graduate of New Deal High School. He is studying at Texas Tech University's Health Sciences Center and is self-employed.



Randy Lynn Smithson and Vicki Cheryl Robinson

Pair to wed in June

Vicki Cheryl Robinson and Randy Lynn Smithson, both of Dimmitt, will exchange wedding vows on June 12 at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Robinson of Tulia and Jo Robinson of Lubbock. Parents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. Rayphard Smithson of Dimmitt.

Miss Robinson is a 1986 graduate of Lubbock Coronado High School. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene in 1989 and she received her teaching certificate from Texas Tech University in 1990. She is employed by the Dimmitt Independent School District.

Smithson is a 1976 graduate of Dimmitt High School and a 1980 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is employed by the First State Bank of Dimmitt.



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Calico
By Terri Loudder

I wonder if you could clarify something for me. What is a "Pro-Vitamin?"

You can't pick up a shampoo bottle in the 90s that doesn't have the expression "Pro-Vitamin" somewhere on the label.

So I'm wondering just when these vitamins gave up their amateur standing. Are they "pro" because they've undergone some extensive specialized training or did they send off for a degree from Sally Struthers? Or is it simply that they receive a fee when they're listed on a label? (Which would, incidentally, render them ineligible for future amateur vitamin competitions.)

I think this needs to be explored. (Hey, I have an enquiring mind.) If there are, in fact, professionally trained vitamins out there, why aren't we swallowing them instead of smearing them in our hair? No wonder I have that tired, run-down feeling — I've been taking amateurs!

Now I'm proud to say that as a general rule I'm a label-reading, ingredient-checking skeptic. I even have a membership card. I am, that is, until I get to the hair care aisle in any store. Then I just open my mouth and wait for the hook to set. I'm lured in by phrases like "salon formula," "protein-enriched" and "thermal protectants."

And if the label happens to be printed in french, I become "tres gullible." Now I ask you, can you picture a French woman fighting over bottles of hair gel and saying, "Ooh, lah, lah, the label is printed in English. I must have cet?" I don't think so.

Still I buy. I own "freeze/fixatif" instead of hair spray. I glob on "forming gel" instead of Dippety Do. And I only shampoo with natural proteins.

That is until last week when I was standing in the shower and had my grand realization. (I was lucky I didn't fall down). Perhaps the water was too hot, or perhaps there was just one too many "Pro-Vitamins" staring back at me. Whatever the cause, I started reading labels. The first eye-openers were the contents lists. Most of the ingredients were scary-sounding things like "PVP/VA Copolymer," "Cocamide MEA" or my personal favorite, "Ammonium Xylenesulfonate."

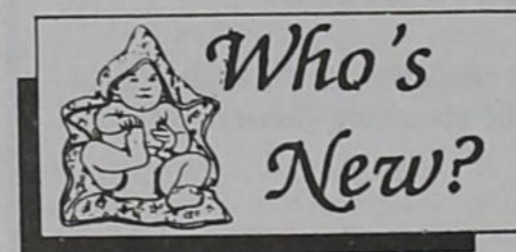
Now there's a Scrabble triple word score if I ever heard one.

I didn't, however, find a single reference to the training of those alleged "Pro-Vitamins." At least not one that your average Joan without a chemistry degree could understand.

What I did understand was that they all contained large quantities of water, alcohol and fragrance. I was beginning to think I'd been sold a bill of goods. (Okay, so I'm a little slow.)

Then came the cruelest blow of all. I picked up my favorite bottle of "Gel De Coiffure"—you know, the one with all the instructions in French. It's made in Ohio! Mon Dieu!

Why I'll bet they've been using stupid old ordinary amateur vitamins all along. . . . You think?



Plains Memorial

It's a girl for Sheila and Joe Bob Murray of Dimmitt. Their new daughter entered the world at 5:38 p.m. on March 1 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz.; was 22 inches long; and has been named Samantha Paige. Grandparents are Myma and Joe Langford of Dimmitt, Terry Murray of Hereford and Ralph Murray of Kansas. Great-grandparents are Herbert and Louise Elliott of Arkansas, Al and Shirley Vermillion of Hereford and Troy and Claudine Langford of Dimmitt.

Javier and Martha Ibarra of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Sergio Ibarra, who was born at 7:48 a.m. on March 28. He weighed in at 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 21-1/2 inches long. He has a big brother, Javier Ibarra Jr., 2. Paternal grandparents are Ventura and Fransisca Ibarra of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Martin and Janie Castillo of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents include Celestino and Maria Castillo, Trinidad Castillo and Isabel Ibarra.

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Candy Jones and Michael Kern

Jones and Kern to wed

Candy Jones of Littlefield and Michael Kern of Dallas will exchange wedding vows on May 22 in Holy Family Catholic Church at Nazareth.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Ann and Buck Chadwick of Quitaque and Salty Jones of Flomot. Parents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kern of Nazareth.

Miss Jones is a 1983 graduate of Valley High School. She graduated from Texas Tech University in May 1988 with a bachelor of science degree in early childhood. She currently teaches at Littlefield Primary School.

Kern graduated from Nazareth High School in 1982 and from Texas Tech University in May 1986. He holds a bachelor of science degree in agricultural engineering and he is employed by Factory Mutual Engineering Association in Dallas.

Church Happenings

Presbyterian Church

The spring gathering of Presbyterian Women will be held Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church in Canyon. It will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and lunch will be served for \$3. Donna Wilson will be installed as moderator and JoAnn Long, Synod Moderator, will be the featured speaker. The meeting will close with a worship service and Holy Communion at 1 p.m.

Sunday school classes will meet Sunday morning at 10.

"Your Faith is Being Tested" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the Sunday morning worship service, slated to begin at 11.

"The Parable of Two Men in the Temple" from Luke 18:8-14 will be the subject of the mid-week Bible study at the manse on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The special collection this weekend will be for the elderly and children of the diocese.

The Saturday mass will be at 3 p.m. instead of 5:30 p.m. It will be the mass for the golden wedding anniversary of Emilo and Cuca Nino.

The United Catholic Appeal campaign for 1993-94 will begin this weekend. Flyers will be distributed at all services.

A bilingual workshop on parenting and the prevention of alcoholism will be presented by the Dimmitt Independent School District Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. in Maria's and Martha's Rooms at the church.

Father will be attending an assembly in Amarillo Monday through next Thursday.

A Diocesan Youth Rally will be held in Amarillo on April 24. Those who wish to attend should contact Patrice Schaaf at 647-4219.

Ministerial Alliance

Pedro Gonzales will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

The Pastoral Council will meet today (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. in Lucia and Anna's Room at the church.


A class for Cursillistas is being planned tonight (Thursday) at 8 in Maria's Room at the church.

Math tutoring to be offered

Dimmitt High School teacher Libby Cleveland will conduct math tutoring during April to prepare students for the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS), Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), American College Test (ACT) and Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP).

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By CINDY POTTORFF
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This is a good time to mention some of the library's books on agriculture. Also, if any farmer or rancher has suggestions on what would be good agricultural books, we will welcome those ideas.

Modern Agriculture: Science, Finance, Production and Economics, edited by David P. Price, is a good, very basic overview of agriculture. It includes many types of crops, short chapters on various types of livestock production and

breeding, along with financial aspects which cover marketing, financial accounting and the futures market. Chapters covering various subjects are written by experts in the agricultural field.

Beef Production: Science and Economics, Application and Reality by David P. Price is a wonderful book on the implied subject. In addition, it is geared to production in this region. The first section is devoted to an overview of production and management, and the second section is reference and covers subjects including "factors affecting area utilization." The third section features nutritional appendices and the final section features statistical data.

Soils: An Introduction to Soils and Plant Growth by Raymond W. Miller and Roy L. Donahue is a basic text on the relationship between plant growth and soil properties. It also includes suggestions on agricultural applications and soil management techniques.

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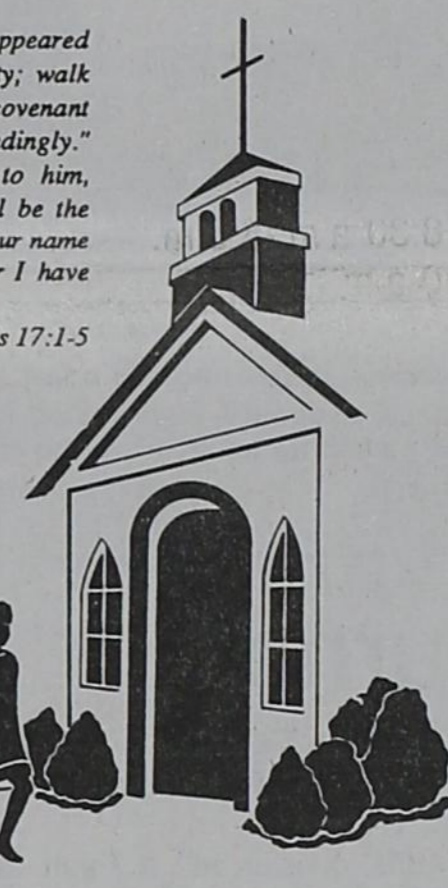
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Sports

Seven headed to regional

Sims and Annen win 2-AAA doubles title

Matt Sims and Tye Annen didn't let anything get to them in the District 2-AAA tennis tournament last week at the Lubbock Municipal Tennis Center.

Not even their teammates. The Dimmitt boys' doubles team captured the district championship by beating Chad Sandoval and Jeremy Langford, another Dimmitt doubles team, 6-4, 6-4 in the finals.

Both teams will compete in the Region 1-AAA tournament, along with Dimmitt boys' singles player Art Ortega and the girls' doubles team of Nikki Kenley and Tara Grand. Ortega along with Kenley and Grand, finished second in the district meet.

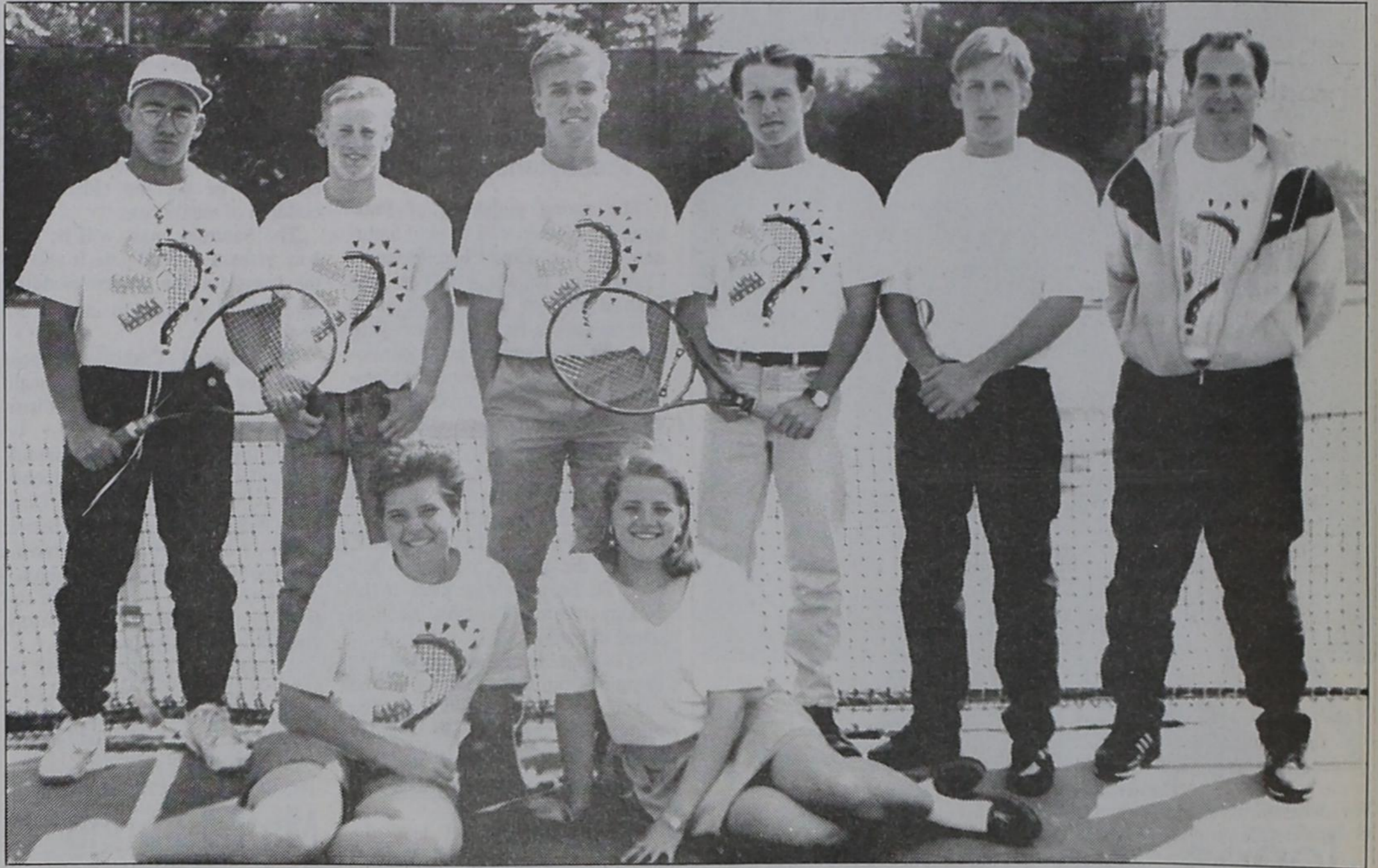
Amanda Odom of Dimmitt split sets in the semifinal match with Quintana of Muleshoe, but lost, 4-6, 6-4, 3-6. Then she was beaten in the third-place game by Francis of Littlefield, 3-6, 0-6.

Dimmitt's David West also lost in the semifinals, to eventual district champion Outland of Friona, 2-6, 0-6. He beat Howard of Tulia in split sets, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 for third place, and then challenged Ortega for second place in a playback, but was beaten, 0-6, 2-6.

Sims and Annen beat Goddard and Rector of Friona, 6-1, 6-4; and Sandoval and Langford knocked off Davis and Golightly of Floydada, 6-4, 6-4 in the semifinal round.

Ortega had an easy time with his semifinal opponent, Howard, winning 6-2, 6-1. But he had problems with Outland, and wound up losing the championship match with Outland, 0-6, 1-6. That forced him into the challenge match with West.

Kenley and Grand won their semifinal match over Poole and Liphum of Floydada, 6-4, 6-2; then lost to the Willards from Friona, 2-6, 5-7.



READY FOR REGIONAL—These Dimmitt High School tennis players have qualified to play in the Regional Tennis Tournament after winning at District last week. The girls doubles team of (seated, from left) Tara Grand and Nikki Kenley won second. (Back, from

left) Art Ortega took second in boys singles, Ty Annen and Matt Sims won first in boys doubles, and Jeremy Langford and Chad Sandoval won second in boys doubles. They are coached by Ty Johnson (far right).
Photo By Linda Maxwell



FIRING IT IN—Dimmitt pitcher Jacinto Quiroz uncorks a fast ball in the seventh inning of the Bobcats' game against Boys Ranch here Saturday. With a 6-2 victory, Quiroz picked up his fifth win on eight strikeouts, no walks and 12 hits.
Photo by Don Nelson

Bradley, Pohlmeier to play with TABC's North all-star team

Halley Bradley of Dimmitt and Jill Pohlmeier of Nazareth will play in the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC)/San Antonio Optimist Clubs all-star game Saturday at the Incarnate Word College Convocation Center in San Antonio.

The two local all-stars will play on the Class AAA, AA and A North all-star team along with Kenda Chisum of Sunray, Shalonda Enis of Celeste, Tracey Jeffery of Lubbock Cooper, Susan Holcomb of LaPoyner, Elise Prather of Abernathy, Thelma Robinson of Slaton, Sandi Stevens of Canyon and Rhonda Wilson of Slidell. Coaching the team will be Canyon mentor and former Nazareth coach Joe Lombard.

The North all-stars will meet the South's best at 3 p.m. Saturday. Other games scheduled during the all-star tourney are the small-school North-South boys' all-star game at 4:30 p.m.; the North-South Class AAAAA and AAAA girls' all-star game at 6 p.m. and the big school boys' all-star game at 7:30 p.m.

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Teams which drew byes in the first round are Major Boys' teams including First State Bank and Easter Grain; Minor Girls' teams including Farm Bureau and Flagg Fertilizer; Major Girls' teams including American Fructose and Karryall's by Karen; and Minor Boys' teams including Bar G Feedyard and Wright and Sons Produce.

The first-round games will be played today (Thursday) and Friday. Today's schedule opens with Dimmitt Printing taking on Coleman Pharmacy in a Major Boys' game and Dimmitt Cosumers meeting Dimmitt Ready Mix in a Minor Girls' game, with both tipping off at 5:30 p.m.

S&S Cattle and J&T Construction from the Major Girls' league, and Headhunters and Castro Oil and Gas from the Minor Boys' division will play at 6:30 p.m. today.

A 7:30 p.m. tip-off tonight will see games between Minor Girls' teams Dimmitt Equipment and B&W Aerial Spray; and Major Boys' teams The Place and Thrasher's Auto Sales.

On Friday, Lindsey Property Shoppe will take on Seale Florist at 6:30 p.m. in a Major Girls' first-round game; and Dimmitt Agri will meet Lane Dirt Co. at 6:30 p.m. in a Minor Boys' game.

Championship semifinal games will be played Monday at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Major Girls' and Minor Boys' divisions; while the consolation championship in those divisions will be played Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. The championships will be decided next Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Major

Girls' division and at 7 p.m. in the Minor Boys' tourney.

The Major Boys' and Minor Girls' championship semifinal games will tip off at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., with the championships in each division slated to be played next Thursday (boys at 7 p.m. and girls at 6 p.m. The consolation finals will be played at 6:30 p.m. Monday.



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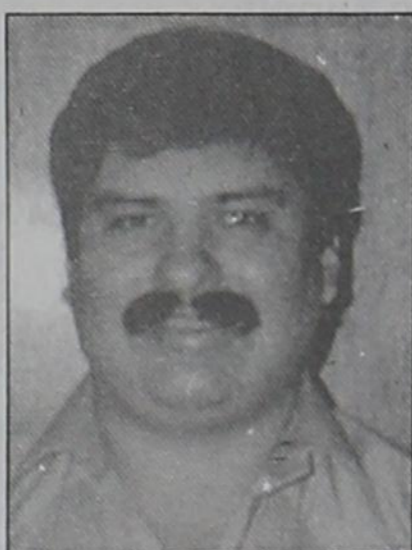
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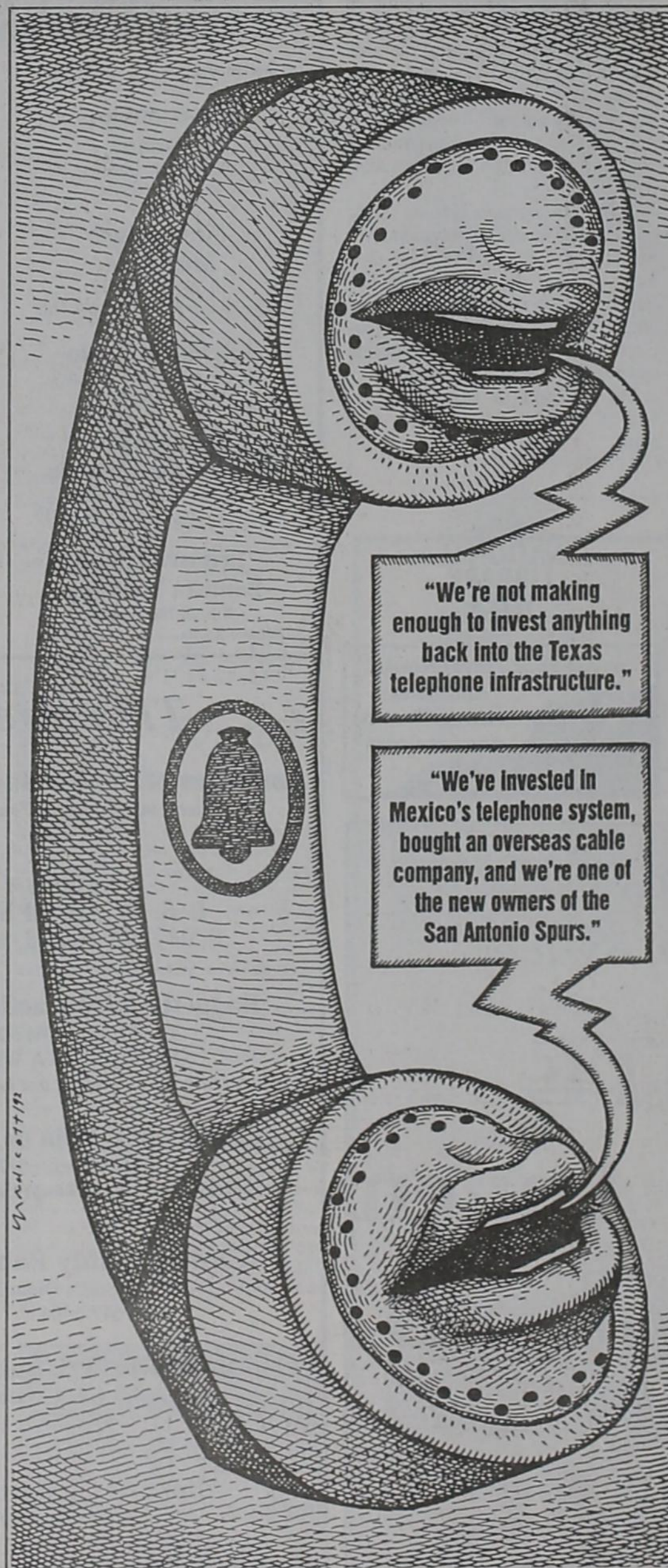


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Kim Thomas breaks record in 400 meters

Kim Thomas couldn't wait to call her big sister after Saturday's Brownfield Cub Relays track meet.

Kim had to tell Poppy that she no longer holds a Dimmitt High School record in the quarter-mile run.

Poppy Thomas' record of 59.1 seconds was broken Saturday when Kim captured first-place in the 400 with a time of 58.82 seconds.

"Kim's really running well right now," said Dimmitt Coach Richard Wood.

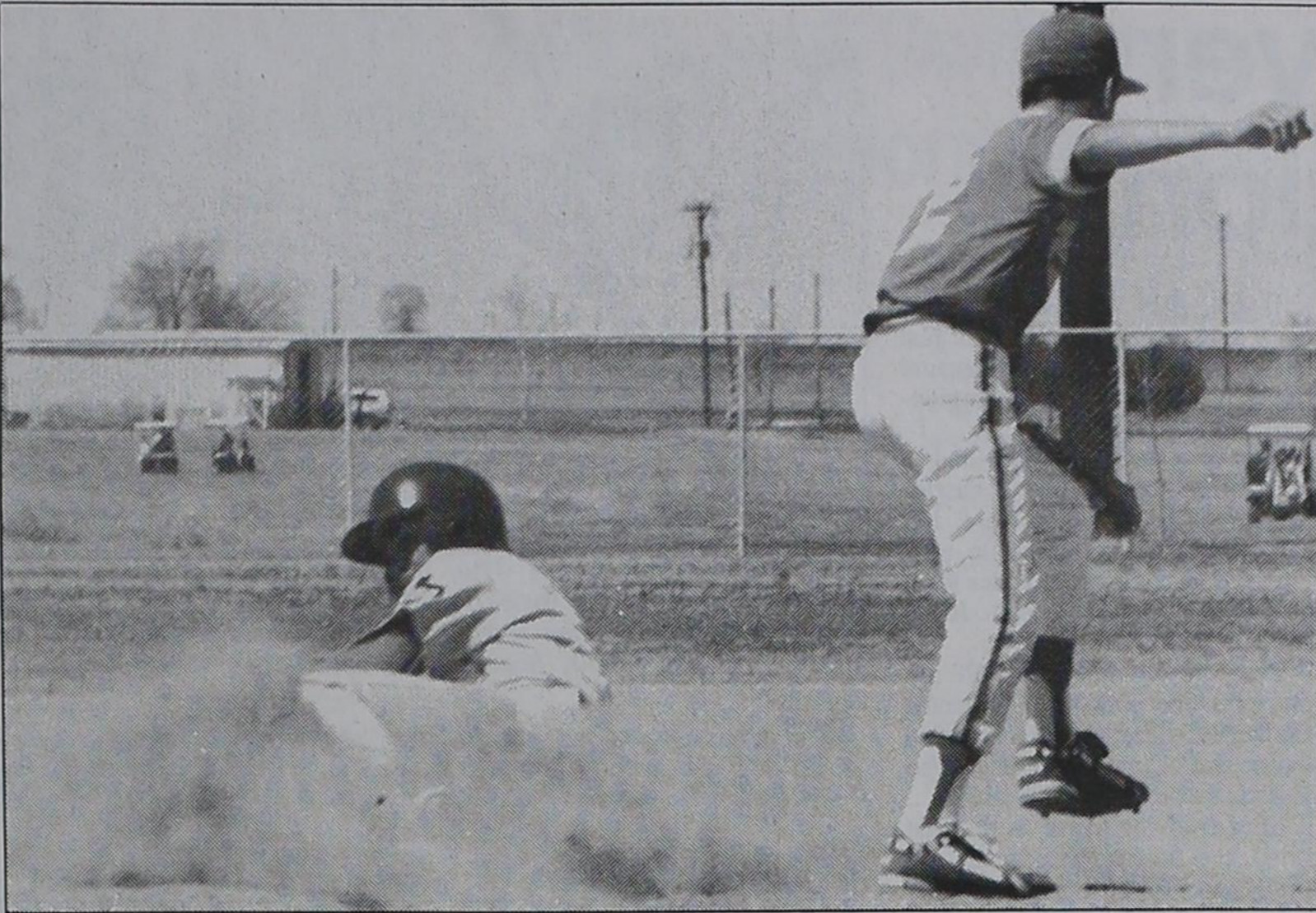
Thomas also won the 100-meter dash at Brownfield, breaking the tape in 12.56 seconds.

Her top finishes paced the Bobbies to a seventh-place team finish in the meet.

Rochelle Harman finished second in the 3,200-meter run in 13:14.76; and the mile relay team including Harman, Thomas, Jennifer Vick and Amy Ethridge was second with a time of 4:15.96.

Ethridge finished the 800-meter run in 2:30.12 for a fifth-place finish.

Dimmitt's boys scored four points and finished 18th in the meet behind Tait Crow's fourth-place finish in the discus (137-8 effort).



SAFE!—Dimmitt sophomore Emilio Nino is safe at third on a sixth-inning hit-and run play in the Bobcats' game against Boys Ranch here Saturday. Coach Bobby

Feaster's Bobcats won the well-played game, 6-2, to hike their season mark to 5-7 going into district play this week.

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Welps earns regional trip in golf

Hart's Bryan Welps shot 156 over two rounds in the District 1-A golf tournament at Huber Golf Course and that was good enough for second place overall and a trip to the Region 1-A golf tournament.

Welps led his team to a third-place finish, just one place shy of earning a regional ticket. Jason Wilhelm finished the meet with a 163 and John Welps recorded a 184.

The Hart Lady Horns also fared well in the district tourney, with Danna Wilhelm's two-round total of 206 leading the team to a third-place finish. Jennifer Martinez finished with 215 and Jada Ethridge fired a 236.

Brockman is inducted

Melissa Kaye Brockman, daughter of Ralph and Sharon Brockman of Nazareth, has been initiated into the Texas Tech University chapter of Phi Kappa Phi honor society.

Membership is limited to juniors, seniors and graduate students who academically are in the top 10% of their class. New members were initiated during a campus ceremony on April 5.

Brockman is a senior early childhood education major. She is a graduate of Nazareth High School.



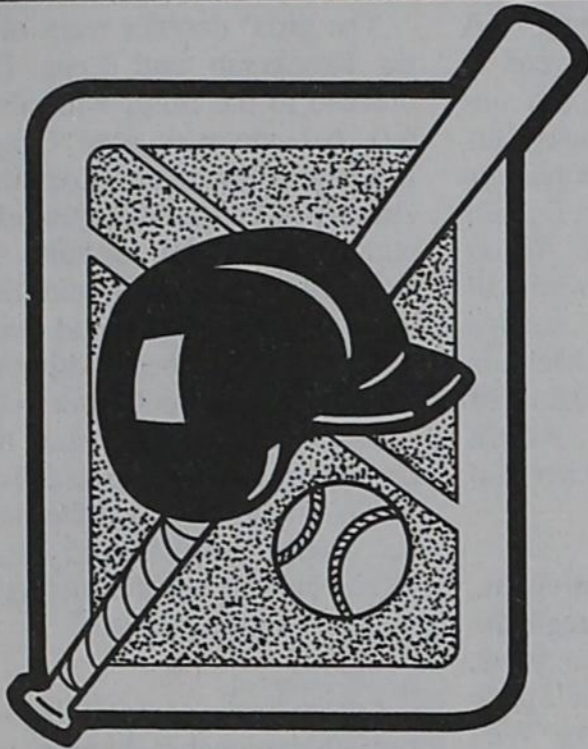
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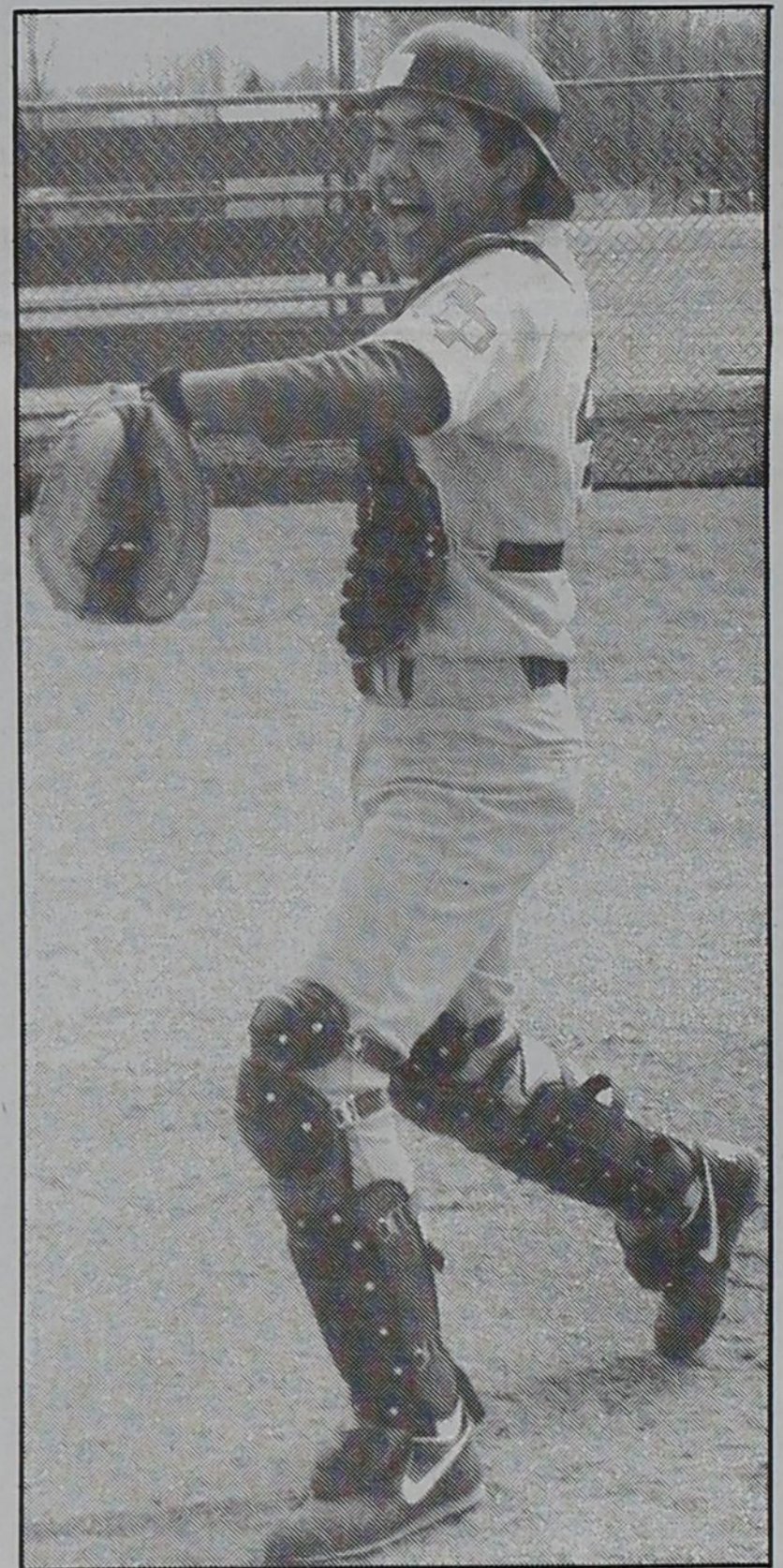
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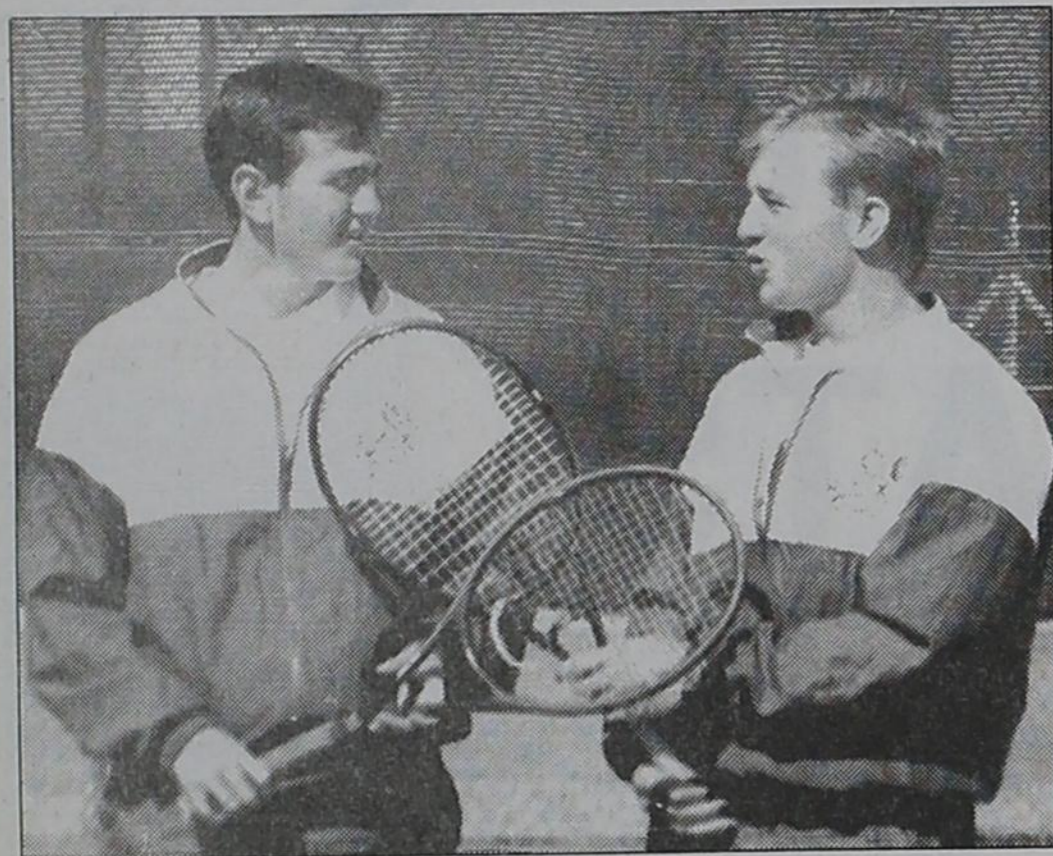
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Hart tennis players advance to regional



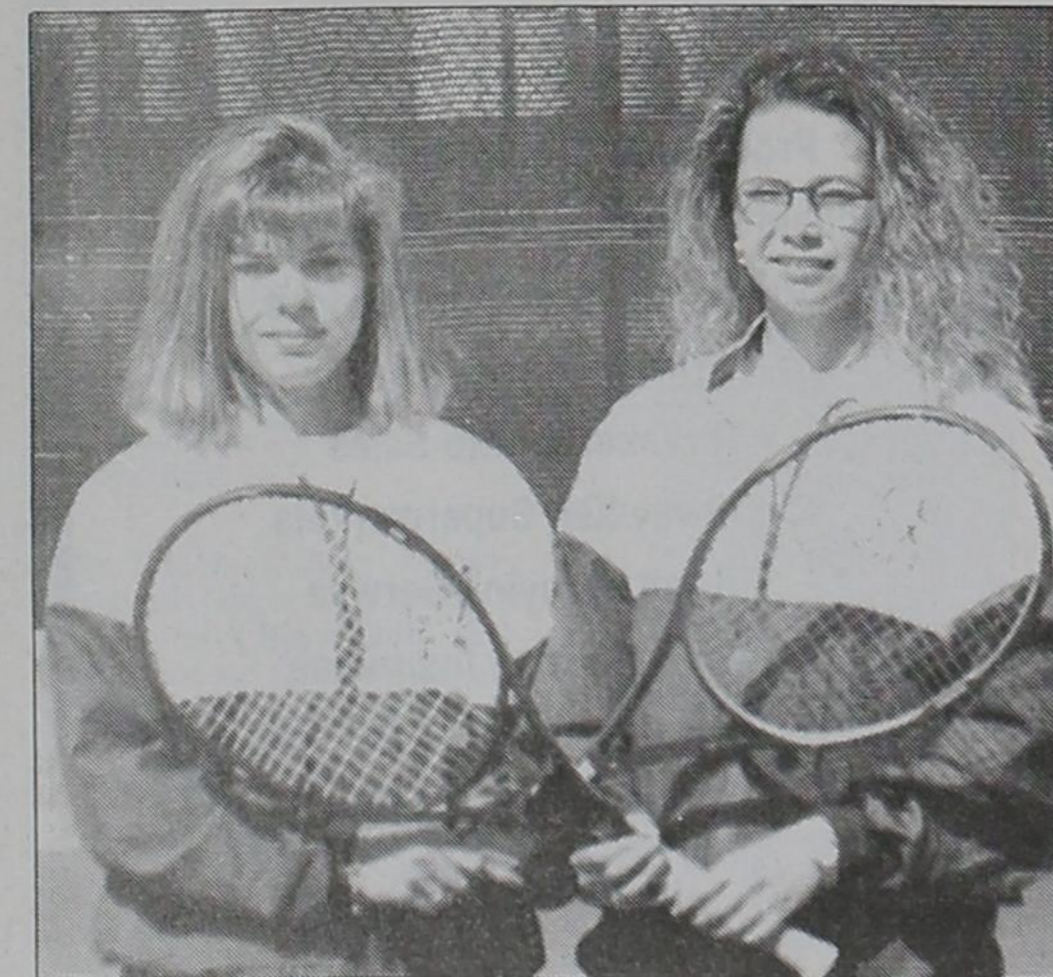
DISTRICT DOUBLES CHAMPIONS
... Hart's April Bennett (left) and her sister, Shea
Photo by Deana McLain



'WE MADE IT TO REGIONAL!'
... Doubles qualifiers Jason Aven (left) and Jeremy Hawkins of Hart
Photo by Deana McLain



REGION 1-A QUALIFIER IN BOYS' SINGLES
... Raynea Garcia of Hart
Photo by Deana McLain



DISTRICT RUNNERS-UP TO ADVANCE
... Hart's Kim Grossman and Kristy Davis
Photo by Deana McLain

Hart's girls' doubles team of April and Shea Bennett lost just one game in three matches enroute to capturing the district championship Tuesday.

Raynea Garcia of Hart had a tough trip to the boys' singles finals, but he got there, and left with the district championship, too.

So did Hart's boys' doubles team of Jeremy Hawkins and Jason Aven.

Each of these players will advance to the Region 1-A tennis tournament along with Hart's Kristi Davis and Kim Grossman, who finished second in girls' doubles.

After enjoying a bye in the first round, the Bennett sisters shut out Smith and Lingau of Farwell, and Hoyle and Smith of Booker before beating Davis and Kim Grossman, 6-0, 6-1 for the championship.

Davis and Grossman earned their spot in the final match by beating Campbell and Hillburn of Shamrock, 6-4, 6-3; and Davis and Kinnie of Sudan, 7-6, 6-1.

Hawkins and Aven breezed through their quarterfinal and semifinal matches, too. The Hart pair posted a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Breed and Whitley of White Deer in the first match, then topped Butler and Villanueva of Booker, 6-1, 6-0, in the semifinals.

After losing the first set in the championship match, 1-6, to Coffee and Back, Hawkins and Aven pulled together to win the next two sets, 6-3, 6-3, and claimed the gold medals.

Garcia played four matches in the district meet and he was forced into split sets in the final three.

He beat Clint Austin of Farwell, 7-6, 6-3 in the first round to start the long road to the finals.

Creed Hoover of Booker came back from a 2-6 first-set deficit against Garcia to win the second set, 6-4. The pair fought to a 6-6 stalemate in the third set, and Garcia managed to win the tiebreaker to take a 7-6 win in the set and match.

Things didn't get any easier for the Hart singles player in the semifinals, either. He lost the first set to Russ Guner of Claude, 3-6, but managed to answer with a 6-3 victory of his own in the second set. He won the third set, 6-0 to advance to the championship.

Again, Garcia was forced to come back from a deficit after losing the first set to Paul Thurmond of White Deer, 2-6. But the determined Garcia pulled out 7-6 and 6-1 victories in the next two sets to win the district championship.

Girls' singles player Brandi Key and boys' singles competitor Erasmo Castillo, both of Hart, finished third and fourth in the district meet, respectively.

Key beat Danielle Martin of Sudan, 6-2, 6-4; Jamie Riggs of Booker, 6-1, 6-0; and Saylor Murray of Kress, 6-3, 6-3; before losing to Crystal Frame of Booker, 6-7, 1-6.

Castillo picked up a first-round win over Klay Camp of Farwell, 6-0, 6-0; then beat Thurmond, 6-3, 6-2. But he tripped in his semifinal match against Gunter, 2-6, 6-2, 2-6.

Another boys' doubles team from Hart, Daniel Berumen and Juan Lopez, beat Farwell's Pomper and Williams, 6-2, 6-2 in the second round, but lost their next match, 6-1, 1-6, 6-7 to Pace and Garcia of Shamrock.

Sports card show and auction set

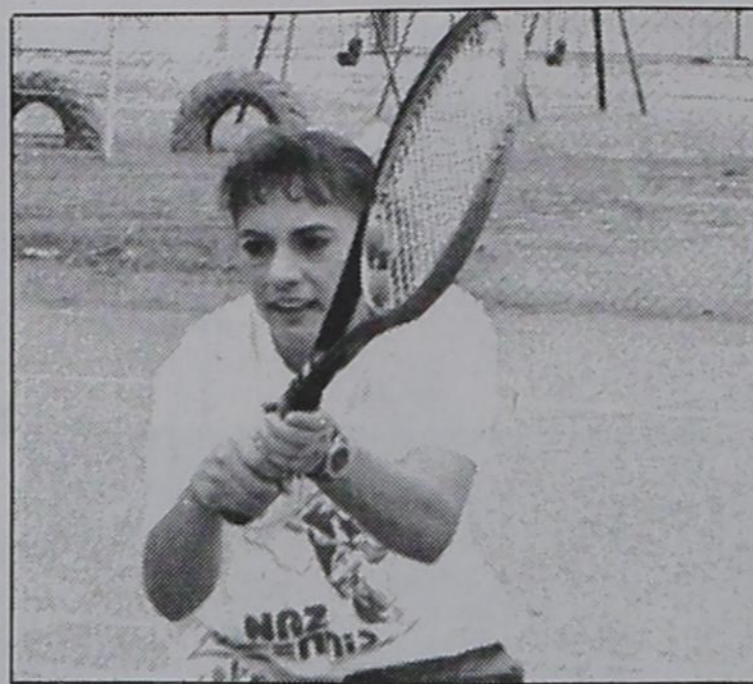
The First Annual Sports Card and Collectibles Show and Auction is scheduled for April 25 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Sponsored by the Dimmitt Alumni Technology Association (D.A.T.A.), the show will benefit the Gary Bruegel Memorial Scholarship and the Shawn Cotter Medical Fund. Admission to the show will be \$1 per person, with those under age 6 admitted free.

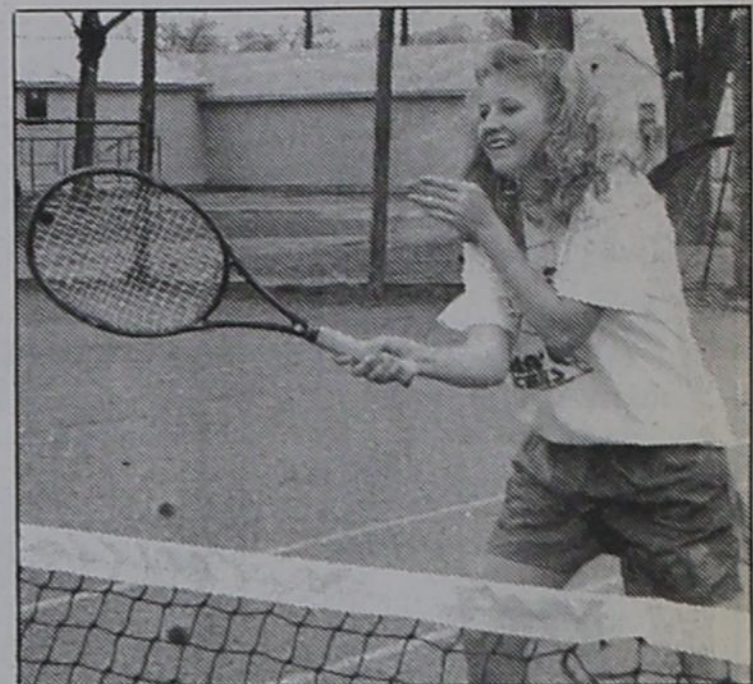
Several door prizes will be given away during the show. The auction will begin at 5:15 after the conclusion of the show. As many as 100 to 150 collectibles will be auctioned.

A concession stand will be operated by D.A.T.A.

For more information or if you want to have a booth at the show, call Jim Wright at 647-2477 or write to Box 6, Dimmitt, 79027.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—The Nazareth girls' doubles team of Kristin Brockman (left) and Lena Durbin defeated another Swiftette team, Carie Wethington and Robin Schulte, to capture the



District 7-A championship. Both teams will compete in the Region 1-A tournament later this month.
Photo by Brenda Schulte

Nazareth netters sweep District 7-A opponents

Nazareth netters aced their foes in the District 7-A tennis tournament at Hart last week, capturing every regional qualifying seat in both boys' and girls' competition.

Leading the pack of netters who will compete in the Region 1-A tournament during the last week in April will be district champion singles players Adrian Farris and Karmen Pohlmeier and doubles players Kristin Brockman and Lena Durbin and Scott Brockman and Alston Farris. District runners-up who will advance to regional are singles players Ryan Hoelting and Melinda Schmucker and doubles teams of Carie Wethington and Robin Schulte and Robby Schmucker and Jaret Schulte.

In the boys' singles division, Adrian Farris breezed through the tournament, without losing a game. He blanked Walt Dickey of Spade and Octavio Perez of Three Way before beating Hoelting. Hoelting advanced to the finals by knocking off Josh Warren of Lazbuddie, 6-0, 6-1; and Wade Wilson of Three Way, 6-2, 6-3.

In the girls' singles division, Pohlmeier drew a bye in the first round, then beat Jennifer Faver of Spade, 6-2, 6-1 in the semifinals. Melinda Schmucker knocked off Julie McDonald of Lazbuddie, 6-0, 6-0; then Got by Nancy Sageser of Cotton Center, 6-4, 6-2 to set up a championship final with Pohlmeier. That title match was a tight one, with Schmucker winning the first set, 6-1. But Pohlmeier fought back and won the second and third sets, 6-4, 6-2, to claim the district championship.

The boys' doubles also was a showdown between two Nazareth teams. After drawing a bye in the first round, Scott Brockman and Alston Farris demolished Stevens and Ansty of Happy, 6-0, 6-1. Jaret Schulte and Robby Schmucker fought off the stubborn Lazbuddie team of Thomas and Zamora to win

their first-round match by a 6-4, 6-1 count, then beat Mena and Woods of Cotton Center by the same count to reach the championship against Brockman and Farris. The latter won the match, 6-0, 6-1.

The girls' doubles team of Kristin Brockman and Lena Durbin breezed to the finals with identical 6-0, 6-1 victories over Gray and Bradley of Spade and Redwine and Orozco of Lazbuddie. Carie Wethington and Robin Schulte didn't lose a game to Crain and Hart of Amherst in the first-round (winning 6-0, 6-0), then beat Sageser and Cisneros of Cotton Center, 6-3, 6-2 to reach the championship match. Brockman and Durbin beat Schulte and Wethington, 6-3 in the first set, but dropped the second set, 6-7, before pulling out the victory with a 6-2 win in the third set.

Adrian Farris captured boys' singles championship honors in the Gold Division of the Amarillo Relays over the weekend.

Farris defeated Lanny Scheile of Pampa, 6-1, 6-1 in the first round. The quarterfinal match saw Farris beat Nichil Mankodi of Wichita Falls High by a 6-3, 6-0 count.

In the semifinals, the Nazareth senior emerged victorious after a long, hard-fought battle with Greg Coplen of Hereford.

Farris won the first set, 6-3, but lost the second set, 2-6. The third set was a fight to the finish, but Farris eventually prevailed, 7-6, winning the tiebreaker, 7-5.

After that the championship match was no problem, as Farris beat Paul Wooldridge of Amarillo High, 6-2, 6-4.

Scott Brockman and Alston Farris lost to Charlie Senter and Michael Lunardon of Lubbock Coronado, 3-6, 4-6, in the first round, then beat Cole and Vargas of Hereford, 6-3, 6-0. The pair lost their next match with Chow and Kirk of Tascosa, 4-6, 3-6, but bounced back to beat Perales and Lyles of Hereford on Saturday, 7-6, 6-0.



REGIONAL QUALIFIERS IN BOYS' DOUBLES
... Scott Brockman (left) and Alston Farris of Nazareth
Photo by Brenda Schulte



KARMEN POHLMEIER of Nazareth will represent District 7-A as the top seed in the Region 1-A girls' singles tournament after winning her district meet recently.
Photo by Brenda Schulte



ANOTHER DISTRICT TITLE—Nazareth's Adrian Farris captured his fourth district singles title recently and hopes to make it four-in-a-row at the Region 1-A tourney, too. He will defend his title later this month.
Photo by Brenda Schulte

Hart athletes claim six gold medals at Olton track meet

Hart athletes captured first places in the girls' shot put, discus, 400-meter dash, 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles; and in the boys' shot put at the Olton Invitational Track Meet Saturday.

Frances Dozal of Hart won the girls' discus and shot put, with throws of 116-3 and 35-3 1/4, respectively; and Shea Bennett won the 100- and 300-meter hurdles with times of 17.07 and 51.58, respectively. Bryan Welps heaved the shot put 52-5 1/2 feet to claim the gold medal in that event in the

boys' division. Brandi Key won the girls' quarter-mile, breaking the tape in 65.16.

The Lady Horns finished fourth with 65 points while the Longhorns placed fifth with 47 points.

Hart's 400-meter girls' relay team placed second with a time of 53.46; and the mile relay team was fifth in 4:33.86.

Shelly Mayhew of Hart placed fourth in the long jump with a measure of 16-1 1/2. Kelly Mayhew was fourth in the 100-yard

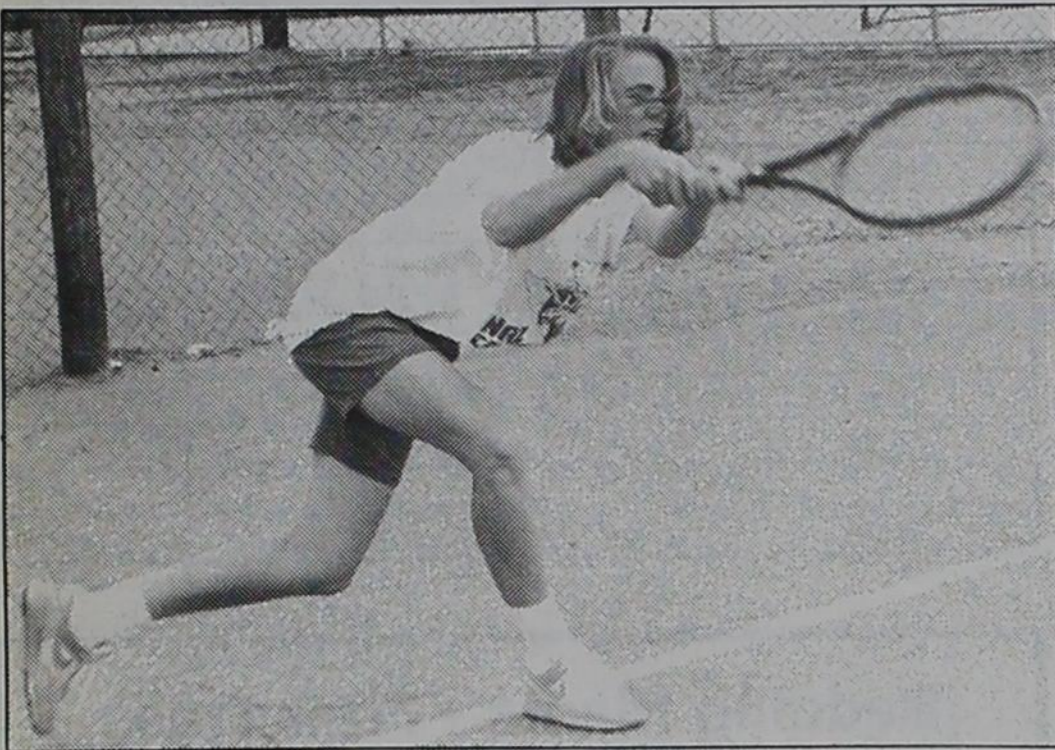
dash with a time of 13.39 and she also placed sixth in the 100-meter hurdles, running the event in 18 seconds flat. In the boys' meet, Welps placed second in the discus with a throw of 142. Israel Garcia threw the shot put 50-7 feet to finish second to Welps. Harts' boys' quarter-mile relay team finished fifth with a time of 46.09. Harvey Robledo of Hart placed fourth in the 800-meter run (2:09.14) and Vincent Lopez was fifth in the 300-meter hurdles (44.81).





DISTRICT 7-A RUNNERS-UP
... Nazareth's Jaret Schulte and Robbie Schmucker

Photo by Brenda Schulte



REGIONAL QUALIFIER IN GIRLS' SINGLES
... Melinda Schmucker of Nazareth

Photo by Brenda Schulte



DISTRICT RUNNERS-UP—The Nazareth girls' doubles team of Carrie Wethington and Robin Schulte will compete in the Region 1-A tennis tournament later this month after placing second at the District 7-A meet.

Photos by Brenda Schulte



ON TO REGIONAL
... Ryan Hoelting

Photo by Brenda Schulte

Swifts and Swiftettes race to regional berths

Nick Johnson won the long jump, placed second in the discus, ran on Nazareth's third-place 400 relay and was third in the 200-meter dash to pace the Swifts in the District 7-A track meet Friday at Olton.

For the Swiftettes, Melinda Schmucker won the 400-meter dash, Sabrina Acker placed second in the discus and the mile relay team finished second.

Each individual or relay which placed first or second at district will compete in the Region 1-A track meet later this month.

Those people include Johnson in the long jump and discus; Schmucker in the 400; Acker in the discus and the Swiftettes' mile relay, which includes Tara Johnson, Allyn Garza, Kelly Jones and Schmucker. The Swifts' mile relay including Brad Keel, Joey Schacher, Trampas Ball and Gaylon Schilling will compete at regional with a 3:50.16 second-place finish at district.

Nick Johnson won the long jump with a measure of 19-8 1/2 feet, almost a foot farther than the second-place finisher. His throw in the discus was measured at 138-3 feet and he was timed at 23.77 in the 200-meter dash.

Schmucker won the 400 with a time of 61.87.

The girls' mile relay finished with a time of 4:35.51, and almost caught the winning team, Whitharal, which posted a time of 4:33.75.

In the discus, Acker qualified for regional with a throw of 81-10.

The Swifts' 400-meter relay, which includes J.J. Bermea, Schilling, Keel and Nick Johnson, finished third in 47.38 seconds.

Keel also ran the 800-meter run, and placed third in 2:17.87.

Courtney Hoelting finished third in the girls' 800-meter run with a time of 3:03.45, and Swiftette Coach Ritchit Tarbet says there is a chance she could compete at regional, because the second-place district finisher has qualified in other events which may conflict, and she may drop out of the 800, allowing Hoelting to take her place at regional.

Other Swifts placing in the district meet are Casey Hoelting, fifth in the 3,200-meter run, 11:43; B.J. Klein, sixth in the 800-meter run, 2:23 and sixth in the mile run, 5:19; and Ball, fifth in the 200-meter dash, 24.7.

Swiftettes finishing among the top six are Garza, fourth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 14.23, fifth in the 200-meter dash with a time of 30.47 and sixth in the triple jump; Tara Johnson, fifth in the 100, 14.30; and Jones, fifth in the 300-meter hurdles, 56.83.

Barton selects Mitzi Brockman

Mitzi Brockman of Nazareth has agreed to chair the local campaign of Joe Barton, Congressman from Ennis, and a candidate in the US Senate race in the May 1 election.

Brockman may be contacted at 945-2246 for campaign information in addition to yard signs and bumper stickers.

Brockman said she is proud to be on the Barton bandwagon because "he has a clean, conservative record and he represents the major thinking of the residents of the state."

"Joe Barton went to Congress, not as a lawyer, but as an engineer," Brockman said. "He is a man who knows how to create, someone who knows how to build and has been known to use a four-letter word called 'jobs' in his efforts for the state economy."

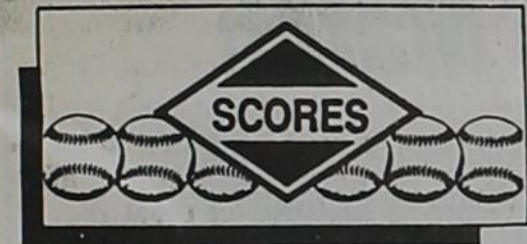
Brockman pointed out that Barton has earned a reputation, even among his opponents, for bringing together new ideas with tough determination. Also, he was one of the few members of Congress who did not have any checks to bounce in the House Bank scandal.

In 1990, the Dallas Times Herald named Barton Texas' hardest working Congressman.

Brockman said Barton has voted against every tax increase, he has been tough on drugs, and he has worked for a strong national defense.

"I am also supporting him on the basis of his Pro-Life stand," Brockman said. "It is time to stop the murder of helpless children in the womb, and, especially, to keep our taxes from being used in this child abuse."

"Let me know if you can help on Joe's campaign," Brockman concluded.



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TUESDAY

District 2-AAA Opener

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HOME RUN: Littlefield—Villareal and Brown.
Records: Dimmitt 5-8; Littlefield 7-5-1.

Baseball Schedule

TODAY: JV Bobcats at Plainview JV, 6:30 p.m.
FRIDAY: JV Bobcats at Leveland Red, 6 p.m.
SATURDAY: Bobcats at Friona, 1 p.m.
MONDAY: JV Bobcats at Lockney JV, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY: Bobcats vs. Muleshoe in Dimmitt, 5 p.m.

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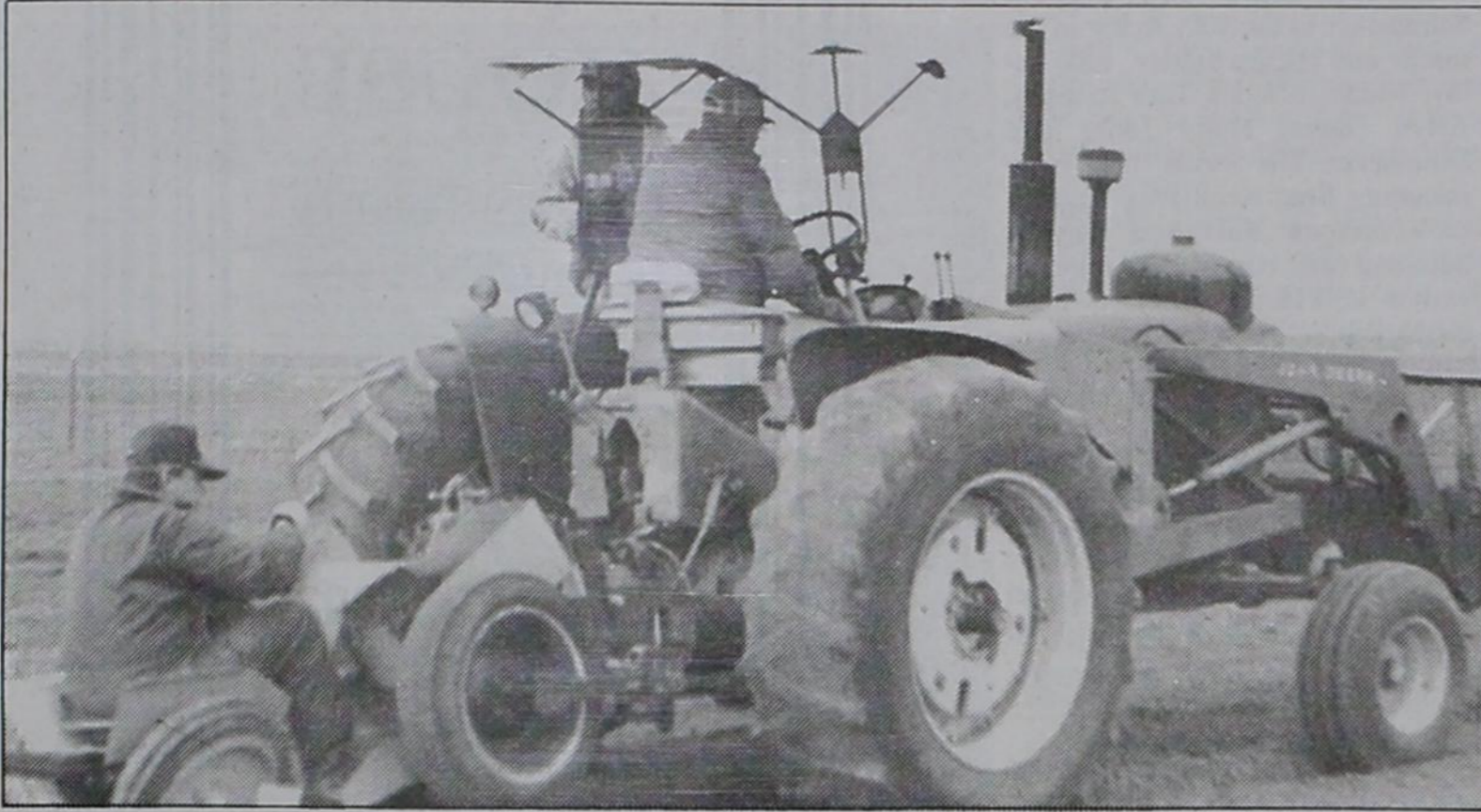
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Photo by Deana McLain

Farmers should watch for insects this spring

Spring insects have not been cause for concern in the county, yet; but as you travel north towards Hereford and west to Friona, the Russian Wheat Aphid and greenbugs are becoming active.

Beneficial insects have been found in most fields and farmers

can count on these for help.

Thanks to a Section 18 clearance, farmers have been able to use Lorsban for two weeks now and have been able to control some problems in fields.

Farmers are urged to keep a close eye on leaf rust as the grow-

ing season progresses, according to Kerry Siders, Extension agent-pest management.

"Rust has been present on older leaves throughout the winter," Siders said. "The fungicide Tilt can be used before flag leaf emergence, then Bayleton and Benlate can be used after flag leaf emergence. The flag leaf is really what we want to protect. It represents 70 to 85% of the energy supplied to the grain. Also, remember that fungicides are preventative chemicals, not curatives."

Potential evapotranspiration (PET) is a quantity used to determine the actual amount of water that potentially would be extracted by a crop and surrounding soil for a given climate condition.

PET is determined by temperature, solar radiation, wind and humidity.

Contact the Extension office for more information on how and where to obtain PET values.

Once PET values are obtained, actual evapotranspiration is easily calculated by applying a crop coefficient related to the developmental stage of the crop. Crop coefficients vary from one crop to another, according to Siders.

Letter

John Ford was friend to agriculture

Dear Editor:

Agriculture in general, in West Texas in particular and especially the farmers of West Texas, have lost a true friend with the death of John Ford.

For the past 13 years I have known and worked with John. His main concern were always to make our lives better and our industry stronger.

John Ford died of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

John's reason for death did nothing to diminish the role he played for all of us. From the time he served as deputy assistant secretary of agriculture at US Dept. of Agriculture from 1981 to 1985, until his death, he remained a true friend of West Texas. John realized by 1986 that some of the policies he had worked to implement were hurting rather than helping our farming industry. In his efforts to do the right thing, he worked just as valiantly from 1986 until 1993 to reverse some of the injustices.

Personally, my family and I have gained a lot by having John Ford as a friend. Professionally, our industry, our environment and our nation gained immensely by having John Ford as a public servant.

I honor his presence, I honor his abilities and I honor his service to all of us.

We will truly miss him because above all else, he was a good man.

HAROLD BOB BENNETT

County groundwater level declines

Castro County's groundwater levels declined an average of 1.62 feet in 1992, in the measured wells of the network of 89 privately-owned wells maintained by High Plains Undergrnd Water Conservation District No. 1 in its 589,830-acre service area within the county.

This decline represents a decrease of 143,328.69 acre-feet of water from storage in the Ogallala Aquifer last year in the portion of Castro County within the Water District's boundaries.

Groundwater levels within the Water District's Castro County service area declined 1.29 feet during the 10-year period from 1983 to 1993. A decline of 1.68 feet was recorded during the five-year period from 1988 to 1993.

Groundwater levels in the Ogallala Aquifer within the 6.4-million-acre Water District's service area had an average rise of .14 of a foot from January 1992 to January 1993—a net increase of about 135,103 acre-feet of ground water in storage in the Ogallala Aquifer within the Water District service area.

A zero average annual change in groundwater levels was recorded in 1985, for the first time in Water District history. Depth-to-water measurements revealed an average ground water level rise of .50 of a foot in 1986; an average rise of .90 of a foot in 1987; an average decline of .51 of a foot in 1988; an average decline of one foot in 1989; an average decline of 1.06 feet in 1990 and an average decline of .73 of a foot in 1991.

A network of 1,076 privately-owned observation water wells is used to determine the annual change in the quantity of water in storage in the Ogallala Aquifer within the Water District. The depth-to-water measurements are taken in January and February of each year in order to allow water levels to stabilize from the pumping during the previous growing season.

By comparing the current depth-to-water measurements with those taken the previous year, Water District technical division staff members can determine what changes have occurred in groundwater levels.

Of the 15 counties or portions of counties making up the High Plains

Birkenfeld is recognized

Clyde Birkenfeld of Nazareth has been recognized by the Texas Dairy Herd Improvement Association (TDHIA) for having the high Texas herd for production in 1992.

Each year TDHIA recognizes members by the size of their herds, those that have the highest averages for milk and milkfat from herds and those who have the greatest increase in fat corrected milk. There are separate categories for those milking two times a day and for those who milk three times a day.

Birkenfeld received the award for the category of milking less than 160 cows three times a day. He was the leader in production, averaging 21,595 pounds of milk, and was third in each of the other categories, averaging 716 pounds of fat and 659 pounds of protein.

This is the second year Birkenfeld has received the award. In 1990 he led all three divisions and in 1991 he was second in all three.

district, eight recorded average rises in depth-to-water levels. These include Armstrong, Cochran, Crosby, Floyd, Hale, Hockley, Lubbock and Lynn. The remaining seven counties showed average declines in the depth-to-water measurements. These counties are Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb, Parmer, Potter and Randall.

Average Changes in Depth-To-Water in Feet For Observation Wells Maintained By The High Plains Undergrnd Water Conservation District No. 1 1993

County	Number Of Observation Wells Maintained	Average Annual Change 1983-1993	Average Annual Change 1988-1993	Average Annual Change 1992-1993
Armstrong	9	+0.13	+0.00	+0.46
Bailey	80	-0.31	-0.53	-0.32
Castro	89	-1.29	-1.68	-1.62
Cochran	69	+0.41	+0.26	+0.66
Crosby	72	+0.49	-0.18	+1.66
Deaf Smith	88	-0.72	-1.15	-1.03
Floyd	98	-0.42	-0.72	+0.10
Hale	27	-0.12	-0.93	+0.42
Hockley	88	+0.36	+0.12	+0.88
Lamb	99	-1.02	-1.11	-0.17
Lubbock	128	+0.33	-0.19	+1.72
Lynn	75	+1.10	+0.34	+2.76
Parmer	97	-1.26	-1.71	-1.47
Potter	6	-0.49	-0.88	-1.43
Randall	51	-0.14	-0.26	-0.03
District	1,076	-0.31	-0.69	+0.14

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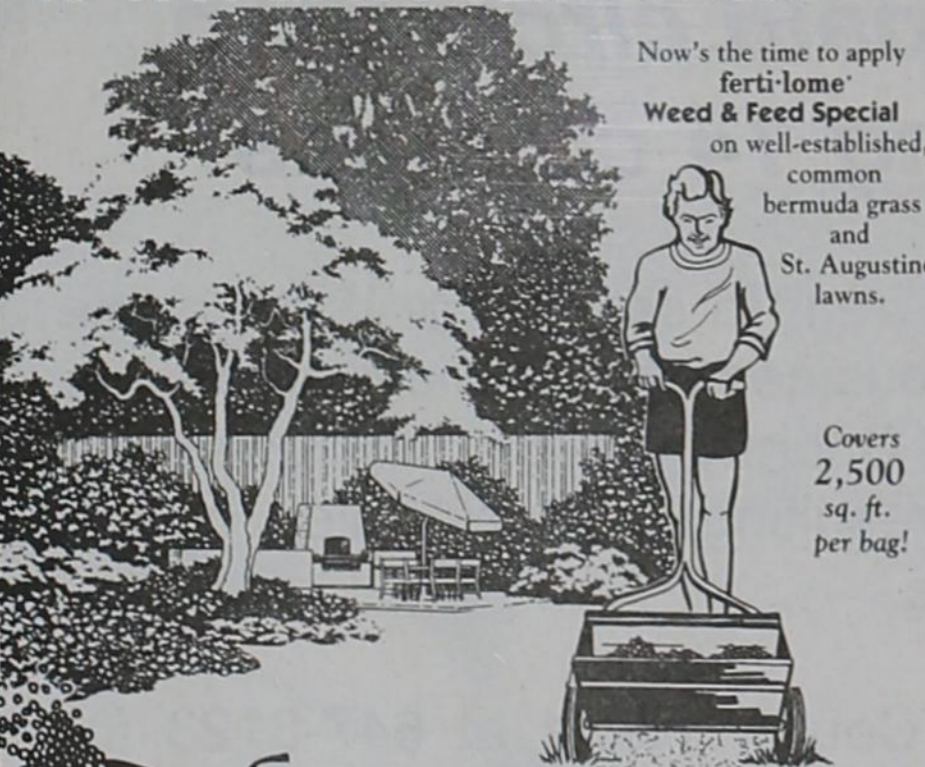
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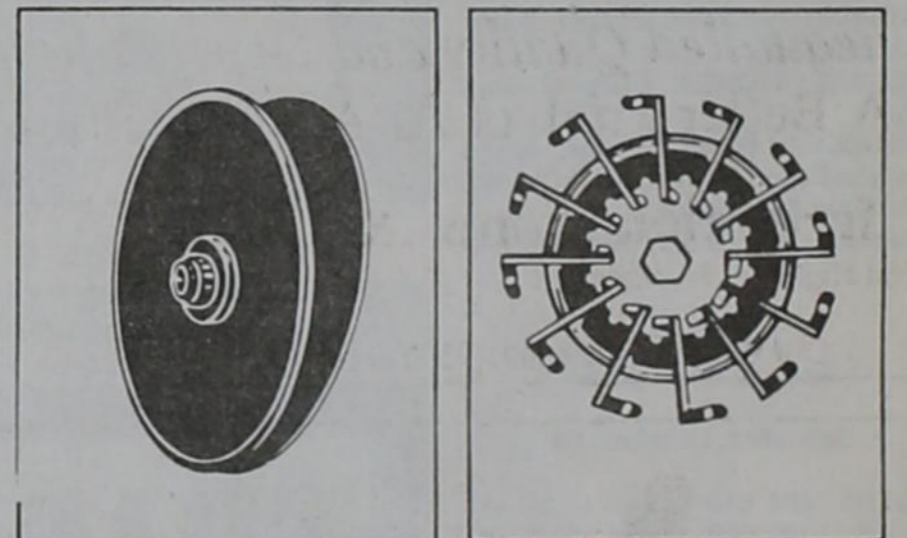
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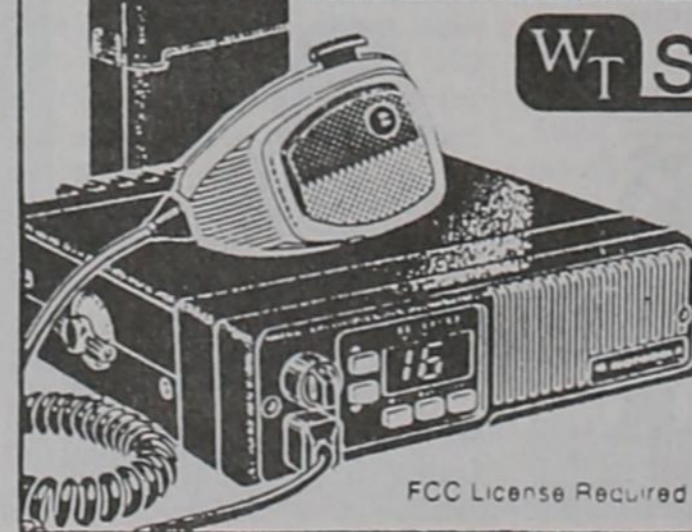


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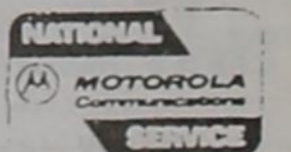
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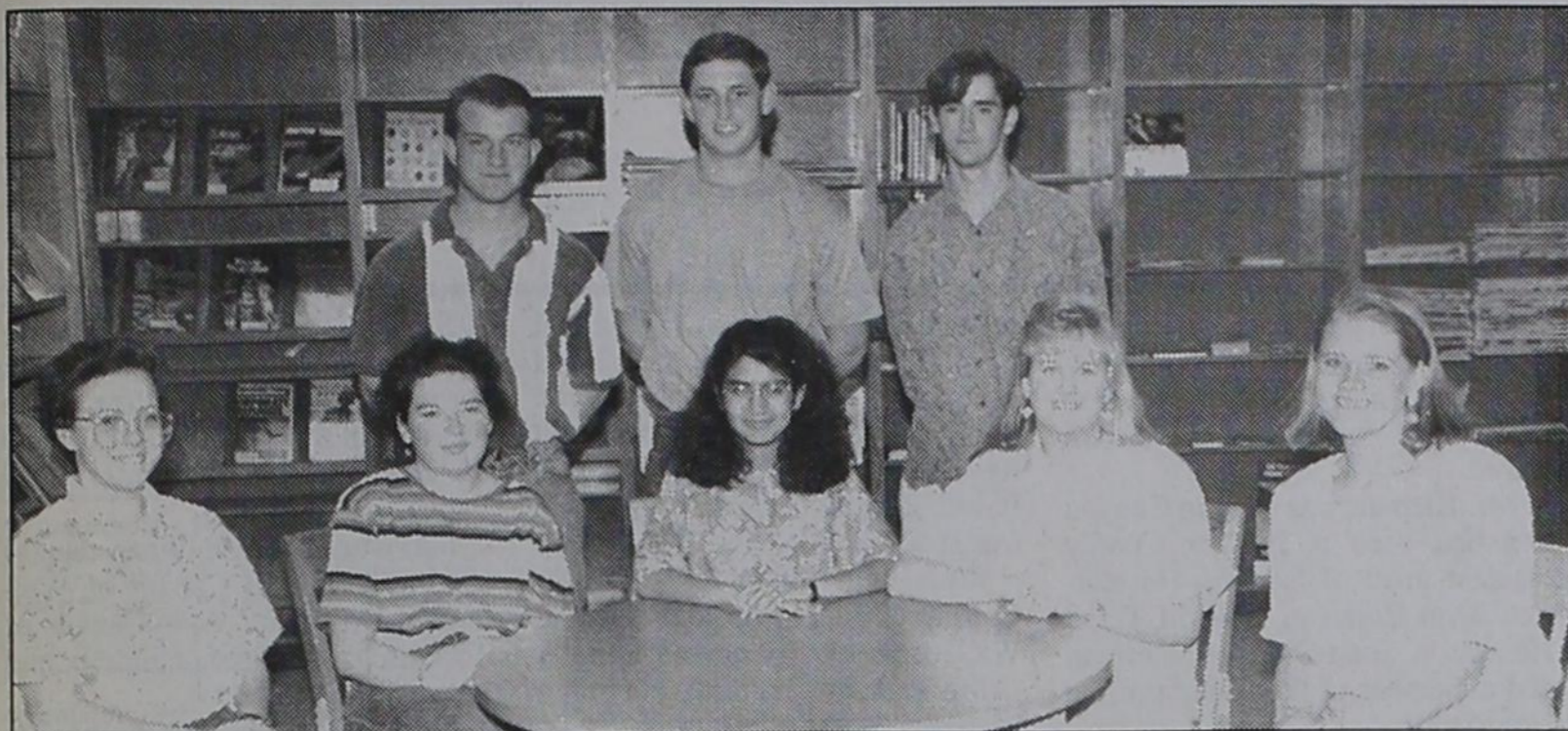
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UIL CONTEST WINNERS—These Dimmitt High School students will compete at the Regional UIL Academic contests on April 23. Qualifiers are (standing, from left) Heath Acker and Shad McDaniel, members of the first place computer science team; and David West, second in editorial writing. Also qualifying are (seated, from left) Terri Beth Teaschner, second in current issues

and events; Shelia Murray, third in Lincoln-Douglas debate; Renee Garcia, third in feature writing; Kathy Patterson, first in headline writing; and Nikki Kenley, a member of the computer science team and second in literary criticism. Not shown are Holly Edwards, third in news writing, and Chad Sandoval, second in news writing.

Photo By Linda Maxwell

Help offered for drug, alcohol abuse

Our families and communities face a challenge in dealing with drugs and alcohol abuse in the '90s.

Help in facing that challenge will be offered at a meeting called "Prevention—Parenting—Possibilities." The meeting will be held Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt.

All parents and members of the community are urged to attend. Free babysitters will be provided, and refreshments will be served. Also, much of the material will be presented in Spanish, as well as in English.

Abe Monreal of Brownfield, regional coordinator for the Council on Alcohol and Drug Prevention, will be one of the speakers. Jacinto Alderete of Amarillo, director of the Wesley Community Center there, will also share in the presentation and in answering questions.

Entertainment will be provided

by the Dimmitt Junior High Choir, The Melody Messengers, directed by Dwight Joiner. The choir will present several selections from their production of "All You Gotta Say is No!"

The meeting is being sponsored by the Drug Free School and Community Committee for the Dimmitt Independent School District in honor of April as Alcohol Awareness Month.

Second graders are recognized

The top spellers, hardest workers, best math students and those with perfect attendance in the second grade at Richardson Elementary School were honored during a recent awards assembly.

Those receiving awards for achievements during the fifth six weeks of school included:

BROWN'S CLASS

SPELLING: Breanna Bruegel, Crystal Lopez, Jill Merritt, Zac Morris, Olivia Ontiveros, Ricky Ramirez and April Torres.

MATH: Courtney Bell, Valerie Martinez, Merritt and Morris.

HARDEST WORKER: Merritt.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Bell, Bruegel, Harold Casas, Crystal Lopez, Rita Lopez, Steve Martinez, Valerie Martinez, Merritt, Morris, Ontiveros, Ramirez and Torres.

EVAN'S CLASS

SPELLING: Elizabeth Cartwright, Katrina Casas and Steven Paz.

MATH: Sarah Sanchez, Cartwright and Amanda Hoggard.

HARDEST WORKER: Hoggard.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Dalton Fisher, Casey Jones, Jaime Ortiz, Roxanne Rivera and Kristi Saenz.

THAMES' CLASS

SPELLING: Joe Birdwell, Robert Casas and Nancy Quiroz.

MATH: Tracy Garcia, Quiroz, Casas, Brenda Ramirez and Birdwell.

HARDEST WORKER: Brandon Furr.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Chris Back, Chance Cox, Oscar Juarez, Ramirez, Joshua Williams, Miranda Mireles and Casas.

KELLAR'S CLASS

SPELLING: Raul Ontiveros.

MATH: Oscar Melendez, Caitlin Buckley, Jessica Chavarria and Maribel Garcia.

HARDEST WORKERS: Ontiveros.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Buckley, Chavarria, Priscilla Dones, Raymond Lopez, Melendez and Ramey Rice.

LYNN'S CLASS

SPELLING: Cynthia Melendez, Erica Lucio, Mario Diaz, Abraham Salinas and Cesar Ruiz.

MATH: Salinas, Daniel Prieto, Priscilla Rodriguez and Diaz.

HARDEST WORKER: Lucio.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Edna Arredondo, Diaz, Prieto, Salinas, Judy Soto and Melendez.

MYATT'S CLASS

SPELLING: Hector Alvarado, Jaci Bishop, Julie May, Jody Stovall and Brandon Webb.

MATH: Bishop, Emilio Porras, Alvarado and May.

HARDEST WORKER: Christina Garcia.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Bishop, Garcia, Patrick Hunter, Porras, Roxie Saenz, Manuel Sanchez, Stovall, Webb and Annette Zambrano.

COLLINS' CLASS

SPELLING: Gina Gonzalez, Natalie Jimenez and Melissa Rueda.

MATH: Tiffany Smith, Jimenez, Rueda, Gonzalez and Ruben Casas.

HARDEST WORKER: Jimenez.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Ruben Aguero Jr., Amber Bell, Keenon Doss, Jimenez, Holly Lane, Amy Melendez, Ezekiel Sanchez, Tiffany Smith, Colby Williams and Gonzalez.

What's Cooking?

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth from April 15 to 23.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY: Corn dogs, onion rings, whole kernel corn, fruit cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY: Pepperoni pizza, corn on the cob, fried okra, chocolate pudding and milk.

MONDAY: Burritos, whole kernel corn, vegetable salad, trail mix and milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken fried steak with gravy, creamed potatoes, green peas, rolls, butter, honey and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic toast, fried squash, green beans, grapes and milk.

THURSDAY: No school!

FRIDAY: No school!

HART

THURSDAY: Fajitas on flour tortillas, Spanish rice, salad, pears and milk.

FRIDAY: Nachos with beef, corn, pinto beans, cookies and milk.

MONDAY: Brisket, potato salad, fried okra, pinto beans, cornbread muffins, cherry cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Cheeseburgers, sliced tomatoes, pickles, lettuce, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken strips, whipped potatoes, green beans, rolls, apple cobbler and milk.

THURSDAY: Hot dogs with chili, potato chips, pickle spears, peaches and milk.

FRIDAY: Pizza, corn on the cob, salad, gelatin with fruit and milk.

NAZARETH

FRIDAY: Roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot bread, pudding and milk.

MONDAY: Chili dogs, cauliflower, peaches and milk.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce, tossed salad, hot rolls, pears and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Barbecue on a bun, pinto beans, coleslaw, cherry cobbler and milk.

THURSDAY: Burritos and chili, corn, pineapple, gelatin and milk.

FRIDAY: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot rolls, pudding and milk.



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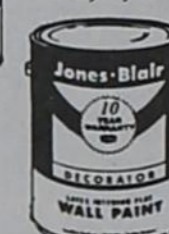
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Obituaries

Marvin C. Coffey

Marvin C. Coffey, 64, of Hereford, husband of a former Dimmitt woman, died Friday in Harlingen.

Services were held Monday in the Hereford First United Methodist Church with Rev. Joe Wood, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Resthaven Memorial Park at Hereford under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors of Hereford.

Mr. Coffey was born in Erick, Okla. He moved to Hereford in 1952 from Clovis, N.M. He married Norma Thompson in 1946 in Dimmitt.

He was a veteran and had served in the Korean War. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, El Paso Scottish Rite, Khiva Shrine Temple and Order of the Eastern Star. He was a past member of the Hereford Masonic Lodge No. 849 and he was a 32nd Degree KCCH.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Lonny Coffey of Mansfield; a daughter, Carle Stapp of Louisville; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Scottish Rites Hospital Kidney Foundation.

Mary Sue Crume

Services for Mary Sue Crume, 48, of Plainview, former Nazareth resident, were held Friday afternoon in St. Alice Catholic Church in Plainview with Msgr. Tim Schwartner, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Plainview Memorial Park under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mrs. Crume died at 2 a.m. last Wednesday at Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

She was born Aug. 4, 1944, in Tulia and grew up in Nazareth. She graduated from Nazareth High School and St. Paul's Nursing School in Dallas. She graduated from Harris Hospital School of Anesthesia in Fort Worth in 1977. She worked at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt before moving to Plainview in 1977 where she

worked as an anesthetist until 1992. She married Harlan Crume on May 27, 1978, in Plainview. She had worked at Plains Memorial Hospital as an anesthetist since February 1992. She was a member of St. Alice Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Abby Crume of the home; a brother, Sam Burt of Longview; and two sisters, Virginia Huseman of Nazareth and Martha Kirkpatrick of Leon, Okla.

Edna Jones

Edna Jones, 94, of Abernathy, mother of E.M. Jones of Dimmitt, died Friday in Canyon's Golden Plains Nursing Home after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Monday in the First United Methodist Church of Abernathy with Rev. Gary Hubbard, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in the Abernathy Cemetery under the direction of Abell Funeral Home of Abernathy.

Mrs. Jones moved with her family to Texas in 1908 from La Fontaine, Ind., where she was born. She married Ernest M. Jones on April 29, 1916, in Lubbock. He died in 1960.

She later moved to the Abernathy area in 1938. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Rebekah Lodge in Abernathy and the Abernathy Senior Citizens. She had served as a "Volunteer Grandmother" at the Lubbock State School for 10 years. She moved to Canyon in 1989 from Abernathy.

Survivors include two sons, E.M. Jones of Dimmitt and Lloyd Jones of Fort Worth; two daughters, Dorothy Gill of Canyon and Arlene Kerr of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Her grandsons were pallbearers.

The family requests memorials be to the First United Methodist Church of Abernathy or to a favorite charity.

Kerry Kleman

Kerry Kleman, 32, lifetime Nazareth resident, died of natural causes Friday in Dimmitt.

A vigil service was held Sunday evening in the CCD Building at Nazareth.

Mass of Christian burial was read Monday morning in Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Father Neal Dee, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Kleman was born in Tulia and was a lifetime resident of Nazareth. He graduated from Nazareth High School in 1979 and attended ElCentro Junior College in Dallas for 1-1/2 years. He had owned and operated the Sweet Shop in Dimmitt since 1981. He was a member of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and Holy Family Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Walter Kleman, in 1986.

Survivors include his mother, Georgiann Kleman of Nazareth; five sisters, Jocelyn Pohlmeier and Nicole Kleman, both of Nazareth, Dr. Gail Kleman of Houston, Noreen Carson of Sweetwater and Laura Moya of El Paso; two brothers, Kelvin Kleman of Fort Smith, Ark., and Kenneth Kleman of Littlefield; his grandparents, F.P. and Lucille Schacher of Nazareth and Clara Kleman of Amarillo; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the Lorlea Acker Scholarship Fund, Nazareth High School, in care of Dean Johnson, P.O. Box 189, Nazareth 79063.

Kevin Kleman

Services for Kevin Edward Kleman, 29, of Tulia, relative of several Nazareth residents, were held last Wednesday, April 7, in the Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia with Msgr. Harold Waldow, chaplain of St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center; and Rev.

John Salazar, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Rose Hill Cemetery in Tulia under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home, also of Tulia.

Mr. Kleman was born in Canyon and had been a Swisher County resident most of his life. He married Kym Rolen in 1984 in Tulia. He was a Snap-On tool salesman and a member of the Church of the Holy Spirit.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Erin Kleman of the home; a son, Travis Kleman of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Urban Kleman of Tulia; four sisters, Brenda Gunnels of Tulia, Cheryl Green of Leoti, Kan., Wanda Vineyard of New Home and Melissa Albracht of Clovis, N.M.; and a brother, Keith Wayne Kleman of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, Box 950, Amarillo, 79176-0001.

Foreman Nelson

Services for Foreman Nelson, 82, of Lubbock, former Dimmitt minister, were held Tuesday in the New Hope Baptist Church in Lubbock with Rev. B.R. Moton officiating.

Burial followed in City of Lubbock Cemetery under direction of Curry Funeral Home.

Mr. Nelson died at 9:54 p.m. Friday in Highland Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born in Milam County, he had lived in Tulia before moving to Lubbock in 1987. He was a Baptist minister and had pastored churches in Dimmitt, Colorado City, Dalhart and Silverton.

Survivors include two brothers, R.J. Nelson of Snyder and Newton Nelson of Cameron; and two sisters, Roberta Thompson of Lubbock and Elizabeth Thomas of Davidson, Okla.

Sidney Patterson Jr.

Services for Sidney Patterson Jr., 27, of Tulia, father of Sharette

Johnson of Dimmitt, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in the Church of God in Christ, Jackson Chapel, with Rev. Henry Jackson, pastor, and Rev. Melvin Tatum of Deliverance Power House Church of God in Christ at Liberal, Kan., officiating.

Burial will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home of Tulia.

Mr. Patterson died Monday after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Tulia and had lived in Swisher County most of his life. He was a previous employee of IBP in Amarillo. He was a member of the Church of God in Christ, Jackson Chapel.

Survivors include his daughter; three sons, Sidney Patterson III, Jerome Patterson and Wesley Patterson, all of Amarillo; his mother, Ida Mary Smith of Tulia; five sisters, Tiffany Smith and Yolanda Smith, both of Tulia, Kandy Smith of Plainview, and Kimberly Franklin and Jacqueline Cohens, both of Liberal; five brothers, Michael Smith, Dock Casel and Robert Casel, all of Tulia, and B.J. Patterson and Quincy Patterson, both of Midland; and his grandparents, Mark and Ida Powell of Tulia and Elizabeth Patterson of Midland.

Ora Lee Stansell

Ora Lee Stansell, 89, of Olton, mother of Beth Joiner of Dimmitt, died Friday.

Services were held Monday in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Olton with James Welch, evangelist, officiating.

Burial followed in Olton Cemetery under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home of Olton.

Mrs. Stansell was born in Collingsworth County and she graduated from Wellington High School in 1920. She received a bachelor's degree from West Texas State University in 1927. She married Thomas Guy Stansell in 1928 at Silverton. He died in 1968. She lived in Olton from 1928 to 1986 when she moved to Tecumseh, Nev. She moved to Dimmitt in 1988.

She taught in public schools for eight years and was a piano teacher for more than 20 years. She was a member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Survivors include three daughters, Joiner, Ruth Carson of Wellington, Mo., and Ann Carson of Tecumseh; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Parkinsons Disease Foundation, 4014 22nd Place, Suite No. 3, Lubbock 79410.

Amendments to be studied

The Castro County Chapter of the Republican Organization for Women will meet April 21 at noon in the home of Peggy Webb, with Betty Wallace and Helen Braafladt as co-hosts.

The group will hear a presentation on the pros and cons of the proposed constitutional amendments concerning school finance which will be on the ballot in the special election called for May 1. Rita McDaniel, a member of the Dimmitt school board, will give the program.

Members planning to attend the meeting are asked to RSVP by Monday so that adequate provision can be made.

Supporters for US Senate candidates Kay Bailey Hutchison, State Treasurer, and Joe Barton, Congressman, met last week to work for their candidates. Also, the selection committee for the Girls' State program met.

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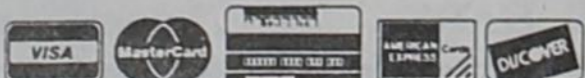
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 unanimous. The bids will be opened at the April 26 meeting of the commissioners.

In other business, the commissioners approved a resolution that will be sent to the state legislature asking for a separate juvenile probation district for Castro and Swisher counties, splitting them away from Hale County. The three counties currently share juvenile probation jurisdiction. However, Castro and Swisher have a different fiscal year from Hale County, and they do not have as heavy a case load as Hale. The three counties are submitting the separation petition together. Legislative action is required for the change.

Another resolution also was approved. The commissioners expressed disapproval of a state proposal to establish a fourth-degree felony level. The resolution said the step would increase jail population at least 40% and cost taxpayers thousands in jail expansion costs. Also, some sentences would be reduced to six months for crimes such as carrying a prohibited weapon, burglary of a vehicle, credit card abuse, theft of services, DWI, injury to a child, delivery of a controlled substance and burglary of a building.

"This would send a very irresponsible message to criminals," the resolution stated, adding that,

"The fiscal and physical responsibility of housing fourth degree felons should and must remain with the State of Texas."

The commissioners voted to send \$200 to SPEC, a coalition of South Plains governments working together in the area of landfill regulations. The county had already made a donation some time back, but additional funds were needed.

County Judge Polly Simpson told the commissioners that the Texas Hazard Communications Act requires the county to inform employees about any hazardous substances they may come in contact with during their work. There are also requirements about employee training and posting notices.

Simpson said she had a request from a company to come and present a training session and provide proper notices. Precinct 2 Commissioner Dale Winders commented that he thought those duties should

be performed by Gary Thurman, who is paid to be the county's Emergency Management Coordinator.

The commissioners agreed to table the matter until Thurman can be consulted.

Also tabled was a decision on how to pay the county's portion of a new fire truck for the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. Approval had been given for purchase of the truck. The Dimmitt City Council reportedly said the city will pay its portion in a lump sum to avoid paying over \$18,000 in interest. The county originally planned to pay its portion monthly.

Approval was given for the county to make a donation to the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District in the same amount donated last year.

The commissioners agreed to host an open house Monday at the courthouse in honor of County Government Week, April 17-23.

Police Calls

A 32-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested for disorderly conduct Sunday at 11:45 p.m. at the Star Dance Hall for using profane language toward a witness. The witness attempted to tell police that the man had been trying to hit his wife and had been cussing her out.

Last Thursday, a Dimmitt man, 32, was arrested on an outstanding warrant on forgery charges.

Saturday night, police were told that a vehicle was parked in the middle of the street in the 500 block of West Dulin. Subjects with the vehicle were observed with a beer in their hands. An investigating officer saw one of the suspects walk behind some parked vehicles and saw her get underneath one of the vehicles. He reported that she was clearly a danger to herself and others and arrested the 35-year-old Amarillo woman for public intoxication.

At 6:35 p.m. Monday, Victoria Saucedo of Dimmitt reported to police that some suspects had been harassing her.

A student at Dimmitt Middle School told officers that a suspect had struck her with her fists in an incident of simple assault sometime between 8:40 and 9:13 p.m. on April 6.

Saturday afternoon, police received a report of assault/family violence. The victim was a 22-year-old Dimmitt woman.

A 52-year-old Shallowater man was arrested on ifelony charges of DWI, third offense, Monday morning.

Charges of reckless conduct were reported against a juvenile Saturday afternoon. Virginia McAllister of Hart was driving her vehicle on FM 194 west of Hart. She said the suspect was driving an Oldsmobile and nearly ran her off the road. She said the youth was attempting to force another vehicle on the road to stop. The youth was turned over to juvenile authorities.

Recently, charges of thwarting the compulsory school attendance law were filed against a 30-year-old Dimmitt woman, and she was placed under \$200 bond. Her occupation was listed as a school bus driver.

Saturday afternoon, Barney Luna told deputies that a 24-year-old Hereford man had threatened to assault him following a family disturbance.

A 35-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested on a DWI warrant after blood test results were received from the DPS lab in Lubbock. The blood sample was taken following the man's arrest March 20. The suspect was found in a vehicle that had struck a utility pole.

Ronald Haberer, owner, reported two soft drink signs valued at a total of \$1,000 stolen from The Other Place (The Dodd Dump) in Dodd. He said the signs measured three feet in diameter and dated from at least 1950. He said they

were taken sometime between March 25 and March 30.

Saturday afternoon, Ann Heck told sheriff's deputies that someone had taken a bright yellow Yamaha three wheeler from a barn on the Heck property about two miles south of Nazareth. She valued the vehicle at \$2,000. Entry to the locked barn apparently was gained by prying back a portion of a metal wall far enough for a small person to crawl through. Heck said the burglary must have happened sometime between 1 and 6:30 p.m. Friday.

Three tractors were burglarized April 7 in the area south east of Nazareth. W.T. King reported that the headliner of one of his tractors was damaged in an apparent attempt to remove a stereo from the tractor. Melvin Wethington told deputies that two of his tractors had radios missing. He reported seeing a pickup with two Hispanic males driving around in the area.

A six-month-old Rottweiler puppy was taken from the residence of Ismael Flores of Dimmitt sometime early last Thursday. Flores valued the animal at \$350.

Nell Kelley of Dimmitt reported to police that someone took her wallet out of her purse sometime during the day last Thursday at the high school. She valued the wallet and its contents at over \$50.

Last Thursday, Dolan Hanna of Dimmitt told officers that someone had broken three windows, apparently using a BB gun. He estimated the damage at \$45.

Teresa Falcon of Dimmitt reported to police that someone took her purse out of her car sometime between 9 and 10 p.m. Friday. She valued the purse and its contents at \$15.

Jesse Valdez of Olton said that someone damaged the paint of his 1990 Mitsubishi pickup around 7:30 p.m. Monday while it was parked in Hart.

A 1988 Chevy pickup driven by Jill Pohlmeier of Nazareth backed out of a parking space at Dimmitt Thriftway Saturday afternoon and struck a car driven by Priscilla Perez Chavira of Snyder. No in-

juries were reported. Damage to the pickup was reported as light, and damage to the car was rated moderate.

King working for Hutchison

Emma Jean King is the Castro County Chairman for the US Senate campaign of State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison.

"I couldn't be more pleased that she has agreed to come on board," Hutchison said of King. "She will be an asset to our campaign, and I look forward to working with her in the upcoming month."

Anyone desiring to help with the campaign effort or wanting yard signs or bumper stickers may call King at 647-5797.

Hutchison also has campaign steering committees in more than 135 counties across the state, demonstrating that "Hutchison is the only conservative in the race with true state-wide backing, and the only Republican candidate in the race who has run and been successful in a state-wide race," her campaign information stated.

"We've had solid unified Republican backing in all areas of Texas, plus significant Democrat and Independent support," Hutchison said. "My record as State Treasurer in cutting my budget by 8%, while increasing return on investments and collections to a record \$1 billion, has prepared me to go to Washington as a fiscal conservative and cut wasteful spending from the federal budget. I have proven that government can do more while spending less. "It's this experience and commitment that accounts for the strong organization we've assembled," she said. "The early and enthusiastic support has been overwhelming."

A recent Texas poll showed Hutchison with the highest favorable ratings of any candidate for the US Senate, and a recent Mason-Dixon poll has Hutchison in a dead heat with Bob Krueger and Jim Mattox.

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 medical assistant, and Lorrie Garcia, receptionist. Clinic charges will be based on income and family size. Services are available to anyone, regardless of ability to pay.

The clinic offers blood pressure and diabetic screening and treatment, diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses, and adult health maintenance; women's health care, family planning, and prenatal care; and well-child care, including early and periodic screenings and immunizations.

The Texas Dept. of Health will

be opening an office in the same building, providing related health services, beginning Tuesday.

The services offered are directed toward prevention of health problems and the improvement of each individual's quality of life.

For children, the TDH clinic will offer immunizations, well-child checkups, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) exams, case management, and Chronically Ill and Disabled Children (CIDC) programs for children with special needs.

For adults, immunizations are offered, with flu and pneumonia shots among the most requested. Various screenings are available, including those for diabetes, blood pressure, cholesterol and cancer. Testing is performed for tuberculosis, HIV and sexually transmitted diseases, with assurance of complete confidentiality.

Women's health care services include physical exams, pap smears, instruction in self-breast exams and referrals for mammograms.

Most services require an appointment, but walk-ins are welcomed. No one will be refused services because of inability to pay. The TDH nurse will be in the Dimmitt office on Tuesdays, Thursdays and some Fridays.

For appointments, call 647-3291 or call the Tulia office at 995-3638. All previously scheduled appointments will take place in the new office starting Tuesday.

Clinic hours for the South Plains Health Provider clinic is from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Mondays; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays; and 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Fridays. Call 647-3291 to schedule appointments.

Whiteaker was born in Amherst and graduated from Sudan High School. She received her baccalaureate degree in nursing from the Baylor University School of Nursing, a master's degree in cardiovascular nursing from the University of Alabama, and a certificate as an advanced nurse practitioner in obstetrics and gynecology from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School of Dallas.

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 plan to go to Dallas May 13-15 and attend the Scarbrough Faire Renaissance Festival, as well as visit the JFK Center and the Holocaust Museum at the Dallas Jewish Community Center.

The board voted to accept the bid from TASB for providing property and casualty insurance for the district. Increasing the deductible from \$1,000 up to \$5,000 will represent a savings of \$6,882 from the previous year's cost of the insurance.

The TASB bid was \$39,208. Another bid was received — \$35,872 from Blackwell-Stephens. The board voted to stay with TASB, rather than switch companies during a time of uncertainty.

Student transfers were approved for 14 students to attend Dimmitt schools.

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I have a magnetic antenna that mounts on top of the vehicle and a fancy glass-mount antenna that my staff gave me for Christmas (which I'll install someday when I think I have the time). But lately I've just been using the little "rubber duck" antenna, the foot-long jobber that connects to the phone unit itself. Makes it easier to toss the phone back and forth from the pickup to the car.

Anyway, Verbie and I were coming home from the Lubbock Airport Sunday evening and were just this side of Plainview when I got a sudden impulse. We intended to call our son Dave and daughter-in-law Carol when we got home, but the phone was sitting there between us with the little rubber-duck antenna on it, showing a good signal strength off of the Plainview tower.

I picked up the receiver, hit the automatic dialer, and in the blink of an eye there was a single ring and I was talking to Carol in Madison, Wis.

They came through loud and clear to us, but the first thing Carol said was, "You sound like you're inside a vacuum cleaner." Still, they could understand us okay.

I don't know how Nathan's cellular phone is rigged, but when he calls me from his car in Houston, the reception is as good as if he were calling from his home or office.

Now I've gotta get that glass-mount antenna installed, just to see if it will get me out of the vacuum cleaner.

Check out the lineup for the Class 3A-2A-1A North All-Stars girls' team that will play in the all-star games in San Antonio Saturday:

Halley Bradley of Dimmitt, Jill Pohlmeier of Nazareth, Shalonda Ennis of Celeste, Kenda Chisum of Sunray, Tracey Jeffery of Cooper, Susan Holcomb of LaPoynor, Elise Prather of Abernathy, Thelma Robinson of Slaton, Sandi Stevens of Canyon and Rhonda Wilson of Slidell. Coach: Joe Lombard of Canyon.

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