Dimmitt, Texas, Thursday, October 8, 1998



Castro County has the best 4-H'ers anywhere, including the state 4-H president. Read about them in the special 4-H Week section in this issue.

By Don Nelson

go up a penny a loaf.

According to those in the petroleum industry, we Americans feel that way about our motor fuel, too.

John S. Herold, Inc., regularly compiles a "shopping basket" of everyday liquid products and figures what they would cost per barrel, compared with a barrel of crude oil.

Herold's latest comparisons were published in Industry Insights magacopy of the article from their son, Steve (Dimmitt High '69), who lives in Bakersfield, Calif., and is a vicepresident of the Atlantic Richfield

A barrel of West Texas Intermediate crude costs \$15.23.

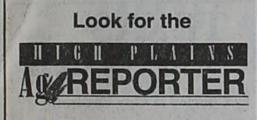
The cost of the same amount of refined gasoline would be \$21.84 (wholesale, before tax) and \$45.36 (retail, after tax).

Here's what the price per barrel would be of these other popular liq-

Coca Cola: \$78.73. Milk: \$126. Evian Water: \$189.90. Orange Juice: \$251.16. Snapple: \$267.12. Perrier Water: \$328.67. Budweiser: \$342.72. Lemon Oil: \$390.88. Crisco Oil: \$435.12. Scope Mouthwash: \$826.56. Sunflower Oil: \$971.04 Olive Oil: \$1,324.38. Pinot Grigio Wine: \$1,377.40. Head & Shoulders Shampoo:

\$1,411.20. Real Maple Syrup: \$1,787.52. Sesame Oil: \$2,535.61. Jack Daniels: \$4,133.26. Tanning Oil: \$4,290.05. Visine: \$32,202.24.

And the current reigning champion is Flonase, a prescription nasal spray popular with allergy sufferers. A barrel of it would cost \$238,133.21.



IN THIS ISSUE!

## **Crime Line offers** \$200 reward for vehicle burglars

Dimmitt Police and the Castro County Sheriff's Dept. are offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for a recent rash

of vehicle burglaries and thefts. Police Chief Ray Aleman said that three of the burglaries are definitely related, and two thefts also may have been done by the same suspect or

suspects. The three related burglaries occurred at Dimmitt High School on separate days.

On Sept. 30, someone broke out a window of a 1983 Oldsmobile belonging to Gene Penney and took a Pioneer AM/FM cassette stereo valued at \$200, causing \$100 in damage to the car window.

On Friday, Fredrick Traylor told police that someone removed some CD's from a red 1995 Geo Tracker. (Continued on Page 16)



THE HOMECOMING COURT—Jayme Schmucker (third from left) was crowned as Nazareth High School's Homecoming Queen Friday night during pre-game ceremonies at Swift Field. Other senior candidates for the honor were Ann Wilhelm (second

from left) and Susan Jones (fourth from left). Homecoming Princesses this year included freshman Megan Hoelting (left), sophomore Shawna Gerber (fifth from left) and junior Cassie Birkenfeld (far Photo by Anne Acker

# Most of us in this area know that Americans believe that cheap food is their God-given right. John and Jane Doe (and Congress, too) don't seem to care whether the farmer loses money on his wheat, just as long as the price of bread doesn't go up a penny a loaf. City seeking to annex of the congress of the price of bread doesn't price of brea

The Dimmitt City Council voted Oct. 19 meeting of the council. Monday night to begin annexation proceedings for the city's property south of town on US 385.

The first public hearing on the annexation will be held at the Oct. 19 meeting of the council.

city is seeking to annex US 385 and the right of way and a strip 10 feet shop with employees to explain the zine. Ralph and Avis Smith got a wide along the west side of the road changes. from the present city limit about three miles south to the city's property (which had previously been offered as a prison site).

> Collins said property owners along the west side of the highway have been contacted and are not opposed to the annexation. He said the present city limit ends at the county road that is south of Texas Equipment.

Also at Monday's meeting, the first public hearing was held for annexation of property on the west edge of Dimmitt. No one appeared before the council on the matter. The second

sponsor its annual Health Fair

Wednesday (Oct. 14) from 7 a.m. to

Everyone is encouraged to come

Flu vaccines will be offered for

out and take advantage of flu shots,

various health screenings, therapeu-

tic advice, and other health informa-

\$5 per person. Everyone is encour-

aged to take advantage of this inex-

pensive protection, particularly for

those who are susceptible to flu, such

as the elderly and those with under-

in high-risk groups currently remains

the most effective measure for reduc-

ing the impact of influenza, accord-

ing to information from the Texas

cholesterol, blood sugar and electro-

lytes will be offered for \$15. This

A screening for triglycerides,

Preseason vaccination of persons

lying health problems.

Dept. of Health.

hospital.

Plains Memorial Hospital will health problems.

7 p.m. in the ambulance barn at the 16 million people in the US. Unfor-

will test for diabetes as well as other the hospital will help people who use

In other business:

-Council members voted to approve changes to the city's personnel policy manual as requested by City Manager Don Sheffy. Matters addressed included sexual harassment members suggested having a work- Flores at 647-7934."

—The council approved a budget amendment for the 1997-98 fiscal year to cover \$106,690 of seal coating expense.

—In his manager's report, Sheffy said that the East City Park is almost finished. He said the water system has been installed and grass is being established.

—The council heard a report from Police Chief Ray Aleman. Aleman said that his officers have given approximately 80 written notices on all sides of town concerning junk vehicles. He said that only three have public hearing will be held at the refused to do anything at all, and

Wednesday Health Fair

to offer shots, screenings

problem that affects approximately

tunately, only two-thirds of these

people have had their diabetes diag-

(PSA) prostate cancer screening will

be done for a \$35 fee. This is tar-

older may have their bone density

tested in a screening for osteoporo-

sis. No appointment is needed. A

spokesperson said it is a painless and

non-invasive exam, in which the

bone density of the ankle is mea-

sured. The report will go to the indi-

vidual's health provider, who will

booths will be offered free at the

Several screenings and advice

The physical therapy personnel of

send a letter to the individual.

The Prostate Specific Antigen

Also, for \$35, women age 45 and

nosed, according to the TDH.

geted for men age 50 and over.

Diabetes is a serious public health

added that citations would be issued after Monday night. He said others have brought vehicles into condition, had them covered, or had them hauled off.

"There is a man who will pick up junk vehicles free of charge," Mayor Wayne Collins said that the and outside employment. Council Aleman said. "You can call Ismael

Aleman said some have said they are working on compliance. He said he is allowing some leeway as long as property owners show they are trying to make an effort.

Aleman reported that he met with residents and the manager at the Azteca Complex and informed them of the city ordinance about junk vehicles. He said they recently called him to come and inspect the complex, and he reported that it has all been cleaned up.

Aleman also gave the council a bimonthly report on his department.

walkers, canes, or crutches to make

The occupational therapy person-

sure the assistive devices fit prop-

nel will give a free balance screening

for all ages. Screens are offered for

children, adults and seniors. There

will be free information on all types

of balance problems and an instruc-

tional video to help better understand

how the body's balance system

sonnel will offer free blood pressure

department will give depression

screenings. A questionnaire-type

screening will be available for all

ages, and referrals will be given for

those whose answers may indicate a

will give coupons for a free glau-

coma screening to be redeemed by

(Continued on Page 16)

Dr. Morris Webb, optometrist,

need for intervention.

appointment at his office.

screenings.

Home Health and Hospice per-

Personnel from the GeroPsych

erly and are being used properly.

—The council approved the resignation of municipal judge Marshall

## Drug dealer and vandals indicted

Twelve indictments were handed down by the Sept. 29 session of the 242nd District Court Grand Jury.

Isidro Delgado Jr., 27, of Las Cruces, N.M. was placed under \$120,000 bond on charges of possession of marijuana over 50 lbs. and under 20,000 lbs. The charge states that on Sept. 5 he did intentionally and knowingly possess a usable quantity of marijuana.

According to Dept. of Public Safety reports, Delgado was the driver of a 1988 Dodge Caravan that was stopped south of Dimmitt. Almost 80 pounds of marijuana was seized from a search of the vehicle.

Mark David Lumbrera, 20, and Daniel Ray Salinas, 18, both of Dimmitt, were indicted separately on charges of criminal mischief over \$1,500 and under \$20,000 in connection with the Aug. 10 incident of damage at Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery, in which headstones and monuments were overturned. Bond was set at \$10,000 for Lumbrera and at \$3,500 for Salinas.

Danny Oltivero, 27, of Dimmitt, was indicted on charges of aggravated assault with bodily injury with a deadly weapon. Bond was set at \$12,500. The charge stated that on May 4 Oltivero caused injury to Abraham Sanchez by hitting him with a shotgun about his head and

Danny Marmolejo, 20, of Dimmitt was indicted for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Bond was set at \$10,000. The charge stated that on Sept. 6 Marmolejo caused injury to Abraham Sanchez by stabbing him in the stomach using a deadly weapon—a knife.

Bond was set at \$7,500 for Juan Enrique Puente, 22, of Dimmitt for

#### Probation revoked

Probation was revoked for Carolyn McDonald of Dimmitt in a hearing in 242nd District Court before Judge Jack Miller last Thursday.

It was revoked because of failure to avoid use of injurious substances, namely cocaine.

She was sentenced to confinement in the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice for three years and payment of court costs. The court mandated that she be placed in the Institutional Division of TDCJ In-prison Thera-

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

October Moisture .....

1998 Moisture .....

escape of custody, court ordered. The charge stated that on Aug. 1, Puente escaped the custody of Amy Lopez (a county jailer) when he was in custody pursuant to a lawful order of a court. He was being held on a motion to revoke for burglary of a motor vehicle.

Renda Gay Bailey Calloway, 43, of Dimmitt was indicted for tampering with governmental records and bond was set at \$10,000. According to the charge, on Oct. 31, 1997, she appropriated food stamp and Medicaid benefits of at least \$1,500, but less than \$20,000, without the consent of Alice Aguilar, owner of the

Armando Aguayo Arce, 19, of Mexico, was indicted for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, with his bond set at \$5,000. The charge stated that on Sept. 15 he operated a 1990 GMC pickup without the consent of the owner, Frank Mendoza.

Forgery-passing was the charge listed against Terry Flores, 26, of Hale Center, and her bond was set at \$5,000. According to the indictment, on Aug. 16, Flores passed a forged writing for \$125 to Dimmitt Market.

Lisa Jackson, 33, of Dimmitt, was indicted for tampering with governmental records. Her bond was set at \$3,500. According to the charge, on Aug. 26, 1997, she applied for food stamp and Medicaid benefits by deception-failing to report the earned income of a member of her household.

David Charles Nicholson, 36, of Dimmitt, was indicted for endangering a child, and bond was set at \$2,000. The charge stated that on Aug. 23 he drove around drinking whiskey and was involved in a hit and run accident, and this conduct placed a child younger than 15 years of age in imminent danger.

Patrick Scott Pruitt, 31, of Hereford was indicted for DWI, third offense. His bond was set at \$1,500. The charge stated he was stopped Aug. 31, and he had prior convictions in 1990 and 1993. As a condition of his bond he must install a deep lung breath analysis interlocking device on any vehicle he drives.

## Lions to serve pancakes Friday

The Dimmitt Lions will stage their annual Pancake Supper Friday prior to the Dimmitt-River Road football

From 5 to 7:30 p.m., Lions will prepare and serve pancakes, bacon, sausage and drinks in the Dimmitt High School cafeteria.

Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased in advance from any Lions Club member, or at the door Friday evening. Takeout plates will be available, chairman Chuck Braafladt said.

Cooks will be Braafladt, Becky Stovall, Joe Josselet and George Rasor. Other club members will work as servers, ticket takers, table waiters and potscrubbers.

Proceeds will help fund the club's community service projects.

## Hart is celebrating Homecoming this week

Homecoming bonfire tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 p.m. south of the football field, and one of the highlights of the event will be crowning of this year's Bonfire

Bonfire King candidates are seniors Jared Aven, Lucas Anzaldua, Gerard Dozal and Michael Pantoja. for this Theme year's

Homecoming is "Rock with the Horns."

Hart students have been celebrating Homecoming throughout the week, starting with Maroon and White Dress-Up Day on Monday. Tuesday, student dress was centered around the theme of "Woodstock." Wednesday was "Grease/50s" Day.

Today (Thursday), students will be observing "Alternative Day" and Friday will be "Dress-Up Day."

On Friday, alumni and parents of Hart students are invited to tour the school and see the decorated halls

Hart will hold its annual from 2 to 3 p.m. The pep rally is slated to start at 3 p.m. that day and the Pep Squad King will be crowned then.

> Pep Squad King candidates are seniors Jared Aven, Joshua Beanes, Gerard Dozal and Michael Pantoja.

> Also during the pep rally; there will be a "float parade," and different organizations will enter their creations.

> Hart will face Kress Friday for its Homecoming game, with kickoff slated for 7:30 p.m.

> The Homecoming Queen will be crowned at halftime of the game and candidates are seniors Veronica Gonzales, Valerie Key, Denise Moroles and Ysa Rodriguez.

The Student Council will sponsor a dance will be held from 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Elementary School Gym. Music will be provided by a disc jockey. Admission will be \$2 for students.

county treasurer; and Wayne Collins, candidate for

GRAND OPENING—The Castro County Republican Party Campaign office in Dimmitt held ceremonies last Thursday at the Nelson Trucking Building on S. US 385. Republican candidates on hand included (from left) Hollis Cain, candidate for State Representative, 85th District; Carolyn Watts, candidate for

county judge. Regular hours for the headquarters will be Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., through election day, which is Nov. 3. Signs, bumper stickers and campaign literature on Republican candidates will be available at the office.

## 'Rural America in trouble'

Police Calls

Dear Editor:

This is a copy of a letter sent to our legislators.

Rural America is in trouble as it has never been before. The family farm as we know it will become history if you in Washington do not change course.

The present farm bill is a disaster for family farmers. It was written for large agri-business. Now with drought, nor exports, huge imports, and a big crop in the mid-west, we are in trouble. The grain and cattle industry have not both been in the cellar, price wise, in the last 50 years. The loan rates are ridiculously low. We have 1998 expenses and 1950 prices. We know of no business that can survive this situation.

We urge you to support the Administration's proposal for the Emergency Agriculture Assistance Program (HR 4101). We desperately need the cap lifted on CCC Marketing Loans, as well as supplemental on '98 losses, FSA operating loans, and other payments listed in the proposal. What you in Congress can't seem to understand is that if we had fair, equitable '98 prices for our commodities, we could stand

A 43-year-old Dimmitt man was

jailed early Saturday after a Dimmitt

woman told police that the suspect

had punched and kicked her in an

incident of assault/family vio-

lence/bodily injury. The incident was

reported in the 300 block of South-

Dan Nelson told deputies Friday

that someone took a pickup from a

barn north of Dimmitt without his

permission. Investigation is continu-

Frank Mendoza told police last

Thursday morning that someone

burglarized a building in the 200

block of South Broadway. Items

taken included an electric drill, gas

weed eater, electric weed eater, metal

grinder, and a 12-ton hydraulic bottle

jack. Estimated value of the items

Another burglary of a building was

reported Sunday night by Gloria

Montoya. She told police that a lad-

der, a skill saw and an assortment of

paint supplies were taken from a

location in the 600 block of West

Andrews. The items belonged to

Juan Martinez and were valued at

\$200. The ladder was recovered.

A series of three vehicle burglaries

at Dimmitt High School may be

related, according to police. On Sept.

30, Gene Penney reported that some-

one broke out a window on his 1983

Oldsmobile and took a Pioneer

AM/FM cassette stereo valued at

\$200 and did \$100 damage to the

window. Friday, Fredrick Traylor

reported that a selection of CD's was

taken from his mother's 1995 Geo

Tracker. He valued the items at

\$308. A student reported Saturday

that someone took a compact disk

AM/FM stereo valued at \$249 and a

CD valued at \$20, and did \$250 in

damage to a 1990 Chevrolet pickup.

related, and may possibly be related

to the vehicle burglaries, according

to police. Late Friday or early Satur-

day, someone took air compressors

from the back of two pickup beds in

Dimmitt. Harley Jack Clark reported

his Black Macks compressor, valued

at \$700, missing in the 700 block of

West Lee. Freddy Odell Bailey re-

ported a Devil Bliss compressor,

valued at \$525, missing in the 600

Selina Lule of Dimmitt told depu-

ties last Thursday that someone had

taken a 250-pound pig valued at

\$125 from pens located northeast of

block of Northwest Seventh.

Dimmitt.

Two incidents of theft also may be

Investigation is continuing.

west Fifth.

ing.

was \$490.

drought and crop losses. The present farm program will allow the present situation to happen year after year if conditions are present.

The cattle industry is in the same crisis due to packer concentration, huge imports, and not enforcing present laws. You have taken no action to stop three packers from controlling the industry. Why do we have a record amount of imported beef and then are told low prices are due to too much beef? This sounds like a plan that wasn't an accident. We urge you to support mandatory live price reporting and enforcement of the Packer and Stockyard Act.

Please examine the importance of the family farmer to this country and reverse the trend of this Congress by supporting these issues. Fifteen percent of the gross domestic product is based on the production of food and fiber, so the farm crisis is not an isolated economic problem. It has the potential to weaken the general economy and is very important to the future of the national economy.

CASTRO COUNTY WIFE Pat Bagley, Ysleta Ball, Mary Emma Matthews, Marylyn Higgins, Frances King, Joan Clevenger, Lois Wales and Shirley Barnes

Simon Ramos of Dimmitt told

police Monday that a Huffy 10-speed

bike, valued at \$120, was taken from

his home in the 100 block of North-

Alcohol-related arrests included:

old Dimmitt man on charges of

DWI, second offense, motion to

stopped in the 200 block of East

Bedford and was charged with driv-

Muleshoe woman was jailed for public intoxication., and a 35-year-

old Muleshoe man was jailed for

DWI, second offense, and driving

Arrested on outstanding warrants

-Sept. 30, a 44-year-old Hart

man was picked up on a warrant for

violation of probation, which

Sept. 30 on a warrant for as-

jailed on a warrant for violation of

probation, stemming from burglary

resulted in the jailing of a 23-year-

old Dimmitt man Friday afternoon.

woman, 17, was jailed on a warrant

Dimmitt man was jailed on DPS

warrants out of Swisher County and

for violation of probation, stemming

20, was jailed on a warrant for ag-

gravated assault with a deadly

-Sunday night, a Dimmitt man,

A 17-year-old Dimmitt girl was

removed from Bobcat Stadium last

Thursday night for disorderly con-

duct, police said the girl had been

using profane language in a public

A deputy was called to Plains

Memorial Hospital last Thursday to

take a report from a person who had

fallen from a moving vehicle be-

tween Dimmitt and Hart on SH 194.

The Hart woman said she had exited

the vehicle while it was still moving.

She had extensive abrasions and was

admitted to the hospital for observa-

from burglary of a habitation.

for disorderly conduct.

—A Dimmitt man, 23, was jailed

-Friday, a Dimmitt man, 24, was

-A warrant for theft by check

-Saturday afternoon a Dimmitt

-Sunday afternoon, a 22-year-old

stemmed from aggravated assault.

-Early Monday, a 46-year-old

ing under the influence.

with license suspended.

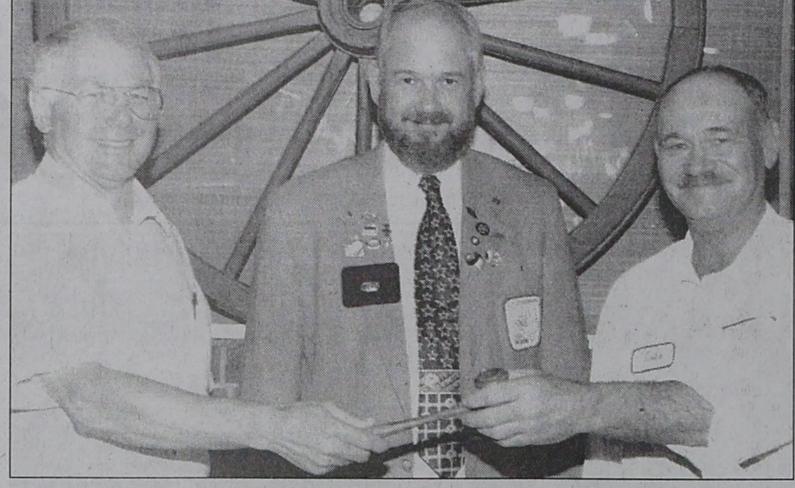
sault/bodily injury.

of a building.

-Jailed Sept. 30 was a 25-year-

-Sunday evening a suspect was

west Eighth.



PASSING OF THE GAVEL-Roger Malone (left), incoming president of the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club, receives the gavel from outgoing president John

Kovacs (right) as Lt. Gov. David Gidden looks on. The ceremony was part of the Kiwanis Club's officer installation, held Monday. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Dimmitt Kiwanis Club holds officer installation

The Dimmitt Kiwanis Club held installation ceremonies Monday at noon, with Roger Malone installed as

In addition, Mike Huseman was honored as the Kiwanian of the Year. Club member Jerry Kittrell presented Huseman with a plaque.

Outgoing President John Kovacs passed the gavel to Malone, and

the incoming president.

Kiwanis Lt. Gov. David Gidden of Tulia led the installation and informed the incoming officers of their duties and obligations.

An informational meeting about Alzheimer's Disease will be held in Dimmitt Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center and everyone

The Alzheimer's Association of Amarillo will present a program with information about all aspects of Alzheimer's Disease and support groups

Malone presented Kovacs with a past president's plaque.

Installed as first vice president and president-elect was Johnny Vick. Don Sheffy was installed as second vice president. Johnny Stanford was returned to his position as secretary and Mark Kleman was retained as treasurer.

New members of the board of directors are Lee Schilling, Bob Murdock, Jerry Kittrell and Charles Richard.

Also, membership award pins were announced. Those recognized included: Jack Patton and Murdock for 29 years, Elmer Berryhill for 28 years, Richard for 25 years, Bill Thornton for 23 years, Kovacs for 18 years, Sheffy for 17 years, Malone for 15 years, Kittrell for 10 years, Schilling for nine years, Kleman for seven years, Stanford for five years, Huseman for four years, and Vick for two years.

The ceremony was a part of the regular club meeting, held at K-Bob's Steak House.

## Spelling Bee director named

Kay Gfeller has been named the director for the Castro County Spelling Bee.

Gfeller is the director of special

education for Dimmitt schools.

Those interested in participating in the county bee may obtain an official study booklet, "Paideia," for \$1 each from the personnel department of the Amarillo Globe-News. The booklet has been redesigned and words are now listed in 29 categories at three difficulty levels.

The contest is open to students in public, private and parochial schools. A contestant cannot be higher than the eighth grade nor older than 16 by the date of the national finals, May

The local bee is a part of the National Spelling Bee, with the regional competition sponsored each year by the Amarillo Globe-News and West Texas A&M University.

The deadline for naming county champions who will compete in the regional competition is March 27.

The two levels of competition for the AGN-WTAMU bee are junior (for students in grades 6 and below) and senior (for grades 8 and below). Any county director has the option of combining the two levels if desired. However, each county can have only one representative in the senior bee, to be held April 10 on the WTAMU campus. Each county is free to select a junior winner in addition to the senior champion, but the elementary student will not compete in regional unless he or she wins the county event.

The county champions will be guests at a luncheon preceding the regional bee.

The top prize for the 1999 regional winner will be an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.on may 30 to represent the area in the 1999 national bee. The trip, provided by the Amarillo Globe-News, includes expenses for one parent.

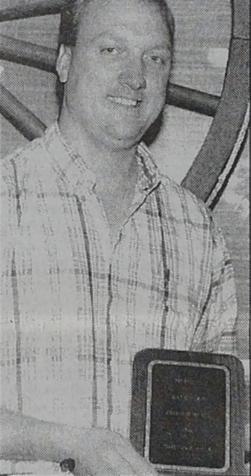
Amy Porus, instructor, division of education at WTAMU, serves as bee coordinator for the Globe-News.

## Alzheimer's meeting set

is invited to attend...

that are available.

"This will be an informational meeting for everyone in Castro County," said Sherry Schaeffer, an employee of the Welch Home Place, which is sponsoring the meeting. "Friends and family members of Alzheimer's patients are encouraged to attend, along with any interested persons."



KIWANIAN OF THE YEAR ... Mike Huseman is honored. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Social Security office issues fraud warning

Mary Jane Shanes, manager of the Plainview Social Security office, said she has received a number of complaints from area residents about letters they received asking for a "filing fee" of \$9.

Shanes said those complaining stated that the letters had a "Social Security Administration" letterhead and the agency's seal. The letters promised additional Social Security benefits to those who would pay the

Shanes cautions that the letters are fraudulent.

"People should never pay a fee for Social Security services," Shanes

She noted that the return address given in the letters is a private mail drop in Phoenix, Ariz. She said that agents with the SSA's Office of the Inspector General have initiated an investigation.

determined. money," she concluded.

1 Cowboys event

"Of course, don't send them any

Shanes urges anyone who has

received such a letter to call or visit

the Social Security office at 806-

293-9599, 201 W. Fourth St.,

Plainview 79072, so that the scope

#### POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST ★

## Backus wins Week 3 5

Marlon Backus scored a big "first" this week, becoming the first back-to-back winner in the local POWER POINTS Football Con-After winning the Week 4 contest last week, he racked up 114 of

a possible 136 points to win this week's \$20 cash prize from the Backus, who lives at Nazareth and works at Hyman Farm Ser-

vice in Dimmitt, credited a pair of upset picks for giving him the edge in a topsy-turvy Week 5. "I picked Minnesota over Green Bay, and I also picked the Jets

over Miami in an upset," he said. "I'll bet those were the main games that most people missed."

He added, "San Francisco cost me the most points."

The week's statewide winner was Dee Woods of Stamford, who managed 133 points in a week where upsets ran amok. Her miss of San Diego on the three-point line was the only blemish on her entry, and she takes home the weekly state grand prize of \$1,000.

The next-highest score recorded statewide was 127 by a contestant in Corpus Christi. Stamford (population 3,714) is the smallest community in the four-year history of Texas POWER POINTS to produce a winner.

This week's POWER POINTS Football Contest is on Page 8. To enter, just make your picks according to the rules, clip out the form and turn it in at the News office, 108 W. Bedford St., before 2 p.m. TODAY (Thursday). Note the earlier entry deadline, made necessary because of the Columbus Day postal holiday Monday. Good luck!

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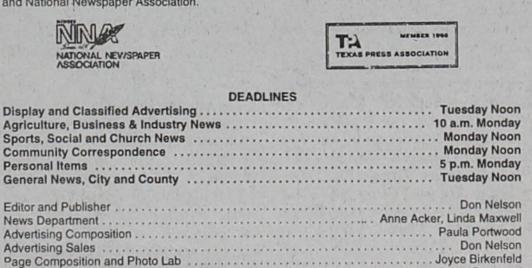
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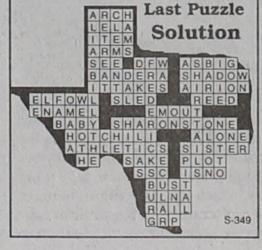


Bookkeeping . . . . . Anne Acker, Paula Portwood

#### Pampa Festival set for Saturday, Sunday The 33rd annual Top O' Texas

Fall Craft Festival, hosted by the Celebration of Lights, will be held Saturday and Sunday at the M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.



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## **Early voting** starts Oct. 19

Early voting in the Nov. 3 election will start Oct. 19 and continue through Oct. 30.

Those wanting to vote early may go to the county clerk's office in the courthouse and present their voter's registration certificate.

Those wanting to obtain a ballot by mail may contact the clerk's office at 647-3338 for more information.



MRS. O.C. FRY ... honored on 90th birthday.

Mrs. O.C. Fry was honored at a surprise 90th birthday dinner Sept.

Hosting the affair were daughterin-law Mrs. Paul Fry and granddaughter Mrs. Bruce Schulte.

Tables were decorated with arrangements of hand-painted bird houses and miniature birds interspersed with sprays of flowers.

A fiesta dinner was served to approximately 60 guests.

The pre-dinner prayer was offered by Rev. Ed Freeman.

Darlene Fetsch of Nazareth provided the special birthday cake. It was frosted in a design to show a quilt hanging from a quilt rack.

The evening was spent visiting and reminiscing.

Those attending the event included her three children, Paul of Dimmitt; Clinton and his wife, Norma, of Georgetown; and daughter Valmeta Streetman of Wilmington, Del. Also present were two granddaughters, a grandson, four great-grandchildren, and a niece, Mrs. Henry Hunt of Ardmore, Okla., along with friends from Dimmitt, Nazareth, Hereford and Venus.

Mrs. Fry is a very active member of the First Christian Church and the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Her hobbies include needlework, quilting, flower and vegetable gardening, bird watching, and letter writing. She is also a consistent winner at the Castro County Fair.

Mrs. Fry was born Ethel Viola Vanderburg on Sept. 30, 1908, near Hot Springs, Ark.

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PROMOTED!—Sandra Sandoval Waggle (right) was promoted to the rank of US Air Force captain on July 10. She was pinned by her husband, Capt. Michael Waggle (left) and her parents, Emigdio and Maria Sandoval of Dimmitt. She is a 1990 graduate of Dimmitt High School and a 1994 graduate of Texas Tech University, where she received her commission to the US Air Force. She is stationed at Los Angeles Air Force Base in El Segundo, Calif., where she is chief of customer support for the 61st Mission Support Squadron at the Space and Missile Systems Center. She is presently pursuing a master of science degree in human resource management.

## Rhoads Memorial Library gets \$8,391 Tocker grant

Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt has received a grant for \$8,391.94 from the Tocker Foundation for use in making the facility more handicap-accessible.

The grant was based on the estimated cost for making modifications to the restrooms, doors and water fountain to conform to the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act, according to Librarian Cindy Pottorff.

Pottorff said the restrooms will be reduced to one stall from the present two stalls each, to allow space for the ADA modifications. The water fountain will be lowered and have a more easily operated switch. Electric openers will operate the outer doors and the double doors from the entry into the library.

The Tocker Foundation was established in 1964 to implement the philanthropic interests of Phillip and Olive Tocker. The pair endowed the foundation with their estates in 1994 and 1993, respectively,

In 1992, the foundation board decided to focus grant distribution to small rural libraries serving a population of 12,000 or less. The direction is to assist libraries in making



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services more accessible to individuals who by reason of distance, residence, handicap, age, literacy level or other disadvantage are unable to receive the benefits of public library services. Grants are distributed to assisting libraries to serve as community information referral centers and provide literacy and bilingual programs. The foundation partners with community libraries to meet the particular needs of the community.

Grant applications are evaluated by a permanent committee of the Texas Library Association. Over the at 647-5522, Lyles at (806) 364past years, grants have been extended for outreach and "shut-in" programs, library automation, enhancement of services, adult reading classes, after-school projects, bilingual material and many other projects initiated by the community public library.

Pottorff said that construction on the local project should begin within the next six months, and local contractors will be used whenever possi-



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# Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Homecoming week festivities were special for all the Nazareth students and teachers.

Stephanie Gerber and Matthew Kern were chosen as Flame Queen and King at the pep rally on

## Thursday evening. The rally was cut Aggie Moms

elect officers The Golden Spread Aggie Moms Club installed new officers recently

at a meeting in Hereford. President Rita McDaniel of Dimmitt presided over the meeting and the installation of new officers.

Newly installed officers are Eileen Alley, treasurer; Diane Townsend, treasurer; and Virginia Artho, reporter. Officers continuing their second year of service are McDaniel; Ginger Olson, vice president for projects; Virginia Artho, first vice president for membership; and Evelyn Lyles, recording secretary.

Membership renewals were received and discussion focused on scholarship fundraising for incoming Texas A&M students residing in the Golden Spread Aggie Moms region.

Also attending the meeting and sharing "Aggie Brags" were Suanne Bagley, Beverly Bryant, Terri Johnson, Jody Skiles and Denise

The Golden Spread Aggie Moms provide other areas of support for Texas A&M students, including sending care packages to students during final exams, providing special needs networking and recognizing university seniors.

The group's next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. at the home of McDaniel, 716 W. Lee in Dimmitt.

Any Texas A&M mother interested in directions to this meeting or who would like to join the group should contact McDaniel 8245 or Artho at (806) 364-5429.

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short due to a much-needed rain.

Before the game with Claude on Friday evening, Jayme Schmucker was crowned Homecoming Queen. After the band performed its halftime show, Jason Birkenfeld and Stephanie Pena were crowned Band King and Queen.

The football game also turned out as we all wanted, as the Swifts came from behind to win, 14-13. It was very exciting.

Isabell "Easy" Schulte celebrated her 89th birthday Sunday Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt, where she is a resident. Enjoying a friend chicken dinner brought in by the family were Jo Anne Bowen of Plainview, Phil and Ione Taylor of Lubbock, Fritz and Julene Gerber and Denny and Dolores Heiman of Nazareth.

They all enjoyed visiting with her during the afternoon.

Enjoying the weekend with Fidelis and Darlene Fetsch and their children were Fidelis Sr. and Jane Fetsch and Larry, Cassandra and Bryan Fetsch, all of Seymour.

The Nazareth Swift Band will perform at the Region UIL Marching Contest at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 10:36 a.m. Fidelis Fetsch is the Swift Band director.

Kenny and Cince Schulte, Mark Gerber and Lawrence Schmucker were recently joined by Sonya and Le Ann Schulte in Dallas on their way to Anchorage, Alaska. After overnighting in Anchorage they took a three-hour bus ride to Seward to board their cruise ship, the Ryndam.

Monday and Tuesday were spent cruising the College Fjord and Glacier Bay. The glaciers were just awesome. They were surprised by the beautiful foliage and flowers. Most of the Alaskan West Coast is considered a rain forest, and they were treated to beautiful fall colors.

On Wednesday they docked at Sitka. They toured the town, then took a smaller boat for a wildlife cruise. Their guide found a group of 40 humpbacked whales, a group of sea otters and several bald eagles, but

Thursday was spent at Juneau. The day was damp and foggy and the helicopter ride to land on a glacier was canceled, so they spent the day checking out the shops and the salmon hatchery.

Friday was spent at Ketchikan, touring the town and shops.

Saturday was spent on the ship, touring the inside passage on the way to Vancouver and back home.

While on the ship they were treated to plenty of great food and lots of great entertainment from the stage shows to the casino and even the Karaoke bar. A great time was had by all.

Francis and Betty Wilhelm recently drove to Wichita Falls to see their new great-granddaughter, Ashton, daughter of Brad and Carolyn Schmucker. Ashton is the granddaughter of Gene and Michelle Schmucker of Wichita Falls.

Francis and Betty also visited with Neal and Colleen Wilhelm, Becky Hooper and Gaylene Wilhelm. They watched granddaughters Genese Schmucker and Shanda Hooper win their volleyball games.

From Wichita Falls they drove to Longview to visit Craig Wilhelm, who is manager of the Cotton Patch Cafe in Longview.

One day Craig, Francis and Betty drove to Shreveport, La. East Texas is so pretty and green with very tall pines, other trees and flowers.

Ed and Leona Ramaekers have returned from a trip to Branson, Mo. They spent a full day at Silver Dollar City and also toured the Precious Moments Chapel. The reported having a wonderful time.

Joe and Imogene Drerup spent the weekend with their son and his family, Wade Drerup, Julie and Hailey. They have just moved into a new home in Midlothian, about 20 miles from Wade's job in Dallas. While there, they attended a pageant that Hailey was in.

Rose Birkenfeld's family honored her with a birthday party Sunday at the home of Joe Lynn and Mary Lou Birkenfeld.



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## Wednesday, Oct. 14

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Plains Memorial Hospital Ambulance Barn

(Park on Halsell Street or west parking lot)

# People











## Swap meet set this weekend

The Panhandle Council of Car Clubs has slated their annual swap meet for this weekend in Amarillo to accommodate area car buffs and to raise funds for Meals on Wheels.

Area car buffs are encouraged to come out and look for those hard-tofind parts or unload those parts they no longer need.

The event will be held at the Automotive Collision Repair building on the Amarillo College Technical Center campus just east of Amarillo.

To reach the site from Interstate 40 or SH 287, go north on Avenue J, turn left on Second Avenue and right on Avenue G. If approaching from SH 60, go south on Avenue B, turn left on Second Avenue and left on Avenue G.

Move-in of vendors will begin Friday at noon. The meet will be on Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 8 a.m. both days.

The event will include a car corral for those who simply want to sell or trade a collectable auto or truck, running or not.

Vendor spaces are \$20 for inside spaces, \$20 for outside spaces 15x30, and \$30 for 15x40, if arranged in advance. At the gate, space prices increase by \$5. Car Corral 10x20 spaces rent for \$10 per day. Call 806-383-5022 to rent space or for more information.

Craft vendors are welcome also, whether auto related or not.

A spokesperson said all of the profit will go to Meals on Wheels and all labor is volunteer.

Meals on Wheels volunteers will sell food at the meet for the convenience of buyers and vendors.



Becky Harral and Clay Cogburn

## Couple plan November vows

Mr. and Mrs. Denton Harral of Amarillo announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Becky, to Clay Cogburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Cogburn of Happy, who farm in Castro County. The pair plan to exchange vows Nov. 14 at Washington Avenue Christian

Church in Amarillo, and plan to reside in Amarillo. The bride-elect is a graduate of Tascosa High School and received her bachelor's degree in accounting from West Texas A&M University. She is

employed by Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo. The prospective groom is a graduate of Happy High School and is employed by Tri-State Metals.

ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS INVITED Date: Saturday, Oct. 10, 1998

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Time: 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Senior Citizens, 218 W. Jones St., Dimmitt

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We invite you to the First Methodist Church of Dimmitt from One to Four,

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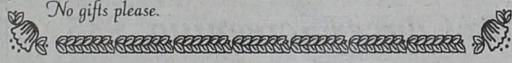
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**Christmas!** 





It's a girl for Ricky Enriquez and Graci Enriquez of Dimmitt. Their daughter, Trista Aurelia Enriquez, was born at 8:44 a.m.

last Thursday, Oct. 1, at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed in at 7 lbs., 6 ozs., and was 20 inches long. She has an older sibling, Casey Rhodeshia Enriquez. Paternal grandparents are Rafael and Rafaela Enriquez of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Pablo and Susie Herrera of Dimmitt. Greatgrandparents are Jonathan and Maria

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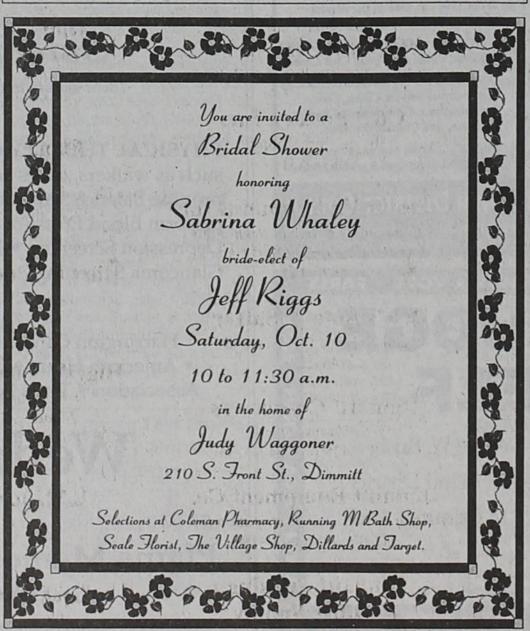
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## Newlyweds establish home in Brownwood

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wayne Cox are home in Brownwood after enjoying a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico.

The couple exchanged vows on Aug. 29 in a formal ceremony at the Recreational Center at Lake Brownwood. The Rev. Artie Woodcox officiated at the doublering nuptial service.

The bride is the former Kristi Dawn Kelley, daughter of Ewell and Nell Kelley of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Dalton and Juanita Cox of Brownwood.

The couple recited their vows before a large rock fireplace decorated with white and burgundy tulle, white lights, greenery and lighted burgundy candles. White pillar columns draped with tulle and trimmed in greenery completed the decor.

A white carpet was rolled down the aisle by the bride's nephew, Sam Kelley of Levelland. The bride walked down the aisle on the arm of her father as Trumpet Voluntary was performed.

She wore a white satin gown fashioned with a scooped neckline in front and a low-cut back that was accented with a satin bow. Sequins and pearls trimmed the neckline and the sleeveless bodice of the Princessstyle gown. The formal-length dress extended to a slight train in the back.

Her fingertip veil of white tulle had scallops edged in satin and was attached to a pearl and sequin headpiece. She also wore threequarter length satin gloves.

She carried a nosegay of white brother of the groom. fresh lilies and roses.

made of lace from her mother's wedding dress. It contained pennies dated in the years of the couple's births and was made by her mother.

Matron of honor was Cindy Broussard of Lubbock, friend of the bride. Bridesmaid was Ja Lu Bridwell of Amarillo.

The attendants wore full-length, sleeveless black crepe gowns trimmed in heavy Venise lace. The gowns featured wide shoulder straps. They wore white three-quarter-length gloves and carried long-stemmed roses and calla lilies.

The groom and all of his attendants wore black tuxedos. Charlie Mulder of Houston served

as best man. Groomsman was Jason Person of Brownwood. Guests were seated by Greg Kelley

of Levelland, brother of the bride;



... She's the former Kristi Dawn Kelley

and David Cox of Brownwood,

Flower girl was Brooke Mulder of She wore a blue and white garter Houston. She wore a white tea-length gown of satin and chiffon and she carried rose petals in a white ribbontrimmed basket.

Michael Cox of Brownwood, nephew of the groom, was ring

After the wedding, a reception was held at the Lakehouse.

Floor-length white cloths, the bride's bouquet and crystal appointments were used on the bride's table, which held a three-tiered wedding cake decorated with white cream cheese icing and fresh lilies.

Serving from the bride's table were the bride's cousins, Kendall Cunyus of Amarillo, Erin Simpson of Lubbock and the groom's cousin, Jana Cox of Brownwood.

The groom's table was covered with a burgundy cloth and held candles and silver appointments.

A round carrot cake was decorated with the Texas A&M University

were Leah Cox and Lori Cox of Brownwood, nieces of the groom. The bride, as a special courtesy

Presiding over the groom's table

and surprise for her parents, set up a table with a cheesecake and various decorations in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary, which was

A lace and tulle-covered buffet table held pick-up foods which were served as a disc jockey played for entertaining and dancing on the pa-

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Dimmitt High School and a 1993 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is a flight attendant for Southwest Airlines.

The groom graduated from Brownwood High School in 1987 and from Texas A&M University in 1992. He is a civil engineer with the Texas Dept. of Transportation.

## NCE honors employees for years of service

Southwestern Public Service Co., subsidiary of New Century Engergies, honored 66 employees of the company's Jones and Tolk electric power generating stations and the Lubbock-based Southern Operations group at an awards dinner last Thursday in Lubbock. On Tuesday, another 223 employees of NCE were honored in Amarillo.

NCE and SPS honor employees for each five years of service. Those who were honored in Lubbock had served a total of 1,085 years, while those feted in Amarillo had a total of 3,880 years.

Those honored included Calvin Marsh of Dimmitt, 35 years; Jerry Carpenter and Jack Tiffin of Earth, 25 years; Twila Sawyer of Earth, 20 years; Bob Hinds of Earth and Bryan Irons of Dimmitt, 15 years; and Mitch Lowe of Earth, 10 years.

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MRS. JAMES PATRICK KILLINGSWORTH ... nee Jennifer Ann Taylor

## Couple exchange vows Saturday in Amarillo

bride of James Patrick Killingsworth Saturday when the two exchanged vows at The Wedding Chapel in Amarillo.

The Rev. Christopher M. Shupe officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Judith Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Taylor of Dallas. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Killingsworth of Amarillo, formerly of Dimmitt.

Maid of honor was Amy Mayban of Dallas. Bridal attendants were Allyson Giulliano of Topsham, Maine and Tammy Franks of Dallas.

Best man was Chad Killingsworth of Overland Park, Kan., brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Scott

Jennifer Ann Taylor became the Stahl of Carrollton and Marty Langeler of Albuquerque, N.M.

Guests were seated by Jerry McMillon of Amarillo and John Handley of Victoria.

The bride has lived and worked most of her life in Dallas. She has an associate degree in business administration from San Diego College.

The groom graduated from Dimmitt High School and received bachelor of business administration degree in marketing from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He is currently employed as an associate territorial manager Bristol-Myers Pharmaceuticals.

The couple will be making their home in Amarillo.



among the students at West Texas A&M University who received degrees at the August commencement ceremonies.

Michelle G. Estrada of Dimmitt was one of eight students who received Magna Cum Laude honors for maintaining an overall grade point average between 3.75 and 3.89. She was recognized as an honor graduate and was eligible to wear a gold honor cord. Estrada earned her bachelor of general studies degree.

Patrice R. Hill of Dimmitt was presented with her master of education degree as an educational diagnostician, and Joel R. Waldo of Nazareth received his master of education degree in administration.

Britt M. Boozer of Dimmitt received his bachelor of science degree in agribusiness, and Tonda J. Wood of Nazareth received her bachelor of general studies degree.

## **County sales** down slightly

Castro County's sales in all industries over the first quarter of 1998 were down slightly from sales recorded over the first quarter of 1997.

The 149 outlets reporting during the first quarter reported gross sales totaling \$19,145,563, down .8% from the 1997 total of \$19,304,813. Use tax purchases amounted to \$27,550 and \$4,041,003 was subject to state sales and use tax.

In the retail trade division, county sales were up 20.5%, from \$6,897,480 in 1997 to \$8,313,147 this year. Use tax purchases were \$7,229 while \$3,136,678 was subject to state sales and use tax. There were 83 retail outlets reporting sales during the period.

The commencement ceremonies recognized 274 students, with 92 receiving master's degrees and 182 receiving bachelor's degrees.

## DMS sets **Book Fair**

Dimmitt Middle School will host a Scholastic Book Fair in the DMS Library on Oct. 26-31 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Everyone is invited and admission is free.

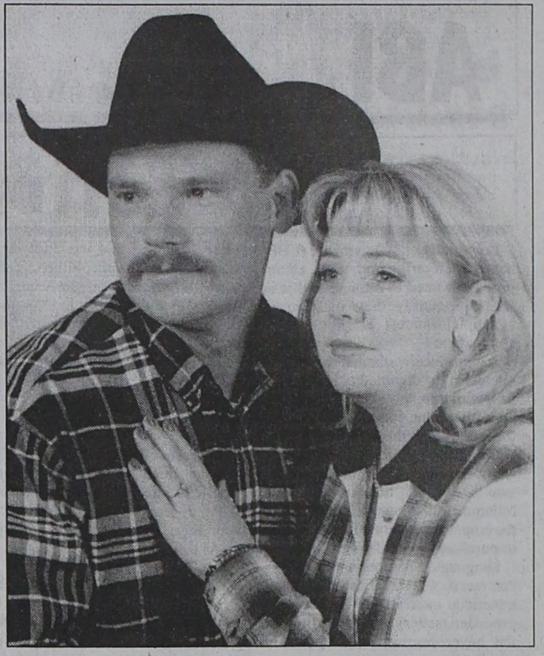
Oct. 26 will be Parents' Night at the Book Fair, from 6 to 8 p.m., and there will be drawings for free merchandise for those parents who attend with their students.

"This event encourages young readers by bringing them the newest titles from among more than 150 publishers," said an organizer of the fair. "Students, parents and teachers can find old favorites and the latest works by popular authors and illustrators, including Newberry and Caldecott Award winners. Also available will be books that are on the Accelerated Reader list."

All proceeds from the fair will be used to purchase more materials for the Accelerated Reader Program. Call 647-3108 for more information.

DMS Librarian Ruth Cochran said volunteers are needed to help with the book fair. If you could help at any time during this week or at Parent Night, please contact Cochran at 647-3108 or at her home at 647-

"Your help is needed to make this opportunity available for the students," Cochran said.



Jason Kyle Nelson and Lyndy Rae Mitchell

## Mitchell and Nelson to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Mitchell of Hart announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lyndy Rae, to Jason Kyle Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donny Nelson of Dimmitt.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wylie of Dimmitt and Mrs. Helen Ayers of Plainview. Grandparents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Hrabal of Clarksville and Mrs. Alma Nelson of Dimmitt.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Dec. 19 at the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt.

Miss Mitchell is a 1996 graduate of Hart High School. She is a junior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, where she is majoring in family and consumer science education.

The prospective groom is a 1991 graduate of Dimmitt High School and a 1996 graduate of West Texas A&M University in Canyon, he holds a bachelor's degree in general agriculture.

After the wedding, the couple will reside in Dimmitt, where the prospective groom is engaged in his family's farming and ranching business.

# Church Directory

New Hope

**Memorial Baptist** 300 NE 7th, Dimmitt

Melvin Walker III ....

**Sunnyside Baptist** 

Sunnyside Bennie Wright...

**First United Methodist** 

Kelly Inman.

La Asamblea Cristiana

400 NW 5th, Dimmitt Manuel Rodriguez

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110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt

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Church of God of the First Born

611 E. Halsell, Dimmitt

**Immanuel Baptist** 501 SE 3rd, Dimmitt

Rosa De Saron 411 NE 6th, Dimmitt

Maria Castaneda....

First Baptist

302 Ave. G, Hart ..938-2316

St. John's Catholic

**Church of Christ** 

SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt Harry Riggs......647-4435

Rose of Sharon

Temple

407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

Primeria Iglesia Bautista 9th and Etter, Dimmitt Antonio Rocha

**Family Church** 113 SE 2nd, Dimmitt Tom and Kay Mullins

**Abundant Life** 

First Assembly of God

300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt Larry Gilliam.....

First Baptist

1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt

Howard Rhodes......647-3115

Lee Street Baptist 401 SW 2nd, Dimmitt

Mike Summers

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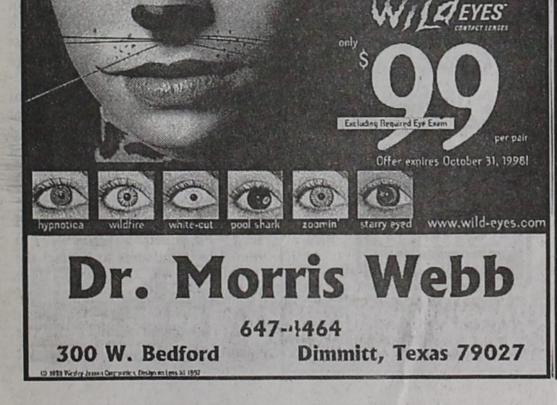


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Tom and Kerry Morrison of Lorenzo announce the engagement and

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The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Emmett and Sue Broderson of

The prospective groom owns and manages Caprock Windmill Service in

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Dimmitt. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University and is employed by First

The couple are planning a Feb. 27, 1999, wedding in Lubbock.

**February** vows p

After the wedding, the couple will live in Matador.

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## Agriculture, Business & Industry









## Cotton Talks

Loan deficiency payments (LDP) have been triggered and cotton producers need to remember that in order to qualify they must retain beneficial interest at the time of application.

A producer retains beneficial interest in the commodity if all of the following remain with the producer, control of the commodity, risk of loss and title to the commodity.

Producers requesting LDPs are cautioned that they need to make sure they do not inadvertently relinquish their beneficial interest in the crop when entering into an option to purchase contract with a buyer.

Language in an option to purchase contract should specifically state that beneficial interest is retained by the producer (seller) until such time as the buyer exercises the option to purchase.

the seller maximum flexibility in the program. terms of delivery periods so that they have the opportunity to request the LDP at a date other than the date of ginning if they feel the payment rate is likely to move in a favorable direction.

For cotton that is forward contracted or cotton sold on a cash basis the producer or gin needs to make sure that application for the LDP is made before beneficial interest is lost.

Gins are a key component in this process since they are usually the agent involved when an LDP is requested on the date cotton is ginned.

For more information about LDPs and the steps necessary to retain beneficial interest in the cotton for LDP purposes producers can contact their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

Members of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Crop Insurance Committee met on Tuesday to discuss the status of the cotton crop insurance program and to identify The contract should also provide priority areas regarding changes to

The committee met with Michael Hand, assistant administrator of the USDA Risk Management Agency from Washington, D.C., who provided an overview of proposed changes in the program for 1999.

with a better understanding of what types of changes would be possible through administrative action and to the basic provisions that govern

During the meeting the PCG committee agreed to submit contents on the proposed 1999 FCIC rule changes to the effect that coverage for prevented planting and quality

The committee agreed that a better be formulated over the next week.

Copies of the Federal Register

number Texans may now call to

identify underground gal lines and

of the Texas Legislature, became

effective last Thursday. The service

aims to prevent accidental damage to

natural gas lines and other utilities

Its premise is simple. Any excava-

tor, from homeowners to major con-

struction companies, can call toll-

free to 1-800-545-6005 to contact

one of the established one-call cen-

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commence near their lines. The utili-

ties will have a couple of days to

"Texans can now dial one number

prior to digging and find the location

of underground utility lines," said

Texas Railroad Commission Chair-

man Carole Keeton Rylander. She

said the number should be jotted

down on every telephone book in

every Texas household as soon as

Railroad Commissioner Barry

Williamson said, "The majority of

the damage to natural gas lines in

Texas have been caused by human

error, sometimes resulting in loss of

life and economic devastation. This

new one-call program will give

Texas communities the tools they

need to help prevent these unfortu-

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during the course of excavation.

"Call Before You Dig," a creation

other utilities on their property.

'Call Before You Dig'

Hand also provided the committee or the National Cotton Council. The comment period ends Tuesday.

> The Texas Agricultural Council has scheduled an event to express agriculture's appreciation Congressman Mac Thornberry for his efforts in Washington.

> The event will take place Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the speaker's tent at the Texas Farmer-Stockman Show in Lubbock. The tent is located in the Info-Plaza on the southwest corner of the exhibit

A number of commodity organizations, including Plains Cotton Growers, will participate in the program. Everyone connected to agriculture is encouraged to attend and show their support for Congressman Thornberry's hard work and dedication to ag issues.

#### Minding Your Own Business

## A contrast in customer care



Don Taylor

By DON TAYLOR

The restaurant was crowded, but we were seated quickly. The young lady who waited on our table was friendly and quick. Our meal was excellent and the service exemplary. We left a generous tip.

My wife and I were traveling in the southeast on business. The scene I described in the opening paragraph occurred on our first night in this Alabama town. It was a pleasant way to begin our visit in this

Three days later after completing our business and enjoying a brief side trip to visit relatives, we returned to the community and

the restaurant. Our first visit was so pleasing we decided to enjoy it again. It was much later in the evening and there were no waiting lines. We were seated about three tables away from our previous visit; however, all

similarities end right there. The experience this night was radically different. Our waiter finally discovered us and took our drink order. It was several minutes before he reappeared with our water and tea. He then skipped off to another table with the promise of a quick return to take our order. It took

several more minutes. After we placed our order, it took nearly twice as long to receive our food. The waiter explained the delay as required because we ordered our steaks well done. My wife wondered why it has required half the time to cook her steak perfectly the previous visit when the restaurant was very busy.

We had to ask our waiter for silverware. "I'll be right back with that," he said. After a couple of minutes, we flagged another member of the wait staff who immediately returned with the desired utensils.

Somehow on the second visit, our food didn't taste quite so good; however, the major difference between the two visits was not in the food, but rather the service. I left a small tip this night, but it was more than enough for the value provided. I'm certain the waiter called us cheapskates.

#### The real contrast

The major element in the contrast was the people factor. In the service industry people make the difference. We noticed several differences in the servers who cared for us. I share them in the hope that our observations may help you move your service up a notch.

The first difference we noted was attitude. The first evening's server was working for us; the second evenings server was working for wages.

The first server was concerned that our every need was anticipated and filled quickly. The second was more focused on himself and he proved it by his lack of attention and action.

The second element we noticed was training. I'm certain both servers received the same basic training from this national chain; however, the importance of taking care of the customer made a lasting impression on one and no impression on the other.

The third element was communication. The first server had polished her speaking and listening skills. She was good at explaining the menu items, suggesting house specialties and listening to our questions. We had her undivided attention. The second server rushed through his lines, then forgot to listen. He was looking around as he wrote down our order. We had to repeat

The fourth issue was work ethic. The first server hustled to keep water glasses filled, tables cleared and patrons happy. The second was more

The losers: number two and the restaurant. If we had experienced the second server the first night, we would never have returned for a second visit. We would have found another establishment with which to contrast the

# concerned with having a good visit with his associates.

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

## Ag production down because of drought

The first production estimates for crop since 1989. If the production cotton, corn, sorghum and hay for estimate holds for the remainder of 1998 show the severity of the the year, this would be the fifth

drought on Texas agriculture. estimated at 3.1 million bales, down

smallest crop in the past 20 years, Texas cotton production is according to Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry.

"These numbers tell just how severe this drought has been and the toll its taking on agriculture and our producers," Perry said. "Right now, we're looking at almost two million acres of cotton being abandoned across Texas because of the severe

conditions." Perry said that more than one million acres alone were abandoned on the southern High Plains, the state's largest cotton-producing area. Production in this region is estimated at 1.5 million bales, down 43% from last year.

The production figures are based on grower surveys conducted by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service around Aug. 1.

Texas grain sorghum production is estimated at 59.2 million hundredweight, down 43% from last year and the smallest crop since 1953. Although statewide yields have been cut by the drought, Texas producers also planted fewer acres of sorghum this year.

Some producers who lost their cotton replanted to sorghum, but Perry said that late-planted acreage also failed.

Perry said that Texas corn production is estimated at 175.8 million bushels, down 29% from last year's record-high crop. The average yield has dropped across Texas.

The continued drought has cut Texas hay production in half. Total production of all hay is estimated at 5.3 million tons, down 51% from last

"With little or no available pasture across the state, our producers have had to rely on hay and supplemental feed for their livestock. I'm reminding producers to contact the Texas Dept. of Agriculture's Hay Hotline to get a list of supplier who have hay for sale," Perry said.

The telephone number for the department's Hay Hotline is 1-877-

what changes would require changes

adjustment be made optional.

situation would be for a producer to have the ability to make an individual decision about whether they would utilize these types of coverage. Additional comments will

notice containing these rules can be obtained from Plains Cotton Growers

program established The Texas Railroad Commission is The one-call center will match the address against lists of streets propraising a new statewide initiative known as "Call Before You Dig" vided by the utilities. Those who that features a toll-free telephone don't call before excavating may be

subject to a fine.

Each caller will get a "ticket stub" and the utility will be notified that it has two working days to mark the lines. The calls will generate a paper record which will be stored for four

The Texas Legislature adopted the mandatory one-call system to locate underground pipelines and cables, creating the One-Call Board of Texas, a private non-profit corporation to oversee operation of the system that links several notification centers with the single toll-free number. The Board is made up of 12 members appointed by the governor and represents industry and the general public.

"Everyone's safety is at stake," said Don Ward, executive vice president of the One-Call Board of Texas. "We encourage excavators to call the statewide toll-free number before they dig, and we urge all underground facility operators, if they haven't already done so, to register their lines with one of the notification centers as soon as possible."

In Texas, it is estimated that 75% of all natural gas incidents are due to third party damage. Commissioners believe the establishment of this statewide notification service will provide easy access for contractors to identify underground facilities before excavation begins.

and when they intend to excavate. The Alaskan moose is really a deer. 40% from last year and the smallest

# Western

TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Link Farms, Inc. has made application with

the Texas Natural Resource Conservation

Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 39042

to construct a Dairy in Dimmitt, Castro

County, Texas. The location of the proposed

facility is approximately six miles southwest

of Dimmitt on an unpaved county road two

miles west of FM 1055. Additional informa-

tion concerning this application is contained

in the public notice section of this newspaper.

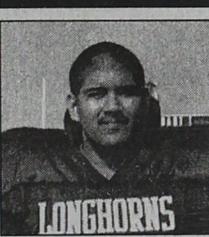
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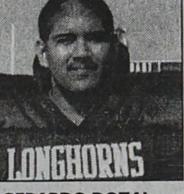
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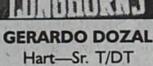
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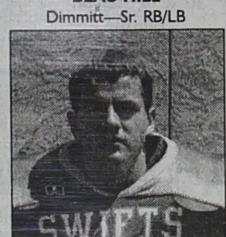


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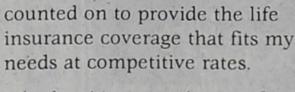
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## Windbreak tree orders taken now

Seedlings for conservation windbreaks are now available through the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District.

Landowners in Castro County are encouraged to purchase the one-yearold seedlings before preferred stock is sold out.

Each year thousands of regionally adapted seedlings are grown from seed by the Texas Forest Service's West Texas Nursery in Lubbock. The agency's primary objective is to produce and sell quality seedlings at a price landowners can afford, allowing them to plant large quantities of trees for windbreaks, according to Robert Fewin, Texas Forest Service forester in Lubbock.

systematically planted adjacent to 2153, Extension 101.

fields, homestead or feedlots as a barrier to reduce or redirect the wind," Fewin said. "They create permanent, natural protection and habitat for wildlife, reduce erosion and increase land value and aesthet-

Wildlife packets for habitat establishment also are available. Each of the four wildlife packets contain 100 bare-root trees and shrubs which cater specifically to the habitat needs of quail and pheasant, deer, turkey or

Seedlings ordered this fall will be shipped or delivered in the spring of

To order windbreak trees contact the Running Water Soil and Water "Windbreaks are trees and shrubs Conservation District at (806) 647-

## **Farmers Union applauds new** \$7.1 billion farm relief package

The Texas Farmers Union is commending President Bill Clinton for a \$7.1 billion administration farm relief package unveiled Monday to assist the nation's struggling farmers.

The package includes approximately \$5 billion to uncap marketing loan rates and \$2 billion for disaster assistance nationwide.

The proposal comes on the heels of meetings last week at which President Clinton and Agriculture Secretary Glickman addressed nearly 200 Farmers Union members in Washington to lobby lawmakers on the marketing loan cap proposal and other measures.

Both leaders promised an adequate federal response to the growing farm crisis, and reiterated their support for uncapping the loan rates.

"We thank President Clinton, Secretary Glickman and members of Congress for their support of action to respond to the deepening farm crisis," said Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims.

"The administration has shown a solid commitment to lifting America's producers out of the collapsing farm economy," added Sims. "With commodity prices falling beyond 20year lows, any federal response must recognize the fundamental problem of depressed prices. The adminsitration's package rightly puts the price problem first by including more than \$5 billion to uncap marketing loan rates."

Last week, Congressional Republicans offered a \$3.9 billion farm relief package to address losses due to weather disaster. Sims stated that \*Texas Farmers Union supports passage of disaster relief and urges members of Congress to also include action to help farmers who have a good crop but are suffering losses due to disastrously low prices.

"We have never taced the kind of disaster that we are facing right now," Sims said. "IT's a disaster for the banks and the businesses that depend on agriculture as well as farmers and ranchers.

#### **Bea Acker named** to Who's Who list

Bea M. Acker of Dimmitt, coowner of The Pancake House, is included in the National Register's Who's Who in Executives & Professionals 1999-2000 edition.

The National Register pays tribute to individuals who have "reached a level of recognizable success in their respective field."

The 1999-2000 edition is received only by the included members. This year's edition will be registered at the Library of Congress.



MEMBERS OF THE DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1978 gathered for their 20-year reunion over Dimmitt's Homecoming weekend. The class was honored at the Homecoming pep rally and enjoyed a get together. Class members pictured are (seated, from left) Dana (Malone) Klusener, Donna (Schilling) Reinart, Christy (Byrd) Holland, Sheryn (Roberts) Cannon, Pam (Wall) Rickert, Carla (King) Keener, and Rene (Butler) Lincoln; and (standing, from left) Tommy Kenworthy, Scott Armstrong, Coby

Gilbreath, Rodney Craig, Donny Carpenter, Jim Bradford, Tobin Touchstone, Thompson Mayberry and Greg Kelley. Those present for the reunion but not pictured are Scott Bagley, Jeff Bell, Becky (Hand) Book, Joylyn Broderson, Mike Garza, Brian Hufhines, Sherri (Wright) Kenworthy, Karl Langford, Lane Loudder, Laura (Cantu) Lucero, Boyd Moyers, Mike Odom, Luis Perez, Estella Salinas, Margie Sandoval, Barbara Sparks and Dorothy (Rivers) Traylor. Courtesy Photo

## Farm Bureau welcomes proposed disaster relief bill

to some parts of Texas, but no one should assume the devastation brought by the drought of 1998 has been washed away, especially in the Texas Panhandle, where very little rainfall has been received.

On Sept. 17, Congress unveiled a \$3.9 million emergency disaster relief plan. Both houses of Congress will take up the proposal in the few remaining days of the session.

Chris Cogburn, president of the Castro County Farm Bureau, says the Congressional action is appropriate

"Some parts of Texas have had some rain, but the damage has been done and some areas, including ours, have yet to receive significant moisture," Cogburn said.

American Farm Bureau Federation President Dean Kleckner has some questions about the disaster proposal. We are troubled by the lack of a funding mechanism," Kleckner said. "We hope Congress has sufficient concern about the farm economy to

Tropical storms have brought rain approve emergency supplemental funding.'

Kleckner said speed is important,

Congress is set to adjourn early this month.

Currently, the relief plan includes only \$75 million for emergency feed assistance. Texas Farm Bureau Legislative Director Steve Pringle said it would take at least \$500 million to be really effective.

"It's a little scary when you think about how little hay was produced in this state this year. Cattlemen will just be holding on this winter," Cogburn said.

Cogburn added that row crop producers will benefit from the relief package.

"This could buy some farmers and ranchers some time to recover from the effects of two major droughts in three years," Cogburn said.

## Highway laws listed for farmers

There are a few things that farmers and ranchers may not realize when it comes to Texas highway laws.

Agriculture producers are not required to have a commercial driver's license if they haul their own products, such as corn or wheat, to a location for storage or processing.

"If you do hauling for someone else, then you must have a commercial license," said Chris Cogburn, president of Castro County Farm

The license classification depends on the weight of the vehicle.

A Class A license is required if the combination of the vehicles weigh more than 26,000 pounds. A Class B Commercial license is necessary when a single vehicle exceeds 26,000 pounds and is towing a trailer that weighs more than 10,000 pounds.

Hauling anything more than 12feet wide requires a permit. In addition, if a vehicle travels at less than 35 miles per hour, it must have an orange triangular slow moving vehicle sign placed at the rear; however, by law, if a driver exceeds 35 miles per hour, that sign must be removed.

If a tractor is designed with headlights, taillights and flashing lights, the law states they must all be used when the tractor is operated at night.

#### TO ALL INTERESTED **PERSONS AND PARTIES:**

Cattlac Feeders, Inc. has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 38877 to expand a Feedlot in Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is approximately four miles south of the intersection of Highway 86 and FM 1055 on FM 1055 and then two miles west on an unpaved county road. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on October 8, 1998 and October 15, 1998.

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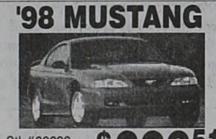




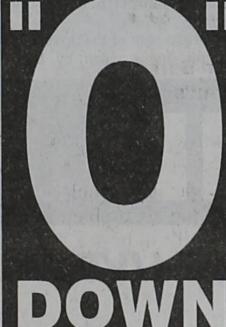
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# Cats halt Muleshoe streaks, 28-21



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SETTING UP A T.D.—Dimmitt's Justin Sutton (21) turns the corner on a left sweep as he gains nine yards for a first down at the Muleshoe 9-yard-line in the third quarter of Friday night's game at Muleshoe.

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Blocking for him in left background is guard Michael Penney (62). At the time, the Bobcats were trailing, 14-21. Three plays later, Beau Hill scored the tying touchdown, and the Bobcats went on to win it, 28-21. By DON NELSON

Muleshoe's four-game unscoredupon streak ended just three minutes and 11 seconds after Dimmitt took the opening kickoff Friday night.

That's as long as it took the Bobcats to drive 56 yards in eight plays and score the game's first touch-

down. And the Mules' seven-game winning streak ended six touchdowns later when the final buzzer sounded on a 28-21 Dimmitt victory in

Muleshoe's Homecoming game. Until Friday night, the Mules had mauled four opponents by an aggregate 119-0-an average 30-0 clip.

But the Bobcats raided the vaunted Mule defense for 312 yards of offense and four touchdowns, including two before the stunned Mules could get on the scoreboard.

The Dimmitt defense, meanwhile, stifled the high-scoring Mule offense, holding their hosts to minus-13 yards on the ground and 45 yards in the air during the second half.

For Bobcat fans, it was the most exciting win so far this year, against a team that many of Dimmitt's coaches and players felt was the best team they've played.

"They have a real good team. It's the best team we've played all year," said junior defensive end James Jackson, who recorded four tackles for lost yardage, including a pair of quarterback sacks to end the game.

"They were excellent," said senior linebacker Ralph Enriquez. "We just stepped it up to another level. We spent all week in practice stepping it

"They weren't as physical as Friona, but they'll hit you," said Justin Sutton, junior running back and defensive back. "They're big, but they're slow. We used our speed and quickness; it hurt them."

According to Bobcat Coach Bruce Dollar, it was "the best overall game we've played" against "the best team we've played, without a doubt," and put the Bobcats "just where we wanted to be" going into District 1-AAA play this week.

Senior fullback Beau Hill scored all four of Dimmitt's touchdowns, but not by design.

"We don't even think about who scores," Coach Dollar said. "It doesn't matter to me who scores."

All four TDs came on short dive plays, two of them after Muleshoe turnovers.

The Mules committed a fatal fumble on their second possession. Quarterback Matt McClanahan lost the handle during a handoff and Bobcat linebacker Jerry Thomas pounced on the loose ball at the Muleshoe 11.

Two plays later, Hill scored from three yards out and Luis Silva kicked his second of four extra points to make it 14-0 with 2:34 still remaining the opening quarter.

The reeling Mules shook it off and drove for two touchdowns to tie the score before halftime.

Senior tailback Gilbert Vela scored from five yards out in the first minute of the second quarter to cap a seven-play, 56-yard drive following Dimmitt's second TD.

Later, they ended the second period with an impressive 70-yard, 14play drive that climaxed with Vela scoring from two yards out just 27 seconds before the halftime buzzer, and it was a new game at 14-14.

In the second half, the Dimmitt defense shut the Mules' running game down-and needed to, after the Bobcats found themselves trailing by

Early in the third, Bobcat quarterback Derek Buckley dropped back to pass and took a big hit from blitzing linebacker Greg Pena just as he released the ball.

The ball shot away low and hit defensive end Dustin Cleavinger in the chest as he was leaping to block it. The big senior got a grip on it and ran 23 yards untouched for the

Trailing for the first time, the Bobcats struck back quickly. After Hill returned Muleshoe's kickoff to the Dimmitt 44, the Bobcats made their second 56-yard, eight-play scoring

Mules' third TD.

Highlight play of the drive was a beautiful diving catch by Daniel

Flores of a 35-yard pass from Buckley. The Mules had seen Dimmitt's game films and had Flores triple-covered, but he leaped up between two defenders and came down with it.

Hill scored five plays later from two yards out and Silva booted the PAT to tie the score at 21-21.

Dimmitt's defense, meanwhile, shut down Muleshoe's ground game.

"We adjusted the alignment of our linebackers for the second half," Coach Dollar said. "They kept running to the strong side, so we just moved our linebackers over that way."

The Mules got a prime opportunity later in the third when defensive end Roger Whipple chased down an errant Bobcat pitch and fell on it at the Dimmitt 13.

But three plays later the Mules were back at the 16 following a Jerry Thomas sack of McClanahan.

Hodge attempted a 33-yard field goal, but defensive end Stacey Villanueva rushed in and blocked it. Hodge raced back and covered the bounding ball at the Dimmitt 43.

"I caught it with my left arm," Villanueva said. "I wasn't sure if I was going to get in there. I faked one direction, then went the other way. Sure enough, they bit on it."

Early in the fourth, Dimmitt's defense made a game-turning break. After Buckley had punted the Mules back to their 16, Enriquez and Thomas knocked McClanahan loose

it for Dimmitt at the 18. Four plays later Hill scored his fourth TD and Silva booted the point to give the Bobcats the lead again, 28-21, just two minutes into the

from the ball and Thomas recovered

The Mules never got past midfield again, but the Bobcats came within three yards of getting a fifth TD.

fourth quarter.

Starting from their own 43 with 5:20 remaining, the Cats drove to the Muleshoe 3, mainly on the strength of a 24-yard pass from Sutton to Buckley on a razzle-dazzle play and a 24-yard burst up the middle by Hill.

It came down to a fourth-and-goal from the 3, with a bad field-goal angle. The Bobcats went for the TD, but Sutton was racked up for no gain by the stubborn Mule defense as he attempted to find a right-side opening after taking a quick pitch from

Buckley. "I promised Coach Dollar I would get that one in, but they were bringing everybody and I just couldn't get it," Sutton said.

The Mules completed two of three passes as they fought back, but Jackson ended their hopes with back-toback sacks of McClanahan for 25 yards of losses.

"That was a call, where I go outside (from the defensive end position) and the linebacker goes inside," Jackson said. "They took the linebacker, so I was able to make the sack."

"They were by far the best team (Continued on Page 13)

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Total Yards	326	170		
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Fumbles-Lost	2-1	4-2		
Punts-Avg.	3-41.6	4-41		
Penalties-Yards	8-40	3-15		

**SCORING SUMMARY** 

First Quarter: D-Beau Hill 1 run (Luis Silva kick), 8:49 D-Hill 3 run (Silva kick), 2:34

Second Quarter: M-Gilbert Vela 5 run (Ryan Hodge kick),

M-Vela 2 run (Hodge kick), 0:27 Third Quarter:

M-Dustin Cleavinger 23 pass intercep tion runback (Hodge kick), 8:32 D-Hill 2 run (Silva kick), 5:02

Fourth Quarter: D-Hill 3 run (Silva kick), 10:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS Rushing-DIMMITT: Beau Hill 22-134 (4TD); Justin Sutton 17-102; Derek Buckley 4-22. MULESHOE: Gilbert Vela 26-138 (2TD); Greg Pena 5-12; Matt

McClanahan 10- (-41). Passing-DIMMITT: Derek Buckley 3/11-1 - 44; Justin Sutton 1/1-0 - 24;

Daniel Flores 0/1-0 - 0. MULESHOE: Matt McClanahan 4/8-0 - 37; Manuel Campolla 1/1-0 - 24.

Receiving-DIMMITT: Eric Gamez 2-9; Daniel Flores 1-35; Derek Buckley 1-24. MULESHOE: Carlton Lewis 2-21; Gilbert Vela 1-24; Manuel Campolla 1-8; Mitch

Mason 1-8 Leading Tacklers-DIMMITT: Justin Sutton 7u, 8a; Jerry Thomas 6u, 4a; Ralph

Enriquez 3u, 10a; James Jackson 5u, 3a. Tackles Behind Line-DIMMITT: Jerry Thomas 4, James Jackson 4, Ralph Enriquez 2.

Interceptions-MULESHOE: Dustin Cleavinger 1 (TD).

Fumbles Caused-DIMMITT: Jerry Thomas 1. Fumbles Recovered—DIMMITT: Jerry

Thomas 1, Justin Sutton 1. Passes Batted Down-DIMMITT:

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Here's how Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth opponents fared in the the fifth week of the prep football season. Each school's opponent is listed in capital letters.

#### **Dimmitt opponents**

TULIA (1-4) beat Springlake-Earth, 14-7 LAMESA (2-3) lost to Greenwood, 13-12 FRIONA (5-0) beat RIVER ROAD (2-3), 31-14 S'FORD-FRITCH (5-0) beat Stratford, 22-7 DALHART (0-5) lost to Dumas, 30-6 PERRYTON (2-3) lost to Spearman, 34-12 SUNDOWN (2-3) lost to Plains, 28-7 BROWNFIELD (0-5) lost to Littlefield, 28-0

Nazareth opponents FARWELL (4-1) beat HAPPY (2-3), 17-9

VALLEY (4-1) beat HART (3-2), 28-0 S'LAKE-EARTH (1-4) lost to Tulia, 14-7 KRESS (3-2) lost to Aspermont, 14-7 VEGA (2-3) beat Ropes, 23-20 WHITEFACE (2-3) lost to Crosbyton, 35-19 LCHS not available

Hart opponents

NAZARETH (4-1) beat Claude, 14-13 KRESS (3-2)lost to Aspermont, 14-7 HAPPY (2-3) lost to Farwell, 17-9 S'LAKE-EARTH (1-4) lost to Tulia, 14-7 VEGA (2-3) beat Ropes, 23-20 MORTON (1-4) beat SMYER (0-5) 20-8 BOVINA (1-4) lost to New Deal, 14-13 OLTON (4-1) lost to Anton, 20-7



CLUB CHAMPS—This trio captured top honors in the Championship Flight of their respective divisions this weekend at the annual Club Championship sponsored by Country Club of Dimmitt. Bettye

Flight and earned low net honors. Allan McClure (center) beat John Lantz in a playoff to win the Seniors Flight. Winner in the Men's Championship Photo by Anne Acker Flight was Jerry Heller.

## Jerry Heller wins Club Championship

two-round total of 153 to breeze over 172 the field in the 1998 Club Championship at Country Club of Dimmitt.

Heller led with 75 after the opening round, then finished with 78 over the second 18 to claim the top spot in the Championship Flight.

Finishing second in the Championship Flight was Cary Jackson, who finished with an 81 in the first round and 80 in the second for a total of 161.

In the First Flight, Clay Davis edged Robert Powell for first-place honors. Davis's scores were 83 and 87, respectively, over the two rounds

Jerry Heller of Dimmitt fired a for 170. Powell shot an 84 and 88 for

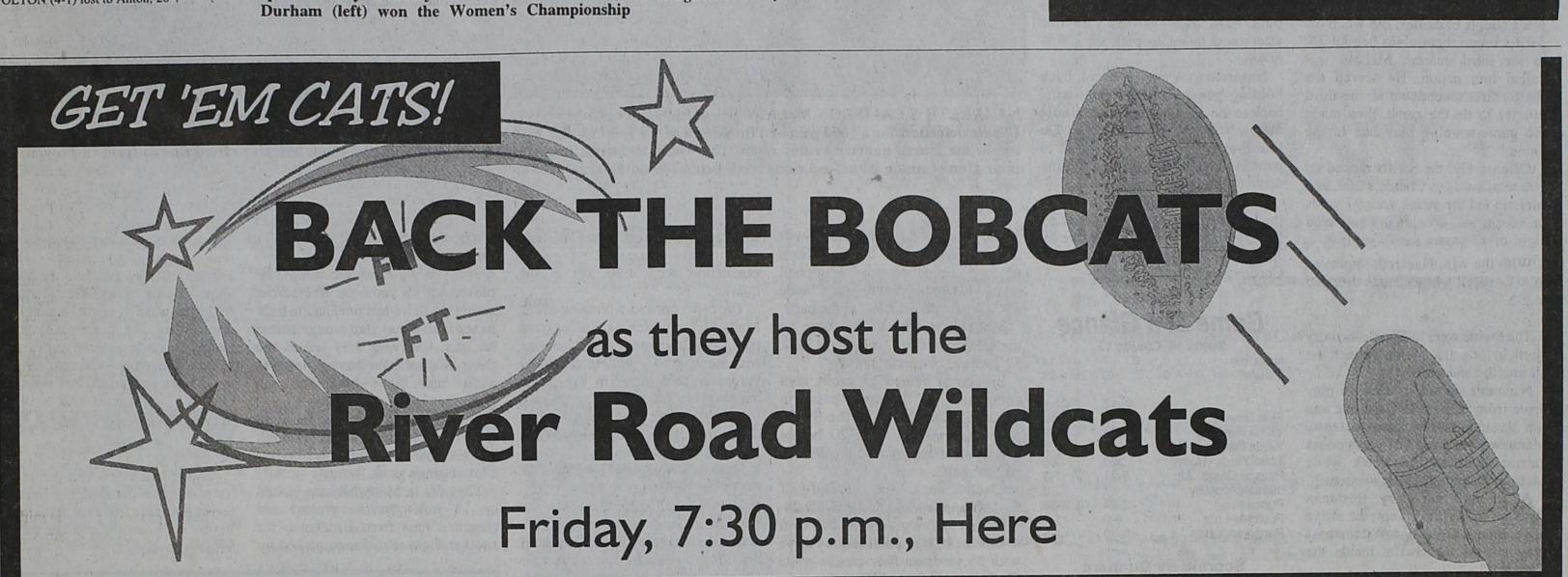
Joe Bob Sanders won the Second Flight after posting 90 and 87 for 177. Alan Steinle was second with scores of 90 and 93 for 183.

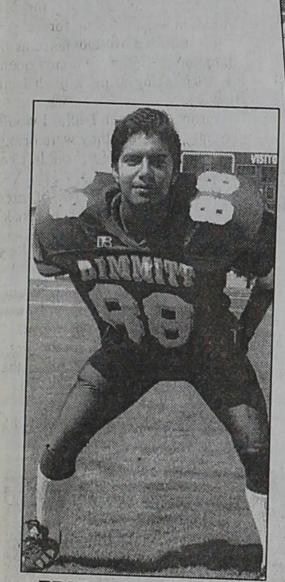
In the Seniors Flight, Allan McClure and John Lantz each finished with 177 to share top honors. Lantz led McClure by a stroke after the first round, 90-87, then McClure gained a stroke on Lantz in the second round, 88-87.

Bettye Durham won the Women's Championship Flight and Sheryl Brown was second. McClure earned low net honors while Mozelle Lilley was second.

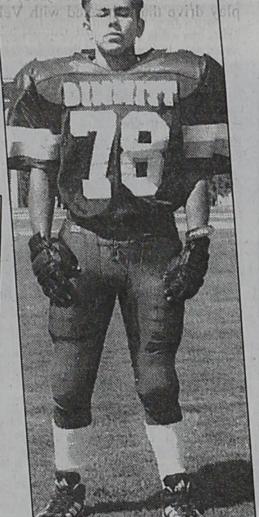
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7:30

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JV 14, Sundown 0; 9th 22, Sanford-Fritch 44 JV 12, Lamesa 14; 9th 12, Lamesa 20 IV 22, Friona 0; 9th 29, Friona 0 JV 40, Brownfield 6; 9th 46, Brownfield 22

JV 2, Muleshoe 12; 9th 12, Muleshoe 6 5:00-6:30 River Road, There 5:00-6:30 Tulia, Here Oct. 15 5:00-6:30 Oct. 22 Sanford-Fritch, There 5:00-6:30 Oct. 29 Dalhart, There 5:00-6:30 Nov. 5 Tulia, There

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# Last-minute TD lifts Swifts over Claude, 14-13

By JESSICA KERN

Cameron McLain may have only played half of a game Friday night, but he made his time on the field count, and the result was a lastsecond one-point victory for the Swifts.

Trailing 13-7 with the final seconds ticking down, McLain hauled in a 10-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Mitch Brockman and that tied the game at 13. Then Matt Olvera booted the extra point that gave the Swifts the Homecoming win Friday night before a big crowd at Swift Field.

"The game-winning touchdown drive over the last three minutes of the game showed a grit and determination from this team that was very gratifying to see," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "We continued the growing up process against Claude. Now as we get ready to begin district play, we need to continue to improve each week."

McLain, who was sidelined last week against Whiteface because of an injured knee, saw limited action in the first half against Claude, getting just a couple of carries. But when the Swifts found themselves behind 7-0 in the third quarter, McLain was called into action. He scored the Swifts first touchdown in the third quarter to tie the game, then made the game-winning play late in the

Offensively, the Swifts racked up 306 total yards to Claude's 260, and McLain led the attack with 97 yards on 15 carries. Brockman completed eight-of-17 passes for 79 yards.

With the win, Nazareth improved to 4-1 overall while Claude dropped to 2-3.

The Swifts were in Claude territory all night long, but couldn't punch the all into the end zone.

Nazareth started its first 15-play drive from its own 19-yard line and ran through the Mustang defense. Matthew Kern gained 31 yards on six carries to spark the attack while McLain picked up 10 on one tote.

A six-yard carry by freshman flanker Ky Wilcox kept the drive alive, then a Brockman-Wilcox pass play moved the Swifts inside the Claude 25.

The drive stalled from there. Nazareth gained just five yards over the next three downs, but elected to go for it on fourth-and-five. Claude's defense held and took over with 4:35 left in the first quarter.

Claude's B.J. Campbell found a couple of holes in the Swift defense

and managed to gain 29 yards. Teammate Jason Fanelli picked up 21 yards and Adrian Cordova added another seven for Claude.

Claude gained a first down on a pass play from Campbell to Cordova that was good for seven yards.

But like the Swifts' Claude's drive stalled in the opponent's territory.

The Mustangs drove inside the Swift 30-yard line but couldn't convert a fourth-and-nine and Nazareth regained control as the first quarter ended.

Nazareth started its second offensive series on its own 30 and drove deep into Mustang territory using just 12 plays.

Once again, defense tightened and Nazareth was facing a fourth-andeight from the Mustang 14.

The Swifts lined to attempt the 31yard field goal, but decided to fake the kick and go for the first down. But Claude was ready and stopped the play short of a first down at the 10-yard line with 8:22 left in the first half.

Claude's ensuing drive went nowhere and the Mustangs had to punt from their own 12-yard line after they failed to pick up a first

Nazareth took over at its 44, but a holding penalty pushed the Swifts back to the 32, and they couldn't dig themselves out of the hole. On fourth-and-four they were forced to punt and that's when the first scoring drive of the game started.

Claude returned the punt to the 18, then used gains of seven yards by Campbell, 20 by Fanelli and five by Josh Hawkins to reach the Swift 45. Cordova took over from there.

#### Game at a Glance

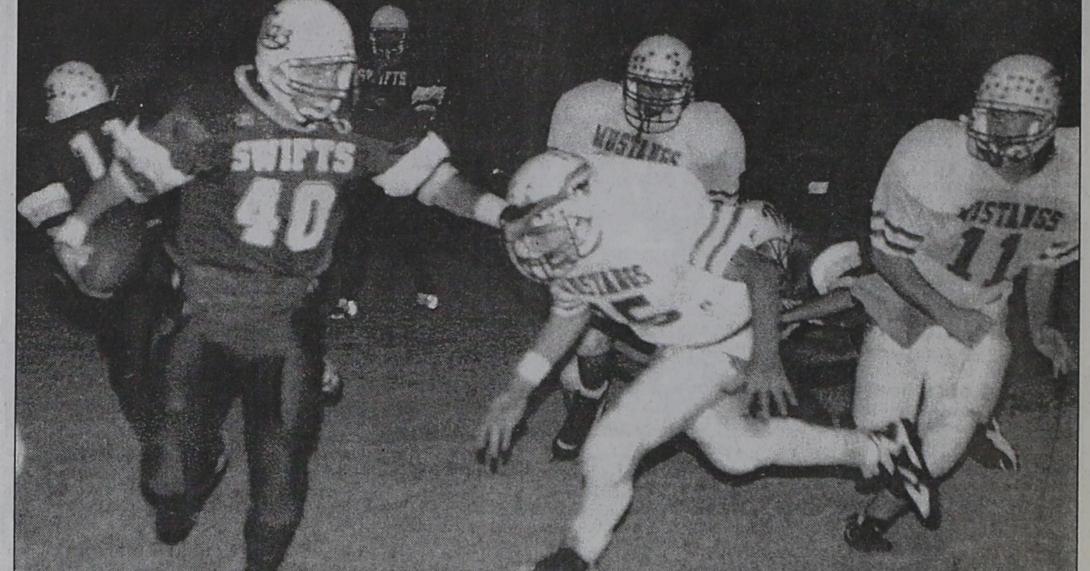
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Nazareth	0	0	7	7-14
Claude	0	7	0	6—13
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First Downs			15	12
Yards Rushing			221	253
Yards Passing Total Yards Gained Passes CompAtt.			79	7 260 1-3
			300	
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Interceptions By			1	0
Punts-Avg.		2-34		2-38
Fumbles-Lost		0-0		1-1
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**Scoring By Quarters** 

Second Quarter: CLAUDE-Adrian Cordova 45 run (Brantlee Lemons kick) Third Quarter:

NAZ-Cameron McLain 26 run (Matt Olvera kick) Fourth Quarter:

CLAUDE-Cordova 1 run (kick failed) NAZ-McLain 9 pass from Mitchell Brockman (Olvera kick)



NAZARETH'S CAMERON McLAIN gets outside and outruns several Claude defenders for a good gain and first-down at the Swift 35 with 8:10 left in the fourth quarter Friday night. The Swifts tackled Claude for their Homecoming game and came from behind in the final seconds to

claim a narrow 14-13 win. McLain scored both Nazareth touchdowns-a 26-yard run in the third quarter and a 9-yard pass from Mitchell Brockman with 27 seconds left. He also led the Swifts in rushing, despite seeing limited action. Photo by Anne Acker

He broke through the Swift defense, then outran the field for a 45-yard touchdown. Campbell booted the extra point to give Claude a 7-0 lead with 1:18 left in the half.

McLain returned to the game on the ensuing kickoff, running it back 39 yards to Nazareth's 49.

Brockman gained 15 yards, then completed a 16-yard pass to freshman Kade Wilcox. The Swifts penetrated the Mustang 20 before the board. Olvera booted the PAT to Claude's defense stymied the drive to the the score at seven. end the half.

kickoff and worked to the Swift 28yard line before giving the ball over to Nazareth. Campbell led the drive with 35 yards on four carries while Cordova contributed 12 yards

Nazareth couldn't move the chains on its next series, gaining just eight yards over three plays before punting the ball to Claude.

Claude started from its 40, but the drive didn't last long.

Two plays into the series

Brockman intercepted a Campbell pass and Nazareth regained possession with 4:30 left in the quarter.

The drive opened with sophomore Matty McLain catching a seven-yard pass from Brockman. Then Cameron McLain went to work. He gained 41 yards on four plays in the drive, capping the effort with a 26-yard touchdown run to put the Swifts on

Stanton Wethington kicked the ball Claude took the second-half off to the Mustangs to open fourthquarter action, and Hawkins returned the kick 20 yards to the Claude 20.

Cordova and Fanelli combined for 36 yards to pace the drive, but once Claude broke across the 50, yards were hard to come by. Claude reached the 46 before punting the

Nazareth ran just six plays on its next drive, gaining 25 yards before returning the ball to Claude via a

The Mustangs took the ball on their 49-yard line after Cordova gained 19 yards on the return. He picked up 29 yards on five carries during the drive and put Claude back on top with a one-yard plunge across the goal line with 2:55 left in the game. Campbell's extra point was wide and that would be the difference in the game.

Matty McLain ran the ensuing kickoff to Claude's 38 and Nazareth had less than three minutes to cover a lot of green grass.

They did it. Matty McLain picked up 13 yards on the ground and caught a pass from Brockman for another eight. Brockman picked up 11 yards on a quarterback keeper, then completed a pass to Olvera for another 10-yard gain and the Swifts were driving downfield. Cameron McLain wasn't silent during the drive either. The junior runningback gained 14 yards on three rushes, then caught the game-winning 10-yard touchdown pass with 27 seconds left. Olvera's extra point kick split the uprights to give the Swifts a 14-13

Claude had a few seconds left to try and regain the lead, but fumbled on the first play from scrimmage and Bryce Pohlmeier was there for the Swift recovery.

## Harris Picks

picks this week's area games, and how it ranks area teams. Home teams are listed in capital letters.

DIMMITT 7 over River Road NAZARETH 26 over Vega HART 1 over Kress Perryton 14 over DALHART SANFORD-FRITCH 20 over Tulia LUB. COOPER pick vs. Lub. Roosevelt Friona 11 over SHALLOWATER LITTLEFIELD 7 over Muleshoe Seminole 23 over BROWNFIELD COLORADO CITY 14 over Denver City LAMESA 17 over Slaton SPRINGLAKE-EARTH 3 over Happy CROSBYTON pick vs. Lorenzo Valley 23 over MOTLEY COUNTY PETERSBURG 29 over Spur Anton 21 over SMYER Sudan 20 over WHITEFACE POST 18 over Tahoka MORTON pick vs. Bovina FARWELL 7 over Hale Center SUNDOWN 18 over Olton Spearman 41 over BOYS RANCH Canadian 12 over SUNRAY STRATFORD 14 over West Texas CLARENDON no line vs. White Deer QUANAH 3 over Highland Park WELLINGTON 24 over Panhandle BORGER 16 over Palo Duro PAMPA 22 over Caprock HEREFORD 11 over Dumas

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Frenship 14 over RANDALL PLAINVIEW 14 over Levelland Amarillo 12 over LUBBOCK MONTEREY Lubbock Coronado 17 over TASCOSA LUBBOCK 3 over San Angelo Central

**WEEK 6 RANKINGS** 

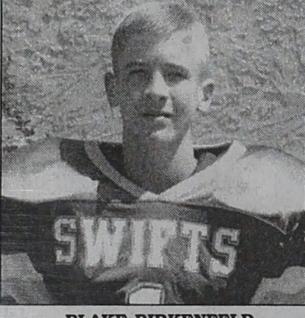
Here's how Harris ranks the area teams, including their respective power ratings, by which he bases his decisions. Class A: 1. Tenaha 192, 2. lola 188, 3. Era 186, 4. Aspermont 185, 5. Bartlett 185, 6. Wink 184, 7. Burkeville 181, 8. Roscoe 180, 9. Wheeler 180, 10. Granger

Other Area Class A: 12. Sudan 176. 26. Paducah 168, 29. Happy 166, 34. Kress 165, 35. Nazareth 165, 37. Springlake-Earth 164, 39. Petersburg 163, 45. Claude 161, 49. Valley 160, 56. Shamrock 157, 58. Anton 156, 61. Hart 153, 69. Booker 151, 82. Memphis 148, 88. Crosbyton 145, 92. Lorenzo 143, 93. Whiteface 143, 97. Vega 142, 106. Motley County 137, 107. Spur 135, 109. Crowell 133, 114. Smyer 131.

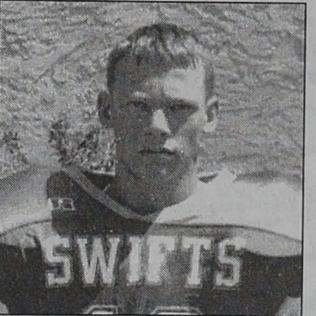
Class AAA: 1. Tatum 206, 2. Sweeny 206, 3. Breckenridge 205, 4. Coldspring 204, 5. Newton 204, 6. Commerce 203, 7. Sealy 203, 8. Cuero 203, 9. Waço Connally 202, 10. Crane 202.

Other Area Class AAA: 38. Littlefield 190, 55. Friona 187, 60. Dimmitt 186, 65. Childress 185, 70. Muleshoe 184, 74. Sanford-Fritch 184, 88. Seminole 182, 117. Denver City 176, 121. Shallowater 176, 132. Lamesa 173, 134. Perryton 173, 162. River Road 167, 175. Lubbock Cooper 164, 176. Lubbock Roosevelt 164, 178. Tulia 164, 191. Dalhart 158, 195. Slaton 156, 197. Brownfield 155.





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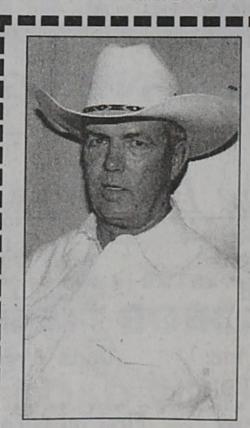
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HART'S JUAN GUERRERO dodges a pair of Valley tacklers, but only gains a couple of yards before he's stopped Friday night. The Longhorns suffered a

couple of big turnovers in the first half that allowed Valley to take a 14-0 lead, then the Patriots went on to win the game, 28-0. Photo by David Knox

## 7th, 8th Grade Bobcats lose games at Muleshoe

lost at Muleshoe last Thursday, the 7th Grade Bobcats by 12-0 and the 8th Grade Bobcats by 8-6.

In the 7th grade game, Dimmitt fumbles set up both of Muleshoe's touchdowns.

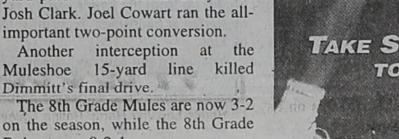
They were the first TDs of the year for the 7th Grade Mules, who had Thursday. The loss left the 7th Grade Bobcats

with an 0-3 record. In the 8th grade game, Muleshoe Bobcats are 0-2-1.

Dimmitt's junior high teams both intercepted a Dimmitt pass in the fourth quarter, then drove for the tying touchdown and the winning two-point conversion.

> Muleshoe scored its TD on an 11yard pass from Brennan Broyles to Josh Clark. Joel Cowart ran the allimportant two-point conversion.

suffered two shutouts prior to last Muleshoe 15-yard line killed Dimmitt's final drive. The 8th Grade Mules are now 3-2





## Valley capitalizes on Hart turnovers for 28-0 victory

Turnovers, mental errors and

Hart seems to be plagued with all of these this season.

After going 3-0 to start the season, Hart suffered two big injury blows. Starting receiver Michael Pantoja's season ended with a torn ACL the first week. Then quarterback Jared Aven broke his arm and missed the next two games...

The Longhorns lost those two games, including a 28-0 shutout by Valley on Friday.

Hart handed Valley its first 14 points by halftime thanks to a turnover and bad snap on a punt.

"Valley was a big club and they've got talent, but we just turned the ball over twice in the first half and they took advantage. We gave them their first point points by halftime," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps. "Then in the second half the kids were down and we just couldn't get anything going."

Valley, which improved to 4-1 on the season, held Hart to 83 yards total offense and seven first downs.

when a snap sailed over the punter's head and Valley recovered in Hart territory.

Valley made quick work of the

#### Game at a Glance

Longhorns 0, Valley 28

Valley HART VALLEY First Downs Yards Rushing Yards Passing 83 1-7 **Total Yards Gained** Passes Comp.-Att. Interceptions By Punts-Avg. 4-33.3 2-31.5 **Fumbles-Lost** 2-1 1-0 Penalties-Yards 7-40 2-20

Scoring By Quarters Second Quarter:

VALLEY-Nathan Wheeler 2 run (Carey Chandler kick) VALLEY-Wheeler 2 run (Chandler

Third Quarter: VALLEY-B.J. Price 78 pass from Chandler (Chandler kick) Fourth Quarter:

VALLEY-Chandler 45 run (Morgan Payne pass from Chandler)

Welps said Hart's trouble started short field and scored on a two-yard plunge by Nathan Wheeler, who led Valley's rushing attack with 87 yards on 19 carries. Cory Chandler kicked the extra point to give Valley a 7-0

lead in the second stanza. Later in the stanza, the fumble bug struck the Longhorns deep in their own territory and the Patriots

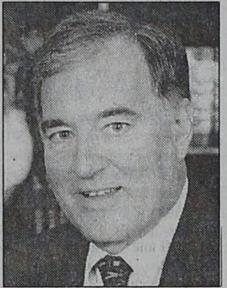
pounced on the loose pigskin. A few yards later and Wheeler picked up his second two-yard touchdown and Chandler answered with another PAT for a 14-0 Valley

Valley added touchdowns in the third and fourth quarters to seal the

The third-quarter score came on a big play when Chandler found B.J. Price with a pass, then Price ran 78 yards for the score to give Valley a 20-0 lead.

In the fourth quarter, Chandler broke free for a 45-yard touchdown run to make it 26-0, then he found Morgan Payne in the end zone for the two-point conversion and the final 28-0 margin.

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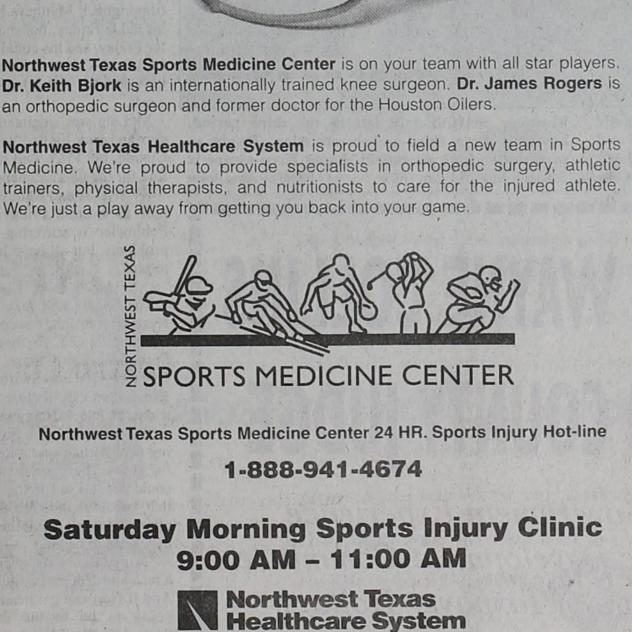
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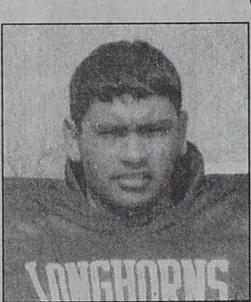
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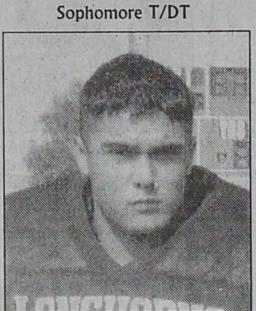
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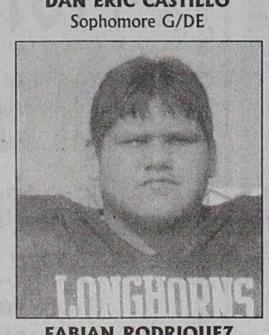
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# District battles to begin Friday

Nazareth Swifts are 4-1 on the season. The Hart Longhorns are 3-2. Big deal.

The teams gained some valuable experience in those first five games, but Dimmitt Coach Bruce Dollar, Nazareth Coach Rick Price and Hart Coach Bryan Welps will tell you the outcomes of those games won't be worth a nickle when it comes down to who advances into the playoffs.

Starting this week, every game is a must-win one because district play begins.

The Bobcats open 1-AAA play against River Road Friday at Dimmitt. The Nazareth Swifts begin the 3-A race by hosting Vega Friday and Hart has its first 3-A game Friday at home against Kress. Each

#### **River Road** at Dimmitt

game will start at 7:30 p.m.

"We're just where we wanted to be going into district play," Coach Bruce Dollar said after the Bobcats' satisfying 28-21 win over Muleshoe

The Bobcats own a 4-1 record and have outscored their opponents by 142-65. They've improved every week and have cut down noticeably on mistakes and penalties.

And while working on improving their game, they've jumped about 40 points in the statewide rankings, to No. 60 in the Harris Poll, and are now one of the top three ranked 3A teams in the area.

But all rankings aside, the Bobcats know that the trick now is to be just where they wanted to be after the River Road game.

And considering River Road's football tradition, that will take a good effort Friday night in the District 1-3A opener at Bobcat Stadium. The Bobcats are favored by a scant to date. The Bobcat offense managed



**BIG DEFENSIVE PLAY—Dimmitt's Jerry Thomas** (6) and Ralph Enriquez (on ground) have just knocked Muleshoe quarterback Matt McClanahan loose from the ball (arrow) and Thomas scrambles after the recovery at the Mules' 18-yard line in the

seven points on their home turf.

The Wildcats are young, with only

nine seniors to go with 22 juniors

and a sophomore. And their 2-3 re-

cord isn't very impressive-until you

look at whom they've played. They

had one of the toughest early sched-

Their losses have come at the

hands of Childress, Friona and Class

4A Canyon. Among them, these

three powerhouses have won 12 and

River Road opened the season with

a 26-12 loss to Canyon, followed by

a 31-30 win over Class 2A West

Texas High and a 6-0 decision over

Class 4A Caprock. Then came a 34-9

loss to Childress, and Friday night a

31-14 setback against unbeaten

The Chieftains are the only team to

play both the Bobcats and Wildcats

ules of any team in the district.

lost three.

fourth quarter of Friday night's game at Muleshoe. This big turnover paved the way for Dimmitt's winning touchdown four plays later. At left is Dimmitt's Justin Sutton (21) and closing in at center is Rusty Wooten (65). Photo by Carter Townsend

149 total yards against Friona's rugged defense; River Road had to settle

for 104 total yards Friday night. The Wildcats did score two touchdowns against Friona—something the Bobcats were unable to do. But Coach Dollar said the Bobcats' lack of scoring against the Chieftains "wasn't because of Friona; it was

because we weren't doing our job." Friday night's game will feature the two deans of District 1-3A coaches. This is Dollar's 10th season in the district: He was at Sanford-Fritch six years, spent a year at Tulia and is in his third year here. Coach Craig Shores is in his ninth year at River Road, and has guided the Wildcats into the playoffs four of the last five years.

"They come on at the end, I'll tell you that," Coach Dollar said with the voice of experience. "Every year they start out slow, but they finish up

As usual, the Bobcats will be outbigged.

"They've got 12 kids over 200 pounds," Coach Dollar said. "They've got two big running backs-Chris Floyd (5-10, 200, Sr.) and Trenton Mills (5-10, 185, Sr.) Both of them started last year."

Mills, a third-year starter, is the main weapon in the Wildcats' oneback offense. He ran for almost

1,000 yards last season. Quarterbacking the Wildcats is Adam King, a 6-0, 160-lb. junior

whose coach expects him to play

college ball someday.

Watch for King to do plenty of

"We like to throw the ball," Coach Shores has said. "We believe you should throw and throw at all costs."

When the Wildcats are on defense, keep an eye on their ends-twins James and John McKinney. Both are big (mid-190s) and are the younger brothers of Elliott McKinney, Shores' first all-stater. Both are ju-

Don't forget the earlier kickoff time for all district games—7:30, starting Friday night.

#### Kress at Hart

Hart hopes to welcome back quarterback Jared Aven to its starting lineup this week, just in time for one of its most important matchups of the

Homecoming Friday and it will be the District 3-A opener for both teams. Kickoff is 7:30 p.m. at Longhorn Stadium.

Aven has missed the last two games after he broke his arm the third week of the season. Aven broke a bone close to his right elbow—his throwing arm.

According to Hart Coach Bryan Welps, Aven was expected to be released to play Tuesday.

"He hasn't thrown any yet, so we don't know how his arm's going to be, but we're hoping he'll be ready to go Friday," Welps said.

Jeremiah Velasquez will get the nod the team injury-free through the at quarterback, Welps said.

"Kress is probably the district team with the most momentum now, especially after they played the No. 3-ranked team (Aspermont) so well last week," Welps said.

The Kangaroos lost to Aspermont, 14-7, but Welps said the Roos could have won the game.

"We're going to have to jump on them early or we'll have a long night," Welps said. "We can't have any turnovers. We can't make those mistakes and fall behind early."

Kress has been outscored by a combined 93-90 this season, and its losses have been to Aspermont and Class AA power New Deal, 44-0.

"Kress is the best ballclub we've seen so far," Welps said. "They've got a great fullback in Greg Gardea (5-10, 200) and they've got a decent quarterback with Dane Morphis (5-10, 135).

Gardea gained 127 yards against Aspermont.

"Their offensive line's not bad either. They're better than Valley's. We're going to have to play very well to beat Kress," Welps said.

The offensive line is anchored by center Wes Weatherly (6-2, 180). Among those joining him up front are Mav Murrell (5-10, 250) and Mitchell Rogers, who had a great game against Aspermont.

"Kress will run split backs and the Wing T on offense. They throw a lot and they throw well. They like to mix it up," Welps said.

Morphis' favorite targets this year have been Chris Murray (5-10, 140) and Stony Hays (6-0, 185).

On the other side of the ball, Gardea is a big part of the Roos defense from his linebacker position.

"He is a great linebacker and he's a huge part of their Split 6 defense," Welps said. "They've also got some huge defensive linemen that work Hart (3-2) will host Kress (3-2) for well together. Their secondary is

Kress's roster includes four players that tip the scales at 200 or above—Gardea and three linemen.

A week ago, Kress moved Shy Shafer up from the junior varsity and he started at linebacker, recording 10 tackles.

Weatherly and Murray are in the defensive backfield along with Sammy Rojas (5-8, 150) and Jason Hinojosa (5-6, 140).

As Hart gets ready for District 3-A play, Welps hopes to see Aven return as strong as he was before the injury, If Aven is unable to play, then and he hopes he can keep the rest of tough 3-A schedule.

"I'd pick Nazareth, Happy and Kress right now. I think they're the top three teams in our district. Kress still looks like the best team in district to me. They're rolling," Welps said. "I think Happy and Nazareth are close behind there, but it looked like Nazareth fell off a little against Claude last week. I think Springlake-Earth and us are trying to piece things back together and recover from early injuries."

#### Vega at Nazareth

The Nazareth Swifts have enjoyed a 4-1 start this season, but things get tough from here on out.

Nazareth opens District 3-A play Friday when Vega comes to town. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m. at Swift Field.

In recent years Vega has struggled to put a notch in the win column. In fact, the Longhorns were winless in 18 outings over their previous two seasons before they finally broke the jinx in this year's season opener.

The Longhorns (2-3 overall) beat Crowell, 35-13, in the first game, but then lost to Boys Ranch (44-21), Shamrock (28-0) and Valley (13-12). Vega's back on the winning track, though, closing out non-conference play Friday with a 23-20 win over Ropes.

"Vega has really improved over what they've been in the past couple of years. They've got a little more experience and they've got some pretty good linemen," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "We've got to stop their power running game to beat

Vega relies heavily on its ground attack, which churned out 292 yards against Ropes last week.

Leading that ground attack out of the Wishbone is Mark Ruiz, a 5-9, 145-lb. junior runningback who gained 207 yards on 42 carries. So far this year, Ruiz has rushed 130 times for 542 yards and four touch-

"Ruiz is really a big threat," Price said. "But they've got a couple of other backs that are good enough you can't overlook them."

The Longhorns didn't attempt a single pass in the Ropes' game, but Price said that could be because they've been operating with a backup quarterback since regular starter Todd Hubbart (5-8, 140) is out.

The offensive line includes several experienced veterans like Blake Altman (5-9, 180) and Russell Robinson (5-8, 190) at tackles, Gary Reed (5-8, 175) at guard and Jared Cook (5-10, 225) at center.

On defense, Vega runs a split and the Horns like to gamble.

"They like to send their linebackers on almost every play. They'll blitz and blitz and blitz," Price said. "Chances are good that they'll wreck a few plays, but at the same time, when you gamble like that you'll give up some big plays, too."

Leading the defense are linebackers T.J. Lamb and Fausto Ruiz.

"They do a lot of their gambling with Ruiz. He stunts a lot," Price said.

Price also said Vega has a talented defensive end in Rex Green (6-1, 170), who also starts at fullback on offense.

"If their defense has a weakness, I think it's in the secondary and if we have time to throw maybe we can test that," Price said.

Price said the Swifts are basically healthy, although several players are nursing minor injuries. Starting runningback Matthew Kern twisted his ankle Friday, but should be okay for Friday, and his counterpart in the backfield, Cameron McLain, should be good for the whole game this week.

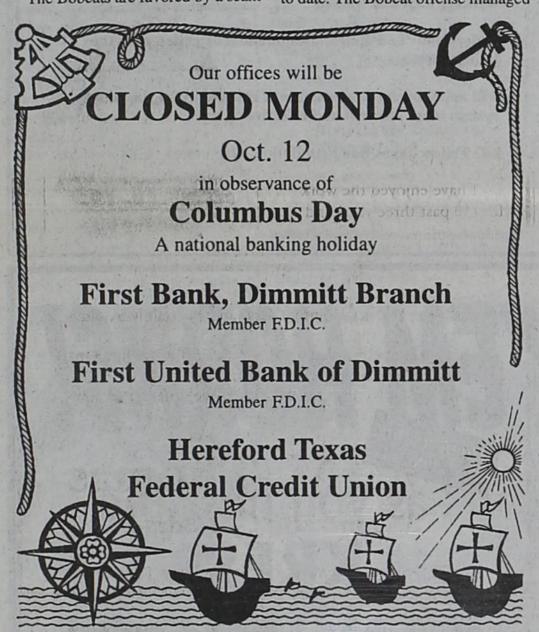
McLain was sidelined two weeks ago and saw limited action against Claude, but Price said he should be fine for the district opener.

Ky Wilcox and Kade Wilcox both hurt their arms Friday and Daryl Pohlmeier is suffering from back problems, but all have been cleared to play.

The Swifts will take on Hart in Nazareth in the second district matchup on Oct. 16, then they'll get Springlake-Earth, there, on Oct. 23. On Oct. 30 the Swifts will host Kress, then they'll close out the district schedule at Happy on Nov. 6.

"District is going to be an interesting deal," Price said. "It's totally up for grabs. There are five teams who could win it. I'm leaving Vega out of that because although they've improved, I don't think they're where they need to be yet.

"I couldn't begin to pick a favorite. Kress and Happy really look good. And if Hart can get healthy, they're going to be in the thick of it. Springlake-Earth's record might not show it, but they're solid. It's just a matter of who can stay healthy," Price said.



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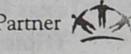
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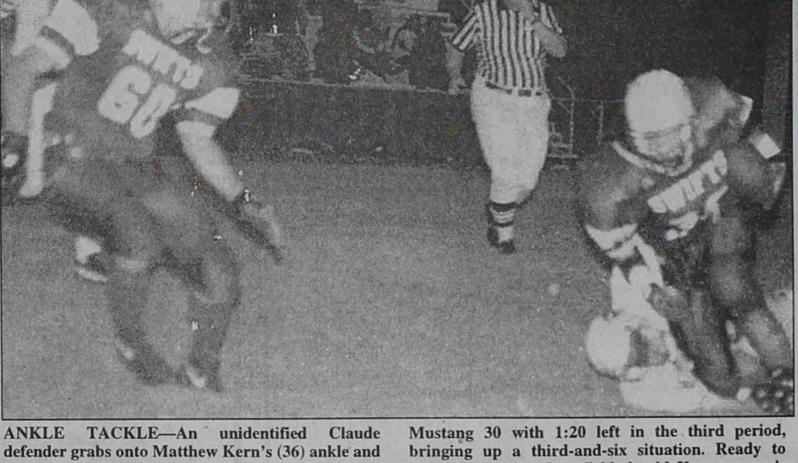
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Bobcats

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"We had a lot more quickness, and

"We had the kind of game against

"I was real pleased with the effort.

"This gave us a lot of confidence.

Dimmitt's Junior Varsity scored

the first touchdown against

Muleshoe's previously unscored-

upon JV Mules here last Thursday,

but the Mules fought back for a 12-6

It was only the second loss of the

After a scoreless first quarter, the

JV Bobcat defense forced a fumble at

Muleshoe's 2-yard line. The turnover

set up a one-yard touchdown plunge

by Gabriel Marrufo to give Dimmitt

Muleshoe tied the game at 6-6 with

The JV Mules got their winning

The fourth quarter was scoreless.

Dimmitt's JV coaches listed Daniel

Proffitt and Marrufo as the offensive

standouts, and commended the de-

fense for making a goal-line stand.

TD in the third quarter on a six-yard

season for the JV Bobcats, whose

record now stands at 3-2.

a 6-0 lead.

the period.

Torres, T. J. Reyna and Johnathan a five-yard touchdown run later in



## What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Oct. 8-16.

#### DIMMITT Breakfast

THURSDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, peaches and milk. FRIDAY: Cheese toast, apple slices and

MONDAY: Waffles with syrup, grape juice

TUESDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, orange

wedges and milk: WEDNESDAY: Sausage and biscuit, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh bananas and milk

FRIDAY: No school.

#### Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Beef enchiladas, refried beans, guacamole salad, hot sauce and milk. FRIDAY: Turkey and dressing surpreme, whole new potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat rolls and milk.

MONDAY: Nachos with cheese, Mexipinto beans, jellied applesauce, jalapeno peppers and

TUESDAY: Baked fish Scandia, French fries, tossed salad, combread and milk. WEDNESDAY: Hot dog on a bun with

chili, potato rounds, coleslaw and milk. THURSDAY: Baked Italiano chicken, Italian vegetable salad, tossed salad, angel flake

iscuits and milk. FRIDAY: No school.

Second-12th Grade Lunch THURSDAY: Choice of chicken and noo-

dles, ham and cheese or cheese enchilada with sauce; potatoes au gratin, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, guacamole salad or peaches; banana bread squares, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk

FRIDAY: Choice of turkey and dressing

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for supreme, nachos with cheese or fajitas with sauted onions; whole new potatoes, candied sweet potatoes or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, fruit fantasy, coleslaw or pears; cornbread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or

> MONDAY: Choice of chicken fried steak, nachos with cheese or enchiladas; mashed potatoes with gravy, Mexipinto beans or fideo Mexicano; tossed salad, jellied applesauce or raw spinach salad; hot rolls, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or

TUESDAY: Choice of baked fish Scandia, macaroni and cheese or fajitas with sauted onions; French fries, refried beans or Chinesestyle vegetables; tossed salad, pasta salad or rainbow salad; cornbread, wheat rolls or flour tortilla; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of chicken tetrazzini, hot dog on a bun with chili or meat loaf with creole sauce; corn on the cob, potato rounds or baked sweet potato with apple; tossed salad, coleslaw or tomato salad with cucumbers; hot wheat rolls, commeal twist bread stick or potato chips; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of beef stir fry, baked Italiano chicken or vegetable pasta alfredo; stir fried rice, potato wedges or Italian vegetable salad; tossed salad, broccoli and cauliflower salad or rotini salad; angel flake biscuits, French bread or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

#### HART

Breakfast

THURSDAY: Cowboy bread, blueberry muffin, variety of cereal, fruit juice and milk. FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, biscuits, fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon rolls, variety of cereal, fruit juice, peaches, toast and milk. TUESDAY: Breakfast pizza, variety of

## Swiftettes top big field in Lubbock Invitational

posted a time of 12:41.22 in the 22nd of Dimmitt, 85th, 19:08; Trinity annual Lubbock Invitational and that Robb of Nazareth, 86th, 19:09; and finish Saturday at Mae Simmons 20:15.

Her finish boosted the Swiftettes to the Division I team championship in the cross country meet, posting 147 points, just two ahead of secondplace Shallowater, which finished with 149. There were 380 runners and 53 teams competing in Division

Dimmitt finished third overall with 183 points and leading the Bobbies across the course was Shawna Kenworthy, who was right on Ramaekers' heels with a time of 12:42.86 for sixth place.

Hart's Lady Horns came in 30th with a total of 711 points.

Castro County was Lindsey Gerber of Nazareth, who finished 15th in 13:01.98.

Other Nazareth runners were Stephanie Thiel, 37th, 13:25; Lesley Brockman, 52nd, 13:41; Mandy Hoelting 62nd, 13:47; and Sara Schulte, 72nd, 13:55.

Dimmitt's second-best runner was Cherie Norman, who posted a time of 13:13 for 27th. Rounding out the varsity roster were Lindsey Welch, 32nd, 13:18; Carol Summers, 66th, 13:41; and Stephanie Flores, 81st, 13:46. Also competing were Taryn Hays and Kelsey Welch.

Hart's top runner was Valerie Key, who was 78th in 13:57. Other Hart runners were Vanessa Carrasco, 173rd, 14:36; Julia Cisneros, 184th, 14:55; Raquel Garcia, 189th, 14:55; Christy Guzman, 190th, 14:56; Nicki Burress, 210th, 15:10; and Ysa Rodriguez, 240th, 15:39.

The varsity boys' race was just as tough as the girls, with 29 teams

Top local runner was Ivan Flores of Dimmitt, who placed 23rd in 17:40.

Others competing in the varsity boys' race were Jacob Lara of

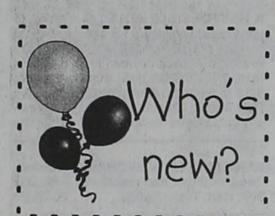
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Danette Ramaekers of Nazareth Dimmitt, 83rd, 19:07; Ricky Jimenez was good enough for a fourth-place Mark Birkenfeld of Nazareth, 137th,

> In the junior varsity division, Nazareth placed three girls among the top 30 including Marsha Black, 20th, 13:50; Jayme Schmucker, 26th, 14:11; and Cassie Birkenfeld, 29th, 14:13. Others running were Tiffany Schmucker, 38th, 14:27; Lindsie M. Gerber, 60th, 14:39; Tara Kleman, 73rd, 14:47; Mindi Ethridge, 112th, 15:15; and Megan Hoelting, 167th,

Hart JV runners were Rosanna Waddell, 98th, 15:05; Veronica Gonzales, 138th, 15:29; Becky Guzman, 152nd, 15:35; Cynthia Gonzales, 206th, 16:07; Lindsey Montemayor, The only other top 20 runner from 251st, 16:33; and Sonia Gonzales, 261st, 16:37.

Two Nazareth runners competed in the JV boys' race. Quentin Jones posted a time of 20:42 for 90th place while Craig Birkenfeld finished the race in 20:50 for 97th.



Gene and Lisa Penney are the parents of a baby girl, Meleah Renae Penney, who was born at 4:20 p.m. Sept. 30 at Lubbock Methodist Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs., 7 ozs., and was 18-3/4 inches long at birth. She has three brothers, 16-year-old Michael, 11-year-old Layne and 6-year-old Caleb. Grandparents are Paul and Janet Weaver of Dimmitt and J.C. and Ollie Penney of Lubbock.

At many points along the Amazon, the river is too wide to see one shore from the other.

cereal, graham crackers, fruit juice and raisin. WEDNESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

THURSDAY: Biscuits, ham, variety of cereal graham crackers, raisins and milk. FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, ham, Lucky Charms, fruit juice and milk.

**Elementary Lunch** 

THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or burrito with cheese sauce; dill pickles, corn on the cob, peaches, salad, cake with cherry topping and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of submarine sandwich, tuna salad sandwich or steak; baked potato, salad, shredded cheese, gelatin dessert, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, chicken sandwich or stromboli; salad, pears, yogurt, gelatin dessert, potato puffs, fresh fruit and milk. TUESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or

sloppy Joe on a bun; sliced pickles, potato wedges, ginger cookies, ice cream and milk. WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, burrito or enchilada casserole; corn, gelatin dessert, salad, fresh fruit, pineapple, ice cream and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich. barbecued ribs on a bun or chili; combread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread

FRIDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce, toast, salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk.

High School Lunch THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or burrito with cheese sauce; dill pickles, corn on the cob, peaches, salad, cake with cherry topping and milk, punch or

FRIDAY: Choice of sub sandwich, tuna salad sandwich or steak; baked potato, salad, shredded cheese, gelatin dessert, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk, punch or tea. MONDAY: Choice of pizza, chicken sand-

wich or stromboli; salad, pears, yogurt, gelatin

dessert, potato puffs, fresh fruit andmilk, punch TUESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or sloppy Joe on a bun; sliced pickles, potato

wedge, whole wheat sugar cookie, ice cream and milk, punch or tea. WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, burrito or enchilada casserole; corn, salad,

milk, punch or tea. THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or barbecued ribs on a bun; pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

fresh fruit, pineapple pudding, ice cream and

FRIDAY: Choice of spaghetti with meat sauce or lasagna with ground beef, toast, salad, green beans, peaches, Longhorn cookie, gelatin dessert, and milk, punch or tea.

#### NAZARETH

Breakfast THURSDAY: Hot breakfast pockets, cereal, orange juice and milk

FRIDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk. MONDAY: No school.

TUESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange

WEDNESDAY: French toast, sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk THURSDAY: Sausage and roll, cereal,

orange juice and milk. FRIDAY: Breakfast pockets, cereal, orange

#### Lunch

THURSDAY: \* Hot turkey sandwich or corn dog, salad, beans, fruit and milk or juice. FRIDAY: \* Roast or pizza, salad, potatoes and gravy, fruit, pudding and milk or juice.

MONDAY: \* No school, TUESDAY: \* Pizza or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad, beans, peaches,

dessert and milk or juice. WEDNESDAY: \* Chicken fried steak and roll or pizza, tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, pears, Jell-O and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: \* Com dog or chicken strips, tossed salad, rice, applesauce, dessert and milk

FRIDAY: \*Spaghetti with roll or pizza, tossed salad, corn, fruit cocktail, apricots and

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The Moonlight Extension Club will hold its 20th annual Christmas Bazaar Nov. 13 and 14 at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe.

Applications for booth space are being accepted through Nov. 2. To request an application form, contact Linda Huckaby at 902 W. Eighth Street, Muleshoe 79347.

647-2065



SPIRIT ROYALTY—Nazareth High School's Spirit King Matthew Kern (left) presents a bouquet of roses to Spirit Queen Stephanie Gerber Friday during the Homecoming pep rally at Swift Field. The two seniors were named this year's honor royalty just minutes before a rain storm drenched the area. Other candidates were juniors Karen Wilhelm and Cameron McLain, sophomores Nichole Huseman and Matt Martin and freshmen Marsha Black and Ky Wilcox. Photo by Anne Acker

## Freshman Bobcats shock unbeaten Muleshoe, 12-6

Jimenez.

Jake Laurent.

The Bobcat varsity wasn't the first Dimmitt team to knock Muleshoe from the unbeaten ranks last week. The Freshman Bobcats turned the trick last Thursday, 12-6, at Bobcat Stadium.

The Freshman Mules lost four fumbles. Two of them were inside the Muleshoe 10-yard line, and the Freshman Bobcats turned both of them into touchdowns.

Dimmitt's first TD came in the first quarter when Anthony Oltivero scored on a five-yard run. A run for are now 4-1.

a two-point conversion failed. Muleshoe tied the score at 6-6 in the second period when Jaime

Mendoza broke loose on a 40-yard The score remained tied through the third quarter until Dimmitt's

defense pounced on a Muleshoe fumble in the fourth to set up the winning TD.

Adrian Rivers got the final touchdown from five yards out. Again, a two-point conversion attempt failed.

"We really played great," Dimmitt Coaches Cory Lynch and Monty Gothard said. "They were much bigger than we were, but we really got after them. This was a great win for our kids."

#### for the past three years and ten months, and I truly appreciate the opportunity

you have given me. I am looking forward to the next term as your District-County Clerk, and I certainly would appreciate your support.

Listed as offensive standouts for

Dimmitt were Oltivero, Rivers, Jason

Harris, Benny Pompa, Daniel

Medrano, Deacon Buckley, Omar

Defensive standouts were Rivers,

It was the Freshman Bobcats' third

win in a row, and hiked their season

mark to 3-2. The Freshman Mules

To the Voters of

**Castro County:** 

the position of District-

general election.

County Clerk in the Nov. 3

I have enjoyed the work

I am seeking re-election to

thew Wright, Philip Lumbrera and run.

Jace Weaver, Zack McClure, Mat-

Please feel free to come by the clerk's office anytime; my

staff and I will be happy to serve you. Early voting begins Oct. 19 (weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5

p.m.) and ends Oct. 30.

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#### 1-Real Estate Homes & Land

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This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are informed that the dwellings advertised in the newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

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THREE BEDROOM, 1-1/2 bath on large corner lot. Nice yard, fence, trees, large new storage house.

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REDUCED! EXCELLENT LOCATION at edge of city. Beautiful large brick home with lots of extras.

\$117,000. READY FOR YOU! Extra nice three

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rage, brick in good location. Two living areas, new paint. \$67,500.

EDGE OF CITY. Three bedrooms, 1-3/4 baths, two car garage, two large storage, edge of city. \$57,500.

#### **FARMS**

104 ACRES AT EDGE OF CITY. Two wells, some underground piple, highway frontage, \$1100 per

 OVER 2400 ACRES, 23 wells, seven sprinklers. Five miles southwest of Dimmitt. Extremely clean • well producing farm. \$775 per •

80 ACRES in Swisher County. New 10 year CRP contact. Asking \$365 per acre. Could VA.

#### **GEORGE REAL ESTATE**

S. Hwy 385

Jimmie R. George, Broker Mobile, 647-7942

Mary Lou Schmucker.... 945-2679

#### 1-Real Estate Homes & Land

APARTMENT BUILDING IN HART for sale, 811 Avenue A. Six three-bedroom apartments, needs work. Make offer. 938-

HOUSE FOR SALE: 606 NW 6th, two bedroom, 1 bath, brick. 647-5288

THREE BEDROOM, 1-3/4 baths, new roof, double car extended garage. Priced to sell. Owner will pay some closing costs. 1-25-4tc 647-5523 after 6 p.m.

ABANDONED MOBILE HOMES! Move in, take over payments. (800) 830-3515.

HOUSE FOR SALE: 2 bedroom, corner lot, shop in back. In Dimmitt. 647-4479, 1-22-tfc leave message.

FIVE BED, TWO BATH DOUBLE WIDE only \$398 per month with only \$2,500 down. Call Bell Mobile Homes, (800) 830-3515. \$47,400 to finance, 9.5 APR, 360 months with approved credit. 1-25-4tc

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DOUBLE WIDE MOBILE HOME for sale, to be moved. Nice 1997 model with three bedrooms, two baths, porch and fence. Asking \$33,000. 647-3747. 1-25-4tp

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SUNSET CIRCLE, three bedrooms, two baths, two-car garage, large living room, large laundry room. Reduced to

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TWO BEDROOMS, one bath, very clean, newly replaced roof. \$23,000.

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WEST OF DIMMITT. Five bedrooms, three full baths, basement, extra large 2car garage, large kitchen with lots of storage, brick. \$140,000.

TEN ACRES with house north of Dimmitt. Three bedrooms, two baths, all highway frontage. \$85,000.

#### **FARMS**

1266 ACRES north of Tam Anne, eight irrigation wells (seven gas and one electric), 157 acres in CRP, one house, one barn. \$525/acre.

330 ACRES west of Dimmitt, 12 tower Valley nozzled at 650 with 60" spacings, two wells. \$550/acre.

DEAF SMITH COUNTY, north of Hereford, 320 acres, two wells, nice place. \$300/acre.

We still have several tracts between Dim-

mitt and Nazareth. Please call for terms

COMMERCIAL

OFFICE SPACE-1200+ sq. ft., three offices, receptionist area, two bathrooms, coffee bar, easy access to a bank, lots of parking. \$45,000.

1950 SQ. FT. BRICK OFFICE BUILD-ING, corner lot, abundant parking, nice location, \$117,500.

112 W. Bedford, Dimmitt 647-3734, Office 647-3686, Night 647-9325, Mobile

3—Real Estate For Rent

#### 1—Real Estate Homes & Land

HOUSE FOR SALE: Country living, close in. Three bedroom, two bath, double garage, workshop, basement. Located on 5+ acres. New carpet, appliances. 2,300 sq. ft. \$82,500. 1-1/3 mile on West Halsell. Call 647-2631 for appointment. 1-6-tfc

BEEN TURNED DOWN? Call to see if you qualify for government mobile home loan. Good, bad, no credit. Call toll-free, (888)

## **J-Cross Investments**

810 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027

NEW LISTING: Three bedroom, 1-1/ 2 bath brick home. Living room, den, refrigerated air, nice patio and fenced yard.

TEACHER'S SPECIAL! Three bedrooms, 1-3/4 baths, isolated master bedroom, den with exceptionally nice fireplace, double car garage, nice backyard with privacy fence. Owner will pay some closing costs. Look and lets talk price.

CHARMING two bedroom, one bath, one-car garage, refrigerated air, brick barbecue grill in large back yard. Excellent shape. \$32,000.

TWO BEDROOMS, one bath, corner lot, excellent shape. \$27,000.

COUNTRY LIVING on 1.6 acres. Three bedrooms, two baths, den, formal living room, basement, oversized two car garage, carport and storage shed. New refrigerated air and heat. Apricot, pecan and apple trees, horse or calf pens. Price includes new roof and other miscellaneous repairs as needed. \$70,000.

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Call Kenny Doss, Agent, 647-3248 or Jerry Cartwright, Broker, 647-2302

#### 3—Real Estate For Rent

#### Stafford **Apartments**

Call 647-2631 or 647-3696 evenings

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Call 647-2638 **S&S Properties** 



## 5—For Rent, Misc.

#### **RENT TO OWN**

NEW TV'S, VCR'S & APPLIANCES No credit checks.

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## 6—For Sale, Misc.

STUDENTS -Rebuilt horns. drums, etc. Also, accessories and payment plan. Call Hereford Music, 806-363-1111. After 6 p.m., call 806-995-2424. 6-13-13tc

3—Real Estate For Rent

Azteca Complex

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1, 2 or 3 Bedrooms We have Rent Assistance for qualified tenants (agricultural workers)



Equal Opportunity Housing

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For more information,



#### 6—For Sale, Misc.

FOR SALE

Sealed bids are being taken in the office of First Baptist Church, Dimmitt through Friday, Oct. 9, for the following items: 2 white GE Electric self-cleaning ovens, one hollow core door and one stainless steel sink and faucet. Items can be seen Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the church.

#### 9—Farm Equipment & Supplies

1400 COTTON HARVESTER for sale. Also, Ruger #1, 22-250 caliber. Call 986-4335. 9-25-3tp

#### 10—Agricultural Services

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING, Call David Schulte at 945-2342, home; or 647-7740, mobile. 10-48-52tp

CUSTOM FARMING: No-till drill, mini-till tillage equipment. Kenneth or Ashley Heard, 806-945-2270 or 806-627-4623.

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

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

## 11—Feed, Seed & Grain

OATS HAY FOR SALE. \$3.75 per bale. Nazareth Feed and Supply, 945-2291.

## 13—Livestock, Pets

"The Selectors" PET GROOMING **Pet Sitting Service** Anita Eoff 647-0904

FOR SALE: Full-blooded border collies, excellent markings. 945-2257. 13-27-1tc

## 14—Automobiles

1976 GMC PICKUP for sale. 4x4, threespeed. Runs. 647-3241, asking \$1,000.

1979 CHEVROLET PICKUP, LWB, 350 V8, auto, on LP gas. Good work truck, \$1,250. 647-6005 days or 945-2274, eve-

FOR SALE BY BIDS: 1983 Ford trash truck. Send bids to City of Dimmitt, Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Will open bids at 5 p.m. Oct. 12, 1998. 14-27-1tc

## 18—Services

ATTENTION PARENTS: Starting new program for school-age kids only. If you currently work later than your kids go to school or have latch key kids, call Marie at cellular phone 672-8692, leave message. 18-25-tfc

#### Call before noon Tuesday to place your classified ad:

647-3123

#### What your ad will cost:

- ✓ The first time your ad runs it will cost at least \$5 (25 cents per word with a \$5 minimum).
- Each consecutive time you run your ad with no changes, it will cost 25 cents per word with no minimum.
- ✓ A Card of Thanks will cost \$7.50.

#### Where to find ads:

- 1. Homes and land for sale
- 2. Farms for sale
- 4. Things people want to rent
- 5. Miscellaneous items for sale
- 7. Garage sales 8. Household goods for sale
- 9. Farm equipment and supplies 20. Help wanted
- 10. Agricultural services 11. Feed, seed and grain for sale 23. Lost and found
- 12. Farm produce for sale 13. Livestock and pets
- 14. Automobiles for sale
- 15. Recreational vehicles 3. Homes and apartments for rent 16. Auto parts and supplies
  - 17. Business opportunities
  - 18. Services
  - 18A. Insurance
  - 19. Students seeking work
  - 22. Notices

25. Legal notices

24. Cards of thanks

## 18—Services

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WILL BABYSIT in my home. Call 647-

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**FULL SERVICE** Oil Changes

Car Washes 647-4641

## 20—Help Wanted

402 N. Broadway

A RESPONSIBLE ADULT is needed to provide paid childcare for children birth to 3 years old on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. Applicants need to be available from 5:45 to 8:30 p.m. Sundays and/or 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays. Contact the First Baptist Church office at 1201 Western Circle Drive to apply. 20-26-3tc

FARM/FEEDLOT MECHANIC needed. Send inquiries and resume to P.O. Box 307, Hart, Texas 79043.

PEN RIDER needed. Send inquiries and

resume to P.O. Box 307, Hart, Texas

TRUCK DRIVER needed. Send inquiries

and resume to P.O. Box 307, Hart, Texas

79043.

PART-TIME SECRETARIAL position available. General office skills and basic computer. Please send resume to PO Box

## 20—Help Wanted

within our system who average this much. We would like to have someone in the Dimmitt area. If you have successful agricultural sales experience or an agricultural background with a strong desire to succeed, fax your resume to (806) 647-3334.

\$4,000/MONTH. We have producers

TRUCK DRIVER NEEDED, with 2-3 years experience, Call 1-800-692-4450 or (806) 647-2121.

GENERAL LABORER needed. Apply in person at DeBruce Grain, Inc., North Highway 385, Dimmitt, (806) 647-2802.

21—Wanted, Misc.

corn) for 100 head of motley cows. (806) 945-2288, home; (806) 945-2225, office; or (806) 647-6420, mobile. Don Schulte.

## 22—Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 945-2553.

23—Lost & Found FOUND: Grain elevator cups on FM 1055

23-27-1tp

Call (806) 276-5237.

A NEW BOOK by Kenneth Wyatt, (806)

## 24—Card of Thanks

Already we are indebted and grateful to you for your calls and cards. In these early days of fighting Bill's cancer, you have given us a lift. We are touched by your thoughtfulness. Thank you.
BILL & DEANNE CLARK 24-27-1tc

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# @ AUCTION @

848, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

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REAL ESTATE -1—50'x60' Butler Brick Faced Commercial Building With Metal Roof, Separated Into Two Units: One For Office Space And One For A Restaurant Business. This Building Is In Good Shape, Said Building Is Located On Lots 16-17-18-19, Block 148 At 615 Broadway; Hart, Texas, Said Lots Will Be Sold With The Building. TAXES: All 1998 Taxes Will Be Assumed By Buyer, All 1997

And Prior Taxes Paid By Seller. EARNEST MONEY: 20% Of Total Real estate Sale Upon Signing Of Contract On Day Of Sale
CLOSING DATE & POSSESSION: November 10 Or Sooner NOTE: This Property Will Be Sold For Cash And Not Subject

For More Information Call Five Star Auctioneers: Merv, Jim & Jimmy (806) 296-0379 • Mervin Evans Auctioneer-Realtor Keith Billington, Billington Real Estate, Broker, (606) 293-2572 NOTE: Any And All Announcements Sale Day Take Precedence Over All Above Printed Material, All Of The Above Facts Are Believed To Be True And Correct, But Cannot Be Guaranteed By Five Star Auctioneers Or Billington Real Estate, Plainview, Texas. Please Make

Your Own Inspection.

1—6'x8' Walk-In Cooler With Compressor 1—Hobart Glenco 40 Cu. Ft. Upright Freezer, Very Good 6-6 Person Foldcraft Gemora Booths

11-4 Person Foldcraft Gemora Booths Note: The Above Booths Have Sutcher Block Tables And Lemon Yellow Seats In Very Good Condition

3-63"x24" Lemon Yellow Partitions For Above Booths 1-9'x4' Kitchen Hood With Fan And Automatic Sprinkler 1-4'x3' Blackboard 1-17x30"x35" Wood Service Counter

1—10°-7" Stainless Steel Work Counter With Sink & Shelves
1—48"x22" Stainless Steel 3 Compartment Dish Washing Sink
With 2 Drain Wings In Very Good Condition
1—Taylor Ice Creem Machine With Stand

3—Various Size Stainless Steel Carts 1—62"x10" Stainless Steel Shelf 1—20"x16"x31" High Sink & Stand 1—34"x60"x30" High Metal Desk 1—27"x18"x52" High Filing Cabinet

10-Red Serving Trays 1-Bes 19-Napkin Holders

3—Various Size Menu Signs 1—West Bend Tea Pot -Tea Um 3—9ooster Chairs 1—10 Gal. Floor Polish

-Food Warmer Lights

-Order Wheel

1-30 Gal. Gas Hot Water Heater -240 Volt. 1 Phase Toast King Toaste

1-Coke MAchine And Stand, Has New Motor, Needs

1—Grease Trap 1—Antique Elec. Meat Slicer (It Works) 2—Food Warmers, Helmoo Lacy & Hot Point

1—Esper 716/32 Cash Register, Needs Cleaning & Repair 2—Misc. Cash Registers (For Parts)

12-Sugar And Equal Holders

NOTE: Any Announcement Sale Day Takes Precedence

Friday, October 9, 1998 — Sale Time: 10:00 a.m. LOCATED: Hart, Texas (615 Broadway)

20-27-2tc

The Following Will Be Sold At Public Auction: RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT -

1-36"x22", 240V 3 Phase Grill 1—36"x20"x19" High Stand For Above Grill 5—32"x33"x1" Interlocking Rubber Mats 2—70"x29"x69" High 5 Rack Steel Storage Racks On Rollers

8—Sugar Jars 16-Salt & Pepper Shakers

## **Political Announcements**

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office, subject to the November general election.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY For County/District Clerk: Joyce Thomas (I)

For County Treasurer: Janice Shelton (I)

For Justice of the Peace: Tana Young

For Precinct 4 Commissioner:

Richard Hunter

For County Judge: Irene Miller (I)

For 64th District Judge: Jack Miller (I)

For 242nd District Judge: Bill LaFont

For State Senator, District 30: Greg Underwood

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

For 64th District Court Judge: Rob Kinkaid

For 242nd District Court Judge: Edward L. Self (I)

For Precinct 2 Commissioner: Clyde Harold Damron

For Precinct 4 Commissioner: Dan Schmucker (I)

For County Judge: Wayne Collins

For County Treasurer: Carolyn Watts

Political advertisement paid by candidates.

## 25—Legal Notices

NOTICE OF ANNEXATION HEARINGS

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF DIMMITT, TEXAS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the City Council of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, shall, at 6:30 o'clock, p.m., on October 19, 1998, and at 6:30 o'clock p.m., on November 2, 1998 hold hearings pertaining to the annexation of the following described property:

Tract 1:

The most Easterly TEN FEET (10 ft.) of the following described property, said 10 feet being adjacent to and abutting the West Right-of-way boundary line of the easement/deed that was granted/executed for the purpose of establishing and/or maintaining a public roadway, now known as U.S. Highway 385, said property being described as follows:

1.430 acre tract out of the NE corner of Section Twenty-one (21), Block M-10-A, Castro County, Texas, more particularly described by a Deed, recorded in Vol. 128, pg. 515, Deed Records, Castro County, Texas, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 3/4 in. rebar stake set at the intersection of the North line of Section 21, Block M-10-A and the West Right of Way line of U.S. Highway 385 as monumented on the ground, from which 3/4 in. rebar stake a cable set vertically in the ground for the Northwest corner of Section 21, the Northeast corner of Section 20, the Southeast corner of Section 17, and the Southwest corner of Section 16, all in Block M-10-A bears South 89 deg. 57 min. 30 sec. West 1884.216 varas (5233.934 ft.) And a galvanized cable set vertically in the ground for the Northeast corner of the West 319.43 acres of Section 21 bears South 89 deg. 57 min. 30 sec. West 944.274 varas (2622.98 ft.)

THENCE South 89 deg. 57 min. 30 sec. West at 107.46 varas (298.50 ft.) a 1/2 in. rebar stake set for the Northeast corner of a 1.500 acre tract;

THENCE South 89 deg. 57 min. 30 sec. West at 107.46 varas (298.50 ft.) a 1/2 in. rebar stake set for the Northeast corner of

a 1.500 acre tract; THENCE South 00 deg. 02 min. 30 sec. West at 208.72 ft. (76.132 varas) a 3/4 in. pipe stake, the Southeast corner of said

1.5000 acre tract; THENCE North 89 deg. 57 min. 30 sec. East at 298.62 ft. (107.503 varas) set a galvanized cable vertically in the West right of way line of U.S. 385 as

monumented on the ground; THENCE North 00 deg. 00 min. 30 sec.

East 208.72 ft. to the place of beginning and containing 1.430 acres of land.

TRACT 2

The most Easterly TEN FEET (10 ft.) of the following described property, said 10 feet being adjacent to and abutting the West Right-of-way boundary line of the easement/deed that was granted/executed for the purpose of establishing and/or maintaining a public roadway, now known as U.S. Highway 385, said property being described as follows:

All of the E/2 of Section Forty-one

#### 25—Legal Notices

(41), Block K-13, EL&RR RR Co. Survey, Castro County, Texas.

The most Easterly TEN FEET (10 ft.) of the following described property, said 10 feet being adjacent to and abutting the West Right-of-way boundary line of the easement/deed that was granted/executed for the purpose of establishing and/or maintaining a public roadway, now known as U.S. Highway 385, said property being described as follows:

All of the East One-Half (E/2) of Section Twenty-one (21), Block M-10-A, Castro County, Texas.

TRACT 4

The most Easterly TEN FEET (10 ft.) of the following described property, said 10 feet being adjacent to and abutting the West Right-of-way boundary line of the easement/deed that was granted/executed for the purpose of establishing and/or maintaining a public roadway, now known as U.S. Highway 385, said property being described as follows:

All of Survey Forty-two (42), Block K-13, EL&RR RR Co. Survey, Castro County, Texas.

TRACT 5

All of the West One-half (W/2) of Section Number Thirty-eight (38), Block K-13, EL&RR RR Co. Survey, Abstract No. 892, Cert. 974, Patent No. 100, Vol. 55, dated March 7, 1918, Castro County, Texas;

TRACT 6

All property within the Right-of-way easements/deeds that were granted/executed for the purpose of establishing and/or maintaining a public roadway, now known as U.S. Highway 385, said property being described as

BEGINNING at the intersection of the West Right-of-way boundary line of the easement/deed granted/executed to the State of Texas for highway purposes, now known as U.S. 385 and the South boundary line of Section 16, Block M-10-A, Castro County Texas;

THENCE South along the said West right-of-way boundary line through Section Twenty-One (21), Block M-10-A; through Section Forty-One (41), Block K-13; through Section Forty-Two (42), Block K-13; and through Section Forty-Three (43), Block K-13, all in Castro County, Texas, to the intersection of said West right-of-way boundary line of U.S. 385 and the South Boundary line of said Section 43;

THENCE East along the South boundary line of said Section 43 to its Southeast corner;

THENCE continuing East along the South boundary line of Section Thirty-Eight (38), Block K-13, Castro County, Texas to the intersection of the East boundary line of the right-of-way granted/conveyed for highway purposes, now known as U.S. 385 and the South boundary line of said Section 38;

THENCE North along the said East right-of-way boundary line of highway U.S. 385 through Section Thirty-Eight (38), Block K-13; through Section Thirty-Nine (39), Block K-13; through Section Forty (40), Block K-13; and through Section Twenty-Two (22), Block M-10-A, all in Castro County, Texas, to the intersection of said East right-of way boundary line of highway U.S. 385 and the North Boundary line of said Section 22;

#### 25—Legal Notices

THENCE West along the North boundary lines of said Section 22 and Section 21, both in Block M-10-A, Castro County, Texas to THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Any citizens who are in support or opposition to the annexation of the above described property are invited to be at the annexation hearings. The plan for providing and maintaining city services to the property shall be discussed at these hearings.

> DON SHEFFY, City Secretary 25-27-2tc(e)

LEGAL NOTICE

Castro County is now taking bids to purchase a 1996 or later model truck, 1ton to 11/2 ton, diesel motor, low mileage preferred. Can accept closed bids until 5 p.m. Oct. 9. Bids will be opened during Commissioners Court regular session Oct. 12, 1998. Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formali-

**IRENE MILLER** Castro County Judge 25-26-2tc

NOTICE OF APPLICATION Cattlac Feeders, Inc., has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 38877 to authorize expansion of a feedlot located approximately four miles south of the intersection of Highway 86 and FM 1055 on FM 1055, and then two miles west on an unpaved county road, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas

The facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter, unburned hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, and odors. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the facility may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates the facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.

To request a hearing you must submit the following: 1. Your name (or for a group or association, an official representative) mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; 2. The applicant's name and permit number; 3. The statement "I/we request a public hearing"; 4. A brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and 5. The location of your property relative to the

Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on Oct. 8, 1998, and Oct. 15,

The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, Air Program located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109-4996, telephone (806) 353-9251. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll-free, at 1-800-687-4040. 25-27-2tc

## 25—Legal Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Link Farms, Inc., has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 39042 to authorize construction of a dairy, located approximately six miles southwest of Dimmitt on an unpaved county road two miles west of FM 1055, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter and odors. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the proposed facility may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates the proposed facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION To the registered voters of the County of CASTRO, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Nov. 3, 1998, for voting in a general election to elect Members of Congress, Members of Legislature and state, district, county and precinct officers.

LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES

Hart Golden Group .... Sunnyside Baptist Church 105 Precinct 2:

201 . Immaculate Conception Church, ..... Flagg Fertilizer Precinct 3:

.... First Baptist Church, Dimmitt Easter Community Center Precinct 4: 401 . . . . District Courtroom, Dimmitt

408 . . . . Nazareth Community Center

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: County/District Clerk's Office, Room 101, Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on October 19, 1998, and

ending October 30, 1998.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to Joyce M. Thomas, District/County Clerk, Castro County Courthouse, Room 101, 100 East Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

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## 25—Legal Notices

Applications for ballots by mail must be received not later than the close of business on October 27, 1998 Issued this the 5th day of October,

IRENE MILLER, County Judge 25-27-2tc

**AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL** A los votantes registrados del Condado de Castro, Texas:

Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7 p.m. el 3rd de Noviembre de 1998, para votar en la Elección General pàra elegir Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precincto.

DIRECCIONES DE LAS CASILLAS **ELECTORALES** 

Precinct 1: 101 ..... Hart Golden Group 105 ..... Sunnyside Baptist Church

Precinct 2: 201 . Immaculate Conception Church,

206 . . . . . Flagg Fertilizer Precinct 3: 301 .... First Baptist Church, Dimmitt 307 ..... Easter Community Center

Precinct 4: 401 . . . . District Courtroom, Dimmitt 408 . . . . Nazareth Community Center

## 25—Legal Notices

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en: County/District Clerk's Office, Room 101, Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas, entra las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 19th de Octubre de 1998 y terminando el 30th de Octubre de 1998.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberian enviarse a: Joyce M. Thomas, District/County Clerk, Castro County Courthouse, Room 101, 100 East Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran recibires para el fin de las hjoras de negocio el 27 de Octubre de 1998.

Emitada este día 5 de Octubre de 1998.

IRENE MILLER, County Judge, 25-27-2tc

## 25—Legal Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Castro County Commissioners Court is now accepting bids for long distance service. Bids should be submitted to the County Judges Office, Courthouse Room 111, Dimmitt, Texas, on or before Oct. 9, 1998. Bids will be opened Oct. 26, 1998, at 10 a.m. Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to waive formalities.

IRENE MILLER, Castro County Judge

Guest editorial

## It all starts with newspapers

By FRANK McTIGHE

It has been written that a newspaper at its best is a community talking to itself. The newspaper's coverage of meetings and events, investigative journalism that uncovers important issues, and strong opinion pieces that offer points of view and courses of action, are most often the starting point of discussion within a commu-

The theme of National Newspaper Week is "It all starts with newspapers," a statement that gets right to the heart of our business. As recorders of activities large and small within the community, as the community's watchdog and often spokesperson, a newspaper plays a crucial role in day-to-day life in every city, town and village in the country.

Beginning with a birth announcement, newspapers start their coverage of people's lives at the earliest event. That coverage continues throughout a person's life, recording accomplishments, failures, milestones and finally, death. As a keeper of the stories of a community, the newspaper is there at the start, and the finish, and remains the only effective instrument for such record-

Most projects in the community are truly launched when objectives and fund-raising goals are splashed across the pages of the local newspaper, educating residents about the need that has been identified, and telling them how they can get involved. Coverage in the newspaper of such aspects as fund-raising initiatives, door-to-door campaigns and construction schedules help the readers stay in touch with the projects from start to finish.

As they begin their search for an important household item, consum-

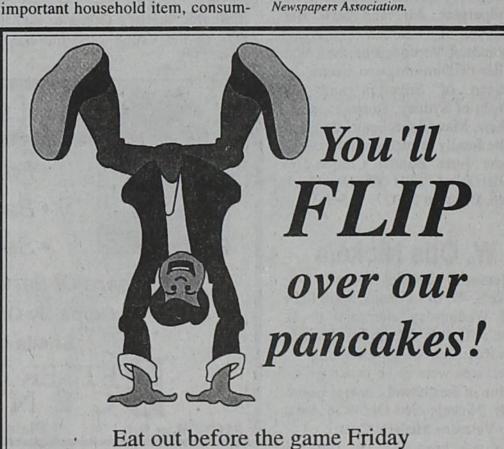
ers usually turn to the pages of the newspaper to study advertisements and promotions placed by local merchants. When planning trips, readers turn to the newspaper for information about possible destinations, accommodations and other travel information. When looking for a new home or attempting to sell their present house, people find the pages of the newspaper the best place to start. The classified section of any newspaper is the first source for people looking for employment. As always, it all begins with newspapers.

For many people, their first job is as a newspaper carrier. Their first field trip in school is often a visit to the local newspaper, and for information for a school project on current events, their first stop is the newspaper. It all begins with news-

Many people develop a life-long love of reading by picking up a newspaper each day to find out about the important news, follow the progress of their favorite teams, check out the views of a top columnist, or to read their favorite comics. That habit of reading the newspaper is an important step in building literacy skills, as well as keeping a person well-informed on the issues of the

A good newspaper offers something for everyone, whether it is coverage of an election race, reports from council and school board meetings, display or classified advertising, or strong opinion writing that educates and excites the reader. When it comes to creating an informed, educate, productive and opinionated community, it all starts with newspapers.

McTighe is president of the Alberta Weekly



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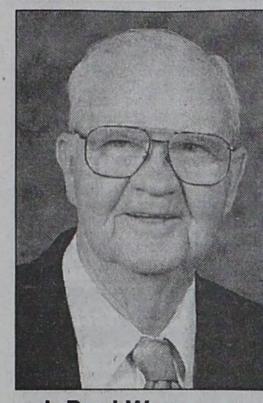
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also may be purchased at the door.

## Obituaries



J. Paul Waggoner

Funeral services for J. Paul Waggoner, 78, of Dimmitt, were to have been held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt with Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor, officiating.

Burial was to follow in Castro Memorial Gardens under direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Home.

Mr. Waggoner died Oct. 4 in Lub-

He was born Sept. 18, 1920, in Wilbarger County. He moved to Castro County with his family in 1924. He married Gertie Ball on Jan. 31, 1943, in Yuma, Ariz. He retired from farming in 1978, and owned and operated Waggoner Farm Store for 10 years. He owned and operated **W&W** Communications in Dimmitt for eight years. He was a member of First Baptist Church and was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite.

His is survived by his wife; two sons, Mickey Lee Waggoner of Trenton, Ohio, and Jimmy Doyle Waggoner of Lubbock; a sister, Claudia James of Austin; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchil-

Pallbearers were Jack Bradford. Johnny Davis, Doug Proffitt, Carl Dean Kleman, David Loar and Gabriel Montiel.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle, Dimmitt 79027.

#### **Jack Gfeller**

Services for Jack Mitchell Gfeller, 19, lifetime resident of Dimmitt, were held Friday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. Bob Fulkerson officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Gfeller died last Wednesday, Sept. 30, in Dimmitt.

He was born May 10, 1979, in Tulia and had lived in Dimmitt his entire life.

Survivors include his parents, Ronald and Kay Gfeller of Dimmitt; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fulkerson of Tulia and Mrs. Agnes Albrandt of Vernon; a brother, Matt Gfeller of Dimmitt; two sisters, Jill Millican of Silverton and Lee Dobson of Sydney, Australia; and a nephew, Mavrik Gfeller of Dimmitt.

The family requests memorials be to the First Baptist Church-Jack Gfeller Fund, 1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt 79027.

#### W. Otis Nickels

Memorial services for W. Otis Nickels, 49, of Lubbock, were to be held Wednesday afternoon in St. Luke's United Methodist Church, with Rev. Tom Mills officiating.

Services were to be under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home. Mr. Nickels died Oct. 3 in Amarillo Veterans Medical Center.

He was born Dec. 9, 1948, in Crosby County. He graduated from Spur High School in 1967, and moved to Lubbock from Spur. He



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married Nancy Evans on Aug. 8, 1998, in Dickens. He was a US Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Dimmitt and belonged to the IBCA BBQ Association and the WTBA BBQ Associa-

Survivors include his wife; a son, Montie Charles Nickels of Portales, N.M.; three stepdaughters, Rebecca Goldston of Seminole, Sarah Carlisle and Amy Carlisle, both of Midland; a sister, Charlene Nickels of Austin; his parents, Mary and Charles Nickels of Littlefield; and a grandchild.

The family suggests memorials to the Texas Boys Ranch, or the Make-A-Wish Foundation, or to a favorite charity.

#### **Noel Scott Singer**

Funeral services for Dimmitt native Noel Scott Singer, 36, of Knoxville, Tenn., were held last Thursday at Highland Memorial Funeral Home in Knoxville.

Burial followed in Highland Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Singer died Sept. 28 at Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center in Knoxville after a brief illness.

He was born in Dimmitt and attended Amarillo College. He was employed for the past 12 years as the assistant controller at the Knoxville

He was preceded in death by his father, Jimmie Ray Singer.

Survivors include his mother, Betty Singer of Knoxville, Tenn.; a brother, Gary Singer of Waco; two sisters, Nita Marra of Amarillo and Sherry Wright of Beaumont; and four nephews and one great-nephew.

#### More about Crime Line

(Continued from Page 1)

He valued the items at over \$200.

On Saturday, a DHS student told police that someone took a CD stereo and a CD from a 1990 Silverado Chevrolet pickup. He valued the stereo at \$249.88 and the CD at \$20. Also, damages to the pickup dash, and the rear sliding window were listed at \$250.

The two thefts also may be related. Two air compressors were removed from the back of pickups late Friday or early Saturday. One was a Black Macks compressor valued at \$700, which was taken from Harley Jack Clark's pickup in the 700 block of West Lee. The other was a Devil Bliss compressor valued at \$525, taken from Freddie Odell Bailey's pickup in the 600 block of Northwest Seventh.

Anyone having any information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the burglaries and thefts may be eligible for a \$200 reward from the Castro County Crime Line. Informants may remain anonymous, and rewards are paid through a drop

Call the Sheriff's Office at 647-3311, or the Crime Line number, 647-4711.

3109 Olton Rd.

9 a.m. to 7 p.m.



THE 1998 SWIFT BAND QUEEN AND KING Stephanie Pena and Jason Birkenfeld were crowned during the band's halftime show Friday at the Nazareth-Claude Homecoming football game. Photo by Anne Acker

## Local quilters to co-sponsor quilt identification program

The program is entitled "War and

Piece and a Little Bit of Applique,"

and Brackman will relate rarely-told

tales about the Civil War and discuss

through the women who made quilts.

sponsored by the Ogallala Quilter's

Society and is free to the public.

The Civil War era quilt program is

A nationally-recognized quilt au-

thority, Brackman has developed a

system for dating quilts by studying

and analyzing specific factors such as

fiber, fabric, color, technique, style

articles, Brackman has authored

Clues in the Calico and An Encyclo-

pedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns. She

co-authored Quiltmaking in America:

Beyond the Myths and Kansas Quilts

and Quilters. She has curated several

ums and maintains a busy lecture,

consultation and workshop schedule.

Museum will open a new quilt ex-

hibit next February.

The Panhandle-Plains Historical

Ouilt historian Barbara Brackman of Lawrence, Kan., will present a Quilt Identification Workshop at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon on Saturday, Oct. 17, this period of American history from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Participants are invited to bring one or two quilts to the workshop for Brackman to examine and identify.

The workshop is free to the public, but advance reservations are required. For more information or to reserve a seat at the workshop call (806) 651-2244.

Funding for the workshop is and pattern. In addition to several provided in part by Wynn Walker of Amarillo. Additional funding is provided by the Ogallala Quilter's Society, the Golden Spread Quilter's Guild and the Dimmitt Friendship Quilter's Guild.

In addition to the quilt quilt and folk art exhibits for museidentification workshop, Brackman will present a program on Civil War era quilts at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at the Texas A&M Extension Service, 6400 Amarillo Boulevard West.

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## More about

## Health Fair

(Continued from Page 1) Other exhibits will include displays from the Harrington Cancer Center, the PMH Auxiliary, the PMH X-ray department, H.O.P.E., the American Heart Association, the American Kidney Foundation, the Diabetic Association, the Texas Poison Center Network, and the Texas Dept. of Health.

In determining who needs a flu vaccination, high risk groups include persons 65 years of age or older; residents of nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities that house persons of any age who have chronic medical conditions; adults and children with chronic disorders of the pulmonary or cardiovascular systems, including children with asthma; adults and children who have required regular medical follow-up or hospitalization during the preceding year because of chronic metabolic diseases (including diabetes mellitus), renal dysfunction, hemoglobinopathies, or immunosuppression regardless of eause; children and teenagers (ages 6 months to 18 years) who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy and therefore may be at risk of developing Reye syndrome after influenza; and women who will be in the second or third trimester of pregnancy

during the influenza season.

Also, those who are in regular contact with members of high-risk groups should be vaccinated to prevent transmitting the virus to the susceptible individuals.

## Holiday workshop set Oct. 27

If you want to learn how to make holiday decorations or need gift ideas for the holidays, then the Castro County 4-H's "Make it for the Holidays" workshop is for you.

The workshop will be held Tuesday, Oct. 27, at 6 p.m. at the Extension office.

There will be a \$2 supply fee charged to those attending.

different items which they can make. Those planning to attend should call and reserve a spot at the Extension office, 647-4115

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To this day, I thank my parents, Marilyn Neal, Carolyn Watts, J.D. Ragland and Pammy Millican for telling me to pick my head up and continue working on the projects that I started.

That seemed to be my toughest year with many let downs and frustrations, but I stuck it out and now I owe them for helping me achieve my goal and dream.

Hello, I'm Kaci Schulte and I am the 18-year-old daughter of Elizabeth Schulte. I am currently serving as state 4-H president.

I have been involved in the 4-H program for 11-plus years. The reason I say 11-plus is because although I was not old enough to be in 4-H, it seemed like I was always helping out with my older brother's and sisters' projects. I feel like the reason that 4-H has been such an important part of my life because of some of the opportunities that I have had.

Texas 4-H Roundup is held every year in June. District winners go down to College Station and compete against other districts.

I have been involved in many projects such as Sheep, Swine, Family Life, Clothing, Food and Nutrition and Photography. Of all the projects I have been involved in my three most important would be Leadership, Citizenship and Public Speaking.



KACI SCHULTE
...Texas 4-H President

My involvement in the Leadership project is probably my most important. This project is probably the reason that I am the Texas 4-H President.

Citizenship has taught me how to be a leader in my community and Public Speaking has shown me how to talk to the community.

As Texas 4-H President I have three goals.

My first goal is to increase our membership, not only on a state level, but here in Castro County.

I was speaking at a county banquet last week and after I finished and the banquet was over, a young man came up to me and said, "I really like the 4-H program, but in my school it is not the coolest thing to do."

Speechless, I just looked at him and said, "It might not be the coolest thing right now, but when they see you as a District 2 President or even a state president, they might be wishing that they weren't so cool as a freshman in high school."

My second goal is to turn around the negative attitude about stock shows. I would like to show people that showing animals helps build friendships, trustworthiness and most of all, responsibility in the youth of today.

My final goal is to work together with other youth organizations such as FFA and FHA. Each of our organizations has a similar goal and that is to reach out to the youth of Texas and have a positive

influence on them and be a positive role model for all youth.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of my present and past county agents for all of their time and dedication to the 4-H program because together with youth, parents and community volunteers, the 4-H program is still going on strong in Castro County.



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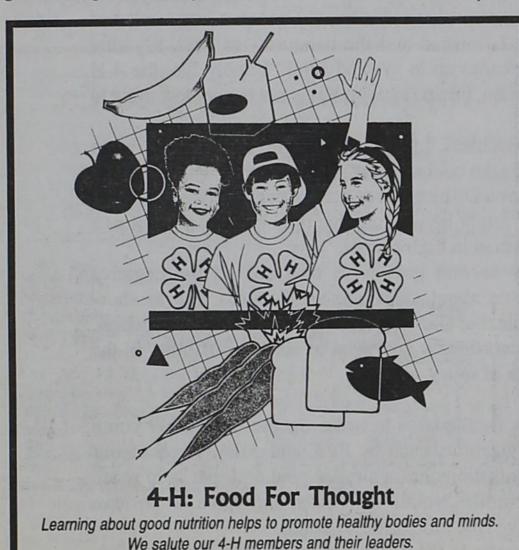


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TEXAS 4-H PRESIDENT KACI SCHULTE, a Castro County 4-H'er, has enjoyed many different 4-H projects through the years, and one of her favorites has been Sheep. Here, a young Schulte shows off one of her show lambs. She had sheep projects every year she was in 4-H, from the third grade through her senior year. Courtesy Photo



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decisions and caring about things not only builds character in them, it provides a strong foundation upon which to build a community. We're proud to honor 4-H, and the fine work they do.

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## Determined 4-H'er sees dream come true

By MARILYN NEAL

"Marilyn, I will have one of those green jackets. I really mean it!"

In June of 1993, I had my first exposure to Kaci Schulte. Here was a gangly 12-year-old just finishing the seventh grade and telling me in no uncertain terms that SHE WOULD be on the Texas State 4-H Council.

That determination has carried her

Not only has she earned a green jacket (the official Texas 4-H Council uniform), but now she serves as the President of the Texas 4-H Council, representing over 665,000 youth across the state.

Kaci was born seeing clovers. The year she was born her oldest sister began 4-H. Being the fifth of six children she attended more 4-H meetings before she could even join than most kids do in their entire careers. Unlike many youngsters, she did not tire of the life under the clover. She just loved everything about

Kaci's mom and dad, Beth Schulte and the late Lester Schulte, were always very supportive of her activities. 4-H was very much a "family thing" around her house.

Beth has served in just about every capacity available to a leader. In 1995 she was selected as the Castro County 4-H Distinguished Leader.

Kaci's dad was much quieter than his daughter, but every bit as determined. Even after his illness had progressed, he worked all that he could on the 4-H Livestock Center. He once said that it was important that he did what he could to help his kids and others.

That center was a very important symbol to him as to how we are to give back to our community and family for all that they give to us. This spirit has certainly been contagious in the Schulte family.

Awards and honors are nothing new to Kaci. She has been involved in method demonstrations for the past five years. She has won first place at county and district contests and placed fourth at state contest. On the county level, she has received the Silver Star, Gold Star and I Dare You Awards.

After representing Castro County at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Convention, she was selected to go on to the World Leadership Con-

To quote Kaci, "4-H has had a very positive effect on my life. I have been around 4-H activities all many new people. 4-H has also allowed me to participate in many activities. I have received many awards, and receiving these has encouraged me to set and achieve more goals.

"Although many people believe that 4-H is cooking, sewing and cows, it is so much more. 4-H offers people the opportunity to develop interpersonal communication skills, which are needed by all. Perhaps, more importantly, the people that have crossed my path in 4-H will be a valued part of me all of my life."

Kaci has served in virtually every office possible on the club and



THIS GOWN WAS Texas 4-H President Kaci Schulte's prom dress, and she also entered the 4-H Fashion Show with it, competing in the Buying Category. She finished second at district her junior year. Courtesy Photo

of my life. It has enabled me to be- county level. A couple of years ago come closer to my family and meet she was in a very different position. For the first time since she was 11, she was not elected to a club office. However, that did not deter her from her goal.

She still participated in all the county activities and did what she could at the district level. Her perseverance paid off when this year she was elected first vice president of the District 2 4-H Council.

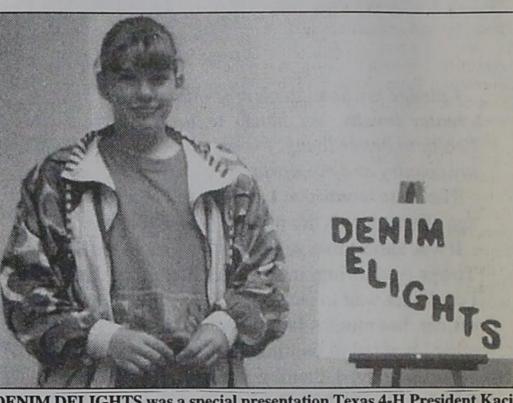
She was so excited to have the honor of representing the South Plains on the State 4-H Council.

We talked at length about her goals before she went to State Council training this summer.

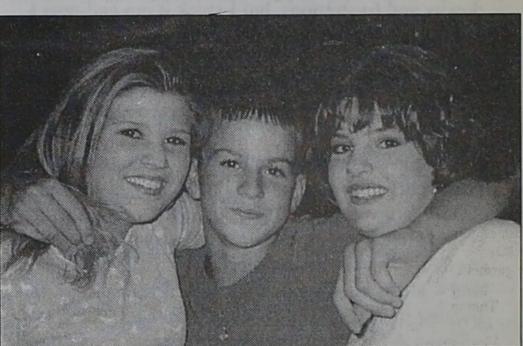
At Trinidad, she very nervously accepted the nomination of president. I don't think I have ever had such an exciting phone call as when she called that evening to let me know she was the new State 4-H President.

I probably cried a lot more than she did when I remembered that long-legged little tomboy I met on my first day in Dimmitt and I thought about how determination can still aid you in reaching those goals.

Kaci will always be a special source of inspiration to me.



DENIM DELIGHTS was a special presentation Texas 4-H President Kaci Schulte of Dimmitt made before the Extension Homemakers Club when she was in junior high. Schulte, who graduated from Dimmitt High School in May, is representing the county across the state, encouraging youth to be active members of her favorite club. Courtesy Photo



ONE OF KACI SCHULTE'S FAVORITE THINGS about being in 4-H is the lifelong friendships she has developed through the years. Pictured with Schulte (right) are her "very best 4-H friend," Jinger Hancock (left) of Denver City, and Chris, a 4-H'er from Olton.



We salute 4-H Club members everywhere with special pride in the 4-H'ers of our community. Through the "Head ... Heart ... Hands ... Health" program, 4-H molds character, teaches responsibility, encourages leadership and develops compassion for fellow men.

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## Rusty McDaniel is state's Champion Stock Horseman

4-H was named Champion Stock Horseman at the 36th annual Texas 4-H Horse Show held this summer.

There were 850 Texas 4-H'ers competing in the show, which was held at the Taylor County Exposition Center in Abilene.

McDaniel was awarded the Texas State Champion Stock Horseman saddle for his efforts.

McDaniel was one of three county 4-H'ers who competed in the state show. Others were Chris Reynolds and China Foster.

McDaniel and his horse, Blue Otoe, placed fourth in Reining, fifth in the Working Cow Horse competition, seventh in Cutting and seventh in Team Penning. Those finishes earned him the Champion Stock Horseman award.

Lucky Star, earned eighth-place honors in the Yearling Gelding Futurity Class. Reynolds was also a finalist in the Hunter Showman competition with his other horse, Supreme Prescription. He competed in the Gelding Halter Showmanship, Western Pleasure and Western Horsemanship events.

Foster and her horse, Ima Side Kick, competed in the Halter Mare Division, Showmanship and Western Pleasure events.

The Texas 4-H Horse Show isn't just about competition though, said

## 4-H'ers compete in Fashion Follies

Castro County 4-H'ers Jennifer Wilhelm and Adrienne Hart were among South Plains Junior 4-H'ers competing in the 4-H Fashion Follies at the Panhandle-South Plains Fair Coliseum.

The show was held Sunday at 2 p.m. Youth participants completed the equivalent of a three-hour study of clothing, grooming and consumer buying. Participants modeled a garment they constructed as a result of their 4-H clothing project.

Theme for this year's show was "Kick Up Your Heels."

For more information on the Castro County 4-H Clothing Project contact Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences at 647-4115 or drop by the office in the basement of the courthouse.

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Rusty McDaniel of Castro County Leman Wall, Texas Agricultural Extension Service assistant in animal science and 4-H. The event is a place for 4-H'ers to demonstrate the benefits of hard work and determination.

> "The state horse show is the culmination of a year-long activity," Wall said. "Throughout the year, you've got kids going to school, taking care of grades, possibly doing sports or other extracurricular activities, and then they're going home to ride, groom and doctor. horses and clean stalls.

There were more than 2,600 entries in the state show. The qualifying show had 15 classes that included showmanship, halter, rail classes, timed events, pattern classes and race classes. Seventeen classes were featured in the open show. Reynolds and his horse, Dee's Those divisions included futurity, cattle, hunter and mules. Drill teams and precision riders also competed for the gold during the event.

Kelly Boudreaux of Randall County was named Champion Judged Horseman. Quincy Cahill of Madison County was named Reserve Judged Horseman.

Champion Hunter Horseman was Kristi Smith of Hale County and runner-up was Leigh Newton of Bexar County.

Champion Roper was Jeff Kanady of Eastland County while Shane Brooks of Potter County earned Reserve Champion Roper honors.

Runner-up to McDaniel for Champion Stock Horseman honors was Scott Jones of Motley County.

Champion Reserve Timed Horseman was Krystal Jean Favor of Bexar County, with Haley Eager of Wichita County finishing second.

Judges were Peggy Jo Dietmeir of New Mexico, Gay Givens-Owens of Nebraska, Ruth Ellen of Dallas, Dennis Sigler of Gainesville and Tom Gibbs and Dr. Gary Potter, both of College Station.

The 4-H Horse Project ranks as one of the most popular of today's 4-H programs. According to Dr. Doug Householder, Extension horse specialist, horse activities teach skills leadership, horsemanship, sportsmanship, teamwork and responsibility.

The program also strengthens families because parents and their children work together toward a specific goal.

"It's an opportunity for parents to spend quality time with their kids,"



TEXAS STATE CHAMPION STOCK HORSEMAN Rusty McDaniel won this saddle at the State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene July 23. McDaniel placed in several events and accumulated enough points to win the Champion Stock Horseman Award. He was one of three county 4-H'ers who qualified for the state show. The other two were Chris Reynolds and China Foster.

## 4-H adult leaders earn recognition

Castro County 4-H'ers enjoy many different projects and many of these projects are made possible by the help of their parents and other adults who serve as 4-H adult leaders.

Each of these leaders was honored and presented with a certificate at the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet, held earlier this year.

Those honored were:

One Year: Mickey Bishop, Sha Ebeling, Sara Hunter, Richard Hunter, Stan Maurer, Tina Maurer, Olen Schulte, Gregg Sides and Marshall Young.

Two Years: Sandra Clark, Kenny Ebeling, Tammy Heard, Debbie Horn, Billy Jordan, Tina Jordan, Edna Kittrell, Jerry Kittrell, Charlie Lane, Swanny Lilley, Lynn Sides, Pat Smith, Danny Underwood and Debbie Underwood.

Three Years: Shirley Brockman, Virgil Brockman, Lee Kleman, Phil Lemons, Cyndy Reynolds, Becky Stovall and Bobbi Wooten.

Four Years: Carole Bishop. Five Years: Darla Davis, Randy Griffitt and Connie Wilhelm.

Six Years: Debbie Fewell and Mary Alice Lane.

Seven Years: Earl Behrends, Donita Behrends, Tami Griffitt, Laura Hart and Vic Hart.

Eight Years: Becky Book, Chris Book, Jobe Hales, Rod Hales, Donny McDaniel, Janet McDaniel, Neoma Williams, Joyce Wright and Rick Wright.

10 Years: Suanne Bagley, John Furr, Nacola Furr, Carol Kern and Patti Kern.

11 Years: Jerry Matthews, Sherri Matthews, Janet Mitchell and Walt

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13 Years: Anthoney Mays and Mary Mays.

14 Years: Brenda Annen, Claude Annen and Scott Bagley.

15 Years: Charles Summers and Sue Summers.

16 Years: Dwight Gleghorn, Gleghorn and Lucy Jolene Pohlmeier.

17 Years: Sharon Brockman. 18 Years: Beth Schulte.

We're proud to be a part of

this 4-H community. Young members are

taught important skills and ideals that will stay

and we all benefit from

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fine organization, and the exceptional example that

they set for our area's

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36 Years: Catherine Hochstein.

## '4-H is about more than just livestock'

old and a sophomore at Dimmitt High School. I'm the daughter of Beth Schulte and the late Lester Schulte.

I joined 4-H in 1991. I'm the baby of six kids who have all been strong leaders in 4-H. They always tell me that they have used the skills they learned through 4-H in their adult lives with their kids and work.

4-H has taught me responsibility and leadership. I have gained many friendships over the seven years I have been involved in 4-H.

Many people think that 4-H is just about livestock. Well, they are mistaken.

In 4-H you can work with animals, but you can also learn about bugs, nutrition, clothing and public speaking.

In my 4-H years I have shown pigs and lambs. I've had several method demonstrations and participated in county and district food shows. I've been a leader in my club by holding offices such as treasurer and reporter and I am currently serving as I like 4-H because I can spend time secretary.

4-H allows my fellow club members and I to help our

Hi, I'm Lori Schulte. I'm 16 years community and county by having community service projects such as food drives and visiting the senior citizens at Canterbury Villa. We also help at the fair and livestock shows. The most important thing I think I have learned is how to be a strong competitor, but at the same time, a gracious loser.

I hope that all the time and skills I have gathered in 4-H can amount to my sister, Kaci's. She is currently state 4-H president. In my opinion, she is a perfect role model and I only hope I can live up to what she is.

I want to thank all the 4-H parent leaders and Extension agents I have known through the years for all the great times and learning experiences."

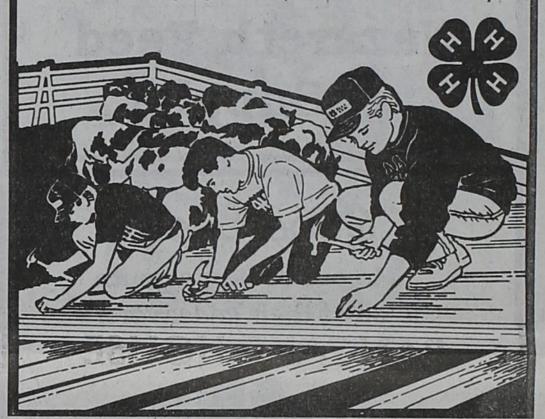
## Sides can ride horses in 4-H

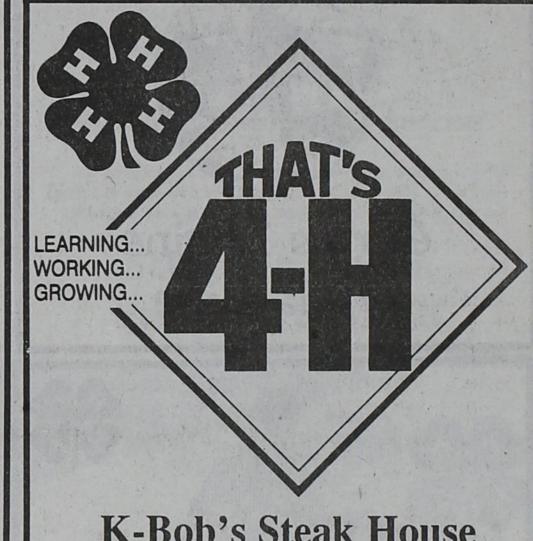
By KATE SIDES

with my friends that I don't go to school with. I get a chance to ride

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## comorrow's leaders in agriculture

4-H reaches young people across the nation, offering them an opportunity to contribute to their community as they develop independence, awareness and responsibility. With subjects like livestock, plants and soil, energy, ecology and jobs and careers, boys and girls between the ages of 9 to 19 partake in activities and projects aimed at promoting creativity and personal growth. Their 4-H experience provides a foundation of strong ideals to live by as they become our next generation of adults. It's an important organization ... one that we heartily support and proudly salute.





## Wilhelm first joined 4-H to learn cooking and sewing

By JENNIFER WILHELM I first joined 4-H in third grade. I joined because it sounded fun. I wanted to learn how to cook and sew and listen to other people's and that's why I joined.

But now that I am a freshman, my in the food program and the clothing have heard it is a blast. projects, but in other projects.

I started showing pigs, then switched to lambs after two years. I am now involved in the horse program.

Before I ever got a horse I was in horse judging. I enjoyed getting to go to contests and judge the horses. But then I got a horse and showed him in LEHA shows. I am still in horse judging and still love it.

I have also become interested in method demonstrations.

You get to go to district roundup demonstrations.

If you are a Senior 4-H'er, which I views on 4-H have changed am this year, you are eligible to go to dramatically. I am not only involved state roundup at College Station. I

> In a few of the past years I was part of the Consumer Decision Making Team. I had fun doing this and am going to rejoin this year.

4-H really is a lot of fun, but one of the best parts is going to these really cool camps. They are a blast to go to.

4-H has a lot to offer. Joining 4-H is one of the best decisions to make.



EDUCATIONAL, DELICIOUS FUN-Castro County 4-H'ers Dairy Day was held this summer to educate 4-H members. Participants included (from left) Garrett Behrends, Kendra Puente and Robin

Beams. In this photo, they are preparing pizza and also made other foods using dairy products. Another part of the day's activities included a visit to Sun Rise Photo by Monica Ortiz Farms Dairy of Nazareth.

## 4-H'ers complete wide range of projects during the past year

Castro County 4-H'ers were kept busy with several different projects during the past year and some indi-

viduals completed more than one. Here are some of the projects on which 4-H'ers worked during the

past year. Agricultural Achievement: Rusty McDaniel.

Beef: Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Rusty McDaniel and Jennifer Wilhelm.

Bicycle: Melanie Book. Bread: Melanie Davis.

Citizenship:Jeffrey Stovall, Jody Stovall and Rachel Wall.

Clothing and Textiles: Jaci Bishop, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Kimberly Brockman, Melanie Davis, Adrienne Hart, Holly Lane, Kendra Puente, Jennifer Wilhelm, Rachel

Consumer Education: Jaci Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Holly Lane, Bryce Pohlmeier, Kendra Puente, Jennifer Wilhelm and Vanessa Wil-

Dairy: Craig Birkenfeld, Garrett Kleman, Ross Schulte, Shay Wilhelm, Shelby Wilhelm. Dog Care: Melanie Book and

Susan Book. Entomology: Melanie Book and

Mitchell Brockman.

Family Life: Jaci Bishop, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Kimberly Brockman and Vanessa Wilhelm.

Fitness Leadership: Holly Lane. Food and Nutrition: Robin Beames, Jaci Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Raynee Bradley, Anna Brockman, Kimberly

Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Melanie Davis, Aaron Hart, Adrienne Hart, Alicia Heard, Brittany Heard, Niccole Heard, Corey Lane, Holly Lane, Tabitha Laurent, Meggie Lemons, Casey Maurer, Callen Mixson, Laura Rasor, Michael Rasor, Jeffrey Stovall, Jody Stovall, Rachel Wall, Brandon Wilhelm, Jennifer Wilhelm and Vanessa Wilhelm.

Health: Jeremy Bishop, Melanie Book and Holly Lane.

Home Economic Achievement: Jaci Bishop.

Horse: Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Rusty McDaniel and Jennifer Wil-

Adrienne Hart, Rusty McDaniel and Rachel Wall. Housing/Home Environment:

Horticulture: Aaron Hart,

Leadership: Mitchell Brockman, Rachel Wall and Jennifer Wilhelm. Photography: Melanie Davis and Rachel Wall.

Poultry: Rusty McDaniel.

Public Speaking: Jaci Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Susan Book, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Melanie Davis, Kristin Hales, Aaron Hart, Adrienne Hart, Corey Lane, Holly Lane, Kendra Puente, Jody Stovall, Rachel Wall, Jennifer Wilhelm and Vanessa Wilhelm.

Recreation: Jeremy Bishop, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Melanie Davis, Corey Lane, Bryce Pohlmeier, Jeffrey Stovall and Rachel Wall,

Safety: Jaci Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Melanie Davis, Aaron Hart and Adrienne Hart.

Sheep: Thomas Brockman, Kristin Hales, Aaron Hart, Adrienne Hart, Corey Lane, Holly Lane, Rusty McDaniel, Bryce Pohlmeier, Brandon Wilhelm and Jennifer Wilhelm.

Shooting Sports: Corey Lane.

Swine: Aaron Hart, Corey Lane, Holly Lane, Keli Schulte, Macee Schulte, Ross Schulte, Jeffrey Stovall, Jody Stovall and Jennifer

Wilhelm. Veterinary Science: Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Aaron Hart, Corey Lane, Rusty McDaniel and Bryce Pohlmeier.

Dudley says 4-H helps people in different ways

By AUSTIN DUDLEY

I have been a member of the Hart 4-H Club for four years. The thing I like best about being in 4-H is that our club helps people in different

We conduct canned food drives for the needy, we hold fundraisers to help us with our community projects and we do some clean-up of public property, especially to get Hart ready for its Hart Days celebration.

I helped raise money to build our basketball court.

I hope to help make this year successful for the Hart 4-H Club.

## Clover Kids learn about self-esteem

4-H Clover Kids are youngsters who aren't old enough to join 4-H but still want to to participate in some type of 4-H activity-in essence, they're pre-4-H'ers.

Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal has worked to build the Clover Kids program and this year 15 youngsters joined.

Neal also implemented a special series of programs, just for the Clover Kids.

The Character Counts program is designed to build self-esteem in the Clover Kids and it has been a success

Among the youngsters participating in the Clover Kids program are Colt Brantley, Jake Ebeling, Kaden Griffitt, Adam Hart, Caitlin Huseman, Elizabeth Hill, Beth Horn, Dustin Horn, Bradley Lane, Michael Rasor, Ben Sides, Kathleen Sides. Keshia Smith, Dennis Underwood and Heath Wilhelm.

## Wooten has learned many things in 4-H

Hi. I am Rusty Wooten. I have been in 4-H for 10 years.

Through 4-H I have learned leadership, decision making, public speaking and how to have a lot of

There are many activities and projects for you to work on. I encourage everyone interested in joining 4-H to contact Marilyn Neal at the Castro County Extension Service office, 647-4115.

## Ebeling learns about horses through 4-H

My name is Jake Ebeling and I am

I have been in the 4-H Horse Club for four years. I like to ride my

4-H has taught me how to ride and take care of my horse. I'm glad to be in 4-H.



## THANKS, 4-H!

Through the years, our Castro County 4-H'ers have won top awards at the district, state and national levels. In doing so, they have expanded their horizons toward greater accomplishments in the future.

We are proud to help our 4-H clubs and leaders throughout the year, and we salute you on your special week.

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is in good hands. Let's "Expand 4-H" . . . and may 4-H activities and ideals ever flourish. Nazareth Feed & Supply

As we extend congratulations to 4-H Club members,

we look to the future . . . for the 4-H'ers of today

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much toward building a better community and

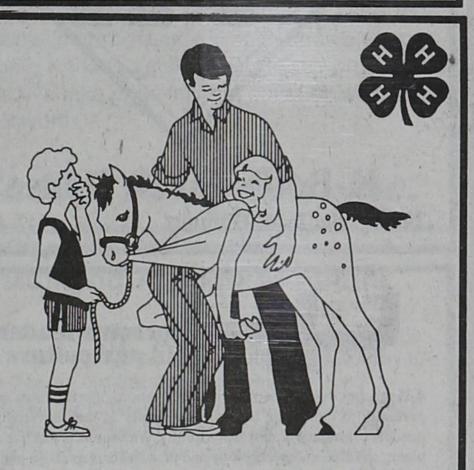
country, we can be sure that tomorrow, our future

## Good Luck

... to our county's youth in all of their endeavors!



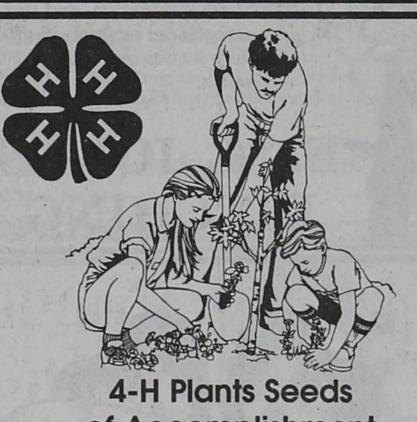
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As They Learn, They Serve ... And The Future Is Brighter, Thanks to 4-H'ers!

With pride, we salute our local 4-H Club members, for their efforts and achievements. Through their Head . . . Heart . . . Hands . . . Health program, they are learning better ways of farming and homemaking, better ways of working together, better citizenship for a brighter tomorrow.

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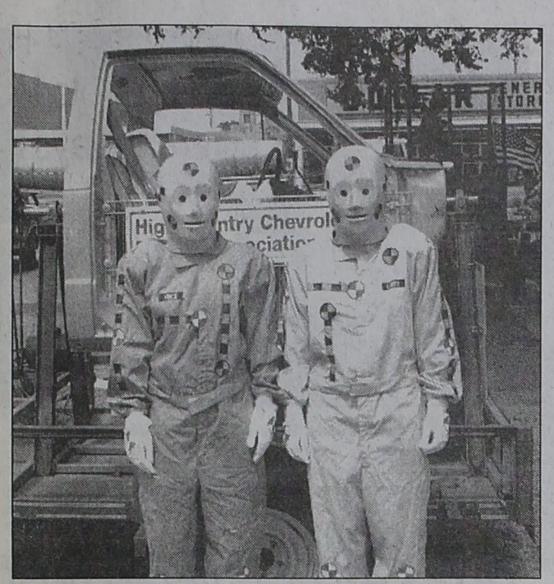
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A PUBLIC SERVICE REMINDER—Melanie Book (left) and Jennifer Wilhelm donned the "Crash Test Dummies" costumes to remind people to fasten their seat belts. Their portrayal was part of a 4-H project held during the July Jubilee in Dimmitt. The safety booth was set up on the courthouse square, and also featured a model car simulating the effects of a wreck through the use of dummies. Photo by Monica Ortiz

## 4-H Ambassador Workshop planned

This year's 4-H Ambassador breakfast. Workshop has been scheduled for Nov. 13-15 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood.

The purpose of the Ambassador Program is to utilize older 4-H members to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas 4-H Program. More specifically, youths will tell and show audiences how 4-H has impacted them personally as well as to others, and how the 4-H program is addressing key youth issues in the community and state.

Participants must be 14 years of age by Jan. 1, 1999, or be Senior 4-H'ers.

Castro County can have as many representatives as it likes, as long as an adequate number of chaperones are accompanying the group (the ratio of adults to youth is one chaperone for eight youth of the same gender).

Cost for the workshop is \$70 for Friday night arrivals with no dinner and \$51.75 for Saturday morning arrival, and this includes Saturday

lene on July 23.

The fee will include lodging, limited accidental insurance, meals, snacks and programming fees.

Workshop costs will not be prorated for those who may leave early.

Saturday morning arrivals should be there by 7:30 a.m. for breakfast and registration. Sessions will start at 8:45 a.m.

Those interested in attending should call the Extension office at 647-4115 so a \$20 non-refundable deposit may be sent to Brownwood before the Oct. 16 deadline.

## 4-H'er learns about horses

By BEN SIDES

I go to 4-H to learn about horses because my papa tells me to. I help him move pasture cattle.

## Wall says Public Speaking project was most beneficial

By RACHEL WALL

I've been in 4-H since the third grade. Now that I'm a junior in high school, I'm beginning to see the benefits. Let me explain.

I have participated in many projects: Clothing, Food and Nutrition, Public Speaking (Method Demonstration), Photography and Citizenship.

Public Speaking is the most beneficial project in which I've participated. This project helps me compete more effectively in my other projects, and it's helped me with my school work and in my private life. My successful candidacy this spring for president of the Hart High School Student Council required me to talk in front of the Student Body.

learned how to do research for a topic, write a speech about it and deliver the speech. In short, it's

helped me overcome that all too familiar fear of speaking in front of people.

This year I competed in Public Speaking at the State Roundup in College Station in June and received seventh place.

The Citizenship Projects in which I've participated have made me more aware of my community. I have helped with canned food drives, delivered goodie bags to senior citizens, and was actively involved with the Hart 4-H Club's successful goal of erecting a community basketball court at the City Park.

Citizenship or community service projects not only help others, but make me feel good about myself.

I was one of two recipients of this year's county Gold Star Award. I Through Public Speaking, I've also received the Silver Star Award as a Junior 4-H'er.

I'm proud to be a member of the Hart 4-H Club.

cleaning of the Senior Citizen Home

vice president of the Flagg 4-H Club.

4-H'ers hoping and wishing that

someday they might go down that

road of success, too. I pray every day

that I can be a role model to these

My friendships gained through 4-

Thanks to ALL of my 4-H adult

H will never be forgotten.

I show lambs and am currently the

A lot of children look up to older

## Bradley's interest in 4-H came from her brothers' involvement

gardens.

children.

leaders.

Hi! I am Mary Bradley. I am 16 years old and am the daughter of Gene and Shari Bradley.

I joined 4-H in 1991. Both of my older brothers were active members of 4-H, so I guess you could say that I got my interest in 4-H from them. I have learned many lifelong hints in 4-H that I would never have learned in school or anywhere else for that matter.

My leadership and responsibility skills have increased from my time spent in 4-H. I have learned to be a strong competitor, but also a gracious loser. I have been involved in numerous community services such as the museum clean-up days and

## '4-H is great!' are honored

Hi! My name is Jeff Stovall and I am 16 years old. I am a junior at Dimmitt High School. My parents are Gary and Becky Stovall. I have one brother, Jody. He will be in the eighth grade.

I live on a farm. I show pigs and am active in livestock judging.

4-H is great! You get to do a lot more than livestock judging and show animals. There are so many things to do that Lcan't list them all.

If you are not in 4-H, then you'd better join-and bring a friend or two as well.

Gleghorns

Dwight and Jolene Gleghorn of Dimmitt were honored with the South Plains Distinguished Leaders Award for their active involvement the Castro County 4-H Parent/Leader Association.

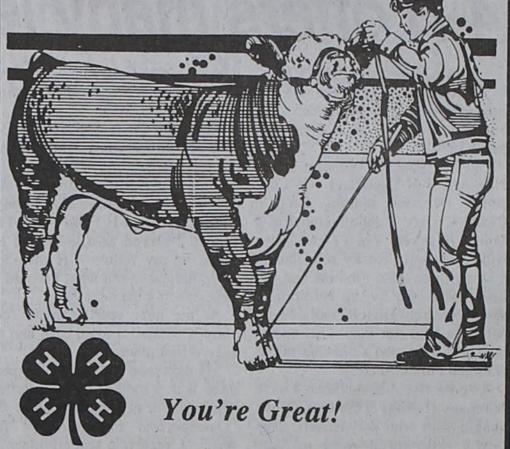
1993 marked the first year of a district-wide awards program for adult leaders. Each county in the 20county area surrounding Lubbock recognized these leaders at a luncheon held during District Roundup in May.

The Gleghorns have been involved in 4-H for 16 years as volunteer leaders and members of the Parent/Leader Association.

They currently sponsor two scholarships which are awarded to deserving Senior 4-H'ers from the

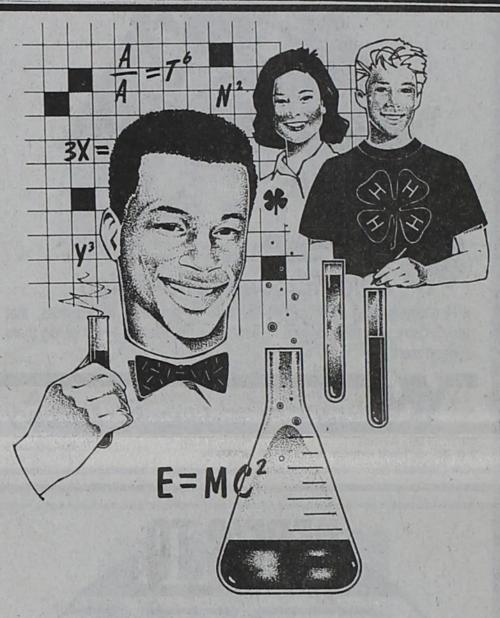
## Mission of 4-H

The mission of 4-H is to offer participants the opportunity to acquire knowledge, develop life skills and form attitudes which will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members



It's great to see our 4-H'ers at work. They learn through doing many important things in their community. From raising livestock and canning preserves on the farm . . . to cleaning up parks and planting trees in the city. Through their 4-H Club experience, these boys and girls, young men and women learn to take pride in their work, and in themselves. They become skilled farmers and homemakers, self-assured individuals, compassionate friends and responsible citizens . . . in short . . . better people. With pride and respect, we salute these 4-H members for the valuable job they do.

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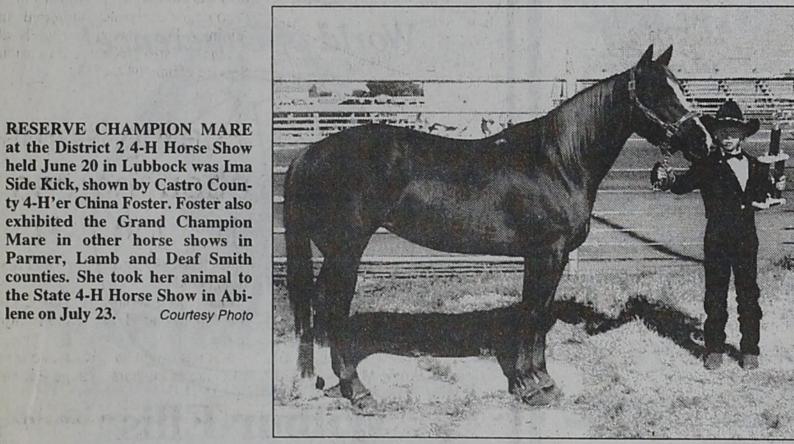


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4-H provides just the right mix of knowledge, skills, teamwork and fun to make for a better future.

We salute our 4-H clubs and leaders for the fine work they do.

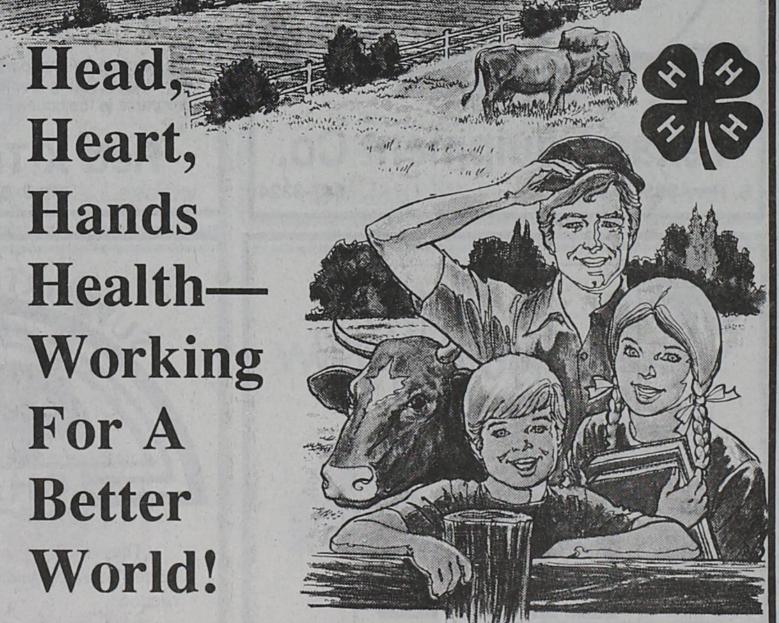
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## 4-H offers many learning experiences

By VANESSA WILHELM

disappointment of being defeated, and great times all come along with being in 4-H.

and my three little brothers and my little sister. We live in Nazareth. I experiencing the next year. attend Nazareth High School and am and golf. I am also a member of the ceived first place. National Honor Society.

felt many feelings at contests or just hanging out with 4-H friends. This year I experienced going to State Roundup by placing first at district in Consumer Decision Making. Finding tion and 11th place at State Roundup. out that I had earned the trip to Coltriumph and self confidence.

When I joined 4-H six years ago, I never thought it would teach me as much as it has. I joined because I liked being involved in everything a big part in my life. and I was interested in meeting new

a head start!

The thrill of being the best, the lic speaking skills and many things started when I wanted to make a bed about homemaking.

My main interest in 4-H is food and nutrition. Along with cooking Hi, I'm Vanessa Wilhelm of the for food shows, I have learned about Nazareth 4-H Club and the Con- calcium and other vitamins and how sumer Decision Making Club in big of a role each plays in everyone's Castro County. I am a member of a diet. The first 4-H Food Show I atfamily of seven. I'm 17 and I live tended I served as a hostess. I liswith my parents, Rocky and Dianne, tened as my fellow 4-H members were judged to see what I would be

At the next year's county food active in One Act Play, UIL events show I entered a main dish and re-

My next food and nutrition experi-As an active 4-H member, I have ence was a method demonstration. The topic for my demonstration was "Osteoporosis Prevention at My Age." I received second place at district with my method demonstra-

During my 4-H years and prior to lege Station gave me a feeling of that I have cooked many family meals. Both of my parents work outside of the home, so I've had to learn a lot of stuff on my own. As you can see, food and nutrition plays

My mother has always been interested in sewing and painting designs During my years in 4-H I have on clothing, and I believe some of

learned many leadership skills, pub- her interests rubbed off on me. It all pillow when I was 8 years old.

> My first 4-H clothing project was pajamas. I sewed some flannel winter pj's. I received first place at county and third place at district with the nightshirt.

Our county once hosted a clothing lock-in for three other counties. At the lock-in we sewed wrap-around shower towels and plastic bag holders. I enjoyed helping the younger kids sew and learned a few things myself.

My next clothing project was when a group of girls sewed short sets with appliques on the shirts for a clothing class we were attending. My next 4-H clothing project was sewing a dress for the fashion show. After a few hours of ripping seams, I got the dress to fit exactly like I wanted. I got first place at county with it and received third at district.

Along with 4-H clothing projects, I've had to repair many shirts, jeans and buttons and many other things for me and my family. Even though sometimes clothing is a pain, I've had a blast through it all.

My next interest in 4-H is consumer education. I started studying consumer education two years ago. In 1996 I attended eight consumer decision making classes, but was not able to compete at contest. During those eight sessions I learned of the things to look for in products and how to notice the best bargains in stores. I also learned which products would be best for people with different needs.

In 1997 I was part of a consumer decision making team. I only attended three sessions, but I did compete at district. This year I was a member of the Consumer Decision Making 4-H Club of Castro County. Our team placed first at district competition and advanced to state. The trip was a blast and I learned a lot,

has taught me many public speaking nights and early mornings, it was still skills. Since I joined 4-H I have started reading in church ceremonies. I really enjoy doing this because I love being a leader.

In 1997 my method demonstration let me practice my public speaking abilities. To practice, I gave my method demonstration to Extension agents, parents, leaders and a variety of people. Aside from church and

speak at the 1997 Junior Catholic Daughters State Convention.

Being on the council at Electric Camp also gave me the job of handing out camp awards. I had an enjoyable time doing this.

My parents tell me that being involved in all these contests and classes is enough, but I can't seem to get it in my head. So to make my life a little busier, I try to attend as many camps as possible.

My first camp was State Clothing Camp 1995 at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood. It was a lot of fun, but most importantly, I learned

My next camping experience was at Lake Brownwood, too, but was called County Camp. There we learned teamwork, leadership and how to dance. I had a blast meeting all the new people and learning new skills such as canoeing and shooting

Let me not forget about the best camp ever-SPS Electric Camp. Not only do you learn a lot, but you have a great time doing it. I have now attended two electric camps.

1996 was the first year I attended the camp. I learned electric safety, how to wire a home, how to construct an extension cord and many different lighting techniques. I met many kids I hadn't met before.

The 1997 electric camp was a repeat of 1996, but it made everything sink in a little more than the year before.

The second year I built up enough nerve to take the WT Super Challenge test to see who was the top camper. I ended up being in the top six. I was very pleased.

Besides 4-H camps, I attended Bluebonnet Girls' State this summer. There we learned all about the government and how it works. It was an honor to be selected to represent our American Legion Auxiliary. Even Along with many other things, 4-H though I had to put up with long a great experience and I encourage anyone who has the chance to go to take it.

In conclusion, 4-H is a very good opportunity for kids of all ages to get involved. The learning experience can be used all throughout your life. Along with the thrills and disappointments come great times and chances method demonstrations, I had to to meet all kinds of different people.



SECOND AT STATE—Susan Book and Kristin Hales of the Castro County 4-H placed at the Texas 4-H Roundup with their Method Demonstration in the County Government Awareness contest. Several county 4-H'ers participated and placed at the State Roundup June 1-5 at Col-Courtesy Photo lege Station.

## Texas 4-H Center to host Share the Fun workshop

The Texas 4-H Center will host the first statewide Share the Fun Workshop Oct. 23-25 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood.

The weekend workshop will focus on helping youths and adult volunteers develop quality Share the Fun programs and develop an understanding of the state contest rules.

Cost of the workshop is \$70 for those arriving Friday night and \$51.75 for those arriving Saturday morning. Breakfast is included in the Saturday package, but there is no meal included Friday evening.

Registration fees include lodging, meals, snacks, limited accidental insurance and program fees. The workshop cost will not be pro-rated

## District 4-H Council meets

Several Castro County 4-H'ers and adult leaders attended the 1998 Fall Forum and District Council meeting in Lubbock on Sept. 12.

4-H'ers attending were Kendra Puente, Brandon Furr and Susan Book. Adult leaders accompanying them were Lucy Pohlmeier and

Becky Book.

for participants who leave early or arrive late.

Those planning to arrive Saturday morning should be there by 7:30 a.m. for breakfast and registration. Ses-

sions will begin at 8:45 a.m. Those interested in attending the Share the Fun workshop should call the Extension office at 647-4115 as soon as possible because a \$20 nonrefundable deposit is required for each 4-H member and chaperone and the fee must be received at the center by Oct. 9.

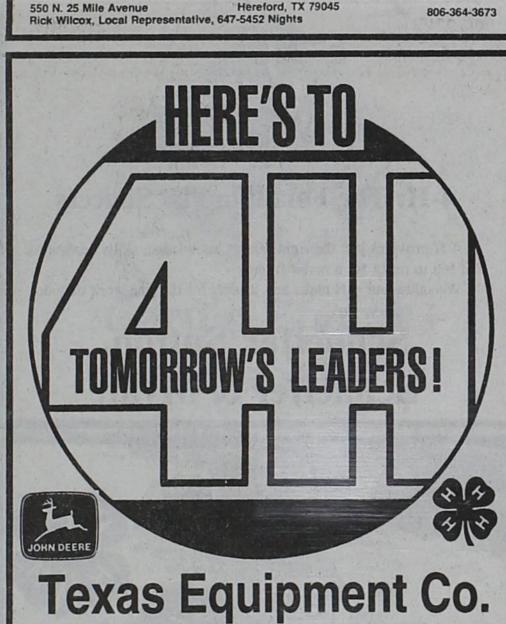
## Bike-a-thon slated Oct. 17

Youngsters will be pedaling for sick children on Saturday, Oct. 17, when the Castro County 4-H sponsors the St. Jude's Bike-a-thon at the parking lot of the First United Bank in Dimmitt.

Registration will be at 9 a.m. and the ride will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Refreshments and prizes will be offered and proceeds will benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

For more information contact Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal at 647-4115 or Jeremy Bishop.



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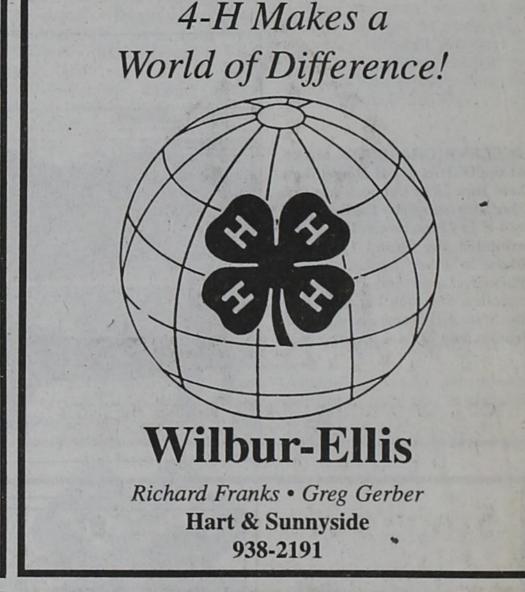
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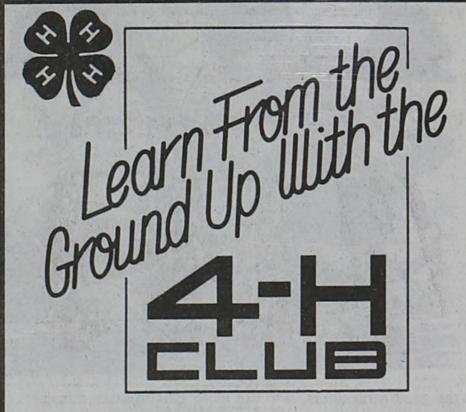


We appreciate the parents and adult leaders who work with these young peple to make 4-H one ot the finest programs in the country for young people.

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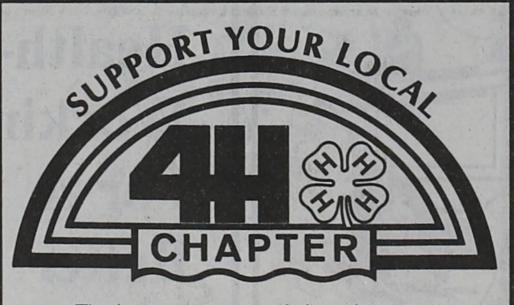




There's always something new on the horizon to explore, and that's why 4-H deserves our support!

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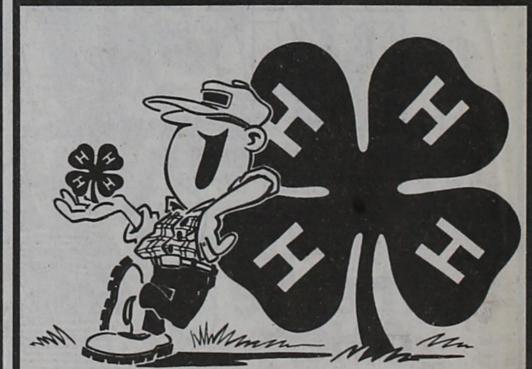


They're an organization dedicated to creating a better future by guiding today's youth in the right direction.

4-H introduces young people to the business of agriculture and the pleasure of accomplishment, the joys of working together as a team and the satisfaction of seeing that work benefit their community.

We're especially proud of them and the fine work they do!

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We salute our 4-H Club members and leaders and wish them the bet of success.

**Texas Corn Growers** Association

### Cargill honored as 'Friend of 4-H'

Cargill Grain Division in Hart was honored as the 1998 Friend of 4-H during the annual 4-H Awards Banquet in August.

Accepting the award on behalf of Cargill was Buddy Seago. The announcement was made by Lucy Pohlmeier, president of the 4-H Parent/Leader Association; and Seago accepted the award from Dimmitt/Bethel 4-H Club President Susan Book.

Each year, the Parent/Leader Association nominates an individual, group or business as its "Friend of 4-

According to Pohlmeier, Cargill was honored with the award for its donation of time and money, and its interest in the well being of farm kids across Texas through its program, "Farm Safety for Kids."

## Record book winners named

4-H'ers participating in projects complete record books about those projects and each year the completed books are judged and winners are honored at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

The Best Rookie Award is presented to the 4-H'er in each category who completed their first record

This year's Junior I Rookie Award was presented to Anna Brockman.

Awards also are presented for the best record books in each classification. This year's winners are Adrienne Hart, Best Junior I Record Book; Jaci Bishop, Best Junior II Record Book; and Rusty McDaniel, Best Senior Record Book.

## 'I like 4-H because I can meet people' By CHANDRA JORDAN

I go to 4-H because I like to meet new people and friends. I also go to 4-H because I love my horses and like to see and learn about other people's horses.

I like to learn about my community and country. I like to learn how to help my community. I also like to learn the parts of animals like horses.



GOLD STAR AWARDS for 1998 went to Rachel Wall (left) and Kristin Hales at the annual Castro County 4-H Achievement Banquet held Aug. 3 at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. The two girls are longtime members of 4-H and have represented their respective clubs and county at the district and state levels. Wall is a member of the Hart 4-H Club and Photo by Anne Acker Hales belongs to the Flagg 4-H Club.

## Wall and Hales earn 4-H Gold Star honors

Castro County 4-H recognized two young ladies for their numerous achievements in 4-H by presenting them with the Gold Star Award at the annual 4-H banquet, which was held

in August. The Gold Star award is the highest honor bestowed on a 4-H'er at the

county level. Recipients of this year's Gold Star award are Rachel Wall of Hart and Kristin Hales of Nazareth.

Wall has been active in 4-H for eight years. She is a student at Hart High School.

Wall has been active in Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Photography, Recreation and Public Speaking projects. She has participated in county, district and state roundups. She represented Castro County at the district fashion show, district food show and state photography contest.

Wall has served her club as president, vice president and as County Council delegate.

Wall is also active outside of 4-H She is a member of the Hart Longhorn Band and is feature twirler for the group.

She is the 16-year-old daughter of Don and Neoma Williams.

Hales is a nine-year member of the Flagg 4-H. She is a senior at Nazareth High School.

Her 4-H projects include Horse, Sheep, Veterinary Science, Beef, Public Speaking and Beef Cow Production. She has been an active member of the 4-H Horse Club.

Hales is a member of the Horse Judging Team that competed at state for years and was on the team that won the state competition last year. The team competed at the Junior World Horse Show in Fort Worth, placing fourth.

Hales currently serves as the Horse Club president and has been named a District 4-H Council Delegate.

She is the 17-year-old daughter of Rod and Jobe Hales.

## Charity golf tournament will benefit South Plains 4-H

Area golfers will be competing in a fun tournament and benefitting 4-H at the same time in the EXCELL Charity Golf Tournament today (Thursday) at Meadow Brook Golf Course in Lubbock.

"We will award prizes for first, second and third place. Other contests will include 'closest to the

## 4-H'ers planning for food projects

Castro County 4-H'ers are currently working on food projects and are perfecting dishes they will enter in the Castro County Food Show on Nov. 7.

The Extension staff has planned several food classes to help 4-H'ers on their project, with the first class being held last Thursday, Oct. 1.

During that class, 4-H'ers heard a short program on baking, then made cookies for teacher baskets for 4-H Week.

The second class will be held today (Thursday) at the Extension office and it will cover food safety. 4-H'ers also will work on food show entries.

On Oct. 15, 4-H'ers may attend a Taste of Home Cooking School in Plainview. Those interested should call County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal at 647-4115.

A class on food preparation will be held on Oct. 22.

The final class will be held on Oct. 29 and will be a practice session for the food show. 4-H'ers should bring their supplies for the food show.

Several other activities for food projects will be held throughout the year. For more information contact

## 4-H teaches self-control, says Odom

By ERIC ODOM

I like 4-H because you learn self control. You have to work together. You learn your responsibilities like grooming, working and riding.

I like it because it's fun. I met kids out of Dimmittant appear to

I learned to feed my horse every day. I learned to ride and halter my

Davis, Extension 4-H specialist in Lubbock. "Meadow Brook is located in Mackenzie Park, just off of Interstate 27."

Tee times for the tournament are 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Four- diverse," Davis said. "4-H isn't just person scramble teams can enter for \$100 per team. Individual golfers without a team can also enter for \$25 each. They will be "teamed" in groups of four, Davis said.

a golfer to participate in our 4-H charity tournament. Individuals can become a green sponsor for \$100, or a tee sponsor for \$50. Other private donations are always welcome, too," she said.

All of the money generated by the added. tournament will go to support Texas 4-H and Youth Development informal South Plains.

support capable, competent and caring Texas citizens through a variety of activities. EXCELL stands for experience, citizenship and examples for lifetime leadership. The 4-H program seeks to further the education and cultural development counties of West Texas.

youngsters are enrolled in 4-H Week, Oct. 4-10.

pin,' 'longest drive,' 'longest putt,' programs on the South Plains. More and 'closest to the cup,'" said Allison than 28,500 youths will participate ir 1997-98 South Plains 4-H projects. with leadership from 940 youth volunteers and more than 4,300 adult volunteers.

"Extension 4-H programs are quite rural youngsters. Our membership is just as diverse as our programs. Our top ten 4-H project areas this year include healthy lifestyles, values clarification, "You don't necessarily have to be agriculture in the classroom, animals and livestock, food and nutrition, development personal leadership, safety, citizenship, science and technology parenting and family life."

4-H'ers learn by doing, Davis

"By participating in formal and community-focused Education Program activities on the activities, they develop skills that stay with them throughout their lives. 4-H is designed to foster and They also learn the importance of leadership and volunteerism as youths and adults. Over time, they become stronger members of strong families and communities. 4-H has something to offer for everyone," she said.

The EXCELL Charity Golf of deserving youths in the upper 41 Tournament is just one of many activities slated statewide and More than 23,000 West Texas nationwide during National 4-H





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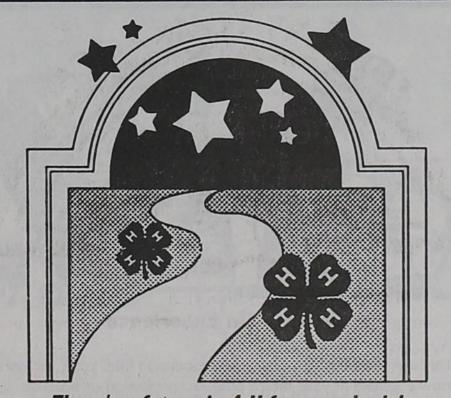


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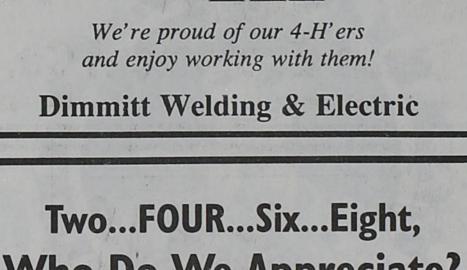


There's a future in 4-H for everybody!

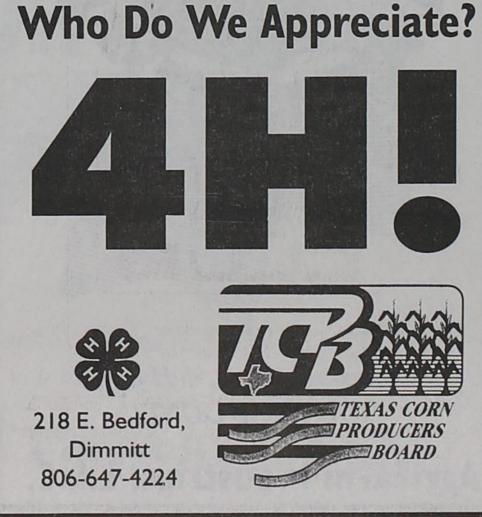
A bright one. A right one. A future upon which America can depend. For hope for a peaceful world. A pledge of Heads, Hearts, Hands and Health working to make it all happen. Concerned young citizens dedicated to a round-the-clock goal, service and better commnity living. Aware. Determined. Energetic. Keep it up, 4-H'ers!

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## Silver Stars given to Hart and Bishop

Castro County honored a Junior 4-H'er with the Silver Star Award for the first time in 1993 and the presentation continued this year when Aaron Hart and Jeremy Bishop were honored at the annual 4-H Awards Banquet in August.

The Silver Star Award is designed to recognize outstanding Junior 4-H'ers for achievements in their project areas and also for leadership and community service.

Hart, son of Vic and Laura Hart, has been in 4-H for seven years. He has been active in several projects including Swine, Livestock Judging, Gardening, Food and Nutrition, Pubwell as many leadership and community service activities.

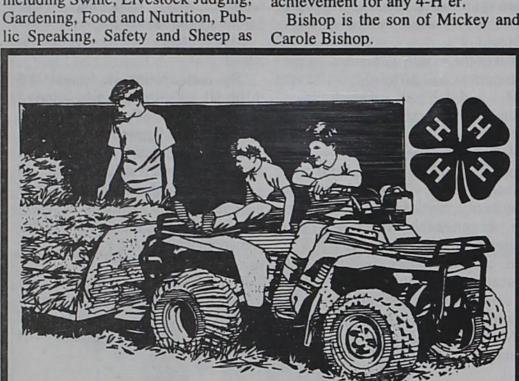
Hart has won many district contests with method demonstrations and this year he placed at the state contest in College Station.

A four-year 4-H member, Bishop has been involved in Public Speaking, Food and Nutrition, Health, Consumer Education and Recreation.

Being very active in community service and leadership activities has become a way of life for Bishop.

He qualified for state in two categories this year, which is quite an achievement for any 4-H'er.

Bishop is the son of Mickey and

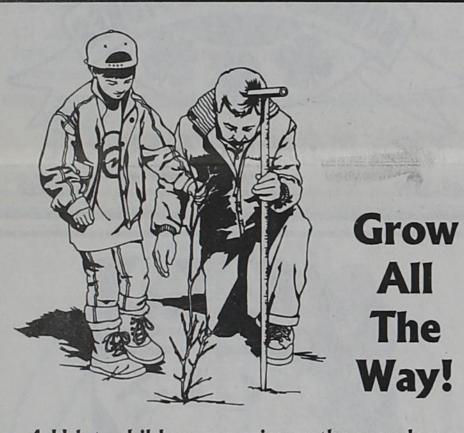


4-H has served and continues to be a pathway to achievement for many individuals, not only in their careers but in their overall pursuit of more productive, meaningful lives.

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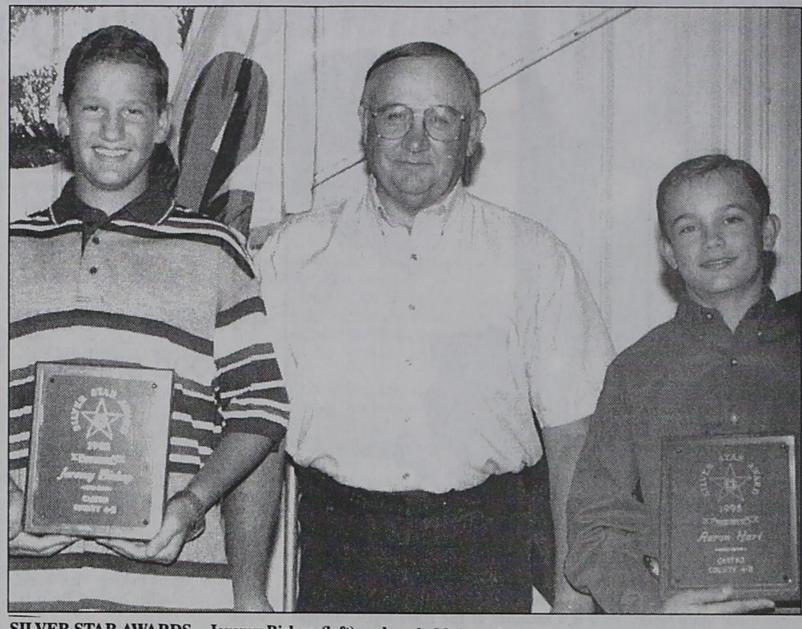


4-H lets children experience the wonders of nature for themselves. And it instills a love of learning. Bravo 4-H!

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SILVER STAR AWARDS—Jeremy Bishop (left) and Aaron Hart (right) are presented their awards by Nazareth Mayor Ralph Brockman (center) at the annual Castro County 4-H Achievement Banquet

held Aug. 3 at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. The Silver Star recognizes outstanding Junior 4-H'ers for achievements in their project areas. Photo by Anne Acker

## Dimmitt/Bethel Club sports large membership

one of the biggest 4-H Clubs in Castro County, and the group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the courthouse basement.

This month, the group will be a 4-H project center, and that will be the program for the October meeting.

In November, the club will hear a Council delegate. program on careers, given by Earl Behrends. December's program will be a community project, and 4-H'ers will create an entry for the Chamber's "Parade of Lights."

A program on showmanship will be presented by County Agent Rebel Royall in December.

County Agent Marilyn Neal will give a program on method demonstrations in March.

In April, an international program will highlight the agenda.

are Jeffrey Stovall, first vice president; Bryce Pohlmeier, second vice president; Thomas Brockman, third vice president; Jennifer Wilhelm, secretary; Jeremy Bishop, treasurer; selling candy bars to raise money for Jody Stovall, historian; Anna Brockman, historian; Corey Lane, parlia-mentarian; and Jeremy Furr, County

> Lyndee Behrends, Jaci Bishop, Jeffrey Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Eric Book, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Furr, Gabriel Garcia, Jared Griffitt, Kaden Griffitt, Tanner Griffitt, Brittany Heard, Haley Heard, Lyndsey Heard, Niccole Heard, M'Lissa Hufhines, Ross Hunter, Ryan hunter, Bradley Lane, Corey

The Dimmitt/Bethel 4-H Club is Club is Susan Book. Other officers Charley Nutt, Bryce Pohlmeier, Jeffrey Stovall, Jody Stovall, Lauren Waggoner, Tyler Waggoner, Brandon Wilhelm, Heath Wilhelm, Jennifer Wilhelm, Jake Wright and Shenea Wright.

Texas 4-H sets Rabbit Extravaganza

The Texas 4-H Rabbit Project Team will host the 1998 Texas 4-H Rabbit Extravaganza on Nov. 21 at the Killeen Special Events Center.

There will be several special activities including a rabbit bowl, rabbit photo contest, rabbit method demonstration and more.

Early entry deadline is Nov. 11. If you would like more information about the 1998 Rabbit Extravaganza call Benny Martinez at the County Extension office, 647-4115.

## 4-H'ers should be buying lambs and swine now

4-H'ers interested in having a lamb or swine project this year and who plan to show those animals at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show should be purchasing their animals soon.

Those who have not purchased animals yet should contact Rebel Royall or Benny Martinez at the Extension Office and they will help locate animals.

Lamb validation will be held Oct. 20 at 3:30 p.m. at the Ag Farm in Dimmitt, on Oct. 21 at the Nazareth FFA Building and on Oct. 22 at 3:30 p.m. at the FFA Barn in Dimmitt. Swine validation will be held sometime in November.

4-H'ers who have already purchased their animals should call Martinez or Royall and let them

## McDaniel challenged Club members are Sage Annen, Robin Beames, Garrett Behrends, With 'I Dare You' award

A longtime 4-H'er who is active in several different 4-H projects earned the Danforth "I Dare You" award at Brandon Furr, Jeremy Furr, Shane this year's 4-H Achievement Banquet in August.

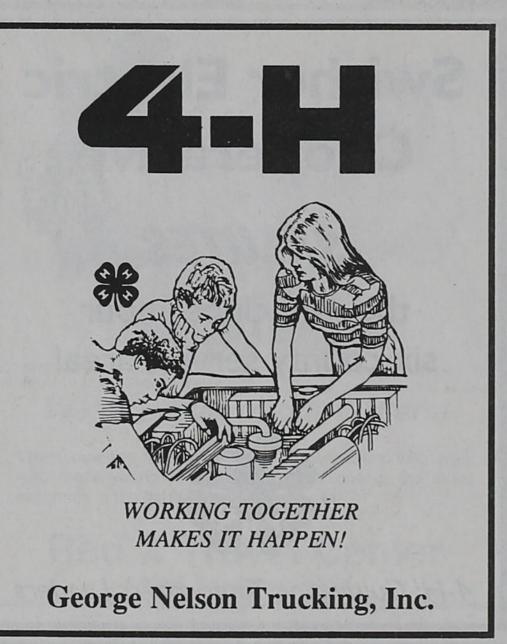
Earning the copy of Danforth's book, I Dare You, this year was Rusty McDaniel, son of Donny and Janet McDaniel.

The award is presented to 4-H'ers President of the Dimmitt/Bethel Lane, Holly Lane, Casey Maurer, in recognition of excellence in character and well balanced personal development as well as leadership potential. In addition to the national recognition received, the award provides the recipient with a copy of William H. Danforth's book, I Dare You, and a personalized certificate.

Mr. Danforth wrote the book out of his own experiences. He dedicated much of his time and philanthropy to youth work. In the book he challenges readers to aspire to their highest potential, to attain constructive lives of service and citizenship and to commit themselves to excellence.

McDaniel has demonstrated leadership in a variety of ways, according to Extension agents. He has been involved in Horse, Sheep and Beef projects. He has won numerous awards at district and state.

A member of the Flagg and Horse Clubs, McDaniel has been active in 4-H for nine years.





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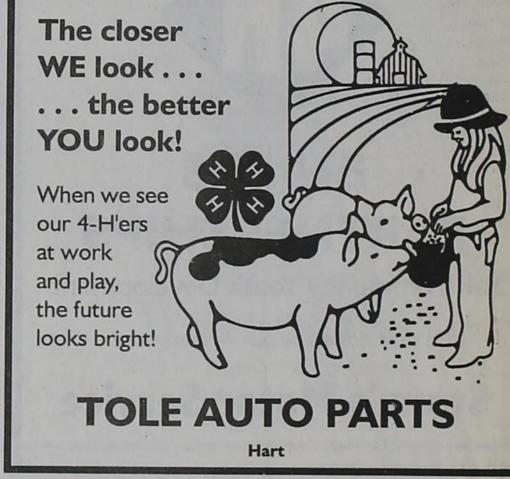
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## Hart 4-H programs include canned food drive this month

a variety of projects and plans Davis, Austin Dudley, John P. several more activities during the Emery, Stacy Finch, Kellie George, coming year.

food drive, which will be conducted McReynolds, during October. Plans for this will be discussed at the group's October meeting on Wednesday.

The Hart 4-H Club meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Hale County State Bank Community Room.

Club officers are Melanie Davis, president; Rachel Wall, vice president, Adrienne Hart, secretary; John Emery, treasurer; Stacy Finch, reporter; and Aaron Hart, council delegate. D'Neise Smith serves as appointed historian.

The club roster includes Breanne Davis in April.

The Hart 4-H Club has worked on Brantley, Cole Brantley, Melanie Aaron Hart, Adrienne Hart, Adam First on the agenda is a canned Hart, Ashley Johnson, Aubra Kimberley McReynolds, Whitney Mitchell, D'Neise Smith and Rachel Wall.

> Other programs planned by the group during the coming year are an entomology demonstration by Aaron Hart in November; a Christmas party and community service discussion in December; a program by Rachel Wall in January; method demonstration by Stacy Finch in February; a clothing project by Adrienne Hart in March; and method book demonstration by Melanie

## Flagg 4-H Club plans variety of programs during coming year

The Flagg 4-H Club will enjoy featured in April and presenter will reports on comparison shopping, 4-H events, food safety and more during the coming year.

The group gathers on the second on buttons and mending clothing. Sunday or Monday of each month at the courthouse and Dimmitt. Meeting time is usually 7 p.m.

At the October meeting, which will be held Monday, 4-H'ers will discuss different 4-H events and activities in which they can participate.

During November, the group will have a program on food nutrition and food safety and will discuss Christmas plans.

on Christmas, scholarship forms and community service.

A program on safety will top the agenda for the January meeting and in March, the topic will be trips and recreation activities.

Meeting dates and times vary.

Nutrition by Marilyn Neal.

exchange student in April.

Other programs planned include preparing St. Nick baskets in Decem-

in January, method demonstrations in

Members are Mandy Birkenfeld,

Kimberly Brockman, Lesley Brock-

man, Mitchell Brockman, Bridget

Hochstein, Kelsey Hochstein, Clay

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Garrett Kleman, Karis Kleman,

Jessica McGilvray, Adam Schulte,

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Nazareth 4-H is one of

The Nazareth 4-H Club is one of helm and Vanessa Wilhelm.

the larger 4-H clubs in the county Nazareth 4-H Club officers are and the group meets once each Jessica Kern, president; Matthew

month at the Nazareth City Hall. Kern, first vice president; Aaron

started off the club's year at Septem- Vanessa Wilhelm, secretary; Mitchell

ber's meeting. This month's meeting Brockman, treasurer and council will feature a program on Food and delegate; and Jessica McGilvray,

ber, a district roundup demonstration 4-H clubs honor

February and a program by a foreign adult managers

Programs on swine and sheep Hochstein, third vice president;

be either Phil Lemons or Rachel Wall.

May's program will feature sewing Record books and project forms will be explained in June.

Members of the Flagg 4-H Club are Mary Bradley, Raynee Bradley, Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Adam Hunter, Meggie Lemons, Taylor Matthews, Rusty McDaniel, Chris Reynolds, Kami Sanders, Kaci Schulte, Lori Schulte, Carol Summers, Justin Sutton, Rusty In December, the program will be Wooten, Adam Wright, Matthew Wright and Wesley Wright.

Club officers are Rusty Wooten, president; Mary Bradley, vice president; Lori secretary/treasurer; Rusty McDaniel,

Schulte, council delegate; and Raynee A program on photography will be Bradley, reporter/historian.

Kern, second vice president; Bridget

Each 4-H Club in Castro County

works under the guidance of an adult

club manager and club members

honored those managers during the

Club managers recognized were

Mary Alice Lane, Dimmitt/Bethel 4-

H Club; Jerry Matthews, Flagg 4-H

Club; Neoma Williams, Hart 4-H

Club; Sharon Brockman, Nazareth 4-

H Club; Shirley Brockman, Con-

sumer Decision Making Club; and

Janet McDaniel, 4-H Horse Club.

4-H Achievement Banquet.

## '4-H takes you places'

My interests are 4-H and computers. My future plans are to breed champion, then one day I got major in computers and become a reserve grand champion with my

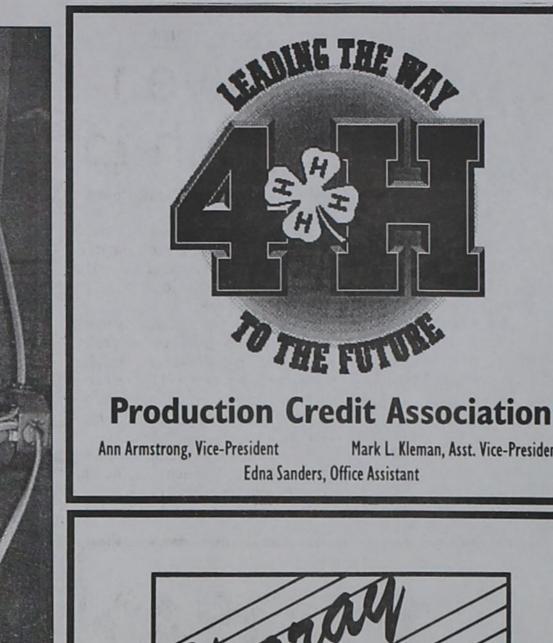
my remaining school years. I think make it, however. that 4-H is fun. It teaches you lots of things and takes you places.

I show swine at the stock shows. working with.

13 years old. My project area in 4-H then I went on to bigger and better

spot hog. He also went to Brenham I also want to be in 4-H for all of with 5,000 other hogs. He didn't

Well, 4-H has really taught me to



KACI SCHULTE (left) OF DIMMITT and Ben Angeley of Earth learn how to rewire electrical lines in a cabin during a recent 4-H Electric Camp. Schulte is currently serving as president of the Texas 4-H. Electric Camp is just one of the many camps and activities in which Schulte has participated through her long, successful 4-H career.

# Hi, my name is Jody Stovall. I'm My first year I got seventh place,

is Food and Nutrition.

computer scientist.

I started getting first places, then

see a lot of activities that I enjoy



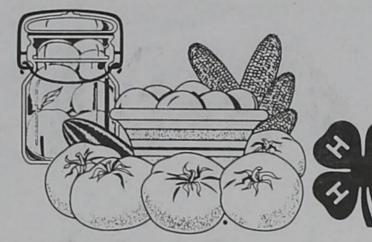
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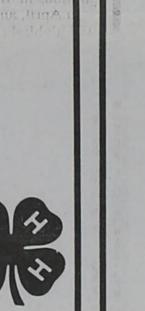
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#### county's larger 4-H clubs What's cooking with 4-H?

All those good things at the county food show are just the beginning of the fun and learning our Castro County 4-H'ers participate in. We hope this great program keeps right on growing!



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4-H builds citizens, molds character, encourages leadership. We salute the club members and their leaders!

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## Love of horses draws Hatla to 4-H program

By CHASE HATLA

I joined 4-H Horse Club because I like horses and wanted to learn more about them.

I really enjoy competing in the horse shows.

Janet, Kenny and several others work really hard to make a difference in our performances and I appreciate all of their hard work. I have learned a lot about responsibility, competition and sportsmanship and I have made a lot of new friends this past year.

I am glad I joined the 4-H Horse Club and I'm looking forward to learning more in the future.

## Trap Club is active in the summer

The Castro County 4-H Trap and Skeet club meets on Mondays during the summer months, beginning in

April and continuing through July. Members of the club are Jeremy Furr, Shane Furr, Jared Griffitt, Tanner Griffitt, Corey Lane, Wesley Mays, Ramey Rice and Tanner Self.

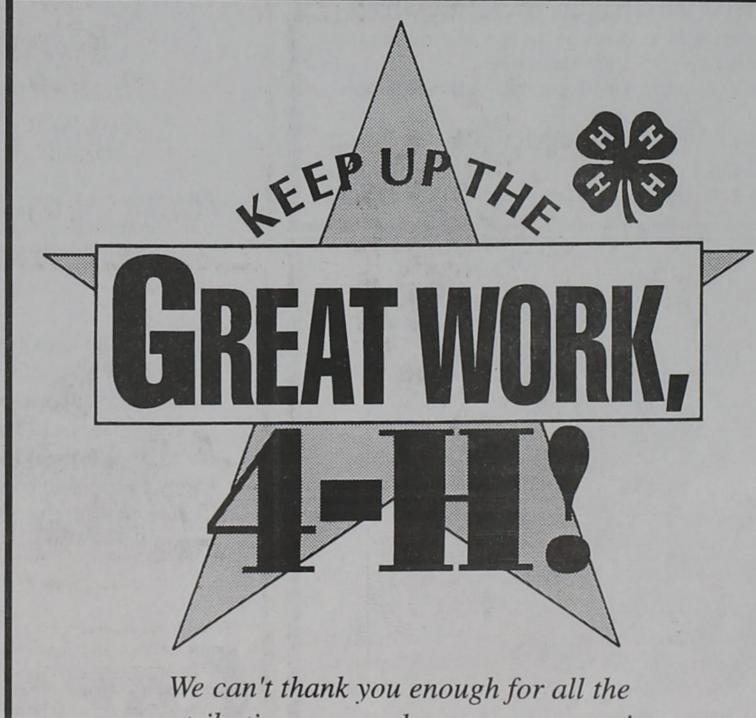


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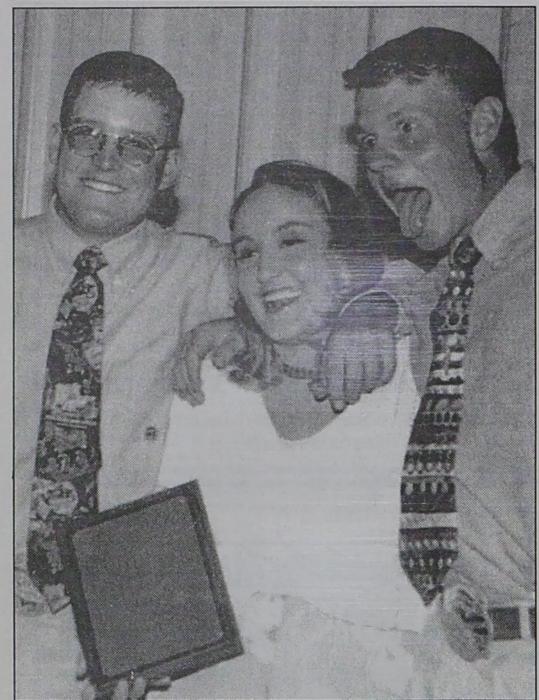


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CASTRO COUNTY 4-H'ERS (from left) Rusty McDaniel, Kristin Hales and Rusty Wooten take time out for a little "horsing around" at the Castro County 4-H Achievement Banquet in August. The trio are members of the county horse judging team which won state and competed in the world competition. Not pictured is another team member, Cody Photo by Anne Acker

## 4-H Horse Club enjoys judging, showing, riding

The Castro County 4-H Horse Rusty Wooten. Club is one of the most successful of national recognition.

Members of that team were Kristin Dimmitt. Hales, Rusty McDaniel, Rusty Wooten and Cody Annen.

Sage Annen, Mary Bradley, Raynee secretary/treasurer/reporter Brantley, Colt Brantley, Jake delegate. Ebeling, Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Chandra Jordan, Keean Lilley, Rusty

The Horse Club meets the first and its kind in the state and has earned third Tuesday of each month-at 6:30 p.m. in the winter and at 5:30 Last year the group's 4-H Horse p.m. in the summer. The group Judging Team was first and state and gathers at either the courthouse competed in the world show. basement or the riding arena in

Jennifer Wilhelm serves as president of the club while Reece Members of the Horse Club are Hales is vice president, Eric Odom is Bradley, Beau Bradley, Breann Kristin Hales serves as a council

Programs planned during the McDaniel, Jana Nelson, Chris coming year include horse judging Reynolds, Trinity Robb, Benjamin and horse bowls, community service, Sides, Kathleen Sides, Dennis Christmas, 4-H events, barrel racing Underwood, Jennifer Wilhelm and and pole racing, and team roping.



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## McDaniel honored as top 4-H leader

The Castro County 4-H Clubs enjoy success each year and large part of that success is due to adult leaders who volunteer their time and energy in organizing projects and

Each year, the County 4-H Council recognizes one individual leader with an Outstanding Leader Award and this year's recipient is Janet McDaniel.

McDaniel was honored at the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet in August.

McDaniel has been active as a club manager and in the Parent/Leader Association. She has guided many 4-H'ers to achieve great goals. With her help, Castro County has been recognized as a state leader in the 4-H Horse Program.

## **Underwood and 'Sparky'** enjoy 4-H competitions

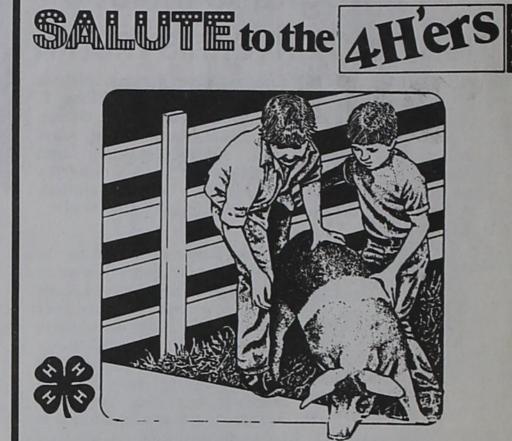
My name is Dennis Underwood. I trophies. am 9 years old. My horse's name is Sparky. He is 18 years old.

I have shown horses for the last three years. I like riding my horse in Western Pleasure and Western Horsemanship. I also like to show him in halter and showmanship.

The very best part is winning

It takes a lot of work and practice before a show. I have to wash my horse the night before a show and pack all of my stuff.

Next year I will show as a junior. I will have to work very hard, but it will be fun.



We're proud of our young people and the fine work they do in our area 4-H clubs!

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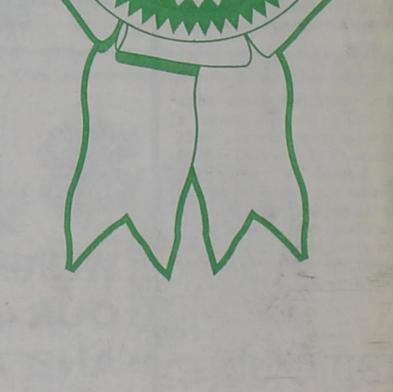


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All across the nation, 4-H is becoming an intergral part of our communities, helping young people to become aware, active and concerned with their environment and the world.

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It's an organization that we're proud to support and happy to applaud for their continual achievements. Thanks to 4-H, and the work they do, we feel that this community's a little richer ... a little brighter.



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# Barbed Wire...

# Fencing is Sims' business

Angie Grand Pre Ag Reporter Assistant Editor

Twelve years ago, Harry Sims saw a need for a business. A business that would provide a valuable service to Texas ranchers and a business that could easily prosper in this area. It was the business of building fences.

"There is still a need and always will be a need for fencing," Sims said. "Barbed wire came in the 1800's, now we're at the end of the 1900's and there are more fencing crews than ever. The future of fencing is bright."

Over the years, Sims Fencing and Construction has developed into a business that constructs more than fences.

"When we started out, our main focus was barbed wire fencing," Harry said. "It kind of ballooned from there."

#### "There is still a need and always will be a need for fencing."

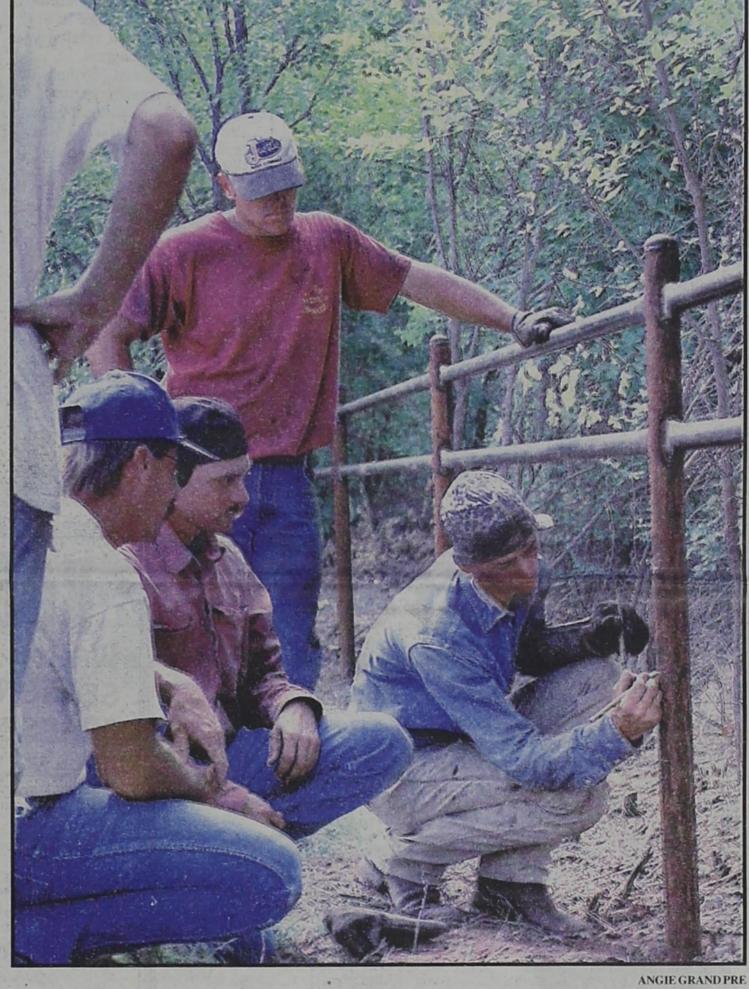
Harry Sims

In the beginning, when constructing barbed wire fences, Sims' crew would weld corner posts, which in a sense turned their focus on to pipe fencing, according to Sims. From there, the business expanded to include the construction of steel buildings and now steel framed homes are a possibility.

Throughout the years, the change Sims has noticed the most is wood being replaced by metal.

"The biggest change is instead of wood corners and posts, steel

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Brandon Nix (standing), Ben Meadows (middle) and Harry Sims (near) listen to Tye Sims (right) as he demonstrates the height of where wire clips should be welded. The crew was working on an all-pipe fence north of Canyon.

# A brief history lesson about area barbed wire

#### Earl Moseley

Ag Reporter Correspondent

Barbed wire fences almost resulted in a civil war throughout Texas during the 1880s.

Although a number of Western novels with fictionized plots were based on the range wars, the barbed wire episodes were true.

Fence cutting resulted in bloody conflicts that had to be curtailed by new laws and enforcement by Texas Rangers, under orders from Gov. John Ireland.

A special session of the Legislature, called by Ireland in 1884, made fence-cutting a felony. Gates in the fences were required to be placed every three miles. Open land was not to be fenced under any circumstance.

Prior to the passage of these laws, cattlemen who depended on the open range for pastureland were often forced by homesteaders to curtail this practice by their erection of barbed wire fences, according to the Texas Almanac.

Barbed wire, invented by Joseph F. Glidden of DeKalb, Ill., in 1874, became successful because it enabled small farmers to fence in their livestock on government land. Glidden became wealthy from sales.

His invention contained steel wiring twisted together with thornlike barbs at frequent intervals. Later copies had two or more wires twisted together for holding the "stickers."

When early pioneers settled the plains, they discovered that wood was scarce. They planted shrubs such as osage orange, which had thorns, and grew thick enough to hold their animals captive. Glidden was inspired by these thorny shrubs.

Glidden, however, became involved in a battle of his own, especially after the Union Pacific

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ANGIE GRAND PRE

One of the many barbed wire exhibits on display at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum on the WTAMU campus in Canyon.

#### CALENDAR

#### October 8 TSCRA meeting

A Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Outreach meeting in scheduled to be held at Herring National Bank in Vernon, Texas. For more information, call 1-800-242-7820.

#### October 14 Farmer-Stockman Show

At 10 a.m., during the Farmer-Stockman Show in Lubbock, the Texas Agricultural Council has scheduled an event to express agriculture's appreciation to Congressman Thornberry for his efforts in Washington. The event will take place in the speakers tent in the Info-Plaza on the southwest corner of the exhibit field.

#### October 16-31 Big Texan Big Boo

The 2nd annual Big Boo at the Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo will be held these days. This year's event includes an expanded Maze Craze, two scary haunted houses and a variety of games, food and fun for all ages. For more information, call (806)372-6000.

#### October 25-27 TCFA Convention

The TCFA annual convention will be held in Fort Worth. A topnotch lineup of speakers is being assembled to cover topics such as the future for beef, how cattle feeders can remain competitive in the years ahead and changing consumer expectations.

#### November 9 Cook-Off Recipes due

Deadline for entering recipes in the 1999 National Beef Cook-Off. Call (312)823-9300 for more information.

#### December 1-3 Farm and Ranch Show

The 14th annual Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show will be held in the Amarillo Civic Center from 9 a.m - 5 p.m. each day. Admission is free and for more information, call 1-800-827-8007.

#### February 24-26 Women in Agriculture

A business management program for women in agriculture is being offered at the Holiday Inn in Lubbock. For more information, call (409)845-7171.

To place your event in the calendar, fax it to (806) 655-0823.

# Combest warns against veto of Ag Disaster Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. House Agriculture Committee Vice Chairman Larry Combest (R-Texas) said Friday's passage of drought relief makes critically-needed cash infusions, as well as increased livestock feed assistance for producers back home - more meaningful and even-handed, said Combest, than an increase in loan rates insisted upon by President Clinton.

Congressman Combest noted that the \$4 billion disaster and market loss assistance has increased livestock feed assistance to \$175 million in the final version approved by the Congress.

The congressman said that with presidential signature, farmers can be advanced an additional 29 percent of their 1998 transition payments and disaster funds in 30 to 45 days.

"Congress has readied the check to producers and all the president has to do is sign it," said Combest. "I would strongly urge the president to not hold up more than \$4 billion assistance to producers based on his hollow demand to also include a \$5 billion increase in loan rates that fail to help our producers who have lost their crops. You cannot get a loan on crops that are wiped out by drought. Increasing loans rates in other parts of the country would place more crops in government storage, and building in an even larger stockpile resulting in continued depressed market

The package includes \$2.35 billion for crop disaster losses:

\*\$1.5 billion to assist producers who have been hit by crop losses in 1998.

\* An additional \$675 million to provide assistance to producers who have suffered multiple-year crop losses.

\*\$175 million to implement a livestock feed assistance cost-share program to cover 1998 losses.

In addition, \$1.65 billion for market loss assistance as a one-time payment to farmers eligible for current farm bill contracts.

prices next year. Getting cash, not more loans helps folks hard-hit back home."

Combest pointed out that the one-time payment will equal an additional 29 percent of a producer's 1999 AMTA payment.

That is in addition to the current

1998 AMTA payment, as well as a producer's option to receive an advance on their 1999 payment approved last month by Congress.

A separate tax relief measure now pending in the U.S. Senate would also provide producers important tax relief which:

\* Makes permanent the threeyear income averaging for farmers and ranchers, and extends the net operating loss carryback period for farmers and ranchers from two to five years - of critical help for the upcoming tax season when the current disaster year can be balanced against years of uneven and unpredictable income;

\* Increases the small business expensing deduction to \$25,000 (saving approximately \$1,700 for small business owners, farmers and ranchers);

\* Allows 100 percent deduction of premiums for health insurance for the self employed, (which includes farmers and ranchers) beginning next year;

\* Establishes a \$1 million exemption from estate taxes for estates that are transferred to surviving relatives beginning in 1999.

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# Cotton industry represented in Washington by local leaders

Renee' Fikes special to the Ag Reporter

Idalou mayor, Mike Mauldin, joined leaders from Texas cotton producers' organizations, including Plains Cotton Growers, in Washington D.C. to meet with USDA and congressional leaders on farm credit issues last month.

With the Texas drought shaping up, it was obvious to these leaders that a credit crunch would be inevitable and the issue of disaster assistance needed to be discussed.

"Drought is a slow process," said Steve Verett, Executive Vice President of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. "It is slow to develop and slow to assess the damage."

Typical disaster programs have been based on loss of yield. The dry land producers fall into this category. However, with high energy cost and low prices, the irrigated producer will experience an equal loss.

Mauldin was asked to join the group because of his experience with the Farm Service Administration and service on USDA committees coupled with his financial expertise. It was important that a member of the group have authority in the financial realms of the discussions. Mauldin is president of Security Bank in Idalou.

"Mauldin worked well in that regard," said Verett. He was able to speak to the Ag Credit USDA about rules and regulations that are not necessary.

"Congressional offices were sympathetic," said Verett. "But, they are budget driven. Conservative congressmen are not willing to go beyond the budget."

Legislation was introduced into congress to try to address some of the problems before their break.

The main result of the Washington meetings was for the leaders to return to Texas and instigate a meeting of the

"We can't continue to take the equity out of the farmers pocket and expect him to survive. They will become like the dinosaurs."

Mike Mauldin



Mike Mauldin joined Plains Cotton Growers Inc. in speaking to congressional offices and federal agencies on farm credit and drought issues.

Texas FSA and the federal ag credit representatives in College Station and work out management issues and produce a product that can be issued in a timely manner.

Representatives Combest and Stenholm were to be present in case statutory limitations with the program needed to be changed.

Individuals from the Texas FSA, USDA Ag Credit representatives from Washington, cotton organization leaders and ag banking representatives met in College Station August 8th.

"The discussions were open and frank," said Verett. 'We got the assurance of the State Executive Director of the Texas FSA that he would do whatever he could to administer and process loans in a timely manner. We also received assurance from the Washington FSA representatives that they would work on any impediments in their regulatory authority to make the process work as well. Combest's staff said that they will try to expedite some of the statutory

problems after Labor Day."

"If the FSA had the same concerns and response time as FEMA we wouldn't have problems. We are real fortunate in Lubbock County to have the people in FSA that we have," said Mauldin. "Craig Simpson does an excellent job and has a quick turn around time to our farmers."

Verett remains cautiously optimistic due to the past experience, but hopeful there will be some action in a timely manner to help the producers.

"The credit folks have a greater understanding of the needs of these special programs and with the banks that deal with agriculture," said Verett. If the credit issues are not laid out before December or January when the producers go in for refinancing, it will be disastrous.

"We can't continue to take the equity out of the farmer's pocket and expect him to survive," said Mauldin. "They will become like the dinosaurs. If we lose the farmers, we lose

## Fighting greenbugs is a continous problem

RICHARD PORTER

Special to The Ag Reporter

Plant breeders have to enjoy challenges because the nature of their work constantly creates new ones.

Lee Leonard, sorghum research manager for Cargill in Aiken, addressed the irony of his and his colleagues' predicament as he talked of work being undertaken to develop greenbug resistance in sorghum

While their goal is to produce hybrids that are capable of overcoming every obstacle, inevitably, they seem to end up creating a

new problem.
"When you put a force on an organism of resistance, that organism will slowly make a change against that resistance.

ticular biotype and the population of greenbugs is so large that in that group somewhere there is going to be some individual who will have a resistance to our resistance," he said.

At that point, survival of the fittest takes over, he said.

About five years ago, a new biotype of greenbug appeared, biotype I. Work has been going on since then to develop hybrids which are resistant to that new development. The problem is, now there is evidence of another new biotype, K, he said. The implication was clear. It looks like a never-ending battle.

Cargill is not the only research facility in the area concentrating on greenbug resistance. According to Dr. Kay Porter, worldwide

biotypes because we get resistance to a par- research center north of Plainview, his company is involved heavily in that work.

> "One of the most important things we're working on now is greenbug resistance. I just got a note this morning from one of our salesmen saying he's seeing more and more damage to the old biotype E-resistant hybrids. The greenbug is changing. The biotype I is becoming the dominant insect out there," Porter said.

According to Rex DeLong, center manager and breeder for Pioneer's Plainview facility, the sorghum plant is susceptible to the greenbug virtually from the time it breaks the surface of the ground. It still can kill the plant

after grain is formed in the head, he said. However, normally the insect comes out of wheat to attack the sorghum when it is about

"We, as breeders, actually force the new director for sorghum research for the Pioneer knee high, Porter said, adding that basically the pest injects a toxin into the plant that

> The gene being introduced into the hybrids short-circuits the toxin so that it will not kill the tissue, Porter said. The resistant plant still will have green bugs on it; there simply will have to be more of them to overcome the resistance, he continued.

Currently, DeLong is involved heavily in greenbug-resistance research.

It all is part of a never-ending battle. There is virtually no way for plant breeders to make an end run around the insect and fire the final shot in the battle, Leonard said.

"There is so much sorghum out there and there are so many different bugs that we just can't run all the combinations.

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Robert Lee

LONGTIME RESIDENT FROM HAPPY

## The Last Roundup

In 1910, the last public hanging took place in the Texas Panhandle. Amarillo had a population of 9,957 and the Santa Fe rail line was completed from Plainview to Lubbock and Slaton, connecting the South Plains to the Panhandle. The drought of 1909-1910 and the accompanied financial recession slowed the massive immigration to the Panhandle as the large ranches sought to diverse themselves of their huge land holdings. The first irrigation wells were only one year old when West Texas Normal School's doors were open and they joined Goodnight College, established twelve years earlier, in educating the youth of the Panhandle. A few lobo wolves, small brown bears and cougars could still be found in the canyon. It was not beyond the realm of possibility that a

stray buffalo might be seen. On September the second of that year, in a shack located between Happy Canyon and Palo Duro Canyon, twin boys were born. Thus began the life of our friend, Melton McGehee and his brother, Miles. Eighty-eight years and five days later, we received word that Melton had passed away, three weeks to the day after checking into the hospital with a stroke that stole his eyesight. I've done several articles about Melton, but I feel compelled to do one more. Upon checking into the hospital, he was worried about his wife who was recovering from a stroke and his horse who was due at the vet for treatment of a cut. I remembered that only a few weeks before, he told me, "Robert, I may have to use a barrel or a ladder to get mounted, but I intend to ride that

horse one more time." I'd like to think that God resurrected his earlier horses, Old Bartender and Sargent. Maybe he's riding one now as he ropes a few angel calves.

Last winter, Melton and I made a trip to Blanco Canyon, down by Floydada, to visit his friend, Choise Smith, an amateur historian and archaeologist, whose family settled in Blanco Canyon in 1886. On the trip down, we stopped at Caprock State Park. Melton wanted to see the fence that had been erected to hold the JA Ranch buffaloes. We drove by the maintenance headquarters and through an open gate. We were inspecting the fence when a fellow drove up and very politely said, "I'm sorry, but this is a restricted area and you're not suppose to be in here." As we drove out, I stopped and read the signs and by dog, he was right.

Going on to Quitaque, we went to Sportsman Café, where he introduced me to Mr. Pigg, the owner; to Jim Burson, the singing judge form Silverton and everyone else in the establishment. Leaying Quitaque, we headed south and then west.

Deciding to check our location and to convince ourselves that we were not lost, we stopped at a small community called Cedar Hill. Boy, those fellows were glad to see us. They were lonesome, tickled to see a new face and were very helpful. They hunted up their map, showed us where we were and called Choise to tell him we'd be a little late but were on the way. I believe those were the only people we saw that day that Melton didn't know. Mrs. Patricia Gardner wrote a wonderful tribute about Melton in her column, Vigo Park News, in the Tulia Herald. Permit me to quote: "When Melton came into the sale barn, he made sure he spoke to every human he knew there, and even asked some strangers who they were, or asked one of us other spectators if we knew the stranger." He made me pay attention in that he would ask if I knew this person or that he'd met in life, and then proceed to tell me some really interesting things about that person. He was that way everywhere he went,

whether it was in the agricultural world or elsewhere. Melton was a gentleman and a cowman, and he always projected that image in his stature and dress. Even when he had his hip replaced more than once and had every excuse not to, he could be seen out in public with his boots on. When he began carrying a cane, he did it with stature, not embarrassment, as do many old men. It just made him look more distinguished. Every Monday, Melton ate a steak at the sale barn, and in fact, ate a steak wherever he dined out in public. He was extremely proud to be a cattleman and believed in his product. Most of all, Melton loved horses. He was monumentally involved in the organization of the American Quarter Horse Association and always promoted them. As I stood at the grave site at Wayside, among the multitude of Melton's family, friends and neighbors, listening to the singing judge, Jim Burson, sing "The Last Roundup," my thoughts drifted to the past and the many changes that had occurred in the past eighty-eight years and a few days.



#### **Monte Winders**

FUTURES SPECIALIST

#### Market News

Cattle

The cattle market ended the month of September on a lower note with most of the months trading lower. The latest Hog & Pig report was released and the reaction was positive to the near term and negative for the distant months. Most of the analysts felt as long as the boards are going down, packers won't pay anything for cattle. The boxed beef trade is sluggish, indicating that retail demand is floundering as the market heads into October, which happens to be "National Pork Month." During October most retailers have a lot more features on pork than anything else. Traders are also watching Oct. 5, first notice day for live cattle, thinking that packers could get all of the cattle they need further reducing the desire to pay up cash cattle. Technically the cattle market looks terrible. There's just no reason to buy with the decline below the 40 day moving averages according to one analyst. Another technical point is the rising open interest against a backdrop of fall pricing. The increase in open interest is probably related to a great deal of hedging activity.

Technically the December live cattle have support at 61.35 and 60.55 with resistance at 63.75 and 64.32. The main tread is up with a cycle top on Sept. 30 and a trend reversal price of 59.63.

Corn

The corn futures have traded a little better with fund buying bringing in the most support. December corn has rallied about eleven cents since the first of September. With this rally we have seen some hedge activity and some fund buying. One cash-connected floor source said that with the hedging it generated a little more sales and they

seemed to have come all at the same time. Unwinding of wheat/ corn spreads have also been supportive. With decent export loading, we have some short covering ahead of the USDA Grain Stocks Report at the end of the month. The USDA has hiked the corn condition rating to 69 percent good to excellent resulting in higher yield model readings. Over 22 percent of the crop has been harvested vs. the five year average of 10 percent. Eighty nine percent of the crop is now fully mature with a five year average of 56 percent. Some chart watchers have felt the 312 area has become resistance for December corn. Many are adopting a wait and see attitude prior to the report.

Technically we see December corn with support at 207 then 205 and resistance at 215 and 216 1/2. The main trend is down with a cycle bottom on Sept. 30 and a trend reversal price at 216.

Wheat

The wheat market has also seen some lackluster trading just like the other grains. All of the grains are just waiting for the monthly grain stocks at the end of the month. Spread unwinding has pressured prices lower along with concerns that the USDA will show large Sept. 1 stocks and hike carryover estimates. Winter wheat plantings continue to be slow with 33 percent of the presumably reduced acreage planted. The five year average is 39 percent complete.

Weather seems to be the big factor as there was light pressure as conditions are favorable in both hemispheres. Argentina has received rains in the winter wheat regions and according to weather watchers, these rains would be a "crop-maker." In Brazil, they received good rains over the

weekend and it delayed their early winter wheat harvest. In US weather, Nebraska and Kansas have a slight chance of isolated showers at the first of the month. For Texas and Oklahoma, the latest 6-10 day forecast for the winter wheat belt shows mostly normal temperatures and abovenormal rains.

Technically, December KC wheat shows support at 303 1.2 then 299 1/2 and resistance at 314. The main trend is up with a cycle top on Oct. 6 and a trend reversal price of 293 1/4.

Cotton

Many traders seem to be disappointed with this market by the price action that has not been able to hold some key intermediate support areas. One analyst has been heard talking about the fact of the crop size and Hurricane Georges' move across the Gulf Coast. Another trader was talking about the fact that the question was not whether to buy but when. Many analysts have been watching the hurricane to see if it will present a major problem to cotton growers in southern Mississippi and Georgia. Now that it has landed we'll see how the market reacts. No one doubts this storm will cause water and wind damage but scores noted that some 50 percent of the first cuttings have already been done.

Many analysts see this market as flat until the next Crop Production Report on Oct. 9. Many hope to see the USDA cut the crop size down to 13.2 - 13.3 million bales from 13.6.

Traders do agree that overseas harvest is mounting. There is a clear sign of growing export competition for US cotton.

Overseas exporters are trying to solicit as much business as possible.

Technically, December cotton has support at 73.55 then 72.40 with resistance at 75.32 and 76.09. The main trend is up with a cycle top on Sept. 28-30 and trend reversal price at 73.52.

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## The beef checkoff & the 4:30 dinner dilemma

For years, the \$1-per-head checkoff has been working to stabilize market share for beef-no easy task in a marketing environment that gives consumers more food options than ever before.

To help the beef industry compete for its share of plate, the beef checkoff has conducted research to better understand consumers-and learned some very interesting things in the process.

According to the U.S. Department of Commerce, 70% of women were in the work force in 1996 compared with 42% in 1960. In addition, 75% of women today say they still do the majority of the household chores, including grocery shopping and meal preparation.

Today's woman is burning both ends of the candle and is

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looking for ways to buy a little more free time.

"For many years, consumers bought their free time at the restaurant, dining out more often rather than preparing meals at home," says Jim Schwertner, incoming president of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA). However, checkoff-sponsored research is detecting a change in that trend, and the beef industry is working with retailers to take advantage of it.

The trend now is for people to put a premium on family time, and in many cases that family time occurs in a very traditional wayat dinner.

In fact, 32% of consumers say they have dinner at home more often than in years past and more than seven in 10 have dinner with

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family five days a week, according to checkoff-sponsored research conducted by the NPD Group.

"However, the traditional sit-down family dinner still remains a thing of the past. Instead of gathering at a formal dining table to enjoy one main meal, today's families are gathering in less formal settings, such as a kitchen bar area, and eating several smaller entrees to satisfy different tastes and time schedules," Schwertner says. "And, while people are eating more meals in-home with their families, they're not necessarily spending more time cooking. Many consumers are adopting time-saving strategies that get them out of the kitchen and into the family fold, which has resulted in greater reliance on prepared items and frozen foods."

Enter the 4:30 dinner dilemma.

"As consumers lifestyles change, so do their attitudes about shopping for and preparing meals," Schwertner says. "Because of growing time demands and pressures, consumers are putting off dinner decisions until the last minute."

According to beef industry research, two-thirds of dinner decisions are made the same day.

Of those, 73% wait until 4:30 p.m. to decide what to have for dinner.

This "4:30 dinner dilemma" presents some challenges, as well as some real opportunities, for the beef industry and for retail stores.

By delivering retail beef products that fit the bill for great taste, simplicity and convenience, retailers give their customers more reasons to visit their store.

"These consumer attitudes and behaviors are driving important changes for the beef industry-changes we hope will stabilize beef's market share," Schwertner says. "The focus for the beef industry's retail marketing efforts are simpler preparation, simpler products and simpler shopping."

Research shows many of today's consumers, especially younger shoppers, have less cooking knowledge than previous generations.

"Therefore, they buy a limited range of staple cuts they find easy to prepare. To sell a broader range of cuts and increase consumers' comfort level with cooking fresh beef, the beef industry is using checkoff dollars to work with a major retailer to roll out simple, three-step cooking instructions that take the guesswork out of making beef meals. The retailer plans to launch the on-pack instruction labels this fall," Schwertner says.

And that's not all.

To simplify the shopping experience, the beef industry is using checkoff dollars to work with retailers to test alternative meat case layouts that could boost sales of under-utilized products.

"While most fresh meat cases are set by species, research indicates consumers don't think about that when making purchase decisions," Schertner says. "Instead, they consider factors such as what meal they want to prepare, their families' tastes, time influences and cooking skills. As a result, consumer tend to buy a limited range of products like ground beef and steaks."

To sell a broader range of beef cuts and increase consumer demand, the beef industry is helping fresh meat retailers implement alternative case layouts to better market beef products.

"The goal is to help retailers match their case layout to how their consumers shop," Schwertner explains. "If consumers can consistently find the products they want, sales will increase. Because beef leads the pack in total meat case volume, the beef industry stands to win a larger share of the consumer's meat dollar."

## Plainview company develops sorghum seed after 5 years

Earl Moseley Ag Reporter Correspondent

Production Plus+ of Plainview, a leading producer of hybrid sorghum and millet seed, has introduced a new value-added sorghum seed for grazing or hay.

The product is designated as Nutri+Plus BMR (brown-midrib).

Production Plus+ owner Mark Marley reported that Nutri-Plus BMR is a fiveyear effort for development of a new sorghum hybrid incorporated with a lower lignin BMR trait.

"A universal component of forage plants is lignin, which is generally regarded as an indigestible fiber of plants."

Interest is worldwide in improving digestibility by reducing or altering the lignin content of plants to include sorghum, corn, pearl millet and grasses, said Marley. "We now know that lower lignin content is well associated by the BMR trait. We

also know the increased with the high degree of palatability of Nutri+Plus BMR is very consistent and of real economic value."

Staring with 3.5 acres of seed production in 1995, 300 acres in 1996 and now with a sizeable acreage planted, it has established Production Plus+ as the first seed company to have commercial seed production of a sorghum sudan grass hybrid with a BMR trait.

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Mike Northcutt

Vice President of Sales Mike Northcutt said the company is in the early stages of producing and having "available for wide distribution a true value-added hay and grazing product.

"With the introduction of Nutri+Plus BMR and soon-to-come BMR sorghum ensilage and male-sterile products, we believe we have the potential to totally elevate the status of sorghum forage products, the potential to not only replace some of the current hybrids but to expand the total market."

During the past two years, Production Plus+ has marketed approximately 26,000 50-pound units across the United States and some foreign countries.

In reference to forage and hay production, this past year has not offered an ideal format for evaluations (this year anything green has been great). But tests conducted by several universities on the product have shown a boost in milk production for cattle and in all harvests sampled, Northcutt said.

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## High winds make area ideal for seed production

RICHARD PORTER

Special to The Ag Reporter

That West Texas wind that everybody likes to cuss may be good for something after all.

According to the plant breeders at Pioneer Hybrid International, Inc. Sorghum Research Center north of Plainview, the same wind that seems always to be blowing dirt around blows their pollen around as well. That makes this area one of the leading seed production regions in the world.

"This is the center for worldwide sorghum seed production," Dr. Kay Porter explained.

Porter is the worldwide director for sorghum research at Pioneer in Plainview and he explained that without the wind, pollination would be difficult and expensive at

"You can mechanically try to blow the pollen but that's almost impossible to do. So, you either have to plant very narrow ratios between the male and the female, which gets expensive (or you have to have wind)," Porter

Normally, the ratio for efficient pollination in sorghum is one part male to three parts female. The female is what is harvested for

"If you don't have wind, then you have to

plant one-to-one," he said.

Although the wind is important, Porter and Rex DeLong, the center manager and breeder, explained that it is not the only factor that makes the High Plains a top seed-producing region. Other factors include low humidity, good irrigation, and very dry condi-tions in the fall when the crop is maturing. That last condition results in exceptional

seed quality, Porter said.

One other factor that makes seed production successful is weed control.

"Over the years, they've gotten this area cleaned up pretty well. They've gotten rid of all the johnson grass and all of the problems with production," DeLong said.

Porter explained that there are different types of sorghum.

types of sorghum - grain sorghum, which is the type most commonly seen in the area, and sorghum sudan hybrids which are grown as forage.

Because the pollen from one type can contaminate the other, seed companies have gotten together and agreed to use specific areas to produce specific types of seed.

The area right around Plainview is used for sorghum sudan grass production. As you go out from here, over towards Lockney and south of Lockney, you're in forage production country. All the companies do their forage production there. Out toward Lonestar there is a lot of grain production. As you get up north of Dumas and that area, it's almost entirely grain production," Porter said.

Although the area is perfect for seed production, Porter pointed out that more and more is being grown for grain as the region's water supply dwindles. It takes less water to grow sorghum than corn.

According to Clay Salisbury, agronomist with the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo, sprinklers in this area typically put out 26 inches per acre per season to grow corn. Sorghum requires only 70 to 75 percent of that output.

Lee Leonard, sorghum research manager for Cargill in Aiken, also cited a rise in sorghum grain production, and that is a swing back to the past, he said.

"Corn kind of came in and took over the acreage sorghum used to have in this area. This used to be all sorghum. Corn came in and was making better yields and the price was better. Now, with the cost of water being what it is, probably the corn acres will start going down and the sorghum acres will start going back up a little bit," he said. Still, the High Plains should remain a

leading area for seed production and that would not be possible without the cantankerous climate for which the region is

So, the next time a gust of wind blows dirt in your eyes and makes you chase your hat down the street, remember that someone not far away is adding up the dollars generated

by that gust of wind.
"That's a major industry. There's millions and millions of dollars in seed production business (in this area)," Porter said.



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## Windbreak program available for High Plains producers

**Shelley Huguley** special to the Ag Reporter

Seedling applications for conservation windbreaks are now available to High Plains landowners through the Texas Forest Service West Texas Nursery or local Soil and Water Conservation District. Several varieties of evergreens and deciduous trees and shrubs are available.

Each year, West Texas Nursery provides adapted windbreak seedlings, at cost, to assist producers in incorporating conservation windbreaks into their farming and/ or ranching operation.

"Windbreaks are trees and shrubs systematically planted adjacent to fields, homesteads, or feedlots as a barrier to reduce or redirect the wind," says Robert Fewin, Texas Forest Service forester, Lubbock. "And when properly planted, they become a management tool that effects every aspect of the farm or ranch."

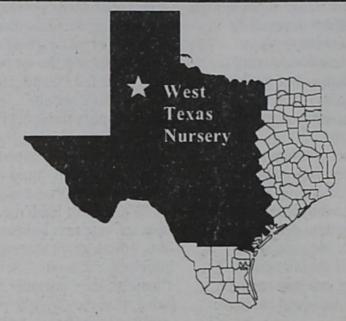
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chase seedlings this fall before preferred stock is sold out.

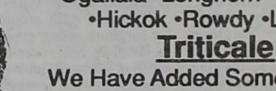
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corners and posts are being used," Sims said.
"Barbed wire fences are really all steel now."

The advantages of the all-steel fence include the simplicity in construction, resistance to fire and durability, according to Sims.

Today, his business provides work for five full-time employees, including his son, Tye. Together, Harry and Tye have developed a family business that they hope will continue to grow.

#### "Barbed wire fences are really all steel now."

Harry Sims

"When I started this business, Tye was little," Harry said. "But he was a lot of help then and is even more help today."

Tye said he was 11 years old when he started helping his dad build fences.
"I did just a little bit of everything," Tye

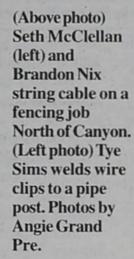
said. "We use to build a lot of wire fence, that was all we did. We still build as many wire fences, but we also complete a lot of pipe fences."

Sims Fencing completes jobs throughout the entire Texas Panhandle. According to Tye, the majority of their jobs are in feedlots in the Hereford area, and in areas near Dimmitt and Mobeetie.

The future of the fencing industry lies in the hands of the welders that build the fences, but Harry sees a bright future.

"There will always be a need for fences," Harry said.





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Railroad began using his patented wire. Several other men tried to copy it illegally for sales of their own.

The first barbed wire salesman in the southwest was Henry B. Sanborn.

He carried with him a nickelplated sample, which is now on display at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

Sanborn believed the first barbed wire fencing erected in the Texas Panhandle was for the Frying Pan Ranch.

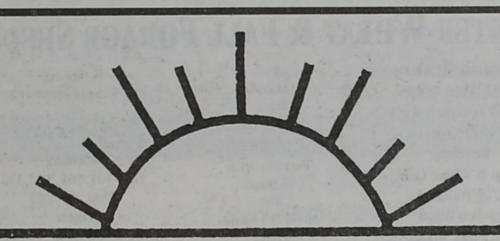
No estimate was made of the number of cowboys who accidentally ripped their pants on the early barbs while climbing fences. A number of other wiremakers eventually received patents for their barbs. Several are currently on display at Canyon's museum.

Brickerhoff Wire, patented in 1879, was used to fence the XIT Ranch.

Stubble plate wire, patented in 1883, actually was known as Stubbes Large Formee Cross.

Decker wire, known as Decker's Spread, was patented in 1884. A single strand with a protecting metal strip of barbed wire was patented by Brinkerhoff-Martelle in 1885.

The museum has on display a rare strip of the Dodge Rowel barbed wire from 1881.



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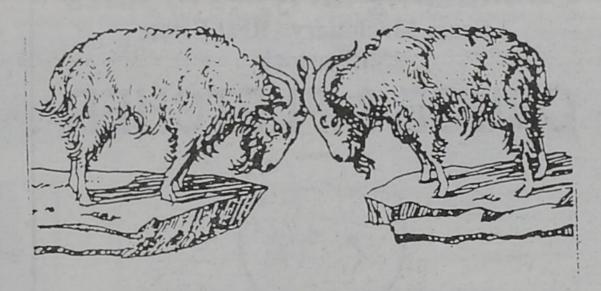
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# Cotton Variety Field Day held in Stoneville, Texas

Renee' Fikes special to the Ag Reporter

Farmers from a 75 mile radius converged at the Stoneville Texas experiment station outside of Idalou, Sept. 10, to attend the facility's "Cotton Variety Field Day."

The company was founded with a commitment to breeding new and better varieties of stripper cotton for growers in Texas and Oklahoma and the introduction of valueadded traits from biotechnology to those varieties. Biotech traits like BXN (resistant to Buctril 4EC herbicide), Bollgard (resistant to bollworm/budworm/pink bollworm) and Round-up Ready (resistant to Round-up Herbicide) were introduced to members of the cotton industry.

About 200 cotton producers, dealers, farm supply representatives, gin managers, representatives from Monsanto, Rhone-Poulenc, Gustafson, Wilbur-Ellis, Loveland Industries, American Cyanamid, Texas A&M extension specialist and Texas Tech crop physiologist attended the function.

They witnessed a demonstration of weed control with the Roundup Ready System and BXN system, furnished lunch and toured replicated field trials.



Over 200 representatives of the cotton industry witnessed demonstrations of cotton yield trials and herbicide-resistant varieties at the Stoneville, Texas field day.

the parent company of Stoneville Texas, Inc. and the second largest cotton planting seed company in the US, is a Mississippi company. The company has been breeding cotton since 1922 for the picker cotton market.

The company operates facilities are in Georgia, Mississippi, Arizona and South Africa (for winter seed increase) and sells seed in fourteen states.

"We are not in the business to kill bugs and weeds. We are in business to make lots of pounds of cotton," said Bud Hughes, president of the company.

Stoneville Texas, Inc. was formed in 1997 with the purchase of Hol-Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Co., land Seed Company of Big Spring and with the establishment of the Idalou research station.

"We still have a lot to learn about this new market. We come to Texas with a long-term desire to be good listeners."

Fields in Gaines, Yokum, Dawson and Terry counties provide seed production. A seed processing plant is located in Big Spring.

"Stoneville is interested in bringing new high yield varieties to the South Plains," said Jerry Riney, research technician. "We incorporate genes for herbicide resistance, (Round-up Ready and BXN systems) and Bollgard (Boll worm resistant) varieties into our varieties."

Several different varieties

(Stoneville 239, Holland 186, both stripper varieties; Stoneville 373, ST 474, both picker varieties) have had some acceptance in the High Plains.

The Buctril resistant varieties, BXN 47, (picker); BXN 16, (early maturing stripper) will be available in 1999 and Round-up varieties are in a developmental stage.

Stoneville Texas' main nursery and research facility is located 3 miles east of Idalou.

"The experiment station was located in Idalou because of its central location, adequate water supply, heavier soil, lower risk of early frost and good school system," said Dr. Steve Calhoun, manager.

## Matter of Fact

Texas Agriculture Commissioner

An estimated \$10 million a year. That's how much Texans spend trying to control imported fire ants in our lawns and gardens. The sad fact is most of the time all we're doing is chasing those ant mounds from our property line to the next - only to have those mounds return when our neighbors decide to treat their yards.

Educating property owners about community-wide treatment efforts is a big part of the Texas Fire Ant Research and Management Plan. This plan has brought together the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and other state universities and state agencies to work toward short-term relief as well as long-term control of imported fire ants.

Extension agents in every Texas county are armed with information that can help you and your communities organize coordinated imported fire ant programs. Such coordinated efforts can go a long way toward lowering control costs for homeowners as well as reducing the pesticide levels used in trying to corral these stinging pests.

To fight the fire ant, Texans need to start thinking - and working - like them. Remember, it's not one ant that creates problems but rather it's when the mound works together. Likewise, one homeowner can't do the job unless the entire neighborhood works together.

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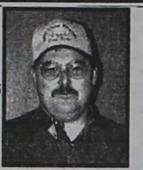
What's going through the mind of your county agent

#### Rebel Royall

CASTRO COUNTY

It's started!! What you say? Show pig fever that's what? Is it contagious? Only to those thousands of individuals who choose to compete in the 4-H and FFA swine programs around the state. It seems like we start looking for them earlier every year. I was bound and determined that I was not going to start until after the State Fair. October 2 was going to be plenty early. However, like most in my profession, "the fever" got the best of me. We're off and running. As I write this article I am combating serious allergies from hanging out in baby pig nurseries most of last evening, and yes we purchased some.

The next two months will be a blur! We'll go from farm to farm and pig sale to pig sale, looking for those great baby pigs to take back to children who will care for them for the next six months in hopes of



driving their pigs to the coveted Grand Champion spot. Sounds crazy, but this is my favorite time of year. I don't have a lot of hobbies anymore, but I guess you could call hogs

my hobby, my passion and what makes me tick. There are a million more guys and gals like me out there who are trying their hardest each year to buy, raise, feed, etc. the Champion pig at their county fair, or a major stock show. To us it's exciting, and is just like one of our sports programs. We are competing to be the best, while teaching husbandry, citizenship, sportsmanship and life lessons to youngsters.

Now you might say that you have heard bad things about the stock show programs around the country. Here lately the swine program has definitely been under the microscope you would say. There is a

criminal case at hand concerning the Houston Livestock Show. People are asking if we should continue to be involved in programs where such incidences keep popping up. Other people say that if there was not so much money involved in winning stock shows that these incidents would not happen. I don't think it's money, I know people who will bite, cheat and steal to win a checkerboard game. It is not the money, sure we all want the money, but it is the elation of winning that makes people so competitive that these things can happen. We all, no matter what game we play, want to be able to say that we are the winner, we are the best.

I do not condone what happened last year, that has recently made headlines around the country, however I do understand it. What some people, including myself at times, seem to forget is why these programs were started in the first place. Our youth are who these programs are for. They are the reason agents, and

others like us spend hours, nights, weeks away from our families looking for the great one. They should be learning from us. A lot of us adults, myself included, lose sight of that.

The programs are still great experiences. for children. They give families something to work together on, and goals to set together. They allow children to learn about animals and from bonds with them. They teach kids that sometimes you win and sometimes you lose. They teach kids that sometimes you have to give up something you love. They teach responsibility. I could go on and on.

The programs, both 4-H and FFA, offer so many good things. Sure, the negatives are out there, but if we are concentrating on the positives, the negatives are far outweighed.

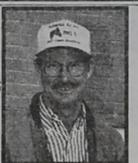
Now I'm going to get off my soapbox, turn off my computer and go hunt for hogs! Good hunting to all of those who are also infested by "the fever."

#### Robert Devin

RANDALL COUNTY

Things are really hopping in Randall County. Corn silage harvest is over and the grain sorghum is quickly maturing. We have planted most of the wheat but the fall army worms are threatening most of the dry land stands in the few areas with enough moisture to get the crop up. It is tough to recommend control with such limited moisture.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Randall County Crops Tour was a great success thanks to the efforts of the Crops and Beef Cattle Committees and all those who provided funds and door prizes. A special thanks to the thrashing crew for making that part of the day so special. Crew members included



Emil Olsen, Herbert Kuhlman, Eddie Bryan, Kelly Adkins, and Bob Cathel. Congratulations to those who were recognized during the noon luncheon including Randy

Darnell, Top Hand recipient; Pete and Jim Fischbacher, Outstanding Result Demonstrators; Nolan and Bobby Henson, Conservation Farmers of the Year; Phyllis Ratjen, Conservation Homemaker of the Year; and David Erwin, Goodyear Award winner. Dr. Russell Long had an excellent message as our key note speaker. His topic was WTAMU and Agriculture, the Future is Now. There are lots of exciting things happening in agriculture at WTAMU.

Most of our tour stops centered around cotton production. This crop is probably the bright spot in Randall County this

At the CRP enhancement stop Sid Ricks with the NRCS had some good news for those who have not yet plowed up their blue steam under the enhancement guidelines. Apparently producers will have an option to use chemical control thus reducing the chances for wind erosion. Check with your local office for particulars. Thanks to the Palo Duro Soil and Water Conservation District for providing the bus for our tour.

The Amarillo Tri State Fair was a great success and Randall County 4-Hers enjoyed their share of winning. Congratulations to Bryan Jackson and his reserve grand champion pig.

The Bushland 4-H Club won the first place with their float and received \$400 for the award.

The Panhandle Agri-Food Masters were busy all week long manning their AG Fair which provided on goers with information regarding Agriculture and our Food and Fiber System. Over 4500 students received guided tours that linked agriculture to all the products we use each day in our homes.

Our Assistant Agriculture Agent, Jeffery Osbourn will be leaving the last of the month to assume the duties of County Agent in Colman County. We wish he and his family well in their new adventure and will certainly miss his leadership. Now it is up to Dr. Robinson to find us one as good. That will be easier said than done.

See you next month!

### Area 4-H member's recipe

#### **Light Bread** from Scott Pearman

#### Ingredients

- 4 C all purpose flour
- 2 C whole wheat flour
- 1/2 C sugar
- · 2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 C shortening
- 1 C warm skim milk · 2 beaten eggs

- 1 C warm water
- 4 1/2 tsp. active dry yeast

#### Directions:

- Place sugar, shortening and salt in large mixing bowl. Add warm milk and stir to soften shortening; cool. Using a spoon, beat in eggs.
- · In a small bowl, mix warm water and yeast; let stand 5 minutes, stir yeast mixture into shortening egg mixture. Add 4 cups of the flour; beat with a wooden spoon til smooth. Add enough of the remaining flour to
- Turn dough onto floured surface, knead in enough remaining flour to make a moderately soft dough that is smooth and elastic (840 10 minutes). Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease surface.
- Cover, let rise in warm place til double, (1.25 hours). After first rising, shape dough into 36 rolls. Let rise til double (45 to 60 minutes).
  - Bake in 375 degree oven for 15 to 20 minutes or until golden. Cool on a wire rack. Yields 36 rolls. Scott is a member of Randall County 4-H.

#### Whole Wheat-Potato Rolls

#### from D'Ann Artho

#### Ingredients

- 2 1/4 2 3/4 C all purpose flour 1/2 tsp. salt
- · 1 Pkg. Active Dry Yeast
- 1 C milk
- 1/4 C margarine
- 1 T sugar
- - 1/4 C instant mashed potato flakes
  - · 2 egg whites
  - 1 C whole wheat flour

- Directions: • In a large mixing bowl, combine 1 cup of the all purpose flour and the yeast. In a medium bowl, heat milk, butter, sugar and salt to 120-130 degrees. Stir in the potato flakes. Let stand for 1 minute.
- · Add milk mixture to dry mixture along with the egg whites. Beat with an electric mixer on low to medium speed for 30 seconds. Beat on high for 3 more minutes. • Stir in the whole wheat flour and the remaining all purpose flour. Knead for 6-8 minutes. Place dough in a
- lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease the surface of the dough. · Cover and let rise in a warm place until doubled in size, about 1 hour. Punch down, divide in half, then shape rolls and place on greased cookie sheet. Cover and let rise 30-40 minutes.
  - Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven for 20 minutes.
  - · Immediately remove rolls from pans, cool on wire racks. Brush with margarine. Yield: 24 rolls. D'Ann is a member of Randall County 4-H.

#### J.D. Ragland

FLOYD COUNTY

Howdy folks, straight from downtown Pumkin Capital, USA in Floyd County America. Speaking of pumpkins, they're looking really good this year! We think the hot dry conditions have benefitted us in decreasing some of our disease problems. Some earlier fields have been harvested, but majority won't be gathered until first part of October. Once again we invite you to attend our Pumkin Days Celebration on October 31st in Floydada. Corn harvest is winding down. Yields have been extremely varied. Our test plot, with 14 entries resulted in the best making 90 bushels, which calculates to about 5,100 lbs and the worst making 20 and everything in between. It was just simply too hot and dry throughout the growing season.

Many cotton producers are currently applying harvest aid materials. I suspect within the next two weeks a large amount of our only 80,000 harvestable acres will be gathered. Yields will be lower, however we do have some irrigated acres that has the potential to make 1 - 1 1/2 bales and in some cases maybe even slightly better.

Hey! Need to put a plug in on our recently held first annual Floyd County Ag Tour, September 15. It was excellent! A total of 47 producers and guest attended.



Heck, the boss even showed up! Hope he remembers how good it was come raise time.

We featured three stops this year focusing on and at planting cotton insecticide test, cotton plant growth regulators, harvest aid and peanut production. Will be making this an annual event which we hope develops into the counties major educational agricultural event of the year.

Irrigated sorghum looks pretty good, not much has been harvested at this point. Again yields will be down.

Peanuts--we're still learning a lot about peanut production. We do know that this was a tough year to try a new crop, especially one that requires water. Will keep ya posted on yield. Most of the harvest probably won't occur til November.

Our 4-H youth have been active with club meetings, foods trainings and upcoming fairs. We just finished up our Floyd County Fair. Now it's time for West Texas, South Plains and State Fair and in between will be looking for a few show pig prospects.

Well gotta run. Be sure and get your pumpkin orders in early. If anyone needs sources be sure and call. Ya'll come to see us! Til next time, Howdy, cause I just hate to say good bye!



**COURTESY PHOTO** 

Bill Pearson accepts a plaque naming him Swisher County Cowboy of the Year for 1998 from museum director Billie Sue Gayler. Pearson won the saddle pictured in 1991 when he won the Ben Johnson Memorial Roping in Pawhuska, Okla. He has competed in the invitational event for 14 years.

# Pearson is Swisher's Cowboy of the Year

Chris Russett special to the Ag Reporter

Swisher County Museum has named its Cowboy of the Year for 1998.

"Each year the museum selects a cowboy or cowgirl of the year," said Billie Sue Gayler, museum director. "We will have an exhibit featuring some of their equipment, honors, awards and pictures. This is the second year and we are pleased with the results."

Bill Pearson, 44, is a lifetime resident of Swisher County and grew up 17 miles northeast of Tulia, near the Salem community. He attended Happy schools and South Plains college for two years.

He is married to Terri Shipman, who is originally from Abernathy. They have three children, Joli, who is now married to Trey Johnson of Happy; Laci, who is a freshman at WTAMU; and Ty, 14, who is an 8th grader at Happy Junior High School.

Pearson's parents are Wayne and Billie Pearson, now of Tulia.

He is active in the community. He is a member of the Happy Independent School District Board of Trustees for 10 years and is currently president. He is a director of the

Happy Rodeo Association where he has been a member for 20 years, and is a newly elected deacon of the First Baptist Church of Happy, where he has been a member since the Salem church disbanded years ago.

Pearson started in the cowboy trade as a small boy.

"We grew up on a livestock farm where we were working with cattle and horses," he said. "We grazed cattle on grass and wheat. It was a fairly typical family farm for Swisher County."

He was working cattle from an early age, helping his father and grandfather, Bill Eubanks of Happy.

He currently competes in steer roping events, after becoming interested in steer roping as a small boy untieing steers at the Tulia steer roping in Cobb Wheeler Mote arena.

"That was when I set my goal of competing against the top rank of steer ropers someday," he said. "I have fulfilled that dream by competing in every major steer roping event in the nation except the national finals. I never really set that goal because of the travel and time away from home."

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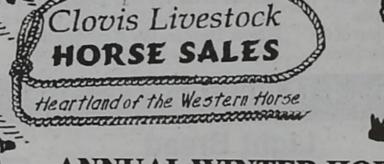
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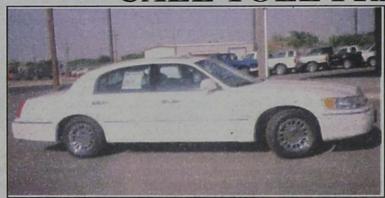
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