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By Don Nelson

"We hardly find any persons of good sense save those who agree with us."

—Francoise de La Rochefoucauld

The *News* got called down for violating its own letters to the editor policy last week.

The policy states that letters should be limited to 500 words; that they must be signed; and that in special situations, letters may be published with a "Name on File" designation, but that anyone inquiring will be told the name of the letter writer.

In several ways, that policy wasn't adequate for the situation we encountered in the letter from "Smalltown Homosexual."

His letter was well over 500 words. In fact, it was as long as two or three average-length letters.

It wasn't mailed to us; it was sent in by fax, signed the way you saw it in the paper.

Then "Smalltown Homosexual" phoned in to confirm that he had written it, and he asked if we would publish it, because he felt it was very important—in light of a letter that had appeared the previous week—that people here understand the situation, feelings and frustrations of a homosexual who grew up here.

We explained our policy about requiring a signature, or at least a name on file.

"But that would ruin my family," he said. "What I have to say is very important to me, but I won't do that to my family."

That sent us back for a closer look at his letter.

We agreed that this letter might shed some light for our readers on a lifestyle that most of us don't understand; that the young man had a legitimate reason for not wanting his name divulged; and that it wasn't right for us to insist that he damage his family just to satisfy our policy on letters.

Later, "Smalltown Homosexual" called back and said his letter was important enough to him that he would identify himself to us if we would promise that his name would go no further than our office. We told him we would print his letter and honor his request.

In that issue, we had the available space on our Op-Ed Page to print his entire letter, which we felt was justified in this case. (Sometimes we don't have space for all the letters we receive in a week; that's why we have the 500-word rule. Sometimes we do have the space; that's why our policy says that letters should be, not *must* be, limited to 500 words).

We added an Editor's Note to the letter which I thought explained the situation.

† I must say I disagreed with the way you handled your Smalltown Homosexual (Continued on Page 5)

Weather

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

	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	76	63	.93
Friday	78	63	.31
Saturday	87	63	
Sunday	91	64	
Monday	85	64	
Tuesday	82	61	1.82
Wednesday	78	62	.35

July Moisture 4.32
1993 Moisture 10.68
KDHN RADIO
US Weather Observer



OPEN WIDE—Beatrice Fuentes (left) and Donna Gerber-Charanza, R.N., show Jordan, 2, how to say, "Ahhh," as he takes an oral dose of vaccine Tuesday at the Texas Dept. of Health offices in Dimmitt. Gerber-Charanza is with the TDH. Jordan is the son of Ramon and Beatrice Fuentes.

Childhood immunization rates in Texas are below the national average and cooperative efforts are underway to improve that rate, with special emphasis given to July as "Immunization Awareness Month."

Photo by Linda Maxwell

During county crop tour

Corn hybrids, irrigation, spraying to be featured

A study of white corn hybrids, advantages and disadvantages of poly pipe versus ditch irrigation, a demonstration of spraying equipment and calibration, study of cotton variety and Pix application and a tillage equipment demonstration will be highlights of the 1993 Castro County Crops Tour, which will be held Friday, July 30.

Registration for the tour will begin at 8:30 a.m. July 30 at the Hart Golden Group Building, located east of the blinking light in Hart on Highway 194. The tour will begin at 9 a.m.

Coffee and donuts will be provided to those registering by the Castro County Ag Committee. The event is open to the public and meal tickets will be presented to those registering.

The ladies of the Golden Group will prepare a lunch, which will be

Bring out the '50s

The theme for the 1993 Harvest Days, Aug. 10-14, is "The Swingin' '50s." The *News* would like the Harvest Days issue to reflect this theme as well.

"We need your help to make it an enjoyable and memorable issue," Don Nelson, publisher of *Castro County News*, said. "We would like your personal recollection of a highlight experience in your life during that decade."

Stories may be brought in to our office at 108 Bedford, faxed to 647-3112, or mailed to Box 67, Dimmitt. If you do not want to write the story yourself, come into the office and tell a staff member.

The deadline to get your story into the *News* office is July 30.

Also, pictures from the '50s are needed. The *News* ask you to bring pictures in by July 30 as well. The pictures will be returned unharmed.

"Let's re-live a great decade during Harvest Days," Nelson said. "We're depending on you to help make the Harvest days celebration a great one, and that issue of the *News* an enjoyable read."

sponsored by the Texas Corn Producers Board and it will be served at approximately 12:30 p.m. at the Golden Group Building. During the lunch, a special awards program will be held and this will include presentation of the 1993 Castro County Outstanding Result Demonstrator Award along with other special recognition to producers and co-operators.

Private applicators may earn a minimum of two continuing education units (CEU) by attending the tour.

This year's tour will feature five stops around Hart and the southern half of the county.

The first stop will be at Steve Albracht's farm, a mile east of County Road 529 east of Hart. This stop will feature a discussion of white corn hybrids and will target the general crop situation, insect control and effective herbicides which have been used.

The second stop will be on Kent Irons' farm, located two miles east of FM 168 on FM 928. This stop will feature an irrigation study on the benefits and problems of using poly pipe versus ditch irrigation. This stop will give an overview of study and data and an outlook on

limited crop irrigation water usage.

A spraying equipment and calibration demonstration will be offered on the third tour stop, which will be on FM 168 two miles north of Hart.

The fourth stop will be at Lance Louder's farm at Flagg, 11 miles south of Dimmitt on SH 385, then 1-1/2 miles west on County Road 625. On this stop, organizers of the tour will offer information on the stage and condition of cotton crops, an overview of a Pix study and an update on weed and insect pressure.

A demonstration of tillage equipment will be given on the fifth tour stop at the Coby Gilbreath farm on FM 145 west of Hart.

The tour will be sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and TAES staff attending will be Dr. Pat Morrison, Extension entomologist; Dr. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist; Leon New, Extension ag engineer; Dr. Kater Hake, Extension cotton specialist, and Castro County Extension Agents Andy Williams (Pest Management), J.D. Ragland (Agriculture) and Bryan Reynolds (assistant agent, Agriculture).

For more information contact the Castro County Extension office at 647-4115 or 647-4116.

Last conservation approval period set

The Castro County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee will review and approve requests for cost-sharing on eligible conservation practices during its regular scheduled meeting on Aug. 4.

This will be the last approval period for fiscal year 1993, according to Scotty Abbott, county executive director of Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS).

Practices which may be cost-shared include reorganizing irrigation systems, constructing sod waterways, constructing terrace systems, and installing livestock pipelines and livestock water storage facilities.

Producers are asked to sign up by July 30 to have their application considered during this approval period, Abbott said.

Technical determinations needed to determine eligibility may not be completed if a producer waits until the last minute to sign up, Abbott added.

Eligibility for participation in ASCS programs is open to all applicants as established under law without regard to age, color, disability, marital status, national origin, race, religion or sex.

Dimmitt expands city boundaries

The City of Dimmitt is now officially bigger.

The City Council approved the final reading of the ordinances that annexed property into the city limits in two different parts of town.

A strip of land just west of Plains Memorial Hospital on West Halsell was annexed to qualify the hospital for a government grant for improvements on the land, including a parking area.

Also, property owners on the west side of Western Circle Drive are now included on the city tax rolls. In addition, they will be entitled to city sewer service as soon as they sign the annexation resolution for their individual properties and the financing agreement for payment of half of the cost of installation of the sewer service.

City Manager Reeford Burrous asked City Attorney Jack Edwards if the city would be obligated to provide sewer services for the properties if the owners decline to pay their portion of the cost.

Edwards said that no objections were brought up at the public hearings concerning the annexation, and that the whole transaction was

based on the willingness of the property owners to pay half of the cost.

City Works Dept. head James Killough told the council that if the property owners do not get on the city sewer line, state and city rules would require them to install a septic system. He said he knew of a recent system installation that cost \$8,000 for a 750 gallon tank.

The council voted unanimously in favor of both annexations. Council members Wayne Proffitt and Carole Dyer were absent.

In his manager's report, Burrous told the council that State Senator Teel Bivins and US Rep. Larry Combest are working on legislation that would restore the "West Texas exemption" in landfill regulations proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency. Burrous said the Sierra Club has filed suit to stop the exemptions.

Burrous also reported to the council on the progress of the improvements at the city airport.

The budget report showed that the city is 2.97% under projected expenditures for the year to date.

DMS receives success award

Texas Commissioner of Education Lionel "Skip" Meno honored Dimmitt Middle School at the Texas Successful Schools Awards ceremony in Austin Saturday.

The Texas Successful Schools Awards System (TSSAS) identified 1,289 schools out of 6,184 schools statewide that qualified for special recognition and monetary awards. DMS was awarded a Governor's Certificate for Outstanding Effort in Performance Gain and a check for \$17,698 to be used for academic enhancement.

Schools were recognized for academic performance gain (comparing fall 1990 to fall 1992) and/or for high performance (fall 1992). Principals of the 124 high performing schools were individually congratulated onstage by Meno and received plaques honoring their schools. Another 826 schools received certificates for their high performance efforts. In addition, 507 schools received monetary awards for their high degree of improvement. Of these, 376 schools received awards ranging from \$30,000 to \$150,000, and the other 131 schools met less stringent improvement criteria for awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

The Texas Legislature created TSSAS to identify and reward

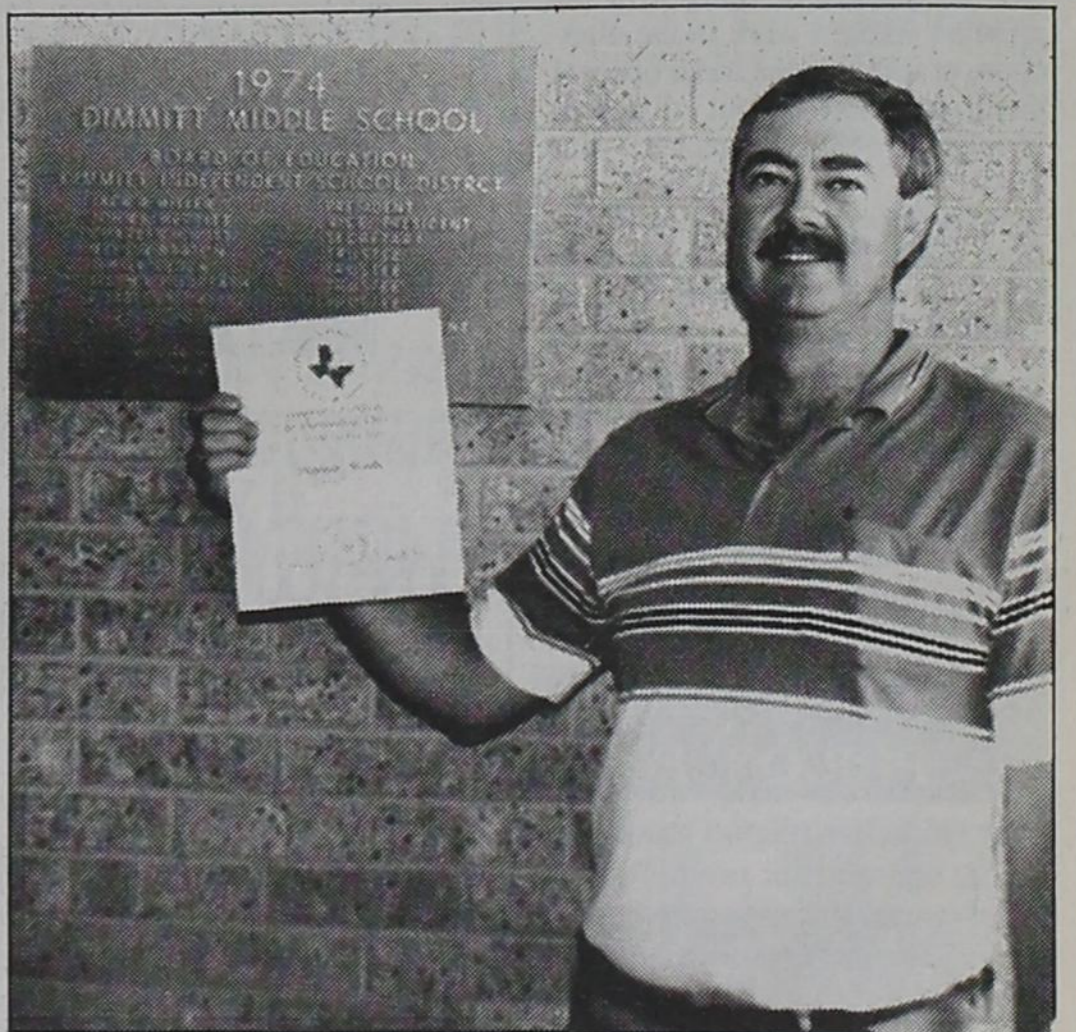
schools that demonstrate progress or success in achieving the educational goals of the state. During this second year of TSSAS, the awards given out at the ceremony totaled \$20 million—twice the amount awarded last year. The award ceremony is supported in part by a grant from Southwestern Bell.

DMS Principal George Rasor, who attended the award ceremony, said the major part of the credit for winning the award goes to the teachers, students and parents of DMS. He added that part of the credit also goes to the teachers at Richardson Elementary "who laid a good foundation for these students."

"One of the things that made a big difference was that the board and the central office made an effort to ensure that the staff development days we had were very relevant and focused on improving students' TAAS test scores," Rasor said. He explained that part of the measure of improvement was based on TAAS scores.

Rasor said that former DMS Principal Mike Smith also installed some programs that dealt with improving test scores.

"This is an award to be proud of and Dimmitt Middle School deserves a big congratulations," Rasor said.



A TEXAS SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL—Dimmitt Middle School was named a Texas Successful School Award winner and received a Governor's Certificate for Outstanding Effort in Performance Gain and a check for \$17,698 to be used for academic enhancement. DMS Principal George Rasor received the award on behalf of the school at a ceremony in Austin Saturday.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

On the Go

Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

A correction for my column last week! When E.M. and Betty Jones visited her family in Virginia and saw the fireworks in Washington DC, and then went to the Amish Community in Pennsylvania, the part about the Amish was left out, it went from the 400,000 at the fireworks to the big houses and big farms, and how they do not use electricity. This is all about the Amish people — not Betty's relatives!

Ann Latimer and her brother J.F. Latimer and his wife, Debbie and baby Josie of McLean, Virginia were in Dimmitt visiting Joe and Alice Cowen, Polly Manning, Mrs. Sam Lane, Josie Garza, and Joe and Gladys Benson. J.F. is a CPA and he works in Washington DC. Ann and J.F. are former Dimmitt residents.

Glenda Sims had the devotional on Thursday morning at the Canterbury Villa. She said Jesus was a good story teller and she would like to tell a story about the soil and planting of seeds. The Bible is our seed and we get our growth from the Bible. We need good soil and we need faith that will grow. There is hard soil, rocky soil, weeds in the soil, and good soil. We have a bad attitude, and worldly things that get in our way. Some love the Lord and they study and grow. Renise Blair played the guitar and sang "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made." Others singing were Bobbie Baldrige, Ysleta Ball, Norma Conard, Maudyze Youts, Mary Edna Hendrix, and a guest, Zoe, from Kingsland.

Virginia Crider was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center for a brown bag lunch, and a fun day of bridge. Virginia served candy while they were playing and a delicious Tropical Delight cake for dessert. Virginia won high score and Loranell Hamilton won second high. Others playing were Edith Graef, Louise Mears, Susie Reeves, Ina Rae Cates, Emily Clingingsmith, Neva Hickey, Ferne Dickey, Elizabeth Huckabay, and Helen Braafladt.

Out of town visitors at the museum last week were Paul and Koa March from Texarkana who were visiting Barbara Sava and Bill Sava and family, Jay and Shirley Brewer from Bokoshe, Okla. and Leandra Skwart from Amarillo. Katharine and Frank Marx from Corsicana who were visiting Waurayne and Van Earl Hughes. Also, Dr. Ben and Betty Bowden from Dallas, who were visiting Ben's sister Kate Beecher, visited the museum.

I received a letter from Jean Dulaney from Austin, and she said she never throws a *Castro County News* away but sends it to others who might enjoy reading it (a college student or someone out of state). She also sent me a clipping from the *Austin American Statesman* newspaper with an article concerning Pearl Byers, an 85 year old woman who writes a column for the *Blanco* newspaper and Maxine Blackburn who lives on a farm and writes a column for the *Blanco* newspaper. (She writes a view of life from her living — in the country perspective.) Thanks Jean, for your letter and the newspaper clipping as well. Ms. Byers gets about 20 calls a week for her column. I wish the people of Dimmitt and Castro County would give me a call or put some news in my old mailbox on my front porch at 611 W. Belsher or bring it to the museum where I work in the afternoon, or take it to the *News* office. I need to write about different people. I would appreciate your news.

Arnold Acker of Argyle, Texas, Rose Acker's son, met with congressmen in Washington DC on Tuesday. He was on T.V. channel C Span in Washington DC and spoke on "Finance," how the government can reduce their spending.

Mike and Kristi (Peggram) Pennington are Southern Baptist Foreign Missionaries on furlough from Caracas, Venezuela and they

have been in Amarillo while on furlough. Kristi studied for a degree in music and Mike worked on his doctorate at Southwestern Seminary. The Penningtons have two children, Bethany in the seventh grade and Blake in the third grade. They attend school for the missionary children. The Penningtons were guests at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt on Sunday, with Mike preaching and Kristi singing "Enter In." Sunday evening, Mike showed slides of the beautiful country of Venezuela and their missionary work. There are six million people in Caracas in a space as big as Amarillo. Birthday celebrations are big things and baseball is the country's sport. There is a drug and alcohol problem. The Penningtons train the people to be evangelists and the key to evangelism is to share Christ. Kristi sang "Broken and Spilled Out" and Bethany and Blake answered a few questions.

Dr. Ben and Betty Bowden from Dallas were guests in the home of Ben's sister, Kate Beecher last week. They came out to see the play "Texas." They went to see it Tuesday and it rained and rained. They didn't get to eat the good barbeque that is served; they just stayed in the car until time for the play to start. They got seated in the Amphitheater when it rained more, so they came back to Dimmitt without seeing the play.

Mrs. Warner and daughter, Ellie from Denton, and Rose Acker's granddaughter, Ashley Acker, from Argyle, Texas, were guests in Rose Acker's home over the weekend.

Rose Acker and Angie and Tony

Acker attended the Acker family reunion that was held in the home of E. Podzemny in Sedan, N.M. They prepared all the meals including barbeque and each person attending paid \$5, which included two meals (sounds like a bargain!) There were 97 relatives from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma who enjoyed the reunion. They met in a big barn and a beautiful yard. There was a live band and they played seven Italian songs including "Santa Lucia," and "O Sale Mio" just for Rose after they found out she was from Italy. They also sold the Acker Cookbook.

The Texas Agriculture Council of Cooperatives held its Managers meeting in Ruidoso at the Swiss Chalet this past Wednesday through Friday. Attending from this area were Danny Rice, Don Graham, and Bill Clark. The Rice Family made their vacation correspond with the event, and Deanne Clark accompanied Bill. The Clark's had dinner with one of Deanne's high school classmates and her husband who live in Alto. Bill Clark spoke on "Being a Good Cooperative Neighbor."

Erik Ingram, from Missouri City, (the Houston area) is visiting the Clarks this week.

The Marks from Corsicana are visiting Van Earl and Waurayne Hughes this week.

Two of Frank Wise's nephews are visiting for a month and Kevin Smithson is visiting Rayphard and Mary Lou Smithson. Dale Winder's sister, Madge, is visiting Dale and Marie.

Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

We had nice rains this week, including .70 of an inch on Tuesday evening and night, .20 of an inch Wednesday morning and afternoon, an inch Wednesday night and .20 of an inch on Thursday morning.

James and Joan Norrell were in Wolforth Saturday and Sunday with her mother, who lost a dear friend and needed them for support. The Norrells took her to the funeral Sunday afternoon.

Robert and Frances Duke were in Lubbock July 2 helping their son, Larry, and his family get settled. Larry is a safety engineer for Texas Instruments and he was transferred to Lubbock so he could work on his master's degree in industrial ergonomics. Larry's wife, Lori, also will be taking some courses at Texas Tech. The couple has two daughters, Ashlee and Alyssa.

Frances Duke's nephew, Ron Sanders and his wife, Daphne and their son, Sam, arrived late on July 2 and left on Sunday, July 4, returning home to Red Oak. The Sanders family had been camping in Estes Park, Colo.

Robert and Frances Duke also had as guests Henry and Cindy Perez and family. Cindy is Bob Duke's wife's (Jeanette) sister. The group went to Palo Duro Canyon to attend the production of *TEXAS*. The Perez family arrived on July 6 and left on July 10.

Larry, Lori, Ashlee and Alyssa Duke enjoyed dinner with Robert and Frances Duke on July 11.

Willie Mae Sadler is making good progress with her recovery. She looks good and is getting around with a walker.

Teeny Bowden received a letter this week from Ruth Spencer, who has moved to Dade City, Fla. Ruth seems very happy and likes the setup real well. Her son, Alan, helped her move and he liked the location, also. She is surrounded by widows, one of which invited Ruth for a visit. After that she was persuaded to move there. She likes the nearby church, its pastor and is already active in church work.

Immunization to be offered

A special clinic to administer immunizations to anyone will be conducted Wednesday, July 28 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at the Texas Dept. of Health Office, in Dimmitt, 112 W. Jones (same office as South Plains Health Provider).

Please call for an appointment. Walkins sign in at door and will be seen on a first come first serve basis. Immunizations offered include Polio, DPT, Td, MMR, HIB for appropriate ages, and Hepatitis B for infants and high risk adolescents. Fees on a sliding scale depending on monthly income. For further information call 647-2404.



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

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

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

Last week's winners:
Lupe Alaniz
Elizabeth Montiel



Wilson returns to "Texas" cast

Bryan Lee Wilson is spending the summer with the internationally acclaimed musical drama "Texas."

Wilson, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bryant of Dimmitt, returns to the "Texas" cast for his second season as a guitarist.

He is a 1991 graduate of Sanford-Fritch High School and is currently attending Frank Phillips College where he is majoring in English. Bryan has been studying guitar under the direction of Frank Hardcastle for three years.

"Texas," written by Pulitzer prize winning playwright Paul Green, plays nightly except Sundays in Palo Duro Canyon near Amarillo and Canyon, Texas. More than 100,000 people fill Pioneer Amphitheatre each summer to watch the nation's best attended outdoor drama. Last year visitors came from every state and 89 foreign countries. They were awed and entertained by the action, the adventure and the romance that takes on an added dimension in its outdoor setting.

Reading help is available

Tutors are available to help anyone learn to read.

There is no charge, and pupils learn at their own pace. The one-on-one teaching also affords privacy.

Call 647-3532 if you are interested.

Encourage someone who does not know how to read to call.

Lopez selected for minority program

Gerardo Lopez, a senior at Texas Tech University from Dimmitt, is working as an intern this summer in the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Minority Student Intern Program.

Lopez is working with Dr. Bob Robinson, district Extension director at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock.

Lopez has been working on landscaping designs for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's site at the 1993 Texas Farmer-Stockman Show. He and Roxy Pike, a designer at A&M, created a tent layout for the farm show. Other responsibilities include: designing the irrigation and electrical system for the show, searching out donations for the site, putting the plant material and features in place, and taking pictures of the project.

Lopez said, "When I first started, I was nervous. I thought it was too much responsibility, but I am now confident I can do it. This job has given me something I really needed. A better self-esteem."

A landscape architecture major, Lopez has been vice president of American Society of Landscape Architects at Texas Tech.

"This hands-on summer program is an important part of Extension's ongoing affirmative action commitment," said Bill McConnell, Extension personnel officer. "Students have the opportunity to work full time for 12 weeks under the professional guidance of qualified Extension Service faculty. They experience first hand the process the Extension Service uses in planning, developing and implementing educational programs in the community."

The program is designed to acquaint promising college students with Extension work, provide them with learning experiences, and encourage them to consider Extension as a potential employer upon graduation.

"The Extension Service also benefits," McConnell said. "It receives quality assistance for special and ongoing projects, gets to evaluate potential employees without the high cost of recruitment and selection, and has motivated, high-energy students in the work place."

To qualify for the program, African-American and Hispanic students must have completed 60 or more college credit hours and have attained at least a 2.5 grade point average. Most students are agriculture or home economics majors, but those in related fields also are eligible to apply.

The internship program was created in 1987 as part of an Extension Service commitment to increase minority representation in its work force. Since that time, 71 minorities have completed 85 internships, and 18 have received permanent jobs within the Extension Service. This summer, 24 interns are working across the state at county Extension offices, Research and Extension centers or the Texas A&M University campus.

Dimmitt, Nazareth earn higher tax rebates

Sales tax rebates for July were up for Dimmitt and Nazareth but declined for Hart.

Nazareth's rebate payment of \$1,124.50 was 63.75% higher than the July 1992 payment of \$686.71.

Dimmitt's 1993 payment was \$21,811.53, up 1.51% from \$21,486.71.

Hart suffered a 25.9% decrease in its 1993 payment compared with last year's (which was \$1,623.81), and it received only \$1,203.17.

For the year, Dimmitt and Nazareth are behind while Hart is slightly ahead on rebates paid through July.

Nazareth has earned \$5,583.85 for the year, compared with \$8,400.16 for 1992. Dimmitt's payments to date are \$163,981.60, down 4.27% from \$171,297.51.

But Hart has earned 7.59% more this year—jumping from \$8,932.15 in 1992 to \$9,609.70.

The sales tax rebates were issued by State Comptroller John Sharp and this month's sales tax rebates include taxes collected on May sales and reported to the comptroller in June by businesses filing monthly tax returns.



Rex Wooten and Joe Jossilet with First State Bank of Dimmitt make sure that Donny Nelson (center) receives the financial help he needs.

"I always appreciate the service I receive when I visit First State Bank."

My family has been banking with First State Bank of Dimmitt since 1937, and I feel that First State Bank has always been there to help me in my farming and cattle business whenever I needed them. I always appreciate the service I receive when I visit the bank, and look forward to a continued relationship with them in the future.

Donny Nelson
Farmer/Rancher
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Nazareth

By Uirgle Gerber, 945-2669

A meeting was held Sunday to finalize plans for the 20 Nazareth youths and adults who will be traveling to Denver, Colo. for "World Youth Day '93."

Buses transporting diocesan pilgrims to Denver will leave Amarillo on Aug. 11. Those traveling to Denver will be part of an estimated 300,000 pilgrims gathering for a vigil and mass with Pope John Paul II at Cherry Creek State Park in Denver.

Holy Family Parish's group is making a banner that depicts the Holy Family and it will have family names written on ribbons forming tassels. The banner also will display the Christmas cancellation stamp. Also being made are yellow bandanas with red writing to signify the Amarillo Diocese and wooden crosses which will be worn on the pilgrimage.

The Nazareth group will be staying at the home of Becky Book's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hand in Longmont, Colo., a suburb of Denver.

Thanks to all who have helped make this trip possible!

A good crowd of Senior Citizens enjoyed the Sunday dinner at the Senior Citizens Center. A very good meal was catered by the Nazareth Legion Auxiliary. Paul Pohlmeier hosted a guest, his caretaker in Amarillo, and a couple of friends' friends. Meta Stork hosted Viola Pohlmeier as her guest.

Bob, Suzanne and Sephra Hochstein of Luling have been visiting with May Hochstein. They arrived in time for the German Festival and Rough Riders' Suds and Sounds outdoor concert. They enjoyed the play TEXAS one evening.

They visited in Amarillo with Alex, Mona, Stewart and Andrew Hochstein and Bernie Hochstein.

One evening was spent in Herford with Father Darryl Birkenfeld, a classmate and good friend of Bob's.

Anne Kern and her sister, Irene Robel of Amarillo and Irene's daughter, Kathy Guerra and children from North Richland Hills drove to Ohio to visit their brother, uncle and family over the Memorial Day weekend. It was an enjoyable trip and visit with relatives and friends. It was also a nostalgic trip, as they drove around to the various homes in which they had lived through the years to see how the neighborhoods had changed.

On the trip back to Texas they drove through heavy rains in Kentucky and passed through areas wracked by 100 mile-an-hour winds.

A week after Anne's return from Ohio, her daughter, Christine, gave birth by c-section to a 7 lb., 7 oz. baby girl whom they named Jordan Leigh Anne. Jordan has a big brother, Michael.

A couple's shower honoring Kevin and Melinda Gerber and infant daughter Miriah was held Friday evening at the home of Charley and Bev Hill. Virgil and Viola Pohlmeier and Meta Stork of Tulia, Brett and Cindy Yeary and Dwayne and Terry Huseman of Amarillo joined relatives and friends here for a very enjoyable evening. Miriah received many pretty and useful gifts.

Mary and Carl Dean Kleman recently enjoyed visiting with Mary's sister, Esther Braddock, in McKinney, and with nephews and their families in the Dallas area. While there they attended the wedding of a nephew, Claude Schilling, who married Debra Sandifer at Farmers Branch.

A good crowd of softball fans enjoyed the Swisher County Picnic Tournament Friday through Sunday in Tulia. Nazareth's 19th Hole team won three games before losing to Tulia's R&R Sunday at 1 p.m. That forced them into the loser's bracket where they fought their way through three more games to reach the championship match against R&R. They lost the final game 5-4 and had to settle for second place in the tourney.

After the tournament about 30 fans and players enjoyed eating together at the El Camino in Tulia.

Jerry and Tricia Rose and children, Eric and Andrea, along with K'Lynn Gerber and Jason Birkenfeld enjoyed spending a few days in Dallas.

The Jim Hoelting family, Dan Gerber family and Keith Gerber spent the weekend at Gilbert Schulte's lake home at Colorado City Lake. They enjoyed boating, skiing and playing in a swimming pool.

Kim Drerup, a rodeo assistant to Fred Pitts, got what he called a "dream of a lifetime" recently. After the Claude Rodeo, Kim and Fred and Paula Pitts and several others went on a cattle drive. They drove the rodeo stock from Claude to Tulia through the canyons. It was a three-day journey and they pitched tents at night and cooked out. Kim thought it was a great experience and hopes to do it again. Fred says he would like to make it an annual affair.

Tammy and Tracy Drerup took time off from College Station to spend some time at home with their parents, Joe and Imogene Drerup. They attended Suds and Sounds and Annette Schmucker's bridal shower.

Le Ann Huseman, a cousin from California, spent a couple of days here with them. Tracy will spend the rest of the summer at home.

Jamie and Matthew Birkenfeld spent Saturday in Dimmitt with Harold and Trudy Gerber. They enjoyed swimming and attending the carnival.

Many friends and relatives attended the wedding for Chris Albracht and Anna Dudek Saturday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Amarillo. A reception and dance followed.

Junior 4-H competes in fashion show

The Castro County 4-H Junior Fashion Show was held last Thursday in the assembly room at the courthouse and 11 4-H'ers modeled in both buying and construction divisions.

Those participating included Kimberly Brockman, Clover Kids Construction-Casual; Junior I contestants Melanie Book in Construction-Casual, Lesley Brockman in Construction - Specialty, Aaron Kern in Construction-Sports, Susan Kern in Construction - Dressy, Rachel Wall in Buying - Casual Sportswear and Jennifer Wilhelm in Construction-Casual; and Junior II 4-H'ers Susan Book in Construction-Sports, Margie Durbin in Buying-Dressy, Jessica Kern in Construction-Dressy and Matthew Kern in Buying-Casual Sportswear.

The South Plains District 4-H Fashion Show will be held at South Plains Mall in Lubbock on July 27.



CASTRO COUNTY 4-H STUDENTS learned basic electricity and safety skills at an electricity camp sponsored by Southwestern Public Service

Co. June 28-July 2. Pictured from left are: Colby McDaniel, Cody Annen, Tawnee Matthews, and Cameron Lust.

Courtesy Photo

Car show entries needed

The Dimmitt Alumni Technology Association (DATA) will sponsor its annual Car Show and Swap Meet Aug. 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. as a part of the annual Harvest Days activities in Dimmitt.

Three trophies are given in each of the 16 classes of competition, and a People's Choice Award is given show-wide. Entry deadline is Aug. 1 and the fee is \$10 per entry. Late entries must pay an additional \$10 each.

The entry fee includes two gate passes. Dash plaques are provided for each entry, and a meal is provided for drivers. Entries are encouraged to enter the Harvest Days Parade, with line-up time set at 9 a.m.

Car classifications for judging will include street rod, early antique (up to 1932), late antique (1933-1949), classics from the '50s, classics from the '60s, classics from the '70s, muscle cars, Mustangs, Camaros, late truck (stock up to '73), early truck (stock), early truck modified, late truck modified, mini-trucks, special interest, and motorcycles.

Admission for viewing the show will be \$3 for adults, \$1 for children ages 7-12, and free for ages 6 and under. All attending may vote for the People's Choice Award winner. The show will be held in the parking lot of the First State Bank of Dimmitt.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Gary Bruegel Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The show also will feature a swap meet. Swap meet booths and vendor booths will be available for \$15 each if registered by Aug. 1. The late fee is an additional \$10.

Also, DATA will hold a model car contest with two divisions of competition. For a \$2 fee per entry, model-makers can enter the youth division for those up to age 12 or the adult division for ages 13 and up.

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4-H students attend camp

Four Castro County residents recently participated in an electricity camp sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Co. More than 95 4-H'ers from throughout the Texas South Plains attended the camp June 28 - July 2 at Camp Scott Able, near Cloudford, N.M.

The Castro County participants were Colby McDaniel, Cody Annen, Tawnee Matthews and Cameron Lust.

Students had opportunities to build their own "hands-on" projects. They also participated in demonstrations and lectures on basic electricity, safety, wiring and electrical terminology.

County agents and SPS employees served as advisors and instructors.

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Op-Ed

opinions, editorials, letters, features

Letter

'Studies are flawed'

Dear Editor: After reading the rebuttal letters of July 15 and watching the MacNeil/Lehrer News hour the same evening, I felt compelled to respond to the biological aspects of homosexuality and the cry of homosexuals for equal rights. As you and your readers know, much hoopla has recently been made about the biological-homosexual connection and it is this very research that is the base of the homosexuals' cry for "equal rights" and the cessation of "discrimination" against them.

hold true within the female population, which was not even taken into consideration. In addition, the most sacred rule for studies on twins was violated. These were twins who had been raised together by the same parents. All scientifically valid studies on twins come only on those who were separated at birth and raised by separate parents. These findings are not only invalid, but also ludicrous. The findings are continually accepted because if the heterosexual scientific world ignores them — you guessed it: **DISCRIMINATION!**

classrooms of Texas that homosexuality and homosexual marriages are as normal as heterosexuality and heterosexual marriages. I will refuse to teach your children about the homosexual practices that are being considered as additions to the health curriculum. All of this is in the name of equal rights and because of the gay political action committees (PACs) at work across our land. I ask you, then, whose rights will be violated?



Very recently, several studies have been done in an attempt to make homosexuality more accepted in America. After all, if an individual is born homosexual rather than making a lifestyle choice, that person is a victim. The two studies I will cite have been given much leverage within the gay community, but to my surprise, have not been shot down by the scientific community.

Letter

'Gays shifting blame'

The first involved an undertaking to determine whether the brain, and specifically the location of cells generating sex drive, would show any significant difference between heterosexuals and homosexuals. The study did indeed show an anomaly of the brain within a percentage of the homosexual population studied.

I do not condone homosexuality, and as an educator, I am appalled at proposed curriculum changes. I will not teach your children in the

for him. I wonder if he would like for his daughter to be a lesbian? Well, something is very wrong with his morals. Could it be money?

At face value, this was a victory for homosexuals. A deeper investigation, however, shows a very flawed study. The investigator, a neurobiologist, studied only the brains of homosexuals without examining a single heterosexual brain for similar findings. Even worse, the investigator looked at only 19 brains — a very small population when compared with the thousands of professed homosexuals. When asked about the insignificant number, the investigator replied, "It takes a lot of time!"

Most of our teachers are good people and don't approve of many things the government imposes on our teachers and students, but teaching of right and wrong begins in the home. We don't want or need this kind of "ungodly stuff" to be put before our sweet, innocent children. What our kids do after they grow up is an act of their own choosing if they go astray. Not many people get into serious trouble if they try to do right and trust God. To me as a Christian there is no "gray." It is either black or white — no in between — wrong or right.

to condone the flaunting sin we read about in the paper — all I can say is "God help them." **DEFINITELY NOT GAY**
Name on File

Letter

'Hate sin, but love sinner'

Dear Editor: This is my attempt to respond to letters written in the past few weeks on the subject of today's society and its treatment of homosexuals. I praise Mrs. Robb in her analysis of the problem and agree with her on her views, while admitting that if we, as concerned citizens, will voice our opinions based on what the Bible says, there should be no question on the subject.

them and feel sorry for them. But I don't have to accept them. Mr. Smalltown Homosexual who wrote to the paper last week said he was not a freak. Well, what kind of behavior is this that other living animals will not do? You don't see other species pairing off in same-sex couples. Only humans in their sick, perverse minds can excuse this kind of action and then try to blame God for it.

I just had to write this letter letting the "gay" community know that I feel for them, love them as fellow humans, and don't even want to know what they do in the privacy of their homes. Just don't try to con me into accepting a behavior that is so wrong in the only guide book we as humans have — the Bible.

EARL BEHRENDIS

Letter

'Check the roads'

Dear Editor: With the recent slow rains, the fly-ash and improved road building material mixed together has proven to make real good all-weather roads.

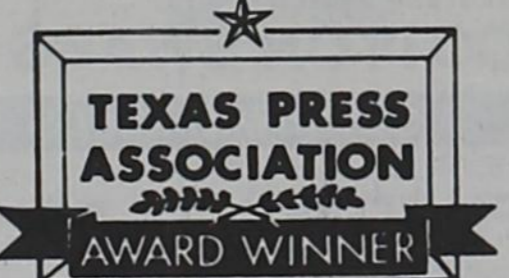
from Precinct 1, it certainly proved to me that they don't want me to do my duty as a commissioner — to build all-weather roads for the rural residents of Precinct 1. The money already spent on redistricting would have built 30 or more miles of these all-weather roads. I was elected on the promise of making all efforts to build improved roads for the residents of Precinct 1. Due to the lack of cooperation from the Castro County Commissioners' Court, I have been hindered in fulfilling my duties as I see them as your commissioner of Pct. 1.

HAROLD SMITH

Last Puzzle Solution grid with crossword clues: LARK, OFEM, NEAL, ELLA, SOLE, FOOT, LOGS, SNABARE, OFLOWA, MYMARIA, STRAIN, ESTATE, TIDE, HORN, RAISED, NOLTE, PLANO, ANOTHERPAIR, NAVASOTA, ELDER, THEN, TLJ, TALONS, SIA, VEGA, TICANT, GRAM, TENT, RALL, DICE, ECK, NAY.

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Letter

'Praises are due for DMS'

Dear Editor: Congratulations are in order to Dimmitt Independent School District, specifically Dimmitt Middle School. DMS has been recognized by the Texas Successful Schools Award System due to improved achievement scores and reduced dropout rates.

The students, teachers, staff members and administrators on the middle school campus worked extremely hard and deserve an extra large "atta-boy" for their accomplishments.

I want to point out that Dimmitt High School was only two tenths of 1% from receiving the TSSAS. The patrons of the Dimmitt schools should be extremely proud to be served by an outstanding group of teachers and administrators on all campuses and at the central office.
R.E. BARRETT
Supt., Anahuac ISD

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues: ACROSS: 1. Houston Zoo has lots of these snakes; 5. San Antonio mayor Cockrell ('90); 6. TX Charley Pride tune: '... Can Be'; 7. TXism: 'I... that like a duck needs an umbrella'; 8. TX B.J. Thomas hit: 'I'm So Lonesome I Could...'; 9. TXism: 'passed me up like I was on... the garage' (fast); 16. TXism: 'useless as a saddle on...'; 18. TXism: '... blanket' (divorce); 20. TX Buddy Holly hit: '... Boy'; 21. Happy, TX is 'town with... frown'; 22. Tex Ritter studied this at UT; 24. in San Antonio: ... Polo Center; 30. seat of Camp County firefighter Adair (init.); 35. county no. of Crockett; 36. TX fishing technique: ... line; 37. Osmond album: '... Wanted You'; 39. home town of TX Waylon Jennings (in Lamb County); 43. panhandle ice storm; 44. TX Gene Tierny married this Oleg; 45. TX fiddler Eck (init.); 46. Glen Rose, TX has ... saur tracks; 47. TXism: 'close but ... cigar'; 48. first garden or TX town; 50. Ryan is Nolan's ...; 53. Davy's home state (abbr.); 54. TX Trini sang '... Bamba'; 55. TX Buck Owens sang 'Love's ... Live Here'; 56. TX Dan Jenkins writes for Golf ... magazine; 59. Cowboys' Noonan (init.); 60. TXism: 'fast as ... up a rafter'; 61. ... Yakado bought 7-11; 62. early pay for TX Rangers: \$1.25 ... day; 63. TX Mineral Wells from Abilene; DOWN: 1. in Hudspeth Co. on I-10: Sierra; 2. Houston AFC team; 3. TX V.T. Hamlin's comic strip (2 wds.); 4. TXism: 'nuff ...'; 9. Houston actress Jaclyn (init.); 10. the chosen 12; 11. Astros & Rangers dress in ... house; 12. Beaumont TV; 13. TX Kris film: 'A ... Born'; 14. TX Willis line: 'take ... away, Leon'; 15. Dallas' ice league; 17. this TX Mel won gold in '48 & '52; 19. this TX Brown was only female U.S. shot putter ('60); 23. Mineral Wells slogan: 'Where America Drinks Its ... Health'; 24. this Rogers married Uvalde's Dale (init.); 25. boot width; 26. soft mineral found in Texas; 27. TX Jimmy Dean's 'Big Bad John' was ... of a man; 28. this TX Randy won gold in shot put ('68); 38. Dallas' ... Marcus; 40. TXism: 'a boldface ... (big fib)'; 41. Oilers favorite zone; 42. Dr. Pepper began at a Waco ...; 49. Hardin-Simmons athletic conference; 51. TXism: '... gut' (whiskey); 52. TX JoBeth Williams was in 'Teachers' with this Nolte (init.); 57. TXism: 'bellyache'; 58. 'got ... up by skeeters'.

Sports

Baseball players honored

Team standings were announced in the Dimmitt Kids, Inc., baseball program at the annual awards gathering Friday evening at the Expo building.

The members of each team were recognized, and ribbons were awarded. First, second and third place teams will receive medallions later. Also, door prizes were given through ticket drawings to those present. Refreshments of home-

made ice cream and cookies were served.

Winner of the trampoline was given away was Noe Castro, and the winner of \$100-worth of gasoline or services at Dimmitt Consumers was Carolyn Harman.

In the T-Ball League, first place went to the Blue Jays, sponsored by Lindsey's Property Shoppe. The Padres, sponsored by Lane Dirt Inc., won second. Third went to the Angels, sponsored by Dimmitt Brake & Muffler. Fourth place was won by the Mariners, sponsored by American - Maize Products. Fifth went to the Rangers, sponsored by Wright & Sons Produce. Sixth place went to the Cubs, sponsored by Flagg Fertilizer.

First place in the Minor League went to the Indians, sponsored by First State Bank. Second place was a tie between the Royals, sponsored by Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply, and the Yankees, sponsored by BPOE #2269 of Hereford, with the Yankees assigned third place due to being beaten by the Royals. Fourth place went to the Mets, sponsored by Red X. The Expos, sponsored by Town & Country, won fifth place.

The Major League also had a tie, with the Tigers, sponsored by Castro Oil & Gas, and the Pirates, sponsored by Lane Dirt Inc., having identical season records and split-

ting two games with each other. Based on total points scored against opponents, the Pirates will receive the first place medallions, with the Tigers second. Third place went to the Braves, sponsored by Thrasher's Auto Sales. The Giants, sponsored by S & S Cattle, won fourth. Fifth place went to the Rockies, sponsored by the Elks Lodge.

In the Girls' Softball League, first place went to the Cardinals, sponsored by Dimmitt Consumers. Second place winners were the Robins, sponsored by IGA Foodliner. The Orioles, sponsored by Dimmitt Equipment, won third.

Photos of top teams will be published in future issues of the News as space permits

More about 1:1

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letter," one reader said. "It was not limited to 500 words, nor was it signed, nor was the name on file.

This guy is already getting special treatment and that's not fair to the average reader." Another reader brought up the

point that "Smalltown Homosexual" was allowed to throw a barb or two at the person who had written—and signed—an earlier letter that had prompted his letter in the first place, but that the original letter-writer had no way of knowing who her accuser was. (This wasn't the original letter-writer complaining, by the way.)

Both of those opinions have merit.

We violated our own policy, of course. In all my years as a newspaperman, I had never printed an anonymous letter, and I don't know that I ever will again.

But in this specific case, I felt that the subject merited the violation. "Smalltown Homosexual" bared his soul in his letter, and in so doing he gave us a glimpse into a lifestyle that most of us don't understand. That glimpse could add to our knowledge of a controversial subject, and that knowledge, perhaps, could add to our wisdom.

It would be nice if we could carry out all human interaction within simple, specific rules. But sometimes rules and abstract policies become obstacles because they just aren't sufficient for every human situation.

If you're upset because the newspaper didn't abide by its stated policy, I'm sorry. If you feel that "Smalltown Homosexual" gave you some insight or understanding, I'm glad.

July is immunization awareness month

July has been proclaimed Immunization Awareness Month in Texas. Throughout this month, the Texas department of Health and local health agencies will sponsor a variety of events to help educate communities about free or low-cost immunizations for children.

Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health, said, "we have tried to make it impossible for any Texas parent to plead ignorance as the reason his or her child is unimmunized. But ignorance is only one of the problems. Logistics—the geographic availability of vaccinations at sensible hours for working families—are still a problem."

By age two, only 30 percent of Texas children are fully immunized, half of the national average. Vaccinations are expected to cost about \$57 million, a fraction of the expense of treating the diseases.

Governor Ann Richards in April signed into law a childhood immunization bill that requires all Texas children, except those with a religious conflict or medical contraindication, to be immunized against contagious diseases such as measles, mumps and diphtheria. Doctors and hospitals will now be required to review children's immunization records. Families will be asked to pay for the administration of the vaccine. If the family is unable to pay the administrative fee, vaccines will be administered free of charge. State law already requires children to be immunized against diseases like measles, mumps, diphtheria, whooping cough and polio as soon as they enter school. But many children under age six have not been vaccinated.

Style show scheduled

Hospice of the Plains is sponsoring a "Back-to-School" style show for Saturday, August 7, at 7 p.m., in the McClung Center at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. The cost of the show will be \$20.

Proceeds from the style show will go to direct medical care for patients who are not covered by Medicare or insurance. The service area of Hospice of the Plains includes Dimmitt.

A dinner of Italian cuisine will be served, and door prizes will be awarded.

Professional models from Robert Spence School of Modeling will be modeling.

Hart tennis tournament scheduled

A tennis tournament is scheduled for Aug. 6 and 7 in Hart. There will be two divisions in both singles and doubles. The student division will be held the 6th, and the adult division will be held the 7th.

The entry fee will be \$7 per person, per event.

Call 938-2572 to enter or for more information. The deadline for entering is Aug. 2.

Golf Results

Friday Night Scramble at Dimmitt Country Club

FIRST PLACE: J.E. (Woogie) Wohlgemuth of Dimmitt, Mark Wohlgemuth of Austin, and Sandy Lookingbill of Dimmitt, 32.

SECOND PLACE: Audrey Shottenkirk, Tony Fisher, and John Dovacs, all of Dimmitt, 33.

THIRD PLACE: Carlos Mendez of Hereford, and Hubert Carrillo and Chi Abrego of Dimmitt, 34.

Troopers needed

The Texas Dept. of Public Safety is now accepting applications for the position of State Trooper.

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Jeff Bell resigns

Dimmitt High School assistant boys' basketball coach Jeff Bell recently handed in his resignation to the Dimmitt School Board.

"I've accepted the head boys basketball coach's position at Liberty Hill," Bell said, adding that it is a AA school about 30 miles from Austin.

"I'm real excited about it. They have a real good tradition, and some good kids coming back this year," Bell said. "It reminds me a lot of Dimmitt."

Bell said Liberty Hill teams have made it to the state tournament three times in the last 10 years, but didn't win the top crown. He added that the school may move up to AAA, and could possibly face Dimmitt sometime in the future.

"This is a good opportunity for me, but we'll miss Dimmitt," Bell said. "This is my home town and we think a whole lot of Dimmitt and the people here. The opportunity I had to work two years with Coach Kenneth Cleveland was a dream for me, something I'll never forget."

"Having to leave knowing he's not still here is a sad thing," Bell said.

Bell's wife, Jennifer, had been teaching biology at Dimmitt High School, and she also tendered her resignation. Bell said Jennifer hopes to get a teaching position at Liberty Hill. He added that they are already lined up to buy a house there.

The couple have three sons, Josh, 10, Jordan, 6, and Jake, 3. They are members of the Church of Christ.

"We wish Dimmitt nothing but the best, and I know they will continue their great tradition," Bell concluded.

Softball tourney set in Hereford

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce and Church of the Nazarene will sponsor a softball tournament July 30 through Aug. 1 and teams wishing to enter must do so by Wednesday.

The \$125-per-team entry fee and a team roster must be turned in to tournament director, Mark Andrews, at 804 S. 25 Mile Ave, Hereford 79045.

Only Class D teams may enter, but each team may have two Class C players, which must be designated on the roster. USSSA rules will apply and teams must furnish their own .50 core Blue Stitch softball.

A home run hitting contest will be held Saturday from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Nazarene Church softball field.

For more information contact Andrews at 364-7792 or 364-3429; or Eddie Morton at 364-8386.

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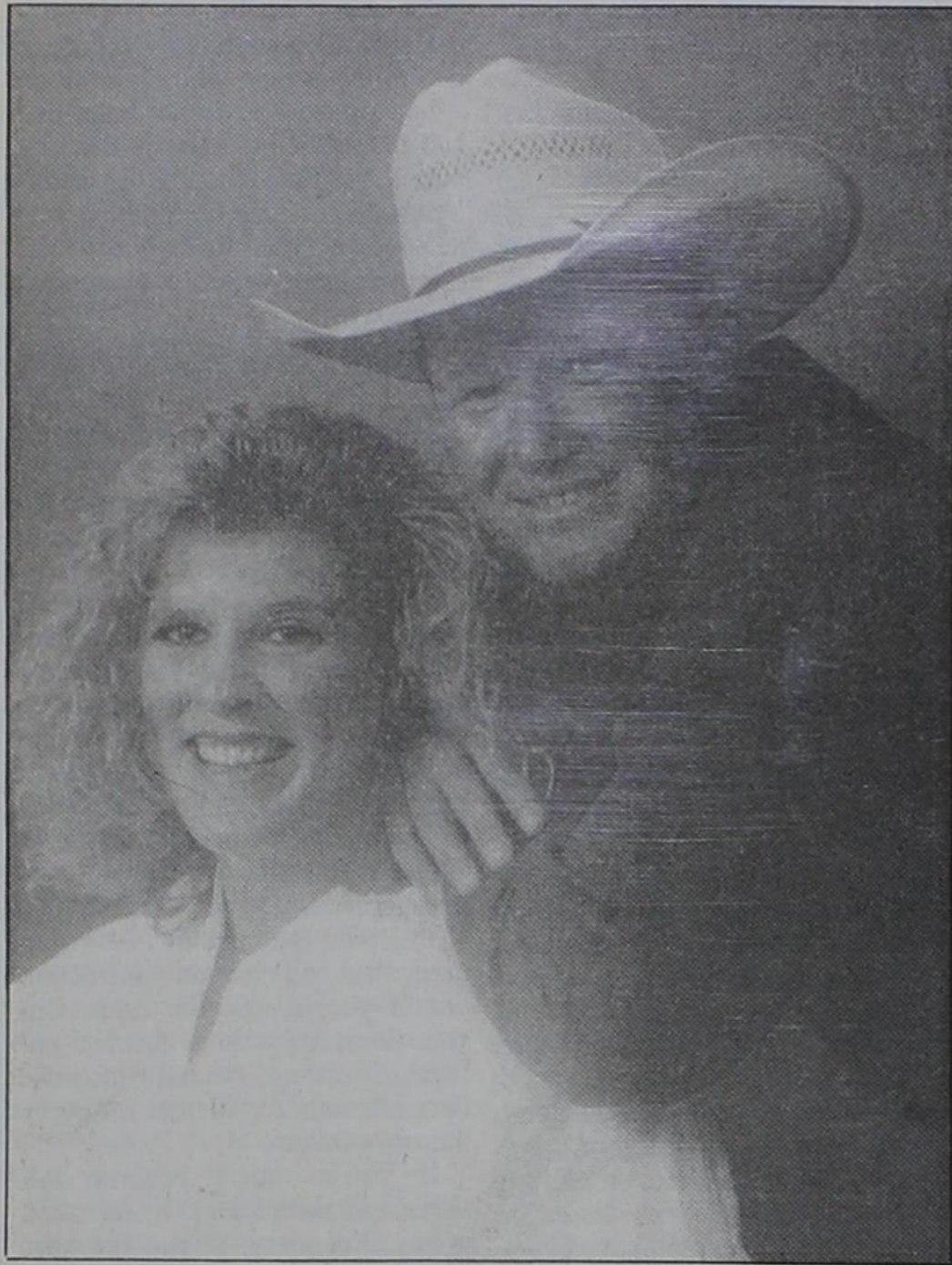
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Alison Lookingbill and Ned Swink

Couple plans to wed

Fred and Sandy Lookingbill of Summerfield, Texas, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Alison, to Ned Swink, son of Ivy and Kaye Swink of Aspermont, Texas.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows, Saturday, August 14, in Las Vegas. The bride-to-be is a 1989 Hereford High School graduate. She is currently attending Amarillo College, and majoring in nursing. She will receive her LVN in May of 1994. She is currently employed at Look Cattle Feeders.

The prospective groom is a 1981 graduate of Aspermont High School, and attended Tarleton State University. He is currently employed at Rafter 3 Feedyard.

The couple plans to reside in Dimmitt after the wedding.



Elizabeth Kotas and Wayne Schacher

Kotas, Schacher to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Kotas of Poughkeepsie, N.Y. announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth, to Wayne Schacher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Schacher of Dimmitt.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Sept. 18 at the Christ of the Mountain Catholic Church in Lakewood, Colo.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the Colorado School of Mines. She holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering and petroleum refining and she currently is employed at EG&G Rocky Flats as a process engineer.

The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Dimmitt High School and he holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Colorado School of Mines and he is employed as a plant facilities systems engineer at EG&G Rocky Flats.

Following the wedding the couple will reside in Lakewood, Colo.

Hart Days plans set

A pedal tractor pull, stick horse race, line dance sessions, a parade, variety show, flea market and more will highlight the annual Hart Days celebration Aug. 13 and 14.

On Aug. 13, the Hart Days Committee will sponsor line dance sessions, followed by a dance, all for a \$2 per person admission price.

The dance sessions will include instructions on steps to the line dances for *Achy Breaky Heart*, *Boot Scoot Boogie* and more. A concession stand, operated by the Hart 4-H Club, will be open during the dances.

Those who wish to enter a float in the annual parade should contact Todd Pebsworth at 938-2604. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Aug. 14.

Organizations which plan to have a booth at Hart Days should contact Pebsworth or Neoma Williams at 938-2640 to sign up. A fee amounting to 10% of net proceeds will be levied on each booth and proceeds will go to the Hart Days fund.

The flea market will be set up near the Hart Fire Dept. and anyone who wishes to reserve space should contact Pebsworth or Williams.

The children's pedal tractor pull will be held Aug. 14 under the direction of Cargill at Aiken and details about the event will be announced later.

Adults are expected to participate in a "stick horse" race in the afternoon on Aug. 14.

A new feature to Hart Days will be a homemade ice cream contest. Rules for the contest will be announced later. Contestants will create their favorite homemade ice cream, which will be judged, then sold. Stanley and Rhonda Dyer will coordinate the contest.

On Aug. 14, immediately following the parade, a ceremony dedicating a marker in honor of Jewell Slade Bennett will be held. The granite marker will be dedicated in memory of Mrs. Bennett's husband and son. Last year she donated property to the City of Hart for use during the Hart Days celebration. Her generosity will be recognized by Hart Mayor Tony Leibel during the ceremony.

The annual variety show will be held Saturday night in the east parking lot at Hale County State Bank in Hart, and it will feature some old talent as well as new performers.

Returning to the show will be the "Brady Bunch," Jimmy Ray Davis and his bluegrass group, vocalist Lisa Clevenger of Lubbock and Rachel Wall, who will perform a toe-tapping routine.

The West Texas Cloggers of Lubbock will be one of the new acts to entertain crowds this year.

Jerry Jansa will emcee the program.

Anyone who would like to enter the show with an individual or group act should contact Marguerite McLain at 938-2210.

Those attending must provide their own seating.

Newlywed couple makes home in Plano

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Anthony Kern are home in Plano after enjoying a wedding trip to Canada.

The couple exchanged wedding vows May 22 in a formal, double-ring ceremony performed by Father Neal Dee at Holy Family Church in Nazareth.

The bride is the former Mary Jane Candy Jones, daughter of Ann and Buck Chadwick of Quitaque and M.C. Salty Jones of Flomot. The groom is the son of Walter and Rita Kern of Nazareth.

The couple recited vows before an altar decorated with spring flowers, white candles and greenery.

Music was provided by a choir led by Bernita Hoelting, organist Mary Lynn Olvera and soloist Leslie Mashburn of Austin who sang *Ave Maria*, *Somewhere in the World*, *Double Good* and *Through the Eyes of Love*.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white gown with white lace, pearls and beads. It was fashioned with a vee-shaped neckline and short sleeves, which gathered at her shoulders. The sleeves were lined on the side with roses and were trimmed in lace. The full skirt swept into a mid cathedral-length train, which was accented with floral lace beginning beneath a bow at her waistline and continuing down the length of the gown. The train was edged with floral lace.

She wore her Grandmother Jones' wedding ring for "something old," and she "borrowed" a "blue" garter from her sister, Stachia which had been made by Ma McFall. For "something new," the bride selected her gown and wore a bracelet given to her by her brother, Pepper Jones.

She carried a bouquet of white spring flowers.

Serving as matron of honor was Stachia Washington of Quitaque,

Miss Wardell is honored with shower

Jo Dawn Wardell, bride-elect of Joe Don Gifford, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Norma Smith of Dimmitt.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Smith; Miss Wardell; the bride-elect's mother, Bettye Butler; and the prospective groom's mother, Dixie Russell.

The serving table was covered with a white Battenburg lace cloth and it held a mirror table runner centered with crystal vases and candlesticks entwined with ivy, baby's breath and purple statice.

Tonda Nehring of Enid, Okla., served the guests punch and dainty puff pastry hearts spread with various fresh fruit fillings, and crackers and cheese spread.

The hostesses assisting Mrs. Smith with the shower presented the couple with a 14-piece set of T-Fal cookware.

Special guests were Deborah Gifford of Amarillo, stepmother of the prospective groom; Jo Hickey, Neva Hickey and Dugan Butler, both of Dimmitt; Betty Wardell of Amarillo, grandmother of the bride-elect; Janet House of Turkey; Johnnie Morrison and Era Heckerson, both of Quitaque; Shelly and Halley Robison, Karen Lassen, and Jane and Hunter McNew, all of Amarillo.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL KERN
... She's the former Candy Jones

step-sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kay Ballard and Sandra Marberry, both of Lubbock, and Shannon Oldfield of Littlefield, friends of the bride.

The attendants wore casual dresses of plaid and floral material and they carried stems of spring flowers tied with ribbons.

The best man was Kenny Kern of Dallas, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Kevin Hoelting of Dallas, friend of the groom; Bob Kern of Lubbock, brother of the groom; and Pepper Jones of Austin, brother of the bride.

Serving as flower girl was Brandy Kern of Nazareth, the groom's niece. Ring bearer was Eric Vo of Dallas, nephew of the groom.

Ushers were Francis Kern of Memphis, Tenn.; and Jimmy Kern, Hugh Wilhelm and Dale Wilhelm,

all of Nazareth. Following the wedding a reception and dance was held at the Nazareth Community Hall.

The couple moved to Plano before enjoying their wedding trip to Canada. They left in June and spent 10 days in Alberta, Canada, visiting Calgary, the Candian Rockies, Banff National Park, Jasper National Park and Edmonton. They also enjoyed Moraine Lake, Lake Louise, Banff, the Columbia Icefields, Johnston Falls and more.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock and she holds a bachelor of science degree in early childhood education. She is a member of Alpha Chi Sorority.

The groom holds a bachelor of science degree in agricultural engineering from Texas Tech.

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Knox, Howard recite vows July 10

A double ring ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Hart, July 10, united Shelly LeAnn Knox and Jon Gavin Howard.

Rev. Ernie McGaughey of Tulia officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Knox of Hart. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.G.Henderson of Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Don Knox of Spearman. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Howard of Tulia. He is the grandson of Mrs. Love Howard and Mrs. Julius Hansen of Tulia.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a dropped waist dress of white bridal satin designed with a Queen Ann neckline. The bodice was encrusted with pearls and iridescent sequins, and featured a heart cut-out in the back with strands of pearls across the heart. Lace trimmed the hem of the skirt and cathedral train. The skirt and train featured rose pattern lace insets trimmed in pearls. Her head piece was a Juliet cap embroidered with pearls and iridescent sequins with a candy-box bow and tiered veil.

She carried a waterfall spring bouquet of pink roses, gladiolas, and various other spring blossoms in shades of pink. Centered in her bouquet was the Bible given by her mother on the day of her birth inscribed with her name and birthdate. A cascade of lace, ribbon, and strands of pearls completed the bouquet.

Cindy Knox of Wichita Falls was maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Traci Knox and Melissa Ethridge of Hart, and Arian Killebrew of Canyon.

The bridal attendants were outfitted in tea length full-skirted dresses with puffed sleeves and a cut-out back accented with a large designer bow at the waistline. The



Mrs. Jon Howard
...nee Shelly Knox

dresses were of watercolor print in shades of teal with mauve accents.

Each attendant carried an airy spring bouquet.

Julia Knox of Odessa and Mattie Howard of Tulia were flower girls and Lee Issac Knox of Odessa was ring bearer. The flower girls wore dresses to match the bridesmaids.

Steve Powell of Chicago, Illinois was best man. Groomsmen were Joel Wright of Canyon, David Williams of Austin, and Shayne Damon of Tulia.

Guest were seated by Jay Davis

of Hart and Jason Howard of Plainview.

Brittney Howard of Tulia, cousin of the groom, and Amanda Ethridge of Hart, cousin of the bride, registered guests.

Musical selections with guitar accompaniment were sung by vocalists Milly and Roger Otwell of Tulia. LeAnn Malone of Hart was organist.

A reception was held in the First Baptist Church Fellowship hall. Members of the reception party were Tori and Tara Irlbeck of Tulia, Jamie Howard of Plainview, Elosia Reyna and Mmes, Nelson Dotson, Abel Reyna, Kenny Clinton of Hart, and Bob Bowden of Cleveland, New Mexico.

After a wedding trip to San Marcos the couple will reside in Lubbock. The bride is a prepharmacy student at Texas Tech University, and is currently employed at Mervyn's. The groom will receive his Bachelors degree in computer science next year from Texas Tech. He is currently employed by United Grocery.

Enter now for parade

"We want to have the best parade ever," a spokesman for the annual Harvest Days Parade said.

This year's event, with the theme "Swingin' Fifties," will be Aug. 14, starting at 10 a.m. Line-up will begin at 9 a.m. in Dimmitt. Deadline for entry is Aug. 12 at noon. A phone call or a completed entry form is required. Enter by phone by calling the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 647-2524, or write to Parade Entry, 115 W. Bedford, Dimmitt, 79027.

Trophies and ribbons are given to the top entries selected by the judges.

Organizer of the lineup is the Dimmitt Lions Club.

Floats are asked to carry large signs on both sides so that the crowd can readily identify the group or business represented.

Vehicles in the parade will include entries in the car show held later that day. Classes will include antique, hot rod, classic and low-riders. Cars carrying dignitaries need readable signs indicating who they are by name and title.

Bicycles do not need to pre-register. All other entries do. Categories include business, civic, vehicle or other.

There is no fee for entry.



PLAINS MEMORIAL

Baby boy Micheal Alexander was born July 13 at 7:52 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds and 15 ounces and measured 22-1/2 inches long. He is the son of Charlie Ray Kirven and Regina R. Evans of Dimmitt. He has an older sister, Haylee Diane Evans. Grandparents are Mary Swindle and Steve Grea of Amarillo. Great-grandmother is Mable Laura Ewing.

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Williams offers update on insect infestations

By ANDY WILLIAMS
Pest Management Agent

The overall crop situation in the county is excellent, but a good, general rainfall would be welcomed by everyone. Producers are keeping irrigation engines running, trying to stay ahead of rapidly drying soil profile. Harmful insect populations remain light, but the beneficial insects are still abundant. Scattered rainfall last week should relieve some spider mite infestations.

The cotton crop looks excellent and stages of development vary from pinhead to matchhead square. The crop is making excellent progress under irrigated conditions.

A few cotton fleahoppers have been spotted, but continued careful monitoring should continue. These hard to detect insects are commonly confused with many other insects found around the terminals of the cotton. Minute pirate bugs, aphids and leafhoppers are just a few insects being mistaken for cotton fleahoppers.

When scouting, sneak up on the plants, never casting a shadow on the plants to avoid alarming these fast moving and shy insects.

If silverleaf nightshade (whiteweed) is a problem in a cotton field, you should monitor that field closely because it is a known host for the cotton fleahopper.

The adult fleahoppers are about 1/8-inch long and pale green. Nymphs resemble the adults but lack wings and are light green. Both nymphs and adults suck sap from tender squares. Squares which are pinhead size or smaller are the most susceptible. The threshold for this pest is 25 to 30 fleahoppers per 100 terminals checked, and square set not below 90%. To figure square set count the number of healthy squares, divided by the average number of fruit nodes per plant and multiply by 100.

Thrip numbers decreased significantly in cotton, especially since squaring started. The number of thrips found in corn also has declined.

Corn is in a stage between mid-whorl and tassel emergence and it is growing rapidly with irrigation.

With hot, dry and windy conditions we have been experiencing, spider mites should be monitored closely.

Western corn rootworm populations are building.

Spider mites thrive in weather conditions like we are experiencing and the pests have been spotted along unpaved county roads during the past week.

I have seen many colonies of both adults and immatures, especially on lower leaves. Careful and frequent monitoring is important if weather continues along the hot, dry and windy line.

It is important to prevent plant stress because stress gives mites an added advantage.

The following threshold developed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is beneficial in determining the time to spray.

STEP 1: Determine the cost to spray for spider mites per acre. Figure the cost of the chemical, along with the application cost.

STEP 2: Try to estimate the market value of the crop. This is determined by multiplying the expected yield by the market price per bushel.

STEP 3: Determine the percentage of the plants infested by mites. This is accomplished by counting the number of leaves infested by spider mites (it can be one mite) divided by the total number of leaves on the plant.

STEP 4: Determine the percent of leaf area damaged by the spider mites. Mite feeding will cause lighter colored areas, and at the present time, are closer to the midrib of the leaf. Total destruction of the leaf is 100% and a quarter-size area being about 5% damaged.

STEP 5: Compare these numbers with Table 1 to determine if it is time to spray:

Control Cost (\$/acre)	ECONOMIC INJURY LEVEL FOR THE GREEN GRASS HITE IN CORN										
	BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF INFESTED LEAVES PER PLANT / PERCENTAGE OF LEAF AREA DAMAGED										
	Bushel value (\$/bushel)										
5	16/8	12/4	10/5	8/5	7/4	7/2	6/2	5/4	4/3	3/2	4/2
10	29/14	24/12	20/10	17/9	15/8	12/7	12/6	11/6	10/5	9/4	8/4
15	44/22	39/19	34/16	29/13	25/12	20/10	18/9	16/9	15/8	14/7	12/7
20	59/21	47/25	39/21	34/18	29/14	26/14	24/12	21/11	20/10	18/10	17/9
25	74/29	59/21	49/26	42/22	37/20	32/17	29/16	27/14	25/13	22/12	21/11

Many southern and western corn rootworm beetles have been spotted recently. Southern corn rootworm beetles are yellow with black spots extending the length of its body. Western corn rootworm beetles have three black stripes extending the entire length of its body.

These beetles have been known to feed on green silks and on pollen itself. Later in the season, after the silks turn brown, these beetles cause no harm to corn.

Average southwestern corn borers trapped in area pheromone traps dropped drastically this past week and it is suspected that the first generation peak flight is over and the second generation will begin in the next couple of weeks.

Average corn earworms trapped also dropped this week. It is suspected that a new generation will begin to show up in traps soon.

Producers are having few problems with sorghum with only a small population of corn leaf aphids in the whorl and a few colonies of greenbugs being seen on the underside of the leaves.

These corn leaf aphids do not inject toxins into the leaves while feeding, so control measures seldom are needed.

Corn leaf aphids are an important food source for many beneficial insects. Chemicals used to control the corn leaf aphid will possibly cause insecticide resistant greenbugs later in the season.

Growers should watch for powdery mildew and leaf spot in sugar beets.

Powdery mildew is likely to be found in hot and dry weather. Leaf spot is more likely to be found in hot, humid conditions, which have been prevalent in the last week.

Spray schedules should begin soon, and Holly Sugar will send cards to growers when these conditions are spotted.

Sugar beet growers also should be on the lookout for army worms which thrive in hot temperatures.

The overall beet crop looks good and if we keep on top of problems we should finish in good shape according to Doug Cavin of Holly Sugar.

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RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES were held Friday morning at Troy's Sweet Shop at 116 W. Jones. Those attending the ribbon cutting ceremony were (from left) Rita Welch, Caroline Jones,

Wayne Collins, Max Newman, Kyle Schuder (owner) and his wife, Jessica Schuder, Paula Reynolds, and Dolores Heller. Troy's Sweet Shop will open for business today (Thursday). Photo By Nicole Klemm

Pesticide training to be offered here

Farm workers who want to know more about pesticide safety may attend a training session Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Dimmitt.

The training session will be free and open to the public and is being sponsored by the Texas Dept. of Agriculture. It will be held at the Texas Migrant Council's Head Start Center, located at 701 E. Bedford in Dimmitt.

The program will offer instruction on how farm workers may protect themselves by working safely around chemicals and treated areas. Workers completing the training also will receive a certification in pesticide safety.

Workers will have an opportunity to ask TDA employees questions during the training session, which lasts about an hour.

"Texas is a pioneer in farm safety programs," said Texas Ag Commissioner Rick Perry. "This training allows farm workers to keep up-to-date on the latest information about pesticides and safe ways of handling them."

The Texas Agricultural Hazard Communications Act, commonly known as the "Right-to-Know" law, serves to protect farm workers when they work around pesticides. Under this law, which is administered by Texas Dept. of Agriculture, workers must be advised about the chemicals they are working around, pesticide exposure symptoms and ways to guard against contamination.

Farmers required to comply with the Right-to-Know law must use at least 500 pounds or 55 gallons of a chemical and have an annual pay-

roll of \$50,000 for non-migrant workers or \$15,000 for migrant workers in a one-year period.

These covered farmers must provide and read crop sheets for workers who have not received TDA-sponsored pesticide safety training.

After taking this course, participants will receive a certification card which they can present to employers.

For more information on the program contact TDA at 512/463-7622.

'92 cotton suffered in county

Castro County cotton producers planted 50,900 acres, but only managed to harvest 15,700 of those acres last year, according to information received from the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

Average yield per acre for the harvested crop was 404 pounds and the average net weight per bale was 13,200 pounds.

The difference in the planted and harvested acres resulted from an unusually wet spring and early summer, which killed a lot of the county's crop.

Several farmers also were unable to plant their crop last year.

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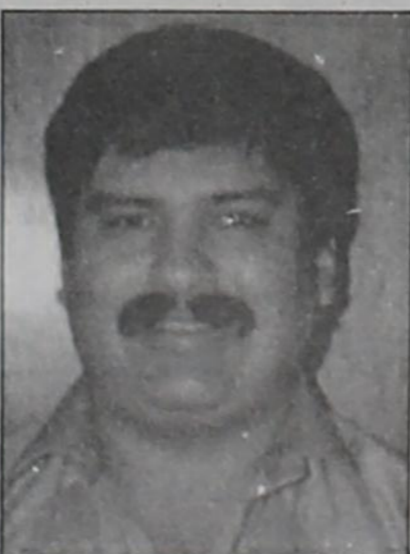


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DHS Classes of '46 to '49 set Harvest Days reunion

A joint reunion for the Dimmitt High School Classes of 1946, 1947, 1948 and 1949 is planned for Aug. 13-14 in conjunction with the annual Harvest Days activities.

Members of the four classes are urged to pre-register by sending the registration fee of \$10 per person. Deadline for pre-registration is July 31. Those who send the fee but are unable to attend will receive any mementos made available with registration.

Registration information can be mailed to: Dimmitt High School Reunion, P.O. Box 895, Hereford, 79045. Include name, spouse's name, address, home phone, T-shirt size for each person registered and \$10 registration per person. Also, those planning to attend the banquet must include an additional \$6 per person.

The banquet will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Richardson Elementary cafeteria. Other activities will include check in Aug. 13 at 6 p.m. at Dimmitt Middle School, located at the northwest corner of the old high school. Those able to come early are encouraged to help prepare a parade float on Aug. 12-13.

The morning of Aug. 14 will be left open for class members to enjoy the various Harvest Days activities, such as the parade and Old Settlers reunion and lunch (with class members on their own).

Aug. 14 from 2 to 5 p.m. individual class gatherings will be held in the Dimmitt Middle School auditorium, with coffee and lemonade provided and class members asked to bring snack items.

Class members are encouraged to contact other class members and let them know about the reunion.

Also, class representatives may be contacted to be sure that each class member's address is known.

For the Class of 1946, contact Carolyn Jones at 609 W. Bedford, Dimmitt, 79027, phone 806-647-2332.

Members of the Class of 1947 may contact Virgie Gibson, 3610 Linda, Amarillo, 79109, phone 806-358-4945.

Joyce Autry is the contact for the Class of 1948, and she may be contacted at 1011 Hopkins, Rocky Ford, Colo. 81067, phone 719-254-3736.

For the Class of 1949, contact Lewis Martin, 4904 Harvard, Amarillo, 79109, phone 806-355-7977.

Members of the Class of 1945 are also encouraged to join in any and all of the activities, as well as other former students who may have attended high school with the classes of 1946-49.



TOUR PREPARATION — County Extension Agents J.D. Ragland (left) and Andy Williams are getting ready for the annual Castro County Crops Tour, which will be held July 30 at several spots in

the southern half of the county. The five-stop tour will begin at Hart this year and will conclude at the Coby Gilbreath farm.

Photo by Anne Acker

Referendum to decide fate of dairy promotion program

US dairy farmers may cast their votes either in favor of or against continuing their national dairy promotion program.

Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy has announced an August referendum on the program after receiving petitions with more than 16,000 signatures requesting a referendum on the future of the program.

All dairy farmers who produced milk for commercial use during April 1993 will be eligible to vote in the referendum. For the program to continue, a simple majority of those voting must favor it.

The referendum period will be

from Aug. 5 to 16 and voting will be conducted by mail. The referendum agent has determined that completed ballots must be post-marked no later than Aug. 16.

Ballots, envelopes, and question and answer sheets will be available at the local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office before and during the voting period.

Dairy farmers finance the promotion and research program with a 15-cent per hundredweight assessment on all milk produced and marketed commercially in the 48 contiguous states. A 36-member board appointed by the secretary of

agriculture administers the program, which was last approved by dairy producers in 1985.

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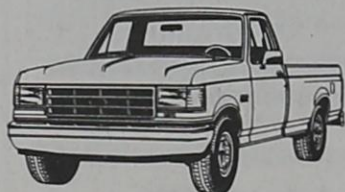
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Obituaries

Benny Barron

Graveside services for Benny Barron, 48, of Dimmitt, were held Saturday afternoon in Castro Memorial Gardens at Dimmitt under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Barron died at 8:25 a.m. Friday at University Medical Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

He was born in Elsa and lived there until he was 7. Then he moved to Dimmitt. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Survivors include a son, Roy Lee Barron of Texas; a brother, Sam Barron of Dimmitt; and his parents, Joe and Nadine Barron of Dimmitt.

Effie Dyer

Services for Effie Maudine Dyer, 98, of Athens were held Tuesday in Foster & Brown Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Eric Cupp officiating.

Graveside services were held in Restland Memorial Park in Dallas.

Mrs. Dyer died Saturday, July 17, in East Texas Medical Center in Athens.

She was born on Dec. 10, 1894, in Grayson County. She was a housewife and member of Eastern Hills Church of Christ. A son, Goldman P., died in 1987. Her husband, Rollie R. Dyer died in 1968.

Survivors include five sons, Col. John Dyer of Whitefish, Mont., Lawrence A. of Dallas, Ray of Grand Prairie, Rollie T. of Malakoff and Samuel Wesley of Irving; three daughters, Lena Alice Brandon of Littlefield, Raye Attaway of Athens and Rosamary Couch of Mayfield, Colo.; and a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Larren Jones

Larren Jones, 74, died last Tuesday, July 13.

Services were held Thursday in Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with Monsignor Harold Waldo officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Jones, born in Miami, Texas, moved to Amarillo in 1968 from San Diego. He married Mernia Louise Boggs in 1941 at Denver. She died in 1987. He retired from the Army as a captain after serving from 1938 to 1958 and was at Scholfield Barracks when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include three sons, Larren Frank Jones of Aloha, Ore., David Allen Jones of Brookings, Ore., and Daniel Thomas Jones of

Gresham, Ore.; a daughter, Theresa Robin Elliott of Springfield, Ore.; a brother, Marvin F. Jones of Nazareth; 11 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Guadalupe Ramos

Guadalupe Ramos, 78, of Dimmitt, died at 10:10 a.m. Monday at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

A vigil service was held Tuesday evening in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home in Dimmitt.

Services were held Wednesday morning at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt with Deacon Fortunato Hinojosa officiating.

Burial followed in Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home.

Mr. Ramos was born in Del Rio. He had lived in Bracketville before moving to Dimmitt in 1952.

He married Jacinto Ramos on Feb. 23, 1929, in Bracketville. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Guadalupanas Society.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Raul Sr. and Sotero, both of Dimmitt, and Fred of Rock Spring; four daughters, Jo Alice Hinojosa of Uvalde, Joel Guerra of Knoxville, Tenn., Sally Salazar of Madeira, Calif., and Ramona R. Lopez of Dimmitt; a brother, Francisco Alejandro of Garland; a sister, Helen Hernandez of Garland; 43 grandchildren; 60 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Carrie W. Futrell

Carrie Wingren Futrell, 89, died last Tuesday, July 13.

Graveside services were held Friday in Hart Cemetery, at Hart, with Van Earl Hughes of Dimmitt officiating. Arrangements were made by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Futrell was born in Lampasas County. She was a longtime resident of Hart before moving to Dumas in 1988. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church in Hart. She attended Mary Hardin Baylor College at Belton and taught school in Hart and Olton. She also taught a ladies Sunday school class in Hart for many years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Alvin Futrell, in 1984.

Survivors include two sons, Weston Futrell of Dumas and Ralph Futrell of Springlake; a daughter, Carol Carruth of River-ton, Wyo.; seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Police Calls

A 23-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested Saturday on charges of sexual assault. The incident, which was reported to the Sheriff's Dept. late Friday night, allegedly happened out in the county just east of Dimmitt. The victim is a Dimmitt woman. A spokesman of the Sheriff's Dept. said the incident is still under investigation, and no further information was available. The suspect was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Marshall Young and bond was set at \$20,000.

The Sheriff's Dept. received a report of a gunshot victim July 14 at Plains Memorial Hospital. Deputies said the victim said he accidentally shot himself in the left hip while trying to shoot a snake.

A 17-year-old Dimmitt youth was arrested for assault/family violence Friday night. Police said a man reported that his son was intoxicated and had broken a table in the backyard and was threatening him with a stick.

Friday evening a Dimmitt man, 29, was arrested for DWI and fleeing from a peace officer. Police received a report of a car driving recklessly in the 600 block of East Halsell and observed the car in the area. As police approached the car, the driver reportedly drove off at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was finally stopped in the 200 block of Northeast Fifth Street.

A Dimmitt woman, 38, was arrested on forgery charges Friday morning. On July 13, a 34-year-old Olton woman was arrested for forgery and theft by check. Tampering with a government document was the charge brought against a Plainview woman, 25, on July 13.

Jose Maria Jimenez, 51, of Dimmitt told police that a suspect had

assaulted him Sunday at 5 p.m. The charges were listed as assault with bodily injury.

Video Magic in Dimmitt reported to police that five video cassettes had been rented and not returned. The cassettes were valued at \$78 each, for a total value of \$390. The theft was reported last Thursday.

Benny's Auto Sales in Dimmitt reported to police that someone threw a rock through a window Saturday afternoon.

Monday, a woman told Sheriff's Deputies that someone broke into a storage barn nine miles north of Dimmitt and took a camper trailer valued at \$200. She said January was the last time she was sure it was there.

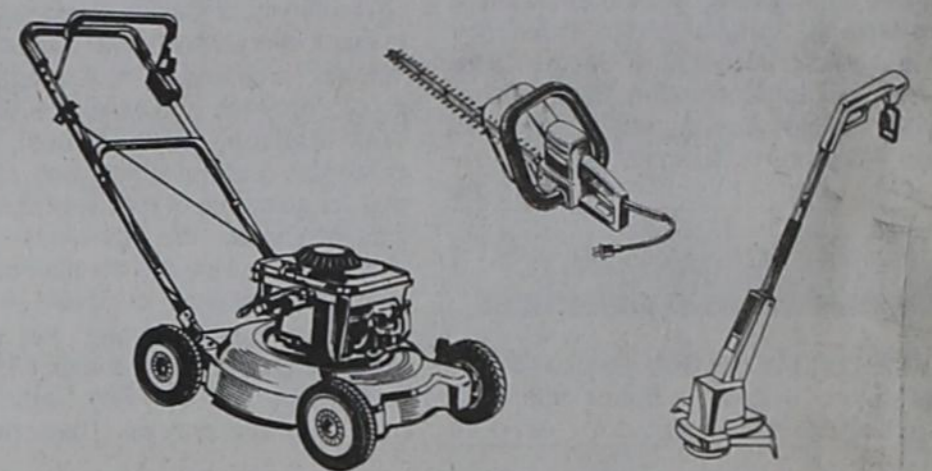
July 14, a Dimmitt woman, 31, and a Dimmitt man, 35, both were arrested for family violence.

Two 15-year-old drivers were ticketed for driving without a driver's license in an accident July 14 at 2:30 p.m. in the 400 block of Northwest Sixth Street in Dimmitt. Steven Anthony Reyes of Dimmitt was also ticketed for backing without safety. Police said the car driven by Reyes backed out of a driveway and struck a car driven by Delia Dominquez of Dimmitt. No injuries were reported and damage to both cars was rated light.

Kim Joseph Drerup, 25, of Nazareth was ticketed for driving without being secured by a seatbelt, and for an expired trailer registration as the result of an accident Saturday at 1:45 p.m. According to the Texas Dept. of Public Safety report, Drerup had been heading west on dirt County Road #605, when his pickup went into the ditch on the right side of the road. Reportedly, the driver tried to correct his direction, but the pickup, which was pulling a stock trailer, jack-

knifed, then rolled over onto its top with the stock trailer landing on top of the pickup bed. Drerup was taken to Plains Memorial Hospital with possible injuries. The vehicle damage rating was listed as 2R and

T5 for the pickup and 12FC 2 for the trailer. The trailer was carrying 34 head of roping steers, which were removed by Trey Johnson, who also transported Drerup to the hospital.



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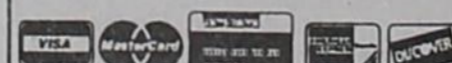
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