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Programs will honor our veterans

All veterans are invited to participate in four Veteran's Day events today (Thursday) in the county.

Two breakfasts are planned. At 7 a.m., all veterans are invited to a breakfast at the Longhorn Diner in Hart, sponsored by the Hart American Legion post.

Serving also will start at about 7 a.m. at the VFW Post in Dimmitt, and all veterans are invited to come out and eat.

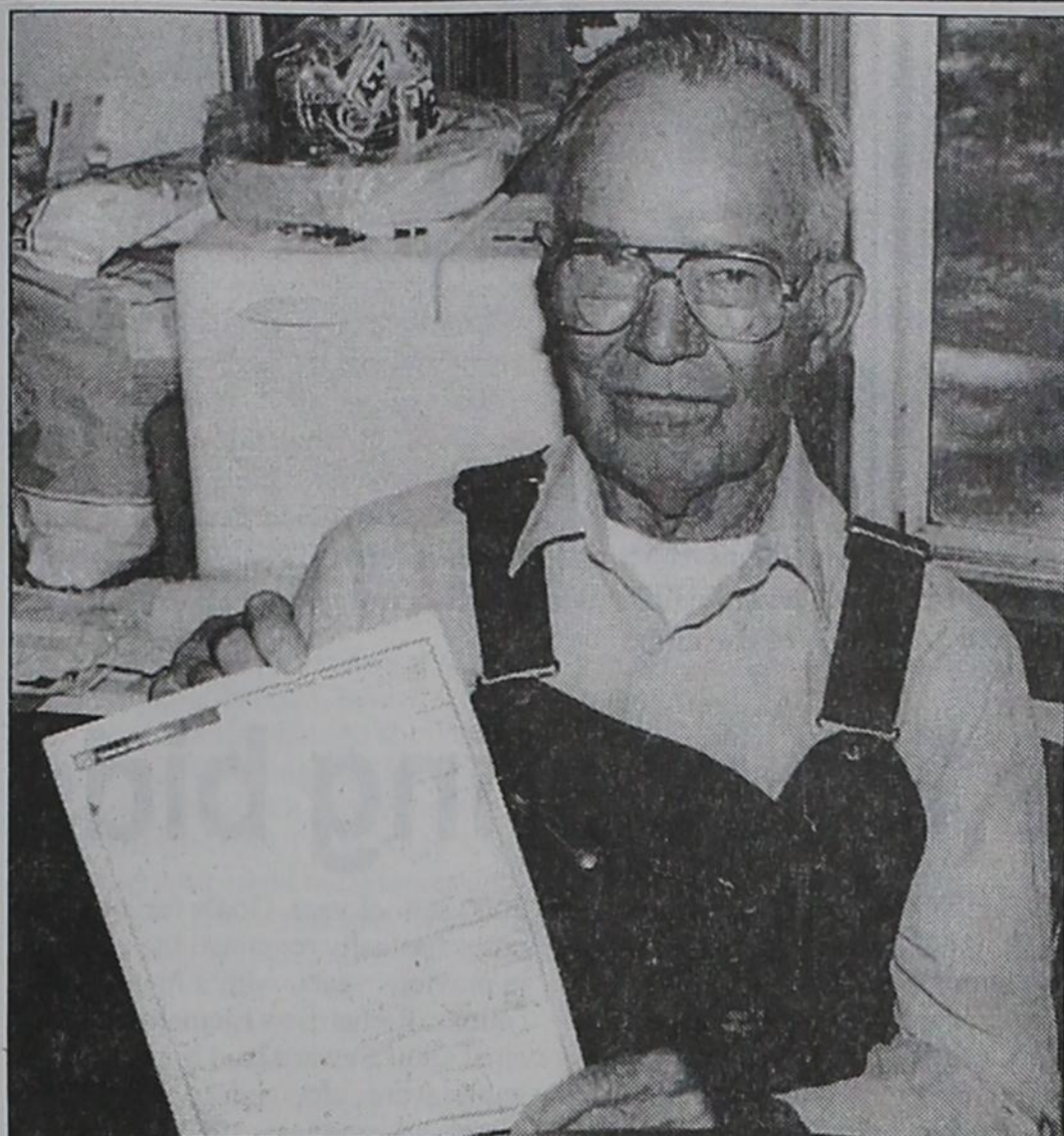
At 8:15 a.m. students at the Nazareth schools will gather on the front lawn for a ceremony saluting veterans, and all veterans and members of the public are invited.

Then at 12:15 p.m., the public is invited to attend a veterans' memorial ceremony at the Dimmitt High School auditorium.

"All veterans are asked to attend, whether they served during a war or not," an organizer of the event said.

Participating veterans are asked to report to the auditorium at 11:45 a.m.

Participants will be recognized, and music will be provided by the DHS band and choir.



JESSIE HUTCHESON of Dimmitt shows his prisoner of war report form that details what he suffered at the hands of the Germans during World War II.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

A veteran's story

By LINDA MAXWELL

He isn't a hero. Jessie Hutcheson of Dimmitt would be the first to tell you that.

Jessie is a veteran of the US Army, but he didn't win any medals. (Not any that "count", anyway, he says.)

He was a prisoner of war during World War II. He wasn't captured during a battle. As a matter of fact, his unit was trying to hide beneath a cactus patch in the North African desert, when they were turned in to the Germans by Arab civilians.

Jessie suffered aggravation of an earlier back injury, endured forced labor, and dealt with continuous fear and anxiety that often expressed themselves in sleep-robbering nightmares. He lost weight, had bleeding gums, diarrhea, and weakness in his arms and legs. Because there were not enough camps for all of the war prisoners, Jessie was among those who were made to march over 500 miles through the German countryside waiting for the war to end.

In spite of all he went through, Jessie said he supposed he'd do it all again.

"I wasn't too anxious to go," Jessie said. He said he was drafted in the first draft in 1941 when he was 25 years old.

Did he think it was worth it? "Yeah, I really do," Jessie said. "I was pleased with the way it came out. It was necessary what we did. I really don't see how our country made it, how we made materials fast enough,

how we kept up. The Germans had excellent equipment. We didn't have the equipment to stand up to theirs, but later we did."

Jessie was a half-track driver with the combat engineers, doing bridge work and laying mines as other troops retreated.

"We were on a mountain (in North Africa) about two days after the other troops left. We were held up and the Germans surrounded us. Reconnaissance planes dropped pamphlets telling us to evacuate our position and trucks would pick us up, but it wasn't true. They just wanted us to move out. There weren't any trucks. We got captured the next day," Jessie recalled. "We had to walk in groups to the nearest airport—about 85 miles. They put us on planes and flew us to Italy, then sent us to camps in Germany."

Jessie said he was made to work at an "electric factory" while he was held at Stalaag 3B. He said it was against the Geneva Convention for prisoners of war to perform commercial or defense-type work.

"About 120 of us decided we weren't going to work. We would just walk around," he recalled. "They caught us at it and put us to work on a rock pile. Then in the evening we were made to go up the side of a mountain and get buckets of dirt and pour it over the side of a hill. We didn't get supper, either. It didn't amount to much, anyway, so we didn't miss much."

Jessie said the Germans called (Continued on Page 15)

Dimmitt City Council Murdock sworn in; cable complaint heard

After the votes from the Nov. 2 election were canvassed, Bob Murdock was sworn in as an at-large council member at the Nov. 4 meeting of the Dimmitt City Council.

The canvassing showed that Murdock received 149 votes, with his opponent, Michael Colley, receiving 12.

Council members heard a complaint from Myrtle Lois Moran concerning Classic Cable Co. and its service.

She said her main complaint with the company is "the way they act toward us."

"Several of us requested that we not get the shopping channel here because it takes money away from our local merchants," she told the council. "But they put it on."

She also complained about having to pay for public service announcements that are placed on the cable message channel, "whether they are for non-profit organizations or not."

"We need to call their hand and let them know they have no public relations here," Moran said, adding that she feels the company is unconcerned about the community, even though it "takes a lot of money out" of the community.

Mayor Wayne Collins told Moran that many others agree with her feel-

ings. He said Classic Cable charges much lower rates in Friona where the company has competition from another cable provider.

Moran noted that cable "may be on the way out" if pending legislation is approved authorizing satellite systems to provide access to local stations.

In other business, the council:

—Agreed to seek bids on a car for the police department, rather than make repairs to a car that was scheduled to be traded off anyway.

—Heard a report from Collins about several cities that are joining together to appeal to the Public Utilities Commission concerning the proposed buy-out of GTE/Contel by a company known as DBA.

Collins said the cities are asking that the PUC examine the buy-out proposal to ensure that DBA will update equipment, maintain service and keep rates reasonable.

—Approved changing the designation of a city lot from a multiple-meter lot to a single-meter lot. It had previously been a trailer park, but is now owned by Ty Lively and has a single mobile home on it.

City Manager Don Sheffy reported that the new water tower "is working great and is now operational."

Commissioners accept bid for road grader

The Castro County Commissioners voted to accept a bid for the purchase of a road grader for Precinct 3.

Only one bid was received. West Texas Cat offered a Model 140H Caterpillar for \$142,149, with a \$32,000 trade-in allowance for a John Deere 770 BH road grader, and a guaranteed maximum repurchase amount of \$108,000.

In other business, the commissioners approved setting the amount of the deposit for groups wanting to use the quonset barns on the grounds of the Expo Building for stock shows. They set the deposit amount at \$100, which may be refunded if the buildings pass inspection following the event. Also, a fee of \$50 per day will be charged for use of the restrooms in the Expo. That amount will not be refundable.

In another matter, the commissioners approved a motion to adopt a standard employment application

form for all county departments.

The commissioners voted to reappoint Bob Sheffy, Billy Hackleman and Randall Small as the county's representatives to the Texas Veterans Land Board County Committee.

A resolution declaring Nov. 18 as "Great American Smokeout Day" in Castro County was approved by the commissioners and signed by County Judge Irene Miller, at the request of Castro County American Cancer Society Chairperson Kaye Stevens. Also present for the signing were Joe Stevens, CEO of the Castro County Hospital District, and Marilyn Neal of the Castro County Extension Office. CCHD and the Extension Service are both helping sponsor "Smokeout" activities.

In the open forum session, Miller told the commissioners that the county jail had an inspection recently, and failed to be certified

again, due to over-population. She suggested that a meeting of the jail committee be set for Nov. 22 at 6:30 p.m.

Weather

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	73	31	
Friday	78	34	
Saturday	82	36	
Sunday	77	41	
Monday	73	42	
Tuesday	73	44	
Wednesday	82	37	

November Moisture 0.00
1999 Moisture 31.69

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

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By Don Nelson

According to my nifty new snow gauge in the back yard, we got zero inches of snow last night.

I'll check it every morning and keep you posted.

Uh-oh. We goofed. The News staff overlooked the fact that Veterans' Day this year falls on a Thursday.

Veterans' Day is a bank holiday. And a federal government holiday. And a postal holiday.

And this newspaper depends on the Postal Service for delivery of most copies of each week's issue on Thursdays.

So, many of our subscribers within same-day range aren't getting this issue until Friday.

We scrambled around and fixed things so that those with post office boxes in Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth would have their papers in their boxes by Wednesday evening, even though subscribers on all rural routes would have to wait until Friday.

(Those who buy their papers at the newsstands won't notice any difference.)

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FRIDAY—Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will hold its annual turkey dinner and holiday bazaar at the Expo Building. The meal will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and cost is \$6 per plate. Take-outs will be \$6.25 per person.

MONDAY—The annual cake auction at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the home. Proceeds from the annual auction will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for the residents. Prior to the cake auction, the nursing home is planning a Thanksgiving dinner for residents and their families.

NOV. 18—Santa will visit Dimmitt to help the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and local merchants kick off the holiday season. During the annual Santa's Open House promotion from 6 to 9 p.m., merchants will observe later store hours and will offer specials during that time. Santa will visit with children and Christmas carols will be performed by choirs from the Dimmitt schools. Also, the first drawings for Dimmitt Dollars will be held.

NOV. 21—A Thanksgiving Community Service will be held at 6 p.m. at Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt. Aaron Reed from the First Baptist Church in Hart will be the featured speaker.

NOV. 21—A holiday arts and crafts bazaar and Thanksgiving dinner are planned in Nazareth. The bazaar will be open to the public throughout the day at the Nazareth School Cafeteria. The turkey dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Nazareth Community Hall.

DEC. 19—The Nazareth FFA chapter will sponsor a Tour of Homes around Nazareth.



STATE QUALIFIERS—The Nazareth Swiftettes take a minute or two to congratulate each other and celebrate Saturday after they were named runners-up in the Region 1-A cross country meet. The girls will compete in the Class A state meet Saturday at

Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. Team members include (from left) Cassie Birkenfeld, Sara Schulte, Danette Ramaekers, Erica Gerber, Marsha Black, Mandy Hoelting and Lindsey Gerber.

Photo by Brenda Schulte

Robb qualifies for first time

Naz girls earn another trip to state cross country meet

The Nazareth Swiftettes are returning to Round Rock and the state cross country meet after they captured runner-up team honors in the Region 1-A race Saturday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. They'll be joined on the trip by Nazareth's Trinity Robb, who qualified for state in the boys' race Saturday.

The Swiftettes, including Danette Ramaekers, Erica Gerber, Lindsey Gerber, Sara Schulte, Marsha Black, Mandy Hoelting and Cassie Birkenfeld, all finished in the top 30 Saturday, boosting the team to a second-place finish with 61 points.

The regional team title was claimed by Water Valley, a small school near San Angelo. Water Valley finished with 46 points.

"Water Valley has a good team. I already knew about them before regional. But we'll get one more chance at them when we run at state," said Nazareth Coach Matt Garrett.

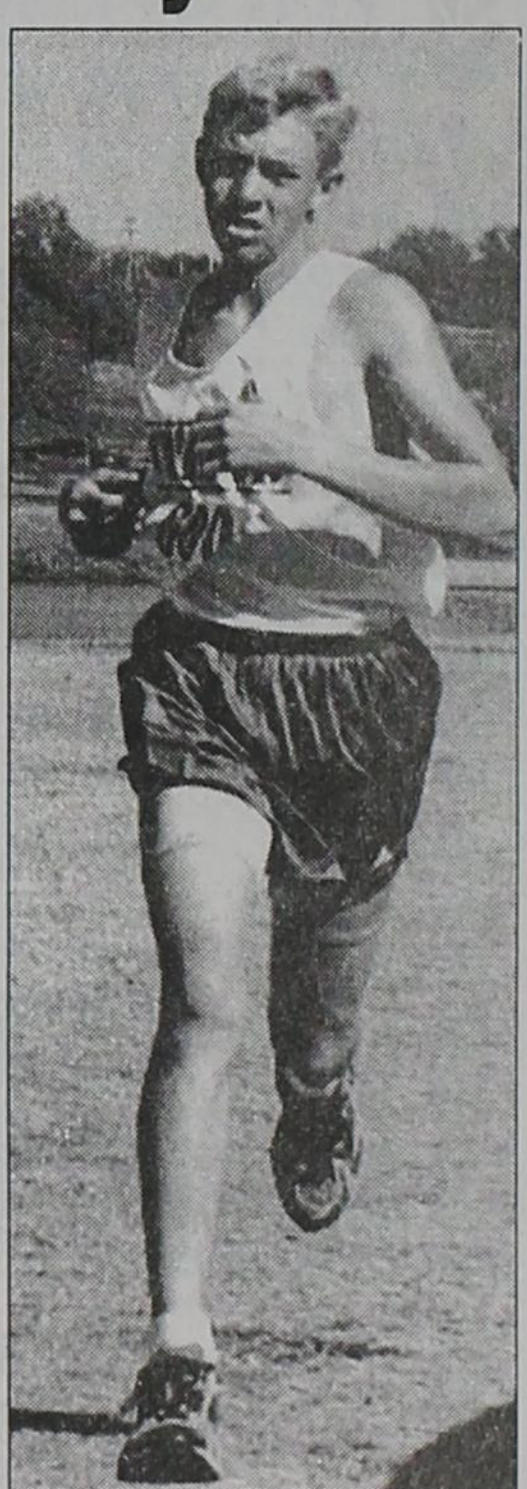
Robb finished seventh among the boys running in the three-mile Region 1-A race, posting a time of 17:40.70.

"Trinity had a great race. He finished the course almost a minute faster than he did the first time he ran it earlier this year," Garrett said. "I expected him to finish in the Top 10 and I think he's got a good chance to be in the Top 10 in Austin this week."

The Nazareth runners are packed and plan to hit the road this afternoon (Thursday). Garrett said they will travel as far as Abilene tonight (Thursday), then continue on to Austin Friday morning.

The team and Robb plan to walk the course at Old Settlers' Park in Round Rock on Friday afternoon to get ready for Saturday morning's races.

The favorite to claim the girls' (Continued on Page 7)



TRINITY ROBB of Nazareth knocked almost a minute off of his time Saturday and it earned him a trip to the Class A state cross country meet, which will be held Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. Robb finished seventh among all runners in the three-mile Region 1-A race at Lubbock to earn the trip to state.

Photo by Brenda Schulte

Swifts will face Petersburg in bi-district playoff Friday

The Nazareth Swifts enjoyed a brief celebration Friday after they clinched a playoff berth, but as soon as the game with Happy was over the team focused its attention on achieving a goal that has eluded them for the past several years—winning a bi-district championship.

Nazareth hopes to add a bi-district trophy to its football hardware when the Swifts meet Petersburg in a Class A playoff Friday at Littlefield.

Kickoff in the playoff game will be at 7:30 p.m. at Wildcat Stadium.

Nazareth has been absent from the playoff game since 1995. The Swifts' last bi-district championship was won in 1994 when they beat Shamrock.

"Boy, it's nice to be back in the playoffs," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price, who is in his 10th year at Nazareth.

The Swifts, runners-up from District 3-A, are 8-2 on the season, with their lone losses coming at the hands of Claude and Springlake-Earth. Petersburg is 5-5 on the year after sweeping the competition in District 4-A.

The Buffaloes started off the year on a slow note, going 0-5 with losses to Farwell, New Deal, Hale Center, Plains and Lockney.

But once district rolled around, the Buffaloes put it all together and

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PMH offers help for smokers for Great American Smokeout

The Castro County Hospital District will again support the "Great America Smokeout," which is set for next Thursday (Nov. 18), by offering smokers the opportunity to turn in their cigarettes for healthy snacks, according to Joe Sloan, CEO, Castro County Hospital District.

"From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., smokers who stop by Plains Memorial Hospital will be given information, healthy snacks, and encouragement to help them make it through a smoke-free day," Sloan said.

"The 'Smokeout' is a good-natured effort by the American Cancer Society to encourage smokers to give up their cigarettes for one day," Sloan said. "If smokers see they can quit for 24 hours, they may quit forever."

Tobacco use is the single greatest cause of premature death in the US, and lung cancer is the number one cause of death from cancer, according to information supplied by the American Cancer Society.

The "Smokeout" is celebrated each year on the third Thursday of November. The term "Smokeout" was coined by Arthur P. Mullaney in 1971. He created an event that led people in Randolph, Mass., to give up cigarettes for a day and donate the money to a high school scholarship

fund. Later, Lynn R. Smith, editor of the *Monticello Times* in Minnesota, spearheaded the state's first D-day, or "Don't Smoke Day." The concept spread like wildfire throughout Minnesota and then blazed west to California, where it was renamed the "Great American Smokeout."

Smokers who want to quit can also call the American Cancer Society's toll free information line at 1-800-227-2345 to receive free information and tips for quitting.

NVFD sets turkey shoot

The Nazareth Volunteer Fire Dept. will sponsor a turkey shoot Nov. 21, starting at 2 p.m. in the draw north of Nazareth.

The event will continue after dark, with the help of generator-powered lights.

There is an entry fee for the various events and rounds. Cash prizes will be offered, and proceeds will benefit the department's project of building a new fire station.

There will be a round of 410 shooting for younger shooters. Also, 12-gauge shells will be available for sale.



AN ESTIMATED 450 meals were served at the Brisket Dinner sponsored Friday night by the Dimmitt Rotary Club. The meal was held at the

Dimmitt Middle School cafeteria. Proceeds from the event will be used for scholarships and other projects of the club.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

DISD calls for roofing bids

Today (Thursday) was set as the deadline for bidders to turn in bids on a roofing project for five buildings of the Dimmitt Independent School District.

The school board voted Monday night to call for the bids today, with an ARMKO representative, as the engineering consultant, and DISD Business Manager Johnny Hill reviewing the bids and presenting them to the board in a called meeting that will be held Monday at noon at the administration building.

Mike Barton of ARMKO told the board Monday night that he expected different roofers to bid on different buildings, according to what they felt they could complete within the time allowed. He told the board that he thinks the project should be completed within six months.

Barton said he has talked to eight roofing contractors and expects five to submit bids. He said he has informed the bidders about the need to work around testing dates and other school events so that any noise from the work would not interfere with students' work. He said there will be a job superintendent who will stay in touch with the principal on each campus.

In other business, the board approved campus goals for the 1999-

Autoimmune support group to meet Nov. 19

The Castro County Autoimmune Disease Association will meet Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce meeting room, 115 W. Bedford.

All interested persons are invited to attend, and refreshments will be served.

The meeting will include discussion about fund raising efforts, spreading information, and whether or not members should pay dues.

2000 school year. Goals for all campuses basically remained the same as in previous years, with a few modifications. Richardson Elementary Principal Clint Seward said his campus's goals were changed to reflect an increased emphasis on Saxon Phonics. Dimmitt High School Principal R.L. Stockstill said that specific wording had to be added for his campus relating to pregnant students in order for the campus to continue to receive grant funding.

Tom Jarboe of the Texas Association of School Boards visited with the board about services offered by TASB and urged them to attend the Jan. 27 meeting of the Panhandle Area School Boards and give input for legislative concerns. He also suggested that they submit the name of a board member to be a member of the School Board Advocacy Network.

Board members heard reports from the band, football and cross country programs.

The Dec. 13 meeting of the school board will be held at 6 p.m., rather than the usual time of 7 p.m., due to the employee Christmas reception.

4-H names winners in food show

The Castro County 4-H Food Show was held Saturday, and 14 youth participated, with six winning blue ribbon honors.

Along with preparing and serving their food entries, the 4-H members were quizzed on food safety, nutrition, and preparation skills in an oral presentation.

Those participating included:
Junior I Division
Main Dish: 1. Elizabeth Hill, 2. Lindsey Cates Shaw.

Breads: 1. Joshua Hill, 2. Will Whitaker, 3. Brandi Kern.
Snacks: 1. Randi Cates Shaw, 2. Eric Book, 3. Whit Whitaker.

Junior II Division
Main Dish: 1. Anna Brockman.

Senior Division
Main Dish: 1. Rachel Wall, 2. Jennifer Wilhelm.

Breads: 1. Melanie Book.
Clover Kids
Rachel Hill and Mikala Whitaker.

Carrasco leads Hart at regional

Vanessa Carrasco was clocked at 14:09.3 over the two-mile course at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock Saturday, and that was good enough to place her among the top 50 runners in the Region 1-A cross country meet.

Carrasco officially finished 48th in the race and was the top Lady Horn running in the meet.

Hart finished 14th among the regional qualifying teams, tallying 379 points.

Other results for the Lady Horns were unavailable at press time.

Flu vaccines are available

Planned Parenthood is now offering the influenza (flu) vaccine through Dec. 1 at their clinics in Amarillo and throughout the Panhandle.

The vaccine is offered to adults and children at least 13 years old.

To schedule an appointment or for further information call 372-8731 or toll free 800-230-7526. The cost of the vaccine is \$8. Senior citizens 55 and over pay only \$5.

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Christmas Music on the Square
Featuring
The Dimmitt High School Choir &
The Dimmitt Middle School Choir
(Under the Direction of Elaine Hazel)

Late Night Shopping Around Dimmitt
(Some Stores Open Until 9:00 P.M.)

Drawings For Dimmitt Dollars
(Additional Drawings December 2, 9, 16, & 23)

And A Visit From
Santa
Himself

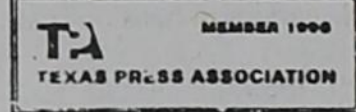
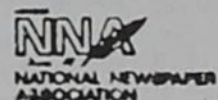
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- Puerto Rico
- TXism: "got _____ in the oven" (pregnant)
- TXism: "_____ a hand" in McLennan Co. on 77: _____ Lakeview
- Fredericksburg's Oktoberfest mo. (abbr.)
- they speak louder than words
- TXism: "in _____ neck of the woods" destined for greatness? (3 wds.)
- TX Buddy Holly's "_____ Boy"
- husband of TX Cyd Charisse
- Amarillo hosts "_____ State Fair"
- "Lonesome Dove" burial site of Gus: "_____ Orchard"
- dry TX co. (2 wds.)
- _____ Jo, TX
- desolated by death
- Vega H.S. football classification
- TXism: "headed for the _____ roundup"
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- flattens
- TXism: "all vine, _____ watermelon"
- military bugle call

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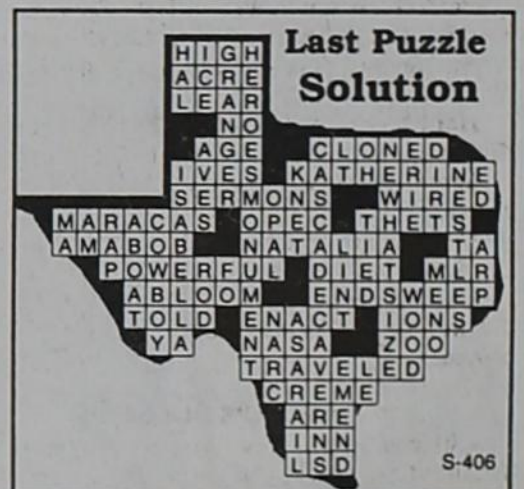
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- seat of Kimble Co.
- Dallas Stars goalie Moog
- this Blocker designed XIT brand
- chili
- ZZ Top is a Houston _____
- twelfth of a foot
- this Peter starred with TX Paula Prentiss in "What's New Pussycat"
- TXism: "leave _____ stone unturned"
- San Marcos univ.
- TXism: "_____ his mouth" (rash)
- TX Willie's "Who'll Buy My Memories" was dubbed this because proceeds were used to pay his tax debt
- TX golf event: Colonial _____
- trucker radio
- guitarist Paul
- Ft. Worth's Kimball _____ Museum
- real estate
- TXism: "attacked like grandma _____ chicken snake"

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Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Holy Family parish celebrated the 50th anniversary of our present church Saturday evening with a solemn High Mass at Holy Family Church with Father Peter Otto, pastor, presiding, and Msgr. Bud Erpen of Amarillo assisting. Everyone then enjoyed dinner and visiting at the Nazareth Community Hall.

Holy Family parish was established in August of 1902 with the first little church being completed in November of 1903. The second, larger, church was built in 1917, and the present church in November of 1949.

All three churches have been built on the same plot of land purchased by Father Reisdorff, who was pastor in 1902. He also named the new colony Nazareth and his new parish Holy Family.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Marvin Jones, 75, who died Nov. 3 after many years of illness. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon in Holy Family Church with Father Peter Otto presiding, assisted by Deacon Jerome Brockman and Deacon Al Maurer. Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery.

Survivors are his children, Larren Jones and Quentin Jones of Nazareth, Tom Jones of Virginia, Hal Jones of Missouri, and Jeff Jones of Tulsa; three daughters Marlene Vandegrift of Ohio, Carol Juvenal of Tulsa, Nadine Cotterman of Georgia and 15 grandchildren. Also attending were Marvin's first cousins, Bill and Sharon Jones and son, Travis, and Steve Jones, all of Ballinger.

Good luck to our cross country girls and boys who will travel to Roundrock this weekend to compete at the state level. Trinity Robb was seventh in the top 20 at Regional with 17:40.70—first place time was 16:18.70.

Danette Ramaekers won second place at regional with a time of 12:18.3—first place time was 12:10.7 for Katherine Duncan of Water Valley. In Team totals, Water Valley had 46 and Nazareth had 61.

The Nazareth Boy Scouts enjoyed a tour of the fire station and an interesting program with Fire Chief Virgil Wilhelm Sunday afternoon. The scouts were then taken to Tulsa to watch the movie "The Ride," a heart-warming and fun story about a tough

old cowboy, ten wild kids and an angry bull.

The scouts then enjoyed pizza, using the \$50 donation from the City of Nazareth for cleaning the Nazareth streets before the German Festival this summer.

Evelyn Backus spent Sunday in Pep visiting her relatives and friends, also the cemetery where her husband, Wilbert Albus, a son, Terry, and a daughter, Ann, are buried.

Karen Wilhelm of the Nazareth FFA recently represented Texas at the 72nd National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky. This is her quote: "The National Convention was a blast. I was only one of 52 Texas Voting Delegates. We voted and discussed many decisions affecting the FFA. There were three sessions each day and at each session, there were over 42,000 members and guests present. We listened to several speakers including Danny Glover.

"We were also able to shop at the huge FFA Shopping Mall and visit the career show. All Texas members were able to attend Texas Night. This was where we could meet representatives from Texas colleges. It was a very exciting and memorable experience."

We are proud of our Nazareth Swifts who ended the season games Friday with a 35-0 shutout of Happy and playoff berth. They are scheduled to play Petersburg Friday evening at 7:30 in Littlefield for Bi-District.

The Christian Mothers' annual Thanksgiving dinner and raffle will be held Nov. 21 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the community hall. The "Holiday Arts and Crafts Bazaar" sponsored by the Nazareth Art Club also will be held Nov. 21 at the Nazareth School Cafeteria. We would love to see our neighbors enjoy the day with us!

Veterans' Day ceremonies will be held on the front lawn of the school at 8:15 a.m. Everyone is invited!

Prayers are asked for Florine Brockman, Leonard Gerber, Lori Huseman, Sue Schneider, Leonard Wilhelm, Anna Huseman, Paul Venhaus, Gene Schacher and Sam Albracht.



Brandy Smith

Brandy Smith named 'Distinguished Youth'

Brandy Smith of Dimmitt has been selected to participate in the "Distinguished Youth of Texas Scholarship and Recognition Program."

Smith, daughter of Dwayne and Shelly Smith, will attend a special workshop Nov. 19-21 at the Sheraton Brookhollow Hotel in Dallas. During the weekend event, two Texas students will be selected to receive a \$1,000 US Savings Bond and the right to serve as a State Program Titleholder for one year.

In addition, both winners will receive \$250 to present to their respective schools from the Distinguished Youth of America Program. In all, more than \$5,000 in awards and prizes will be presented to various participants.

The Distinguished Youth Program is designed to recognize girls who rank high academically and who are leaders in their schools and communities. The judging criteria used to select the two state titleholders include the following: Scholastic Record, Service to School and Community, Personality Projection and Interview.

"This program truly reflects the female youth of the 21st Century," said Warren Alexander, program founder. "The candidates are intelligent, well-rounded students. Sixty percent of the judging involves written resumes, with another significant portion being the judge's interview."

The program finals will be held Sunday afternoon at the Sheraton Brookhollow Hotel and will culminate with the naming of the new Young Miss of Texas and Little Miss of Texas.

On the Go with Martha Jo Hyman, 647-2255

The Family Community Education Club of Castro County met Nov. 5 at the Senior Citizens Center with Edith Graef acting as president in the absence of Ann Henderson.

Members present were Claudene Langford, Fern Jones, Mary Edna Hendrix, Irene Blanton, Mattie Seale, Betty Freeman, Sue Tischler, Edith Graef and County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal.

A program on Living Wills was given by Shellie Rice, R.N., of Hospice Care, a division of Plains Memorial Hospital. Advance directive forms were given out to each person. She offered an explanation of how to fill out these forms and where they should be taken.

Plans were made for the Christmas party on Dec. 10. It will be held in the home of Marilyn Neal.

Ricky Baccus, one of my younger brothers, was up in our area working last week. His son, Len, was with him. They stay with me when they are in the vicinity. They are good company.

I received a pleasant phone call this morning. Dorothy Nutt, grandmother of triplets in Abilene, was checking in on her Dimmitt family and friends. She thinks she might be able to come home in the middle of December.

The boys, Jake Devon, Jerrison Dylan, and Jenson David, have done exceptionally well. When they were ready to leave the hospital for home, David had a limo pick them up. imagine three car seats! When they arrived home, there were three storks and signs in the front yard welcoming them home.

The First Baptist Church in Dimmitt has planned a going-away party for Tim and Shelly Farris and their family, Trey and the triplets. The babies are so precious. We wish all of them good luck and happiness.

Lisa and Daniel Trevino have a new baby boy. He weighed 8 lbs., 2 ozs., and was 19-3/4 inches long. His name is Jonathan Robert. His big brother is Joshua and big sister is

Chloe. All are doing fine. So if you see Ann or Terri Widick, make sure you congratulate them.

The girls of Beta Zeta Upsilon had a fun outing on Saturday. They went to Hereford and ate, then went to the movies. Everyone who attended had a great time. The movie they watched was "The Bachelor." Leigh said it was a really funny movie and has recommended it for those of us who want to see it.

Sue Summers had her 50th birthday on Sunday. Her family and friends gave her a surprise—they flew in Barbara Kenley. Barbara and Sue are great friends. If you see Sue, be sure and wish her a belated happy birthday.

Paul and Katie Ivey, Kay Kellar and I went to Hereford to eat after church on Sunday. While we were there we saw Steve and Ginger Olson, former church members; and Steve's mother, Betty Olson.

The Dimmitt Family and Community Education Club of Castro County met at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center on Friday.

A hospice care speaker gave an entertaining and interesting program on the care and attention patients are given while on their caring program. To live at home during the last days of your life means a lot to terminal patients and their families.

Refreshments were served by Sue Tischler to Edith Graef, Betty Freeman, Patsy Entekin, Irene Blanton, Mary Edna Hendrix, Irene Jones, Claudine Langford, Marilyn Neal and Mattie Seale.

Patsy (Bull) Hudman of Dimmitt said she got a kick out of the article last week about Susie Cluck meeting Patrick Swayze. Patsy said her mother, Thelma Bull, was the sister of Carl Moore, Swayze's grandfather.

"We called him 'Uncle Cap.' He drove some for Soapy Holland and sold 'Christian man.' Hudman said about Moore.

She said Moore married a woman

who had three sons, one of whom was Buddy, the father of Patrick.

Hudman said, "Patrick looks like his daddy a little. I would sure like to get in touch with him and let him know we all like his movies."

The Moore family reunion was held Oct. 24, along with a birthday celebration for J.B. Moore and Omega Johnson.

A dinner was held at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. Those attending were: J.B. and Thelma Moore, Omega Johnson, David, Jennifer, Jessica and C.J. Dennis, Christell Wilcox, and Don and Trampas Moke, all of Dimmitt; Sammie Hughlett and Butch Scott of Lamesa; Janis Williams of Mesa, Ariz.; Larry, Gayle and Rebecca Moore, Steven, Dana, Brandon and Kindra Morre, all of Altus, Okla.; Dusty, Kim, Taryn, Jordan and Summer Self of Cash, Okla.; Jim and Carol McCullough, Kevin, Darla, Cody, and Amy Hinkle, all of Lawton, Okla.; Russell, Eileen and Jill Johnson of Melissa; Joe Wilcox of Carne; Dusty and Clay Wilcox of Miami, Tex.; Stan and Linda Wilcox, Tony, Ronna, Mollie, Weston, and Brittany Wilcox, and Scott, Missy, Shala and Shane Wilcox, all of Hereford; and Douglas Moke of Benbrook.

Jessica Dennis, Shala Wilcox and Weston Wilcox also celebrated October birthdays.

4-H Council will meet on Monday

The Castro County 4-H Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday at the Extension Office.

Plans will be made for the upcoming 4-H Stock Show and an open house.

Council members unable to attend the meeting should contact County Extension Agent Benny Martinez.

First graders are honored

First graders at Richardson Elementary School were honored for having perfect attendance and good handwriting during the first nine-week grading period, along with achievements in homework, citizenship and improvement.

Award winners included:

KEITH'S ROOM
 Perfect Attendance: Alex Esquivel, Rodrigo Grado, Desiree Lopez, David Veliz, Ysela Trevino, Yolanda Castaneda and Nikki Ward.
 Homework: Natasha Aguilar, Esquivel, Grado, Desiree Lopez, Liset Soto and Velez.
 Most Improved: Jeremy Davis, Sergio Ibarra and Erik Reyna.

ROBERSON'S ROOM
 Citizenship: Jeffery Almanza, Wendy Bradford, Makenzie Cornett, Lacsessia Corral, Rae Lynn Dominguez, Elida Favela, Annabel Garcia, Eric Gil, Melissa Gomez, Alex Herrera, Angel Juarez, Lori Lopez, Alan Nance, Christopher Saucedo, David Underwood, Mercedes Villanueva and Sam Wales.
 Most Improved: Bradford and Saucedo.
 Homework: Bradford, Cornett, Corral, Favela, Gil, Gomez, Herera, Juarez, Nance, Saucedo, Underwood, Villanueva and Wales.
 Attendance: Almanza, Bradford, Cornett, Corral, Favela, Nance, Saucedo, Underwood, Villanueva.
 Writing: Cornet, Corral, Gomez and Underood.

SHANNON'S ROOM
 Handwriting: Roman Ovalle, Devin Hernandez, Araceli Rio, Stephanie Reyes, Elizabeth Preston, Juan Martinez, Jose Aguiro, Karina Casas, Phylissa Kinsler, Emily Rodriguez and Kolby Perez.
 Citizenship: Rodriguez, Gina Zambrano, Martinez, Rio and Hernandez.
 Most Improved: Ashley Howell, Kris Cline, Caleb Williams and Jonathan Gamez.
 Attendance: Hernandez, Reyes, Mendoza, Aguiro, Casas, Howell, Kinsler, Cline, Williams and Rodriguez.
 HOMEWORK: Preston, Erik Mendoza and Zambrano.

PADILLA'S ROOM
 Citizenship: Javier Ayala, Cesar Ontiveros, Erasmo Meraz, Gracie Ortega, Gary Gil, Maribel Alanis, Ayerim Chuca, Estefani Olivias, Javier Vargas and Jessica Martinez.
 Attendance: Jose Hernandez, Albert Martinez, Jessica Martinez, Cesar Ontiveros, Vargas, Chuca, Ayala, Gustavo Ruiz.
 Most Improved: Raul Parras and Chuca.
 Homework: Olivias, Hernandez, Vargas, Alanis, Ayala, Meraz, Gil, Raul Porras, Ortega, Jessica Martinez and Ruiz.
 Writing: Jessica Martinez, Vargas, Olivias, Ayala, Ruiz and Hernandez.

VILLARREAL'S ROOM
 Citizenship: George Beaird, Alonso ByGoytia, Jacob Davis, Charlene Calderon, Johnny Dones, Marissa Flores, Michael Kirven, Nikki Lara, Johnny Marmolejo, Ruben Martinez, Josue Quiroz, Diego Rivera, Xavier Sherman, Geena Steffens and Catlin Watts.
 Attendance: ByGoytia, Calderon, Davis, Kirven and Watts.
 Most Improved: Calderon, Davis, Kirven and Rivera.
 Writing: Beaird, ByGoytia, Flores, Lara, Steffens and Sydney Vigil.
 Homework: Beaird, ByGoytia, Davis, Dones, Flores, Kirven, Lara, Marmolejo, Ruben Martinez, Quiroz, Diego Rivera, Sherman, Steffens, Vigil and Watts.

WAGGONER'S ROOM
 Citizenship: Olivia Aguillon, Joseph Barrios, Anthony Cisneros, Eric Davis, Ricky Gonzales, John Hazel, Tori Hinojosa, Johnny Lopez, Lisa Lopez, Rudy Martinez, Corina Mendoza, Shea Myatt, Daniella Oliviero, Danielle Prieto, Michael Shea, Anthony Wall and Megan Wilkerson.

MATTHEWS' ROOM
 Citizenship: Karina Abrego, Brianda Aguiro, Jonathon Casas, Bethany Garza, Shyleigh Harris, Mari Pena, Angel Ramirez, Salvador Ramirez, Ruben Rodriguez, Carle Thomas and Jerry Velasquez.
 Most Improved: Pena.
 Homework: Abrego, Aguiro, Bruce Aldredge, Casas, Andrew Estrada, Bethany Garza, Harris, Miguel Lule, Jacob Martin, Ramirez, Steven Sustaia, Thomas and Matthew Vigil.
 Attendance: Aguiro, Aldredge, Garza, Harris, Ramirez and Rodriguez.
 Writing: Abrego, Aguiro, Aldredge, Casas, Garza, Harris, Thomas, Velasquez and Vigil.

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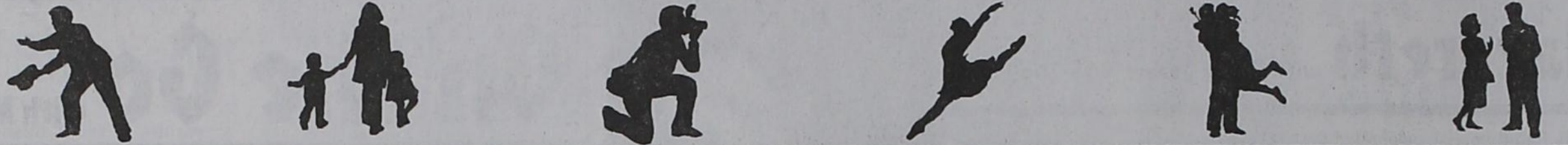
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People



Santa will make first visit here during open house on Nov. 18

Get ready for a visit from Santa on Nov. 18.

The young and young-at-heart can visit the jolly old elf in downtown Dimmitt on the evening of Nov. 18 as residents of Castro County begin celebrating Christmas 1999 with the annual Santa's Open House promotion.

"We keep hearing it's the last Christmas celebration of the millenium," said Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava. "That really doesn't make it any more important."

"It's Christmas. Christmas is always important," Sava added.

Santa is scheduled to arrive downtown at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 18 amid the music and lights of the season. Several stores will be staying open

late to accommodate shoppers, and there will be entertainment and refreshments.

Immediately following the open house, the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will conduct the first of this season's drawings for Dimmitt Dollars.

"On Nov. 18, and on Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23 you could win \$100 in Dimmitt Dollars by shopping in Dimmitt and registering with participating merchants," Sava said. "Each week three names will be drawn. The first name drawn will win \$100 in Dimmitt Dollars and the other two names drawn will each receive \$10 Dimmitt Dollars."

Registration forms for the first drawing will be available during Santa's Open House.



Juan Posadas Jr. and Christina Ann Velasquez

Couple announce December vows

Jose Manuel and Anita Velasquez of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Christina Ann, to Juan Posadas Jr., son of Juan Sr. and Mary Posadas of Sundown.

The pair plan to wed on Dec. 18 at 4 p.m. at Green Lawn Church of Christ in Lubbock.

A 1992 graduate of Dimmitt High School, the bride-elect attended Texas Tech University. She is employed at the offices of the Dept. of Public Safety in Lubbock.

After graduating from Denver City High School in 1994, the prospective groom attended South Plains College. He is employed at Frontier Dodge in Lubbock.

The couple plan to establish their home in Lubbock.

Holiday bazaar, turkey dinner slated in Nazareth

The Nazareth Art Club is accepting reservations for booth spaces at its annual holiday arts and crafts bazaar, which will be held Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Nazareth School Cafeteria.

Reservations will be accepted through Saturday, Nov. 13. Cost to rent an 8'x10' booth is \$20, and a table and two chairs will be provided.

Reservations can be made by contacting Lucille Drerup, Box 3, Nazareth 79063, phone 945-2562; or Rose Mary Wilhelm, HCR 2, Box

13, Nazareth 79063, phone 945-2583.

Checks should be made payable to the Nazareth Art Club, and the club must have the booth rental fee before it will assign a space. Booths will be assigned on a first-come basis, and when reserving space, exhibitors are asked to specify whether they prefer a wall or center booth, and whether or not they will need the table. They also must furnish a summary of what will be offered in their booth.

The cafeteria will be open at 7:30 a.m. the day of show so exhibitors may set up their booths.

Muleshoe bazaar set Friday, Saturday

The Moonlight Family and Community Education Club and Texas Agricultural Extension Office will have their annual Muleshoe Arts and Crafts Bazaar on Friday from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., and on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Bailey County Civic Center at 2200 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe.

In addition to the variety of arts and crafts booths, there will be some special program presentations this year.

On Friday at 4 p.m. "Holiday Foods for Special Dietary Needs (Low Fat, Low Cholesterol, Diabetic)" will be presented by Gail Gladden of the Bailey County Extension Service.

On Saturday at 11 a.m., "Holiday Table Decorations" will be presented by Gail Gladden and Holly Bills.

You are cordially invited to attend these programs at no charge.

The Nazareth Christian Mothers Society will hold its annual Thanksgiving dinner in conjunction with the arts and crafts show.

The turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall.

Turkey dinner and bazaar set here on Friday

Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will hold its annual holiday bazaar and turkey dinner on Friday, Nov. 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Expo Building.

Cost for the meal is \$6 per plate. Take-outs will be \$6.25.

The bazaar will feature home-baked goods as well as hand-crafted items.

The turkey dinner will include a wide variety of salads and side dishes.

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★ We have shower selections for **Shaun and Jacci (Bigelow) Furr**

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Four locals receive A&M scholarships

Four students from Castro County have received top scholarships from Texas A&M University, where they are enrolled this fall as freshmen.

Sandhills bazaar planned Nov. 27

The annual Sandhills Arts and Crafts Show, sponsored by the Olton Young Homemakers, has been scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 27, in Olton.

The show will be held at the Olton School Cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

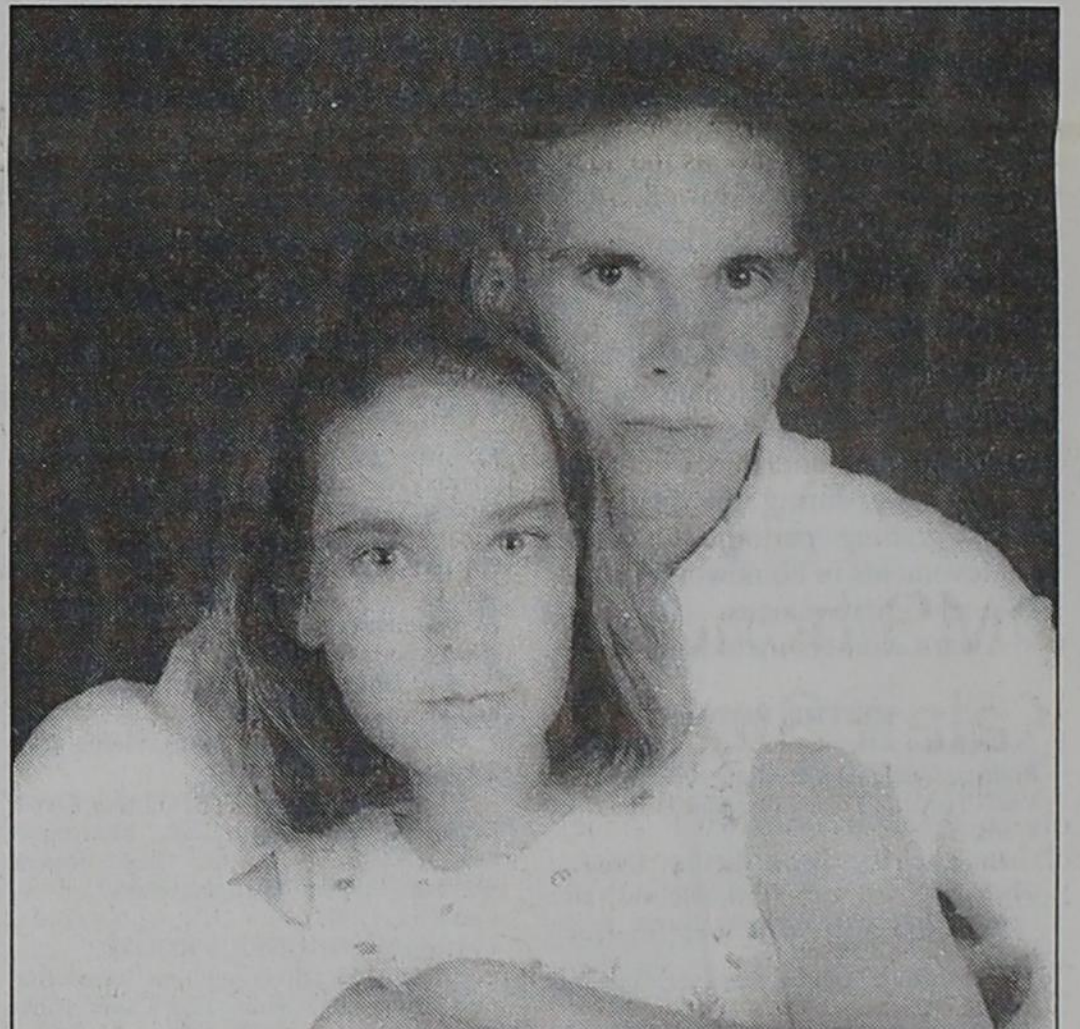
There are still a few booths available and interested exhibitors should call Paula Allcorn at (806) 285-3067.

Booths rent for \$25 and each booth is 8' x 10'.

Susan R. Book of Nazareth, daughter of Chris and Becky Book, is attending Texas A&M on a Lechner Scholarship.

From Dimmitt, Christina Fierro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Fierro, is attending Texas A&M on the Terry Foundation Scholarship; Rusty S. McDaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donny McDaniel, was awarded a President's Achievement Scholarship; and Wesley D. Wright, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Rick Wright, received a President's Achievement Scholarship.

Texas A&M University's freshman class includes more than 6,700 students, contributing to a record enrollment of 43,442. The university's entering freshmen traditionally have SAT scores approximately 100 points higher than the average for high school graduates in Texas.



MR. AND MRS. SHAUN FURR ... She's the former Jacci Bigelow.

Furr and Bigelow wed on Sept. 18

Mr. and Mrs. Shaun Furr are at home at Fort Sam Houston at San

Antonio, following their wedding on Sept. 18.

The bride is the former Jacci Bigelow, daughter of Donald and Lela Bigelow of Missoula, Mont. The groom is the son of John and Nacola Furr of Dimmitt, and the grandson of A.L. and Topsy Conner of Springlake and Ruth Furr of Earth.

The couple exchanged vows in an afternoon ceremony at the Little Chapel out in the garden on Division Ave at Fort Sam Houston, with Rev. Bill Leffler officiating.

The bride was attended by Jackie Philipp as maid of honor, and Derek Brady served the groom as best man.

Guests at the ceremony included Audrey Alonzo, Mary Magsonic, Christian McKay, Simon Strating, Dick and Tara Eide, Cathrine Hughes, Kyra Hadley, Leon Adams, and Blossom Catacutan.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Big Sky High School in Missoula, Mont. She joined the Army in March 1999. She began basic training in April and finished in June. She is classified as a medical lab technician (91K).

The groom, a 1997 graduate of Dimmitt High School, also completed basic training in June, graduating with honors, and is classified as a 91K. The pair will graduate from their current training on Jan. 14.

October 8, 1871 is not only the date of the great Chicago Fire, but also of the greatest natural disaster in Wisconsin history- the Peshtigo forest fire. After an extremely dry summer and fall, Peshtigo erupted in flame. About 1,200 people died- 900 more than in Chicago. Five million dollars worth of property was destroyed.

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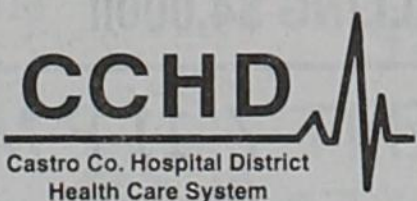
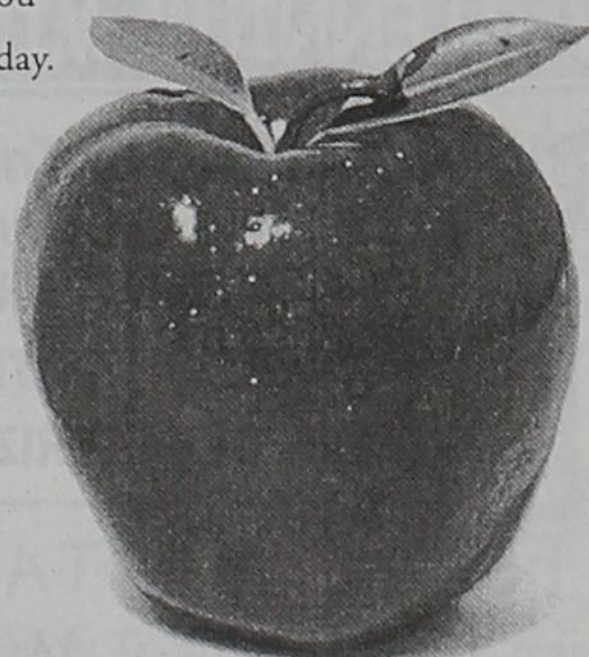
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The Great American Smokeout

Thursday, November 18th

Castro County Hospital District will again support the "Great American Smokeout", Thursday, November 18th, by offering smokers the opportunity to turn in their cigarettes for healthy snacks. Just stop by Plains Memorial Hospital, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 18th and you will be given information, healthy snacks, and encouragement to help you make it through a smoke free day.

The 'Smokeout' is a good-natured effort by the American Cancer Society to encourage smokers to give up cigarettes for one day, with the hope that if they can quit for 24 hours, they may quit forever.



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Who's New

PLAINS MEMORIAL

Arturo and Leticia Alfaro of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Arturo Alfaro Jr., who was born at 3:30 a.m. on Nov. 3 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He has an older brother, Jonathan Alfaro, who is 4. Paternal grandparents are Soledad Alfaro of Mexico. Maternal grandmother is Sofia Camacho of Mexico.

It's a girl for Ramon and Margarita Torres of Dimmitt. Their daughter, Kimberly Ashley Nicole, was born at 10:06 a.m. on Nov. 4 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 6 lbs., 14 ozs. She has three older brothers, including Ramon Angel Richard Torres, 5; Austin Anthony Torres, 4; and Jonathan Kasey Torres, 1. Paternal grandparents are Cruz and Rosa Ayala of Hart. Maternal grandmother is Maria Padilla of Mexico.

Antonio and Juana Rocha of Friona are the parents of a baby boy, Aaron Nicholas Rochas, who entered the world at 10:55 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5, at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. Aaron Nicholas weighed in at 7 lbs., 2.2 ozs., and he measured 20 inches in length. He has a big brother, 2-1/2-year old Antonio Estevan Rocha. His paternal grandparents are Antonio and Carmen Rocha of Dimmitt. Filiberto and Carmen Juarez of Friona are his maternal grandparents. Great-grandparents include Luis Rocha, Rosalio and Rosalinda Torres, Agripina Hernandez and Juana Moctezuma.

OUT OF TOWN

Dr. Danny and Melissa Trevino of San Antonio are the parents of a baby boy, Jonathan Robert, who was born Oct. 30. Jonathan weighed in at 8 lbs., 5 ozs., and was 19-3/4 inches long. He has a big brother, Joshua, who is 5; and a big sister, Chloe, who is 3. Grandparents are Terry and Ann Widick of Dimmitt and Bob and Yolanda Trevino of San Antonio.



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS DAVIS

Davises will celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Thomas and Barbara Davis of Hart will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Golden Group Building in Hart. The reception will be hosted by the couple's children and grandchildren.

The former Barbara Sharp married Thomas Davis on Nov. 9, 1949, in Plainview. The couple lived in Olton until 1969 when they moved to Hart. He's a semi-retired farmer. She worked in the Dimmitt Independent School District's cafeteria for 14 years before retiring. They attend the 11th and Amarillo Street Church of Christ in Plainview and they are members of the Hart Golden Group.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis have six children and in-laws including Martha and Ollie Ross of Olton, Jerry and Brenda Davis of Hart, Patsy and Otto Stewart of Hutchinson, Minn., Kenneth and Kay Davis of San Angelo, Doyle and Darla Davis of Hart and Larry and Kathy Davis of Hobbs, N.M. The couple has 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Cake auction is set Monday

Scrumptious cakes and baked goods will be auctioned off Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Canterbury Villa in Dimmitt.

The annual cake auction is held each year to raise money for Christmas gifts for residents of the nursing home.

Individuals are asked to help support the project by bringing a cake to the auction, or by making a donation. Jason Wooten will serve as the auctioneer this year. Jack Howell, who served as the auctioneer for many years, will be honored.

Also that day, Canterbury Villa is planning its annual Thanksgiving dinner for residents and their families and the meal will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Those planning to attend the Thanksgiving dinner are asked to call the home.

DMS honors Kalan Steinle

Kalan Steinle was named Student of the Week for the fourth grade classes of Mrs. Damron and Mrs. Spring at Dimmitt Middle School.

His favorite food is watermelon and his favorite animal is a horse. He likes the book *Dandelion*, and someone he admires and respects are the members of his family.

He does well at mowing the lawn and delivering newspapers, but he would like to do better at English. He likes the "teaming" times at DMS.

When he grows up he wants to be a veterinarian.

The son of Alan and Elaine Steinle, he was born June 22, 1989.

EMT classes are planned

The Castro County Hospital District Emergency Medical Services Dept. will sponsor EMT classes for all who are interested.

The classes will cover instruction at the basic level of emergency medical technician (EMT) training. There will be a charge for the class and materials.

Everyone who is interested in taking the classes is asked to call EMS director Leland Harris at 647-2191.

Dates and times for the classes will be announced at a later time after enough students are signed up.

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4-H is selling holiday baked goods

The Castro County 4-H is planning its annual holiday baked goods sale, and 4-H'ers will be taking orders through Nov. 18.

The 4-H also needs volunteers to help bake and deliver the goods, and to help supply groceries for the project.

4-H families will be contacted about helping with the project. For more information contact Janet

McDaniel at 647-3764.

Among the items which will be offered are cinnamon rolls with or without nuts, sticky buns with nuts, hot rolls, banana nut bread, strawberry nut bread, pumpkin bread, apple pie, cherry pie, peach pie, pumpkin pie, pecan pie, chocolate

cake, yellow cake, German chocolate cake, Italian cream cake, sour cream pound cake, peanut butter cookies, chocolate chip cookies, oatmeal coconut cookies, plain brownies, brownies with nuts, brownies with frosting and brownies with nuts and frosting.

Olton Methodist sets fall bazaar

The First United Methodist Church of Olton will hold its annual fall bazaar and stew/chili lunch on Saturday, Nov. 20, in the First United Methodist Church, corner of Third Street and Avenue D in Olton.

The Country Store will feature crafts, home baked cakes, pies, cookies, and breads, candy, canned goods, and frozen casseroles. Store hours will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be manned by adult Sunday School classes.

A stew/chili lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost will be \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 10 and under. The meal will come with relishes, homemade pie and drink. Take out plates will be available. Door prizes will be given every 15 minutes. Lunch chairperson is Pamela McFadden.

The women of the church will also be taking donations of \$2 each on an opportunity to own a hand made, king-size quilt in the "nine patch" pattern. Quilt colors are navy, hunter green, burgundy, mauve and off-white. It was made by two members of the church, Shirlee and Pam Roberson.

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La Asamblea Cristiana
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Manuel Rodriguez

First United Methodist
110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt
Rusty Dickerson.....647-4106

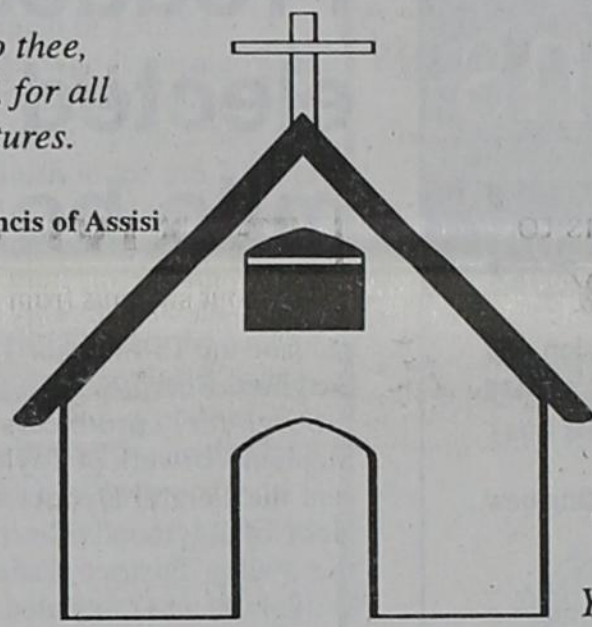
Iglesia De Cristo
E. Lee & SE 3rd, Dimmitt
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Fern Couture.....647-4219, 647-0105

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Fern Couture.....647-0105

Church of Christ
SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt
647-4435

Rose of Sharon Temple
407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

Primeria Iglesia Bautista
9th and Etter, Dimmitt
Antonio Rocha

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

First Assembly of God
300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt
Larry Gilliam.....647-5662

First Baptist
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Howard Rhodes.....647-3115

Lee Street Baptist
401 SW 2nd, Dimmitt
Jeff Addison

First Christian
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Wildlife packets for habitat establishment also are available. Each wildlife packet contains 100 bare-root trees and shrubs.

Seedlings and trees ordered now will be shipped in the spring of 2000. To order windbreak trees or for more information, contact the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District at 114 W. Belsher in Dimmitt or call 647-2153, Ext. 101.

Cotton talks

Further analysis of the effects of the recently implemented emergency and disaster assistance program shows agriculture is getting a much-needed short-term boost.

The relief package, delivered mainly in the form of a supplemental 1999 Ag Market Transition Payment (AMTA) will significantly improve the economic situation of most farmers.

Many producers were projected to have difficulty making their operations cash flow in 1999 as a result of the ongoing slump in commodity prices.

The research, done by economists with the Texas A&M University Agricultural and Food Policy Center shows that the relief package will indeed help producers get through the 1999 crop year but does nothing to alleviate the long-term pressure on agriculture's weakened economic situation.

The analysis shows that, despite short-term economic benefits for producers, farmers and ranchers will still be hard-pressed to cash flow their operations through 2002 unless the commodity price situation drastically improves.

The analysis concludes that unless a significant reversal in commodity prices ensues additional aid will be needed for agriculture.

Boll weevil treatments in the three active High Plains eradication zones continue wherever cotton fields still have hostable material.

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Program Director Osama

El-Lissy reported to Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors in Abilene last Thursday that spraying is continuing in triggered High Plains fields as the area awaits a cotton-killing freeze. So far this fall, only the northern half of the Northwest Plains Zone has seen a killing freeze.

"We are seeing substantial reduction in boll weevil numbers in these three zones as a result of this year's treatments," said El-Lissy. "the program is working."

The first-year diapause phase of eradication in the Northwest Plains Zone, Western High Plains Zone and Permian Basin Zone will be followed up with three years of full-season treatments to eliminate the pest from the 1.87 million acres in the three zones.

Assessment collections for boll weevil eradication programs in the three High Plains Zones, Northwest Plains, Western High Plains and Permian Basin, are reflecting strong support from cotton growers across the area.

83% of assessments have already been paid in the Permian Basin Zone with the Northwest Plain one showing 75.2% paid and the Western High Plains at 73.2% paid.

Growers who have not paid up their account will be reminded of their outstanding debt if they are unable to present a compliance certificate when they sell their cotton.

Under state law, any first buyer of cotton is required to honor a lien in favor of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation placed on this

year's production from farms subject to the boll weevil assessment.

Without a compliance certificate, a buyer must obtain confirmation from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation as to whether or not an assessment is outstanding. This is being provided through a secured Internet file that is updated daily.

Any questions on assessments or compliance certificates can be resolved by contacting the Foundation at 1-800-687-1212.

The 1999-2000 National Cotton Council Cotton Leadership Class visited the Texas High Plains Nov. 4-5 a part of their year-long training program.

This is the 17th leadership class. The 1999 members are producers Rex Holley of Baker, Fla., Roy Percy of Greenville, Miss., John Whitley of Odem and Diann Prechel of Phoenix, Ariz. Ginner is Chris Clegg of Dyersburg, Tenn. Jordan Lea of Greenville, S.C., is the merchant. Danny Brown of Pine Bluff, Ark., represents the crushers. Cooperatives are represented by Paul Bush of Arizona City, Ariz., and Judson Boehmer of Greenville, S.C., is the manufacturer.

The cotton leadership program, which seeks to identify potential industry leaders and provide them with developmental training, has been sponsored since its 1983 inception by grants from DuPont Agricultural Products to the Cotton Foundation.

With the reinstatement of the Step 2 Certificate Program, producers have gained another valuable tool in their efforts to market 1999-crop cotton.

The table below summarizes the latest effective payment rates for Step 2 certificates and the currently calculated LDP payment rate/marketing loan gain, effective the week of Nov. 5, also included is the Adjusted World Price calculated for the week ending Nov. 4.

The LDP payment rate and the marketing loan gain for the week beginning Nov. 5 are calculated by subtracting the Adjusted World Price from the 51.92 Upland Cotton Base Loan Rate.

AWP, Step 2 LDP Rates

	Rates effective	
	Nov. 4	Nov. 5
*A Index	46.95¢	N/A
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AWP	33.16¢	32.81¢
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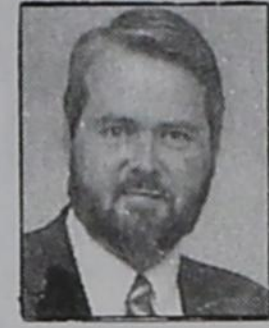
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Minding Your Own Business

Is customer service dead . . . or just dying?

(Last of two parts)

By DON TAYLOR



Don Taylor

Consumers feel that service is declining and the research backs that up. Last week I shared some true stories illustrating just how bad service really is.

Despite the nearly unanimous agreement among Americans that customer service is extinct, it actually isn't quite dead. It is declining, it is different, and it may be dying. However, it isn't dead yet.

Customer service is changing and it is being redefined continually. The self-serve businesses are changing the standards. The discounters are redefining it. And every day new E-commerce companies are setting new boundaries for acceptable service.

Interestingly, customers seem willing to accept different standards in different industries. For example, I would guess that at least one order in 25 is filled incorrectly in the fast food industry. Yet, fast-food franchises continue to flourish.

On the other hand, how long would folks fly on an airline that took you to the wrong city or crash landed one in 25 planes? How long would you keep a car that failed to start one in 25 times? Not long would be my guess.

What happened to good service?

Increasing competition has caused many businesses and industries to rethink their customer service strategies. Some firms have changed their focus from high quality, high service and midrange pricing to lesser quality, limited service and lower prices. They often reduce training costs and lower employment standards. They rationalize these decisions as necessary to stay competitive.

Other firms have adopted — or perhaps just allowed — a laissez faire attitude toward their service efforts. While this "hands-off" approach may not alienate some customers, others are getting upset. They include good service as part of the value equation and these folks want no part of no service companies.

Unfortunately, most American companies have instituted a "lip-service" policy. They talk about customer service. They advertise their great service, and if you don't listen too carefully you may even be convinced that they really do care. They certainly use the right buzzwords and sound persuasive about their commitment to service.

However, their actions shout their words. The proof of great service is in the results not the rhetoric.

Technology is also driving some interesting service changes. You can do your Christmas shopping without going to the mall, standing in line or feeling the crush. You can make your own airline reservations, buy a car or sell your stock without ever talking to a human being. You can avoid high-touch customer contact with voice mail, e-mail and overnight delivery.

The door is open

Where problems exist, opportunities abound. The door is wide open for companies who can maintain sound operating efficiencies and still keep "satisfying customers" as their number one priority. These companies are excelling today and will in the future.

The future will bring additional changes. In 1998, E-Commerce trackers reported that consumers spent nearly \$8 billion on Internet purchases. That number is expected to exceed \$100 billion by the year 2002. Other experts are predicting that the amount of online spending may hit \$300 billion by 2003.

In my opinion, those companies who are offering the poorest service have the greatest risk. The more satisfied customers are, the less likely they will be to seek new sources for their purchases.

I encourage you to intensify your customer service focus. Personalize your service. Respect your customer's need for courtesy and quick, accurate service. Hire employees with an attitude to serve, and train them thoroughly in basic job functions, product knowledge and customer care. Your business will be a standout in your community and your bottom line will be glad you did.

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.

Pig jackpot planned in Dimmitt Nov. 28

The "First Out of the Box Pig Jackpot" has been scheduled for Nov. 28 in the hog barn at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

The jackpot is open to swine exhibitors of all ages, and gilts and barrows are eligible for the show.

The doors will be open from 12 noon to 9 p.m. on Nov. 27 to allow exhibitors to bring their animals to the barns. The show will be held on Nov. 28.

Entry fees for the show are \$15 per animal if paid on Nov. 27, and \$20 if paid on Nov. 28.

Some bedding will be available, but supplies are limited.

No washing of the pigs will be allowed once the show starts.

Exhibitors must weigh in their own pigs, and a five-pound weight-back will be enforced on pigs that finish first or second in a class.

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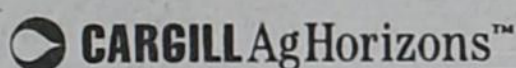
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Producers elected to milo board

Texas grain sorghum producers recently elected five producers to seats on the 15-member Texas Grain Sorghum Board.

Sorghum producers elected Stephen Vorwerk of Taylor to represent the Central District and Robert Hoot of Raymondville to represent the Valley District. Dale Artho of Wildorado was re-elected to the Panhandle District, Jim Boston of Roscoe was re-elected to the West Texas District and Clarence Chopelas of Mathis was re-elected to the Coastal District. Each director will serve on the Texas board for six years.

The board administers the funds collected in the statewide assessment on grain sorghum. Under the assessment program, the state is divided, according to sorghum production, into five districts.

Under state law, grain sorghum grown in Texas is subject to an assessment of .01 cent per hundred-weight. The funds generated by the assessment are used for research, education and promotion of Texas grain sorghum.



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TANNER AND KRISTEN EVANS
... 12-year-olds will perform here during Texas Music Jubilee

Music and dance will highlight show Nov. 20

A high-energy country and gospel music show with a performance by cloggers, will be held here Saturday, Nov. 20, at 6 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

Sponsored by the Castro County Sheriff's Department, the Texas Music Jubilee show will feature an appearance by "One Day at a Time" radio, television, stage and recording artist, Jeanette Lunsford, who is often called the queen of gospel music. She has toured the United States and performed with such greats as Kitty Well, Mel Tillis, Lulu Roman, the Happy Goodmans and the late J.D. Sumner and the Stamps Quartet.

Tickets for the show are available at the County Sheriff's Office, from participating merchants, including Dimmitt Thriftway and Dimmitt Market, and at the door. Proceeds from the event will help the sheriff's department purchase needed equipment.

Ticket stubs will be entered in a door prize drawing.

Also appearing in the show will be Phil Tolar and Entrusted, an outstanding gospel trio that has entertained television, radio and record audiences. The group has appeared at the Quartet Convention in Nashville, Tenn.

Other performers will include C.W. Walker and "The Texas Drifters," who will perform western swing. Their show features "The Walker Sisters." They will take you back down memory lane with their close harmony of yesteryear from the 1940s and 1950s as well as songs from the 1990s.

A special highlight of this year's show will be performances by 12-year-olds Tanner Evans and Dustin Garrett.

Evans has been playing the fiddle for three years. He has appeared in the Buddy Holly Story at the Cactus Theater and has opened for Ray Price in Turkey.

Garrett has been singing since he was 2. He appeared in the Buddy Holly Story at the Cactus Theater for three years. He also played Phil Everly in the Everly Brothers Story. While Garrett was playing Phil, Bob Whitaker of the Grand Ole Opry saw

Game night set Friday at Senior Center

The Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center will host a game night on Friday, starting at 6 p.m.

All members of the center are encouraged to attend, and those interested in joining the Senior Citizens also are invited.

Membership is open to all who are age 55 or older, and the membership fee is only \$15 per year.

For more information, call the center at 647-2654, or Edith Graef at 647-4748 or Cleo Forson at 647-4313.

Famous English playwright, Ben Jonson's last completed work for the stage was a comedy entitled *A Tale of a Tub*. It was performed in 1633. The tub referred to in the title was a squire, not a bathroom fixture.

More about

Swifts will face Petersburg . . .

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rolled through their first four games. The captured the district title Friday with an 18-13 win over Valley.

"Don't be deceived by their (Petersburg's) record," said Price. "They're tough. Those five non-district losses were all to good, Class AA teams. And I know that at least four of those teams made the playoffs, so Petersburg has played some tough competition this year.

"Over that non-district schedule I think they might have been a little banged up, but they got some players healthy and once they got to district they hit their stride and cruised."

The Swifts played Valley early in the season, posting a 28-7 win. Nazareth also beat the teams' other common opponent, Farwell, by a 30-14 count.

The Buffaloes advanced to the playoffs a year ago, only to lose in bi-district to Springlake-Earth. Three offensive starters and three defensive regulars are back from that team.

Petersburg likes to run the football, lining up with double tight end sets with a wing, then pounding it over defenses.

Among the team's key offensive threats are Cesario Reyes, a 5-11, 160-pound junior running back who has rushed for more than 800 yards this year and has scored 21 touchdowns.

Behind Reyes—who is the team's leading rusher—along with running back Michael Ruiz (6-0, 170-pound junior) and quarterback Josh Morris (5-6, 120-pound senior), the Buffaloes have gained 2,250 yards on the

ground. Add another 452 yards through the air over the 10-game regular season and the Buffaloes managed to average 270.20 yards of offense per game.

Ruiz, Morris and Reyes each scored a rushing touchdown in the win over Valley on Friday.

Price said Ruiz is just as dangerous on the ground as Reyes, and the only reason he doesn't have the yardage Reyes does this year is because he was injured as missed some games.

"They don't really have a specific fullback and tailback. They'll use either of those runners as a lead blocker or ball carrier, depending on the situation," Price said. "But they will definitely run the football. They'd just as soon not have to mess with throwing it much."

Opening the holes for the offense are tackles B.J. Hernandez (5-8, 205-pound senior) and Rodney Leon (5-10, 175-pound junior).

Petersburg doesn't have a lot of size—Hernandez is one of three players on the roster that top the 200-pound mark.

The Buffaloes defense has given up an average of 241.10 yards per game this season, allowing 1,607 yards rushing and 804 yards passing through 10 games.

The defense of choice for Petersburg is the 4-3, with Hernandez anchoring the line. Morris is featured in the secondary while Leon is a strong defender from his linebacker position.

Petersburg's defense limited Val-

ley's big running back, Nathan Wheeler, to 83 yards Friday, and 50 of those yards came on one big touchdown run late in the game. The Buffalo defense gave up just 171 yards total Friday.

"Up front, I think they're about the same size we are," Price said.

"They've got about the same speed we do, too. If we have an advantage, I think it's the fact that we throw the ball more. We may have a couple more weapons than they have.

"I believe they're a good solid team and it should be a good game, Price said.

Texas Farm Bureau names finalists in annual contest

A Hereford man is one of three finalists in the Texas Farm Bureau's Outstanding Young Farmer and Rancher Contest.

Andrew Gee of Hereford, Carlon Stapper of Bulverde and Darrell Glaser of Rogers were chosen from a field of 10 district finalists. The winner will be named Nov. 30 at the Texas Farm Bureau meeting in Corpus Christi.

Gee, 28, grows corn, cotton, wheat and milo along with stocker and feeder cattle on his operation near Hereford. He does some custom farming on the side. He and his wife, Kimberly, have one son.

Stapper is a 34-year-old who runs cattle and goats on operations in Comal and Crockett Counties. He and his wife, Ann, have three young daughters.

Glaser, 31, runs a diversified operation of registered and commercial cattle with brood turkeys on his farm near Rogers in Milam County. He and his wife, Shannon, are the parents of one child.

The annual Outstanding Young Farmer and Rancher Award honors

the young leaders of agriculture and recognizes the hard work and determination needed to succeed when starting out in the challenging business of farming and ranching.

The state winner and spouse will win a 2000 model ¾-ton quad-cab 4x4 Dodge diesel pickup, a year's use of a Case-IH tractor, a \$500 cash award from Dodge, a custom-made Montana Silversmith trophy belt buckle, and an expense-paid trip to represent Texas Farm Bureau at the national contest, to be held in Houston in January.

The state runners-up will receive one-year's use of a Dodge quad-cab pickup and a custom-made Montana Silversmith trophy belt buckle.

Nine judges are used on three different levels to come up with winners in these contests. Other finalists included Mark and Teresa Daniel of Seymour, Jeffery and Robin Hunicutt of Mount Pleasant, Steve and Tracie Blagrove of Knott, James Scott Lucas of Crockett, Shannon and Kay Theeck of Somerville, Stephen and Jennifer Diebel of Victoria and Travis and Kelly Adams of Odem.

More about

Swiftettes on to state . . .

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state title is defending state champion Alvord, which returns its full team from last year. The Swiftettes were runners-up to Alvord at the state meet last year.

Garrett said the average time for Alvord's top five runners coming in to this year's state meet is 12:54. Water Valley's five-runner average time is 13:04 and Priddy's is 13:08. The Swiftettes enter the race with a five-runner average of 13:10.

"Depending on how hard we work, we could have a shot at Alvord. It's going to be a tough meet," Garrett said. "The course is two miles long and it has a lot of slow hills. If the weather's nice, it'll be okay, but the past few years it's been cold, rainy and windy during the state meet."

Ramaekers was edged out of the girls' regional individual championship by Roscoe's Katherine Duncan, who posted the top time of 12:10.70. Ramaekers' second-place time was 12:18.2.

Three other Swiftettes finished among the top 20, including Lindsey Gerber, 11th, 13:05.40; Erica Gerber,

18th, 13:27.0; and Schulte, 19th, 13:27.6. Hoelting and Black were 25th and 26th, respectively, with times of 13:35.30 and 13:35.70. Cassie Birkenfeld rounded out the team with a 30th-place finish in 13:39.4.

Erica Gerber, who is normally the Swiftettes second-best runner, was hampered by shin splints, but still managed to finish in the top 20. Her time of 13:27 was about 30 seconds off of her usual pace, according to Garrett.

"Every girl did well and they all improved their times, with the exception of the girls who were hurt," Garrett said. "I was proud of the girls. We were the only team that had all seven runners in the top 50."

Nazareth also got a strong finish from Quentin Jones in the boys' race when he was clocked at 18:48.4 for 22nd place. Craig Birkenfeld was 66th in 18:47.

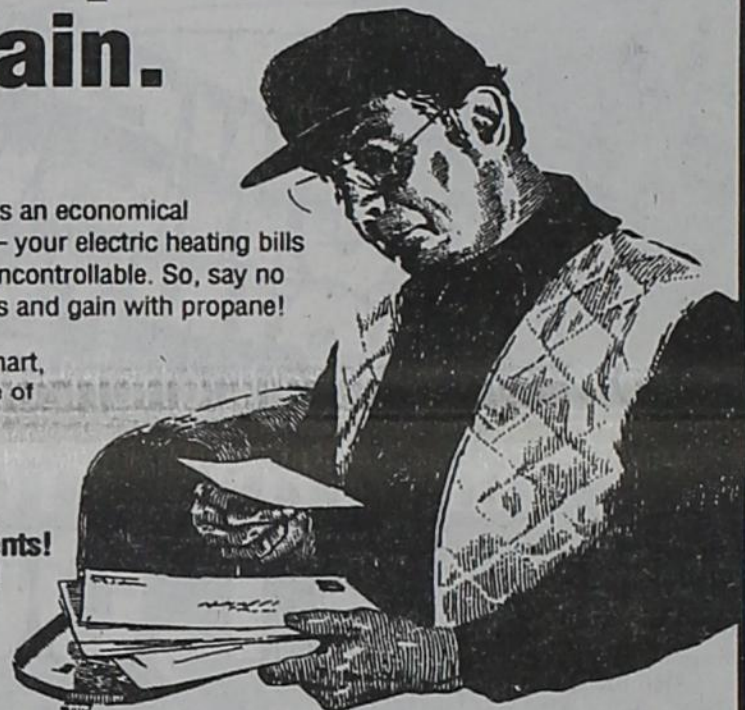
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Sports



Rangers ice district title with 24-14 win

By DON NELSON

Perryton's Rangers won the District 1-AAA championship here Friday night, but the Bobcats made them earn it in a hard-fought 24-14 contest.

Perryton finished with the best district record in the evenly-balanced 1-AAA (4-1) along with a 6-4 season mark, and will meet Muleshoe Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium in the Division I (large schools) bi-district game.

The Bobcats finished the year with a 2-8 overall record and were winless in district play. But with their squad diminished to 17 players, they provided a character reference by scoring both the first and last touchdowns of their final game.

It was fitting that tailback Justin Sutton scored the final TD on a 24-yard run in the fourth quarter. The speedy senior racked up another 100+ game, finishing with 132 yards on 26 carries, and broke the 1,000-yard mark, ending the season with 1,111.

"A pretty distinct size advantage was the difference in the game," Dimmitt Coach Bruce Dollar said. "They were able to control the line of scrimmage when they needed to, and that was the difference."

"But I thought we played mighty well—as well as we've played in a while."

"It was really insurmountable odds, you know," he added. "We had 17 players suited up, and they had 21 seniors on their squad. But we lined up and played them right down to the end."

The game was played on another nice Indian Summer evening, capping one of the balmiest seasons ever for Dimmitt fans, who in past years have endured their share of freezing drizzle, blizzards and deluges.

The Bobcats took the fight to the bigger Rangers early, mounting a 74-yard scoring drive on their first possession after forcing a Perryton punt.

Biggest gainers in the 13-play drive were a 35-yard run by Sutton on a right sweep and a 10-yard pass from quarterback B. J. Hill to runningback Bobby Hill.

On third-and-three at the Perryton 9, B. J. Hill raced to his left for a play-action pass and looked for Bobby Hill and wide receiver Daniel Proffitt downfield. But then he saw a path, tucked the ball in and raced through the traffic and into the end zone for a touchdown.

Sutton booted the extra point and Dimmitt owned a 7-0 lead with 4:41 remaining in the first quarter.

The TD run was the first of many heads-up plays by B. J. Hill during the game. The junior QB gained 31 yards on 10 carries and completed

four of nine passes to Bobby Hill and Proffitt for 52 yards.

"B. J. played probably his best game of the year," Coach Dollar said.

After Dimmitt's opening TD, the two teams locked in a defensive battle until late in the second, when the Rangers put together a 66-yard scoring drive.

Matt Appelhans, a 161-lb. sophomore back making his first start, paced the Perryton drive with runs of 22, 5 and 8 yards before scoring on a 10-yard run over right tackle with 4:17 left in the half. Cody Merrell kicked the extra point to make it a 7-7 game.

But the Rangers had another surprise before halftime.

After backing the Bobcats up to their 10-yard line and taking over at the Dimmitt 37 following a short punt, the Rangers launched an aerial blitz that netted a second touchdown in four plays.

Quarterback Jaime Juarez connected with Cody Creswell for a 14-yard gain, then runningback Cody Merrell made a beautiful falling catch at the 4-yard line to complete a 19-yard play. Juarez zinged his next pass to Creswell in the end zone for the TD with 36 seconds left in the half.

A two-point pass attempt on the conversion fell incomplete, leaving

the Rangers with a 13-7 lead.

Perryton picked up its final TD on its first possession of the second half, going 65 yards in nine plays, aided by a 15-yard penalty against Dimmitt for roughing the passer.

Juarez kept right on the option play and went in standing up for the touchdown, then ran a two-point conversion himself to hike the Rangers' lead to 21-7.

The Bobcats followed with a 44-yard drive but ran out of downs at the Perryton 36 and had to give up the ball.

Four plays later, Appelhans got loose again and romped 27 yards before B. J. Hill ran him down at the Dimmitt 18. The Bobcats held at the 11, but from there, Merrell toed a 28-yard field goal to make it 24-7 as time ran out in the third.

After Armando Castaneda returned Perryton's ensuing kickoff to the Dimmitt 33, the Bobcats drove 67 yards in 10 plays for their final touchdown of the season.

In two of the drive's highlight plays, B. J. Hill completed a running pass to sophomore end Jonathan Jimenez for 15 yards and followed with a 14-yard keeper to advance the ball to the Perryton 26.

Two plays later, Sutton was almost trapped as he raced to the right, but got loose and picked his way 24 yards to the end zone for the TD with 7:27 left in the game.

Dimmitt was penalized for delay of game on the extra-point play, but Sutton nailed his kick anyway to make it 14-24.

The Bobcat defense swarmed Juarez to stop the next Perryton drive at the Dimmitt 30, and the Rangers'



DIMMITT'S JUSTIN SUTTON makes a cut to get away from Perryton defender Chris Alvarez (66) in Friday night's District 1-AAA finale here. Sutton gained 132 yards and scored a touchdown in his final outing, pushing his season rushing total to 1,111. Perryton won the game, 24-14, to clinch the district title. Photo by Carter Townsend

Junior Ramirez intercepted a B. J. Hill pass at midfield to kill Dimmitt's final push.

Summing up the season, Coach Dollar praised his players for "playing with a lot of heart."

"This team had as much spunk as any team I've ever coached," he said. "They were great. I'm really proud of those kids for staying with it, and fighting back, and doing things the right way, with a lot of pressure on them. They did great."

He added, "We had some kids mature a bunch. We had a lot of adversity, but you know, that's what makes you a lot better person. You can see what kind of character and integrity people have by how they handle adversity, and I thought these kids handled it well. We had some boys turn into men."

Sutton finished the season with 1,111 yards rushing on 196 carries for an average of 5.67 yards per tote. He also caught nine passes for 105 yards, an average of 11.7 yards per catch. He scored 10 rushing touchdowns and two more on pass receptions, and also added eight extra points for 74 total points on the season.

B. J. Hill completed 44 of 120 passes during the season for 577 yards and six touchdowns, and threw 10 interceptions.

Dimmitt's top receivers were Keevin Sanders with 12 catches for 212 yards and four touchdowns; Sutton with nine for 105 yards and two TDs; Daniel Proffitt with eight for 102 yards and one touchdown; and Daniel Flores with 10 for 89 yards.

Game at a Glance

Perryton	0	13	11	0	24
Dimmitt	7	0	0	7	14

	PER	DIM
First Downs	17	13
Rushes-Yards	43-277	47-201
Passing Yards	71	52
Total Yards	348	253
Passes Comp/Att	7/15	4/12
Interceptions By	1	0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-1
Punts-Avg.	3-30	5-28.2
Penalties-Yards	6-64	8-50

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter:
D—B. J. Hill 9 run (Justin Sutton kick), 4:41

Second Quarter:
P—Matt Appelhans 10 run (Cody Merrell kick), 4:17
P—Cody Creswell 4 pass from Jaime Juarez (pass failed), 0:36

Third Quarter:
P—Juarez 2 run (Juarez run), 5:40
P—Merrell 28 field goal, 0:02

Fourth Quarter:
D—Sutton 24 run (Sutton kick), 7:27

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—DIMMITT: Justin Sutton 26-132, Fred Traylor 11-38, B. J. Hill 10-31. PERRYTON: Matt Appelhans 24-197, Jaime Juarez 9-44, Cody Merrell 1-18, Junior Ramirez 1-9, Johnson 2-8, Hermosillo 2-2, Espino 1-2, Bernal 1-2, Dear 1-0, Williams 1-(-5).

Passing—DIMMITT: Hill 4/9-1-52, Sutton 0/3-0-0. PERRYTON: Juarez 7/13-0-71.

Receiving—DIMMITT: Jonathan Jimenez 2-30, Bobby Hill 2-22. PERRYTON: Merrell 3-43, Cody Creswell 2-18, Appelhans 1-8, Kyler Sunday 1-2.

Records: Dimmitt 2-8, 0-5; Perryton 6-4, 4-1.

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Cross country

Bobbies finish fourth at regional

The Dimmitt Bobbies enjoyed great weather and ran one of their better races of the year Saturday at the Region 1-AAA cross country meet, but they came up short of earning a trip to the state meet.

Dimmitt finished with 193 team points, which was good enough for fourth out of the 20 teams qualifying for the race at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

The regional race was a tough battle between several good teams. Shallowater won the team championship with 84 points while Ballinger was second with 132 and Dalhart was a close third with 133.

Carol Summers was the Bobbies' top runner Saturday, claiming the 23rd spot with a time of 13:08. Cheree Norman was seconds behind

Summers, posting a time of 13:16 for 30th place.

The Bobbies next five runners all finished among the top 100. They were Priscilla Rodriguez, 43rd, 13:31; Jenna Steinle, 65th, 13:51; Kelsey Welch, 71st, 13:55; Stephanie Flores, 83rd, 14:05; and Morgan Hazel, 100th, 14:20.

"We ran very well. I was really pleased we were fourth because there was a lot of stiff competition in the regional race," said Dimmitt Coach Jennifer Smith.

Dimmitt's Ivan Flores was 47th in the boys' three-mile regional race after posting a time of 18:25.

"Ivan ran well. It wasn't his best time on the Lubbock course, but he still did well. He got to regional, which is an accomplishment," Smith said.



ABOUT 865 MEALS SERVED—The serving line was constantly busy at the annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Bazaar sponsored by the United Methodist

Women of the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt on Nov. 2. The event raised over \$7,000 for scholarships and other local projects of the UMW.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Here's how our opponents fared

Here's a rundown of how opponents of the Dimmitt Bobcats, Nazareth Swifts and Hart Longhorns fared during the 10th week of the season.

Dimmitt opponents

Lamesa (8-2) lost to Seminole, 14-0
Sundown (8-1) beat Hale Center, 35-14
Muleshoe (7-3) beat Lubbock Cooper, 41-0
Tulia (3-3) beat Dalhart (5-5), 21-17
River Road (5-5) beat Sanford-Fritch (8-7), 8-7
Brownfield (1-9) lost to Denver City, 18-6

Nazareth opponents

LCHS (0-7) score not available
Valley (7-3) lost to Petersburg, 18-13
Whiteface (2-8) lost to Ropes, 26-19
S'lake-Earth (7-2) beat Kress (3-7), 47-0
Vega (6-4) beat Hart (1-9), 33-14
Farwell (8-2) beat Bovina, 22-7
Claude (6-3) beat Booker, 47-23

Hart opponents

Morton (6-4) beat Olton (0-5), 27-0
S'lake-Earth (7-2) beat Kress (3-7), 47-0
Nazareth (8-2) beat Happy (4-6), 35-0
Bovina (6-4) lost to Farwell, 22-7
Smyer (0-10) lost to Sudan, 62-0
Valley (7-3) lost to Petersburg, 18-13

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-Gertrude Stein

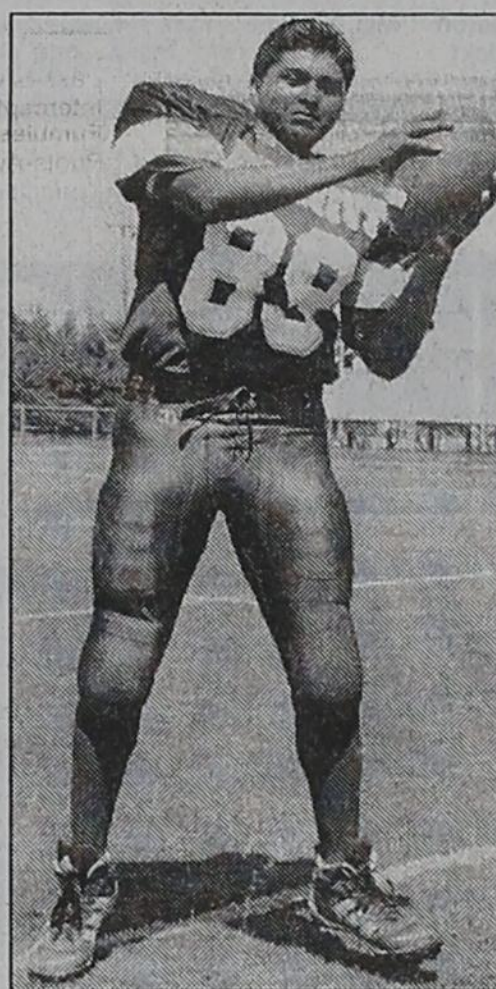
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Bobcats 6, Lamesa 49
Bobcats 14, Friona 49
Bobcats 35, Brownfield 0
Bobcats 7, Muleshoe 13
Bobcats 0, River Road 6
Bobcats 14, Tulia 28
Bobcats 13, Sanford-Fritch 51
Bobcats 6, Dalhart 25
Bobcats 14, Perryton 24

** Denotes District Games*

JUNIOR VARSITY

JV Bobcats 0, Sundown 12
JV Bobcats 0, Lamesa 6
JV Bobcats 26, Friona 41
JV Bobcats 12, Brownfield 28
JV Bobcats 0, Muleshoe 40
JV Bobcats 0, River Road 38
JV Bobcats 6, Tulia 34
JV Bobcats 8, Sanford-Fritch 36
JV Bobcats 34, Dalhart 12
JV Bobcats 16, Tulia 22

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH

7th 36, Friona 0	8th 46, Friona 8
7th 12, Brownfield 14	8th 0, Brownfield 18
7th 6, Muleshoe 18	8th 46, Muleshoe 0
7th 18, River Road 14	8th 22, River Road 0
7th 16, Tulia 30	8th 8, Tulia 24
7th 28, Sanford-Fritch 8	8th 36, Sanford-Fritch 6
7th 40, Dalhart 20	8th 14, Dalhart 28
7th 0, Tulia 34	8th 8, Tulia 36

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Swifts make playoffs with 35-0 win over Happy

A playoff spot was on the line, and Nazareth's offensive and defensive lines made sure that spot belonged to the Swifts Friday as Nazareth totally dominated Happy for a 35-0 win and a second-place finish in District 3-A.

The Cameron McLain train was on track and rolling. The senior tailback steam-rolled 206 yards in 23 carries, and scored three of the Swifts' touchdowns. His brother, Matty McLain, ran 12 times for 56 yards. In the air, the Swifts netted 34 yards, all on catches by sophomore flanker Kade Wilcox.

Nazareth just controlled every area of the game. The Swifts had 341 total yards while holding Happy to only 87. Nazareth earned 19 first downs to Happy's four.

"I am very proud of the way this team played this game," Nazareth Coach Rick Price said. "Our backs

were to the wall and Happy was no Patsy.

"We went out and took this game from Happy. Our offensive and defensive lines controlled the line of scrimmage, which allowed us to control the game."

Happy hardly touched the ball in the opening stanza, as the Swifts drove the ball down the field, running 20 plays and literally using up the first quarter.

Cameron McLain lead the attack, carrying the ball 13 times for 50 yards. Matty McLain netted the rest of Nazareth's ground yardage with 16 yards on three carries.

Blake Birkenfeld tossed two passes to Kade Wilcox—one was incomplete, the other one earned the Swifts a first-and-ten on the Happy 21-yard line. With 1:33 left in the first quarter, Cameron McLain ran into the

end zone for the first touchdown of the game.

Happy ran only three plays before it punted, and Nazareth had control of the ball when the second quarter began.

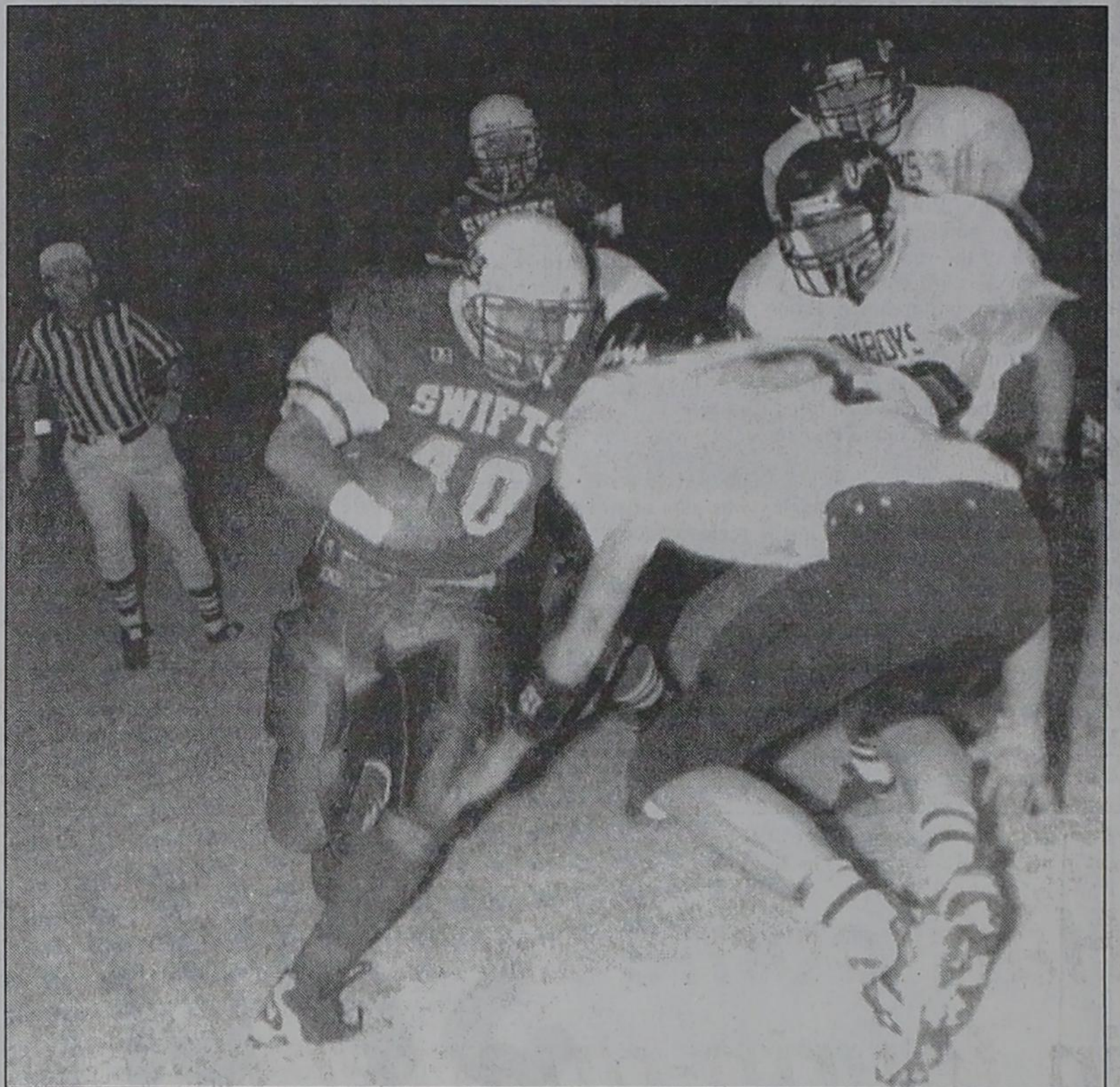
The Swifts ran four plays, then Happy forced them to punt. Nazareth's defense would pull through and four plays later, Nazareth got the ball back, on fourth-and-two, Happy faked a punt and fumbled, leaving Nazareth with possession on the Happy 27-yard line.

It took Nazareth only five plays to take advantage of the mistake. A 12-yard pass from Birkenfeld to Kade Wilcox, and two runs by Cameron McLain put the Swifts back on the goal line, and Matty McLain finished the drive with the touchdown.

Wethington connected on the PAT and Nazareth led, 14-0, with 8:09 left in the half.

Happy's Sonny Calhoun returned the kickoff 16 yards. That and a 15-yard penalty against Nazareth put Happy on the Nazareth 40-yard line. A short pass completion and Ty Pearson's 22-yard run up the middle put the Cowboys in good scoring position, but on the next play Kade Wilcox picked off a pass in the end zone and Nazareth took possession on the 20.

Three plays later, the Cowboys recovered a Swift fumble and found themselves in good position again on the Nazareth 24. Patrick McCuaig lofted a 10-yard pass to Colby Davis



COLLISION COURSE—Happy's John Mark Moudy (7) lowers his head and focuses on stopping Nazareth's Cameron McLain (40), but McLain wins the battle, running over Moudy for a good gain before he's finally stopped. McLain ran wild against

the Cowboys Friday at Swift Field, gaining 206 yards on 23 carries and scoring on runs of 3, 55 and 69. The Swifts' defense did the job, too, holding Happy scoreless enroute to a 35-0 win and a playoff berth.

Photo by Dwayne Acker



LET GO! Nazareth's Kade Wilcox tries to break away from a Happy defender, but he's stopped after gaining good yardage on a punt return Friday in a District 3-A game at Nazareth. The Swifts and Cowboys were battling for a playoff berth and Nazareth snagged the seat with both hands, posting a 35-0 shutout Friday. Coming in to help on the tackle is Happy's Colby Davis (9).

Photo by Dwayne Acker

Game at a Glance

Swifts 35, Happy 0
Nazareth 7 7 7 14-35
Happy 0 0 0 0-0

	NAZ	HAPPY
First Downs	15	4
Yards Rushing	307	34
Yards Passing	22	53
Total Yards Gained	329	87
Passes Comp.-Att.	3-7	5-15
Interceptions By	3	5
Punts-Avg.	N/A	N/A
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	4-2
Penalties-Yards	5-35	3-20

Scoring By Quarters

Quarter	Scorer	Yards	Run
First Quarter	NAZ—Cameron McLain 3 run (Stanton Wethington kick)	55	run
Second Quarter	NAZ—Matty McLain 1 run (Wethington kick)	69	run
Third Quarter	NAZ—Cameron McLain 55 run (Wethington kick)	1	run
Fourth Quarter	NAZ—Cameron McLain 69 run (Wethington kick)		
	NAZ—Jason Huseman 1 run (Wethingtonkick)		

for a Cowboy first down, but the Nazareth defense dug in and four plays later the Swifts took over on their own 8-yard line after holding the Cowboys out of the end zone with 2:05 left in the half.

The Swifts ran out the clock and went to the locker room with a comfortable 14-0 lead.

Nazareth scored twice in the third quarter, both on long runs by Cameron McLain. Happy was unable to gain a first down on its possession of the second half. Kade Wilcox returned the Cowboys' punt to the Nazareth 44 to put the Swifts in good field position.

After three short running gains, Cameron McLain broke free for a 50-yard touchdown run, but the score was nullified by an illegal procedure penalty against the Swifts. McLain got the same call on the next play and sprinted into the endzone from 55 yards out. Wethington nailed the kick and Nazareth led 21-0 with 7:53 remaining in the third stanza.

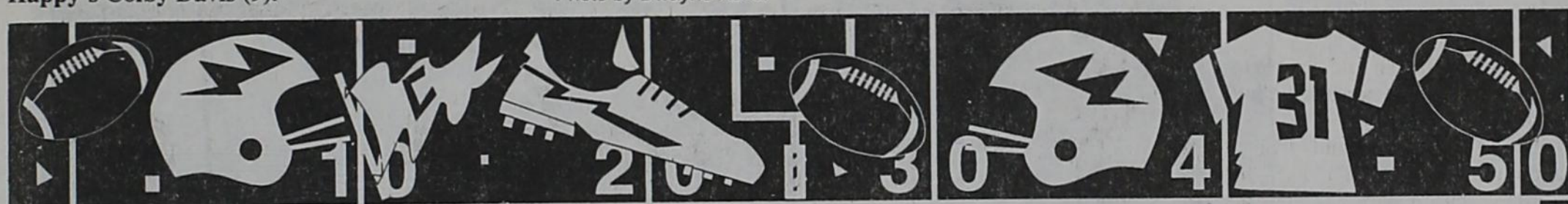
Happy ran four plays and punted. Nazareth controlled the ball for the next 13 plays, eating up valuable time, and the quarter ended when Happy recovered a Nazareth fumble on the Cowboy 21.

They went nowhere, though, and

on Nazareth's next possession Cameron McLain streaked 69 yards for another Swift score. The kick was good. The score was 28-0 with 11:41 left in the game.

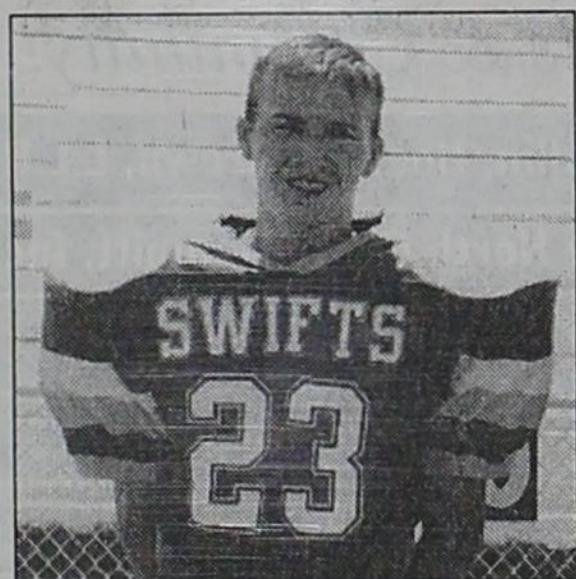
Happy ran eight plays and picked up one first down before turning the ball over again. It took Nazareth seven plays to score again.

Aaron Kern carried the ball three times for 12 yards and Jason Huseman ran four times for 14 yards and scored on a one-yard scamper with 3:49 left. Wethington booted the extra point and the scoring was complete, Nazareth 35-0.

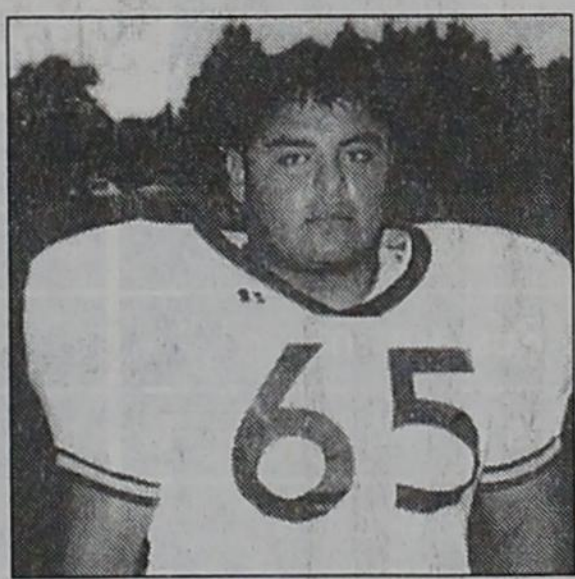


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Hoop season will tip off on Tuesday

County basketball players are developing their shots, fine-tuning their defensive skills and mastering offensive game plans in preparation for their 1999-2000 season openers on Tuesday.

Dimmitt will open the season by taking on Randall, there, beginning with the junior varsity games at 5 p.m. The varsity girls' game is expected to start about 6:30 p.m., and the varsity boys' matchup will follow around 8 p.m.

The Nazareth Swiftettes are home for their opener Tuesday, with Friona visiting the NHS gym. The season will start at 5 p.m. with the junior varsity girls' game, followed by the varsity girls' game at 6:30 p.m. If the Swifts are still in the football playoffs, there won't be a boys'

game on Tuesday. For Hart, Floydada is first on the list for the 1999-2000 season. The junior varsity Longhorns and Lady Horns will meet the Whirlwinds starting at 4 p.m. The varsity Lady Horns will tip off their game at 6:30 p.m., followed by the boys' varsity contest at 8.

The Dimmitt Bobcats will scrimmage Levelland and Odessa Permian at Levelland Saturday at 10 a.m. in a final warm-up before Tuesday's season openers.

The Hart Longhorns will scrimmage Cotton Center Friday at 5 p.m. in a tune-up while the Lady Horns will practice against Littlefield on Saturday.

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HART QUARTERBACK Salvador Velasquez (12) looks for running room, but he's met by a host of Vega defenders and is stopped for little gain Friday night in a District 3-A game. The Longhorns, after

falling behind 33-0 Friday, came back in the fourth quarter and scored twice to make it 33-14. The rally ended there, though, and Hart closed out its season with a disappointing 1-9 record. Photo by Rachel Wall

Hart comes up short in fourth-quarter rally

What started out as a promising year for the Hart Longhorns came to a disappointing end Friday when the dropped their final game of the season to the Vega Longhorns, 33-14.

The longhorns had two great scrimmages against Tucumcari and Memphis to start the year, but injuries and inexperience left the Longhorns longing for another beginning.

The new beginning started in the fourth quarter of the game against Vega.

Hart outscored Vega, 14-0, in the fourth quarter and 14-12 in the second half, but it wasn't enough to overcome a first-half drought.

With eight injured players standing on the sidelines for the game, the Longhorns started the game with many young and inexperienced players. This inexperience hurt the Longhorns on the first play as Vega scored from 60 yards out to open scoring.

The scoring play came on a pass from the running back and caught Hart's defense off-guard.

Hart started its first drive on its own 3-yard line. On the first offensive play, the Longhorns fumbled the ball in the end zone, but were able to recover. Vega was awarded a safety and took an 8-0 lead early.

Vega would score two more times in the first half, once on a reverse and another time on a run set up by a blocked punt. The score going into the locker room at halftime was Vega 21, Hart 0.

The second half started out much like the first with Vega scoring two more touchdowns to take a 33-0 lead going into the last quarter of the season.

At this point in the game Hart looked worn down and fatigued. The offense has struggled all season, scoring more than one touchdown only once this season.

In district play the offense had scored just six points before Friday's game. Those points were against Kress, four weeks ago.

The Longhorns were able to shake off the earlier games and put together two good drives on offense Friday against Vega.

Hart started its first scoring drive with the ball inside Vega's territory. Hart was able to move the ball well behind good runs by sophomore Joel DeLaFuenta.

Finally, after a three-game shut-out, the Longhorns were able to score, capping the drive with a 7-yard run by DeLaFuenta. The two-point conversion failed, but the Longhorns narrowed the deficit to 33-6.

JV Bobbies among best at district race

Four junior varsity Bobbies claimed Top 10 finishes at the District 1-AAA cross country meet, held recently in Amarillo.

Sally Stahl was the second-best runner in the race, claiming the silver medal with a time of 15:31.

She was followed by Maria Chavez, who finished fifth in 15:49. Sadra Daniels of Dimmitt ran the race in 15:54 for seventh place while Lyndee Behrends finished ninth in 16:40.

The girls competed as individuals in the district meet because they didn't have enough to form a team.

"All of the girls finished in the top half of the JV runners and we had our best meet of the year," said Dimmitt Coach Jennifer Smith.

Seminar to assist college-bound

Potential college students can learn about enrollment, career options, financial aid, testing, advising and counseling, and college applications at the College Ready Seminar from 6 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Amarillo College Washington Street Campus.

"This program is especially designed for minority high school juniors and seniors," said Maury Bird, community outreach, STAR Outreach Program. "We'll answer your questions and assist with your college plans."

The STAR (Student Training and Retraining) Program is sponsoring this free event. For more information, contact Maury Bird at 371-8027.

Hart, desperate to get the ball back, attempted an onside kick. The Longhorns were able to recover the kick and took control again. This offensive series was similar to the previous one with DeLaFuenta continuing to run well with the ball.

Vega had a difficult time stopping DeLaFuenta and he scored on a 20-yard run. Freshman Salvador Velasquez added the two-point conversion through pure determination. Two bigger players from Vega were positioned between Velasquez and the goal line, but he was able to break through for the conversion, bringing Hart a little closer, 33-14.

The Longhorns were able to recover a couple of Vega fumbles, but couldn't produce any more points.

Although Hart lost the game, the Longhorns showed heart and spirit by scoring those two touchdowns in the final quarter.

With a large number of underclassmen returning, Hart should be able to field a team with experience next season.

Although the season ended on a disappointing note with the 33-14 loss, a new season started on a positive note.

Dimmitt and Hart enjoy hikes in sales tax rebates

The cities of Dimmitt and Hart and Castro County enjoyed an increased November sales tax rebate, but Nazareth's payment was off slightly from 1998's stipend.

Hart's November payment of \$2,484.49 was 19.11% above 1998's total of \$2,085.73. The city is running 16.08% above 1998 totals through November, having earned \$17,707.44 so far this year, compared with \$15,253.37 last year.

Dimmitt's check this month was for \$22,877.15, and that's 4.75% more than the 1998 payment of \$21,838.44. Dimmitt is running 6.19% ahead of 1998 payments through November, cashing in \$276,890.75 in rebates so far. A year ago, the city had counted \$260,741.12 through November.

Castro County received a check for \$10,154.40 this month, 1.37% more than the \$10,016.92 received a year ago. So far this year, Castro County has received \$121,468.87 in rebate payments, compared with \$113,487.70 a year ago.

Nazareth's November rebate was off 17.82% when compared with last year's payment of \$1,381.77. This month's check for \$1,135.49 brings the city's yearly total to \$13,015.47, up 5.16% from \$12,376.82 through November 1998.

November's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly tax filers in September and by quarterly filers on July, August and September sales. Those sales were reported to the state comptroller in October.

The comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Dec. 10.

Springlake plans arts, crafts show

A holiday arts and crafts bazaar is being planned from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Springlake at the old church building on West Highway 70.

Hot food plates of carne guisada and tamales will be available. Exhibitors will sell Christmas decorations, candles, bird feeders, denim clothing, antiques and more.

A drawing for a "Hilburn" print will be held at 4 p.m. during the bazaar. Tickets are \$3 each or two for \$5. Tickets will be available at the door and you don't have to be present to win.

Proceeds will benefit the old church restoration fund. For more information call Betty McCurry at 986-4211 or 257-2101; or Mary Clayton at 986-4386.

Harris Picks

Here are Jon Harris's predictions for this week's playoff games and the final regular season games for some teams in the area.

- Nazareth 10 over Petersburg
- Springlake-Earth 13 over Valley
- Paducah 6 over Chico
- Booker 17 over SHAMROCK
- CLAUDE 32 over Gruver
- Wheeler 30 over MEMPHIS
- Amarillo 7 over Abilene Cooper
- PLAINVIEW 1 over Hereford
- Canyon 3 over Borger
- Frenship 9 over Pampa
- CRANE 37 over Slaton
- REAGAN COUNTY 7 over Ozona

- Post 24 over Hale Center
- Canadian 12 over Quanah
- Lockney 16 over JIM NED
- Stanton 20 over Farwell
- Stratford 17 over Clarendon
- Fort David 3 over MARFA
- Wink 10 over GARDEN CITY
- RANKIN no line vs. Fort Hancock
- Aspermont 16 over Windthorst
- Baird 15 over Tolar
- Bronte 11 over Ranger
- Mount Enterprise 7 over Boles
- Wortham 3 over Karnack
- Bartlett 8 over Milano
- Jarrell 12 over Iola

4-H stock show is Dec. 4

The Castro County 4-H Stock Show will be held on Dec. 4 in the barns at the Expo Building, and special showmanship clinics have been planned for exhibitors prior to the show.

A peewee showmanship classic will be held in addition to the usual junior and senior showmanship contests.

The show is open to all Castro County 4-H'ers who are working with livestock projects.


Thank You.

I wish to thank all the city residents who voted for me for City Councilman unexpired term, in the Nov. 2 general election. I appreciate your confidence, and will serve you to the best of my ability.

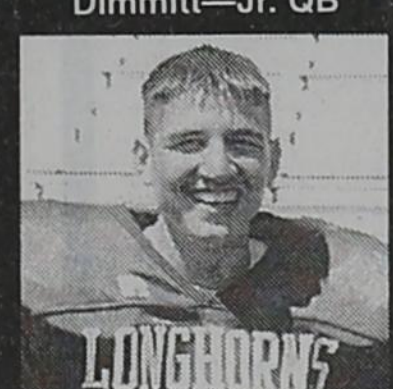
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Swine validation slated this week

The statewide swine validation has been scheduled for Monday, Nov. 15, through Friday, Nov. 19. Any 4-H or FFA members who are planning on exhibiting a swine project at the county stock show or any of the major stock shows must plan on having their swine projects validated during this week.

No swine projects will be allowed to show at the county stock show or at any major show without proper validation.

The validation committee will be validating swine projects in Hart on Monday morning, Hart FFA members need to visit with Mr. Tucker regarding swine validation.

The committee will be validating swine projects at the Dimmitt FFA Barn Monday after lunch and will finish up on Wednesday morning. FFA members in Dimmitt need to visit with Mr. Mathis regarding swine validation.

Validation will be conducted in Nazareth at the FFA Building at 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

The committee will also try to validate the remaining swine projects in Dimmitt on Nov. 18 and Nov. 19.

4-H'ers and FFA members should visit with their advisors if they have any questions about swine validation, or they may contact the Extension office at 647-4115 and visit with Benny Martinez or Pammy Millican.

In 1616 Ben Johnson became the first playwright to prepare an edition of his own works for publication.

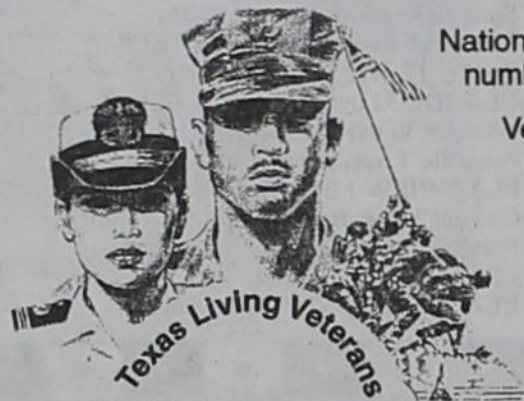
Scholars believe that the first people to live in Peru were Indians who came from North America about 12,000 years ago.



CHECKING OUT THE GOODIES—Liz Crittenden (left) buys baked goods from Vicki Smithson at the United Methodist Women's Bazaar, held Nov. 2 at Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church. The annual event, along with a turkey dinner, raises money for scholarships and other local projects.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Texas honors 1.6 million living veterans



Nationally, Texas ranks third in the number of living veterans.

Veterans' Day, Nov. 11, honors the men and women who have served in the United States military.

World War I	200
World War II	362,000
Korea	257,800
Vietnam	571,600
Persian Gulf	135,300

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), and Texas Veterans Commission.



What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Nov. 11-19.

DIMMITT Breakfast

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh banana and milk.
FRIDAY: Pancake on a stick with sausage, pineapple juice and milk.
MONDAY: Pancakes with syrup, apple slices and milk.
TUESDAY: Corn Pops cereal, apple juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, orange wedges and milk.
THURSDAY: Hot oatmeal, grape juice and milk.
FRIDAY: Breakfast burrito, fresh banana and milk.

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Beef taco, Spanish rice, taco condiment salad, corn tortilla and milk.
FRIDAY: Red Barron Pepperoni Pizza, savory green beans, cantaloupe and milk.
MONDAY: Fish nuggets, French fries, fruited gelatin and milk.
TUESDAY: Hamburger on a bun, potato chips, hamburger salad, watermelon and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Beef and bean burrito with chili, taco condiment salad, orange wedges and milk.
THURSDAY: Chicken and noodles, hash brown potatoes, tossed salad, banana bread squares and milk.
FRIDAY: Turkey and dressing surprise, mixed vegetables, pears, hot wheat rolls, cranberry sauce and milk.

Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of beef taco, bean chalupe or chicken tetrazzini; Mexipinto beans, Spanish rice or southern collard greens; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or gelatin; corn tortilla, crackers or hot rolls; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.
FRIDAY: Choice of Red Barron Pepperoni Pizza, chicken pot pie or nachos with cheese; savory green beans, baked potatoes or tomato and okra gumbo; tossed salad, cantaloupe or pineapple sunset salad; Fideo Mexicano, crackers or hot cheese rolls; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.
MONDAY: Choice of fish nuggets, beef

enchilada with sauce or barbecued hot links on a bun; vegetable medley, French fries or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or fruited gelatin; assorted muffins, arroz Mexicano or tortilla chips and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of Hamburger on a bun, lasagna with ground beef or turkey fajita with onions and peppers; potato chips, broccoli with cheese sauce or baked beans; tossed salad, hamburger salad or watermelon; garlic bread, oatmeal cookies or flour tortilla; chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of beef and bean burrito with chili, country fried steak or chicken taco; mashed potatoes and gravy, seasoned black-eyed peas or butter beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or orange wedges; assorted muffins, hot rolls or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken and noodles, ham and cheese sandwich or cheese enchilada with sauce; hash brown potatoes, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or guacamole salad; banana bread squares, Spanish rice or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of turkey and dressing surprise, chili Fritos or fajitas with sauteed onions; parsley buttered potatoes, candied sweet potatoes or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, fruit fantasy or pears; hot wheat rolls, fideo Mexicano or flour tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

HART Breakfast

THURSDAY: French toast sticks, Canadian bacon, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, biscuits, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

MONDAY: Sausage and biscuit, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

TUESDAY: Cinnamon roll, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Breakfast pizza, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham cracker and milk.

THURSDAY: Waffles, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, hash brown potatoes, Lucky Charms cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

Junior High/High School Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, chicken sandwich with chips or chicken fajitas; salad, refried beans, gelatin dessert, ice cream, royal brownies, pineapple and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of brisket or hamburger basket, wheat rolls, baked potato, pinto beans, sliced cheese, salad, brownie, ice cream and

milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or pizza; lettuce, tomato, pickles, fresh fruit, peaches, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Turkey, bread stuffing, turkey gravy, wheat bread, cranberry sauce, green beans, cherry cheese pie, fruit salad and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of beef stew, toasted cheese sandwich or deluxe burrito; gelatin dessert, peaches, salad, banana pudding and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, pizza or lasagna with ground beef; wheat roll, salad, peaches, green beans, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of sub sandwich, tuna salad sandwich or hot dog on a bun with chili; shredded cheese, salad, potato chips, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, peaches and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH Breakfast

THURSDAY: Sausage on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

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

MONDAY: Cinnamon roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Pancake and sausage on a stick, cereal, orange juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: French toast and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Sausage and biscuit, cereal, orange juice and milk.

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

Lunch

THURSDAY: * Nachos with roll or corn dog; tossed salad, corn, applesauce, pineapple and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Soft taco or taco salad; lettuce, green beans, fruit salad, peanut butter chews and milk or juice.

MONDAY: * Chicken fried steak or pizza; tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, pears, pudding and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: * Corn dog or chicken strips; tossed salad, chicken rice, fruit cocktail, dessert and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: * Burrito or baked potato; tossed salad, beans, applesauce, peanut butter chews and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: * Turkey and bread or hamburger and French Fries; dressing, tossed salad, corn, cranberry sauce, peaches, pumpkin delight and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Frito pie or pizza; tossed salad, green beans, applesauce, Jell-O and milk or juice.

* Items designated with an asterisk (*) will be served to elementary school students.

Nazareth FFA qualifies group for area competition

The Nazareth FFA will send its Ag Issues team and Senior Creed Speaker Karen Wilhelm to the area contest after each finished second in district competition Saturday at Lubbock.

The area contest will be held Saturday, Nov. 20, at Clarendon College.

Members of the second-place Ag Issues team are Sara Schulte, Jill Schulte and Mindi Ethridge.

Holiday bazaar slated in Friona

Holiday decorating demonstrations and a bazaar featuring many hand-crafted items for the holidays and every day will be featured at the annual Parmer County Christmas Bazaar, which is slated for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 19 and 20, at the Friona Community Center.

The show is open to the public and there is no admission charge. Bazaar hours will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 19 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Nov. 20.

On Nov. 19, several demonstrations have been planned by the Parmer and Bailey County Extension Services.

At 10 a.m., the Parmer County Extension Service will conduct a seminar on "Decking the Halls with Dried Fruit."

At 2 p.m. that day, The Sewing Basket will hold a demonstration on making folded fabric ornaments.

The Bailey County Extension Service will hold a demonstration on table decorations at 2:30 p.m.

Dogs available from city pound

Need a family pet? Dimmitt's animal control officer Ty Lively said the pound has several dogs available, in an assortment of breeds and ages, for adoption to good homes.

For more information, contact Lively at the Dimmitt Police Dept.

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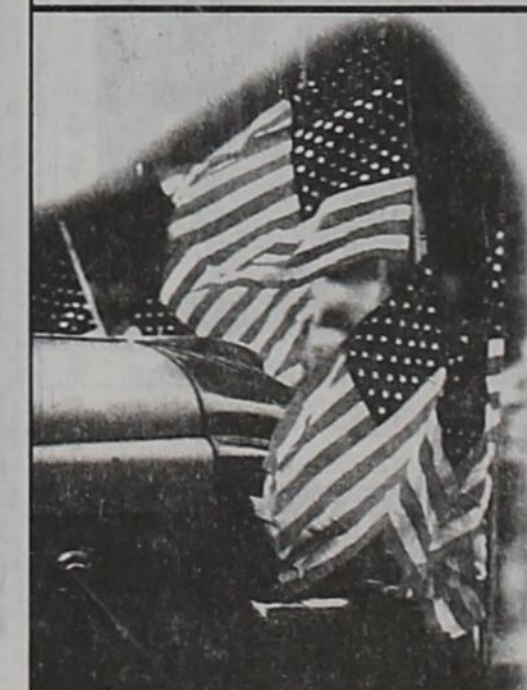
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Obituaries

Bertha Carnero

Funeral services for Bertha Carnero, 61, of Friona, the mother of a Dimmitt woman, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Bovina First Baptist Church with Rev. Gary Morgan and Rev. Manny Longoria officiating.

Burial followed in the Rhea Cemetery in the Rhea Community, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Carnero died Nov. 7 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born Aug. 31, 1938, in Edcouch. She married Roberto Carnero on Aug. 1, 1978, in Memphis, Texas. She was a member of the Rhea Homemakers' Club and volunteered at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona and Bovina Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband; three daughters, Janie Garcia of Lazbuddie, Carol Speed of Mission and Linda Martinez of Dimmitt; a sister, Maria Hernandez of Mercedes; two brothers, Raymon Uribe and George Mejia, both of Elsa; five grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Herminia Hernandez

Funeral services for Herminia Hernandez, 70, of Hereford, the mother of a Dimmitt man, were held Friday afternoon at Iglesia de San Jose in Hereford with Rev. Domingo Castillo officiating.

Burial followed in St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery in Hereford under direction of Rix Funeral Directors of Hereford.

Rosary was said last Thursday at Rix Chapel.

Mrs. Hernandez died Nov. 3 at Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

She was born Oct. 9, 1929, in Ballinger. She moved to Hereford in 1946. She married Carmen Hernandez on Aug. 3, 1948, in Portales, N.M. She was a homemaker and a member of Iglesia de San Jose.

She is survived by her husband; three sons, Carlos Hernandez of Dimmitt, Robert Hernandez of Fort Worth, and San Juan Hernandez of Amarillo; three brothers, Eusebio Perales, Baltazar Perales and Cruz Perales, all of Amarillo; a sister, Amelia Rodriguez of Hereford; 14 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Henry Moss Howell

Funeral services for Henry Moss Howell, 95, of Dimmitt, were to have been held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Dimmitt with Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor, officiating.

Burial was to follow at Westlawn Memorial Park of Dimmitt, under direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Howell died Nov. 8 at 8 a.m. in Canterbury Villa in Dimmitt.

He was born March 25, 1904, in Atwell. He married Hattie Alice Bagwell on July 9, 1927, in Abernathy. She preceded him in death on Aug. 20, 1995.

Mr. Howell moved to Castro County in 1933 from Floydada. He farmed in the Bethel Community for 41 years, breaking much of the land from grassland to cultivated farm land, using horses. He retired from farming and he and Hattie moved to Weatherford in 1974, where they lived until Hattie's death. He moved back to Dimmitt and lived on the farm until March of this year.

He was a member of Victory Baptist Church in Weatherford. He had served on the board of directors for Dimmitt Consumers many years ago.

He is survived by six sons, Charles Henry Howell of Weatherford, Herbert Ivor Howell of Bovina, Jack Neal Howell and Jimmie Moss Howell, both of Dimmitt. Oran Keith Howell of Ozona and John Kent Howell of Toline; four daughters, Patricia Sue Enloe of Derby, Kan., Sharon Gail Stovall of Fritch, Linda Carole Bethea of Weatherford, and Nancy Karen Ahlerich of Bedford; a sister, Onia Witty of Lubbock; 29 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity or to Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, 615 Andrews, Dimmitt 79027.

Ceola Jones

Funeral services for Ceola Jones, 72, of Slaton, the sister of a Hart woman, were held Monday afternoon at Mount Olive Baptist Church in Slaton with Rev. Samuel King officiating.

Burial was in Englewood Cemetery in Slaton under direction of Ossie Curry Funeral Home of Slaton.

Mrs. Jones died Nov. 2 at Univer-

sity Medical Center.

She was born June 26, 1927, in Marquez. She married Henry Grady Jones in Floydada. He died July 25, 1970. She moved to Slaton 17 years ago, coming from Amherst. She was a member of Triumph Baptist Church in Slaton. She was preceded in death by three sons, Carl, Harold and Jerry Don Jones.

She is survived by three sons, Andrew Jones of Slaton, Edgar Lee Jones of Dallas and Robert Jones of Kaufman; seven daughters, Shirley Clemons and Carrie Jones, both of Slaton, Minnie Devereaux and Irma Collins, both of Amarillo, Della Cooper of Lubbock, Rose Fluellen of Hobbs, N.M., and Sandra Riddley of Dallas; four brothers, Lawyer Tucker of Tacoma, Wash., Raymond Tucker of Hearne, Charles Mosley of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Lesley Mosley of Normangee; four sisters, Rebbie Lee of Hart, Minnie Chatman of Houston, Charles Gladys Hawthorne of Franklin and Linda Joyce Dotson of Normangee; 56 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

More about 1:1

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Veterans' Day is one of the few remaining "real date" holidays. It's always the 11th day of the 11th month, whatever day of the week that falls on. And we should not have let it slip up on us.

On the only holiday that always falls on a Thursday—Thanksgiving—we always go to press a day early so our subscribers will get their papers the day before the holiday instead of the day after.

To do that, we have to announce early deadlines a week in advance, and observe them.

That's what we should have done this week.

I hate when we pull such a flagrant goof.

I hope you won't be too rough on me.

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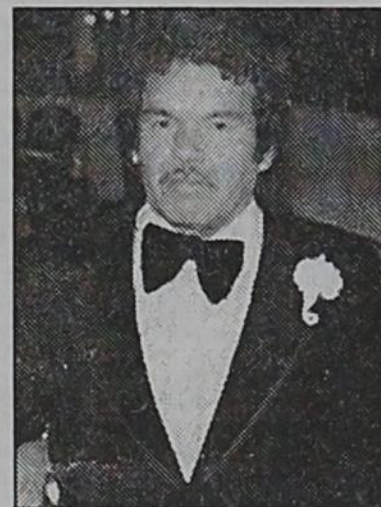
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Marvin F. Jones

Services for Marvin F. Jones, 75, of Nazareth, were held Friday afternoon at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Father Peter Otto, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

A vigil service was held last Thursday at the CCD Building in Nazareth.

He died at 8:50 a.m. on Nov. 3 at his home.

He was born Jan. 31, 1924, in Denver, Colo. He was a lifetime resident of Nazareth. He served in the US Army from Sept. 1, 1944, to July 7, 1946. He was a member of the American Legion and Holy Family Catholic Church.

Survivors include five sons, Larren Jones, Jeffrey Jones and Quentin Jones, all of Nazareth, Harold Jones of Lamar, Mo., and Thomas Jones of Triangle, Va.; three daughters, Marlene Vandegrift of Dayton, Ohio, Carol Juvenal of Tulsa and Nadine Cotterman of Warner Robbins, Ga.; and 16 grandchildren.




LAP ROBES for the residents of Canterbury Villa were sewn by participants at a "sewing bee" held Saturday at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt, sponsored by the Friendship Quilters Guild. The 15

participants were able to construct 58 lap robes using sergers and donated materials. Here, Jean Robb is putting together colorful squares of fabric, making it her first time to use a serger. Photo by Linda Maxwell

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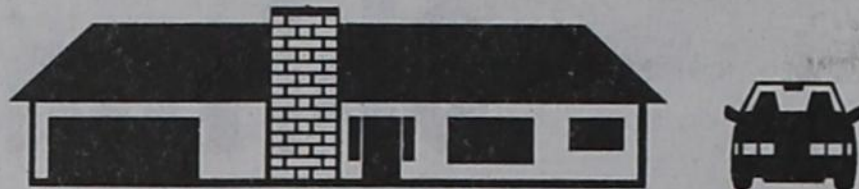
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Scott Morris, Broker

331 ACRES CRP, south of Nazareth, 4-bedroom house, 2 bath, 2-car garage, 2 storage sheds. Sold together or separately. \$165,500.

LEE STREET—Two bedrooms, two bath, two-car garage, large kitchen and living room, beautiful patio. \$47,500.

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
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TexScan Week of November 7, 1999

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20—Help Wanted

20—Help Wanted

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24—Card of Thanks

25—Legal Notices

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DORIS LUST
24-32-1tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Dimmitt, Texas, will be accepting bids on a new police car, 1999 or 2000, with a 1994 Crown Victoria Ford trade-in. Prefer a car with police package. Bids may be sent to City of Dimmitt, Attention: Don Sheffy, 201 Jones, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. May call (806) 647-2155 for additional information. Bids will be accepted until 5 p.m., Dec. 6, 1999. The City Commission may reject any or all bids. 25-32-2tc

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25—Legal Notices

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25-32-2tc



LOTS OF WARMTH—Members of Dimmitt High School's National Honor Society chapter show some of the scores of coats they delivered last Thursday to the Abundant Life Family Church to be distributed to needy local families this winter. Standing at left is Joyce Williams, who accepted the coats on behalf of the church's "Abundant Love Outreach"

program. The youths set up collection boxes at churches, schools and in the DISD administration building during the three-week drive, then collected and delivered them Thursday. The coats will be distributed from the Abundant Life Family Church's outreach and youth building at 108 SE Second St.

Photo by Don Nelson

Friona - Road bi-district game set here Friday

Dimmitt will host the bi-district championship game between River Road and Friona Friday night.

The game will kick off at 7:30 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium. Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. River Road will be the "home" team.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will provide complimentary programs for an expected 2,000 fans.

Otherwise, according to Dimmitt High School Athletic Director Bruce Dollar, "We'll use the same gatekeepers, the same timekeepers and other workers that we usually use."

The Bobcat Band Parents will operate the concession stand, Dollar said.

The game is a Class AAA Division II (smaller schools) match-up under the UIL's current playoff system.

River Road's Wildcats (5-5, 3-2) are the second seed from District 1, and Friona's Chieftains (9-1, 5-0) are the No. 1 seed from District 2.

Friona's only loss during the season was to River Road, 9-7.

More about

A veteran's story . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

them out at midnight and told them they were going to be sent to work in the coal mines, but instead they were sent to Stalaag 2B. From there, they were sent out to work on farms.

Jessie said his farm duties included driving horses or oxen for plowing, sowing, and gathering crops. He also helped thresh wheat in the barns in winter and hauled it in sacks to elevators in town. He also hauled turnips, potatoes and carrots to town. There also was a dairy.

"They fed us plenty on the farm. The family that owned the farm cooked every day. The bread and meat was a little short, but there were plenty of vegetables," Jessie said. He said they slept in the stable of the farm on three-tiered bunks. It was not heated in the winter. They just had their body heat to keep them warm.

In the final days of the war, Jessie said he and other prisoners of war were moved by sea to another part of Germany and were told they would have to "walk until the end of the war" because there were no camps to hold them. He said guards marched them in groups of 1,200, going from town to village and stopping where they could and begging food from the villagers and townspeople. They marched for 53 days.

During the marching around, the food situation had gotten worse for the prisoners as well as for the civilians. He recalled seeing a horse that had gotten crippled. He said Russian prisoners had the animal cut up within 30 minutes.

He said they finally stopped at a location for a couple of days, and then the last night they were there, their guards disappeared. Jessie said the prisoners started splitting up and going all directions until some Nazi SS Troopers rounded them up and told them to stay together.

"They said they would march us

closer to the front lines, but we didn't believe them," he said. "We didn't know the front was that close."

He said they stopped at a barracks and the guards stacked up their guns against a building and told the prisoners that their own troops would be there soon.

"And they were just a few hours later," Jessie said. "When we saw our troops coming down the road, everything we had went into the air. We saw potatoes and carrots that we didn't know the other guy had been hoarding. They gave us some C rations and the other stuff we had in our pockets, we didn't want any more."

He said the liberating troops took the prisoners to a nearby town that didn't have much bombing damage, where there was a hospital and a big hotel. He said that the civilians of the town had left.

After being liberated, he said he bought and ate so much food until he was sick. On the boat back to the US, the food "wasn't too good, but there was plenty of it."

He disembarked in Virginia, then boarded a troop train to El Paso. From there he rode a bus to Plainview, then waited for a ride to Dimmitt. He said on the train and bus trip both, soldiers would buy whole pies and cakes and eat them. He said they also bought jugs of whiskey.

When he got off the bus in Plainview, Jessie met another soldier who was seeking a ride to Dimmitt. It was Clifford Beavers, who also had been a POW. They found out that they had been in Stalaag 2B together, had ridden the same boat back to the US and the same troop train and bus,

but never met until they were almost home.

Jessie said they made a pact that whoever found a ride first would let the other one know. But Jessie said when he ran into his step-uncle, he was so glad to have found a ride home that he forgot all about Beavers.

"All I wanted to do was get back home," Jessie said. He said he never did get a parade, but there was a welcome dinner when they got off the boat, with a reception and a welcoming band. And they were given preferential seating on the bus to Plainview.

Jessie came home and went back to work on a farm in the Flagg area. About a year later, he married Thelma. They have three children.

He said he has never had a desire to go back to see any of the places he saw during the war. He still has nightmares sometimes. He has scars on his heels from the forced marches, continuing back problems, and carries a partial disability rating.

Jessie said he was grateful for the sacrifices his countrymen went through during the war years to support the troops.

I am grateful for the sacrifice he was willing to make for his country. Maybe he is a hero after all.

Police Calls

Deputies responded to a report of an assault at Roadside Park during the high school lunch period on Oct. 27. A suspect struck a victim with hands and fists.

On Oct. 28, deputies received a report of two males being assaulted in the parking lot of the Dimmitt VFW at 11:45 p.m. It was reported that the suspects struck the complainants on the face and body with their fists.

An Amarillo woman told police Nov. 3 that someone had assaulted a 14-year-old Dimmitt girl in the parking lot at the Azteca Complex.

At 11:42 p.m. last Thursday an 18-year-old Dimmitt man was stopped in the 700 block of West Bedford for reckless driving and evading arrest. He was jailed early Friday.

Another incident of evading arrest was reported Monday night in the 1000 block of West Etter. When a vehicle was stopped for reckless driving, the driver ran away. A passenger in the vehicle also was charged with public intoxication.

A Dimmitt woman told police Saturday that someone took a welder valued at \$2,500 and welder leads valued at \$950 from a vehicle at her home. The items were recovered in what police said was a spousal property dispute.

Bay Baldrige told police Nov. 2 that someone took a tail light lens and bulbs from his pickup while it was parked at his home in the 600 block of West Grant.

Lourdes Cardona of Dimmitt told police that a dog had bitten a 10-year-old boy on his left leg on Monday afternoon. The dog is being held for a 10-day observation period.

Jailed on warrants during the past week:

—Nov. 3, a 35-year-old New Mexico man on warrants and for unlawful carrying of a weapon; and two 21-year-old Dimmitt men on Randall County warrants for indecency with a child.

—Last Thursday, a 34-year-old Dimmitt woman on a Randall County warrant for theft by check.

—Friday, a Dimmitt man, 23, on a warrant for DWI, third offense.

—Sunday, a 25-year-old Dimmitt man on a warrant for motion to revoke probation stemming from theft of livestock; an Amarillo man, 50, on a warrant for burglary with forced entry of a residence; and a 21-year-old Clovis, N.M., man on warrants for no driver's license and driving under the influence.

—Monday, a 19-year-old Dimmitt man for failure to pay a fine on an assault charge.

There were no injuries and only light damage to two vehicles involved in a crash Oct. 31 in the 600 block of West Bedford at 7:33 p.m. Veronica Lopez, 16, of Dimmitt, was driving a 1985 Honda Accord and was stopped on Front Street, facing north, waiting to make a left

Whooping cranes are the tallest birds native to North America, standing about five feet.

★ POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST ★

15-year-old wins it

The local winners are getting older. This week's top picker is 15. Ryan Hays, a Dimmitt High School sophomore and son of Norman and Kim Hays, managed to tally 110 points of a possible 136 amid all the upsets in the Week 9 POWER POINTS Football Contest, and that's better than any other local picker did. Ryan wins this week's \$20 cash prize from the News.

"He does his own picking," said his dad, who was a local winner several weeks ago. "He won at least one time last year, too."

Statewide, Annie Silva of Port Lavaca racked up 130 points to win this week's \$1,000 grand prize. Silva, 61, a retired teacher's aide and grandmother of eight, lost only on the Cowboys for five points and on San Francisco for one.

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., by 2 p.m. Friday. Good luck!



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