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Farmers celebrate rain

At last! The county got its first decent rain in almost seven months last Thursday, and new storm systems are keeping hopes up for more moisture this week.

Last Thursday's general rainfall ranged from .6 of an inch in the western part of the county to three inches in the northeast part.

Agricultural economists estimated that the gentle, soaking rainfall would be worth \$3 million or more to the county's farmers in fuel savings and added yields.

Wayne Collins at KDHN Radio, Dimmitt's official weather observer, recorded .93 of an inch last Thursday, and said it was the biggest rain since a 1.25-incher last Sept. 8.

KDHN had recorded only .83 of an inch since Jan. 1, "and those were just sprinkles, a little here and a little there," Collins said.

The rain was well timed, coming at

the middle of the wheat's growth cycle and just before planting time for most other crops grown here.

The best of last Thursday's rain fell in the northeast part of the county, which has the weakest underground water base.

"We got three inches," said Irene (Mrs. James) Wilhelm, whose farm is 7-1/2 miles northeast of Nazareth. "It was just wonderful. On our dryland wheat, you wouldn't think it was the same field, it looked so much better. James still thinks it wasn't enough because we haven't had any subsoil moisture in so long."

Northwest of the James Wilhelms, at Arney, Ronnie (Mrs. Laverne) Wilhelm reported 1.75 inches from last Thursday's rain.

"Our wheat looks a lot better," she said.

In Nazareth, Dwayne and Anne Acker measured 2.5 inches last Thurs-

day, with "just a sprinkle" Monday night.

Margie (Mrs. Sam) Albracht, who lives between Nazareth and Hart, reported "about 1.80 inches last Thursday, and none Monday night."

"It greened up our wheat pasture a little bit," she said.

At Hart, US Weather Observer Neoma Williams reported 1.22 inches recorded on the official gauge at her home 1.5 miles southeast of the city.

At Sunnyside, Teeny Bowden recorded 1.4 inches and reported 2.2 inches south of the Running Water Draw.

Ricky Kuntz at Flag Fertilizer reported .7 of an inch.

"Oh, yeah, it's the biggest rain we've had since last fall," Kuntz said. "It will mean a whole lot—there's no telling how many million dollars it was worth. It will easily add 10 or 12 bushels to most people's wheat."

However, Kuntz noted, "We needed

eight inches to fill the soil profile back up, and there wasn't anybody who had that much water on, so nobody has stopped watering."

West of Flag, Darcen (Mrs. James) Collins, who keeps rainfall records on her computer, reported .9 of an inch last Thursday with a trace Monday night.

"Our total for February was .6, and for January only .2," she said. "We got zero in December. The last time we got an inch or more was last September, when we got 2.38 for the month in three different rainfalls."

"We just kept right on pumping on our wheat" after Thursday's rain, she added.

A few miles northwest of the Collins farm, at Bethel, Lois (Mrs. Charles) Wales reported .6 of an inch.

"It's the best rain we've had since I can't remember when," she said. "I think every drop of it went in, so we're

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EAGER HELPERS—Fourth graders Yadira Villalba (center) and Christy Reyes help astronaut Lt. Col. Rick Husband with a demonstration showing the relative distance between the earth and the moon during his visit to Dimmitt Middle School last Thursday morning. Lt. Col. Husband spoke to different student groups throughout the day and visited with the Dimmitt Youth Group that evening. He told the students that he expects to take his first Space Shuttle flight sometime in 1998.

Photo by Don Nelson

Astronaut reveals local connections

Talk about a small world! Astronaut Lt. Col. Rick Husband, who visited in Dimmitt last Thursday, is a former classmate of Castro County resident Terri Loudder.

Husband and Loudder were in choir together at Amarillo High School, and were members of the graduating Class of 1975. They told about the fun they had on a choir tour to Vienna, Austria.

That acquaintance was how Husband was invited to speak at the Dimmitt schools. Loudder launched the project after she found out at a class reunion a couple of years ago that Husband was available for speaking engagements to tell about the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and various space projects.

Husband said he had already planned the trip to Dimmitt at the request of Loudder and Gifted/Tal-

ented program teacher Sara Hill, when he received word that he was to be recognized as a distinguished alumni of the school of engineering at Texas Tech University. So he rescheduled the Dimmitt trip by three days to coordinate with the presentation at Tech.

Husband talked to students in all grade levels in the Dimmitt schools, showing a video about the space program and the shuttle, and talked about what it is like to live in space. He also demonstrated the difference in size between the Earth and the moon and the distance that separates them.

Husband said he uses a beach ball to represent the earth and a smaller ball to represent the moon. With a rope wrapped around the "earth" 9-1/2 times, he shows the distance to the moon. He said that the space

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Superior rating from TNRCC

Dimmitt water—mm, mm good!

Dimmitt's city water supply has received a "Superior" rating from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, according to Dimmitt City Manager Don Sheffy.

The city was notified this month about the upgraded rating, which has been granted to only about 7.5% of the 6,789 water supply systems in the state, according to Terry Hadley, TNRCC spokesman.

Sheffy announced the distinction at the Monday night meeting of the Dimmitt City Council.

In another matter pertaining to the

city water supply, the council passed a resolution saying that the city will try to get a Texas Community Development Program Block Grant to use in purchasing a replacement for the old city water tower located in southeast Dimmitt.

Sheffy said the 70-year-old tower was given a poor condition report at its last checkup. He recommended that the city begin to work on a replacement now before the situation becomes critical.

The city is seeking grant money

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Survey to help city obtain grant money

On Tuesday, city volunteers and employees of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission will be making a door-to-door survey of residents in Dimmitt who live east of Fifth Street.

Information from the survey will help complete the city's application for a Community Development Block Grant for \$250,000 for construction of a new water storage tank in Dimmitt.

The survey questionnaire takes approximately two minutes to complete and will be used to verify the demographics and economics of the project area. Those who will be surveyed include those who will be directly benefiting from the project.

The PRPC is assisting the city with the development of the application for the CDBG funds. This

money comes from federal pass-through dollars that come to the region's local governments each year through the Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs.

Other county and city governments from across the Panhandle also have set their sights on trying to get some of the \$1.6 million available for 1997 projects.

Once the survey is done, the city can finish developing the application, which must be submitted to the TDHCA by April 25. The city will find out later this summer whether or not the request will be funded.

"We hope that all city residents who are approached for this survey will cooperate so that the application can be completed and the city can have a chance in competing for these funds," a PRPC spokesperson said.

Hospital is winning race on new 'geri-psy' project

April 15 isn't just tax deadline day. For Plains Memorial Hospital, it's also the day that construction on the new geriatric psychiatric unit must be completed.

And the hospital is winning the race, Maintenance Supervisor Mark McDonald reported Wednesday.

"We're pretty much right on schedule," McDonald said as work crews rushed to complete the 47-day, \$330,000 remodeling project. "We're scheduled for clean-up Monday and final inspection Tuesday."

When completed, the new "geri-psy" unit will take up half of the hospital's east wing, providing six beds for patients 65 and older who need supervised psychiatric treatment for common traumas.

The new unit is expected to add half a million dollars a year to the hospital's revenue.

"As I understand it, after our final inspection Tuesday, they've got patients ready to be admitted," McDonald said.

Rain!			
	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	72	41	.06
Friday	55	42	.87
Saturday	63	38	
Sunday	65	29	
Monday	63	31	
Tuesday	72	32	.02
Wednesday	48	26	.01
April Moisture			.96
1996 moisture (Adjusted)			1.79

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

Early voting begins Monday

Early voting starts Monday, and will continue through April 29, in the hospital board, city and school board elections set for May 3.

Balloting for early voters is conducted at the administrative offices of each governing entity.

Those seeking office include:

Hospital Board
For three places, Jerry Annen, Carolyn Sides and Henry Ramaekers.

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WE'RE NUMBER ONE!—The Dimmitt Middle School Odyssey of the Mind structure team won first at the state OM Contest Friday and Saturday in Houston, and has qualified to advance to the world competition in Maryland in June. Team members

include (from left) Kylie Webb, Cherie Norman, Josh Hardwick, Daniel Proffitt and Lori Schulte. Team coaches are Wayne and Paula Proffitt. The team's structure held 570 pounds, well above the second place winner.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



HEADING TO WORLD OM CONTEST, after winning first at the State Odyssey of the Mind competition held Friday and Saturday in Houston. The Dimmitt High School OM structure team members show off the trophy they won. Shown are (from left) Jeremy Matthews, OM Regional Director Helen

Howard, Michael Keith, Jason Hall, Jason Hargrove, Jared Townsend and Tim Proffitt. Also on the team is Andy Hill. The team's structure held over 600 pounds in weights. Team coaches are Pat Keith and Wayne Proffitt.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

OM teams win at state

Three Odyssey of the Mind teams from the Dimmitt schools represented the region at the State OM Competition in Houston Friday and Saturday. The two structure teams took first place honors, and the Classics team won fourth.

The first place winners qualify to advance to the World OM Competition that will be held in Maryland in June.

The Dimmitt High School structure team earned a perfect score in the long-term portion of the competition with 200 points for their structure, which held 665 pounds. An additional bonus score of 44 pounds was added on to that by the judges. The team scored 79.19 out of a possible 100 in spontaneous, and 43.10 out of a possible 50 in style, for a total score of 322.69.

Team members are Timothy Proffitt, Andy Hill, Jeremy Matthews, Jason Hargrove, Jason Hall, Michael Keith and Jared Townsend. Coaches are Pat Keith and Wayne Proffitt.

Dimmitt Middle School's structure team had a total score of 318.03. Of those points, 200 came from the long-term portion of the competition, aided by the 570 pounds of weight held by the team's structure. Style was almost perfect with 49.19 points, and spontaneous scored 68.84.

Team members are Daniel Proffitt, Kylie Webb, Lori Schulte, Josh Hardwick, and Cherie Norman. Coaches are Wayne and Paula Proffitt.

The DMS Classics team had a total score of 298.11, with 187.60 out of a possible 200 for long term; 67.45 for spontaneous; and 43.06 for style. This was the first year of competition for these team members. Their coach is Kim Hays.

Team members are Cliff Wright, Alexis Proffitt, Rae Odom, Thomas Brockman, Jill Merritt, Ryan Hays and Kelsey Welch.

The DHS team's nearest competitor was the Greenville High School team, which came the closest in weights held (over 580 pounds), and surpassed Dimmitt in the style scoring. Another team took top honors in spontaneous, splitting the scoring enough to give Dimmitt the first place win.

Third place went to Cy-Fair High School with a structure that held 290

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CELEBRATIONS OF EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE honored area high school students with a luncheon and ceremony April 2 at South Plains College in Levelland. State Board of Education member Montie Haise presented the honorees, selected by their individual schools, with certificates. Those hon-

ored from Dimmitt included (front, from left) Julie Merritt, Taryn Hays, Jill Davis, and Mekesha Atchley; and (back, from left) Josh Roberts, Ivan Flores, Jeff Riggs, and Juary Cavazos. Also honored but unable to attend were Colby McDaniel and Monica Ortiz. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Op-Ed Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features

Letter

Letter regarding HB 3 is 'misleading'

Dear Editor:

The letter to the editor that recently appeared in your newspaper regarding House Bill 3 was misleading. As the former commissioner of the Texas Department of Health and as the president of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, I have followed this bill with considerable interest. This bill is positive for Texans, particularly West Texans and the children of West Texas. For the record, let me note a few facts concerning HB 3.

The bill focuses on making private health insurance affordable and accessible for children and for Texas' hardworking, middle-income families. The legislature has shown overwhelming bipartisan support for this bill because it will create a more cost-efficient way to deal with a growing problem.

The bill has several points of note:

- 1. HB 3 lets the private sector solve the problem by removing expensive and unnecessary government mandates and regulation from insurance companies.
2. HB 3 provides an economic incentive through tax exemptions for employers and insurance companies who cover children.
3. HB 3 will save taxpayers by making private insurance pay for health care.
4. HB 3 also reduces dependency on government handouts by forcing deadbeat parents to take responsibility for providing private health insurance to their dependents.

have a problem? Public health professionals know that effective health care focuses on solving small problems before they become big ones. Otherwise, we face a situation like the old Fram oil filter commercial: You can pay me now or pay me later.

There is a gap in the health care system that many middle-income families fall through. The poor have government-funded Medicaid coverage and many other Texans are fortunate enough to be able to afford health insurance or to work for an employer who provides coverage for the entire family.

The previous letter to the editor stated that HB 3 would carry a price tag of \$50 million. Figures I have seen indicate it should save Texas taxpayers nearly \$32 million by 2002 by getting thousands of children out of the Medicaid program and under private health insurance.

This bill is not, as was implied, some kind of socialized medicine. This is far from it.

Would the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce, the Texas Medical Association, the Texas Association of Health Underwriters, the Texas PTA and the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas support this legislation if it were socialized medicine? Of course not.

It is easier to criticize than to offer real-world answers to tough problems. The members of the legislature should be congratulated, not condemned, for this answer to a growing problem. And our children will thank us.

DAVID R. SMITH, M.D. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

Letter

'Be wary of ACS imitators'

Dear Editor:

I want to make your readers aware that several organizations are mailing appeals to people in Castro County for contributions to fight cancer. At least one of these organizations deliberately styles itself after the American Cancer Society in an attempt to confuse contributors. This organization may look like the American Cancer Society, but a closer look would show that it spends much less on educational and patient services and much more on fund raising and overhead.

While there are many legitimate and respected organizations raising funds to fight cancer, many are not legitimate. If you have received a direct mail solicitation to fight cancer, you can contact the Better Business Bureau at (703)276-0100 or the Texas Attorney General's office at 1-800-621-0508 to find out if an organization meets the BBB's standards. I am proud to say that the American Cancer Society does meet all of them.

The Castro Unit of the American Cancer Society provides free services to cancer patients, conducts an ongoing support group to cancer patients and their families, offers free educational programs, and raises funds to support our nationally renowned cancer research pro-

gram. Eighty-three cents of every dollar donated to the American Cancer Society goes to directly fund these programs. Only 17 cents is used for administration and fund raising costs. These are well within the acceptable limits set by the Better Business Bureau and other watchdog organizations.

Please do not be confused by appeals from organizations who may appear to be the American Cancer Society. Look for the red sword logo and the specific name: American Cancer Society.

CHAUN GUNSTREAM President, Castro Unit of ACS

Letter

Local recruiter offers some advice to youths

Dear Editor:

As a US Marine, I'd like to offer some advice to young people.

You choose your own destiny. Sometimes it is a matter of being at the wrong place at the wrong time. Just remember, as young adults you and you alone are responsible for your actions.

Don't be afraid to say no! You can't turn back the hands of time, but you can plan for the future. The decisions you make right now will affect your future directly.

For example:

1. If you quit school, you will find it easy to quit anything the rest of your life—including jobs—and employers know this.

2. If you use drugs you are a druggie. How else are you going to make a living without a high school diploma? Steal it? Fact: Drugs are as illegal as speeding and murder and in some cases the same thing. (Overdose/laced drugs/deals gone bad/domestic violence). Face it. Who trusts a druggie or a dealer?

When pulled over by the DPS officer at a road block, you cooperate by showing proof of insurance, regis-

tration and driver's license. So why is it when the high school has a random drug search or test, young responsible adults have a problem with it?

It seems to me only illegal users and the dealers should be concerned with that. Got something to hide? Or maybe it's not so cool to be labeled as a druggie.

3. Gangs? What gangs? 90% of the teens I spoke with refer to them as "wannabe gangsters." And where does that get you? Proud parents/prejudice or the fear of hatred of a certain color/team/work/admiration from friends and relatives/financial security/leadership/educational opportunities/pride of belonging/technical skills/physical fitness? I don't think so.

How about trying a club in school or the New Explorer package offered by Peter Buckholtz and the US Marines? Call 291-0711. 4. Sometimes the truth hurts. . . . Fact: Sooner or later it will come out. Think about tomorrow. TODAY! SSGT. B.M. VILLANUEVA US Marine Recruiter, Plainview

Columns and letters on these pages do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the editorial staff or management of the News

Finally it rained—all day on Wednesday, 1.4 inches at my house and at the home of Robert and Frances Duke. That much or more fell at Billie and Emma Jean King's. At Betty Loudder's house, south of the draw, they received 2.2 inches.

It was 30 degrees when I got up Sunday morning, and 32 degrees on Monday.

Kelley Green had a checkup in Lubbock Methodist Hospital this week. He will start radiation and chemo treatments there April 21.

Doug Loudder took Alton and Betty Loudder to Lubbock Methodist Hospital Wednesday for a visit with Janelle and Milburn Hayden. She is about the same, but wanting to come home.

Anna Mae Wilman died in California last Sunday night. She was one of the early day Sunnyside School pupils who met in the first school building, which was built in 1921-22. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLain, Willie Lee, Anna Mae, Alpha, and Hubert lived on the west half of section 26 east of the Sunnyside School District, but transferred in, catching the bus at the home of the John Lilley family. The preschool age children, R.D., Cecil Ray, Tom, and Laverne, started to school at Hart. Funeral services for Anna Mae were held Monday in Roswell. She and her husband had lived in Roswell many years. He is buried there. She had continued to live there until her health failed. Then she moved to California to be closer to her children.

Robert and Frances Duke visited with his aunt, Lucille Gilley, in Amarillo on Friday and took her out to eat. They visited with Sandra Duke in Canyon on the way to Amarillo and on the way home. It was a work day, so she couldn't go with them. Thursday night Robert and Frances attended an Emmaus worship service in the fellowship hall of Dimmitt's First Baptist Church. Refreshments were served afterward. The service was for all in the Dimmitt area who are involved in the Emmaus program.

On Sunday, Emma Jean King and also Robert and Frances Duke stayed for the noon meal after church and helped with a workday at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. They worked inside and

outside on several projects.

On Monday, Hershel and Retha Wilson waited with Hellen Hulsey of Earth at Lubbock Methodist Hospital while her husband, also named Hershel, underwent knee replacement surgery. He did fine and was dismissed Saturday.

Thursday, Hershel and Retha Wilson visited in Methodist Hospital with Janelle and Milburn Hayden and another friend from Sudan, who also was there. They came back by Hale Center for Hershel to take his therapy. In only a few minutes, his blood pressure got so high, he had to

stop and rest. Retha took her mother to two different doctors' appointments in Lubbock Friday and went to see Mrs. Wilson, who was ill.

Teeny Bowden had an EKG and a checkup on her legs in the Canyon Clinic Friday evening with her cardiologist of Amarillo. She was scheduled to have a stress test at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Tuesday or Wednesday.

The Jerry Millers moved into their new house before Christmas, but are still working on it. Their kids are enrolled in the Springlake-Earth School.

Nazareth with Uirgle Gerber, 945-2669

Amy Kate, infant daughter of Lee and Denise Schilling, was baptized Sunday morning at Holy Family Church with Deacon Al Maurer, officiating.

The baby's godparents are Carla and Roy Schilling.

A dinner was enjoyed at the Schilling home with grandparents Donald and Agnes Schilling attending.

Many friends and relatives attended a bridal shower honoring Christy Birkenfeld Saturday afternoon in the home of Anne Acker. Christy is the bride-elect of Shawn Christian of Dimmitt.

Among the guests attending were Christy's mother, Mildred Birkenfeld; and her grandmothers, Wilhemine Fetsch of Hereford and Rose Birkenfeld. Shawn's mother, Geneva Christian of Dimmitt, was sick Saturday and was unable to attend.

Prayers are asked for Margaret Braddock, who is being treated at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia.

Christine Hoelting is a patient at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She is undergoing rehabilitation after having knee replacement surgery at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo a week ago. Her daughter, Anna, of San Antonio, spent several days here.

Henry, Ginger and Debbie Gerber of Amarillo visited with Gerber relatives in Nazareth Sunday afternoon.

Lisa Pohlmeier had surgery at the

Beck Center in Plano on Saturday. It is reported that she is doing well.

Congratulations to Elmer and Anna Klemm of Canyon who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday afternoon with a mass at St. Ann's Catholic Church followed by a dinner and dance. A large number of relatives and friends attended.

Fritz and Julene Gerber spent Easter weekend with their children, Chris, Kelly and Rylan Gerber in Kearney, Neb. On the way they stopped at St. Ann's Home at Panhandle and visited Hilda Heiman and Msgr. Peter Morsch.

Msgr. Morsch, who is 93, is still very alert and gets around really well. He sends his greetings to all Nazareth people. Hilda is bed-ridden and sleeps most of the time. They spent Wednesday evening in Woodward, Okla., with Norbert and Helen Gerber. It snowed in Kearney, Neb., on Good Friday and Saturday, but Easter Sunday was a beautiful day. The Holy Week Services at St. Peter's Church in Kearney were very impressive.

Aurelia Schoenenberger, Anne Kern and Ronnie Wilhelm attended the Texas Panhandle GOP briefing and barbecue dinner Saturday in Amarillo at Boatmen's First Bank.

Robert, Mary and David Verkamp, Leon Verkamp of Lubbock and Elaine and Mackie Irion of Abilene traveled to San Antonio over the Easter holidays to visit Harold and Kirsten Verkamp and family. Harold and Kirsten's 3-year-old son, Daniel, was very happy to show off his new baby brother, Brandon, who was born Feb. 25. They all had a wonderful time visiting and spoiling the grandchildren.

They said the countryside around San Antonio was beautiful, with everything green and wildflowers in full bloom.

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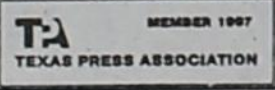
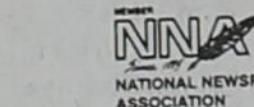


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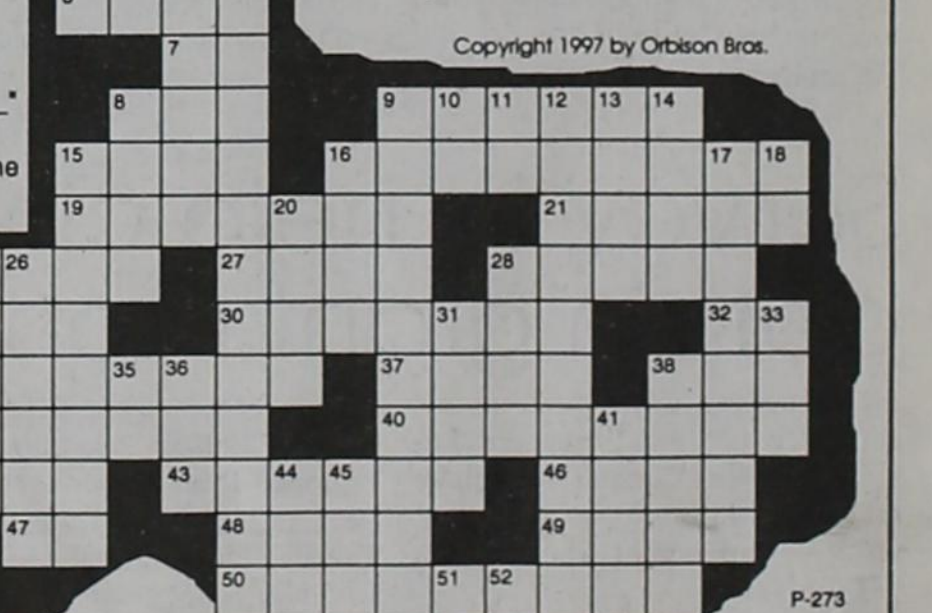
Last Puzzle Solution: A crossword puzzle grid with words filled in. Includes a 'Together We Can' logo and the number S-272.

ACROSS

- 1 Denton will get new 940 ___ code
5 edges of Palo Duro Canyon
6 ___-top on a cold one
7 a Fort Worth billionaire Bass
8 Charley to Guy slangily
9 Dallas mayor won ___ of sourdough bread in '93 Bowl bet
15 TXism: "big ___ in the pond" (important)
16 TX Richard Condon book: "The Manchurian ___"
19 event by TX Confed. Air Force (2 wds.)
21 rare mammal at the Houston Zoo
22 loving
27 county between Lamb & Floyd
28 rodeo event: ___ wrestling
29 film of silent star TX Edwin Carewe
30 TX Sly Stone's "___ Take You Higher"
32 TXism: "never in all ___ born days"
34 famous actor in film "San Antonio"
37 number of states that border Texas
38 TXism: "___ up the loose ends"
39 TXism: "high ___ it" (left quickly)
40 Roy, Charley & Guy

- 42 Ivanhoe, TX named for a ___ Walter Scott novel
43 Tom Landry was an ___ N.Y. Giant
46 TX Bob Wills line: "___, take it away Leon"
47 ___ Soto, TX
48 agency of TX Bush's S.Ct. choice Clarence (abbr.)
49 TXism: "dead as a door ___"
50 TX "Little Margie" actress
53 bulldogger Pickett was "The Dusky ___ from Texas"

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DOWN

- 1 in Smith Co. on 135
2 ___ Grande
3 Caesar, TX named for Roman ___
4 TXism: "crooked ___"
8 ship's "hoosegow"
9 what the Texas Rangers do (2 wds.)
10 TXism: "fits like hide ___ a horse"
11 anno Domini (abbr.)
12 Mexican dictator ___ Huerta
13 San Antonio actress street: ___ Adams
14 TXism: "salt some away"
15 campsite use of a cowboy's hat (3 wds.)
16 TX Dr. Pepper rival: Coca-___
17 DFW International building
18 actress Taylor of TX epic film "Giant" (init.)
20 actress Goldie
22 TXism: "his facts ___ elastic" (liar)
23 patriotic female organ. (abbr.)
24 Gov. Roberts (abbr.) (1878-1882)
33 TXism: "does a wet dog stink?"
35 TX Sissy Spacek was this Lynn (init.)
36 Friday night cheer
38 TXism: "can't hold a candle ___"
41 past Nieman-Marcus X-mas gift: Chinese ___-Pei puppies
44 TXism: "a ___ pipe cinch"
45 TXism for skunk
51 old saying: "for ___" (it is true)
52 home state of TX Sam Rayburn (abbr.)

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Rosetta Bellinghausen spent Easter with her family, David and Melody Bellinghausen and children, Jordan, Canaan and Shiloh, in Ovilla. Saturday they had an Easter egg hunt at a friend's house located in a culdesac with a strip of grass, trees and shrubs in the center, where they hunted the eggs. They served bagels with cream cheese and juice. One neighbor was dressed as a rabbit and the kids enjoyed that, as well as hunting the colored eggs. Sunday they attended church at the Assembly of God with singing and four

high school ballerinas wearing long white dresses danced and finished by forming a cross out of white silk material. After church, they ate dinner at the Dakota Restaurant that is underground in Dallas.

The bridal shower honoring Tami Gooss, bride-elect of Kerry Lewis, was held on Saturday morning in the home of Carol Lantz, with many friends and relatives there to meet Tami and her parents, who are from California. It was good to see Kerry, who lives in California now, and his

Dad, who lives in Amarillo, as well as Janet and her two daughters, Jennifer and Julie, and of course Avie Lewis and Geneva Justice. The hostesses served cream puffs, cinnamon rolls, sausage balls, strawberries, coffee and tea.

Marilyn Neal, Oneida Hutto, Mattie Seale and Mary Edna Hendrix attended the Texas Association for Family and Community Education District 2 Spring Conference in Colorado City on Friday. Since it was so far, we drove down on Thursday afternoon and spent the night. Those on the program were Joyce Cabe, president; presentation of colors and Pledge of Allegiance by Girl Scout Troop; and welcome by Mayor Jim Baum and greetings by Judge Ray Mayo.

Inspiration was by Rev. Glenda

Johnson, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Loraine. She discussed parts of the organization's creed. We must live love, devotion to family and God, talk the talk and walk the walk, "For God is known," do you really know Him?

Roll call of counties was led by Jerri Lollar. Dr. Kathy Volanty introduced the Extension personnel and LaJuana Thomas brought a message from the board. Mayor Jim Baum gave the history of Mitchell County. Colorado City was founded in 1881 and the Home Demonstration was organized in Mitchell County in 1922. Lone Wolf Creek is in Colorado City and some men found the bones of a prehistoric animal even with the points of the spears that had killed the animal. Colorado City wanted to start a college, but they needed to donate 2,000 acres and \$150,000 so Lubbock got the college that is now Texas Tech.

The noon meal was catered and they served turkey and dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, cran-

berry salad, and pecan pie. We all had to sit at a table according to our birthday month. The tables were decorated with stuffed animals holding colorful balloons that soared high above the tables. The animal at our table was a gray rabbit. Others were white rabbits, brown bears, monkeys, dogs and more bears.

We had entered some articles to be judged and Oneida Hutto, Rosetta Bellinghausen and I all won second place on our items. They gave out door prizes and Oneida and I won a small gift. Fun time was provided by Garza County, and they helped us make finger pin cushions.

Terry McAdams, who is the marketing director of Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City, kept us all awake with her dynamic speech on marketing membership. She said if you are alive, you have problems and we must laugh and make others laugh with us.

At the end of the conference several from Tulia were dressed as cowgirls, and they rode their stick horses through the dining hall announcing the next conference would be in Tulia.

On our way home, we stopped in Post to visit my sister-in-law, Gladys Hendrix. We rode in rain part of the time, but no one complained!

Opha Burks was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club. She served a delicious gelatin cake. Dude McLaurin won high score, and Virginia

Crider was second. Others playing were Opha, Susie Reeves, Ina Rae Cates, Alma Kenmore, Edith Graef, Helen Braafladt, Louise Mears, Emily Clingsmith, Loranel Hamilton, and Neva Hickey.

The Methodists made a full day of worship, work, and fellowship this week. The Methodist men hosted an open-to-all breakfast meeting before Sunday School, and there was a stew and cornbread lunch for volunteers for "Work Day." Painting, clearing storage rooms, and shrub cutting and removal were but a few of the chores done to update the church building and classes. Following a brief rest and refreshment time with cookies and ice cream, the evening worship was held early and ended the day.

Cleo Forson spent the Easter holiday in Kingsville. Her granddaughter, Sheila Hedrick, flew to Lubbock on Thursday and rented a car. She took Cleo and drove to Kingsville. They went for the christening of Sheila's granddaughter.

There was a dinner at Holiday Motel that Saturday night for 20 friends at 6 p.m. At 8 p.m. after the Easter Service Mass at the Catholic church, the baby was christened.

Sunday, Sheila and Cleo spent the day with the Vasquez family for a cookout. In the afternoon, they had an Easter egg hunt for the children.

Sheila and Cleo drove back to Lubbock on Monday and Tuesday. They saw lots of pretty bluebonnets.

What's cooking? In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for April 10-18.

DIMMITT

Preschool-First Grade Lunch
THURSDAY: Hoagie submarine sandwich, potato chips, watermelon and milk.
FRIDAY: No school!
MONDAY: Hot dog on a bun with cheese, garden relish, fruited gelatin and milk.
TUESDAY: Monterrey casserole, refried beans, fruit fantasy and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Chicken and dumplings, scalloped corn, fresh bananas and milk.
THURSDAY: Pepperoni pizza, vegetable medley, cantaloupe and milk.
FRIDAY: Macaroni and cheese, Swedish brown beans, tossed salad with dressing and milk.

Grades 2-12 Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken fried steak, hoagie submarine sandwich or nachos with cheese and peppers; mashed potatoes with gravy, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, cucumber and tomato salad or carrot and raisin salad; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: No school!
MONDAY: Choice of ground beef stroganoff, hot dog on a bun with cheese or taco pie; whole new potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce, potato salad, tossed salad with dressing, garden relish, taco condiment salad or apple slices; assorted muffins, hot wheat rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
TUESDAY: Choice of oven fried chicken, pork stir fry or Monterrey casserole; mashed potatoes, Chinese-style vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or gelatin; assorted muffins, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of chicken and dumplings, salad, plate or chicken taco with hot sauce; seasoned black-eyed peas, scalloped corn or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fresh bananas or peaches; cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
THURSDAY: Choice of pepperoni pizza, barbecued hot links or beef enchiladas; vegetable medley, Mexican corn or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, haystack finger salad or broccoli and cauliflower salad; garlic bread, wheat rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of macaroni and cheese, baked fish Scandia or fajitas with sauted onions; Swedish brown beans, rice pilaf or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or guacamole salad; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

HART

Elementary School
THURSDAY: Hot dog on a bun, dill pickles, apricots, peaches, peanut butter bars, pinto beans, chili, gelatin dessert and milk.
FRIDAY: Nachos with ground beef, dill pickles, pinto beans, gelatin dessert, royal brownies, fresh fruit, apricots and milk.
MONDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, pizza or burrito, salad, fresh fruit, peaches and milk.
TUESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or stromboli, salad, gelatin dessert, corn,

apricots, fresh fruit, potato chips and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets with gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, gelatin dessert, peaches, carrot sticks, raw broccoli, wheat rolls and milk.
THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or enchilada casserole, tortilla pieces, salad, gelatin dessert, pickles, corn, pears, fresh fruit and milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hot dog on a bun with chili; salad, apricots, fresh fruit, beets, spinach, gelatin dessert and milk.

Junior High and High School
MONDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or burrito, salad, fresh fruit, peaches, potato puffs, ginger cookies and milk.
TUESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or stromboli, lettuce, tomato and pickles, gelatin dessert, corn, apricots, fresh fruit, ice cream, potato chips and milk, punch or tea.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, plums, apricots, carrot sticks, raw broccoli, wheat rolls, chocolate ice cream and milk, punch or tea.
THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or enchiladas, salad, Spanish rice, gelatin dessert, apricots, pears, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.
FRIDAY: Choice of burrito deluxe, chili con carne and beans, hamburger basket or hot dog on a bun, apricots, salad, beets, raw broccoli, fresh fruit, gelatin dessert, banana pudding and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: *Burritos or baked potato, salad, corn, fruit, dessert and milk.
FRIDAY: *Soft tacos or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, green beans, fruit, dessert and milk.
MONDAY: *Nachos or corn dogs, salad, beans, peaches, pears, dessert and milk.
TUESDAY: *Chalupas or pizza, lettuce, dessert and milk.
WEDNESDAY: *Sandwiches with tater tots or hamburgers and tater tots, lettuce, fruit, dessert and milk.
THURSDAY: *Enchiladas or pizza, salad, dessert and milk.
FRIDAY: *Baked chicken with bread or hamburger and French fries, rice, salad, pudding and milk.

(*Entrees designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students while secondary students will be allowed to choose between the two entrees.)



Crystal Stevens

DHS twirler earns ASU feature spot

Crystal Stevens of Dimmitt has been named the feature twirler for Angelo State University for next fall. A Dimmitt High School senior, Stevens was one of five twirlers from across Texas to compete in tryouts recently for the feature position with the Ram Marching Band.

She has been the feature twirler with the DHS Bobcat Band two years, and twirled with Canyon High School's marching band two years before moving to Dimmitt. She has won state and national awards with her twirling, and will perform in regional competition this weekend.

Stevens plans to major in pre-law and accounting at ASU. She is the daughter of Janet Stevens of Dimmitt.

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Benefit luncheon planned Sunday for Kelly Green

A benefit luncheon for Kelly Green of Springlake will be held Sunday from 11:30 to 2 p.m. at the Springlake High School cafeteria.

Green, 36, has been undergoing treatment for cancer. His wife, Dara, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Louder of Sunnyside. He farms near Springlake, and is the father of two children.

Co-sponsoring Sunday's benefit luncheon are the Baptist churches of Sunnyside, Springlake and Earth, and the Earth and Springlake Lions Clubs. The meal will include fajitas and all the trimmings, and desserts will be provided by the Springlake-Earth Senior Citizens.

Anyone who cannot attend the benefit meal but who would like to contribute may do so by mailing a check to the Kelly Green Fund, HCR 1, Box 71, Dimmitt, 79027.

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Kite festival slated May 3

Children will have a chance to display their creative talents on May 3 when the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club holds its second annual kite festival.

Activities on May 3 will begin at 9 a.m. with a kite-making class for children. There will only be 25 kite kits available for the class. Children also are invited to bring their own kites.

Then at 10 a.m. a professional kite flying demonstration will be given by Eddie Miller.

The festival will be held at the vacant lot west of the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt.

Awards will be given to children 16 and under in the following categories: "Best Homemade Kite;" "Ozone Layer Kite," which is for the kite that flies the highest; "Crash and Burn Kite," the greatest looking kite that just won't fly; "Longest Tail Kite;" and "Cool Kite."

A concession stand will offer soft drinks and hot dogs during the festival. The Faith Group from the Catholic Church will assist the Kiwanis Club with activities throughout the day.

The event is free and open to the public.

All proceeds generated by concessions stand sales will be donated to local charities in Dimmitt.

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People



Holly Reyna and Adrian Carrasco

Reyna and Carrasco to wed

Jose and Diane Reyna of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Holly Reyna, to Adrian Carrasco, son of Guillermo and Celia Carrasco of Hart.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows Saturday, April 19, at 2 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be is a junior at Dimmitt High School.

The prospective groom is self-employed as a truck driver.

After the wedding the couple will live in Hart.

Bridal shower honors Gooss

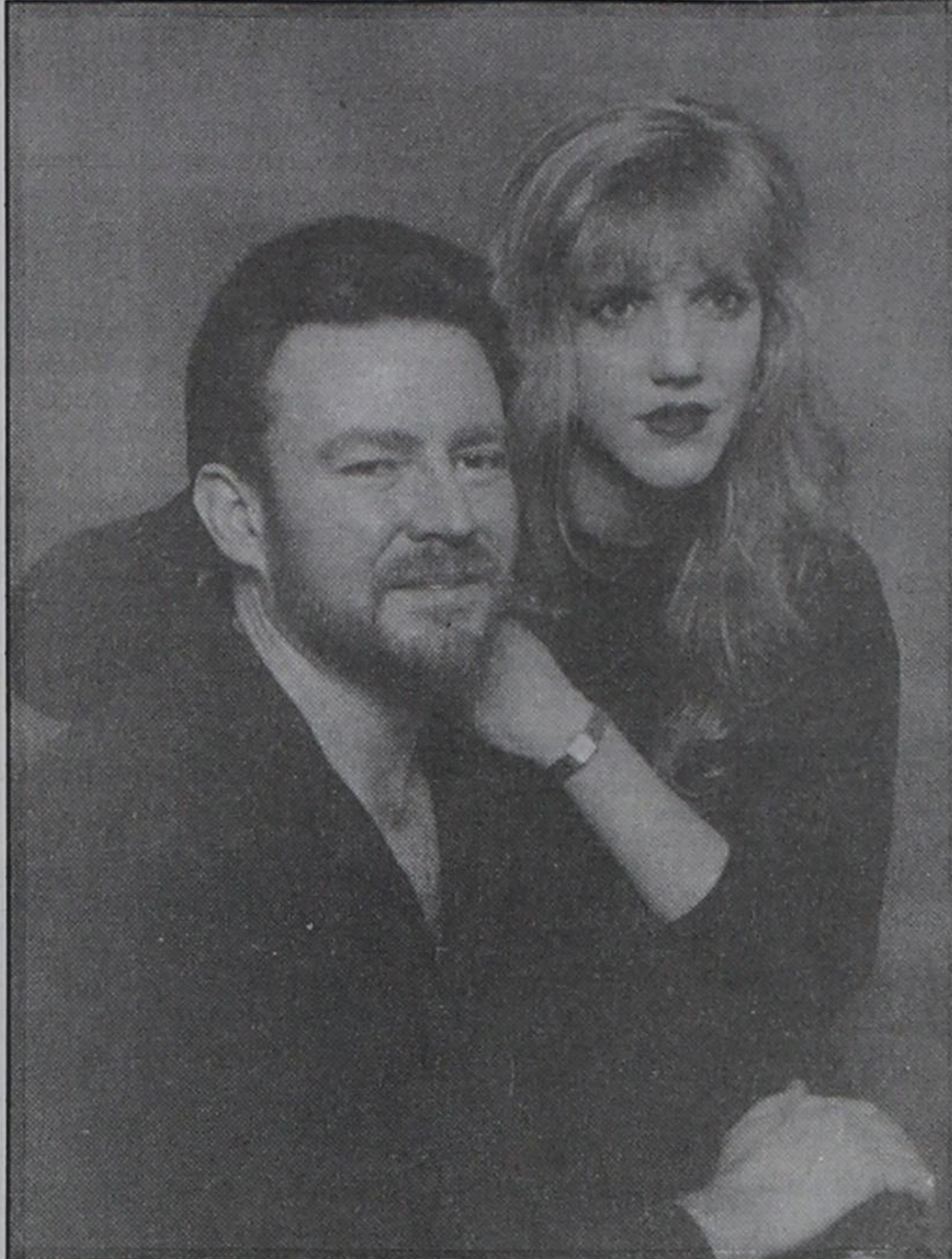
A bridal shower honoring Tami Gooss, bride-elect of Kerry Lewis, was held recently in the home of Carol Lantz.

The 28 hostesses assisting Mrs. Lantz with the shower presented the honoree with a matching comforter set and swag.

Guests were served sausage balls, mini cream puffs and cinnamon rolls, strawberries, nuts, peach tea and coffee by Jennifer Rankin and Juli Justice, cousins of the prospective groom.

The table was decorated with an angel centerpiece flanked by mauve candles in crystal candleholders, accented with silver and crystal serving appointments.

Special guests were Larry and Susan Gooss of California, parents of the bride-elect; Avie Lewis of Georgetown, mother of the prospective groom; Cliff and Lee Lewis of Amarillo, the prospective groom's father and stepmother; Geneva Justice, grandmother of the prospective groom; Janet and Ross Ward of DeKalb and Jennifer Rankin and Juli Justice of Lubbock.



MR. AND MRS. KYLE BAGWELL
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Couple wed Jan. 2

Sandy McMahon became the bride of Kyle Bagwell on Jan. 2 when the two exchanged vows in Las Vegas, Nev.

The bride is the daughter of Connie McMahon of Lubbock and the late Jack Dale Stanfield I. Parents of the groom are Milton and Sandra Bagwell of Dimmitt.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Lubbock Monterey High School. She attended South Plains College.

The groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1980 and from Amarillo College in 1988. He is employed by Texas Instruments in Lubbock.

Birkenfeld is honored with shower

Christy Birkenfeld, bride-elect of Shawn Christian, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Anne Acker in Nazareth.

The serving table was covered with a navy blue cloth and an ecru lace overlay. The couple's engagement picture served as the table centerpiece and it was flanked by crystal and gold candlesticks holding blue tapers.

Cake, mints, fresh fruit, nuts, punch and tea were served to guests. The hostesses presented the bride-to-be with china place settings.

Special guests included the bride-elect's mother, Mildred Birkenfeld of Nazareth; and her grandmothers, Rose Birkenfeld of Nazareth and Wilhemine Fetsch of Hereford.

Edwards inducted into honor society

Holly Edwards of Dimmitt has been inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society for education. She was one of 20 West Texas A&M University education majors inducted into the honor society.

Those inducted must have an overall

grade point average of 3.25 or better, a 3.0 GPA in education course work, three semester hours in education and a class standing of second semester sophomore or higher.

Edwards is a senior majoring in interdisciplinary studies.



I'd like to wrap my alarm clock cord around the guy who thought up Daylight Savings Time. Pardon my hostility, but sleep deprivation will do that to a person.

By now you've no doubt picked up on that "guy" reference, and you are disappointedly saying that I'm male-bashing. And that would be wrong because??? (I'm kidding!)

Yes, I'm calling Daylight Savings Time a *guy* invention, because it is such a *guy* concept. One can almost picture him sitting behind a paper-piled desk with three lights blinking on the phone, and more ink on his calendar than a printing press. His eyes are closed and he is leaning back and dreaming of a leisurely round of golf. Or perhaps he's pondering the recapturing of his youth in an after-work softball game ... in the DAYLIGHT!

Face it, guys are always trying to recapture their youth. Look at the flashy Dodge Viper sports cars they long for, and the sports equipment they buy, and the jars of Mineral Ice on their night tables. We women don't have to recapture our youth, we can wear make-up. But I digress.

What Mr. Daylight Savings Time wasn't thinking of was boarding buses in the dark. He wasn't picturing the month-long, mid afternoon slump that would render one almost comatose.

He wasn't thinking of trying to arouse school children an hour early in the middle of the year. (A truly Stephen King kind of trying-to-wake-the-dead nightmare.)

He was thinking "Let the games begin!"

In short, he was thinking of himself. I told you it was a *guy* concept.

He should have taken a nap until the idea passed. Then we would all be rested.

Birkenfeld is runner-up in regional bee

Mark Birkenfeld struggled with the spelling of "peregrinate" Saturday afternoon and had to settle for the runner-up title in the regional spelling bee for the second time.

Birkenfeld, an eighth grader from Nazareth, was making his fourth appearance in the regional spelling bee. He also finished second a year ago.

After Birkenfeld missed on "peregrinate," Christi Baker, a seventh grader at St. Andrew's Middle School correctly spelled the word, then aced "pistachio" for the win.

Other words spelled in the championship round included "vermicelli," "caliginous," "canitist."

Birkenfeld was pleased with his second-place finish, but also was disappointed.

Birkenfeld won a \$200 savings bond presented by the Amarillo Globe News. As a finalist, he also earned a dictionary and other prizes donated by local merchants.

Competitors in Saturday's regional bee were winners in various county bees around the area. More than 10,000 area students from grades eight and below participated in preliminary bees, starting with classroom and school eliminations to the final county bees. County winners from Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas competed in the regional bee.

RES kindergarten sets music program

The kindergarten students at Richardson Elementary School will perform a musical program Wednesday, April 16, at 9:30 a.m. at the school cafeteria.

The program will feature *Mother Goose Bounce*.

4-H plans camp orientation night

Castro County 4-H'ers interest in attending camps and/or State 4-H Roundup should attend a special orientation at 7 p.m. on May 8 in the courthouse basement.

All interested campers and youths who qualify for State Roundup, plus one parent of a qualifying youth, must attend the orientation. New country rules for State Roundup will be discussed and available camps will be mentioned.

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Now: Hospice Care, Too

Our Hospice Care Unit is now licensed by the state, having completed a lengthy "survey" process, and is ready to serve terminally ill patients in Castro and seven other counties.

The Hospice is for anyone who is terminally ill and has a limited life expectancy of six months or less, and who wants or needs intermittent care.

Most Hospice services are provided in the patient's home. They also are available to nursing home patients.

We have a team of professionals to provide caring assistance to the terminally ill. Our team includes the Hospice director, Connie Nutt; a medical director, Dr. Matthew Houseal; a patient care coordinator, Shelly Rice; two staff nurses, Cindy Rohrbach and Trudy Jackson; a pastoral coordinator, Jim Hardwick; and a social worker, Bill Fernihough.

Everyone on the team has had special training in their specific Hospice responsibilities.

The Hospice program also requires trained volunteers from our service area. If you could spare some time to serve as an office clerk, a "gofer," a hairdresser, etc., or if you could help with child care or patient care, please contact us. These volunteer services are required by the state, and they're very important in the overall Hospice program.

Until now, all hospice care provided here came out of Plainview or Amarillo. But now, those who need this special care can receive it from local people who know them and care about them.

We're here when you need us. Our office is located in the Medical Center of Dimmitt, 112 W. Jones St. Our phone number is 647-3785.

Hospice Care

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You are invited to a
Bridal Shower
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in the home of
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Selections at Coleman Pharmacy, Hays Company, Running M Bath Shop, Seale Florist and The Village Shop.

You are invited to a
Wedding Shower/Party
honoring
Cyrilla Brockman
and
Larry Robb
Sunday, April 13 — 5 p.m.
in the home of
Rex and Vera Ramaekers
(one mile north of Nazareth traffic light)
Dress: Casual/Western

Selections Coleman Pharmacy, Running M Boot Shop, Seale Florist and Sheat Pizzeria, Nazareth

First grade honor winners listed

Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary School recently announced honor winners in the first grade for the third nine-week grading period. They are listed below by classroom:

Horton
 CITIZENSHIP: Mariel Alaniz, Naoli Corral, David Gil, Mayra Olivas, Jose Ortega, Patricia Quintana, Ildefonso Ramirez.
 HOMEWORK: Alaniz, Corral, Gil, Olivas, Gloria Quintana, Quintana, Thania Vasquez.
 MOST IMPROVED: Alaniz, Ramirez.
 WRITING: Eva Aguero, Corral, Gil, Olivas, Quintana, Vasquez.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Gil, Corral, Ontiveros.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Olivas, Ramirez, Gil.
Villarreal
 CITIZENSHIP: Yesenia Arellano, Cynthia Gomez, Daniela Neri, Anna Reyes, Thalia Vasquez, Jose Silva.
 HOMEWORK: Yuri Aguilon, Arellano, Jose Cardona, Vasquez, Neri, Gomez.
 MOST IMPROVED: Julian Chavez, Diocelina Rodriguez, Arellano, Ana Olmos.
 WRITING: Neri, Chavez, Silva, Cecilia Omelas.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Erika Aguilar, Cardona, Annia Lopez, Neri, Anna Reyes.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Olmos, Aguilar; 10 pt.—Aguillon, Cardona, Ornelas, Gomez, Victor Silva; 15 pt.—Neri, Reyes.

Roberson
 CITIZENSHIP: Laraine Aguero, Ryan Cordova, George Dones, Anthony Enriquez, Joshua Gamez, Jennifer Hiett, Brad Lane, Fabian Lopez, Jonathan Lule, Ross Myatt, Eric Odom, Michael Rasor, Kamryn Steffens, Kasey Tijerina.
 HOMEWORK: Dones, Gamez, Chris Gilliam, Myatt, Dennis Underwood, Kalan Steinle.
 MOST IMPROVED: Aguero, Hiett, Lane.
 WRITING: Enriquez, Myatt, Odom, Rasor.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Aguero, Carrie Armstrong, Cordova, Dones, Gamez, Hiett, Steinle, Underwood, Valerie Villarreal.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Lane, Lule; 10 pt.—Aguero, Cordova, Hiett; 15 pt.—Dones, Gamez, Gilliam, Steffens, Tijerina, Underwood; 20 pt.—Armstrong, Amber Jones; 25 pt.—Enriquez, Myatt, Steinle, Villarreal; 35 pt.—Odom, Rasor.
Feaster
 CITIZENSHIP: Dustin Thomas, Ashley Patlan, Leah Setliff, Casey Enriquez, Rocky Navarro, Haylee Evans, Luis Luna, Callie Crum, Brittany Garcia, Chauncey Gilbreath,

Samantha Reyes, Ashley Fleeks, Vanessa Reyes, Nacia Sullivan-Ramos, Andrew Lafuente.
 HOMEWORK: Evans, Lafuente, Patlan, Vanessa Reyes, Thomas, Gilbreath, Setliff, Enriquez.
 MOST IMPROVED: Sullivan-Ramos.
 WRITING: Tyler Cornett, Thomas, Evans, Crum, Fleeks, Samantha Reyes.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Evans, Gilbreath, Ryan Mixson, Vanessa Reyes, Setliff, Thomas.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Luna; 10 pt.—Ally Oltivero, Samantha Reyes; 15 pt.—Garcia, Lafuente, Keili Laurent, Navarro, Patlan; 20 pt.—Enriquez, Chris Gregory, Vanessa Reyes, Thomas; 25 pt.—Evans, Fleeks, Mixson; 35 pt.—Cornett, Crum, Setliff; 50 pt.—Gilbreath.
McCormick
 CITIZENSHIP: Ashley Cotter, Nati Sias, Sammy Sanchez, Jesus Ortiz, Jerry Martinez, Heather Marquez, Andrew Larra, Shaira Gonzales, Rosa Covarrubia, Mackenzi Pigg, Toby Ward, Cassidy Watts, Courtney Garza, Nick Ellis, Brittany Allen.
 HOMEWORK: Cotter, Martinez, Gonzales, Houston Sutton, Ward, Watts, Garza,

Ellis, Allen, Cameron Cluck.
 MOST IMPROVED: Sutton, Grant Feaster, Ellis, Cluck, Gonzales, Pigg, Watts.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Cluck, Watts, Ward, Sutton, Cotter, Feaster.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Patricia Barrera, Cotter, Ellis, Max Sandoval, Zack Staring; 10 pt.—Garza, Ward; 25 pt.—Allen, Feaster; 35 pt.—Cluck, Pigg, Sutton; 50 pt.—Watts.
Keith
 CITIZENSHIP: Erin Black, Molly Bradford, Amanda Castaneda, Marcus Herrera, Gabriel Martinez, Lana Reinart, Curtis Thomas, Kristin Tracey.
 HOMEWORK: Black, Bradford, Castaneda, Klay Clearman, Joey Cleaver,

Kaden Griffith, Herrera, Robby Lopez, Martinez, Nayeli Monsivias, Reinart.
 MOST IMPROVED: Matthew Almanza, Matthew De La Paz, John Garcia, Gillian Gonzales, Isidro Rodriguez, Barry Watson.
 WRITING: Reinart, Clearman, Michael Cline, Griffith, Herrera, Martinez, Monsivias, Chris Pompa.
 PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Bradford, Cleaver, Cline, Gonzales, Griffith, Herrera, Lopez, Pompa, Reinart, Thomas, Tracey.
 ACCELERATED READER: 5 pt.—Thomas, Garcia, De La Paz; 10 pt.—Cline; 15 pt.—Griffith, Lopez, Monsivias, Herrera, Rodriguez; 20 pt.—Clearman, Black, Bradford; 25 pt.—Cleaver, Pompa, Martinez; 35 pt.—Reinart.



Louise and J.W. Stone

Pair to celebrate 50th Anniversary

J.W. and Louise Stone of Dimmitt will be honored with a reception Sunday in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hosted by the couple's children, the reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Center of Dimmitt.

The pair married on April 12, 1947, in Hale Center, and moved to Dimmitt in 1955. Mr. Stone is a retired custom farmer, and Mrs. Stone is a retired bookkeeper for the former Hays Implement Co.

Their children and grandchildren include Mary Lee Dunlop of Amarillo, and her husband, Jack, and two children; Jo Ann Davis of Amarillo, and her two children; and Linda Heck of Dimmitt, and her husband, Lewis, and three children.

Community revival set

Lee Street Baptist Church will host a community revival beginning Sunday and continuing through April 18.

Gary Morgan will be the featured speaker.

Kevin Wood, pastor of Lee Street Baptist Church, describes the revival as "an attempt to do something new. A revival is usually an in-house church event, but we are attempting to expand our vision and our hopes. We want to share this revival with our other brothers and sisters in Christ."

Theme of the revival is "One Calling in Christ." Morgan is described as "an outspoken proponent of breaking down barriers that limit the influence of the gospel."

Wood says the revival is "all about beginning to eliminate these barriers."

Individuals and choirs from several local churches will be participating. Black gospel singer Richard Miller is scheduled to perform along

with local singer Hector Martinez.

A children's supper is planned for Monday.

For more information contact the church at 647-5474 or Wood at 647-3665.

Beans honored

Yvet Beanes is the Student of the Week for Dimmitt Middle School's fourth grade classes.

She is the daughter of Juan and Olga Beanes, and her birthday is Nov. 11. She was born in Juarez, Mexico.

Her favorite food is pizza, her favorite animal is a rabbit, and she likes to jump on the trampoline. She wants to be a policewoman when she grows up, and a person she admires and respects is her father.

What Beanes likes about DMS is the classes, although she said she would like to improve in science. She said she is good at reading and her favorite book is *There's an Owl in the Shower*.

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It's a boy, Ryan Maxwell Adams, for Scott and Julie Adams. Ryan was born March 21 at 9:16 a.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, weighing in at 7 pounds and 8 ounces and measuring 20-1/4 inches long. Big sister is Holly, 2. Maternal grandmother is Doris Hatla of Nazareth. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Adams of Amarillo. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Adams of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. John Straub of Denver, Colo.

Methodist scholarship applications are due

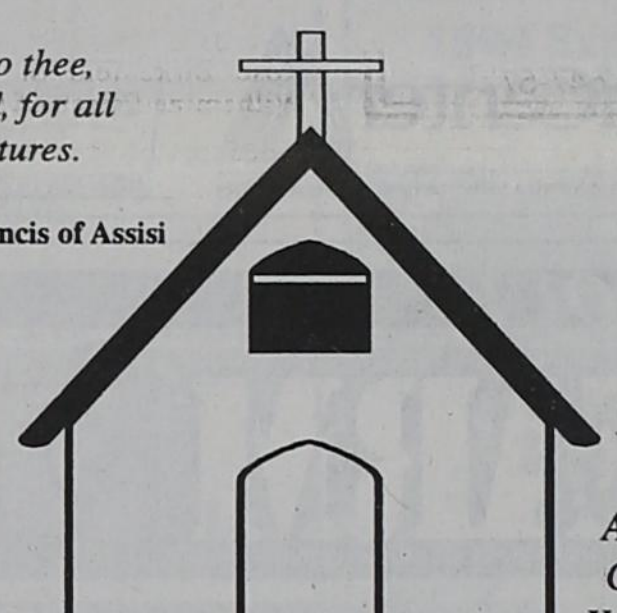
Scholarship applications are due today (Thursday) at the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt.

The application forms can be picked up at the church office from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 1 to 4:30 p.m. They must be turned in at the church office by 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday).

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Farm Bureau board attends seminar

The board of directors of the Castro County Farm Bureau and their wives attended a working seminar April 2 at the Border Line Restaurant in Dimmitt.

Chuck Senter of Clarendon, Texas Farm Bureau fieldman, and TFB District Manager Gary Wood of Canyon spoke to the group.

Senter explained to the group the structure of TFB and how it works with the county bureaus and their interdependence. He talked about the different committees the farm bureau program has and the duties of each committee chairman. He also talked about programs for ag in

the classroom, kids' safety on the farm, and Beef Council Programs, explaining how the county organization can participate in educating children about agriculture.

Wood told the board members that he is responsible for recruiting, training and developing agency managers for the 33 counties in his district. He supervises agency managers in recruiting and training agents, and makes a plan for agency managers, but allows them to run their own programs.

Wood also showed how agents are rated and what qualifications are needed to be listed as a career agent, professional agent or master agent. Local Agency Manager Paula Stiles has announced that local agents Bob

Anthony and Randy Nutt were designated as professional agents for the months of February and March.

"We are very proud of the dedication and hard work these two agents are doing for the people of Castro County," Stiles said.

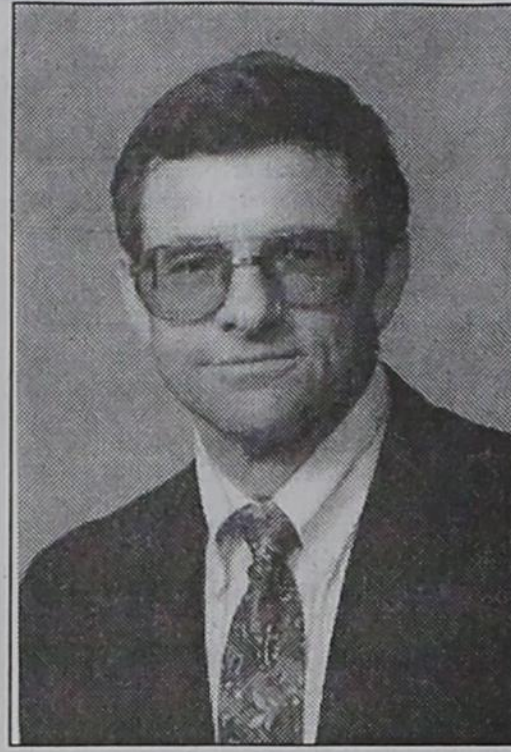
Attending the seminar were Joe and Kathy Lust, Bruce and Nancy Fuller, Norman and Stacy Gerber, Chris and Amy Cogburn, Tommy and Janice Stanton, Lester Womack, Gregg Sides, Rick Bagwell, Stiles, and agency secretary Kaye Stevens.

Three locals listed at SPC

Three Dimmitt residents are listed on the Dean's Honor List at South Plains College of Levelland for the fall 1996 semester.

Kyle Joiner, Mel Rivera, and Kimberly Thomas each maintained a minimum 3.25 GPA while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours.

"We at South Plains College are very proud of these students for their achievements in academic excellence," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president. "They have worked hard and persevered and they deserve to be recognized."



Billy C. Harbin

Harbin named board chairman of cooperative

Billy C. Harbin of Floydada was elected chairman of the board of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., during the cooperative's annual meeting on March 31.

Harbin succeeds Robert L. Elliott, Jr., of Dalhart, who served as chairman from 1991 to the present, and as vice chairman from 1984 to 1991. He did not seek re-election.

Harbin is the executive vice president and general manager of Light-house Electric Cooperative, Inc., and was formerly employed at Lamb County Electric Cooperative as engineering service manager.

Harbin previously held the positions of secretary and treasurer of Golden Spread, and was a member of the Audit Committee.

Jack L. Perkins was re-elected vice chairman, a position he has held since August 1971. Perkins is the CEO of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc., at Hooker, Okla.

Gary Hooten of Muleshoe was elected to the positions of secretary and treasurer. Hooten is a member of the board of directors of Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association at Muleshoe. He has ranching and farming interests in the Muleshoe area.

Stan McClendon, general manager of Greenbelt Electric Cooperative at Wellington, was elected to the Audit Committee.

Sticky cotton, pest control to be discussed at meeting

A producer information workshop will highlight the Texas Cotton Ginners Show in Lubbock on Friday.

The workshop is jointly sponsored by International Textile Center of Texas Tech University, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Plains Cotton Growers.

The program will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, Room 107.

Among the topics addressed at the workshop will be the economic impact of the boll weevil, sticky cotton, record keeping for pesticide use and nematodes: soil sampling and control.

Moderator for the program will be Dr. Dean Edthridge, director of the International Textile Center.

After the 1:30 registration for Continuing Education Units (CEUs), the program will begin at 2 p.m. with "The Importance of Soil Testing" by Dr. Randy Boman, cotton agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Lubbock.

A boll weevil economic impact study will be offered by Dr. Don Ethridge, who works in the agricultural and applied economics department at Texas Tech University.

A question-and-answer session will be held at 2:30 p.m. and those on the panel will be Dr. Don Ethridge, Dr. Ron Laceywell of Texas A&M

University and Dr. Don Rummel of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Danny Davis, manager of American Cotton Growers Denim Mill will discuss sticky cotton and its effect on the mill at 2:50 p.m.

At 3:10 p.m., late season aphid management to control stickiness in cotton will be discussed by Dr. James Leser, an entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Dan Krieg, a plant and soil scientist at Texas Tech University, will discuss "Managing for Potential Plant Sugar Stickiness" at 3:20 p.m.

Record keeping on pesticide use will be the topic of Polly Vann with V-Tech Environmental Services in Littlefield.

Dr. Terry Wheeler, a plant pathologist with Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will discuss "Nematodes: Soil Sampling and Control."

It is estimated that 9.5% of the West Texas cotton crop is lost each year to nematode infestation, according to Wheeler, but because the soil-borne pests are difficult to diagnose, these yield losses are often mistakenly attributed to other problems.

For more information about the program, contact Pammy Millican at the Castro County Extension office, 647-4115.

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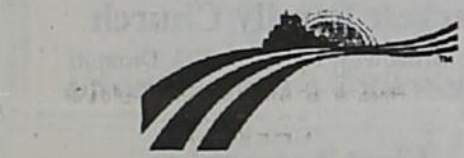
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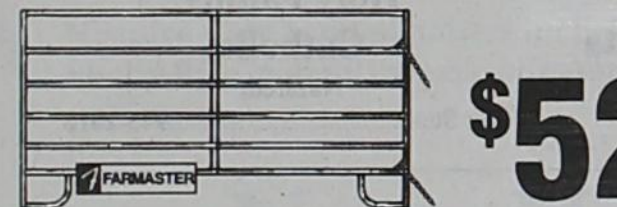
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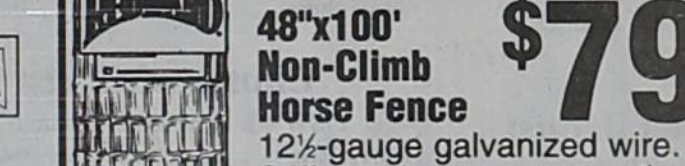
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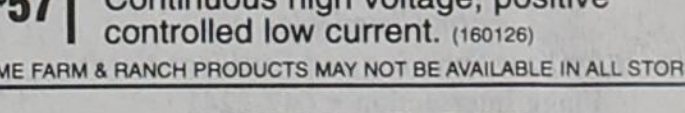


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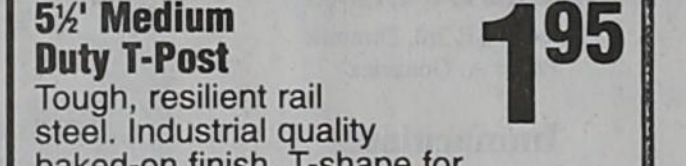
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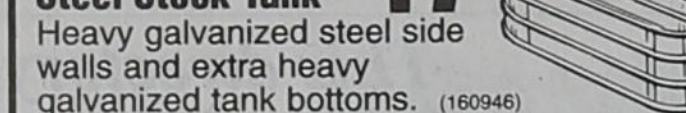


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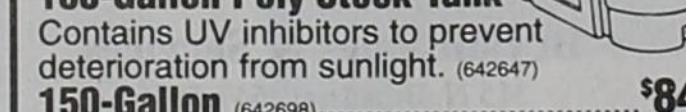
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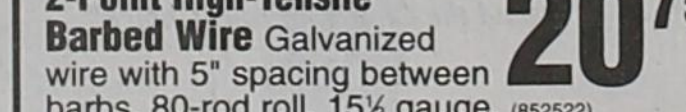
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Commodity marketing course offered for women

With the decrease in government support of farm product prices and the volatility which is taking place in the commodity markets, marketing products produced on the farm has become more important than ever.

A new approach to commodity marketing training will be given with a "Women Only" marketing school scheduled April 28 in Tulia.

The training will begin with registration at 8:45 a.m. and will conclude at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Swisher County Courthouse Annex Meeting Room in Tulia.

Cost for the training will be \$20 per person and those planning to attend should pre-register by Tuesday, April 22, at (806) 995-3626. A maximum of 30 individuals will be allowed to attend. Lunch will not be served.

Dr. Jackie Smith, area economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will conduct the training. Topics will include pricing alternatives, marketing plans, how to use futures and options and factors which affect the market.

Many marketing schools have been conducted, but very few women have attended and many requests have been made to conduct a course of this kind.

Many farms are now operated by surviving spouses or both the husband and wife are having to take equal parts in the operation of the farm to make it survive.

"By conducting this class for women only, we hope to provide a service which has been requested," said David Gibson, Swisher County Extension Agent.

Information from other states has shown that in many cases, women are better marketers than men because they will only look at the bottom line of price and cost rather than including the factors men use as they think of the time and effort they have put into growing the crop.

Gibson hopes that several will take the opportunity to attend the class and hopes it may be a project that will continue across the area and state.

For more information or to make reservations, call (806) 995-3726 or stop by the Castro County Extension office in the courthouse and visit with Pammy Millican, Assistant County Extension Agent.

Third quarter sales stay level

Retail sales in Castro County during the third quarter in 1996 were almost the same as sales reported during the same period in 1995.

Gross sales for the third quarter in 1996 totaled \$12,802,325 while sales over the same period in 1995 were \$12,806,539.

The number of retail reporting outlets was down from 104 in 1995 to 89 last year.

Use tax purchases totaled \$9,401 while \$3,568,557 was subject to state sales and use tax.

Gross sales for all industries were down 1.6% from \$22,114,474 in 1995 to \$21,761,275 in 1996. Of that amount, \$31,936 was use tax purchases while \$4,400,803 was subject to state sales and use tax. The total number of reporting outlets for all industries in the third quarter of 1996 was 152, down from 168 in the third quarter of 1995.

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 through the TCDDP, and is making application with the help of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.
 John Kiehl of the PRPC told the council Monday night that volunteers will be needed to help conduct a survey of selected areas of the city to gain information needed for the application process. He said the volunteers, along with staff members from the PRPC, will conduct a door-to-door canvass of all residences east of West Fifth Street. He said information on the northeast part of the town may be gleaned from the last census report, but other areas will have to be covered by the survey.

The resolution states that the city will provide \$68,051 toward the cost of the project, and is applying for a grant of \$250,000 for replacement of the tower, for a total estimated cost of \$318,051.

Sheffy told the council that he has received information on "slightly used" water towers, and has looked into the cost for them. He said it represents a big savings compared with purchasing a brand new structure.

Kiehl said he understood that new structures only carry a one-year warranty, while the "slightly used" ones are warranted for two years.

Sheffy said the used structures are made available by cities that may have underestimated their growth rate at the time of installing a new facility, and they had to install a replacement before the new structure was very worn.

Kiehl told the council that approximately 40 applications may be received for the \$1.6 million available through the Block Grant Program. He said he expects about 15 projects to be accepted for funding.

Sheffy asked the city council members to come out and help with the survey if at all possible, starting April 15 at about 4:30 p.m.

The application for the grant must be completed and received in Austin by April 25.

In other business, the council voted to postpone action on accepting bids on two parcels of property that were offered for sale due to unpaid back taxes. The city, school and county all must accept any bids received, since they all share in the proceeds from the sale of the property.

Sheffy said Lot 7 of Block 50 (300 Northeast Fourth) attracted a bid of \$600 from Frank Mendoza and one for \$500 from Paul Herrera. Back taxes and court costs of \$2,950 were owed on the property, which is appraised at \$500. The other parcel,

Lots 9, 10, and 11 in block 23 (206 Northeast Sixth) was given a bid of \$1,500 from Mendoza. It is valued at \$3,000 and back taxes and court costs on it amounted to \$4,967.

Council member Roy Garza said he felt that the bids were too low and the city should look into just keeping the property and see if some other use could be made of it.

Mayor Wayne Collins said the city certainly has the option of making use of the property, but must negotiate a settlement with the other taxing entities that have an interest in the property.

Following a report by Police Chief Ray Aleman, Sheffy commended the police department for their continuing efforts at traffic control in the city.

Collins mentioned a recent accident in which a truck was struck at the railroad crossing on the north edge of Dimmitt. He said Sheffy has contacted the railroad and the state highway department to see if anything can be done to make the railroad crossing safer.

Sheffy said he feels that the area should at least have flashing warning lights to caution motorists. Collins said he was told that a barrier arm device would cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

Collins said he has asked for reconsideration of safety installations at the intersection in light of the increased rail traffic that passes through to Westway.

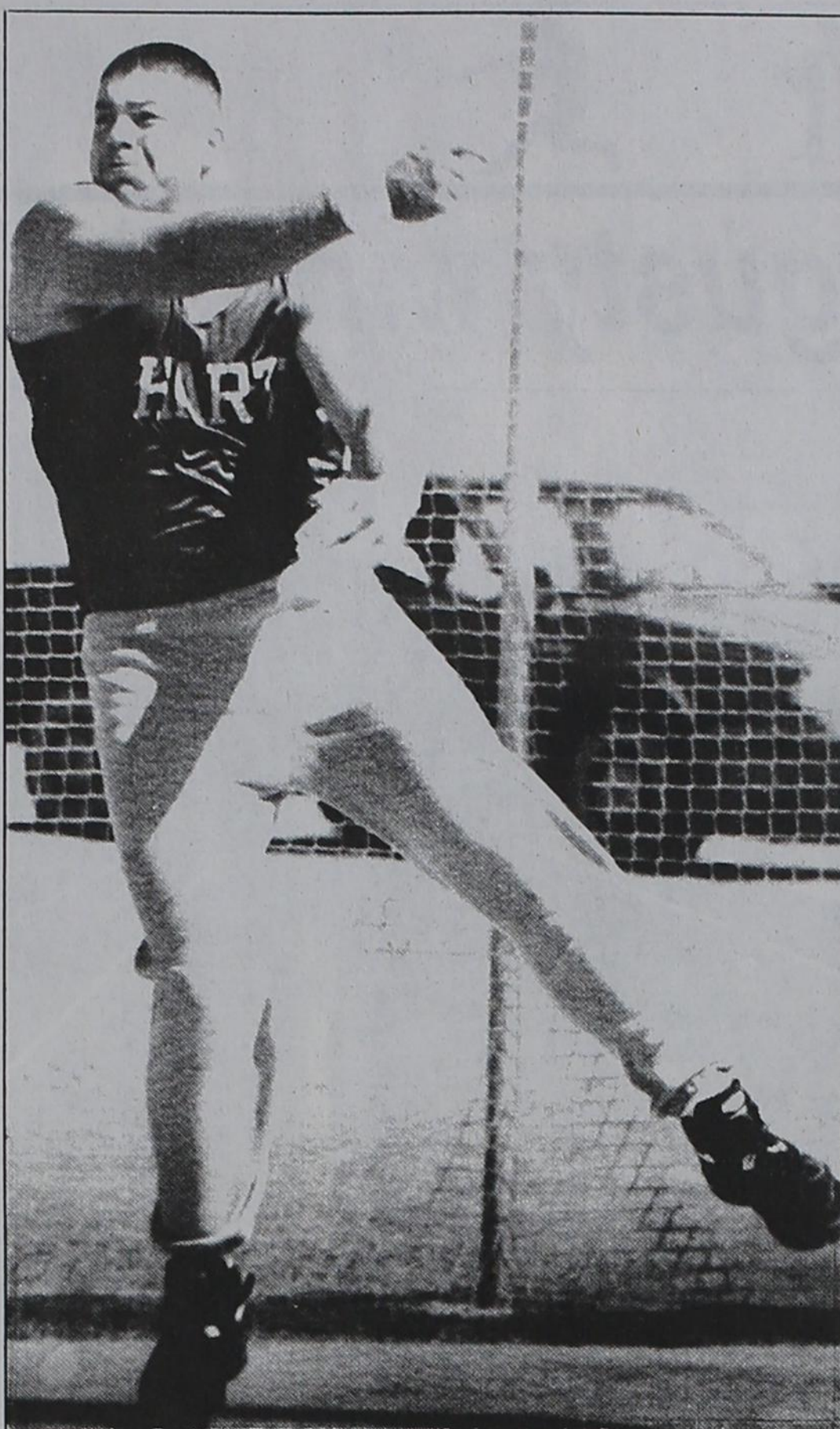
Council member Carole Dyer said that the road has an unusual amount of truck traffic as well, adding another safety hazard.

In his manager's report, Sheffy told the council that the city has received a refund of \$3,500 on the city's insurance pool through the Texas Municipal League, due to the city's good safety record.

Sheffy also told the council that he is looking into purchasing a sign making machine for about \$3,000 since the cost of signs has gone up and many are having to be replaced.

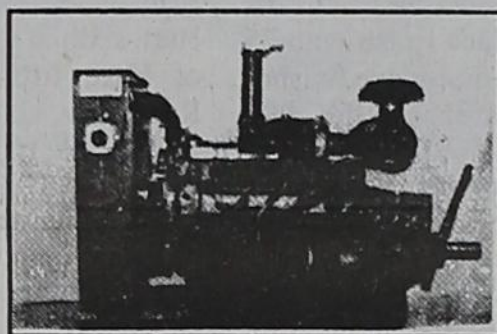
Sheffy said the works department has consulted with Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative to monitor the well motors at the water field south of town and see if it can be determined what is making the motors wear out so quickly. Works Dept. Supervisor Ralph Salinas said he has replaced the well motors twice in the past year. He said he suspects that the more powerful booster station motors pull too much current and cause the well motors to overheat.

Following the meeting, the council met in executive session to discuss a personnel matter.



DUSTY ORTIZ OF HART throws the discus at the Bobcat Relays in Dimmitt Saturday morning. Despite the high winds and cool temperatures, he managed a toss of 148'5" to take third place. He also won first in the shot put. First in the discus went to Wiseman of Friona and second went to Armando Minjarez of Hart.
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 pounds; fourth place went to Seguin High School, 190 pounds; and fifth place was Plano Senior High School, 100 pounds.

The Middle School Division second place winner was Greenville Middle School; third place was Franklin Middle School of Dallas; fourth was Mary Immaculate School; and fifth went to Wilson Middle School of Plano's Team A.

First place for the Classics Middle

School Division went to Baker Middle School of Corpus Christi; second was Arbor Creek Middle School of Lewisville; third, Truman Middle School of Grand Prairie; and fifth was a tie between Parkhill Junior High of Richardson and E.L. DeGolyer Elementary Team A of Dallas.

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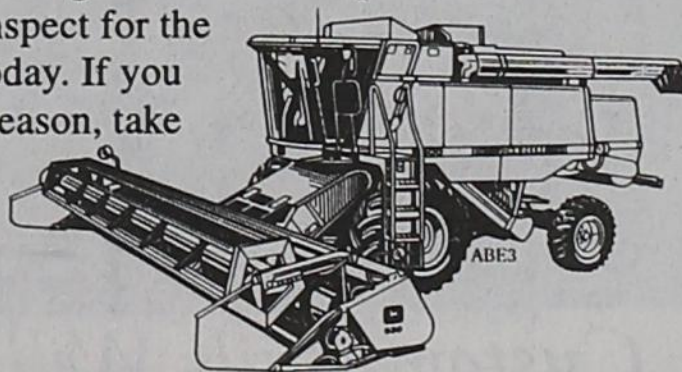
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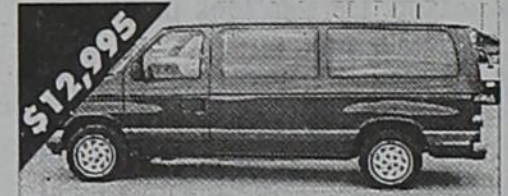
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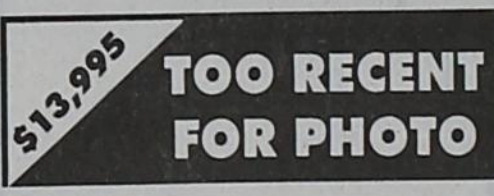
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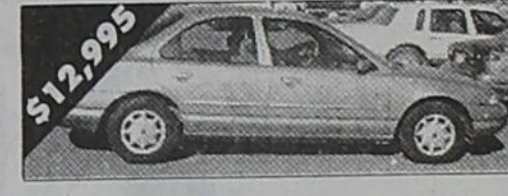
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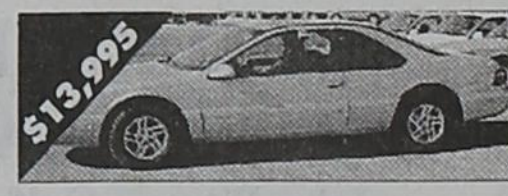
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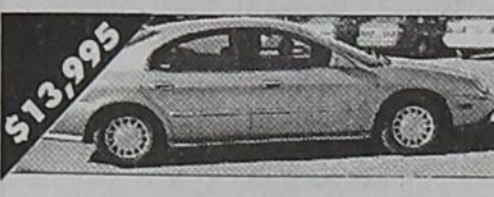
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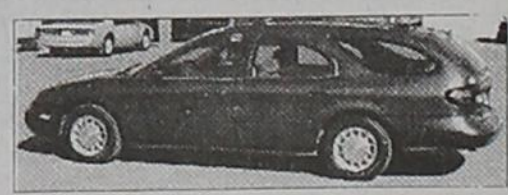
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Sports



Athletes battle gusty winds at Bobcat Relays

Strong, gusty winds wreaked havoc with many times and distances in Saturday's Bobcat Relays, resulting in just two record-setting performances.

Doug Yarborough of Tulia broke the meet record in the Division I 200-meter dash, posting a winning time of 21.91. Tulia's Charles Sims, who was high-point individual in Division I, also set a meet record, leaping 43-11 in the triple jump.

Sims earned a total of 34 points in the meet to lead his team to the overall championship with 153 points. Boys Ranch was second with 125 while Dimmitt finished third with 91 and Hart was fourth with 56.

In Division III (varsity girls), Borger took home top team honors, paced by Kathy Wilson, who was high-point individual with 37. Tulia was second with 101 and Hart was third with 75. Dimmitt's girls finished fifth with 49 points and Nazareth was 10th with five.

Tulia's boys also captured the team title in Division II (JV boys) with 99 points, but it was Floydada's Justin McGuire who earned top individual honors with 31 points. The Dimmitt JV was fifth with 67, Nazareth was seventh with 42 and Hart's JV was eighth with 24.

The varsity Hornets captured four gold medals, four silvers and six bronze awards Saturday to claim the team title in Division I.

Sims won the Division I triple jump and long jump events and finished third in the 100-meter dash. He also was on the Hornets' sprint and mile relays, and both finished second.

The Borger girls posted an easy victory over the 10-team field, besting No. 2 Tulia by 62 points, 163-101.

Wilson took home first-place honors in the long jump and 200 and

finished second in the triple jump to lead the Lady Bulldogs.

Borger dominated opponents in the running events, taking first and second in the 3,200, first in the sprint relay, first in the 100 hurdles and 200, and second in the 800 relay and mile run. Borger also placed sixth in the 400 and fourth in the mile.

The Lady Bulldogs also were successful in field events, winning the high jump, shot and long jump and placing second, third and fourth in the discus. Borger also earned several other points from field events.

County athletes also fared well Saturday.

In Division I, Dimmitt's Jerome Larra won the 3,200 with a good time of 10:54.39, topping second-place finisher Eric Montemayor of Hart, who finished in 11:17.95.

Joey Flores and D.J. Fleeks of Dimmitt took first and second, respectively, in the 800. Flores was clocked at 2:04.15 while Fleeks finished the race in 2:06.55.

The Bobcats' mile relay, including John Paul Ramos, Fleeks, Zack Matthews and Flores, posted a winning time of 3:26.78 to win gold medals.

Hart and Dimmitt dominated the shot put Saturday, taking four of the top six places. Hart's Dusty Ortiz heaved the ball 52-4 1/2 for first place. Armando Minjarez of Hart was second with a throw of 49-0 1/4. Dimmitt's Charley Sanders was third with a 47-4 1/2 effort and Juan Romero of Hart was fifth with a throw of 44-3.

In the discus, Minjarez and Ortiz finished second and third, respectively while Sanders was fourth and Hart's Dozal finished fifth.

Ramos was second in the 400 for the Bobcats with a time of 52.87 while Kalem Thomas took home fourth-place honors in the event with a time of 54.07.

Hart's 400 relay was sixth in 46.88 and the Horns' Lupe DeLaFuenta was sixth in the 300 hurdles, clearing the obstacles in 46.64. DeLaFuenta finished sixth in the 110 hurdles, too, with a time of 17.38. Hart's mile relay placed sixth (4:00.01).

Three-on-three tourney is slated at Nazareth Gym

The Nazareth Booster Club is sponsoring a three-on-three basketball tournament April 18-19 at the Nazareth Gym.

Divisions include high school, adult and 30-and-over.

Entry fee is \$40 per team and entry deadline is Wednesday.

For more information or to enter a team call 945-2682, 945-2227 or 945-2245.

Schmucker, Crow involved in spring football workouts

Michael Schmucker of Nazareth and Tait Crow of Dimmitt are among 70 student-athletes participating in West Texas A&M University's spring workouts.

Schmucker, a senior quarterback, played in the Buffloes intrasquad football game on March 29.

Crow will be a junior quarterback next season after playing tight end last season. He also took part in the intrasquad scrimmage.

A strong wind partly accounted for the defense coming out on top. According to first-year head coach Stan McGarvey, the defense did a good job in tackling and stopping the defense.



BIG FINISH—Dimmitt's Amy Matthews and Jacy Buckley finish 1-2 in the girls' 400-meter dash while teammate Carol Summers heads home in fifth place during the Bobcat Relays finals Saturday. Matthews'

winning time of 1:04.20 in the event produced Dimmitt High School's only gold medal in the girls' division, which attracted girls' varsity teams from 10 area schools.

Photo by Don Nelson

Matthews finished fourth in the 200 with a time of 22.87 and was fourth in the long jump. Stuart Sutton came in sixth in the 200 with a time of 23.90 for Dimmitt. Sutton placed fourth in the 100 (11.73).

Montemayor earned Hart another medal with a third-place finish in the mile (5:14.26).

In the girls' division, the Hart girls managed a third-place finish with 75 points, boosted by first-place finishes from Isela Minjarez in the 800 (2:34.69) and Ysa Rodriguez in the 100 (12.81). The Lady Horns picked up one second place and five thirds, and placed in several other events.

For Dimmitt, Amy Matthews earned the only gold medal, winning the 400 with a time of 1:04.20. Jacy Buckley was second in the event with a time of 1:05.53, and teammate Carol Summers came in fifth with a time of 1:08.51. Matthews also was third in the 200 (28.50). The Bobbies' mile relay finished second in 4:30.87.

Hart's Charbra Lee was a hair behind Borger's Kelley in the 100-meter hurdles and had to settle for second with a time of 16.72. Minjarez picked up a third-place finish in the mile (6:05.19) and Amanda Ethridge was third in the 300 hurdles (56.30) for the Lady Horns.

Hart's 800-meter relay was third with a time of 1:56.39 and Lisa Rincon took third-place honors in the 3,200-meters (13:27.28). Nikki Lee finished third in the shot with a throw of 31-6.

Dimmitt's Lindsey Welch finished fourth in the 800 (2:42.09) and sixth in the mile (6:20.66). Trina Johnson of Nazareth finished fourth in the 400 with a time of 1:08.26 and Celina Braddock was sixth in the 3,200 (14:10.59). Other county girls placing were Stephanie Flores of Dimmitt, sixth in the 800; Brittany Porter of Dimmitt, sixth in the 200; Lisa Rincon of Hart, fifth in the mile; Adelita Dozal of Hart, sixth in the discus; Charbra Lee of Hart, fifth in the triple jump; Rodriguez, sixth in the shot put; and Hart's mile relay, fifth.

Jason Burnam and Darren Huckert of Nazareth and Dimmitt's Justin Sutton earned gold medals in Division II.

Burnam won the 110 hurdles with a time of 16.19 and also claimed the gold in the triple jump with a leap of 41-1 3/4. Huckert won the mile with a time of 5:03.15—best in the meet in any division.

Justin Sutton took first in the pole vault, clearing 10-6.

Hart's Roberto Yebra was second in the 3,200 (12:12.96) and third in the mile (5:34.31).

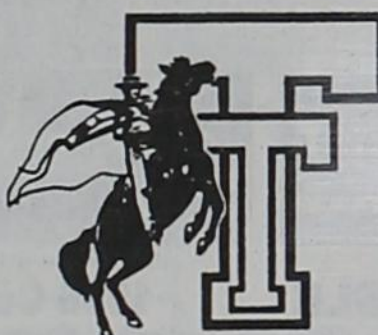
I. Flores of Dimmitt finished second in the 400 (55.35) while teammate Porter was fourth in 56.37. Hill gave Dimmitt 22 points with a second-place finish in the 100 (11.77), third-place in the discus (123-10 1/4) and fourth-place efforts in the long jump (17-10 1/2) and shot put (38-7).

The JV Bobcats' mile relay finished third with a time of 3:45.47 and Dimmitt's Whatley was third in the 200 (24.35).



JOEY FLORES, anchoring Dimmitt's 1,600-meter relay team, carries the baton across the finish line to give the Bobcats the gold medal while teammates cheer him on in the final event Saturday. The team of John Paul Ramos, D.J. Fleeks, Zack Matthews and Flores covered the metric mile in 3:26.78. In team totals, the Dimmitt varsity boys finished in third place behind Tulia and Boys Ranch, while Hart finished fourth.

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HEREFORD/DIMMITT RED RAIDER DAY

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Track Results

BOBCAT RELAYS
Division I Varsity Boys
Team Totals: 1. Tullia 153; 2. Boys Ranch 125; 3. Dimmitt 91; 4. Hart 56; 5. Friona 40; 6. (tie) Floydada and River Road 34; 8. Lockney 32; 9. Claude 4.

3,200: 1. Jerome Larra, Dimmitt, 10:54.39; 2. Eric Montemayor, Hart, 11:17.95; 3. Blair, Boys Ranch, 11:27.30; 4. Rigney, Boys Ranch, 11:41.83; 5. Arrellano, Tullia, 11:49.67; 6. Banda, Lockney, 11:59.79.

400 Relay: 1. Boys Ranch, 44.63; 2. Tullia, 45.22; 3. River Road, 45.34; 4. Lockney, 45.54; 5. Floydada, 45.60; 6. Hart, 46.88.

800: 1. Joey Flores, Dimmitt, 2:04.15; 2. D.J. Fleeks, Dimmitt, 2:06.55; 3. Equia, Floydada, 2:10.05; 4. Hart, Boys Ranch, 2:12.81; 5. Benjamin, Floydada, 2:15.43; 6. Marshall, Tullia, 2:16.39.

110 Hurdles: 1. Ellis, Friona, 14.86; 2. Christianson, River Road, 14.94; 3. Cummings, Lockney, 15.45; 4. Nunez, Floydada, 15.50; 5. Pierce, Floydada, 17.11; 6. Lupe DeLaFuente, Hart, 17.38.

100: 1. Thomas, Boys Ranch, 11.10; 2. King, Friona, 11.24; 3. Sims, Tullia, 11.46; 4. Stuart Sutton, Dimmitt, 11.73; 5. Van Zarat, Lockney, 11.76; 6. Phillips, Lockney, 11.89.

400: 1. Medley, Boys Ranch, 51.64; 2. John Paul Ramos, Dimmitt, 52.87; 3. Brookins, Tullia, 52.93; 4. Kalem Thomas, Dimmitt, 54.07; 5. Allen, Tullia, 54.53; 6. Equia, Floydada, 56.08.

300 Hurdles: 1. Christianson, River Road, 41.35; 2. Cummings, Lockney, 41.91; 3. Ellis, Friona, 42.82; 4. Nunez, Floydada, 45.50; 5. Kimbrough, Boys Ranch, 45.73; 6. Lupe DeLaFuente, Hart, 46.64.

200: 1. Yarborough, Tullia, 21.91 (meet record); 2. Thomas, Boys Ranch, 22.41; 3. Patton, Tullia, 22.78; 4. Zack Matthews, Dimmitt, 22.87; 5. Casillas, Floydada, 23.22; 6. Stuart Sutton, Dimmitt, 23.90.

1,600: 1. Blair, Boys Ranch, 5:04.64; 2. Marshall, Tullia, 5:06.57; 3. Eric Montemayor, Hart, 5:14.26; 4. Arrellano, Tullia, 5:22.79; 5. Bailey, Boys Ranch, 5:27.78; 6. Moreno, Tullia, 5:31.69.

1,600 Relay: 1. Dimmitt (John Paul Ramos, D.J. Fleeks, Zack Matthews and Joey Flores), 3:26.78; 2. Tullia, 3:34.95; 3. Boys Ranch, 3:35.74; 4. Floydada, 3:39.70; 5. River Road, 3:59.01; 6. Hart, 4:00.01.

Shot Put: 1. Dusty Ortiz, Hart, 52-4 1/2; 2. Armando Minjarez, Hart, 49-0 1/4; 3. Charley Sanders, Dimmitt, 47-4 1/2; 4. Wesley, Tullia, 45-0; 5. Juan Romero, Hart, 44-3; 6. Lightfoot, Floydada, 41-1 1/4.

Pole Vault: 1. Reynolds, 12-1; 2. McCallie, Boys Ranch, 12-0; 3. Hamilton, Friona, 11-0.

Long Jump: 1. Sims, Tullia, 21-4; 2. Thomas, Boys Ranch, 21-0; 3. Patton, Tullia, 20-7 3/4; 4. Zack Matthews, Dimmitt, 20-6 3/4; 5. Phillips, Lockney, 19-5; 6. Mikey Marshall, Tullia, 19-0 1/2.

Discus: 1. Wiseman, Friona, 155-10 1/2; 2. Armando Minjarez, Hart, 153-4; 3. Dusty Ortiz, Hart, 148-5; 4. Charley Sanders, Dimmitt, 137-2 1/2; 5. Dozal, Hart, 137-1; 6. Wesley, Tullia, 132-5 3/4.

High Jump: 1. Tim Marshall, Tullia, 5-10; 2. Phillip Marshall, Tullia, 5-10; 3. Mikey Marshall, Tullia, 5-6; 4. Brown, Claude, 5-6.

Triple Jump: 1. Sims, Tullia, 43-11; 2. Zack Matthews, Dimmitt, 43-8 1/2; 3. Marshall, Tullia, 41-10 3/4; 4. Phillips, Lockney, 41-7 3/4; 5. Patton, Tullia, 40-9 1/4; 6. Tekle, Boys Ranch, 40-8 1/2; 7. Black, Floydada, 37-8.

Division III Varsity Girls

Team Totals: 1. Borger 163; 2. Tullia, 101; 3. Hart, 75; 4. Claude, 60; 5. Dimmitt, 49; 6. Friona, 48; 7. Lockney, 38; 8. Floydada, 28; 9. Boys Ranch, 16; 10. Nazareth 5.

3,200: 1. Cowan, Borger, 13:03.22; 2. Marquez, Borger, 13:14.03; 3. Lisa Rincon, Hart, 13:27.28; 4. Labriola, Boys Ranch, 14:06.32; 5. Guerrero, Lockney, 14:11.09; 6. Celina Braddock, Nazareth, 14:10.59.

400 Relay: 1. Borger, 52.40; 2. Tullia, 52.95; 3. Friona, 53.00; 4. Lockney, 54.13; 4. Claude, 54.25; 6. Hart, 56.19.

800: 1. Isela Minjarez, Hart, 2:34.69; 2. McCaulesh, Floydada, 2:37.79; 3. Zamora, Boys Ranch, 2:40.48; 4. Lindsey Welch, Dimmitt, 2:42.09; 5. Balderas, Lockney, 2:46.09; 6. Stephanie Flores, Dimmitt, 2:48.40.

100 Hurdles: 1. Kelley, Borger, 16.63; 2. Charbra Lee, Hart, 16.72; 3. Brooks, Tullia, 17.04; 4. A. Williams, Floydada, 18.06; 5. Cummings, Lockney, 18.14; 6. Irby, Claude, 18.34.

100: 1. Ysa Rodriguez, Hart, 12.81; 2. Robinson, Tullia, 13.11; 3. Pope, Friona, 13.27; 4. Sanders, Floydada, 13.95; 5. Eudey, Tullia, 14.17.

800 Relay: 1. Tullia, 1:33.62; 2. Borger, 1:54.18; 3. Hart, 1:56.39; 4. Lockney, 2:00.47; 5. Claude, 2:01.68; 6. Floydada, 2:02.74.

400: 1. Amy Matthews, Dimmitt, 1:04.20; 2. Jacy Buckley, Dimmitt, 1:05.53; 3. Zamora, Boys Ranch, 1:07.99; 4. Trina Johnson, Nazareth, 1:08.26; 5. Carol Summers, Dimmitt, 1:08.51; 6. Lerman,

Borger, 1:12.24.

300 Hurdles: 1. Culwell, Tullia, 54.57; 2. Irby, Claude, 55.15; 3. Amanda Ethridge, Hart, 56.30; 4. Jones, Tullia, 57.87; 5. Hooten, Lockney, 59.76; 6. Johnson, Tullia, 60.78.

200: 1. Wilson, Borger, 27.34; 2. Aguirre, Friona, 28.09; 3. Amy Matthews, Dimmitt, 28.50; 4. Wilks, Tullia, 28.88; 5. Martinez, Lockney, 28.89; 6. Brittany Porter, Dimmitt, 29.60.

1,600: 1. McCaulesh, Floydada, 5:56.81; 2. Cowen, Borger, 6:04.11; 3. Isela Minjarez, Hart, 6:05.19; 4. Marquez, Borger, 6:05.54; 5. Lisa Rincon, Hart, 6:13.60; 6. Lindsey Welch, Dimmitt, 6:20.66.

High Jump: 1. Keener, Borger, 5-0; 2. Henderson, Tullia, 4-10; 3. Marrow, Borger, 4-8; 4. Irby, Claude, 4-6.

Triple Jump: 1. Pope, Friona, 35-7; 2. Wilson, Borger, 33-11 1/2; 3. Skiles, Claude, 33-11; 4. Kelley, Borger, 33-10 3/4; 5. Charbra Lee, Hart, 33-5; 6. Mosley, Lockney, 32-4 1/4.

Long Jump: 1. Wilson, Borger, 16-4 3/4; 2. Pope, Friona, 15-4 1/2; 3. Skiles, Claude, 15-1; 4. White, Friona, 15-1; 5. Kelley, Borger, 15-0; 6. Martinez, Lockney, 14-11.

Discus: 1. Manning, Claude, 107-6 1/4; 2. Powell, Borger, 104-8 1/2; 3. Honaker, Borger, 102-7; 4. Forte, Borger, 98-8; 5. Bossett, Tullia, 96-1; 6. Adelta Dozal, Hart, 94-4.

Shot Put: 1. Malone, Borger, 33-3 1/2; 2. Powell, Borger, 32-3 1/4; 3. Nikki Lee, Hart, 31-6; 4. Burks, Floydada, 31-2; 5. Davis, Lockney, 30-1 3/4; 6. Monica Rodriguez, Hart, 29-9.

1,600 Relay: 1. Tullia, 4:28.01; 2. Dimmitt, 4:30.87; 3. Claude, 4:40.50; 4. Lockney, 4:40.87; 5. Hart, 4:44.10.

Division II JV Boys

Team Totals: 1. Tullia 99; 2. Friona 79; 3. (tie) Claude (Red) and Floydada 77; 5. Dimmitt 67; 6. Boys Ranch 50; 7. Nazareth 42; 8. Hart 24; 9. Lockney 14; 10. River Road 9; 11. Claude (Grey) 6.

3,200: 1. Tinder, Boys Ranch, 11:59.79; 2. Roberto Yebra, Hart, 12:12.96; 3. Roberts, Claude, 12:23.73; 4. Norman, Claude, 12:26.49; 5. Velasquez, Hart, 12:43.27; 6. Snell, Floydada, 12:47.87.

400 Relay: 1. Tullia, 46.84; 2. Claude (red) 47.03; 3. Floydada, 47.21; 4. Friona, 48.12; 5. River Road, 48.72; 6. Lockney, 49.03.

800: 1. Grajado, Friona, 2:14.27; 2. Mason, Boys Ranch, 2:14.54; 3. Tinder, Boys Ranch, 2:16.14; 4. Sanchez, Floydada, 2:21.95; 5. Williams, Boys Ranch, 2:24.18; 6. Kevin Sanders, Dimmitt, 2:28.25.

110 Hurdles: 1. Jayson Bumam, Nazareth, 16.19; 2. Hoggard, Claude (Red), 16.99; 3. Daniel, Friona, 17.26; 4. Stanton Wethington, Nazareth, 17.88; 5. Smith, Friona, 17.91; 6. Martin, Friona, 18.03.

100: 1. Finch, Tullia, 11:53; 2. Hill, Dimmitt, 11:77; 3. Cordova, Claude (Red), 11:83; 4. Gonzales, Tullia, 12:03; 5. Matthew Kern, Nazareth, 12:09; 6. Hanzley, River Road, 12.10.

400: 1. Kendrick, Friona, 54.40; 2. Flores, Dimmitt, 55.35; 3. McGuire, Floydada, 56.35; 4. Porter, Dimmitt, 56.37; 5. Venhaus, Tullia, 57.31; 6. Ramos, Tullia, 58.23.

300 Hurdles: 1. Scarborough, Tullia, 44.78; 2. Haggard, Claude (red), 44.82; 3. Hulsey, Tullia, 46.13; 4. Morton, Friona, 46.42; 5. Lightfoot, Floydada, 46.52; 6. Stanton Wethington, Nazareth, 48.50.

200: 1. Chavez, Tullia, 23.59; 2. Williams, Floydada, 23.84; 3. Whitley, Dimmitt, 24.35; 4. Hensley, River Road, 24.38; 5. Gonzales, Tullia, 24.50; 6. Matthew Kern, 24.94.

1,600: 1. Darren Huckert, Nazareth, 5:03.15; 2. Couvillon, Boys Ranch, 5:33.06; 3. Yebra, Hart, 5:34.31; 4. Smith, Claude (red), 5:40.95; 5. Roberts, Claude (red) 5:41.87; 6. Norman, Claude (red), 5:44.19.

1,600 Relay: 1. Tullia, 3:42.59; 2. Floydada, 3:44.87; 3. Dimmitt, 3:45.47; 4. Boys Ranch, 3:45.81; 5. Friona, 3:49.65; 6. Lockney, 3:57.69.

Triple Jump: 1. Jayson Bumam, Nazareth, 41-1 3/4; 2. McGuire, Floydada, 38-7 1/4; 3. Rando, Friona, 38-7 1/4; 4. Collins, Lockney, 37-6; 5. Flores, Dimmitt, 37-3 1/4; 6. Allen, Friona, 37-0.

Long Jump: 1. Rando, Friona, 18-5; 2. Chavez, Tullia, 18-4 3/4; 3. Rosalez, Lockney, 18-1 1/2; 4. Hill, Dimmitt, 17-10 1/2; 5. Cordova, Claude (red), 17-10; 6. Diaz, Floydada, 17-7.

Pole Vault: 1. Sutton, Dimmitt, 10-6; 2. Stovall, Floydada, 10-0.

Shot Put: 1. Pillard, Claude (red), 43-8; 2. Lucas Anzaldua, Hart, 42-8; 3. Knox, Claude (grey), 41-5 3/4; 4. Hill, Dimmitt, 38-7; 5. Garza, Tullia, 36-7 1/2; 6. Vallejo, Floydada, 36-5 3/4.

High Jump: 1. McGuire, Floydada, 5-8; 2. Daniel, Friona, 5-8; 3. Nevels, Boys Ranch, 5-6; 4. Hulsey, Tullia, 5-2; 5. Williams, Boys Ranch, 5-2.

Discus: 1. Pillard, Claude (red) 129-2; 2. Williams, Friona, 128-4 1/2; 3. Hill, Dimmitt, 123-10 1/4; 4. Hunter, Nazareth, 120-2; 5. Rodriguez, Dimmitt, 107-0; 6. Centero, Friona, 106-0; 7. Pennington, Boys Ranch, 105-7.

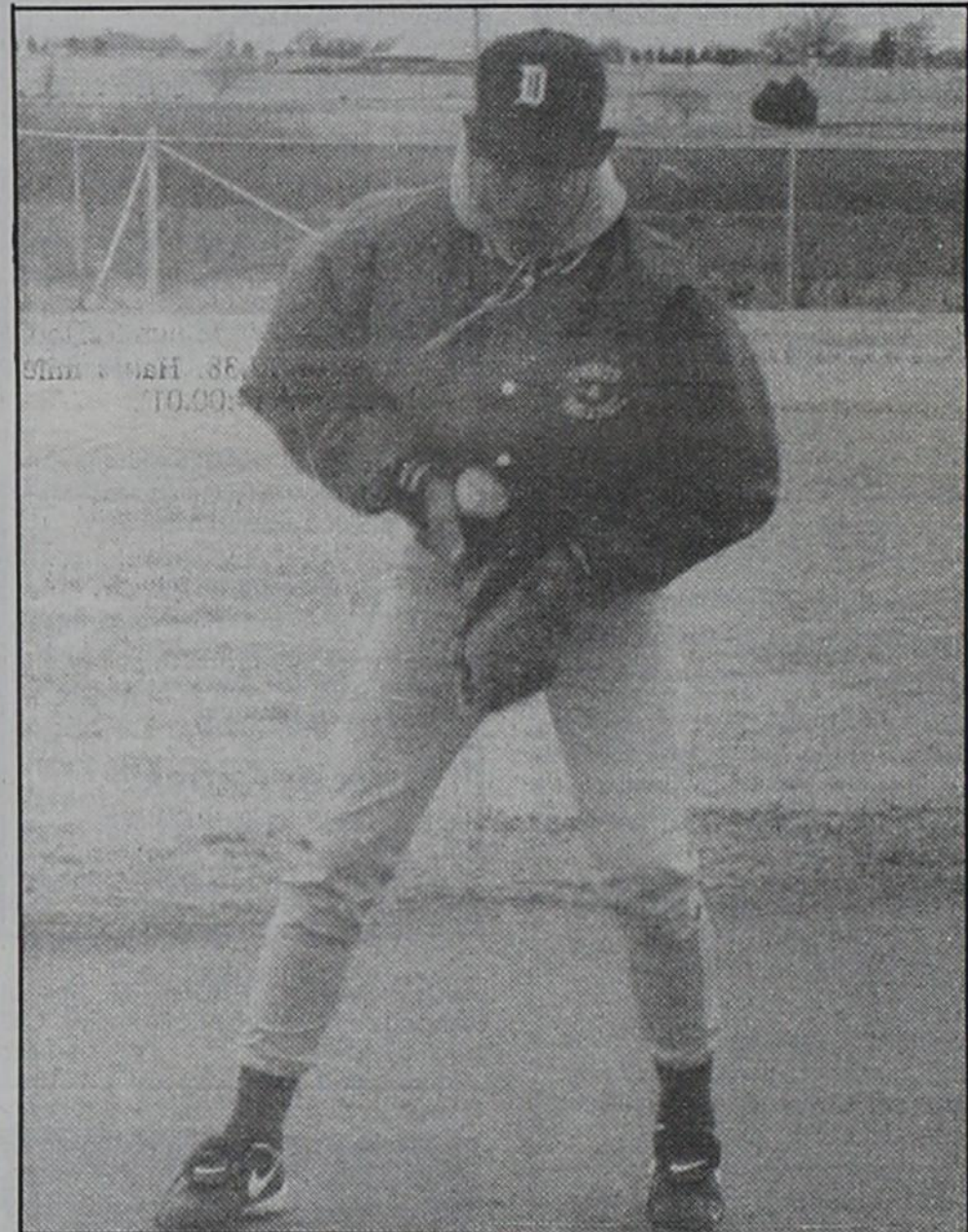
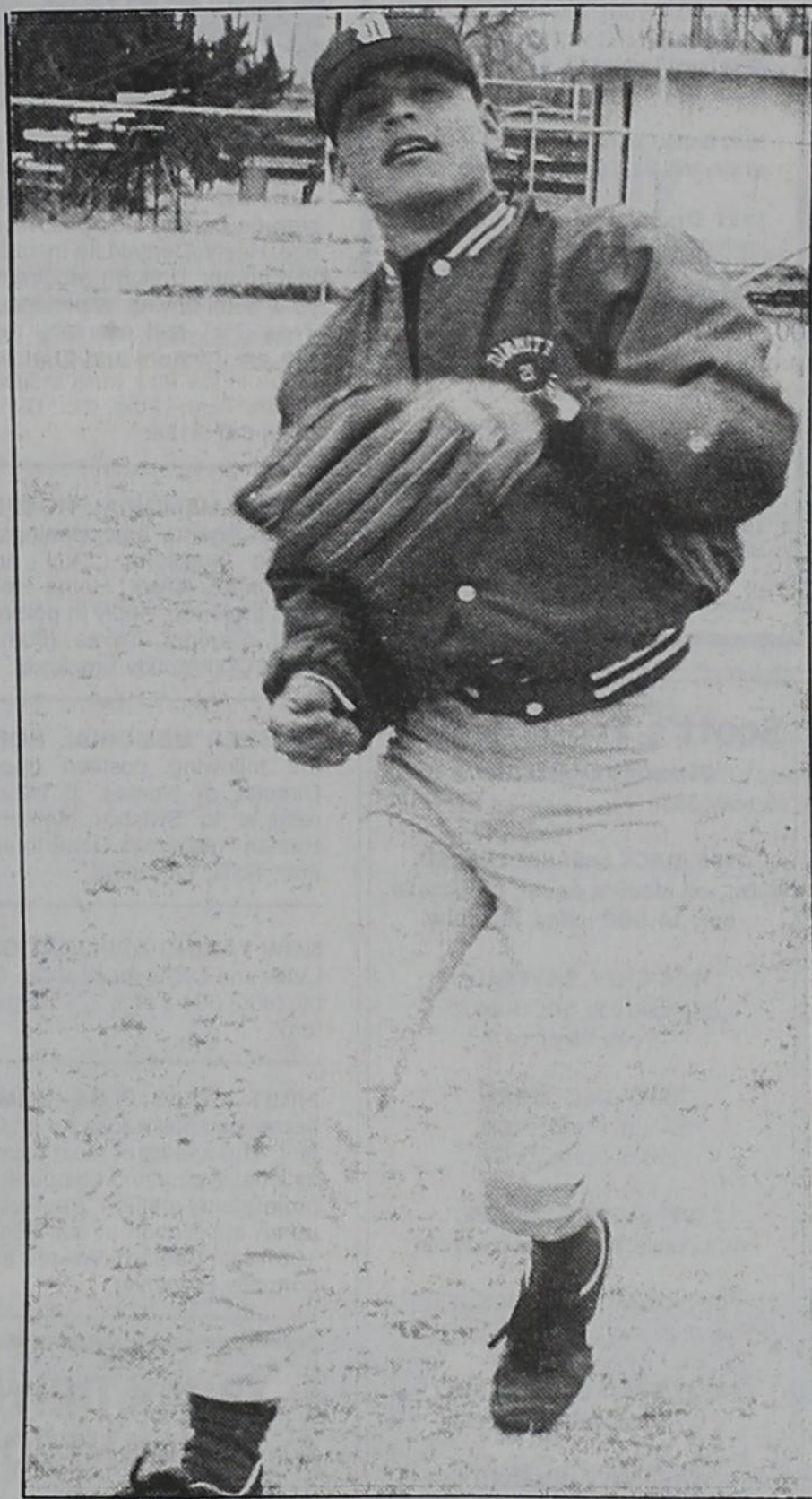


THE DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL tennis team competed in the District 1-AAA tournament Tuesday and Wednesday in Amarillo. Results were unavailable at press time. Team members include (back row, from left) Wesley Mays, Josh Flores, Jeff Riggs, Bryan Portwood, Brent Portwood and Brad Beck; and (kneeling, from left) Kaci Schulte, Monica Ortiz, Kristen Doss, Julie Merritt, Lindsey Welch and Miranda Turner. Photo by Anne Acker

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S&S Properties

5—For Rent, Misc.

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647-2197 Dimmitt

6—For Sale, Misc.

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9—Farm Equipment & Supplies

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CUSTOM SWATHING and baling. Call David Schulte, 647-7740, or (806) 965-2489. 10-51-16tp

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Three nice older models.

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4-Dr., all electric equip, one owner, only 14,000 miles, like new

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Extended cab, S/B, all equip, white, very nice

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18—Services

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24—Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank everyone for making our 25th Wedding Anniversary such an enjoyable time. Your presence at the reception, the cards, the calls and sentiments expressed were greatly appreciated.
And much love and thanks to our wonderful children for their love in planning such a celebration.
MR. AND MRS. SANDY PARSONS
24-1-11c

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✓ The first time you ad runs it will cost at least \$5 (25 cents per word with a \$5 minimum).
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12. Farm produce for sale	24. Cards of thanks
13. Livestock and pets	25. Legal notices

22—Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 945-2553. 22-52-4tc

25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE NO. PR 2257
THE ESTATE OF RETA GRAEF WELCH, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE NO. PR 2258
THE ESTATE OF JAMES ERVIN WELCH, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RETA GRAEF WELCH, DECEASED
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of RETA GRAEF WELCH, Deceased, were issued to JAMES MARK WELCH on the 31st day of March, 1997, in the proceedings indicated below, which proceedings are still pending, and that he now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law, as follows: JAMES MARK WELCH, 714 Cleveland, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. 25-1-1tc

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NOTICE OF HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTION
To the Registered Voters of Castro County, Texas:
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 3, 1997, for voting in a Hospital District election, to elect three members to the CHHD Board.

Location(s) of Polling Places:
City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas; Golden Group Building, Hwy. 194 and Date Street, Hart, Texas; Nazareth ISD Home Ec Room, 101 S. First Ave., Nazareth, Texas.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Hospital Business Office, 310 W. Halsell Street, Dimmitt, Texas, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997, and ending on April 29, 1997.
Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: N/A.
Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Tisha Rice, P.O. Box 278, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 1997.
Issued this the 20th day of March, 1997. BILLY R. CLARK 25-1-1tc

AVISO DE ELECCION DEL DISTRITO DEL HOSPITAL
A los votantes registrados del Castro County, Texas.
Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abriran desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7 p.m. el 3 de mayo de 1997, para votar en la Eleccion para elegir tres miembros para la mesa directiva del distrito.
Direccion(es) de las casillas electorales: City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas; Golden Group Building, Hwy. 194 and Date Street, Hart, Texas; Nazareth ISD Home Ec Room, 101 S. First Ave., Nazareth, Texas.
La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en the Hospital Business Office, 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas, entre las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 14 de abril de 1997, y terminado el 29 de abril de 1997.
La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera: N/A.
Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Tisha Rice, P.O. Box 278, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.
Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 25 de abril 1997.
Emitada este día 20 de marzo de 1997. BILLY R. CLARK 25-1-1tc

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION
To the Registered Voters of Nazareth ISD, Texas:
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 3, 1997, for voting in a school trustee election, to elect two members to full three-year terms.
Location(s) of Polling Places:
Nazareth Home Economics Room, Nazareth School Building, 101 S. First Ave., Nazareth, Texas, 79063.
Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Superintendent's Office, Nazareth School, 101 S. First Ave., Nazareth, Texas, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997, and ending on April 29, 1997.
Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: N/A.
Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Barbara Schulte, Absentee Clerk, P.O. Box 189, Nazareth, Texas 79063.
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 1997.
Issued this the 12th day of February, 1997. SIDNEY BIRKENFELD 25-1-11c

Applications due for electric camp
4-H'ers planning on applying for electric camp should have their applications filled out and returned to the Extension office by April 28.
Applications will be judged by an out-of-county individual who will rank the applications and determine which 4-H'ers will attend the camp, slated for June 16-20.
To apply, 4-H'ers must have presented or be presenting a Method Demonstration at the county level this year.

4-H schedules clothing project meeting April 24
A clothing project meeting will be held Thursday, April 24, at 4 p.m. in the courthouse basement.
4-H'ers attending the meeting will be making poster bags, which will be the right size for Method Demonstration posters.
4-H'ers planning to attend should call the Extension office to sign up for the class and to get materials.
The project meeting is for 4-H'ers of all ages.
Together We Can

More about

Astronaut visit . . .

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station and other space missions happen at a distance above the Earth equal to only the thickness of the rope.

He said that the questions students ask during the question and answer sessions tend to be the same everywhere. However, he said Dimmitt is the first place he has visited that held a shuttle model contest. He said he was quite impressed with the quality of the projects entered by the students.

The most frequently asked questions are: How do you go to the bathroom in space? What do you eat in space? and Is it fun in the weightlessness of space? At the high school, he said they added the question of how much training it takes to become an astronaut.

Husband said his current job with NASA is serving as the Astronaut Office Representative for Advanced Projects. He said it is his job to make sure that the concerns of the astronauts are considered when design changes are made in the spacecraft and equipment they use. He said he is currently working on the design of a new space craft called the crew return vehicle, which he described as a space "life Boat." He said it would be used to bring people back to Earth from the international space station in the event of an emergency.

Husband said he also is working with people who want to modernize the space shuttle with new cockpit displays and avionics. He said he tries to make sure the equipment is designed to make it simple to work with.

"If it is as simple as possible, then fewer mistakes will be made," Husband said.

Through the programs he presents at schools, Husband said he encourages students to stay in school and do the best job they can. He likes to tell about the space program, and tells students to be sure to take more science and math.

Husband said he should get assigned to a space flight mission sometime this year and should actu-

ally get to go into space in 1998. He said he was in a class of 10 pilots who were in astronaut training together, and one of his classmates was on the shuttle mission that was launched Friday. As a pilot on a shuttle mission, Husband said his duties would include flying the shuttle, and knowing how the systems work. His primary responsibility would be to monitor and take care of most of the systems on ascent and landing, the times most likely for problems to show up.

During his visit in Dimmitt, Husband spoke to the Dimmitt Youth Group, and gave a testimony about his faith in Jesus. He said, "God is the first priority in my life, then my family and then my job. Sometimes it is hard to keep them in the right order. I am thankful to Jesus for his sacrifice and the blessings he has given to me."

Husband said he has chances to witness about his faith through his church in Houston, and he also spoke to a meeting of aerospace industry workers. He said during his astronaut training days he belonged to a Bible study group.

At ceremonies Friday, Tech also honored five other people who obtained engineering degrees there. Husband said he started out as a chemical engineer, but switched to mechanical engineering.

He said he recently found out that his wife's grandfather and great-uncle both were valedictorians of their graduating classes at Dimmitt High School, and her great-grandfather had been on the school board. Robert "Bob" Charlton Neely was the valedictorian in 1915, and his brother, Mark Edward "Ned" Neely was in 1918. Great-grandfather was Ben Neely, who homesteaded in the area.

More about Early voting . . .

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City of Dimmitt

Wayne Collins for mayor. For three at-large council member positions, Lyman Schroeder, Malcolm Reynolds, Patricia Elliott, and Clint Seward.

City of Hart

Tony Leibel for mayor. For two aldermen's spots, Doyle K. Davis, Tommy Hall, Harold Smith and Harvey Perez.

Dimmitt ISD

For Place 1, John Nino; and for one spot in Place 5, Avery Thrasher and Joe Alvarez.

Hart ISD

To fill two spots, David Smith, Danny Rodriguez, Marsha George, Pancho Diaz and Ricky Mitchell.

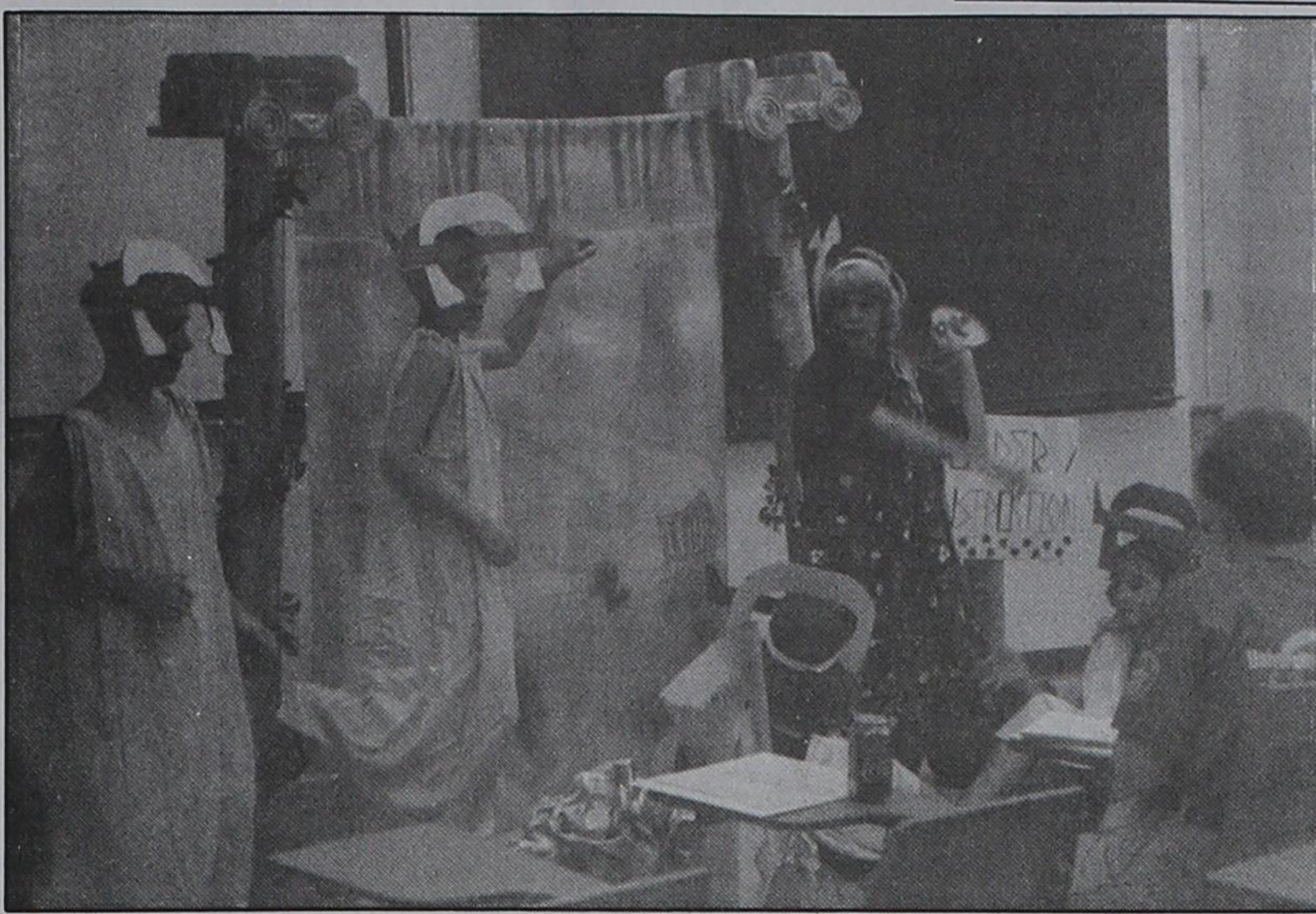
Nazareth ISD

For two positions, David Olvera, Patti Kern, Vicky Kleman, Morris Wilcox and Peggy Birkenfeld.

Dimmitt-Tulia game rescheduled

The Bobcats' game against Tulia, originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, was rescheduled, for Wednesday, April 9, at 5:30 p.m. at George Howell Memorial Park in Dimmitt.

The game date was changed due to the cold weather.



DIMMITT MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSICS TEAM members perform at the state contest in Houston this past weekend. They won fourth place. This is the team's first year to compete. Team members are Cliff

Wright, Alexis Proffitt, Rae Odom, Thomas Brockman, Jill Merritt, Ryan Hays and Kelsey Welch. They are coached by Kim Hays. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Police Calls

A 17-year-old Hart youth was jailed last Thursday afternoon on charges of aggravated assault with serious bodily injury and aggravated kidnapping in connection with an incident reported to the Sheriff's Dept. last week.

Three people were arrested for public intoxication and another four were picked up on warrants during the past week.

Those jailed on warrants alleging violation of probation included an Olton woman, 18, who was jailed Friday; and two Dimmitt women, ages 23 and 25, who were jailed Sunday.

A Nazareth man, 24, was jailed on a DPS warrant.

Deputies were called to a field north of Plains Memorial Hospital Monday afternoon in reference to a man who appeared to be unconscious. Two men with Dimmitt addresses, ages 55 and 56, were found at the site and both were arrested for public intoxication. Monday morning a 32-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested on the same charges.

When a Dimmitt man was stopped on suspicion of DWI Sunday morning, he was placed in handcuffs and put in a city patrol car. However, he escaped, still wearing the handcuffs. He is being sought by police on charges of DWI-first offense, escape, and theft under \$50. The incident is still under investigation.

Mickey Bishop of Dimmitt told police Monday afternoon that someone shot out two glass window panes at his place of business,

Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply.

Isom Walker of Dimmitt told police April 1 that someone had taken his lawn sprinkler, valued at \$6.

An incident of disorderly conduct was reported to police the afternoon of April 2. Reportedly the suspect was fighting at school.

April 2, Mary Davila was driving a 1992 Ford pickup west on West Belsher and failed to yield right of way at the intersection with Southwest Third Street. Her pickup struck a 1973 GMC pickup driven by Juan Marmolejo Jr. She was ticketed for no driver's license and failure to yield right of way. Davila reportedly had possible injuries and her pickup had moderate to heavy damage. The other pickup was rated with light to moderate damage, and no injuries were reported.

Saturday, a 1991 Ford pickup driven by Coby Summers of Dimmitt struck a 1990 Ford Probe, driven by Reynaldo Soria.

No injuries were reported. Damage to both vehicles was rated moderate.

Obituary

Ray White

Graveside services for Ray White, 43, of Dimmitt, were held Monday at Castro Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt with Edgar Dennis and Butch Boydston, friends, officiating.

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

Mr. White died at 3:45 p.m. Saturday at St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

He was born Nov. 15, 1953, in Franklin, Tenn., where he lived before he moved to Dimmitt in 1975. He married Susie Mooney on Dec. 16, 1986, in Dimmitt. He was a cowboy and had a feedyard south of Dimmitt for many years. He was a member of Cowboys for Christ in Hereford.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Cody Ray White of Hereford; a stepson, Caleb Bell of Lubbock; a daughter, Candy White of Nashville, Tenn.; a stepdaughter, Kacie Bell of Dimmitt; a brother, Reed White of Flat Creek, Tenn.; two sisters, Marion Newcomb of Flat Creek, Tenn., and Linda St. Claire of Taos, N.M.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley White of Flat Creek; and a grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Cowboys for Christ, in care of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home, P.O. Box 548, Dimmitt 79027.

Fritch rally sinks Bobcats

Errors proved costly for the Dimmitt Bobcats Monday in Fritch as they committed eight miscues, dropped a three-run lead and lost to the Sanford-Fritch Eagles, 8-3, in district baseball competition.

"We were rolling along, playing shut-out baseball, and all the sudden we were unable to make plays," said Dimmitt Coach Bobby Feaster.

Dimmitt took a 3-0 lead in the third inning on RBI hits by Conrado Saucedo and Zack Matthews.

The Eagles were able to tie the game in the fourth inning when four hitters reached base on Bobcat errors.

With the game tied in the sixth inning, Fritch broke it open, adding five runs on seven hits aided by two more Dimmitt errors.

The Bobcats didn't score again and suffered their third straight loss, falling in the district standings to 2-4.

SCORES				
Sanford-Fritch 8, Dimmitt 3				
Dimmitt	102	000	0	3 6 8
S-F	000	305	x	8 5 4
Matthews, Buckley (6) and Furr for Dimmitt; Tindall, Carr (3) and Reed for S-F. WP: Tindall. LP: Matthews. 2B: Carr, S-F. 3B: Conrado Saucedo, Dimmitt.				
JV Bobcats 11, Tulia 0				
Dimmitt	241	04	11 14 2	
Tulia	000	00	0 2 x	
WP: Luis Silva.				

More about Rain . . .

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real grateful for it."

She added, "Last year, we got eight inches the whole year long, so we didn't have any subsoil moisture. That was such a good rain."

On north, Linda (Mrs. Kenneth) Frye reported more than an inch at their farm seven miles west of Easter last Thursday, with another .2 Monday night.

"It's going to be a big help. I'll tell you," she said. "It will help all our crops to have the subsoil moisture."

At Easter Grain, Eddie Matthews reported 1.2 inches of rain with some hail last Thursday.

"It hailed about 10 minutes, but it was mostly pea-size, with a little marble-size, and it was soft, so I don't think it did any damage to speak of," Matthews said. "I heard it got a little heavier north of here."

In the Frio community north of Easter, Janette (Mrs. Eric) Fowler had two good rains to report—1.1 inches last Thursday and another .45 of an inch Monday night. Both storms also included hail, she reported.

"I doubt if the hail did as much damage as Tuesday night's freeze did, though," she said.

The Monday night storm, she said, "was just a narrow little strip that came across our area and showed up on our market and weather information monitor."

Bob Simpson, who lives nine miles north of Dimmitt, reported "about an inch last Thursday and .3 of an inch Monday night."

"It helped, but we could use some more," he said.

Two days after the soaking rain, the area was whipped by winds up to 50 mph that continued all day Saturday. But most of the moisture had already soaked in, so the effect of the wind appeared to be minimal.

The prospect at midweek was for more moisture—some of it perhaps in the form of snow in the wake of Tuesday's cold front that drove temperatures down to the 20s.



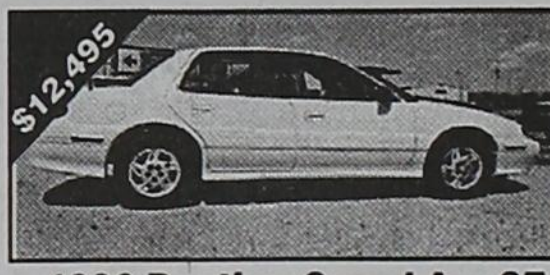
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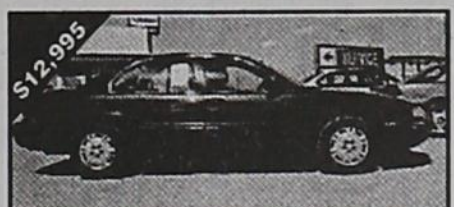
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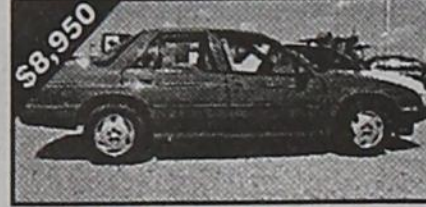
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NHS to send six to regional

Six Nazareth High School students will compete in the Region 1-A Literary meet after placing in the district meet held March 20 at Amarillo College.

Nazareth youngsters captured gold medals in journalism events, winning the Feature Writing, Headline Writing and News Writing contests.

Heather Braddock topped the field of 28 in Feature Writing to earn a trip to regional. Stephanie Gerber was fourth in the event and will be a regional alternate.

In Headline Writing, Mitchell Brockman finished first and will advance to regional.

Justin Bingham earned a return trip to the regional meet by winning News Writing. Sara Birkenfeld finished fifth in the event while Sarah Olvera was sixth.

Olvera earned a trip to regional with a third-place finish in Computer Applications.

Jill Schulte finished second in Number Sense and will compete at regional.

A third-place finish in Spelling and Vocabulary earned Susan Book a trip to regional.

Other Nazareth individuals placing at the district meet were Dustin Ramaekers, fourth, Mathematics; Mindi Ethridge, fifth, Ready Writing; Ann Wilhelm, fifth, Prose Interpretation; Marcus Brockman, fifth, Calculator Applications; and Karen Wilhelm, sixth, Poetry Interpretation.

Three going to regional in literary events

Dimmitt High School students participated in the District 1-3A UIL Literary competition recently and seven won places in the various contests. Three qualified to advance to the Regional contest set for April 19 in Odessa.

Jeff Riggs won first in literary criticism. Monica Ortiz took second in feature writing. Tracy Grand won fourth in editorial writing.

Others who placed included Michael Bell, fifth in spelling; Andrew Teaschner, fifth in two contests; and Joshua Roberts, sixth in ready writing.

Kids, Inc. changes tourney schedule

The Dimmitt Kids, Inc. basketball tournament will be held next week, with play scheduled for Monday and Friday. However, no games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday to keep from conflicting with the regional UIL Literary events at Dimmitt Middle School.

Tournament play will be completed the following week.

Arnold F. Brockman 1st Anniversary into Heaven April 13

*Gone is your smile.
Gone is your laughter.
But what is not gone are our memories of you.
You are missed and loved very much.*



Do you Remember what to do in case of a TORNADO?

Lightning Storm Safety Rules

Move indoors immediately. Do not use hand-held electrical appliances, including the telephone, except for emergencies. Stay away from windows, doors, chimneys and other connections to the outside. Do not bathe or take a shower until the storm passes. Do not allow children to play outdoors during a thunderstorm. **IF CAUGHT OUTDOORS:** Stay away from isolated tall objects and structures, including trees. Avoid open areas that will cause you to project above the surrounding land surface. Do not stand near wire fences, clotheslines, pipes or other metal surfaces which could conduct the lightning current from a distance. If you are in your car, stay there—it offers excellent protection. Stay away from tractors and farm equipment. In a forest or wooded area, get under a group of

SMALL trees.

ON THE GOLF COURSE:

Put down clubs, remove spiked shoes and head for a shelter.

Avoid open areas and trees. Move away from golf carts.

NEAR WATER:

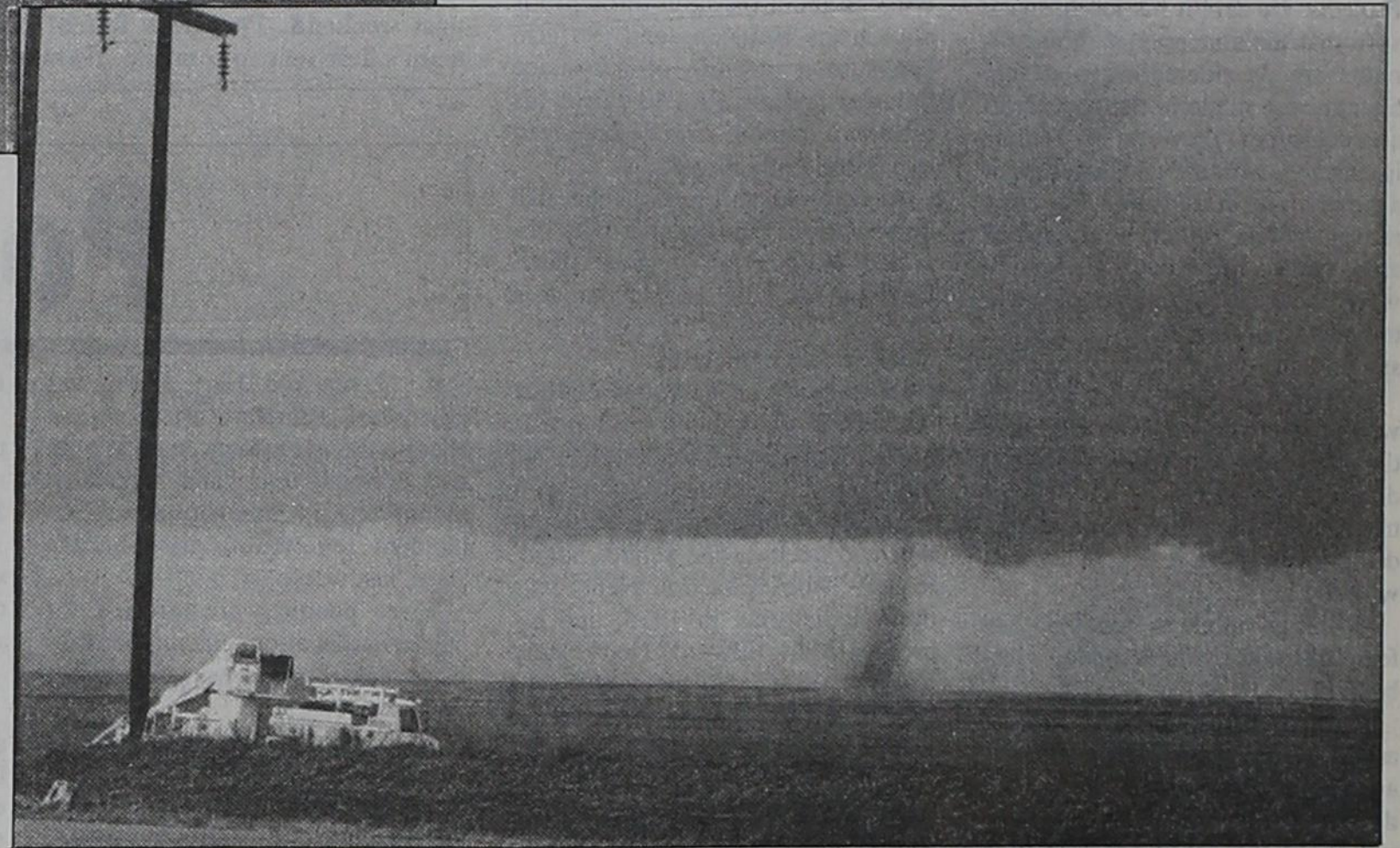
If swimming, get out of the water immediately and move to a shelter.

Boaters should head for shore immediately. Fishermen should put down rods and move away from the water.

IN ANY LOCATION:

Regardless of your location, a tingling sensation on your skin or hair standing on end may indicate that lightning is about to strike. Drop to your knees immediately but do not lie flat on the ground.

A person struck by lightning may sometimes be revived with prompt first aid treatment. Administer CPR on victims until qualified medical help arrives.



Tornado Safety Rules

Decide in advance on a primary and secondary shelter. A storm cellar is best; there is no universal protection against tornadoes except underground facilities. There are no public tornado shelters in Castro County, however, the courthouse basement is made available during threatening weather. If you can't get to your primary shelter in time, then go to your secondary shelter.

In cities and towns, a tornado alert is signaled by a long, sustained blast of a siren. Safety officials will try to sound the alert in time for you to reach shelter.

IN HOMES: Go to the storm cellar or basement and get under something sturdy.

If an underground shelter is not available, go to an interior, well-braced room that does not have windows. Closets, bathrooms and hallways are usually best.

Wrap yourself with blankets, pillows or a mattress for protection against flying glass and debris.

IN APARTMENT BUILDINGS AND MULTI-STORY OFFICE BUILDINGS:

Seek shelter in the basement or on the lowest floor, in an interior room—the smaller the better. Stay away from windows.

IN MOBILE HOMES:

Abandon the mobile home and go to the nearest shelter or permanent building. If there is no nearby shelter, lie flat in a ditch and cover your head.

IN SCHOOLS:

If school building is of strongly reinforced construction, stay inside, away from windows. Remain near an inside wall on the lower floors when possible. **AVOID GYMNASIUMS AND AUDITORIUMS** — they

usually have poorly supported roofs!

IN FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS:

On receiving a tornado warning, a lookout should be posted to keep safety officials advised of the tornado's approach. Advance preparation should be made for moving workers to sections of the plant offering the greatest protection and least hazard.

IN VEHICLES:

Get out of the vehicle and go to the nearest shelter area.

Lie flat in a ditch or low place if shelter is unavailable.

Do not attempt to outrun the tornado.

IN OPEN COUNTRY:

Lie flat in the lowest area possible—such as a ditch or ravine—and cover your head.

IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES:

Keep calm. It will not help to get excited. People have been killed by running out into streets and by turning back into the path of a tornado.

Remember, even though a warning has been issued, the chances of a tornado striking your particular home or location are still slight. A tornado's path is relatively narrow, and sturdy structures are seldom totally demolished. But give yourself every advantage you can.

Stay tuned to your radio or TV station for latest tornado advisory information. If you have a scanner radio, keep it with you. Do not call the Weather Service, except to report a tornado, because your individual request may tie up phone lines that are urgently needed to relay advisories to radio and TV stations in the critical area.

The Fujita-Pearson Tornado Intensity Scale

Classification	Wind Speed	Damage
F0	72 MPH	Light
F1	73-112 MPH	Moderate
F2	113-157 MPH	Considerable
F3	158-206 MPH	Severe
F4	207-260 MPH	Devastating
F5 (Rare)	260-319 MPH	Devastating
F6 (Rare)	319-379 MPH	Devastating

Rating a Tornado

Much like the richter scale is used to measure earthquake intensity, the **Fujita-Pearson Tornado Intensity Scale** is used by meteorologists to measure tornado wind speeds. The scale was named after the two men who developed it: *Dr. Theodore Fujita*, and *Allan Pearson*, head of the Forecast Center in Kansas City.

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