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Area suffering from scorching temps

Heat wave

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	103	65	
Friday	104	68	
Saturday	105	67	
Sunday	108	71	
Monday	106	67	
Tuesday	101	67	
Wednesday	98	62	

June Moisture	0.58
July Moisture	0.00
1998 Moisture	5.98

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

Believe it or not folks, the high temperature soared to a balmy 68 degrees Fahrenheit and it rained just three weeks ago.

Unfortunately, that weather didn't last long.

Record-setting heat has plagued the area during June, resulting in one of the worst droughts since the 1920s.

The last significant moisture recorded was during that cold spell when KDHN picked up .56 of an inch and anyone lucky enough to live along a narrow span through the

middle of the county received up to an inch. Since then Mother Nature blessed us with a sprinkle every now and then—but there weren't enough drops to measure.

Temperatures soared past the century mark 12 days during June, according to Wayne Collins at KDHN Radio, which is the official National Weather Service observing site for Dimmitt.

The month started off with unseasonably warm weather when temperatures reached 103 on June 1 and 105 on June 2.

That heat was broken on June 3 when temperatures dipped to 92, then things really cooled down with three straight days of highs below 80.

Once that system moved on, sizzling heat settled in and it hasn't budged.

The heat wave started on June 20 when the mercury rose to 101. Since then, highs topped the century mark 10 of the next 12 days, including a streak of eight straight days.

"I think that's probably a record for consecutive days of 100-plus

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Hot dogs, hula hoops, hockey stars to highlight July Jubilee celebration

Hot dogs, homemade ice cream, games, music and more will highlight the July Jubilee celebration in Dimmitt today (Thursday).

The annual event traditionally kicks off the Independence Day celebration in the county and this year's event promises to be fun-packed with something for everyone.

"We'd like to invite everyone to join us on the square," said Bill Sava, executive director of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. "Bring your chairs, have some lunch and enjoy the music and fun as we kick off the county's 222nd birthday celebration."

Sponsored by the Chamber, the day's celebration will start with a flag raising ceremony and performance of *The National Anthem* at 11 a.m. at the gazebo on the courthouse square in Dimmitt.

Live entertainment, hot dogs, children's games and more will continue through the lunch hour and into the afternoon, according to Sava.

The Holy Warriors, a popular Christian and inspirational band which features many county residents, will perform from the gazebo throughout the celebration.

Chili dogs and soft drinks will be available for 50¢ apiece from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., according to Sava.

Representatives from Plains Memorial Hospital, the Castro County Extension Office and the Texas Dept. of Health will be on hand to distribute information on health and conduct screenings.

Sava said he's also talked with the Amarillo Rattlers hockey team and they have committed to having a couple of players in town to sign autographs and visit with local sports fans from 1 to 2 p.m. Representing the team will be Rob Hudson and Chris Brook.

"I think it's going to be fun having the Rattlers here to talk to the group and everyone will be able to talk to those players and learn more about hockey," said Sava.

A demonstration using crash dummies will be presented by the Castro County Extension Service.

Several outdoor games have been

planned, and Sava said those games will include water balloons, hula hoops and more. Sava said prizes for the games have been donated by South Plains College, Amarillo College and the West Texas A&M

University Lady Buffs.

"The kids' games will be a new, fun experience for me," said Sava. "But when you get water balloons and hula hoops together, you're almost guaranteed fun and laughs."



THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON—Ryan Miller (left) and his little sister, Jill, are getting ready for the big July Jubilee celebration in Dimmitt today (Thursday), practicing their hula hoop skills and munching down on hot dogs. The Chamber's annual Independence Day kickoff, July Jubilee, will be held today (Thursday) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the courthouse lawn and gazebo in Dimmitt. Hot dogs and soft drinks will be served through the lunch hour. The Holy Warriors will provide music and children's games have been planned.

Photo by Anne Acker

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By Don Nelson

When you answer the phone and the caller identifies himself/herself as being with any telephone service, what's your gut feeling?

Yeah, same here.

Here's the latest local phone scam, as reported to me by a friend who thought you ought to be alerted:

"This woman identified herself and said she was calling for GTE. She said they were going to single bill and she needed to verify my name, address and phone number for the billing records. I didn't suspect anything.

"But after I gave her the information she wanted, she told me to stay on the line and another person would come on to verify everything. That's when I realized they might be 'slamming' me.

"I called GTE immediately, and was told they didn't do that. They gave me a number to call to verify who my long-distance provider was, and a voice said, 'Welcome to World Com,' and I knew I had been switched.

"Then I called my local long-distance provider, and they said that if a local service was ever going to combine billings or anything, they would notify by mail, not by phone.

"Then our long-distance provider switched our service back.

"Usually, I just tell them no, that I'm not interested. This is the first time I've stayed on the line, because I thought these people were who they said they were—GTE."

Let's see, now. Exactly when was it that we decided telephone deregulation would be a good thing?

Only in Wisconsin could this happen:

While Verbie and I were visiting our children and grandchildren in Madison recently, I came across a reference in the *Wisconsin State Journal* to the "great butter fire" of 1991.

Madison's director of public works (a guy named Nelson) was recalling his most memorable experiences, and this one ranked right up there.

The fire occurred at Central Storage & Warehouse Co., where more than 10 million pounds of butter had been stored.

(That's what it said—more than 10 million pounds.)

"We set up diversion dams to keep the melted butter from getting into the lakes," Nelson said. "We lost a lot of city cars—all the brake drums rusted out from that USDA butter with salt."

Some states have floods, some have hurricanes, some have volcano eruptions, some have earthquakes. Wisconsin has its butter melts.

Next time you catch a little blowing chaff in the eye, don't cuss.

July 4

VFW to host breakfast

The Castro County VFW Post will mark Independence Day with breakfast and a flag-raising Saturday morning.

"We're planning on having a short patriotic program also," Post Commander Bill Henderson said.

Breakfast will be served at 6:30 a.m. and the flag raising will be at 7 a.m. Members of the VFW and Auxiliary will prepare a breakfast of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, and gravy.

"Everybody is welcome," said Henderson.

County cattle feeders rank second in survey

Cattle feeding is one of the biggest industries in Castro County, and county feeders rank second in the number of cattle fed in 1997.

Cattle feeders in the county fed more than 669,000 head of cattle last year, and that ranks second among counties in a tri-state area including most of the Texas Panhandle, Oklahoma Panhandle and eastern New Mexico.

That information was obtained from the 1997 Fed Cattle Survey released by Southwestern Public Service Co., for its service area. According to the survey, more than

6,727,483 head of cattle were fed a year ago in 122 feedlots across the Texas Panhandle, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Castro County feedlots fed almost a tenth of that total with 669,477 head.

The survey included 11 feedlots in Castro County, each capable of handling more than 5,000 head of cattle at one time. They include A2 Cattle Feeding, Inc., Bar-G Feedyard, Bridges Feedyard and Cattle Co., Castro County Feedyard, Inc., Cluck Feed Yard, Inc., Dimmitt Feedyard, Inc., Hill Feedlot, Rafter 3 Feedyard, Seven X Feed Yard, Slash-O Feeders and Sunnyside Feed Yard.

The biggest of the 11 feedlots is Bar-G Feedyard, which can handle up to 85,000 head at once. Dimmitt Feedyard, Inc., is next with a 45,000-head capacity. Rafter 3 Feedyard can handle 40,000 head while Seven X Feed Yard is listed with a 31,000-head capacity. Slash-O Feeders has a 22,000-head capacity while Sunnyside Feed Yard, A2 Cattle Feeding, Inc., Hill Feedlot and Cluck Feed Yard, Inc., each can house 20,000

head. Castro County Feedyard, Inc. Reported a 17,000-head capacity while Bridges Feedyard and Cattle Co. made the list with a 5,000-head capacity.

The largest cattle feeding counties, according to the survey, are Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties.

The top county included in the survey was Deaf Smith, which fed 1,019,545 head in its 17 reporting feedlots. Parmer County was third on the list with 589,124 fed head reported from eight locations.

Hartley County was fourth on the list with 413,000 head of cattle fed.

The cattle feeding industry in this area has grown over the last 10 years, from 2.76 million one-time capacity in 1988 to 3.34 million in 1997. The number of cattle fed has likewise grown, from 5.3 million in 1988 to 6.73 million in 1997.

The survey also includes a slaughter cattle survey which includes 13 packing plants in the survey area.

The number of fat cattle slaughtered in the survey area during 1997 totaled 5,202,905.



SATURDAY at 4:15 p.m. was when this downtown temperature sign hit its high for the week. The sign admittedly reads a little high sometimes because its thermometer (the small gray box at the bottom right) picks up reflected heat from the surrounding sidewalk, building and pavement.

Photo by Don Nelson

Medical units, church join in 'musical trucks'

The hospital district and the First United Methodist Church are playing musical trucks.

The Emergency Medical Service (EMS) will get a brand-new ambulance to replace a 1985 model.

The old ambulance will be "stripped out" and will become a delivery truck for the hospital district's new durable medical equipment (DME) store.

Also, the hospital district will buy the Methodists' 1987 van for use by the Welch Home Place geriatric psychiatric unit. The church's administrative board has voted to buy a new van as soon as it can sell its present one.

The hospital board voted at its June meeting last Thursday night to buy the new ambulance—a 1998 Mark brand—from Reliable Emergency Vehicles of Comanche for \$76,860. The money will come from a fund reserved for that purpose.

Reliable was the lowest of three bidders. Other bidders were Rescue Safety Products of Denton, \$86,000, and Brawn of Houston, \$88,000.

The hospital board also authorized the repair of a 1993 model ambulance at a cost not to exceed \$6,500.

Chief Executive Officer Joe Sloan told the board that since the ambulance fleet needed upgrading and the geri-psych unit and the new DME store needed trucks, he felt the pur-

chase/transfer/repair plan would save the hospital district \$20,000.

After explaining his plan of "musical trucks," Sloan told the board, "I hope that makes sense."

"It makes a lot of sense when you're looking at \$20,000," Board Chairman Henry Ramaekers said.

The Medical Center of Dimmitt served 1,381 patients in May, compared with 818 the previous May, mainly because the clinic has two more doctors than it had at the same time last year, Sloan reported.

But at the same time, Home Health Agency visits have been cut nearly by half—from 2,071 in May 1997 to 1,103 in May '98—because of Medicare cuts.

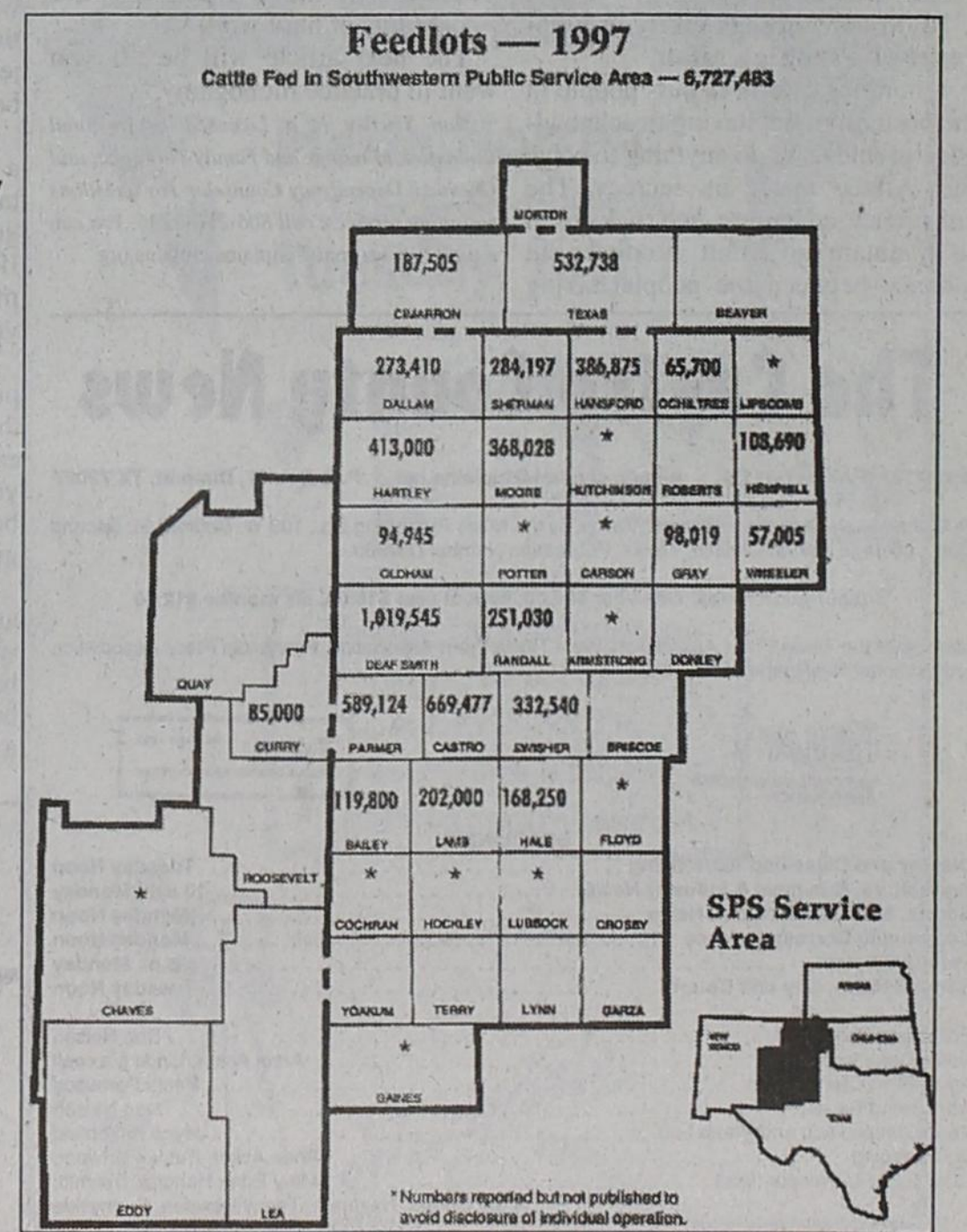
The number of emergency room visits, ambulance runs, lab tests, X-rays and hospice care days all increased markedly from May '97 to May '98, Sloan reported.

The number of acute-care patients in Plains Memorial Hospital almost doubled from May '97 to May '98, Sloan said.

The board voted to pay \$2,000 to the new Rural Community Health System as its share to get the system started.

Purpose of the rural CHS is to provide a managed-care plan for

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Op-Ed

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Letter

'Congress needs to hear from Medicare recipients and families about funding cuts'

Dear Editor:
I want to encourage all Medicare recipients and their families and concerned citizens to notify their congressmen and let them know how drastically home health services are being affected by the cuts in funding mandated by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, and how, in the long run, it is the elderly who are going to suffer.

The following editorial by Molly Ivins says a lot that needs to be said. She is a columnist for the *Fort Worth Star Telegram* and her writings are distributed by Creators Syndicate. This appeared in the June 16 edition of the *Austin American-Statesman*.

Capping money for home health care is sheer stupidity

By MOLLY IVINS

Bad governance is, in its own way, an interesting study—unlike those monsters in sci-fi films that start as small blobs and then turn into something that eats Chicago. You start with just a li'l ol' bill to deregulate the savings and loans, and before you know it, it's a screaming horror that costs the taxpayers \$500 billion.

Last summer, in its haste to pass the Balanced Budget Act, Congress dramatically changed the reimbursement system used to compensate home health agencies for the services and care they provide for Medicare patients. The political problem was that the Republicans could not afford to be seen cutting Medicare, this scenario having been an effective ploy for the D's in the previous election.

Rather than "cut Medicare," the act robbed Peter to pay Paul by shifting costs from Medicare home health to hospital and nursing home costs

under Medicare and Medicaid. The Dept. of Human Services went on to implement the policy retroactively, severely limiting Medicare reimbursements for home health care.

The effect was to enable Congress to claim that it had not "reduced benefits" under Medicare by making the home health-care agencies the messenger with the bad news: "We're not cutting benefits, but by the way, home health-care agencies, we're not going to pay for your services anymore, and you explain it to the patients." They didn't "cut benefits"—they just stopped payment.

Now, we're in a mell of a hess. According to the Texas Association for Home Care, the result of capping payments for home care and shoving old folks into the far more expensive hospitals and nursing homes instead is an additional \$81 million per year in state taxes in Texas alone.

Consider the sheer stupidity of this maneuver. If you know anything about frail seniors, you know they are healthier and happier if they can remain in their own homes. When they reach the point at which they just need a little bit of help to do so—say, a diabetic who can't self-inject because of shaking hands—in comes a home health-care nurse, who does the injection and is on his way at minimal cost to the taxpayer. This is far healthier and more sensible and humane—and cheaper—than putting the senior who needs a little help into a nursing home that costs the Earth, uproots the senior and frequently sends him or her into a decline.

According to TAHC officials, the "Interim Payment System" instituted by the Department of Health and Human Services reduces reimburse-

ments paid to home health-care agencies by an average of 61%. Oops. Further, reductions are based on the home health costs for 1994, without regard to current costs or patient loads.

Sara Speights, director of government relations for TAHC, said: "The IPS is a farce. It costs taxpayers more money, forces honest, hard-working agencies to close their doors and leaves the sickest, most frail home-care patients with nowhere to run for home health care. The IPS must be revoked."

In the interest of fairness, I should disclose that Speights is an old friend of mine, but that's also how I know she is a straight shooter.

The Center for Health Policy Research of George Washington University reached similar conclusions in a study released in April: The new policy deprives the frailest Medicare beneficiaries of access to home health-care services and will push the most efficient home health-care agencies out of the Medicare program.

Please write your congressman. It will be more beneficial for Congress to hear it from the Medicare beneficiaries and their families, rather than from home health agency providers.

It is important for us to educate the public about how this is affecting our senior citizens on Medicare. For more information, contact me at 647-2848.

VICKI BUCKLEY, R.N.
Director, Home Health Agency of Plains Memorial Hospital

THE CAMEL STEPS ASIDE FOR THE NEW COOL SYMBOL OF TEEN SMOKING...



Editorial

The essence of being a good American citizen

By MONICA ORTIZ

Somewhere in the US, an apple pie cools down on Grandma's window sill; the anthem precedes a Yankees' game; firecrackers explode on the Fourth; and Elvis finds another fan. In this nation exists legends associated with American ideals.

My generation challenges such traditional views, unable to accept what teachers say, what textbooks read, or what grandparents recall.

This in mind, while attending the Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar, I did not know what to expect when American ideals met the kids of the 21st century.

With over 300 students, much of our day was spent in an auditorium. The very first thing we did every day involved the Pledge of Allegiance. That opening sequence epitomized what the entire seminar was about: being a good American.

Before my trip, being a good American to me was celebrating Independence Day; eating turkey on Thanksgiving; and placing my hand over my heart for the pledge or the anthem. Seminar speakers provided fresh insight on an old idea.

David Vernon explained free enterprise as the opportunity to go broke. He emphasized the importance of forcing businesses to survive among the wolves by collaring government watchdogs. I learned why capitalism is a better system than socialism, Nazism, and Marxism.

Polish-born Kurt Swanda broke hearts with his story of surviving World War II. Swanda endured the kiss of death placed upon all Jews

when he enlisted in the Nazi Army, lived through capture, torture, and Hitler's reign. Swanda is grateful to America and the Statue of Liberty because both welcome freedom for all people.

Ladonna Gaitling, sister of the Gaitling Brothers, sang about chances given every American to pursue dreams, make choices and be all that you can be. Her message of America not limiting people to one job, one skill, one union for the rest of their lives led to a revelation among the audience: Never take for granted that Americans can do whatever they want.

The Constitution, in all its indecipherable jargon, became a clear legal point; although I discovered that many controversial rulings by the Supreme Court were not based on the law of the land but on personal beliefs of the justices. Consequently, if not for those opinionated judges, sacred American rituals, like saying the Pledge, prayer in school and the motto "In God We Trust," would be outlawed by protesters intent on rattling the American institution.

The most moving speaker was Clebe McClary. Like many men of the post-Kennedy era, he went to Vietnam. Delivering a speech in his Marine uniform, he presented the image of a good American. McClary gave an arm and an eye to his country, but said he enjoyed his freedom, fortune and was rewarded by the proverbial harvests of America.

While speakers motivated, activities taught. Congressional insights was the best. Groups acted as district

representatives and, with computer simulation, the jobs of our senators and representatives took a new twist. Together, we passed bills, joined committees, and quickly made a lot of people very mad. The purpose was to be re-elected; my group was not.

A family finishes Grandma's apple pie; fans cheer the Yanks to victory; and Elvis has left the building. American legends come and go. Unlike American icons, what makes this country great never vanishes. Lady Liberty never stops reminding us of freedom; the Constitution never stops passing judgement; dreams never stop coming true; and good Americans never stop believing.

Yes, my generation never stops questioning tradition, but we too never really stop being good Americans. I think the most important lesson I learned was that of the true essence of being a good American.

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Part 3 in a series

More Myths About Infidelity



By RON TRUSTER
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The last article in the series dealt with four common myths

about infidelity (affairs). They were: (1) Everybody has affairs, (2) Affairs are good for marriage, (3) Affairs prove that love has gone from the marriage, and (4) The affairee was sexier than the spouse.

Here are some more myths.
Myth #5. The affair is the fault of the spouse.

One person cannot make another have an affair. The "you made me do it" is often accepted by both the betrayer and the betrayed, which allows the guilty party to not take full responsibility for their actions.

I have seen one marriage partner make the other so miserable they wish they were somewhere else, but the unhappy partner could choose divorce, separation, therapy or to argue all the time. It is not helpful for the betrayed person to take responsibility for any part of the affair.

Myth #6. There is safety in ignorance of a spouse's affair.

Ignorance of affairs puts people in the position of not having to acknowledge problems or do anything to solve the. Affairs thrive on secrecy. The conspiracy, adventure, and tricks used to maintain an affair produces an alliance between the people having

the affair. At the same time, the lies and deceit increase the discomfort at home. All of us are bound to those who share our secrets and we are uncomfortable with those to whom we are lying.

The power of an affair may be in its secrecy. The weakness of the marriage may be in its avoidance of issues.

Myth #7. After an affair, divorce is inevitable.

There is no doubt that an affair is a crisis in the relationship. However, like any other crisis, things can get better or worse. There are those who do not want to live in a blemished marriage. There are others who feel the first dream has died and they choose to start on another dream.

The betrayer may live on "probation" or under punishment for years to come. These couples have to accept the fact that the relationship may never be ideal but it can survive and thrive. I have seen miserable marriages stay together, and slightly flawed ones break apart.

One last comment for now. Couples therapy is crucial after an affair. It can reverse the prognosis for the marriage. Notice I said "can," not "will." There are no magic wands to wave—only lots of hard work.

The next article will be "If you want to practice monogamy,"

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Letter

'Coach needs to exercise self-control'

Dear Fans and Participants of Kids, Inc. Baseball:

If all you are able to do is throw a fit like a 2-year-old when things don't go your way in T-ball, or any other league for that matter, you need to get a life. There are many more important things in life than that.

Some of the actions of one of our T-ball coaches have been unacceptable. All he had to say was, "Some children do not know that you can step on the T. Could you please move it off the plate?" Problem solved. Game goes on in peace. But that didn't happen. Instead, he acted like a child who was told he couldn't play with his favorite toy.

Is this really what you want your children to learn? If this was the first time this coach had ever lost his cool, we might be able to just say, "We must not act like that in front of our children." However, we have been subjected to this kind of behavior before. Are we going to let that continue?

There is a petition to have this coach, and anyone else that acts like him, permanently removed from any involvement with coaching in any way. I will definitely sign this petition. Do you want your child subjected to this kind of unacceptable behavior?

I want my child to learn that being a good sport is so much more important than winning. If you can be a good sport, you are already a winner. If you throw a fit over some little, meaningless action, even if you win, you are a loser.

I know there were people ready to pull their children off the field after this coach's temper tantrum. If you cannot sign the petition, I encourage you to write a letter to the Kids, Inc. board members expressing your disgust at such actions.

It is just a ball game. The children are having fun. If you are a person who cannot control your temper at ball games, maybe you don't need to be involved in sports—as a coach or a fan.

RHONDA MIXSON

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- TXism: "big enough to shade ___ elephant"
- this Scala starred with TX Audie in "Ride a Crooked Trail"
- TXism: "get ___ of it" (grasp)
- Piney Woods is one of TX's 10 natural ___
- TXism: "beats a ___ the eye with a sharp stick"
- TXism: "green as ___-old corn"
- in WWII, TX Bentsen was shot down twice over this continent
- Dallas area: West ___
- TXism: "table grazed"

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- Willie tune that Dandy sang on Mondays
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- Rockne, TX named for ___ Dame coach
- TX Tanya sang "___ a Time"
- old line: ___ TX Central RR
- fried ___
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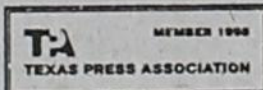
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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

This will be my last time to write "On the Go." I would like to say thank you to all the people who have given me news of their activities. Thanks to Don Nelson for giving me the chance to write this column. I know it was not as interesting as when Myrtle Sheffy wrote "Sheffy's Chatter," but I tried.

Cleo Torson was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and she served barbeque, cornbread, salad and apple cobbler. Susie Reeves was high score and Louise Mears was second high score. Others playing were Helen Braafladt, Dude McLauren, Bill Thornton, Beth Joiner, Lorannell Hamilton, Retha Cluck, Bernice Hill, Virginia Crider and Edith Gray.

Dimmitt has lost some families who have moved: Dan and Oma Dee Heard to Graham; Bill and Deanne Clark to Lubbock; and Gary Felts to Paris, TX. Other families have moved in to replace them. Buster and Mearle Morgan have moved back to Dimmitt from Bovina and Bertha Thompson moved from Lubbock.

The Acker reunion was held in Nazareth at the school cafeteria over the weekend. There were 250 in attendance from far and near, some from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. They enjoyed a meal of ham, corn, green beans, cobbler and much visiting. Rose Acker came out from Huntsville and visited with Emily Ramey, a long time friend. Arnold Acker and his family were here as well.

A patriotic Service was held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday. Barry and Carolyn Hazel sang "Songs of Testimony." They are brother and sister of Wayland Hazel, the new choir director at FBC. Walter Maynard, Ronda Wise, Paula Proffitt and Wayland Hazel played "Instrumental Celebration" on two pianos. Sara Hill conducted the children's time and told the children we were celebrating with a birthday party of our nation of 222 years. We need to pray for our country. She gave each child an American flag.

that Howard Rhodes had given her to give to the children.

Sunday evening the Deacons' sponsored a hamburger cookout that was scheduled to be held at the Gazebo, but, due to the hot weather, it was held in the Fellowship Hall.

After a large crowd finished eating hamburgers and dessert, they went to the sanctuary for the concert. Tami Griffitt, Debra Ball and Wayne Proffitt started the concert by singing "He is Here," "I've Been Changed," "He Came" and several others. Barry

and Carolyn Hazel sang "That's What You Do When the River Runs Dry," "Jesus in Texas, West of Abilene," "Pardon Me," "I'm Proud to be an American," "You Reap What You Sow," "More Than Love," and many more. Tami Griffitt sang

"Star Spangled Banner." Once again Walter Maynard, Ronda Wise, Paula Proffitt and Wayland Hazel played "Instrumental Celebration" on the two pianos and it thrilled our very soul.

"Great Bible Examples" was the theme for the Church of Christ Vacation Bible School last week. Abraham, Joseph, Moses, David, and the greatest of all-Jesus-was taught during five day VBS. It was a great time sharing the Scriptures with a wonderful group of kids.

Harry Riggs did a fine job leading the singing. A dedicated group of teachers, helpers and refreshment ladies all helped make it a success.

Ben Scott oversaw the hamburger cookout on Friday for all members, students and their parents at the city park. Approximately 130 attended the VBS cookout.

It was a fun time for all and plans are being made for an even better VBS next year. Everyone is invited to come.

W.J. Hill took his sons, Scott, Barry and Andy, and his dad, Jay, on a successful fishing trip to Lawrence Bay Lodge on Reindeer Lake in Saskatchewan, Canada, in June.

Kaye Stevens left Wednesday morning and picked up Theresa Gregory from Lorenzo. The two went on to Waco for the Texas Farm Bureau secretarial conference, held June 24-27.

Every year Farm Bureau has a conference and training school for the secretaries of all the county Farm Bureaus in Texas. There are 210 county offices in Texas. This year there were 119 secretaries attending.

On Wednesday evening there was a dinner where Vernie Glassen, executive director of the Texas Farm Bureau spoke to the group.

On Thursday morning, classes began and attendees enjoyed an all-day session with speakers and a film on the debate between John Sharpe and Rick Perry at the Southwestern Cattle Raisers' luncheon. It was a very lively debate and it was exciting to see two politicians go at each other with such heated issues.

They enjoyed a very good Mexican food lunch served at the offices that day. All of the dignitaries of the Texas Farm Bureau spoke at the conference including President Bob Stallman.

The main emphasis of the conference was how secretaries can better promote agriculture through their offices.

It wasn't all work and no play, though.

Kaye roomed with Paula Davidson's secretary from Vernon, Anita Studer, and they had a blast. They went to a Mexican restaurant, shopped at the mall and enjoyed a seafood meal.

The group returned home on Friday night.

It was cooler at Waco than it has been here.



DAIRY DAY—Garrett Behrends, Kendra Puente and Robin Beams prepare pizza as part of the Castro County 4-H's Dairy Day. They visited Sun Rise Farms Dairy of Nazareth, watched a milking session and a dairy video. Afterward, they met in the Courthouse Extension Office for lunch. They made different foods using dairy products. Photo by Monica Ortiz

Sausage dinner, outdoor concert highlight annual German Festival

Gary Allan will be the headline performer at the annual Suds and Sounds outdoor benefit concert in Nazareth on July 11, capping the 26th annual Nazareth German Festival.

The annual German Festival features a German sausage meal, afternoon games, an arts and crafts show and more.

Everything gets underway on July 11 at 11:30 a.m. with the sausage dinner.

The menu will include German sausage, sauerkraut and all the trimmings, and the meal will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Nazareth Community Hall. Cost for the meal is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children.

Several games and other activities have been planned for the afternoon at the Community Hall.

The Nazareth Art Club is sponsoring an arts and crafts show throughout the day, and the club will accept reservation through Sunday for booth space at the show.

The arts and crafts show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Nazareth School Cafeteria. The 8x10 booths may be reserved for \$20, and each booth includes a table and two chairs.

Those reserving space should specify their preference for a wall or center booth, should state if they need the table, and must specify what will be featured in their booth. Booths will be assigned on a first-come basis, and money must be received before a booth will be reserved.

For more information contact Rose Mary Wilhelm, HCR 2, Box 13, Nazareth 79063, phone (806) 945-2583; or Lucille Drerup, Box 3, Nazareth 79063, phone (806) 945-2562.

The day ends with the annual Suds and Sounds outdoor benefit concert, which will feature several area bands as well as Allen. Gates open at 4 p.m. and admission is \$15 per person. Bands will begin performing at 6 p.m.

Local bands including Three Quarters, Prarie Dogs and Southern Sky all will perform before Allan takes the Silver Bullet Stage later in the evening.

A 3,200-square foot wooden dance floor will be constructed.

Those attending the outdoor concert may bring their own beverages, but glass containers will be prohibited.

Proceeds from the event go to the Nazareth Community Hall and the Knights of Columbus charities.

The first clock built around 1360, erred about two hours a day.

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The annual Philip Acker family reunion was held Sunday with 250 family members attending.

They came from Amarillo, Canyon, Tulia, Lubbock, Dimmitt, Frisco, Addison, Plano, Hereford, Huntsville, Happy, Albuquerque, N.M., and Sudan, N.M. for the reunion.

The oldest member of the clan was Mrs. Max Acker, who was honored with a corsage and a fitting tribute.

Dinner was catered and served by the Catholic Daughters followed by a program given by a representative from each Acker family.

They also enjoyed spending some time in the Nazareth Museum, which holds many memories for most of them.

Our parish Vacation Bible School, held in the morning Monday through Friday last week was a huge success for 70 to 75 children each day. A big thanks to Kim Birkenfeld and Angie Hochstein who headed the program and their many youthful volunteers who helped.

The program was based mostly on prayer and how to pray. They also had very interesting projects to make—pine cone bird feeders, pine cone angels, wooden treasure boxes, sun catchers and picture frames.

A special thanks to Margaret, Eileen and Alicia Womack for donating all the pine cones.

Andi Rose of Amarillo spent the week here with family and attended the Bible school. Her parents, Jerry and Tricia Rose, spent the week in Ruidoso, N.M.

A good crowd of parishioners enjoyed the farewell party for Father John Hickey. It was held Sunday evening from 6 to 9 p.m.

Father John has been assigned to St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church in Amarillo. He will be replacing Father Francis B. Crowe, who served nearly 34 years at the Amarillo parish.

"Father John is the best choice to continue leading God's people at St. Martin's," said Bishop John Yanta.

Father John was ordained May 25, 1996, at St. Laurence Cathedral in Amarillo by Bishop Leroy T. Matthiesen.

Matthew Thomas, infant son of Lynn and Colette Borel of Frisco, was baptized Saturday evening after mass in Holy Family Church with Father John Hickey officiating.

Sponsors were Dwight Acker and Laura Birkenfeld. Grandparents are Tony and Angela Acker.

A bridal shower honoring Dene Clark, bride-elect of Joey Schacher, was held Sunday afternoon in Lazbuddie at the Church of Christ Parish Center.

Attending from Nazareth were Dianne, Norma and Lydia Schacher.

The Nazareth city-wide garage sale was held Saturday morning with 19 locations listed.

At noon the Plainview Salvation Army picked up leftovers.

Prayers are asked for Sister Josella Birkenfeld, Arnold Huseman, C.B. Wilhelm and Rose Mary Wilhelm.

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NEW BOSS LION of the Dimmitt Lions Club is Dwayne Acker (standing, center). He was installed last week by Dean Johnson (left), president of the Nazareth Lions Club, during the Dimmitt club's annual installation banquet at The Pancake House. Seated at right is Acker's wife, Anne.

Photo by Don Nelson

Breast cancer screening set

A breast cancer screening clinic will be held July 2 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse.

Those interested in scheduling an appointment should call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

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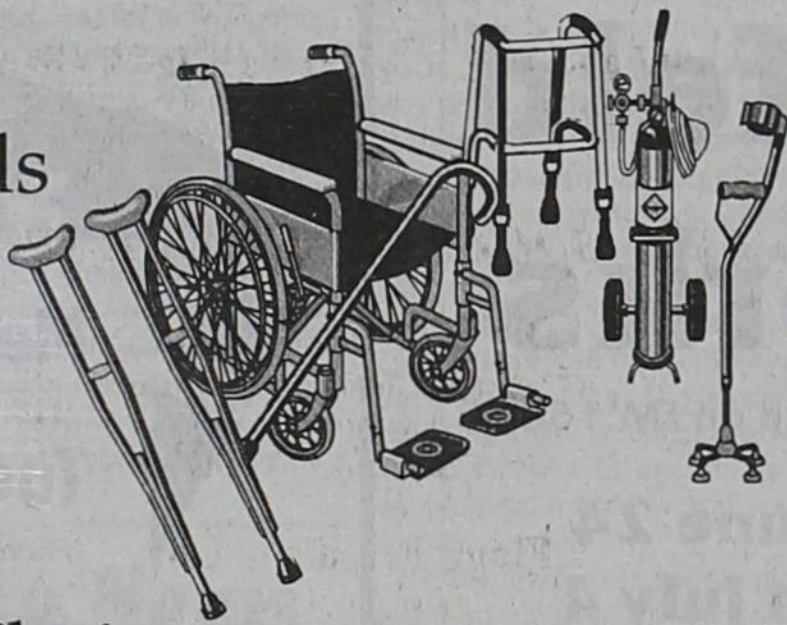
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Doren and Thomas recite vows Saturday in Canyon

Tara Van Doren of Canyon became the bride of Shawn Thomas of Dimmitt Saturday when the pair exchanged wedding vows at First Baptist Church in Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ken Van Doren of Canyon. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Prentice Thomas of Dimmitt.

A heart-shaped candelabra adorned with ivy graced the altar area. The stage was decorated with white tooling and four columns holding giant ferns. Pews were marked with hunter green and white bows.

Music was provided by Ann Root, organist, and Kloette Henson, pianist. Selections included *Trumpet Voluntary*, performed by Todd Van Doren and Root; *Parent's Prayer*, performed by Heather Thomas; *This Day*, sung by Thomas, Myra Johnson, Wendy Rhodes and Carla McClure; and *Household of Faith* by Johnson and Tom Patterson.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of ivory silk shantung fashioned with a bodice of fine filigree embroidered lacework, off-the-shoulder neckline, short sleeves and a modified natural waist. Hand-beading enhanced the delicate embroidered bodice lace. Tiny satin-covered buttons adorned the back, and beading and embroidered lace flowed down the center of the semi-cathedral train and outlined the edges of the train.

Her bouquet was made with ivory silk roses, tulips and calla lilies.

Matron of honor was Shelly Van Doren of Plano, the bride's sister-in-law. Bridesmaids were Myra Johnson of Amarillo and Michelle Pettus of Lubbock, college friends of the bride; and Crystal Secich of Charleston, S.C., Arian Killebrew and Jennifer Hataway, both of Canyon, childhood friends of the bride.

The bridal attendants wore two-piece hunter green shantique suits.



MRS. SHAWN THOMAS
 ...nee Tara Van Doren

The off-the-shoulder jackets were trimmed in ivory lace.

Each attendant carried a cascading bouquet of tiger lilies and roses.

Best man was Philip Rhodes of Lander, Wyo., college roommate of the groom. Groomsmen included Chad Chaddick of Waco, Shiloh Posey of Plainview, Buck Osborn of Lubbock and Steven Cole of Atlanta, Ga., college friends of the groom.

Candles were lit by Todd Van Doren, brother of the bride; and Mark Van Doren and Joel Griffith, cousins of the bride. The trio also served as ushers.

A reception honoring the


newlyweds was held in the church's fellowship hall.

The bride selected a black sleeveless short skirt for her traveling attire.

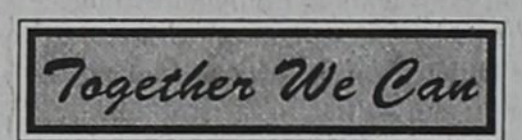
The couple are enjoying a wedding trip in Telluride, Colo., and will be home in Plainview after Saturday.

The bride graduated from West Texas A&M University in May 1996. She is currently studying to be a physical therapy assistant.

The groom graduated from Wayland Baptist University in December 1995 and he currently works as an admissions counselor at Wayland Baptist University.



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Krisse Pigg is honored with shower

A bridal shower honoring Krisse Pigg was held June 20 in the home of Sandy Baker.

Miss Pigg is the bride-elect of Kevin Bruton.

Topiaries of silk spring flowers and grapes entwined with sheer ribbon arranged on mirrors adorned the serving table.

Refreshments of ham and cream cheese rolls, shrimp and crab appetizers and block cheese and crackers were served with iced fruit tea. Crystal appointments completed the serving decor.

Special guests were Donna Pigg of Quitaque, mother of the bride-elect; Brenda Bruton of Dimmitt, mother of the prospective groom; Doris Dudley of Tulia, the honoree's grandmother; Brenda Cryer of Wolforth, Bruton's aunt; and Beth Tymrak of Lubbock, friend of the honoree.

The 37 hostesses assisting with the shower presented the honoree with a gassy grill.

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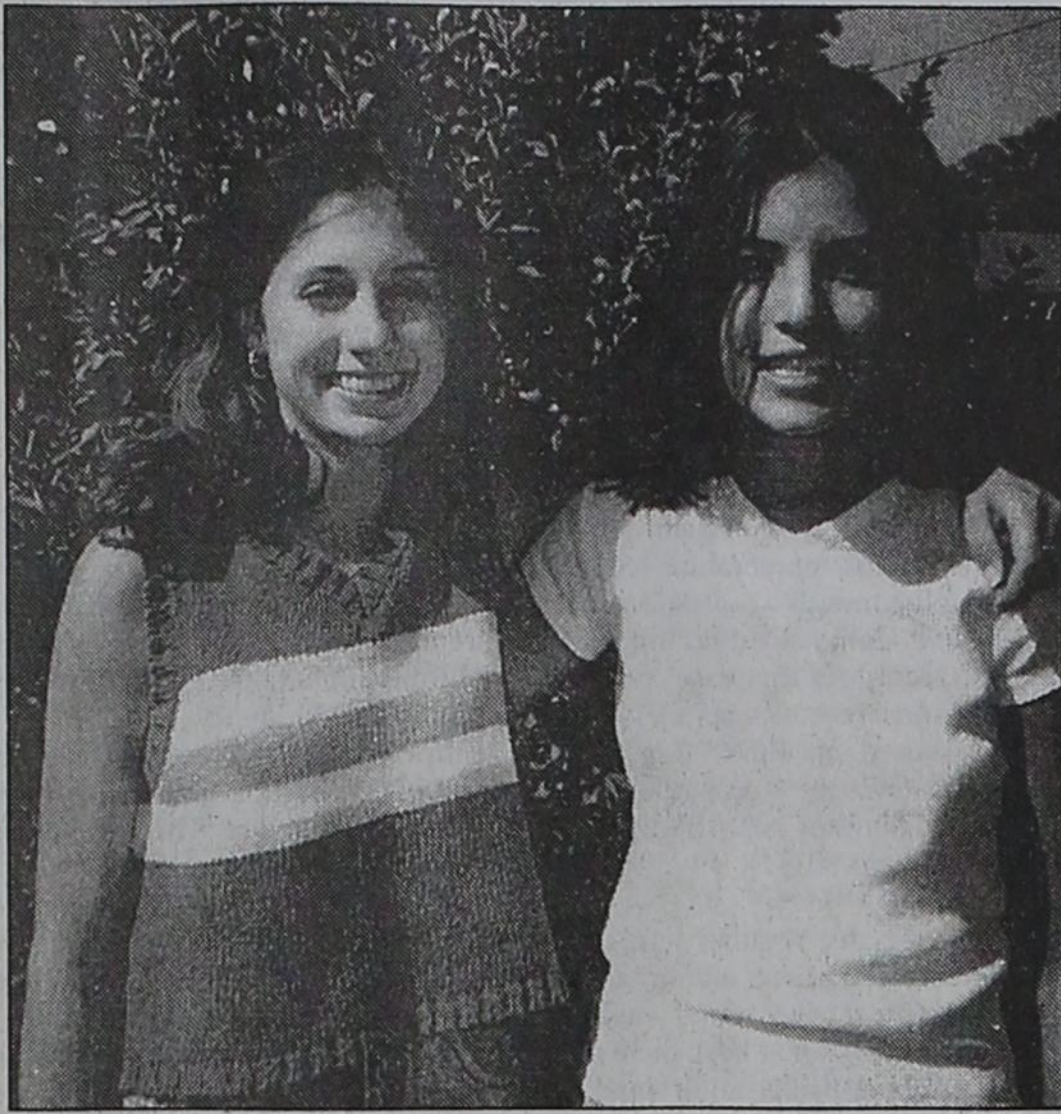
Shower fetes Jada Ethridge

Jada Ethridge, bride-elect of Justin Roberts, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Linda Shannon.

The 32 hostesses assisting Mrs. Shannon with the shower presented the honoree with pieces of their selected pottery and a crystal cake plate.

Guests were served sausage and cheese balls, fresh fruit, ginger snaps, brier cheese and caramelized topping.

The serving table was decorated with various styles and shapes of tea pots with accents of cranberry nestled in tulle, greenery and candles.



GIRLS STATE DELEGATES— Lindsey Welch and Valerie Gonzales, both of Dimmitt, represented Dimmitt at Texas Bluebonnet Girls State, held June 9-19 in Seguin. During the camp, Welch and Gonzales learned how government works at all levels and were able to run for individual offices.

Courtesy Photo

Gonzales and Welch participate in Girls State

Valerie Gonzales and Lindsey Welch, both of Dimmitt, received first-hand experience in how government works when they attended Texas Bluebonnet Girls State.

Girls State was held at Texas Lutheran College in Seguin.

Gonzales, daughter of Roy and Robin Gonzales, was elected as Justice of the Peace, Place 1 for fictional Giant County as part of the Girls State experience.

Welch, daughter of Mark and Brenda Welch, was elected as City Councilwoman, Place 5, for "City I." The two were sponsored on the trip by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit #405 and the Castro County Republican Organization for Women.

Girls State was organized in 1937 as a National Americanism activity by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Non-partisan and non-political, the purposes of the Girls' State program are to provide citizenship training for girls of high school age, to afford them an opportunity to live together as a self-governing group and to inform them of the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities which they will assume when they become adults.

They learn the problems of government by simulating the duties of city, county and state officials.

The elected state officials of Bluebonnet Girls State received the oath of office on June 15 in the rotunda of the State Capitol.

Gov. George W. Bush gave the inaugural address and the Honorable Bea Ann Smith, Justice, Third Supreme Judicial District Court of Appeals, administered the oath of office.

One of the highlights of the session was the selection of two outstanding citizens of 1998, who will be sent to Girls Nation in Washington, D.C., by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Among the speakers at this year's convention were Gov. Bush; Smith; Lori Swann, assistant district attorney and deputy chief of the misdemeanor division for the Harris County District Attorney's Office; Becky Farrar, Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and nominee for state representative, District 59; Carole Rylander, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission; and Cecile Richards, lobbyist for the Texas Freedom Network.

Former citizens of Girls State and members of the Texas American Legion Auxiliary comprise the 70 members of the staff and counselors who volunteer their services to direct and lead the program.

Director is Connie Bridges of Killeen. She is assisted by Karen Miller of Friendswood. Other assistants include Tammy Boclair of West Columbia, associate director of personnel; Mary Ellen Trahan of Houston, associate director of education; and Ann Doan of Fort Worth, associate director of administration.

Chamber makes plans for Follies

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is searching for talent. It's also searching for volunteers with a sense of humor and/or a strong back.

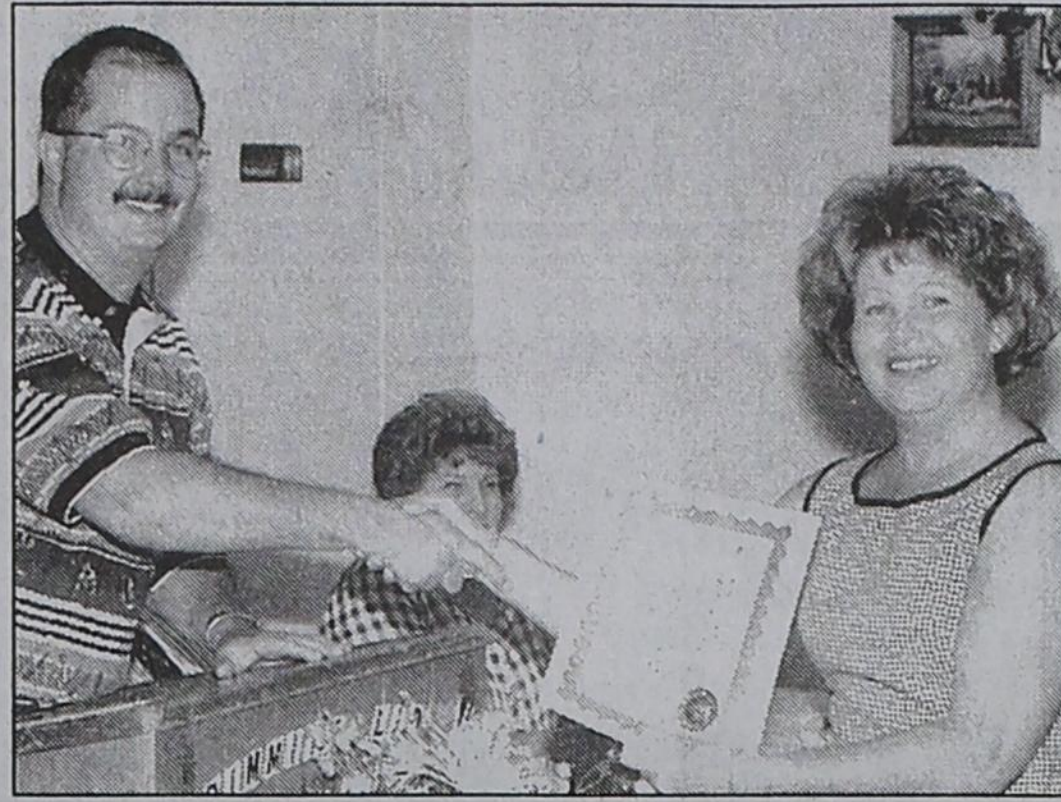
Anyone interested in helping with the production of *Follies '98* will be welcomed with open arms, according to Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava.

The Chamber is reviving the *Follies* and this year's production is being planned for Aug. 29 and 30 at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

"We need actors, singers, dancers and wannabes, both adults and children," said Sava. "We're searching for talent, but we can work around talent, a sense of humor's more important."

Those willing to help with the production, whether as a performer or technical aid, should call Sava at the Chamber office, 647-2524.

The performances are slated for 7 p.m. on Aug. 29 and 2 p.m. on Aug. 30.



BECKY STOVALL receives the Dimmitt Lions Club's "Lion of the Year" award certificate from outgoing Boss Lion Doug Setliff during the club's annual installation banquet last week. Stovall was chosen by a vote of her fellow members.

Photo by Don Nelson

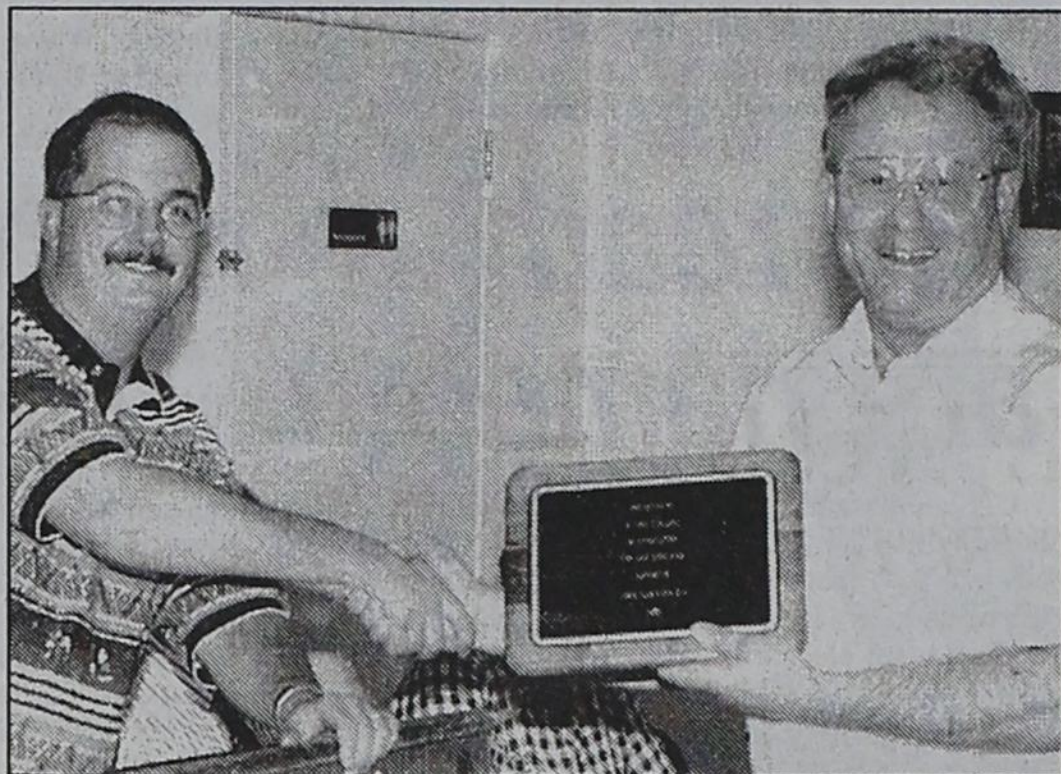
ACS plans gala event for July 18

The Castro County Chapter of the American Cancer Society is planning a Gala for July 18 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt.

Titled "A Taste of Castro County," the event will feature a meal with entrees from a wide variety of cuisines, including Southwest, Mexican, German and Italian.

Door prizes will be given away and local entertainment will be featured. It is billed as a come and go event, and casual attire will be appropriate.

Raffle tickets are being sold for a trip for two to the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta at \$2 per chance or three chances for \$5. The winner will be drawn at the Gala, and need not be present to win.



'THANKS, WAYNE'—Outgoing Boss Lion Doug Setliff (left) presents an appreciation plaque to KDHN Radio owner Wayne Collins during the annual Dimmitt Lions Club Installation Banquet last week. Setliff praised Collins for his cooperation and help with the annual Lions Club Radio Day, during which the service club "takes over" the station for half a day as a fund-raising project.

Photo by Don Nelson

Plans are made for Hart Days

A parade, pet show, sand dig, food booths, face painting, bike ride, parade, ice cream contest, t-shirt contest, carnival and more are expected to highlight the annual Hart Days celebration on July 25.

The annual parade will begin at 10 a.m. July 25 and Doyle K. Davis will serve as chairman of the parade.

The Ledel Carnival is expected to operated during the celebration and the Hart Days Committee usually receives 10% of the profits from ticket sales. In the past, that has amounted to about \$1,500.

A Hart Days organizational meeting was held recently and possible events for this year's celebration were discussed.

The Miss Hart Contest may be held, possibly on July 23. Organizers elected to cancel the Little Miss Hart pageant, but could start a "parade of young boys and girls" sometime during the Miss Hart contest.

Other activities planned include a pet show, sand dig, food booths, face painting, bike ride, ice cream contest, t-shirt contest, bake sale, variety show, duck race, bingo, horseshoe tournament, basketball shoot-out and dance.

Those interested in helping with the celebration or those who have other ideas should call Toni Nelson, coordinator of the Hart Days celebration, at 938-2010.

The famous scientist Roger Bacon had the idea of the locomotive five centuries before it was invented.

Teddy Roosevelt's cavalry, "The Rogh Riders," fought their biggest battle on foot.

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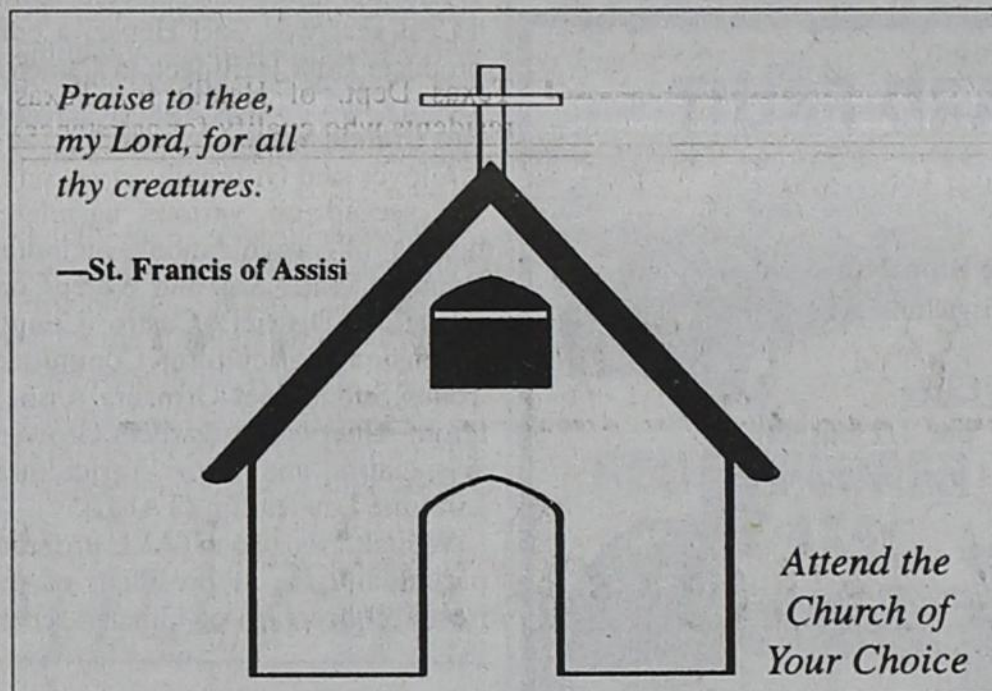
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Castro County Extension Agent
Life is great! It's summer and it's time to take a break and have some serious fun. But, remember, summer activities can also mean it's prime time for injuries and accidents.

The most important safety precaution you can take is to pay attention. Preventing injuries is much easier, more cost effective and much less painful than taking care of the injury later.

To become more aware of the dangers lurking around, take a minute to think about these safety measures.

• If you will be around water, learn to swim. Never swim alone and know your swimming limits.

• Never leave a child around water without a capable adult.

• Remember that alcohol and water don't mix. Never consume alcoholic beverages if you intend to swim. Judgment, balance and coordination are affected by alcohol.

• Never go in a boat without a Coast Guard-approved life jacket.

• Always wear sunscreen and avoid direct sunlight between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

• Wear sunglasses when you are out to protect your eyes against ultraviolet rays.

• Watch tick bites and insect stings. Ticks can carry lyme disease and should be removed by pulling slowly and firmly. Remove the tick close to the skin using fine-tipped tweezers.

• Grills and lighter fluid should

be off limits to children.
• Never let a child ride with you on a riding lawn mower.

• Never leave a child unattended in a car in the summer heat. The temperature inside your car can reach 109 degrees Fahrenheit in 15 minutes, even if it's only 83 degrees Fahrenheit outside and the windows are down two inches.

• You may be suffering from heat exhaustion if you become fatigued, exhausted, nauseated or lightheaded. Heat stroke is life threatening emergency and victims should be attended to immediately.

For more information on summer time health concerns and preventive actions, call Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Office, 647-4115.

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Hay Hotline helps farmers and suppliers

The Texas Department of Agriculture has set up a Hay Hotline to help connect farmers and ranchers who need hay with those producers who have hay for sale. It began taking calls Monday June 29.

The Hay Hotline number is 1-877-429-1998 (1-UPS-HAY-1998). The hotline is staffed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and is a free call.

"The Hay Hotline is an opportunity for farmers and ranchers to locate forage during this difficult time," Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said.

Many ranges and pastures are not providing adequate grazing, and producers are rapidly depleting carryover hay stocks. In addition, many pastures and hay fields have not had sufficient regrowth following the first hay cutting.

Producers with hay can call the toll-free number and be put on a list of suppliers. Farmers and ranchers who need hay can call and request a list of hay suppliers. An up-to-date list will be mailed to them the day they call. In addition, TDA will put the list of suppliers on its website (www.agr.state.tx.us).



NEWLY-ELECTED DIRECTORS for the Texas Corn Producers Board are (from left) Coby Gilbreath of Dimmitt, Steve Whitaker of Hart, Jean Davis of Waco, Jimmy Wedel of Muleshoe and Carl Hensz of Harlingen. Courtesy Photo

Gilbreath and Whitaker are named to TCPB board

Coby Gilbreath of Dimmitt and Steve Whitaker of Hart were recently elected as directors for the Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB). They were elected in a statewide

TCPB biennial election under regulations of the Texas Commodity Referendum law, according to Jerry Don Glover, TCPB executive director.

Gilbreath and Whitaker were elected as new directors in TCPB Voting Region 1, which includes Castro and Lamb counties. They replace longtime directors Doug Higgins of Hart and Lois Wales of Dimmitt, who decided against running for new terms.

Jimmy Wedel of Muleshoe was reelected as director from Voting Region 2, which includes Parmer, Bailey, Deaf Smith, Oldham and Hartley counties. Reelected as director for Voting Region 6, which includes more than 115 counties in western, central and eastern Texas, was Jean Davis of Waco.

Another director reelected to his TCPB seat was Carl Hensz, a corn producer from Harlingen in Cameron County and Voting Region 8 in the Rio Grande Valley.

Glover said Gilbreath serves on or has served on various ag-related boards or organizations including Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District, Castro County Extension Agricultural Committee, Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association, American Sugarbeet Growers Association and Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL).

Whitaker is also a TALL program participant. He is president of the Hart Producers Co-op Gin and serves

on the Castro County Extension Agricultural Committee.

Wedel has been involved in various county and agricultural groups in addition to his work with TCPB. He is secretary of the TALL Alumni Association.

Davis works with producer organizations in the McLennan County area in central Texas.

Hensz is highly involved in producer and other agricultural oriented groups in the Lower Rio Grande Valley region.

Glover said that retiring directors Wales and Higgins have done much to benefit corn producers across the state.

"They have worked directly with agricultural researchers in efforts to find more effective and more cost efficient corn production methods," he said. "They have also been strong supporters of ethanol production as new markets for Texas corn."

"Lois and Doug are to be commended for their many years of service to Texas corn producers."

TCPB is a 15-member board consisting of corn producers elected from across the state. The board helps coordinate corn research, promotion and marketing programs funded by the statewide half-cent per bushel voluntary corn checkoff.

The next TCPB biennial election will be in the spring of 2000. For more information contact the TCPB office at 218 E. Bedford in Dimmitt or call 1-800-647-CORN or 647-4224.

Children are the ones who cause their parents to feel old and their grandparents to feel young.



According to Dr. Howard Barneby, ophthalmologist, "If you feel eye discomfort in the sun, that is your body's way of telling you that you need to protect your eyes. Sunglasses will protect your eyes and keep them cool and comfortable."

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temperatures," Collins said. The hottest temperature recorded during the month was 108 on Saturday, and Collins said he thinks that was a record for that day.

The most recent streak of 100-plus days started on June 22 with 101 degrees. Over the next week, KDHN recorded highs of 103, 103, 104, 105, 108, 106 and 101.

The hot, dry weather has caused problems for farmers and homeowners, who must water crops and lawns virtually non-stop to keep them alive.

There is basically no dryland cotton left in this area, and irrigation costs are skyrocketing as producers struggle to save their crops.

"The dryland cotton has been hurt pretty bad," said Johnna Patterson, Extension Integrated Pest Management Agent for Castro and Lamb Counties.

"We don't have much dryland cotton here, but last week I was talking to a guy in Lamb County who said between 90-95% of their dryland cotton was gone."

"It's way too dry for everything," Patterson added. "If it's irrigated, it's holding its own. Cotton is going and growing as long as it's got water, although the drought is slowing down some of the growth. We're accumulating a lot of heat units, but the growth stage isn't as far along as the heat units indicate it should be."

Patterson said it's so dry, a lot of producers haven't even planted sorghum yet.

"They're holding out for moisture," said Patterson.

Homeowners also are feeling the effects of the drought this month.

"I know our water usage has been tremendous because water bills are big this month," said Dimmitt City Manager Don Sheffy.

In 1997, city records show an average of 2.8 million gallons of water were used per day. This year those numbers have skyrocketed.

According to Karen Hutson in the Department of Public Work, the city averaged between 3.5 and 4.5 million gallons per day during June.

"Our pumpage is way up," Hutson said. "It's almost double what we used last year in some cases."

Sheffy said the city lake is "going down fast," but he added that the city isn't in danger of rationing water right now.

That could change if the drought isn't broken soon.

"We're in better shape than Amarillo and Lubbock, but it worries me when they start running out of water because then they go looking in other towns for water. We don't have any extra water to sell," Sheffy said.

He said the city hasn't experienced the major trouble with its wells that it has had in the past, and that's helped keep sprinklers running across the city.

"Our water pressure has been good for the most part, but in the evenings when every sprinkler in town is running, the pressure is a little lower. You can't water your lawn and take a shower at the same time," said Sheffy.

He added that it would help if people would water at night.

SPS offers energy-saving devices free of charge

It may look too good to be true, but Southwestern Public Service really is offering energy-saving devices for free.

SPS has contracted with UCONS of Bellevue, Wash., to provide low-flow showerheads and other water-heating efficiency products and services free of charge. The purpose is to help customers who use electric water heaters conserve water and save on energy costs.

"We've had several customers calling to ask if the offer is legitimate, and it is," said Ron Brown, manager of SPS Product Management. "This program is part of our commitment to control increased energy demand."

Some customers have already received an offer from UCONS through the mail, and SPS will follow up with information in a bill-stuffer newsletter called *Update*.

To be eligible for the offer, customers must use electric water heaters in their homes. Customers who participate are expected on average to save about 1,100 kilowatt-hours of electricity a year—a saving of around \$60. They also should save about 14,000 gallons of water every year.

UCONS was selected through a competitive bid solicitation of over 50 companies, having served nearly 250,000 customers over the past 10 years.

More than 800 SPS customers have taken advantage of this program since mid-May. There is sufficient funding for another 20,000 SPS residential customers. UCONS expects to complete this program by mid-1999. Customers interested should call UCONS at (806) 468-9421.

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rural Texans who are not being well served by existing HMOs.

The last session of the legislature authorized the new rural health system but didn't fund it, so the system must levy fees on its member hospital districts to establish its program.

"We need to show the legislature that we can do it, since they passed the act for us," Sloan told the board.

Kern earns USAA award

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Jessica Kern of Nazareth has been named a United States National Award winner in English. She will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook, which is published annually.

Kern was nominated for this award by Brenda Schulte, a teacher at NHS. She is the daughter of Jerry and Carol Kern of Nazareth. Her grandparents are Bud and Rita Kern of Nazareth and Junior and Catherine Hochstein of Nazareth.

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Happenings in agriculture

By **JOHNNA PATTERSON**
County IPM Agent

Wheat harvests continue across the county this week. All dryland acres have been harvested and now we get into the serious business of the irrigated crop.

Reports on dryland wheat around the county is above expectations. Yields have ranged from 10 to 45 bushels with an average of around 25 to 35 bushels. Test weights ranged around the 60-pound mark. We could be looking at a bumper irrigated crop. It will be interesting to see just how high our yields will go. Too bad the price will not be as high as the yields.

Cotton should be right around the first square stage. It has really shot up with the hot, dry weather we are having. With exception of thrips, no major insect damage has been reported to date.

Corn is ranging from the 10- to 12-leaf stage, according to the Dimmitt PET. According to the Earth PET, corn planted on April 1 should be tasseling.

Water usage on corn planted on May 1 is 0.56 per day, while corn planted on May 15 is using 0.54 inches per day, according to the Dimmitt PET Network.

Earth PET shows the same water usage at 0.52 and 0.48 inches.

Sorghum for the most part is still not planted. If we would have a good soaking rain, I would expect a large amount of planting to occur.

Ten-day average soil temperatures ranged from 70 degrees Fahrenheit at two inches and 75 degrees Fahrenheit at six inches in Dimmitt, to 71 degrees Fahrenheit at two inches and 76 degrees Fahrenheit at six inches in Earth.

Hot and dry conditions continue to be the norm this week, making it hard for producers to keep everything moist.

Thrips continue to be the insect causing damage this week, but southwestern corn borers are on the rise.

Corn is growing by leaps and bounds where water is plentiful. Most fields are in the mid-whorl stage storm. Fields that had recent hail damage showed some shredding from the wind.

Light to moderate infestations of 1/4- to 1/2 inch-long corn earworm larvae are continuing to be found and have increased somewhat over last week. The good side of this is that beneficial insect counts are moderate to high which will help to keep this pest in check.

Southwestern corn borers (SWCB) are being reported from all around the area with infestations ranging from 0-4% west of Dimmitt, 3 to 6% in the Hart area, and less than 1% in the Flag/Earth area.

Infestations consisted of all small larvae and hatched egg masses. The most larval activity has been seen in the Hart area, but beneficial insects appear to be keeping the numbers somewhat in check. Southwestern corn borer trap counts have decreased from last week with an average of 39.5 moths per trap per week. One trap count was lost this week due to the wind storm on Sunday.

Spider mites continue to be found in the Flag/Earth area on the leaves on the lower 1/3 of the plant. Infestations range from just a few mites to as high as 20% of the lower leaves being infested. No spider mites have been reported west or south of Dimmitt, but infestations of about 5% are being reported in the Springlake area.

Predators continue to be abundant in most cornfields. Minute pirate bug nymphs and adults are exceedingly numerous with lady beetles and lacewings following close behind. IPM Program cotton ranges from about the 6-true leaf stage to pinhead square. Thrips populations are ranging from two to four per plant in

the Springlake area, one to six per plant with an average of two to four per plant in the Olton area, and 1-3 per plant in the Earth/Flag area. Several fields were treated for thrips this week but most fields should be past the most damaging stage. Later fields still need to be watched closely because thrips are still lurking about.

TAEX boll weevil grid trap catches for this week show no weevils being caught in Castro County and only three weevils being caught in Lamb County, one in trap #1, one in trap #3, and one in trap #13. Fifteen weevils were caught in IPM Scouting Program traps in Lamb County this week. This is an average of .18 weevils per trap.

The drop in catches is normal for fields that have squaring cotton. The cotton is a lot more desirable than pheromone traps. Squaring cotton really needs to be scouted to look for feeding and oviposition punctures. The dry, hot weather may also have something to do with the drop in trap catches.

There are seven southwestern corn borer traps out now. Two additional traps were put out this week, but will not be checked until next week.

One trap count was lost this week due to the wind storm Sunday night. The majority of moths trapped this week were in the Springlake area trap which had 96.

Date	Avg.#Moths/Trap
5/26	25
6/4	86 (only 2 traps reported)
6/10	144 (only 2 traps reported)
6/17	39.5 (only 4 traps reported)

Beet Armyworm Trap Counts

Date	Trap #1	Trap #2
5/12	70	57
5/19	99	81
5/25	181	141
6/4	95	67
6/10	7	2
6/15	5	0

This week's trap catches show a continued drop from last week. Scouts reported only a couple of larvae in the field and no egg masses.

Corn earworm trap count

There are eight corn earworm/cotton bollworm traps out now. The trap east of Hart caught the majority of the moths with 1,193. The trap north of Sunnyside caught 622.

Date	Avg. # Moths/Trap
5/26	53
6/4	123
6/10	61
6/17	346

Field scouting continues to go well. Scouts and IPM Agents from Castro/Lamb and Parmer/Baily Pest Management Units attended a morning training session presented by Greg Cronholm, IPM Agent in Hale Swisher Counties, on Tuesday at the Castro County Extension Office.

This training helped scouts coordinate the way scouting forms are completed, standardized the numbers of plants checked per field, and worked on identification and scouting techniques.

Shot clinic is set today

An immunization clinic offering vaccines against several childhood diseases will be held today (Thursday) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dimmitt Middle School Auditorium.

Vaccines will be for polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B).

The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the costs of keeping the clinic open.



FFA MEMBERS FROM Dimmitt and Nazareth attended the 18th annual Area I FFA Leadership Conference at Clarendon College. Dimmitt FFA members attending were (top photo, from left) Mary Bradley, Cliff Wright and Kaci Schulte. Nazareth FFA members participating were (bottom photo, from left) Ann Wilhelm, Erin Jones, Laura Birkenfeld, Jessica Kern and Christopher Birkenfeld. *Courtesy Photos*

FFA members attend area leadership meet

FFA members from Dimmitt and Nazareth were among those from the area attending a leadership conference at Clarendon College.

Those attending were Kaci Schulte, Mary Bradley and Cliff Wright, all of Dimmitt; and Ann Wilhelm, Erin Jones, Laura Birkenfeld, Jessica Kern and Christopher Birkenfeld, all of Nazareth.

There were 229 FFA members attending the Area I convention June 22-24.

Throughout the conference, area, district and state FFA officers led educational programs focusing on improving student leadership skills.

Chapter members also participated in a variety of fun-filled workshops, dances and a banquet. Skills learned by FFA members and advisers will be applied to local, district, area and state FFA levels throughout the 1998-99 school year.

"The agriculture science instructors also use our conference to plan their activities for the year," said Jerry Hawkins, CC Agriculture Chairperson. "The conference provides the chapters an opportunity to fine-tune and prepare for the upcoming state FFA convention."

The 1998 FFA convention will be held the second week of July in Fort Worth.

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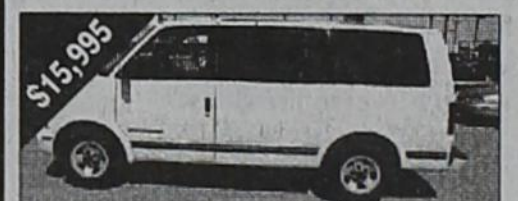
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PAMELA VAN DELDEN (second from right) enjoys her last evening at home with her American family, the Langes in Nazareth. Van Delden, an American Field Service Exchange Student, spent the last year with the Lange family and attended Nazareth High

School. She left Saturday morning to return to her home in Holland. Pictured with van Delden are Jerry Lange, Susan Lange, Mark Lange and Judy Lange.

Photo by Anne Acker

Special bond develops for Langes and van Delden during AFS year

When Pamela van Delden of Boskoop, Holland, stepped off the plane in Amarillo last August, it was "instant love" between her and her new American family, Jerry and Judy Lange and their family.

Van Delden spent the past year living with the Lange family in Nazareth under the American Field Service Exchange Program.

"The minute Pam stepped off the plane, she was mine. I was in love," said Judy, van Delden's American mother.

Van Delden describes her AFS year in Nazareth as one of the "best experiences" of her life.

"This year has given me a chance to travel and I've been able to experience different cultures and countries. It's enabled me to broaden my horizons," said van Delden.

But van Delden admits that her first impression of Nazareth was a form of culture shock.

"I thought, oh my gosh, it's so small," she said. "I thought there'd be a lot of old people here and that it would be very quiet and there would be nothing to do, but it's the opposite."

Van Delden was busy from day one, arriving in the middle of one of the most difficult times the Lange family has experienced.

The Langes' daughter, Susan, had just been diagnosed with cancer and was undergoing treatments and chemotherapy.

Then one of van Delden's friends at Nazareth High School, Nancy Wilhite, died in an automobile accident.

"I know Pam had a hard time," said Judy. It's been the worst year and the best year." But once Susan

got through with chemo, everything started turning around."

Susan said she feels like Pam helped keep the family's spirits up when she was battling cancer.

"She helped out a lot. She just stepped in and did everything," said Susan. "She made sure Mark and Dad had what they needed, she did the laundry and anything else. We wouldn't have made it without her."

"She kept us going," agreed Judy. "She provided a lot of moral support. And Pam can get anybody to laugh. She's just wonderful."

Van Delden's sense of humor is one of the things the Langes will miss most.

"She always seems to be able to find something good in everything. I'll miss that," said Judy. "I'll miss her scent, and just having another person around."

Lending a hand was easy for van Delden. What wasn't easy was adjusting to the lack of public transportation.

She said the hardest thing for her was "having to have a car to go everywhere. You can't just crawl on a bike and go."

Van Delden lives in a populated area and was used to catching a train or bus to travel to areas she couldn't get to on her bike. Here, she was dependent on other people when she wanted to go somewhere.

"I missed not being able to go places by myself. If I would have had a driver's license it wouldn't have been so bad, but everybody was willing to give me rides."

Van Delden loved attending Nazareth High School and graduating with the Class of 1998.

Nazareth is 'busiest little town in Texas'

Although my stay in Nazareth was short, it will stay with me forever.

It was also my first visit to the United States of America and I consider myself extremely lucky that it was in Texas, the state where everything is big. This is certainly true, because Nazareth certainly gave me the biggest welcome I could have wished for.

When I sat down and was getting ready to write this letter, thinking of all the people I had met, I was going to use names and thank people individually, but, with retrospect, it would be so difficult not to forget to mention somebody. So this thank you is to everybody in Nazareth, as the one big community that you are, that made my stay so perfect.

Although the one family that I will always mention by name is the Family Lange.

Judy once wrote and said that she would never have allowed one of her children to leave home and travel half way around the world for a year. But because she was ready to take Pamela in as an exchange student, it meant that Pamela's dream could come true. So I will be eternally grateful to the Lange family for opening not only their home, but also their hearts to Pamela.

Pamela's letter writing leaves a lot to be desired, but no news is good news, and when I did hear from her she always sounded well and was enjoying herself.

I certainly was not prepared for what I was going to find. There were

so many first impressions, which kept me awake at night thinking about everything that had happened during the day. There were so many differences between the European way of life and that of Nazareth. It has given me food for thought for the next few years.

I am also sure that I will spend many a year talking to Pamela about her time in Nazareth and it will be so good to be able to picture places and people when we are reliving her dream. I am also sure that the 1997-98 school year will be one she will never forget and will never be able to beat, even if she stays at school the next 10 years.

So, a very big (as in Texan-style) thank you to the Family Lange, Nazareth High School, teachers and pupils. The third grade certainly stole my heart, together with Pamela's girlfriends and boyfriend and the community of Nazareth.

It's not only the busiest little town in Texas, but also the one with the biggest heart and it made my visit so perfect.

Hope to see ya'll real soon.
Sue van Delden

EDITOR'S NOTE: Sue van Delden is the mother of American Field Service Exchange Student Pamela van Delden, who spent the past year in Nazareth living with the Jerry Lange family. Sue van Delden visited her daughter and the Langes near the end of the school year.

"It's a lot easier than at home—a lot more laid back. But everyone knew me and I loved that," she said.

Judy said van Delden enjoyed having students of all ages at the same school, and that's what made it one of the best experiences of her life.

Van Delden wasn't afraid to try new things, either.

Judy said van Delden helped Mark mow lawns and deliver newspapers.

"She tried everything," Judy said. "She went sledding behind a four wheeler."

"I had a blast doing that," laughed van Delden.

The different foods were a new experience, too, but van Delden soon adopted a taste for local dishes, especially beef.

Van Delden said it was unusual for her to eat much meat because it's so expensive in Holland.

"I love steak," she said. "And I'd never had chicken fried steak or chicken strips before." She also enjoyed Tex-Mex food.

Van Delden had never experienced a prom or formal dinner, so she had fun with all the preparations for this year's prom and the FHA Banquet.

Judy said the support from the school and community for the AFS program helped make the year a memorable one for both her family and van Delden.

"Nazareth is a very positive town and community," said Judy. "When an AFS student comes here, he or she is part of the church, community and school as well as the host family. That student is shared with everyone. I believe that the school system realizes what these students bring and contribute to others."

Judy says her family had such a positive experience with van Delden this year that they are planning on hosting another AFS student in a couple of years.

Van Delden left Saturday morning to begin the return trip to her homeland. She left Pampa at 7:30 a.m. and was booked on a three-day bus ride to Chicago, Ill. She said she expected to be home in Holland by Tuesday or Wednesday.

She will miss her American family and friends, and she'll really miss the warm weather.

But she is looking forward to returning home.

One of the first things she'll do is go shopping, and ride the train and bus.

"I'm going to ride public transportation," she said with a smile. "I'm looking forward to seeing my family and friends, too."

Van Delden had already graduated from school in Holland and when she returns she will continue her education.

"It's not really college, it's more like high school but more job-oriented," she said. She admits she's not sure what she wants to do with her future yet, but she hopes to travel a lot.



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Haure brought smiles, laughter and more to her AFS host family

When Senia Haure arrived from Ebeltoft, Denmark, her surrogate mother cried. When she leaves after the 4th of July holiday, no doubt Susie Bradford will cry again.

"She was beautiful," said Susie of the Bradford family's American Field Service Exchange Program student, Senia Haure.

It was first suggested in the Bradford household that an AFS student would be an interesting change in life, and Laura, the eldest of the two Bradford children, said "let's do it."

When looking through the AFS files, finding someone who knew English was the main objective. However, it was because of Haure's "smiling face" that Jack, Susie, Laura and Sarah Bradford chose her.

"She got off the airplane and we just started speaking," said Jack Bradford.

And that was how Haure arrived in this country. She came from a community with roughly the same population as Dimmitt; but this place was in Denmark near the ocean. It was there that Haure learned English from American movies dubbed with Danish subtitles, American music, and later on, her English class. It was here that she adopted the culture, began including herself as a Texan and became a treasured family member. Laura will miss not having Senia around, said Susie.

Haure tasted different pieces of the American pie while she was here. She celebrated her first Thanksgiving and Saturday, will witness her first

Independence Day. She joined Laura in her senior year, attended Prom and "graduated" from Dimmitt High School.

"It was harder in the beginning but got easier in the end," Haure said.

Haure experienced the American frontier also. She visited West Texas, New Mexico, Mexico, Las Vegas, Nev., the Grand Canyon and 90210, the zip code.

The choice for Beverly Hills came when vacation was approaching. Jack asked the girls where they wanted to go. Big fans of the television show *Beverly Hills, 90210*, they picked Los Angeles. Haure and Laura agreed it was nothing like the TV show.

Haure attended church every Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, something she said she did not do in Denmark except on Christmas.

She also developed a taste for Mexican food, and will miss it when she returns to the primarily fish diet she has in Denmark.

While she was here, Haure found she had more relatives to love. Her adopted "grandparents" live behind the Bradfords. She said in Denmark, the drive to her grandparents' house took her into unfamiliar territory, and is easy to get lost. Here, she said, the drive for hours is the same. She did admit that going into West Texas, the scenery began to turn up trees and grass, different sights from the Panhandle.

Haure's stay in the Bradford

household nurtured a tight family relationship. By the second day, Haure had learned how to load the dishwasher. She was clean and quiet the first two weeks, then she got used to us, according to Susie. Jack and Susie agreed that Haure was easy to get along with and fit right in.

Senia and Laura were inseparable, said Susie. Strangers thought Haure was Laura and Sarah's sister. The transition to becoming a full-fledged family member was not hard, Haure said.

"I'm used to it because I have a big sister and four brothers," said Haure.

Because Haure was not allowed to drive by AFS rules, Laura drove her. Haure discovered "the drag" taken by Dimmitt teenagers, and at first, thought it boring. She now finds that she will miss it and talking with her new friends.

Haure's father and brother will arrive for the 4th of July holiday, and will celebrate with the Bradfords. And then it will be time for Haure to say good-bye: Good-bye to the family she considers her own; good-bye to the culture she adopted; good-bye to the friends she made; and good-bye to Dimmitt.

"It was absolutely wonderful. We had a great year," said Jack.

The Bradfords plan to visit Senia Haure and her family in Denmark, and Haure consented that she would like to return to the states. The only message Haure wanted to send was one of gratitude.

"Thank you," she said.



MILES, LOOK AT THE CAMERA—Laura Bradford, Senia Haure and Sarah Bradford pose together one last time before Haure goes back to Denmark. She was Jack and Susie Bradford's American Field

Service Exchange student and attended Dimmitt High School. Haure is staying for the Fourth of July fireworks and will return home to Denmark afterwards. Miles is the Bradford family dog.

Photo by Monica Ortiz

'Dimmitt will always have a special place in my heart'

When I first came to Dimmitt I had expectations such as improving my English (which is a very important language to know in Denmark), learning the American culture and becoming familiar with the American way of living. But as I have lived in Dimmitt for a year now, I have achieved a lot more than these simple things.

As I have attended Dimmitt High School for the last year I have learned how the American school system works. There were many differences, but I have enjoyed learning another way of teaching.

I would like to thank all of my teachers for having me in their classes and for being patient when I had problems understanding.

I now have a knowledge about Texas history and also American history. I have learned how the American government works and have learned another language, Spanish, which I enjoyed very much.

My computer class will help me a lot in the future.

What I also gained, without intentions, is a Texas accent I am sure my English teachers will not approve of when I return to Denmark. But it is just one thing that helps me feel like a real Texan.

Thanks to the people of Dimmitt for the way they welcomed me into their community when I arrived. Everyone has helped me see how a little town like Dimmitt functions and how everyone is willing to help and guide each other.

I would like to thank the Bradfords for taking me into their lives and accepting me as a family member. My Dad and Mom, Laura and Sarah have loved me from the beginning. They have, throughout my year,

encouraged me to learn as much about America as possible and they have themselves taught me more about Texas than anyone else. They have showed me how Texans can cope with their problems and how Texans love one another with no exceptions. They have given me memories that will stay with me for the rest of my life.

The rest of the family I also want to thank for welcoming me into their lives and for helping me see what important roles other family members can play in your life. I now have more grandparents, more aunts, more uncles and more cousins than I ever dreamed of.

The Bradfords also took me outside the city limits of Dimmitt. They took me to Los Angeles, Calif., where I saw a different way of American life—not quite *Beverly Hills 90210*, but close.

In Las Vegas, Nev., I saw one of the world's most famous cities, and one of the most beautiful places in the world, the Grand Canyon. This was such different scenery from what I know in Denmark that it almost seemed like I was on a different planet.

I have learned to snow ski in Ruidoso, where I enjoyed mountains, a thing we do not have in Denmark.

I have been to East Texas on Christmas vacation, and I saw the differences in Texas scenery. They had trees and lots of green grass, which I miss here in the Panhandle.

The Bradfords took me several times to the beautiful Lake Conchas, where I enjoyed cliff jumping and water skiing. The balloon festival in Albuquerque was a sight I will never forget.

A few weeks ago I went to

Cancun, Mexico, where I got to swim in the ocean for the first time in 11 months, and learned about Mexico.

One thing I will definitely miss in Denmark is the Mexican food. Enchiladas and tacos are hard to find and I will have to teach my mother in Denmark how to cook them.

A thing here in Dimmitt I will always remember is the way teenagers spend their time. Driving from one end of town to the other seemed rather a waste of time when I got here. Now I know I will miss cruising in circles when I get bored in Denmark.

I would like to thank all the different groups in Dimmitt who were willing to learn about my country and listen to me talk about my culture: Lions Club, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, ROW, Gas, United Methodist Women's Circle and Book Club.

I learned the importance of church and enjoyed attending First United Methodist Church. Thank you for the Bible to remind me of the English language and what I have learned.

I would like to thank all the people who gave me graduation gifts. I appreciate you all for thinking of me as I graduated from Dimmitt High School.

I would also like to thank the Texas Corn Producers Board for letting me use their Internet and for letting me e-mail my family and friends.

As I now prepare to leave Dimmitt, my new family and my new friends, I will go home with memories and experiences of a wonderful year. Dimmitt will always have a special place in my heart.

Thanks y'all.

Senia

Hereford team wins 'Darlins'

Tiffie West and Linda Stevens of Hereford won the Championship Flight of the Dimmitt Darlins Tournament, held Saturday and Sunday at Country Club of Dimmitt.

West and Stevens trailed Deby Nichols and Diane Nichols by one stroke after the first round, but came back with a big second round to claim the win by two strokes.

The Nicholoses were on top with a first-round score of 63 Saturday while West and Stevens were in second with 64. On Sunday, West and Stevens fired a 66 while the Nicholoses finished with 69.

West and Stevens won the tournament with a two-round total of 130 while the Nicholoses were second with 132.

Finishing third in the championship flight were Sherri Thomas and Becky Addison of Lamesa. They finished with 73 in the first round and 70 in the second for a total of 133.

First Flight winners were Lanie Dornier and Kim Broderick of Lubbock with finishes of 72 and 71

over the two rounds for a final of 143. Kathy Corder and Christie Newman of Lubbock were second with scores of 73-71—144. Finishing third were Denise Armstrong and Kathy Dieringer of Bellaire, 74-73—147.

In the Second Flight, Mary Lou Edward and Connie Laurence of Lubbock won with scores of 77-78—155. Second-place honors went to Betty McClure and Audrey Shottenkirk of Dimmitt, 79-78—157. The Dimmitt duo of Kathy Spears and Tina Maurer finished third with 77-82—159.

Diana Parker and Marsha Coates of Lubbock tied with Sheryl Brown and Becky Pruitt of Dimmitt for first-place honors in the Third Flight with scores of 169. Parker and Coates finished with 85 in the first round and 84 in the second while Brown and Pruitt started off with 86 on Saturday and finished up with 83 Sunday. Finishing third were Carla Luna and Tempie Angeley of Dimmitt, 85-85—170.



The Bookshelf

By Cindy Pottorff, Rhoads Memorial Librarian

We have two winners!

This year's bookmark contest winners are (drum roll, please) Candis Rodriguez and Samantha Howell, both 9-year-old Dimmitt residents.

The winning bookmarks will be printed up and distributed later, probably sometime in September.

Summer reading got off to a nice start on June 24.

Suanne Bagley from Dr. W.J. Hill's office gave a nice presentation on the care of pets to 15 children. She told the children that pets, like people, need extra care when it's hot. She had a nice way of doing it. The children really ate it up. She also judged the three pet show entrees, which are now up on our bulletin board.

Thanks for coming Suanne! Afterwards, the kids watched *The Great White Man-Eating Shark*.

Of course, we also signed up children for READO. We are still

signing kids up for this program. Some people are concerned that they won't be able to make the programs, but they still want to be in summer reading. That's okay. Children can still participate in READO, whether they come to the programs or not.

For those who do want to come to the programs, they are held at 2:30 p.m. on July 8 (Silly Olympics) and July 15 (Tall Tales). The most recent one was Halfway Day. Films follow activities each day.

Meanwhile, story times continue through July 22 for children between the ages of 2 and 6.

The July 8 story time will feature the book *Hattie and the Fox* and the film *Wings: A Story of Two Chickens*.

Story times are held at 2 p.m. on Wednesdays this summer. That way, if a family has children who are readers and younger children, one trip to the library can provide activities for all.

County delegates attend state Demo convention

The state Democratic convention held in San Antonio over the weekend was centered around a spirit of party unity as delegates from across the state gathered to discuss political platforms and hear from Democratic hopefuls.

Four of those delegates were from Castro County—County Democratic Chairman Don Newman and his wife Colleen, Scott Morris and Greg Odom.

At the convention, Odom was selected to serve on the steering committee for the agriculture caucus.

"We're going to try and come with ideas on how to address agriculture issues at the state and national levels," Odom said.

Among those addressing the con-

vention was Vice President Al Gore.

Delegates elected Molly Beth Holcomb of Texarkana as new state Democratic chairperson.

"She's a former Republican who 'saw the light and came back to the Democratic party,'" said Odom.

Odom said education was the primary topic addressed by candidates. Others included "families first," and giving people freedom of choice in health care.

Delegates discussed a constitutional amendment on banning attacks on food and medicine.

The Castro County delegation attended an appreciation reception for Speaker Pete Laney and attended several caucuses throughout the convention.



What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for Dimmitt for July 2-10.

DIMMITT

Morning Supplemental Snack
THURSDAY: Pizza supreme and milk.
FRIDAY: Assorted muffins and milk.
MONDAY: Apple smile snack and milk.
TUESDAY: Nachos with cheese and peppers and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Hot rolls, assorted juice and milk.
THURSDAY: Banana bread squares and milk.
FRIDAY: Pimento cheese sandwich and apple juice.

Lunch

THURSDAY: Italian spaghetti with ground beef, savory green beans, tossed salad with dressing, French bread and milk.

FRIDAY: Hamburger on a roll, French fries, hamburger salad and milk.

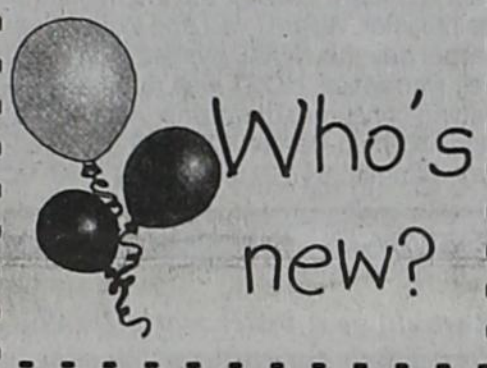
MONDAY: Hot dog on a bun with cheese, pork and beans, potato salad and milk.

TUESDAY: Beef taco, refried beans, Arroz Mexicano, taco condiment salad and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Hoagie submarine sandwich, potato rounds, hamburger salad and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, savory peas, hot rolls and milk.

FRIDAY: Sloppy Jane on a roll, potato wedges, fruited gelatin, hot wheat rolls and milk.



Who's new?

OUT OF TOWN

Braden Don Buckley, son of Dustan and Brooke Buckley of Amarillo, was born June 15 at 7:14 p.m. at Baptist/St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo. The infant weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Steve and Vicki Buckley of Dimmitt and Joel and Gwen Sinclair of Muleshoe. Great-grandparents are Don and Betty Carpenter of Dimmitt. Great-great-grandparents are R.N. and Ann Carpenter of Dimmitt.

It's a boy, Colton Layne, for Stacy Shawn and Stacey Dawn Ewing of Amarillo. He was born June 28 at 4:24 p.m. in Baptist/St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo, weighing 9 pounds and measuring 20 inches. He has a big sister, Bailee Nicole, 19 months. Maternal grandparents are Tommy and Carol Thomas of Amarillo. Paternal grandparents are Edward and Sharon Ewing of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Arlon and Edna Ewing of Dimmitt. Great-great-grandmother is Una Ward of Hereford.

The tiny golden mouse builds his nest as high as 15 feet off the ground.

About ten percent of Americans over 50 live in retirement communities.

Yard tour and brunch set in Tulia

The Women's Division of the Tulia Chamber of Commerce will hold its third annual yard tour and brunch in Tulia Saturday, July 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, weather permitting.

Yards featured on the tour will be those of Steve and Brenda Raymond at 221 Apache Trail; Mack and Peggy Bush at 217 Dakota Trail; Harvey and Marilyn Foster at 201 Comanche Trail; Dennis and Judine Wilks at 126 Hillcrest; and Joe Ed and Charlotte Burnett at 707 SE Second.

The breakfast brunch will be served in the Raymonds' yard. The brunch will feature a variety of homemade breads, fresh fruit, orange juice and coffee.

Tickets for the event are \$5 and can be purchased from any member of the Women's Division.

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13. Automobiles for sale
14. Recreational vehicles
15. Auto parts and supplies
16. Business opportunities
17. Services
- 18A. Insurance
19. Students seeking work
20. Help wanted
21. Notices
22. Lost and found
23. Cards of thanks
24. Legal notices

6—For Sale, Misc.

486 COMPUTER, \$150. With CD/Rom and speakers, \$250. Also VGA monitor, \$80. Dot matrix printer, \$20. 806-355-8011. 6-9-tfc

NEW 1998 HEAVY DUTY SINGER SCHOOL MACHINE. Now available to public: Sews jeans, upholstery, leather, silk; zigzags; serge seam finish; buttonholes; monograms. Was \$399, with ad \$198, full factory warranty. Singer Sewing Center, 5418 Slide Road, Lubbock, 806-788-0608. 6-12-4tc

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70—Agricultural Services

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ROUND BALE HAULING: Donald Shelton, 647-3558, 647-7568, mobile. 10-31-tfc

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10—Agricultural Services

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING. Call Roy Schilling, 647-2401. 10-31-tfc

11—Feed, Seed & Grain

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1988 MERCURY COUGAR, white with red maroon vinyl top. Extremely clean, new tires. 945-2291. 14-9-tfc

1990 CHEVROLET PICKUP: 6.2 liter diesel, extended cab. 647-5384. 14-12-tfc

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18—Services

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20—Help Wanted

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY with ownership potential. Full-time. Experience in communications and sales helpful. Send resumes to: Job Application, Box 67, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. 20-13-1tc

THE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION and Corrections (Adult Probation) Department is accepting applications for a part-time teaching position in our Computer-Assisted Adult Education Program. The position requires approximately 10 hours a week with both daytime and evening hours. Experience in adult education preferred. Computer experience required. Application packets may be obtained at the Castro County Courthouse, Room 205. EOE. 20-13-2tc

SUMMER WORK for college students and 1998 high school grads. Up to \$9.15. Flexible pt./ft schedules. Apply in Amarillo, work in Amarillo or Dimmitt. 806-353-9216. 20-12-3tp

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21—Wanted, Misc.

WOULD LIKE TO BUY a small vacant lot that is commercially zoned. 647-7065. 21-12-2tc

22—Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
New FM Radio Station now serving Dimmitt-Hereford-Friona area. Superb Inspirational music, 24-hours daily. Soft instrumentals and classical 9 p.m. to midnight. For news coverage of your events, please call 806-363-1005.
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23—Lost & Found

LOST: One young Hereford cow. 1-1.2 miles west of LaPosta. Call 276-5212 or 276-5217. 23-12-2tc

25—Legal Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: LENORE E. WOODLEE AND MILDRED WOODLEE and either or both of the above named parties be deceased, their heirs, unknown heirs and legal representatives of such or both of them as might be deceased, and to all persons, firms or corporations which may claim any interest in the property described below, hereinafter called Defendants, in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:

"You and each of you as Defendants are hereby commanded to appear before the 242nd Judicial District Court of Castro County, Texas, to be held at the Court-house of said County in the City of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, at or before 10 a.m. on Monday next after expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof. That is to say, at or before 10 a.m. on Monday, the 10th day of August, 1998, and answer the petition of DIMMITT READYMIX AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, Plaintiff, in Cause No. 98-068-7313CV, styled "DIMMITT READYMIX AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, Plaintiff, vs. LENORE E. WOODLEE AND MILDRED WOODLEE, et al, Defendants," which petition was filed in said Court on the 24th day of June, 1998, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

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

All of Lot Ten (10), Block Six (6), of the Original Town of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof of record in the Deed Records of Castro County, Texas.

Plaintiff also claims title by virtue of the five, ten and twenty-five year statutes of limitation, as more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

WITNESS the hand and seal of office of the District Clerk of Castro County, Texas, at offices in the City of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, this the 24th day of June, 1998.

JOYCE M. THOMAS
Clerk of the District Court
of Castro County, Texas
BY: Ronda M. West, Deputy
25-13-4tc

22—Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Proposals for group health, prescription drug, dental and vision insurance programs will be received by Dimmitt Independent School District until 3 p.m. on July 31, 1998, in the business manager's office.

Bidders must provide two (2) copies of their proposals. The envelope or container in which quotes are sent or hand-delivered should be marked as "Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Program Quote" in the lower left-hand corner.

Dimmitt Independent School District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any formalities on quotes received.

Dimmitt ISD is not required to select the lowest quote, but shall take into consideration other factors such as ability to service the contract, past experience and financial stability.

Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to award the quote to serve the best interest of its employees, as judged by the Dimmitt ISD. Specifications and instructions can be obtained from Johnny W. Hill, Business Manager, 608 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, (806) 647-3101 or (806) 647-5433, fax.

25-13-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE NO. PR-2293

THE ESTATE OF GENEVA DELROY JUSTICE, Deceased IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Geneva Delroy Justice, Deceased, were issued on June 15, 1998, in Cause No. PR-2293, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to AVIE DELROY LEWIS.

The residence of the Independent Executor is 108 John Thomas, Georgetown, Texas; the post office address is c/o JACK L. EDWARDS, Attorney at Law, 105 East Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 15th day of June 1998.

BY: JACK L. EDWARDS
Attorney for the Estate
State Bar No. 06453500
25-13-1tc

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting proposals on maintenance and janitorial supplies for the 1998-99 school year. Proposals will be received until 3 p.m. on July 13, 1998, at the Dimmitt ISD Administration Office, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal and waive any formalities.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting proposals for instructional supplies, office supplies, testing materials/supplies, athletic equipment/supplies, shop equipment/supplies, furniture, library books, art supplies, magazines and periodicals, transportation supplies and miscellaneous maintenance supplies for the 1998-99 school year.

Proposals must be received no later than 3 p.m. on July 31, 1998, at the Dimmitt Administration Office, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive formalities. Proposed specifications may be obtained at Dimmitt ISD, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

25-13-2tc

25—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting proposals on student athletic insurance for the 1998-99 school year. Proposals will be received until 3 p.m. on July 10, 1998, at the Dimmitt ISD Administration Office, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Specifications and instructions can be obtained by contacting Johnny W. Hill, Dimmitt ISD Business Manager, at (806) 647-3101 or (806) 647-5433, fax.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting proposals on worker's compensation insurance for the 1998-99 school year. Proposals will be received until 3 p.m. on July 10, 1998, at the Dimmitt ISD Administration Office, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Specifications and instructions can be obtained by contacting Johnny W. Hill, Dimmitt ISD Business Manager at (806) 647-3101 or (806) 647-5433, fax. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals and waive any formalities.

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25—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting proposals on the following technology installations:

1. LAN (Local Area Network)—Wire Dimmitt Middle School and High School with category 5 UTP.

2. WAN (Wide Area Network)—Connect and interface DISD campuses with wireless communication devices that are compatible with contemporary network operating systems.

Proposals will be received until 3 p.m. on July 10, 1998, at the Dimmitt ISD Administration Office, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Specifications and instructions can be obtained by contacting Joe Mendez, Technology Director, at (806) 647-3102 or (806) 647-5433, fax. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals and waive any formalities.

25-13-2tc

25—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Dimmitt Independent School District is currently accepting proposals on propane, gasoline, diesel and oil for the 1998-99 school year. The school district requires at a minimum the following above ground tanks to be provided by the vendor:

Propane—1,500-gallon tank with metered pump.

Oil—55-gallon drum.

Gasoline—1,000-gallon tank with metered pump.

Highway-use diesel—500-gallon tank with metered pump.

All proposal forms can be picked up at the administration office of Dimmitt ISD. All proposals must be submitted to the attention of Johnny W. Hill, Business Manager, at 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, no later than 3 p.m. on July 10, 1998. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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Police Calls

For the week of June 17-23:

On June 19 at 9:47 p.m., police received a report of an assault/family violence in the 100 block of Northwest Fifth Street. The victim told officers that she was struck in the face by the suspect's fist.

June 21 at 11:29 p.m., police investigated a report of injury to a child. A 27-year-old Dimmitt woman was jailed early June 22 in connection with the case. Police said the woman had assaulted her 7-year-old daughter.

June 21, a 24-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed for assault/bodily injury/family member. He reportedly twisted the arm of a 26-year-old woman during a domestic disturbance.

June 22, a 50-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed for two counts of assault/bodily injury/family member. He is accused of assaulting his spouse and daughter during a domestic disturbance at an apartment at the Azteca Complex.

A 31-year-old man from Bucklin, Kan. was jailed the evening of June 18 for possession of a controlled substance under one gram.

Gary Wise told deputies that someone did in excess of \$18,000 in damage to several irrigation engines located along CR 620, west of FM 194. He reported the damage June 16 and said it must have been done during late May and early June. Apparently someone drained the oil from the engines and tampered with the safety on them.

Flip Taylor told deputies June 22 that someone entered a barn and took ag chemicals valued at \$2,500. The chemicals included several kinds of herbicides. The barn is located east-northeast of Flagg.

Ricky Prieto told police June 17 that someone went inside the residence of Lupe Alaniz without the owner's consent.

Oscar Navarro told police early June 22 that someone struck the south gate at Westway Trading Corp.

with a vehicle, causing \$350 in damage to the gate.

Dominga Gonzales of Dimmitt told police June 21 that someone used a sharp object to slash the right front tire of a 1984 Ford Tempo that was parked in the 600 block of East Dulin.

June 20, two plexiglass windows at Dimmitt Middle School were reported broken with rocks.

Police received a report of a suspect who was intoxicated and using profane language in public at the Azteca Complex around 9 p.m. June 21.

In alcohol-related offenses:

—June 21, a Hereford man, 22, DWI, first offense.

—June 21, a Dimmitt man, 18, for public intoxication.

—June 22, a Dimmitt woman, 28, for public intoxication.

—June 22, DWI, second offense, for a Dimmitt man, 40.

Jailed on warrants were:

—A 17-year-old Dimmitt man June 18 for criminal mischief over \$500 and under \$1,500.

—A 20-year-old Dimmitt man June 20 on DPS warrants.

—June 22, a Hereford man, 21, for violation of probation, DWI.

Ricky Prieto told police June 17 that he found a red dirt bike at his residence on Northwest Ninth.

For the week of June 24-June 30:

Friday afternoon, a 40-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed for as-

sault/bodily injury/family member and aggravated assault/bodily injury/deadly weapon.

Monday, an Amarillo man, 38, was jailed for assault/bodily injury.

Friday evening, a Dimmitt woman told police that a suspect struck a 42-year-old Dimmitt man in the eye with his fist in the 800 block of West Bedford.

Lynn Nelson, 24, of Dimmitt told police Sunday that someone took items from a residence on Front Street without the consent of the owner. All items were recovered except a scanner and two firearms. Value of the stolen items was estimated at \$9,849.

Barbara Ann Garza told police June 23 that someone entered a residence on Southwest Third and took a television set valued at \$300 and a jam box with CD player valued at \$79.99.

Ramon Gabriel Limas of Dimmitt told police Friday night that someone entered a residence on West Etter without permission and took a television, VCR, toaster, coffee maker and iron, valued at a total of \$279.

Danny Lewis of Dimmitt told police Friday morning that someone had broken into a building on East Bedford and removed various firearms and munitions. Lewis valued the items at over \$3,000. Investigation is continuing.

Jarrel Sewell of Hart told deputies Tuesday that someone broke into Cargill Grain in Hart and took fire extinguishers from the premises. One

of the extinguishers was placed on the railroad tracks, where it was destroyed when it was struck by a train. Investigation is continuing.

Virginia Welps of Hart told deputies that someone burglarized her home while she was gone. A camera, gold chain and wedding ring were missing and toll phone calls were made without permission.

Billy Scroggins told police that someone burglarized his vehicle while it was on West Etter on June 24. Items taken included a portable CD player and several CDs and a case. The items were valued at \$452, and damage to the vehicle window was estimated at \$200.

Brian Todd West told police Monday that someone took some items from the garage of a residence on Front Street and damaged some property. He estimated the loss at \$80 and damages at \$290.

John Fulton of Gold Kist Fertilizer in Hart reported vandalism to deputies on Tuesday. He said that someone broke out a side window on a pickup parked on the east side of the office at the business.

Danny Lewis of Dimmitt reported an incident of criminal trespass in the 100 block of Northeast Second to police around 3 a.m. Monday. Four youths were jailed. They were Dimmitt girls, ages 18 and 19, and a Dallas man, 19, and a Fabens man, 18.

Monday at 3 a.m., two men were arrested for criminal trespass—a Dimmitt man, 25, and a Fabens man, 19.

Maria Rodriguez of Dimmitt told police Friday that someone had taken a 10-speed bike, valued at \$50, from her residence on Northwest Fifth. The bike was recovered.

Mary Lopez reported to police Friday that someone had taken three bicycles from her home on West Dulin. She estimated their total value at \$299. They included a 10-speed, a training bike and a dirt bike.

Alcohol-related offenses included: —Friday, a man, 30, and a woman, 37, both of Hereford, public intoxication.

—Saturday, a Hart man, 24, public intoxication; and an Olton man, 30, DWI, first offense, open container.

—Sunday, a 19-year-old Hereford woman, public intoxication.

—Monday, a 19-year-old Earth man, DWI, first offense; a Dimmitt man, 23, public intoxication; and a Dimmitt man, 24, public intoxication.

Picked up on warrants or violation of probation were:

—On June 24, a 25-year-old Nazareth man on DPS warrants.

—A Dimmitt man, 20, last Thursday, for violation of probation stemming from burglary of a building.

—A Dimmitt man, 21, on Saturday, on a DWI warrant.

—Monday, a 33-year-old Amarillo man on a warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

A 33-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed Monday on charges of escape custody, court order.

Obituaries

Sister Josella Birkenfeld

Sister Josella Birkenfeld, 79, of Fort Smith, Ark., formerly of Nazareth, died Tuesday in Fort Smith Saint Scholastica Monastery.

A vigil service was held Wednesday at St. Scholastica Monastery Chapel in Fort Smith.

Funeral mass will be recited today (Thursday) at 10:30 a.m. at St. Scholastica Monastery Chapel in Fort Smith. Burial followed under the direction of Fentress Mortuary of Fort Smith, Ark.

Sister Josella was born in 1919 and she grew up in Nazareth. She took her religious vows on June 24, 1937. She held a master's degree in education and history and served as a teacher for many years. She taught in the Nazareth Independent School District from 1981-1990.

Survivors include two sisters, Rita Woetovech of Nazareth and Velma Warren of Hereford; two brothers, Herman Birkenfeld and Jerome Birkenfeld, both of Nazareth; numerous nieces and nephews; and her sisters of her religious community.

The family requests memorials be to St. Scholastica Care Fund, 1301 S. Albert Pike Avenue, Fort Smith, Ark. 72904.

Corine Dulsky

Funeral mass for Corine Mary Huseman Dulsky, 70, of Wichita Falls will be held today (Thursday) at 10 a.m. at Holy Family Church in Nazareth with Father John Hickey, pastor, officiating.

Burial will follow in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

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

Mrs. Dulsky died Saturday in United Regional Health Care Center in Wichita Falls.

She was born Nov. 14, 1927, in Nazareth. She married Patrick G. Dulsky on Aug. 11, 1957, in Nazareth.

She was a member of Our Lady of the Skies Catholic Parish, CWOC at Shephard Air Force Base and the Pilgrim Virgin Rosary Prayer Group.

She was a volunteer for family services at Shephard Air Force Base.

Survivors include her husband; and three brothers, Louis Huseman and Alphonse Huseman, both of Nazareth, and Alvin Huseman of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite Catholic charity.

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