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Winter's Here!

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By Don Nelson

Yes, but have you changed the year on all your rubber stamps and your desk calendar?

And have you changed your postage meter to both 95 and 32?

As far as that goes, have you set all your clocks back an hour yet? Including the ones in the car and pickup and the ones on the oven and your little travel radio?

And are you sure that you've stored away all your Christmas decorations?

Good. So, let us begin.

1995 should be an easier year to remember when we're writing our January checks. It's just a nickel less than 2000. It's a standard merchandising number.

Let's just hope we won't feel like knocking 25% off of it in September.

Nearly everyone I've talked with seems to feel that '94 was a good year and that '95 will probably be even better. It feels good to hear people say that.

"Do you know why the Postal Service had to go up on the rates?" Postmaster Bill Sava asked me the other day.

"No, why?" I queried in a third-class tone of voice.

"Because I haven't gotten my paycheck for December yet," he said.

"You mean the old USPS ran out of money before the end of the year?" I queried in a second-class tone of voice.

"No, it's not that," he said. "My check is lost in the mail!"

I checked back with him Tuesday.

"The Childress postmaster called me Saturday and said, 'I have your paycheck here. I sent it back, then got it back,'" Bill reported. "I told him there must be something wrong with the Zip Code barcode on the address or something, and to put it in a separate envelope and mail it to me. So he did."

Well, inquiring minds want to know.

"So you finally got it?" I asked in a first-class tone.

"I'm still waiting," he said.

"You know, I don't think it's funny when other people's things get lost in the mail," he said. "But I think *this* is funny!"

Still on matters postal, unless you've been on Mars or on drugs, you know that the rates went up as of Jan. 1. For first-class letters, it's now 32 cents instead of 29.

Sava said that the first working day of the year (Tuesday) was "about the busiest day we've ever had."

"We had 3,000 three-cent stamps in stock," he said, "and we just about sold all of them out before the day was over."

That, coming just after the Christmas rush.

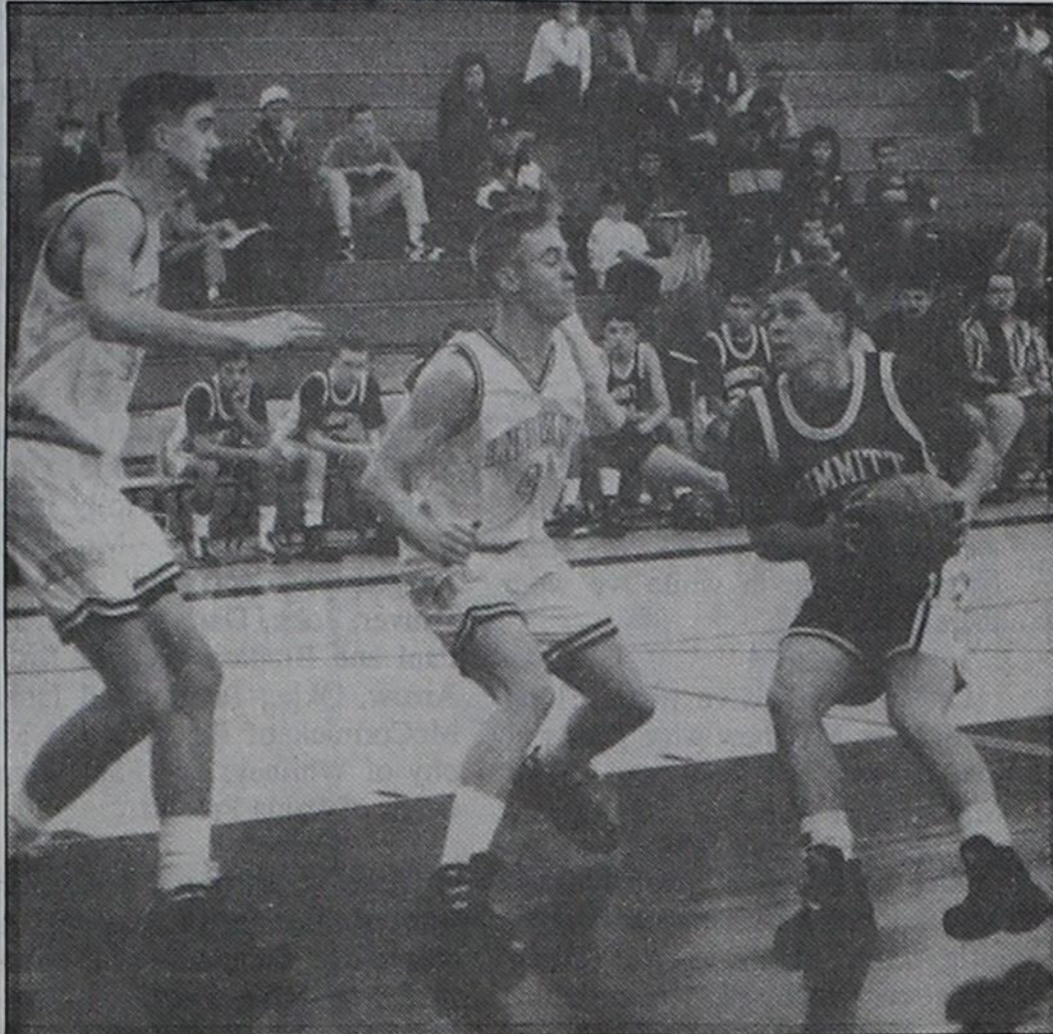
Before you complain too much about the 32-cent stamp, consider this:

It costs the Postal Service \$4 per thousand to sort mail with typed addresses.

But mail with handwritten addresses costs \$44 per thousand to sort.

That's a difference of four cents per envelope.

(So you're the guy—yeah, you with your Christmas cards—who made that rate increase necessary!)



LINGERING IN THE LANE—Dimmitt's Chad Ellis pulls up short for a shot over Seminole's Clancy Hall (left) and Chris Cherry (40) during Saturday's consolation semifinals of the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock. Ellis led Dimmitt with 14 points, but the Indians downed the Bobcats, 59-48. Photo by John Brooks

Teams open district action

Hart continues district play this week, while Dimmitt starts Conference 2-AAA play Friday and Nazareth begins District 2-A action Tuesday.

The Dimmitt girls, fresh off a second place finish at the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament, will open Friday at 6:30 p.m. against the Floydada girls at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. The boys take on the Whirlwinds in the second game at 8 p.m.

The Nazareth teams start conference play at home Tuesday against Bovina.

"They play a pretty fast pace," said Nazareth coach Mark Makeever. "We're more worried about ourselves."

Hart, which played two district games before the Christmas break, started back with games Tuesday against Hale Center. The big matchup is coming Friday at Abernathy, when the Lady 'Horns and Lady 'Lopes square off. The winner will probably earn the first-

half championship and a berth in the playoffs.

The Lady 'Horns won third place last week at the Wildcat Holiday Classic in Littlefield. The Hart boys made it to the finals of the Sundown Tournament last Thursday, where they were shellacked by Plains.

Hart teams will host Lockney on Tuesday, then close out the first half at Olton on Jan. 13 and at home against Morton on Jan. 17.

The Hart teams have already played Springlake-Earth and New Deal, with the girls owning a 2-0 district slate. The boys are 1-1.

Nazareth hosted Friona on Tuesday. The Swifts and Swiftettes will go to Clovis on Saturday for the final non-conference tuneup. Bovina comes to town on Tuesday for the conference opener, followed by Farwell on Jan. 13.

The two conference biggies follow, with games at Happy on Jan. 17 and at Kress on Jan. 20. Nazareth hosts Sudan in a

showdown of the state's top boys and girls teams in Class A on Jan. 24. The return match in Sudan is Feb. 10.

"I was a lot more pleased about how we played at the Caprock Tournament after looking at video," Makeever said. "I'm not sure we didn't play one of our best floor games of the year against Abernathy (a 47-33 loss). We did everything but put the ball in the hole. Against Lubbock Christian we didn't play well until the fourth quarter and then almost came back and beat them (67-65). They beat Glen Rose, a pretty good 3A team, and beat Berger (a 4A team) by 22."

The tournament ended a long stretch on the road by the Swifts, who have played just one home game this year.

"It'll be nice getting to play some games at home and getting Gaylon (Schilling, who injured his hand)

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Building permit total lower here for 1994

Building in Dimmitt was significantly lower in 1994 compared with 1993, with new construction at a near standstill.

Total building permits for the year were \$772,810, down from \$936,506 in 1993. There were no new residences built in 1994 in the city limits, and remodeling totaled just \$59,000.

Carports, garages, storage buildings and other miscellaneous construction was \$55,790.

Commercial construction last year was \$658,020, but most of that was for non-taxable items. The Dimmitt Independent School District took out the largest building permit of the year, for \$539,000 for new air conditioning and heating at Richardson Elementary School. Another \$22,520 went for construction at Plains Memorial Hospital.



Building permits take a tumble

Biggest permits: Dimmitt schools, Westex FLB, Mr. Burger

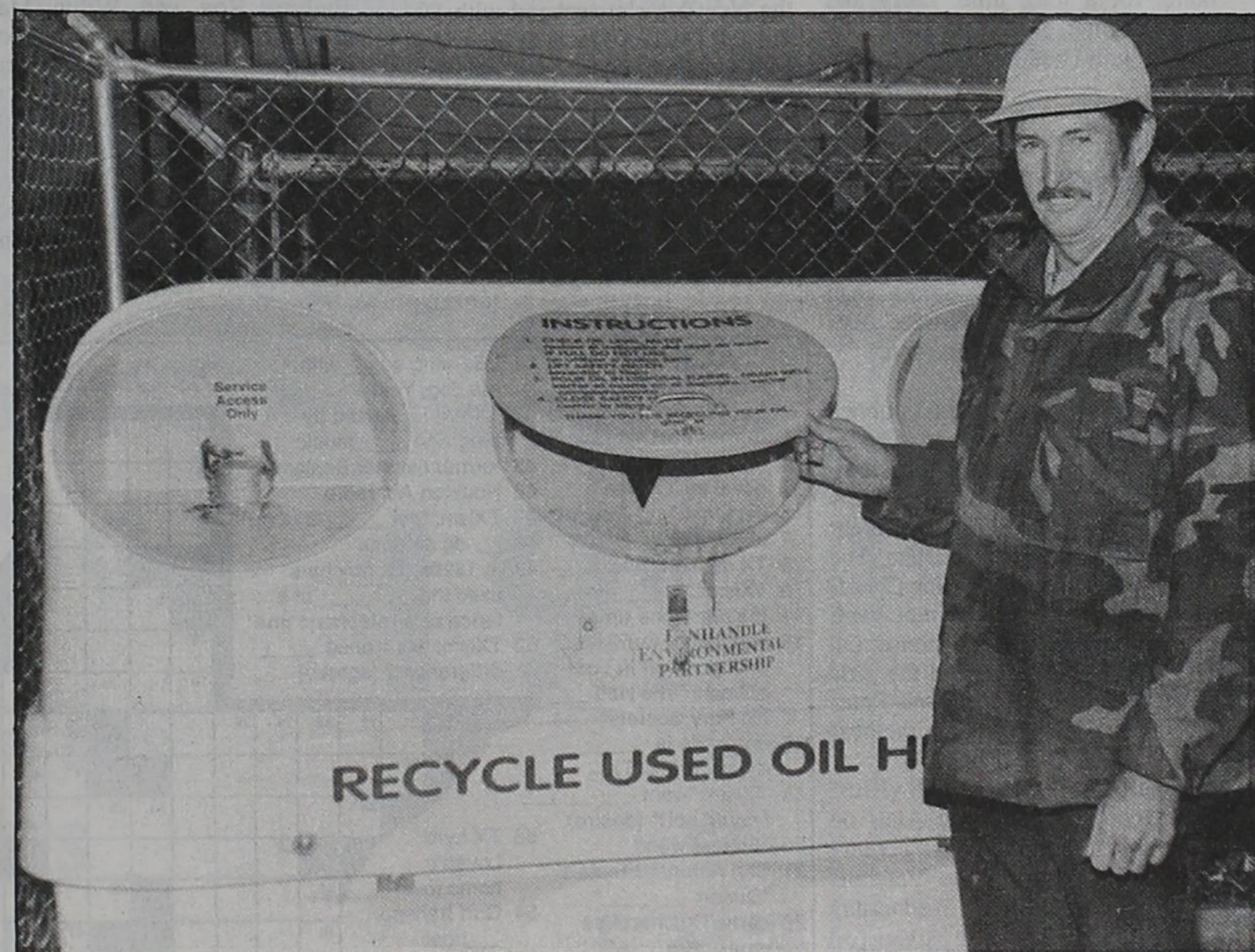
The largest building permit of the year for a private business was a \$42,000 permit for the Mr. Burger at Broadway and Belsher. Another \$20,000 was for renovations at Higginbotham-Bartlett, and \$10,000 went for remodeling at the Westex Federal Land Bank.

Five new mobile homes were placed in Dimmitt in 1994. Total mobile home values for new and used homes in Dimmitt last year was \$206,900.

In 1993, there were two new homes built in the city, pushing the new residence values to \$228,750.



SIGNING IN—64th District Judge Jack Miller (left) looks on as new Castro County Judge Irene Miller (center) signs the papers of her oath of office Saturday at the Castro County Courthouse. About to sign is new County-and-District Clerk Joyce Thomas (right). Also new in county office is Commissioner Larry Gonzales. Photo by Carter Townsend



COLLECTING USED OIL—Ken Shannon of the City of Dimmitt inspects one of the new used oil recycling collection centers just installed in Dimmitt. The new units can be accessed anytime and are

designed for residents to dispose of their old oil so it can be recycled. The collection facilities are adjacent to the city warehouse in the 200 block of E. Jones and near the Azteca Complex in East Dimmitt. Photo by John Brooks

Chamber plans annual banquet

Growing in Harmony is the theme for the 46th annual Chamber of Commerce banquet, which will be held Saturday, Jan. 21, and the musical group, Harmony, will be featured as entertainment at the event.

The banquet will begin at 7 p.m. at the Expo Building and admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. The Methodist Men will cater the steak dinner.

A highlight of the banquet will be announcement of this year's *Citizen of the Year*, *Citizen Through the Years* and *Teacher of the Year* award winners.

Nomination for the citizen honors must be submitted to the Chamber by Jan. 13 and forms are available from the Chamber office and at the school. Nominations should be clearly printed in ink or typed.

Girl injured in accident

A 17-year-old Hereford girl was hospitalized for injuries sustained in an accident Saturday night in Nazareth.

The girl was injured when the driver of a pickup apparently backed over the girl on purpose outside a dance at the Nazareth Community Hall.

Authorities said they were continuing to question witnesses and possible suspects in the case. The girl was knocked down by a shortbed, step-side pickup, but witnesses disagreed on the color and a description of the driver.

Officials were unclear about how the incident happened. The girl received a deep laceration to a buttock and various other less-major injuries. She was taken to Plains Memorial Hospital for treatment and was admitted to the hospital for continued treatment.

Officials said the incident was one of several at a New Year's Eve dance. Authorities said several fights were reported with two people requiring emergency treatment at PMH.

About \$6,000 worth of cattle medicine was stolen from Texzona II feedlot near Sunnyside sometime between Dec. 23 and Dec. 27.

Sheriff's deputies said someone broke into the offices at the feedlot, four miles west of US Highway 385 on FM 145. Deputies reported someone attempted to pry into the cabinet, then used a blowtorch to cut a seven-inch hole in the cabinet.

Taken were nine 1,000 cc bottles of Ivomec and six 250 cc bottles of Micoitil.

Dimmitt police are investigating criminal mischief that happened sometime over the New Year's weekend at Dimmitt Agri Industries. Someone threw a piece of cement through a double-plated office window.

Other reports include an amplifier and CD system taken from a pickup at the Azteca Complex on New Year's Day and a 1982 Chevrolet Caprice taken without the owner's consent from the 400 block of S. Broadway on Monday afternoon.

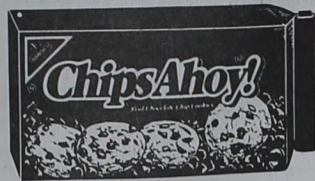
Sales tax receipts up in Dimmitt in '94

December rebates in Castro County

Dimmitt: \$22,093, up 11.3%
Hart: 1,524, up 37.8%
Nazareth: No December rebate



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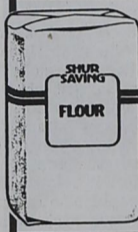


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Schulte, Allred recite vows in double-ring ceremony

Cindy Allred became the bride of Royce Schulte Friday when the two recited wedding vows in a formal, double-ring ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Canyon.

Brother Cliff Hargrove of the First Baptist Church in Sudan officiated at the service and Father Bush of the Catholic Student Center at West Texas A&M University blessed the marriage.

The bride is the daughter of Roddy and Janice Allred of Wildorado. Parents of the groom are Lester and Beth Schulte of Dimmitt.

The couple recited their vows before an altar decorated with five candelabras accented with greenery, white lights and ivory bows. The pews were decorated with ivory tulle which was draped between the pews and attached to each with ivory bows and greenery.

Pianist Verna Kay Crist accompanied soloists Darla Starbuck and Tom Patterson in performing *Wind Beneath My Wings*, *Only God Could Love You More*, *A Whole New World*, *I Swear*, *Always and Up On Top of the World*.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of candle-light French lace designed with a sweetheart neckline and Edwardian sleeves encrusted with pearls and jewels. The gown had a princess waistline with a sheath-style slim skirt. The back of the gown plunged low and pearls were draped across the opening. The back was centered with a designer bow. The detachable chapel-length train was studded with pearls and jewels and featured imported crystal lace accents.

She carried a bouquet of pink and ivory roses, stargazer lilies, iris, English ivy, babies' breath and purple and yellow stratus.

Matron of honor was Wendy Jackson of Hewitt, the bride's twin sister. Bridesmaids were Sherri Drinnon of Amarillo and Trisha Davis of Canyon, friends of the bride; Jeanita Newton of Canyon, the bride's cousin; Wendy Allred of Wildorado, sister-in-law of the bride; and Judy Allred of Wildorado, the bride's sister.

The attendants wore multi-colored floral gowns which were close-fitting. The gowns were designed with a shaped, dropped waist bodice with princess seams, a flared skirt, bias off-the-shoulder pleated collar and sleeves, and an accent ivory bow.

They carried nosegays of star-



MRS. ROYCE SCHULTE
...nee Cindy Allred

gazer lilies, pink roses and English ivy.

Best man was Bradon Benson of Canyon, the groom's best friend. Groomsmen were Britt Boozer, Keith Brown, Clay Henderson and Scott Edwards, all of Canyon, friends of the groom; and Shad McDaniel of College Station, friend of the groom.

Kaci Schulte and Lori Schulte of Dimmitt, sisters of the groom, lighted candles.

Cody Allred of Wildorado, the bride's nephew, was ring bearer and Jenna Wright of Dimmitt, friend of the groom, was flower girl.

Ushers were Roddy Allred of Wildorado, brother of the bride; Shane Jackson of Hewitt, the bride's brother-in-law; Dennis Kirby of Dimmitt, the groom's brother-in-law; and Bart Wyatt of Canyon, friend of the groom.

Cole Community Center was the scene for the wedding reception

which followed the ceremony.

The tables were covered with hunter green cloths and held mirrors, candles and balloons. Presiding over the bride's table were Kelly Kirkland, Susan Babcock, Cyndee Hester and Dana Hare. Serving from the groom's table were Denise Schulte, Nadine Schulte and Kara Schulte.

The couple are enjoying a wedding trip in Angel Fire Ski Resort in New Mexico and will make their new home in Amarillo.

The bride's traveling attire was a hunter green suit with a princess-seamed jacket which was longer in the back and a slim skirt accented with ivory lace.

The bride attended West Texas A&M University in Canyon, graduating with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a teaching certification in December 1993. She is teaching third grade at Wildorado Elementary School.

The groom graduated from West Texas A&M University in December with a bachelor of science degree in ag business and economics. He is employed with Ciba-Geigy Corporation as a sales representative.

In-service planned for substitutes here

An in-service session for all substitute teachers will be held Jan. 10 from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Dimmitt ISD Administration Building, 608 W. Halsell.

All persons planning to be substitute teachers, and any new persons wishing to be subs, should plan to attend the in-service session.

Memos from
Marilyn
By Marilyn Neal
CEA-Home Economics

It's that time again—a new year, new goals. That's right, it's time for those pesky New Year's Resolutions.

Next to dieting, quitting smoking is the most common resolution made each year. Simply stated, the statistics about the dangers of smoking should be enough to make you want to quit.

An estimated 558,000 deaths will be attributable to tobacco use in the United States alone in 1995. About 25% of the total economic cost of illness in America is related to tobacco use.

Most people who smoke currently would like to quit. Many, however, don't feel able to do so. The easiest way to stop smoking is not to start. But if you are now a smoker, that option is obviously not available. So how can you stop and stay tobacco free?

One option is to consult your physician before you try to stop smoking. He can help you prepare to stop and may want to prescribe a nicotine substitute like a nicotine gum or nicotine patch to help you through withdrawal.

Here are some other steps that may help you on your way to a new smoke-free life.

Study your smoking habits. Make notes as to when you smoke normally, such as with every cup of coffee, after every meal, when you get in the car, answer the phone, etc.

Make up your mind to stop smoking for good. Make a list of the benefits of smoking. Now make a list of the reasons not to smoke, such as improving your health, saving your children from second-hand smoke and saving money.

When you decide to stop, notify a few people to support you in this new effort. Also think about the possible barriers to your success and think of ways to avoid them, especially in the early days.

Reward yourself for not smoking. Take that cigarette money and spend it on something special for yourself. This is not an easy choice you have made. You deserve to pat yourself on the back.

When you first stop smoking, eat as much low-calorie food as you want and be sure to drink plenty of water. The fear of gaining weight is real, but the actual weight gain averages less than five pounds. Exercising and watching what you eat can certainly help you.

Don't expect to be perfect. If you have a relapse, just start again. Remember, the first four weeks are the hardest. In about eight weeks, your desire for tobacco should stop.

For more information on this subject, call the Castro County Extension office at 647-4115 or stop by the office, which is located in the Courthouse basement.

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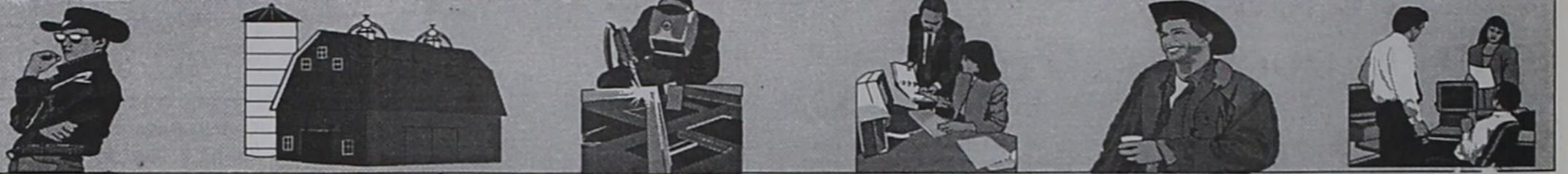
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MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS



By DON TAYLOR

I'm getting rich

Would you like to be rich? Does the sound of millions have a special ring for your ears? Have you invested heavily in lottery tickets? Do you mail in those sweepstakes letters religiously? Are you hoping that someone will leave you a fortune in their will? "It could happen," you say.

Yes, I'll admit it could happen. But, what if your lottery number doesn't come up? Do you have a plan then? Or, will you be one of the majority of Americans who arrive at retirement well short of the wealth they need and want?

I've found a sure-fire way to get rich. Just for the record, I've never bought a lottery ticket. I don't send in sweepstakes replies and I haven't invested in any big, ugly two-legged birds. However, I'm getting rich just the same.

I know what some of you are thinking—it's the book. He's selling lots

of those *Up Against the Wal-Marts* books and that's how he's getting rich. Nope. As much as I wish that was true, I'm not counting on the book to create much wealth. However, I have found a fool-proof method, and I would like to share it with you. Sort of a New Year's present or a belated Christmas gift.

The sure-fire way

I'm taking the sure-fire way to wealth. It's not thrilling. I'll never make headlines with my method. I may not convince many Las Vegas regulars or lotto big spenders, but my way is a winner. Most importantly, it is reliable and will work for you, too.

Here's the secret. I'm getting rich one dollar at a time. When I retire it will be with a six-figure chunk of cash or maybe even a seven-figure one. And all of that fortune will have been earned one dollar at a time. Real wealth comes just that way.

If financial lightning doesn't strike

you, the one-dollar-at-a-time method will be your best bet. It isn't glamorous, but it is reliable. You just keep adding to your savings in an orderly, regular manner. It does require discipline. However, anyone can do it. Whether it's \$10 a week or \$10,000 per year, start this week. Don't let another year go by without beginning to acquire riches.

Pile it up

You need to think big even if you start small. Start with \$10 per week, then increase the amount to \$20. Stay focused on the regular setting aside of savings. If you get a raise, save it.

I think of this process as paying myself first. I have money taken out of my paycheck every month. I don't miss it because I don't see it in the first place. Your paycheck is your accessible source for savings. Just pay yourself first.

Another way to pile it up is to watch your spending. I often see people spend

their tax refund every year as if they just found the money. In truth, tax refunds are money you've allowed the government to use for several months. Why not invest it when you get it back? Make that money work for you.

Do you feel that you have to have that brand new slick-mobile? Remember cars are depreciating assets. The only folks I know who are getting rich buying cars are those who buy cars to resell. You can't create wealth buying depreciating assets.

Here's the bottom line. Put away as much as you can as early as you can. Start now if you haven't already. Pay yourself first and pay yourself regularly. Then you can say, "I'm getting rich!" And, in time you will be absolutely right.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to Don Taylor in care of *Minding Your Own Business*, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Disaster, other provisions released

By SCOTTY ABBOTT
County Interim Director

1994 disaster program sign up

Sign up for the 1994 disaster program runs through March 31, 1995. At least one producer who shares in the crop must sign Form CCC-441 by March 31. All other producers who share in the crop must sign CCC-441 by April 14. It will take some time to complete the necessary forms and we recommend that you call for an appointment.

Disaster eligibility

Crops are eligible for disaster payments if the crop could not have been planted or production was affected because of damaging weather including drought, hail, freeze, excessive moisture, excessive wind, excessive heat or other weather-related conditions. Crops are also eligible for disaster payments if the crop was affected by one of the above weather conditions and a related condition such as plant disease, insect infestation, or other deterioration of a crop that is accelerated or exacerbated naturally because of damaging weather.

Eligible crops for disaster payments are program crops, soybeans, sunflowers, sugar beets and non-program crops. Crops that are eligible for quality adjustments are all program crops, soybeans, sunflowers and sugar beets.

Producers with MPC (Multiple Peril Crop Insurance) must have a crop loss greater than 35% of expected production to qualify for disaster payments. Producers without MPC must have a crop loss greater than 40% of expected production to qualify for disaster payments. Producers with MPC who have a crop loss of 35% or less may qualify for deficiency payment forgiveness. Producers without MPC with a crop loss of 40% or less may qualify for advance deficiency forgiveness.

Production evidence

Production evidence must be submitted for all farms when making application for disaster assistance. The evidence must contain the vendor's name, signed by a firm representative, show disposition of the crop, and must be verifiable. You will need to provide crop insurance information such as appraisals, settlement sheets, etc. for crops that are insured with FCIC or an MPC company.

Crops that have not been harvested and are still in the field must be appraised. You must pay for an appraisal and the crop must be appraised before other use may be made of the crop.

Production that was harvested and stored on the farm must also be measured by this office. You must pay a fee for this service.

Failed acreage

Producers with abandoned crop acreage must file as ASCS-574 prior to destruction of the crop. Producers with failed acreage need to measure and identify the failed acreages by revising Form ASCS-578, Report of Acreage. Disaster benefits will be approved on a crop that was "timely" certified or failed. If you apply for a crop that was not harvested and there is no physical evidence of the crop remaining, your application cannot be approved.

Changes for 1994 disaster

There are several changes in the 1994 disaster program. The changes are:

1. Payments will now be factored according to the disposition of the crop. Payment rates for harvested crops will be paid on 100% of the payment rate, for unharvested crops will be at a lesser payment rate, and for prevented planting at an even lesser payment rate.

2. For crops that were contracted, a copy of the contract must be provided so that a determination

may be made as to whether the contract was a guaranteed contract.

3. To be considered for a crop disaster payment, producers of nonprogram crops must provide acceptable proof of actual production, other than zero, and acceptable production costs for the current year. If proof of current year actual production and production costs are not provided for the current year but are provided for one of the previous three years, the county committee will reduce the payment yield to not less than 65% of the established yield. If proof is not provided for the current year or for any one of the three previous years, the county committee will reduce the payment yield to zero.

Crop insurance requirements

Producers who suffer a loss greater than 65% will be required to purchase multi-peril crop insurance for 1995. Before payments can be issued, the producer must provide proof that insurance has been obtained.

Disaster payments

Producers who receive disaster payments may not receive a disaster payment and a deficiency payment on the same bushels or pounds. The maximum payment that a producer may receive under the disaster and livestock feed programs is \$100,000.

Gross income provisions

A person who has qualifying gross revenue exceeding \$2 million for the most recent tax year preceding the crop year for which benefits are requested will not be eligible to receive disaster payments or advance deficiency payment forgiveness.

If annual income from farming, ranching and forestry operations is 50% or more of a person's total income, the qualifying gross income is the person's gross income from these operations. If annual income from farming, ranching and forestry operations is less than 50% of the person's total income, the qualifying gross income is the person's income from all sources.

Total income and total gross receipts before any reductions shall be used to determine gross income. A person will not be allowed the deduct any costs or expenses from the total gross income.

Dairy refund payment program

Producers who reduced their 1994 milk marketings compared with 1993 milk marketings need to make application for a refund no later than March 15. You will need to bring your printout from AMPI.

1994 wool/mohair filing date

Applications for 1994 wool/mohair should be filed by Jan. 31. Please furnish the following information when you file your application: Place and time of shearing; number of head shorn; amount of freight paid; and number of unshorn lambs bought and sold. Sales documents must bear the original signature of the person who prepared the document.

1994 final small grain payments

Final 1994 small grain deficiency payments have been made. The final rate for planted payment acreages is 61 cents/bu. for wheat, 52 cents/bu. for barley, and 19 cents/bu. for oats. The final payment rate for CU for pay acres is 85 cents/bu. for wheat, 52 cents/bu. for barley, and 19 cents/bu. for oats.

Tier factors

(Percent of payment rate)

Payments will now be factored according to the disposition of the crop. Harvested acreage will be paid on 100% of the payment rate. Tier factors have been established for the following program crops and applicable disposition.

Crop	UF	PPF
Wheat (IRR)	83%	50%
Wheat (NI)	83%	50%
Corn (IRR)	77%	55%
Corn (NI)	77%	55%
Sorghum (IRR)	80%	55%
Sorghum (NI)	80%	55%
Cotton	70%	40%
Oats	75%	40%
Barley (IRR)	80%	50%
Barley (NI)	80%	50%
Soybeans	80%	50%

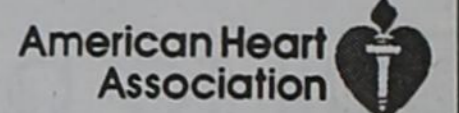
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PPF=Prevented planting factor

Example: Payment rate for irrigated wheat unharvested acres would be \$2.60/bu. x 83%=\$2.16/bu.

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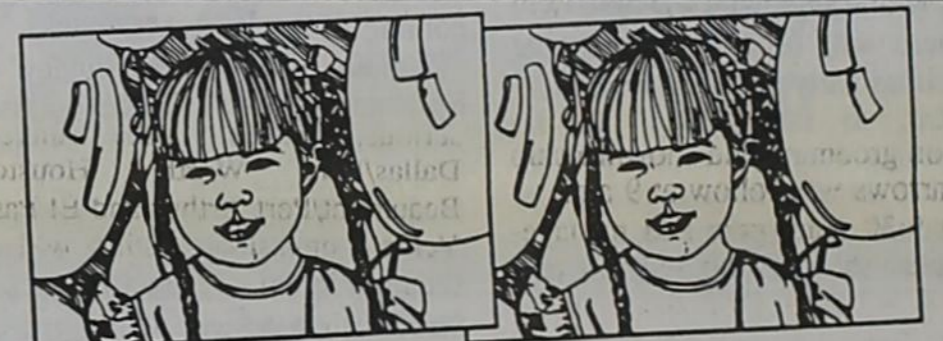
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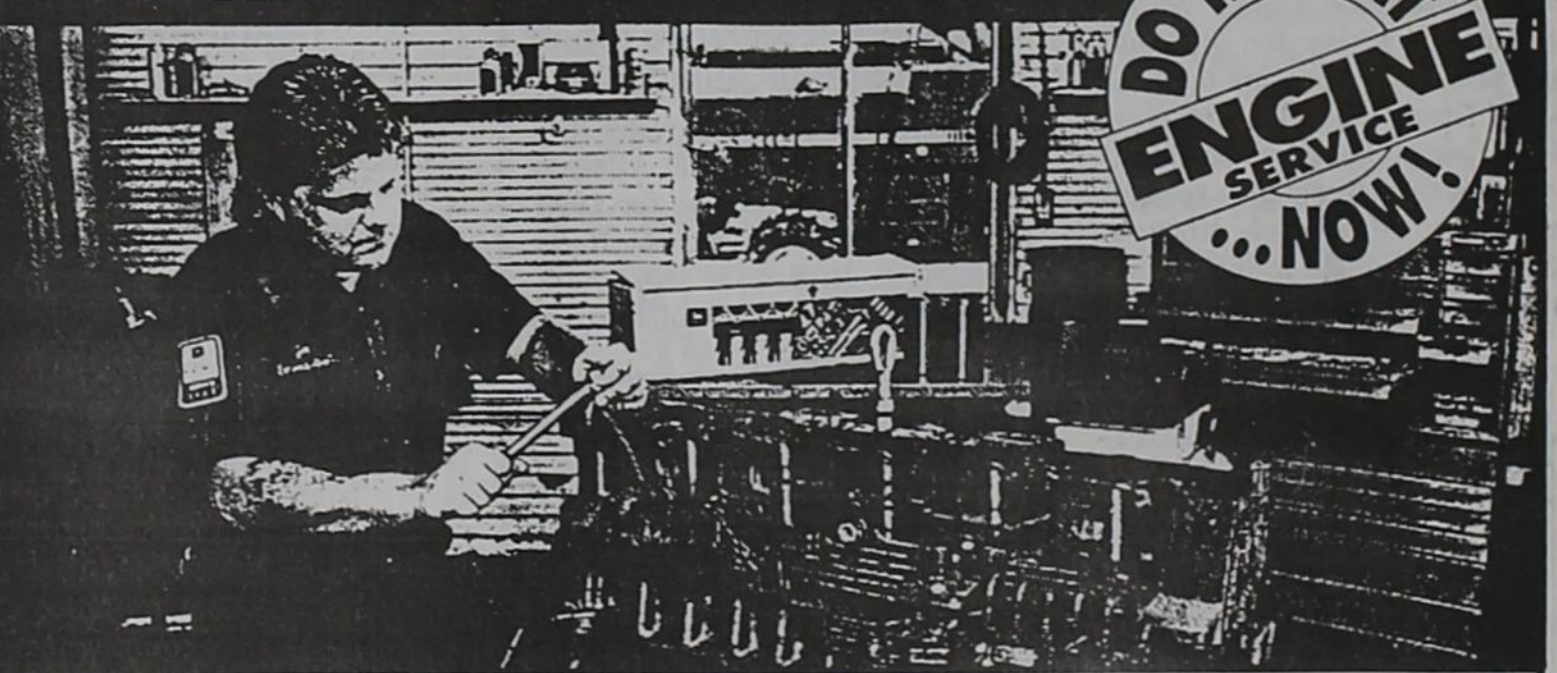
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Stock show entries due

4-H'ers planning to enter animals in the 1995 Dimmitt Young Farmers Stock Show must complete their entry cards during the week of Jan. 19-20.

Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter two lambs, two swine and two steers. An exhibitor will be allowed to sell no more than three animals, and only two in one division.

The show will be held Feb. 7-11. Animals should be at the barns by 12 noon on Wednesday, Feb. 8, and will be weighed in at 4:30 p.m. that day.

The Nazareth show will be held at 6 p.m. on Feb. 8, and Hart will hold its show on Feb. 9 at 5 p.m.

The county show will be held Feb. 10 beginning with lambs at 8 a.m. The steer show will be at 11 a.m. and barrows will be exhibited at 1 p.m.

The annual livestock auction sale will begin at 1 p.m. on Feb. 11.

4-H livestock clinic, show set Jan. 21

The Castro County 4-H will have a livestock clinic for all county youths working with livestock products on Jan. 21 at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Following the clinic, all 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 4-H livestock show.

On Friday, Jan. 20, from 12 noon to 7 p.m., exhibitors may begin bringing barrows and lambs to the show barns. Entry cards and livestock scales will be available. All 4-H'ers planning to exhibit stock in the county 4-H show must have their entry cards and weights registered before 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21.

The livestock clinic will begin Saturday, Jan. 21, at 8:30 a.m. with a program on swine, which will include a classroom-type discussion on "Home Care and Management for Show Barrows."

At 9:30 a.m., care and management of show lambs will be presented, followed by a shearing and showmanship demonstration at 10 a.m.

A program on care and management for show steers and heifers will begin at 10:30 a.m., with a dressing and showmanship demonstration to follow at 11.

A lunch break will be held from 12 noon to 1 p.m., when the 4-H livestock show begins.

The show will open with steers at 1 p.m., with lambs scheduled to be shown at 2 and barrows at 3.

For more information contact J.D. Ragland, County Extension Agent, at 647-4115.

Girl Scouts are working for badge

The junior high Girl Scout troop from Dimmitt is working for its Silver Award badge and as part of their work, the girls are informing the community about their activities.

Leaders for the kindergarten, first and second grade Brownie troop are Julia Thomas and Sue Wright, and this group meets at the Presbyterian Church. The girls made Christmas ornaments this year.

Diane Cartwright leads 20 girls in the third, fourth and fifth grades, and they made ornaments and pizzas. They toured the Cowgirl Hall of Fame, too. This troop has worked on a garden badge and each girl interviewed her mother about what the mother wanted to be when she grew up, and what she thought about boys when she was young.

Elaine Heard leads the sixth grade troop, and they learned about methods of CPR used by firemen.

Teresa Lindsey leads the seventh grade troop and they are getting off to a slow start, so they have nothing to report yet.

The troop of eighth graders is led by Kim Hays and they have worked on a photography badge and learned how to make gingerbread houses with the help of Reba Touchstone. This group elected officers and is working on a God and Church Badge with Barbara Kenley each Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. The troop also went to the movies for a Christmas party.



BLUE RIBBON HORSE IN NEW MEXICO ... Exhibited by Crystal Pope

Courtesy Photo

Pope shows award winning horse at New Mexico state fair

Crystal Pope's horse, Ben, won a blue ribbon at the New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque recently, and Pope won first in barrels and third in polo competition.

Pope is the daughter of Randy and Mary Jo Pope of Santa Fe, N.M. and the granddaughter of John and Norma Schacher of Nazareth and Jean and Ava Nell Pope of Tulia.

Pope is in the 4-H Rodeo Club

and won first in poles in the district horse show in Taos, N.M. and second in barrels and reining at the 4-H State Horse Show in Tucumcari, N.M. She also earned reserve high-point individual honors at the Santa Fe 4-H Horse Show. Her Rodeo Project Record Book was first in Santa Fe County.

Pope also won the Novice Agriculture Achievement Award in 1994.

Air quality regulations mean changes for Texas motorists

Castro County motorists have to prove their residency before they will be allowed to register their motor vehicles this year.

A new federal law regulating air quality in Texas is responsible for the new step required in registering vehicles.

The federal government has identified several metropolitan areas where the level of air pollution is serious. These areas include Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston, Beaumont/Port Arthur and El Paso. Vehicle emissions testing will be required in counties that fall within those four areas.

Even though an emissions test will not be required in Castro County, motorists will still have to prove that they actually live in Castro County and that they are not trying to dodge the law.

The Castro County tax assessor-collector's office is a statutory agent

of the Texas Dept. of Transportation and is responsible for verifying a motor vehicle owner's address. The following documents, or copies, will be accepted as proof of residency: voter registration card, driver's license, utility or phone bill, property tax statement or receipt; school tuition receipt or valid proof of liability insurance. One of these items must be presented whether the motorist is obtaining registration by mail or in person.

House Bill 1969, enacted by the Texas Legislature in 1993, authorizes the collection of a 25-cent fee by tax assessor-collectors in counties where motorists must show proof of residency. This fee is compensation for the mandatory need to confirm the required residency documentation.

For more information, contact Billy Hackleman, Castro County tax assessor-collector at 647-5336.

TDA sets pesticide licensing deadlines

The Texas Dept. of Agriculture recently announced training requirements and expiration deadlines for the use of restricted pesticides.

"Training and licensing are necessary to ensure that agricultural chemicals are applied safely by farmers and ranchers, aerial applicators and others who must use pesticides," said Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry.

Perry said that commercial and non-commercial applicators face a Feb. 28 license expiration date. Renewal requires five hours of continuing education units each calendar year.

Commercial applicators must have a current insurance certificate to receive a new license. Applicants who want to add a new application category to their license should contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's Agricultural Chemicals Office at 409/845-3849 to order study materials. TDA regional offices have regularly scheduled test days.

Private applicators certified before Jan. 10, 1989 will have until Dec. 31, 1995 to renew their certificates. They must obtain 15 CEUs or take a TAES private applicator training course, pass a TDA test and purchase a license.

Licensed private applicators must obtain 15 hours of continuing education units (CEUs) within five years of the date a license was issued. Applicants who fail to meet these requirements will lose their licenses. Requirements can be met within a year after expiration, but a late fee will be assessed.

Certificates for temporary certified applicators were to expire Dec. 31. To continue buying and using restricted and state-limited-use pesticides, these applicators must obtain a private applicator license.

tain a private applicator license.

Pesticide applicators with questions about license renewals are asked to call 1-800-TELL-TDA for more information.

Cotton Talks

USDA has announced that the 1995 crop upland cotton acreage reduction program has been set at 0%. The announcement finalizes one of the most important parts of the 1995 program and reflects a significant decrease from the 7.5% preliminary ARP announced Oct. 31.

PCG officials note that the 0% set-aside figure is good news for producers who can now get on with the business of making plans for the 1995 crop year. The zero ARP announcement means producers will be able to plant 100% of their cotton base acres to the fiber crop and remain eligible to draw deficiency payments on 85% of those acres.

"The way it stands now producers on the High Plains and across the Cotton Belt will be able to make full use of their cotton acreage in 1995," said PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson.

Other provisions of the 1995 cotton program previously announced include the 1995 loan rate of 51.92 cents per pound and the upland cotton target price of 72.9 cents per pound. No word has been received concerning the estimated 1995 deficiency payment

and if there will be an advance payment offered in 1995.

Several other program provisions, including sign-up dates for the program, are expected to be announced in early January.

Swine breeders plan jackpot show in Dimmitt

A swine prospect jackpot show will be held in Dimmitt Saturday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Expo Building.

Entry fee is \$20 (cash only) and is payable by 10 a.m. Saturday.

Boars, barrows and gilts will be shown together.

The show is only open to Texas residents showing Texas-raised pigs.

Guaranteed prizes are \$500 for grand, \$350 for reserve grand and buckles for breed champions. Prize money will be paid in cash in the show ring.

Also planned is a "winner-take-all jackpot," and entry fee for that is \$50. It will be held before the main jackpot.

For more information contact J.D. Ragland or Danny Underwood.

The Castro County 4-H Trap Club will operate a concession stand during the show.

Altman earns college degree

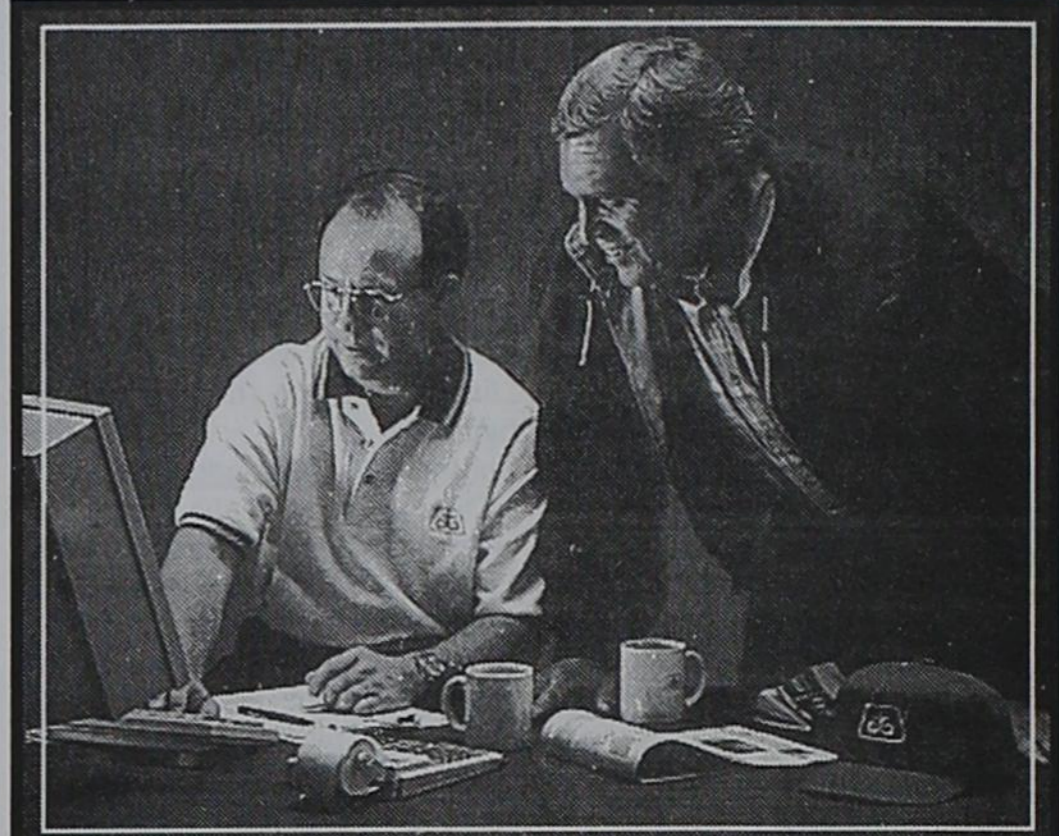
Kenneth Dale Altman graduated with honors from the University of North Texas on Dec. 17 with a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice.

He is a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, a national criminal justice honor society.

Altman is the son of Gerald and Mary Braddock of Nazareth and he graduated from Nazareth High School in 1984. He served four years in the US Marine Corps. He and his wife, Elaine, have a 4-year-old son, Sean, and the family lives in Dallas.

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Sports



In Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament

Weary Bobbies fall to Randall in finals

Dimmitt's girls played their hearts out for five games at the 36th Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament, but their legs could only stand up to four games.

A little weary after four games in 36 hours, the Bobbies couldn't come through in the finals Saturday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, falling to Randall 36-31 in the finals.

"We came down here and played five games in three days, and that was as good as we could hope for before the tournament," said Dimmitt coach Richard Wood. "Getting to the finals was great. We were better than a bunch of other teams, and when you consider we weren't even seeded coming in, that's just super."

"Our girls played super all the way through. You couldn't ask for any more from them."

The Caprock Tournament hasn't always been kind to the Dimmitt girls, who lost two of three games in the 1992 tournament and went home early. That team won the state championship just over two months later. Other Dimmitt teams—good teams—have had less than a successful run in the roundball marathon with 28 of the best teams around.

The Bobbies opened the tournament Thursday by bounding Lamesa, 64-48, then dumped Coronado on Thursday night, 62-54. The Bobbies romped past Stephenville, 66-48, on Friday afternoon in the quarterfinals, then blasted Monterey 57-38 in Saturday's noon semifinal.

Bobbies 64, Lamesa 48

The first-round game was easy for the Bobbies, who ran off to a 21-7 lead and were never pressed by the Golden Tors.

Dimmitt extended its lead to 34-17 at halftime as the Lamesa girls never solved the riddle of the Bobbies' press or the man-to-man defense that held Lamesa scoreless for a stretch of over six minutes in the first half.

Lamesa had a little spurt in the third period and got back within nine points, and trailed 47-36 after three quarters. Dimmitt turned up the heat again to open the fourth period, scoring eight straight points to put the game out of reach.

Kim Thomas had 21 points, Tiffany Wilcox 14 points and Amy Ethridge 11 to lead Dimmitt. Lamesa had no one in double figures.

Bobbies 62, Coronado 54

Dimmitt avoided the three-point blues that did them in last year against the Mustangs with an eight-point win Thursday night.

Dimmitt ran off to an 18-10 lead at the end of one quarter, then both teams combined enough good defense with bad shooting and ball handling to keep the score low. The Bobbies led 22-16 at halftime.

Dimmitt continued the scoring drought in the early going in the third quarter, and Wilcox and Thomas got into foul trouble. Randa Wood and Dolores Dimas came off the bench with the Dimmitt girls trailing for the first time, 28-24, and sparked a run that gave Dimmitt a

34-30 lead two minutes later. By the end of the quarter, Dimmitt had a 39-35 lead.

The Bobbies outscored the Mustangs, 23-19, in the fourth period for the eight-point win.

Thomas had 22 points to lead Dimmitt. Kara Josselet had 13 points and Carrie Bradley added 10 for the Bobbies.

Bobbies 66, Stephenville 48

Dimmitt avoided the sting of the honeybees with its in-your-face press that forced 30 turnovers.

Dimmitt led just 16-15 at the end of the first quarter and 31-28 at halftime. In the third quarter, Dimmitt came out and turned on the defensive pressure, getting 13 turnovers in the period and rushing to a 15-point cushion at one point and a 45-34 lead by quarter's end.

Dimmitt forced seven more turnovers in the fourth quarter and led by as many as 22 points on two occasions before settling for the 18-point win.

Wilcox had her best game of the tournament with 26 points. Thomas had 17 and Josselet 13 for the Bobbies.

Bobbies 57, Monterey 38

Dimmitt erased any doubt about who would be in the finals with a great fourth quarter against the Lady Plainsmen, who figure to be one of the best teams in Class 5A in Northwest Texas.

Dimmitt came back from a 5-0 deficit after the game's first two minutes to outscore Monterey 18-1 over the rest of the first quarter as the Dimmitt press, all of a sudden



IT'S OUR BALL NOW—Dimmitt's Amy Ethridge (31), Kim Thomas (23) and Tiffany Wilcox (44) surround Lamesa's Amy Yoder during second-quarter play Thursday at the Caprock ABC Holiday

Basketball Tournament in Lubbock. Ready to help out is Carrie Bradley (right). Dimmitt won the opening round game, 64-48, en route to placing second in the 28-team tourney. Photo by John Brooks

great, kept Monterey confused throughout the game.

Monterey threw the ball away, had it stolen or otherwise turned it over at least 40 times by unofficial count during the game.

Dimmitt led by as many as 18 points during the second quarter before settling for a 12-point advantage at halftime, 29-17. In the third quarter, the Bobbies turned up the heat again and led 42-25 after three. Dimmitt led by as many as 24 points in the fourth quarter before settling for the 57-38 semifinal victory.

Josselet and Ethridge each scored 15 points, while Thomas added 13.

Randall 36, Bobbies 31

Randall had beaten Dimmitt by eight in the first game of the year, then Dimmitt came back to beat Randall by nine in early December.

For a while, it looked like it might be a scoreless tie in the finals

before a crowd of over 2,000 at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. Neither team scored for the first three minutes as the Bobbies tried to figure out this new-fangled zone defense thrown up by the Raiders.

Randall had almost always played a tough man defense under coach Jim Wilcoxson, but came out in a 2-3 zone for most of the game against Dimmitt.

It bothered the Bobbies a little, but Randall couldn't figure out Dimmitt's man defense, which was also new for the Raiders. The score was a low 6-4, Randall, at the end of the first quarter.

Dimmitt came back to take the lead twice in the second quarter: at 10-8 on a basket by Amy Ethridge, and 13-12 on a three-point play by Kim Thomas late in the half.

Randall came on to take a 16-14 halftime advantage, and Dimmitt never regained the lead. Randall

never led by more than six points, and led 24-21 after three periods.

The Bobbies had plenty of chances, especially at the free-throw line. Dimmitt made its first four free throws of the game, but missed eight of the next 10 tosses.

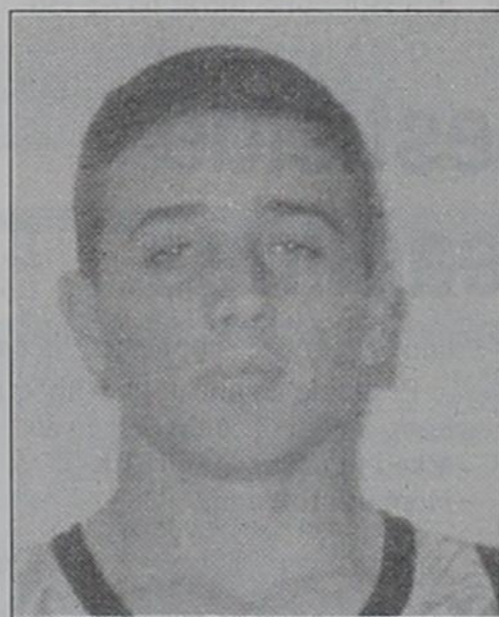


SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD—Dimmitt coach Alan Steidle (left) accepts the 1994 Kenneth Cleveland Sportsmanship Award from Caitlin Buckley, Libby Cleveland and Jacy Buckley after Saturday's finals of the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament

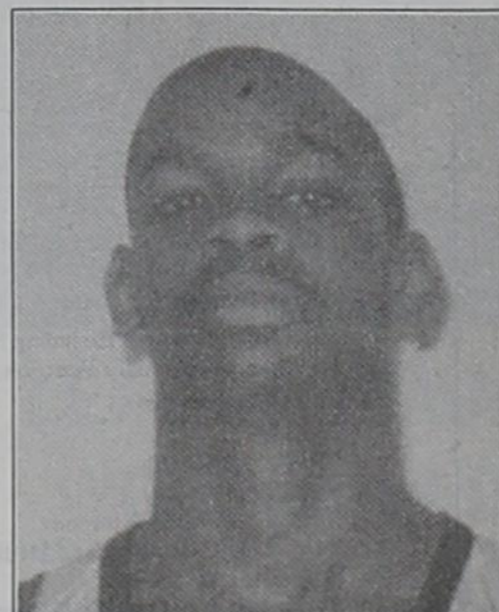
in Lubbock. The award was established last year by the Caprock ABC in memory of Cleveland, and is voted on by observers, game officials and tournament directors. Receiving the award among girls teams was Lubbock Christian. Photo by John Brooks

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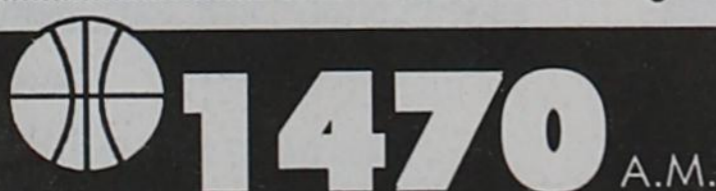
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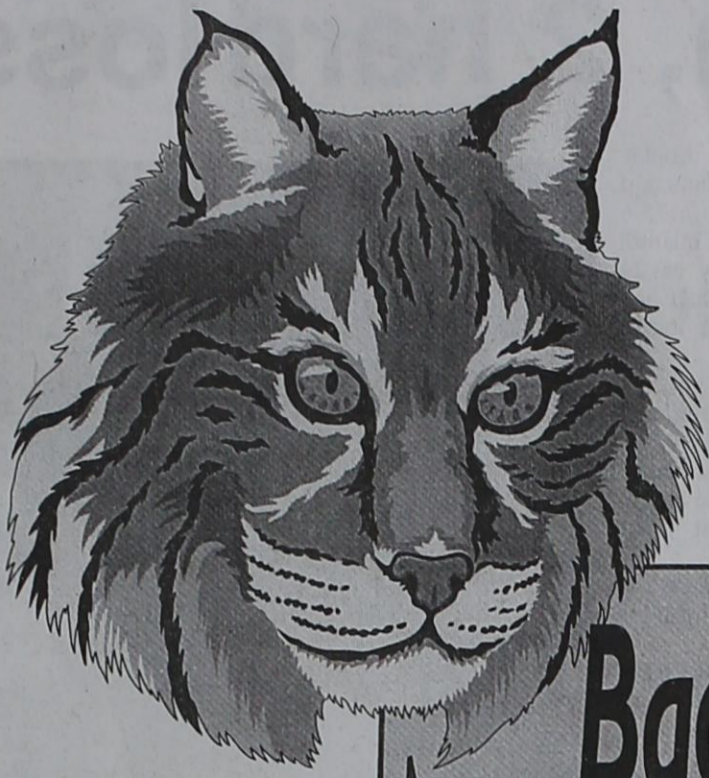
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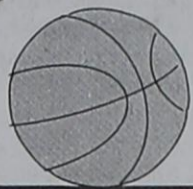
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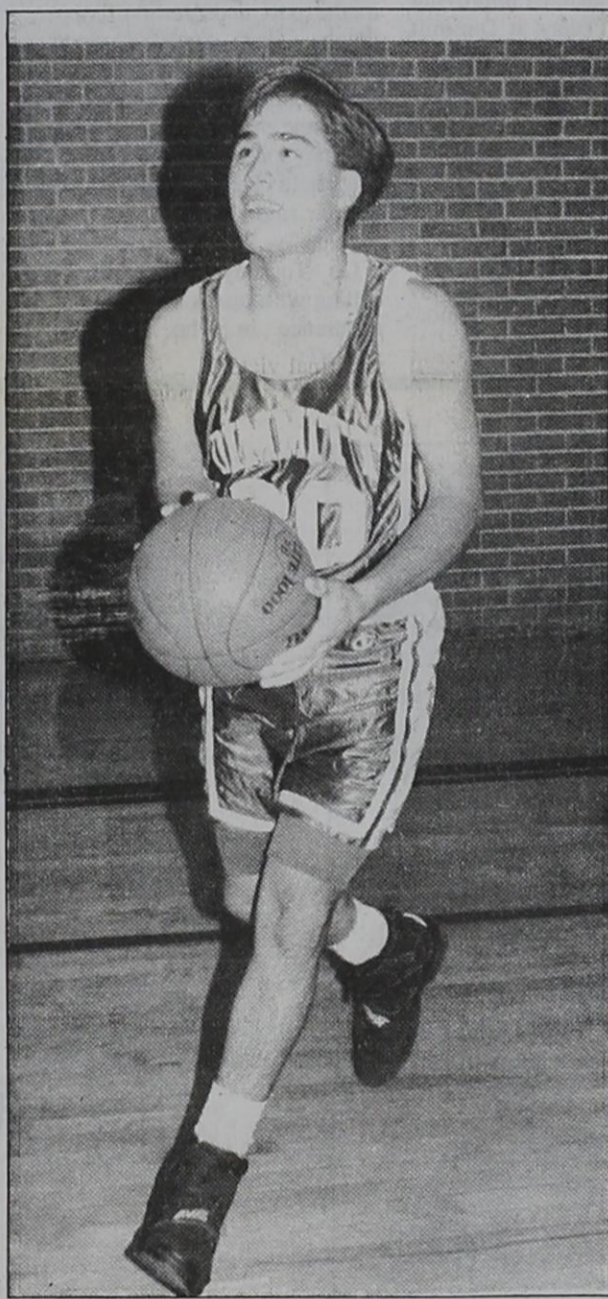
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- 35, Randall 42
- 44, Levelland 57
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- 36, Slaton 65
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- 37, Nazareth 45
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- 57, Monterey 38
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- 29, Clovis 46

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Swiftettes get 2 easy win, 2 hard losses

Nazareth girls' coach Johnny Hampton was still shaking his head Saturday night while watching other games in the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock.

He was thinking about what could have been and should have been but wasn't after the Swiftettes won two and lost two in the big tourney.

The Swiftettes routed Caprock in the opener, then let Perryton steal a game Friday morning. The Swiftettes came back to rout Lubbock High late Friday, then never woke up Saturday in a loss to Lubbock Christian.

Melinda Schmucker, who had 87 points in four games, was named to the all-tournament team.

Swiftettes 59, Caprock 16

Neither team scored for the first three minutes of the game, and Caprock led 5-2 with three minutes left in the first quarter Thursday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

That's when the Nazareth offense began keeping pace with the defense. The Swiftettes rolled off 15 points in the last three minutes to

grab a 17-6 lead at the end of the period.

Caprock was scoreless for the first five minutes of the second quarter, too, as the Swiftettes rolled to a 30-5 lead at one point and settled for a 32-9 lead at halftime.

The second half was more of the same: great play on both ends of the floor by Naz. The Swiftettes extended their lead to 46-14 at the end of three and then held Caprock to just two points in the final quarter for the 43-point win.

Schmucker had 24 points to lead Naz, while Misti Ball added 11.

Perryton 49, Swiftettes 47

Perryton's Linda Pshigoda just had to block one shot Friday morning to virtually shut down Nazareth's inside game.

That block, in the second quarter, apparently intimidated the Swiftettes, and Perryton used the advantage to rally and steal a two-point win in the second round.

"We let them block one shot and we quit taking it inside," Hampton said.

Naz rolled to a 16-10 lead after one quarter and was up by as many as 10 points in the second quarter, 22-12, before Perryton started coming back. The Swiftettes saw their advantage shrink to five, 26-21, at halftime.

Perryton got within 26-25 before the Swiftettes caught fire again and ran to a seven-point lead, 32-25. The Rangerettes got rolling again, cutting the lead to just three, 39-36, by the end of three quarters.

Naz scored early to make it a five point game, but Perryton hit two three-pointers (including one by 6-3 Pshigoda) to take the lead with just over two minutes left.

Schmucker led Naz with 20 points, and was the only Swiftette in double figures.

Swiftettes 59, Lubbock High 31

The Swiftettes routed the Westerners—once they got to play them.

Lubbock High and Lamesa had a real doozie earlier Friday, with 69 fouls in the game. It, and an overtime game, set the schedule back over an hour. Naz was supposed to play that game's winner at 7:30 p.m., but the game started closer to 9:30 p.m.

LHS would have been better off if the game had been played in another time zone as the Swiftettes waylaid the Westerners.

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back," Makeever said. "We'll be able to work him a little better into the flow, get our substitution patterns worked out, with some time to work on it."

Dimmitt opens against improving Floydada teams Friday at Dimmitt Middle School.

"People may think we're supposed to be a lot better than they are, but it was that way last year, too," said Dimmitt girls coach Richard Wood. "We beat them by a point at their place. They'll be gunning for us."

Dana McCandless, a 5-8 junior, and Danika Dudley, a 5-8 senior, will lead the Lady 'Winds.

Naz didn't have any trouble getting started, using their full-court pressure defense to roll to a 15-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. Nazareth led by as many as 24 points, 34-10, late in the half and took a 34-13 lead to the locker room.

The Swiftettes kept up the pressure in the third quarter and rolled to a 48-22 lead after three, then extended their lead to as many as 32 points late in the game before settling for the 28-point final margin.

Schmucker had 24 points and Jill Ramackers added 10 more for Naz. **LCHS 53, Swiftettes 36**

The Swiftettes had to drive back home after Friday night's win and got to bed after midnight, then left Nazareth at 7:30 to drive to Lubbock.

Lubbock Christian played a late game also Friday night, but had to drive no more than a handful of miles, then could sleep 'til 10 and still be on time for Saturday morning's consolation semifinal.

LCHS used its advantage to wear down the Swiftettes, outscoring them 27-13 in the final two periods to pave the way to the 17-point win.

Melinda Schmucker led Nazareth with 10 points, but was the only Swiftette in double figures.



IT'S ANOTHER FAST-BREAK HOOP for the Nazareth Swiftettes as Denia Durbin (32) scores over Amarillo Caprock's Jessica Teague (50) during action last Thursday in the first round of the Caprock Tournament. Nazareth had no problems with the Lady Longhorns, winning easily, 59-16. Photo by Anne Acker

Swifts fall in two games at tournament

It's not true that Abernathy coach Jerry Schaeffer's picture is on the wall of the post office in Nazareth.

The only thing that's wanted is a win by the Swifts over Schaeffer's Antelopes. The Swifts have beaten most of the rest of the world this year, but have fallen three times to the Class AA squad.

The third time was Thursday in the opening round of the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock, when the 'Lopes took a 47-36 win over the Swifts.

Nazareth then fell again Friday, coming up just short against Lubbock Christian.

Abernathy 47, Swifts 36

Playing in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, the Swifts had trouble finding the mark against the Antelopes throughout the noon contest. Naz had just seven points in the first quarter, but held Abernathy to only 12 in the period.

Abernathy edged out a little further in the second stanza and led by seven at the half, 24-17.

Nazareth edged within five in the third quarter, but Abernathy came back to extend its lead to 34-26 after 24 minutes, then on to the 11-point lead at the end of the game.

Gaylon Schilling had 13 points

and Scott Brockman 11 to lead the Swifts.

LCHS 65, Swifts 63

Lubbock Christian led by 11 points in the first quarter and by 14 at the end of three periods before Naz roared back, but the Swifts came up two points short at the end against the Eagles.

Naz turned the ball over six straight times in the first period against LCHS, whose team included two students on scholarship from Jamaica.

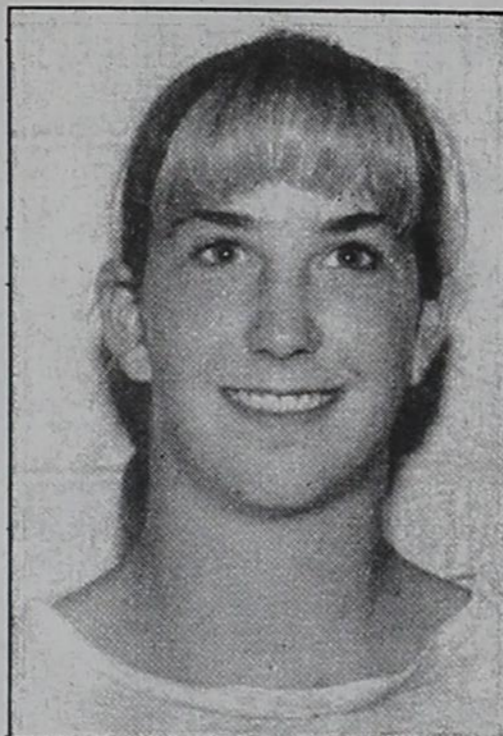
The Swifts trailed 17-6 in the first quarter and 17-7 by the end of the period, and tried to cut into the lead throughout the second quarter only to be rebuffed by the Eagles. LCHS led 36-26 at halftime.

The Eagles extended their lead to 49-35, by the end of the third period before Nazareth began its comeback. The Swifts quickly closed the margin back to 10 points, then worked it down to a two-point game late. The Swifts missed a shot in the last 20 seconds, then had to foul to try to get the ball back in the last 10 seconds.

Scott Brockman had 25 points to lead Nazareth. Colby Pohlmeier had 18 points and Gaylon Schilling added 10 markers for the Swifts.



HEY! YOU'RE IN MY WAY!—B.J. Petillo (32) of Abernathy blocks Nazareth's Scott Brockman's path to the basket, but Petillo fouls on the play as he reaches for the ball. Nazareth and Abernathy met for the third time this season last Thursday in the first round of the annual Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament, and the outcome was identical to the first two—Abernathy posted the win. Nazareth was down by just two points with two minutes left in the game, but Abernathy pulled away for a 47-36 win. Photo by Anne Acker



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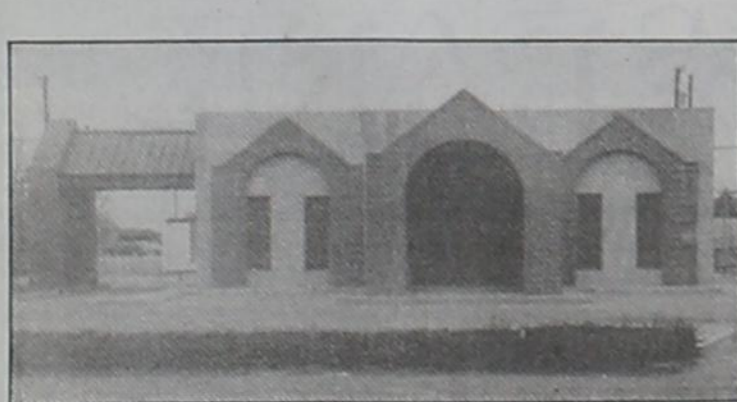
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Obituaries

Brigido Beliz

Brigido Noe Beliz, 28, of Friona, died Saturday in Lubbock.

Services were Wednesday in Iglesia Compañerismo Cristiano with the Rev. Ruben Rivera officiating. Burial was in Friona Cemetery by Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mr. Beliz was born Jan. 11, 1966 in Mission. He married Elise Mireles on July 16, 1984 in Dimmitt. He had been a Friona resident since 1984, moving there from the Easter community. He was a member of Iglesia Compañerismo Cristiano.

He was a farm worker.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Brigido Jr. of Friona; two daughters, Brenda Lee Beliz and Lorinne Beliz, both of Friona; his parents, Jose Beliz of Laredo and Bertha Beliz of Clovis, N.M.; a brother, Joe Beliz of Friona; and six sisters, Veronica Hernandez, Julia Mireles and Alicia Espinoza, all of Amarillo, Irene Martinez of Petersburg, Stella Mireles of Friona and Christy Valdez of El Paso.

Maricela M. Crespin

Maricela M. Crespin, 46, of Dimmitt, died at 2:19 a.m. last Thursday in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

A vigil service was held Friday evening in Foskey Funeral Home.

Services were held Saturday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt with Msgr. Orville R. Blum, pastor of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford, officiating.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Crespin was born Sept. 1, 1948, in Monterrey, Mexico. She lived in Olmito before moving to Dimmitt in 1958. She married Joe Crespin on April 4, 1970, in Hereford. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt and was a homemaker. She, along with her husband, had owned and operated the Hungry Farmers Family Restaurant in Dimmitt from 1988 to 1992.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Richard Crespin and Robert Crespin, both of Dimmitt; her father, Martin Martinez of Dimmitt; four sisters, Cha Cha Martinez of Laredo, and Lupe Castillo, Sandra Garza and Mary Lou Alcorta, all of Dallas; and five brothers, David Martinez and James Martinez, both of Dallas, Martin Martinez of Laredo, Carlos Martinez of Dimmitt and Harvey Martinez of Conway, Ark.

Pallbearers were her brothers and Robert Crespin.

The family suggests memorials be to the American Cancer Society, Castro County Chapter, in care of

First United Bank, P.O. Box 929, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

James "Jim" Fewell

James "Jim" Fewell, 66, of Dimmitt, died Tuesday at 6:50 p.m.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home in Dimmitt with Rev. Johnny Robertson, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt, officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. at the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mr. Fewell was born Jan. 25, 1928, in Crosby County. He moved to Dimmitt in 1970 and was a plumber, working for Dimmitt Plumbing and Heating. He married Adele Thomason in 1950 at Clovis, N.M. She died in 1983. He was a Presbyterian.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Denzil Fewell.

Survivors include two sons, Jimmy Fewell of Dimmitt and Tim Fewell of The Colony; a daughter, Kim Jackson of Katy; four sisters, Isla Mae Harber and Maurine Proctor, both of Mesquite, and MariBell Barger and Ruth Cauthen, both of Lubbock; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society or Crown of Texas Hospice of Amarillo.

Beet growers to meet

A variety of topics from the anticipated growth in area beet acres next year to the fate of the US sugar program will be addressed at the Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association annual meeting and banquet on Jan. 13-14.

The annual meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Jan. 13 with registration at the Hereford Community Center. The banquet will begin at 7 p.m. on Jan. 14 at the Hereford Bull Barn.

Guest speaker at the meeting will be Craig Anderson, a grower from Longmont, Colo., who serves as president of the American Sugarbeet Growers Association. He will address the many challenges facing the national sweetener industry, including the US sugar program and its future in the 1995 Farm Bill.

Roger Hill, president and chief executive officer of Holly Sugar, will provide hard facts on the future of beet production in this area. He is expected to discuss the company's continued commitment to the regional industry and its goal of increasing acre numbers in 1995.

Bill Cleavinger, TSBGA president and chairman of the ASGA public relations committee, will review the direction ASGA is taking to better educate government leaders as well as the general public.

At the annual meeting and banquet, leading growers for the year will be recognized by Holly Sugar ag manager, Dennis Printz, and Holly agriculturists.

Research reports will be offered by Texas Agricultural Experiment

Station researchers in Bushland and Amarillo.

Much has been done to examine how new and promising beet varieties can handle fusarium, pithium and other soil borne diseases which can hamper production. Dr. Charlie Rush, Dr. Steve Winter and other TAES plant and soil scientists will provide information that can benefit every grower's production.

The keynote speaker at the Jan. 14 banquet will be Joe Griffith of Dallas. He is a motivational speaker, author and actor.

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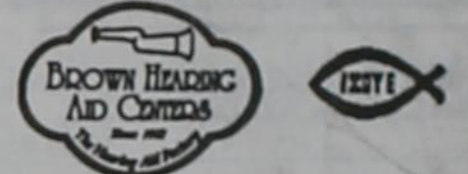
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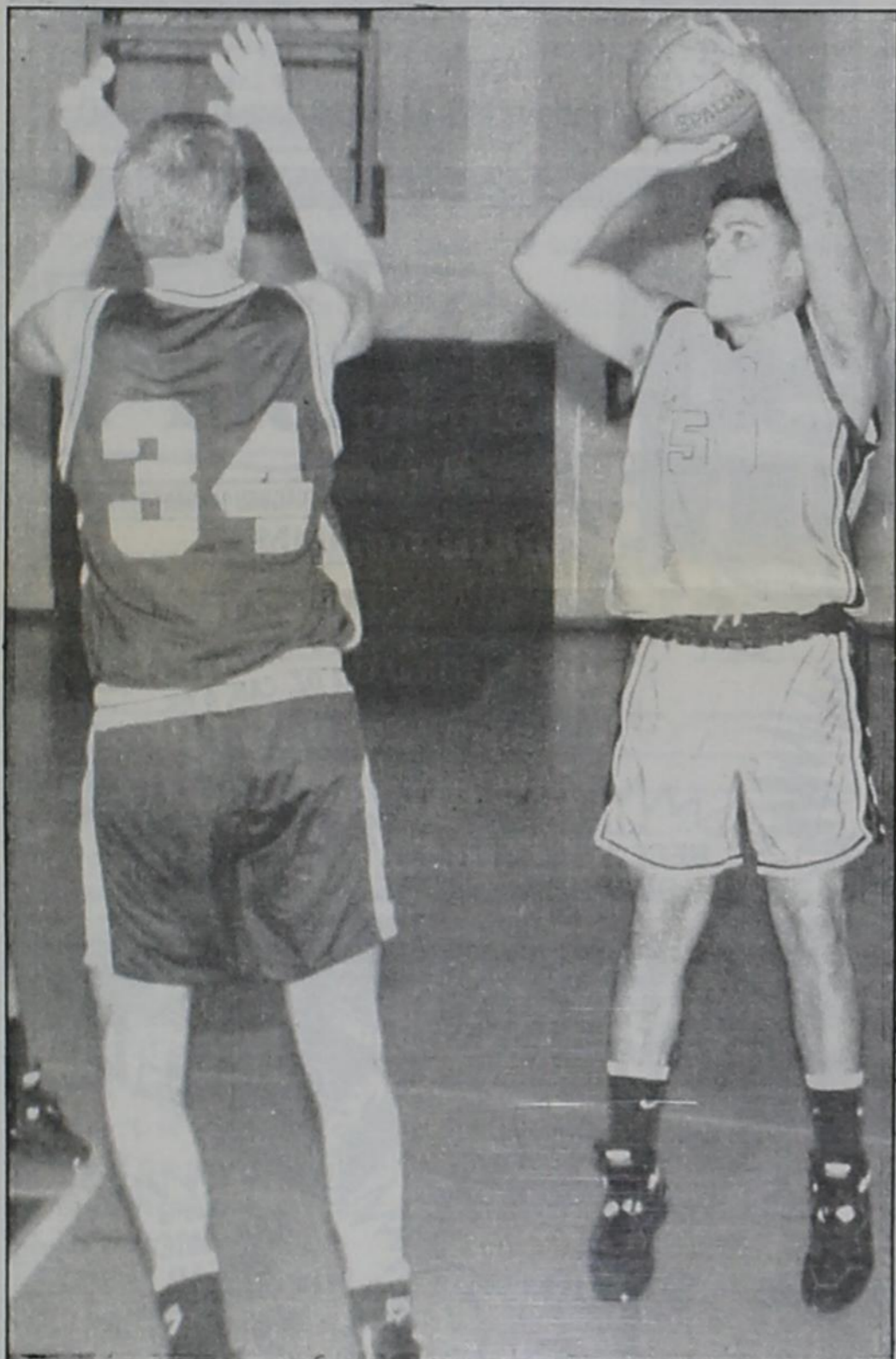
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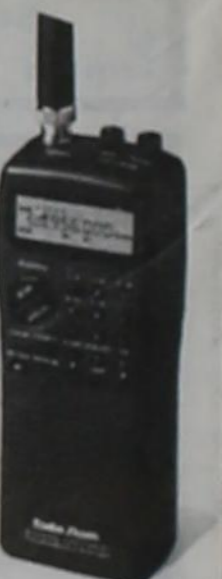
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