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Happy Site is SSC candidate

Amarillo supporters of the Superconducting Super Collider had almost given up hope after Sunday's preliminary ranking of sixth for the Happy Site—but they were glad they were among the final seven.

Tuesday afternoon, the mood was considerably different after the Happy Site — sandwiched by Dimmitt, Tulia, Canyon and Hereford, and mostly in Castro County — was chosen as one of two Texas proposed sites for the SSC.

"I'm surprised and I'm elated," said John Chandler, chairman of the SSC effort for the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce. "We didn't think we had it. Monday afternoon, when the committee put us down the list, we were disappointed because we knew we had given a great presentation.

"The fact that everybody worked together was the critical difference. We had support from all of the city governments and county commissions, and our proposal had broader support than any other bid. That showed how serious we were.

"We were the only group that had letters from many of the landowners. We were the only ones with resolutions from the cities and the counties."

At first, the Amarillo site was out when the National Research Laboratory Commission took its first vote on a second site after a site near Waxahachie was a unanimous first choice of the group. On the first ballot, the commission narrowly selected Austin over the Happy Site, but Dr. Peter Flawn, commission chairman, pointed out the broad similarities between the

Austin and Dallas sites. On the second ballot, the Happy Site was chosen over Austin, 5-3.

Chandler said that reservations about the lack of a major "hub" airport and metropolitan areas should not be a major drawback.

"Physicists are used to living in places like New Haven, Conn., Batavia, Ill., and Palo Alto, Calif. That was our pitch, because we wanted to make that point very clear, that it didn't have to be a major metropolitan center."

"I am absolutely thrilled that one of the proposed sites is located in my Congressional district," said US Rep. Larry Combest. "Now, we have to work long and hard to convince the Dept. of Energy that the SSC should be located in Texas. Given our vast land resour-

ces and people committed to the project, I see no reason why we should not acquire the SSC."

The next step for the area group will be to go back to Austin to meet with NRRLC staff to fine-tune technical data for a presentation later this summer to DOE.

"That presentation has to stand on its technical merit, geology and construction techniques," Chandler said. "It is going to take the same cooperative effort to make that successful just like this effort has proven successful. It will again need the cooperative effort of the entire area."

DISD looks at placement tests

Dimmitt students someday will be able to skip a grade in elementary school or "test out" of certain courses at the middle school and high school levels through "advanced placement" tests.

The complete testing program probably won't come about next school year—or perhaps even the next — because school administrators will have to go through a mine-field of complications to set it up, and it will be a time-consuming project.

But the Dimmitt School Board set the wheels in motion Monday night to develop the state-mandated procedure.

Supt. Robert Ryan explained that the State Board of Education had adopted a new statewide curriculum requirement in February that "a school district shall develop ... advanced placement examinations for each primary school grade level and for secondary school academic subjects."

According to the state's new curriculum statute, "A student in a primary grade level shall be given credit for a grade level and advanced one grade level on the basis of a board-approved advanced placement examination if the student scores in the 90th percentile or above on each section of the examination; a school district representative recommends that the student be advanced; and the student's parent or guardian gives written approval of the advancement."

Also, a student in sixth grade or above will be able to gain transcript credit for a specific subject by scoring 90 or higher on an advanced placement examination in that subject.

In discussing the new program Monday night, board members raised many questions about how the advanced placement test scores might affect a student's overall grade-point average, especially if the student were in the running for valedictorian or salutatorian honors.

"Those are some of the things that we will have to resolve," Ryan said. "This is new ground. But

we'll draw up some proposed guidelines for the board to consider as soon as you give us the go-ahead. Then we can go from there."

At the high-school level, the new testing program could affect the number of elective courses and extracurricular activities a student could take and still meet the tighter requirements for graduation.

The trustees went into executive session early in the meeting to hear a request by DHS sophomore Kallinda Dutton and her mother, Linda, that a seven-year-old school policy prohibiting a student from being both a varsity basketball player and a varsity cheerleader be changed.

Dutton recently was elected a cheerleader for next school year and also wants to play varsity basketball.

Board President Glenn Odom took the discussion into executive session because it involved a complaint lodged against an employee of the school district. That put it under the "personnel" category, for which executive sessions are allowed.

When the meeting "went public" again after a 45-minute discussion, the board took no action. However, Ryan said the board has the option of putting the issue on the agenda for next month's open meeting.

The school board authorized the purchase of a new IBM System 36 computer, or its equivalent, at an estimated cost of \$65,000 — and learned that the school district has come out great financially on its System 34 computer.

Business Manager Gene King explained that the DISD bought the System 34 computer five years ago at a cost of \$56,026, and at the same time entered into an agreement to lease computer service to the Castro County Appraisal District for \$10,000 per year.

Six months after the DISD bought its System 34, the System 36 was put on the market. That's the computer now used by all other school districts in the Panhandle

Region XVI Education Service Center area, and it's the computer for which the center wrote all the required programs. The new programs won't work on the System 34 computer, King said, and even if they would, the present computer's school-programs memory is now completely filled.

"Beginning in the fall of 1987, we will be required to submit to the Texas Education Agency much more information than in the past" because of the requirements of House Bill 72, Ryan said. The program for gathering and reporting the required information is called the Public Education Information Management System—and it requires a System 36 computer.

However, the district won't get rid of its present computer. Instead, it will move the System 34 to the

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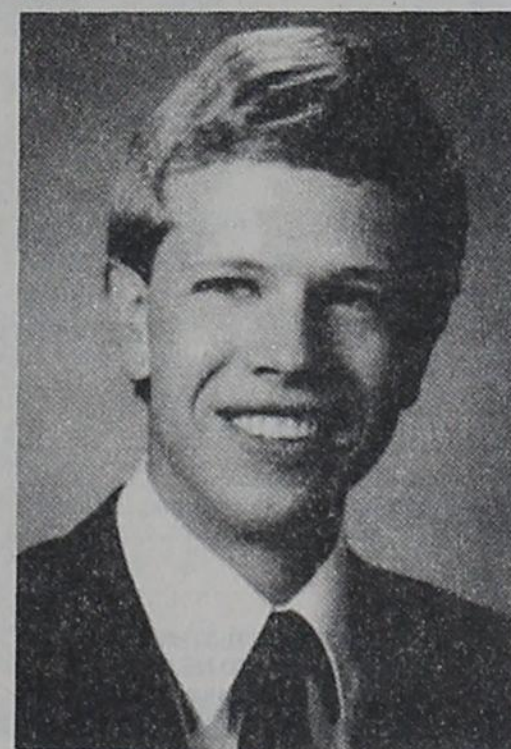
Acker wins UIL contest

Russell Acker of Nazareth won the state Class A championship in Informative Speaking at the State UIL Literary Meet in Austin Saturday.

Acker also won third in ready writing.

Alan Birkenfeld, last year's Class A champion in Editorial Writing, won the bronze medal this year, while Stacy Albracht won fifth in Feature Writing.

Joey Flores of Hart High School won fifth place in Class 2A Short-hand.



Russell Acker

Commissioners, CCHD meet on ambulances

County commissioners plan to meet with Dimmitt city aldermen, Castro County Hospital District officials and Dave Clark of Panhandle Emergency Medical Systems on final plans to revamp the county-wide ambulance service.

Until last month, the cost for the service was shared by CCHD, the City of Dimmitt and the county. However, after several meetings between representatives of the three groups, it was decided CCHD should take over the ambulance service on its own.

"The county needs ambulance service," Plains Memorial Hospital administrator Joe Stevens told

county commissioners at their Monday meeting. "Several people say CCHD should be responsible. I don't necessarily agree with that, but we take it, operate it, but will need financial assistance from the city and the county.

"An ambulance service loses money even if it collects 100%. Of course, it doesn't collect 100%." Stevens estimated the ambulance service would collect about 45%.

"We can't afford another loser." Commissioners balked at the idea of paying a \$2,000 monthly stipend to CCHD for providing ambulance service, but came up

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Weather

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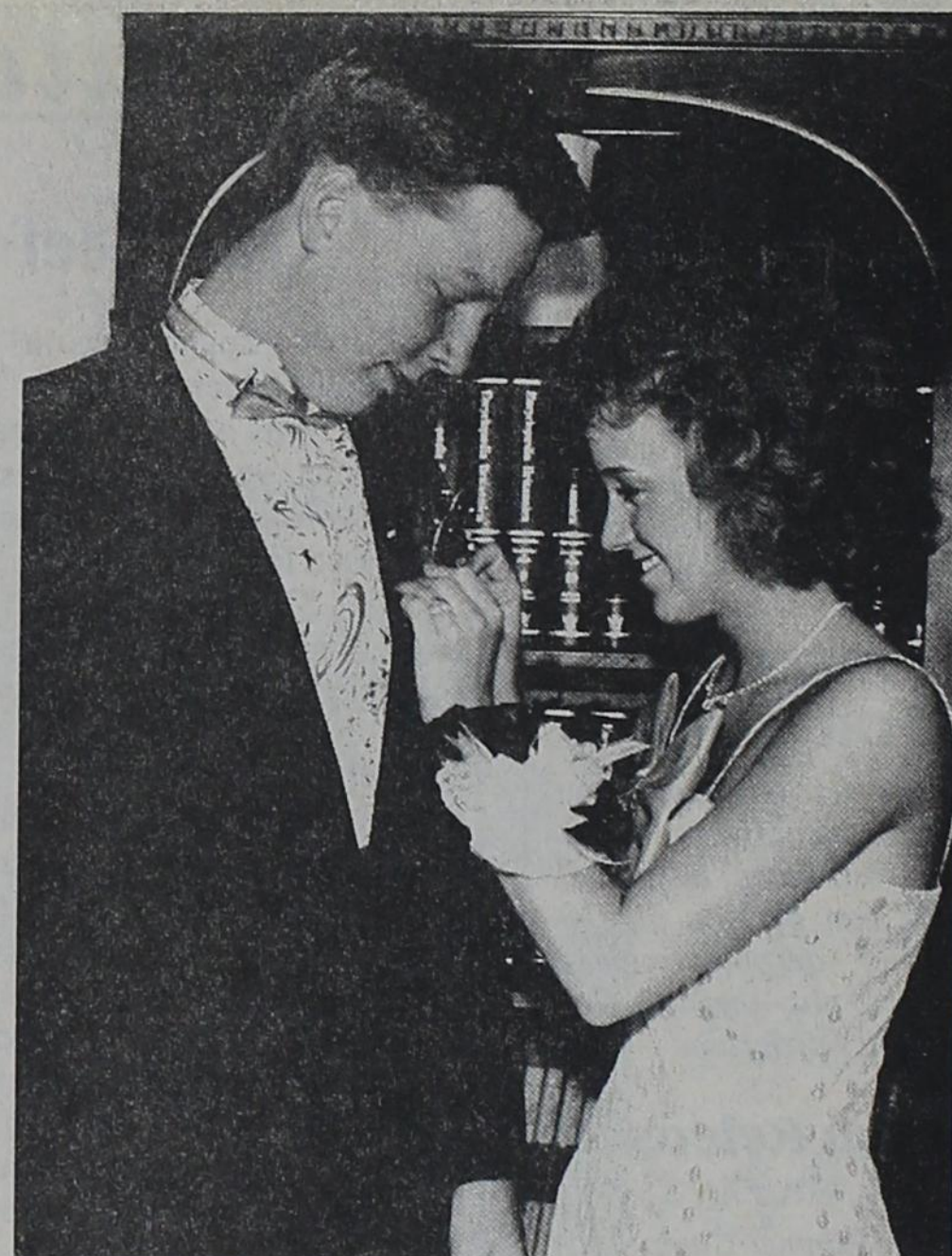
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Tuesday	85	50	
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May Moisture 0.29
1987 Moisture 2.10
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US Weather Observer



PROM NIGHT

It's the big night of the year—a showcase for the seniors at the social event of the year, the Junior-Senior Banquet. Kim Gleghorn, daughter of Dwight and Jolene Gleghorn, checks to make sure everything is just right with her dress and bracelet before adding a wrist corsage for a finishing touch, then adjusts Chad Smithson's boutonniere, bow tie and cummerbund. Howard Smithson snaps a memory of the seniors while his wife, Mareta, looks on.



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-s-Doyle Davis
DOYLE DAVIS
Independent Executor of Estate of
CORA VERA DAVIS, DECEASED
15-34-1tx

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The City of Dimmitt reserves the right to accept or reject all bids that are the most advantageous to the City.
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LEGAL NOTICE

FORM 990-PF is made available by Alex Glass, Foundation Manager of John Blaine Memorial Scholarship Trust for public inspection at the office of 1505 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt, Texas. This return is made available during regular business hours for inspection by any citizen upon request made within 180 days after the date of publication of notice of its availability.
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LEGAL NOTICE
NO. 1855

THE ESTATE OF
GENEVIEVE STRICKLIN HOWE,
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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST
THE ESTATE OF
GENEVIEVE STRICKLIN HOWE,
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of GENEVIEVE STRICKLIN HOWE, Deceased, were issued on the 6th day of May, 1987, in Cause No. 1855 in the proceedings of the Estate of GENEVIEVE STRICKLIN HOWE, Deceased, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to JERI PAT HOWE BYRNES, 2116 Jonquil Park Drive, Clovis, New Mexico 88101. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, are required to present the same to me at the above address, within the time and within the manner prescribed by law.

-s-Jeri Pat Howe Byrnes
JERI PAT HOWE BYRNES
Independent Executrix of the Estate
of Genevieve Stricklin Howe,
Deceased
15-34-1tc

NOTICE OF
PROPOSED BANK MERGER

Notice is hereby given that the First State Bank of Dimmitt, Dimmitt, Texas, has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Washington, D.C., 20429, for its written consent to merge with New First State Bank, Dimmitt, Texas.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 18(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

Any persons wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 1910 Pacific Avenue, Suite 1900, Dallas, Texas, 75201. If any person desires to protest the granting of this application, such person has a right to do so if the protest is filed with the Regional Director by June 13, 1987. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file in the Regional Office as part of the public file maintained by the Corporation. The file is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

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Sunnyside

Glen and LaWanda Wilson became new grandparents May 4 when a baby girl was born to Glenda and Alan Turnello of Lubbock. She weighed 6 lbs., 11 oz., and was named Jazz Nicole. They were dismissed Wednesday and LaWanda stayed with them until Friday night.

John B. and Shorty Lilley and perhaps others from the community attended the funeral services for L.J. Rice in Hart last Wednesday. He died Monday at Plains Memorial Hospital. L.J. started school in Sunnyside and attended Hart High School.

Lloyd Blanton was dismissed from Plains Memorial Hospital May 7 after being hospitalized April 31 with heart irregularity.

Jack Clark was admitted to Plains Memorial Hospital last Thursday after a fall at his home last Wednesday. He was taken to a nursing home in Hereford Friday when he was dismissed since he needed the kind of care that he couldn't get at home.

Gale and Verna Sadler will be honored with a Commissioning Service at the church June 28 following the morning worship and a covered dish dinner at the church. The time has been set for 2 p.m. They said one of the outstanding things about the appointment service in Kentucky was that Keith Parks, the president of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board, spoke personally with each of the 49 appointees and let each one give a one minute testimony.

Rev. Bentley Gwyn received a gift certificate at the Chamber of Commerce breakfast Monday morning for being the double winner in the drawing and slogan contest for "Awareness Week."

Long stemmed carnations of various colors were presented in the Sunday morning service by the pastor to wives and widows as well as all mothers present. Gregg George was at the morning worship service with his grandmother, Lillian Carson.

Heather D'Ann Elkins and her mother, Sheri of Earth, were honored with a baby shower in the Fellowship Hall of the church Thursday afternoon. Both grandmothers as well as both paternal great-grandmothers and two great-aunts were present along with several other visitors. Hostesses were Judy Damron, Verba Sadler, Flos-

sie Jones, Debbie Jones, Renee Wilson, Phyllis Bridges, Kathy Gwyn, LaWanda Wilson, Kaye King, Jo Eddy Riley and Retha Wilson.

Verba Sadler and Lillian Carson had charge of the Wednesday night fellowship meal, a Mexican Fiesta. The pastor and family were able to be there and eat, but were all sick through Tuesday with something they had eaten last Sunday night. 23 attended the meal.

Correction: Erin, Robin and Jonathan Bridges did not ride home with the Gwyns last Sunday night as reported last week. Bruce and Phyllis went from Lubbock to Sunday afternoon and brought them home after visiting awhile with her parents.

Verba Sadler was the only person from the community who attended the birthday party for Mrs. Beatrice Shirey in Earth Tuesday.

Tiny and Janette Walling of Telephone, spent last Sunday with J.C. and Toots Holbrooks. Larry and Sharon Sadler had supper with them Sunday night. It was the first time they had seen the Wallings since they have moved to Texas from California.

Carrie Sadler was home from Lubbock Tuesday and visited until Thursday with Larry and Sharon Sadler, Laura and Matt.

Correction: Maxine Ballard of the community was left out in the list of visitors in the Friday night revival services to hear Noah Spencer give his testimony and visit with him and Ruth after the service.

Ezell and Verba Sadler visited last Sunday night in Hale Center with Buddy and Bertha Keeler.

Cynthia Curtis and Jill Hamilton were on the Springlake-Earth senior class "B" honor roll for the fifth six weeks grading period.

T.J. Sanders, Nicole Byers, Jon Alair, Robin Bridges, Stormy Connors and Samantha Wilson participated in the UIL Literary competi-

tion at Springlake-Earth May 1. Nicole Byers won third place in second grade story telling; Jon Alair won second place in third grade ready writing; Robin Bridges won fifth place in fifth grade ready writing. Stormy Connor was her teammate. Robin and Samantha won second place in picture memory with Stormy as their alternate. Robin Bridges won first place in music memory with her fifth grade team.

Alton Louder went with Euleus Waggoner and Hazel Waggoner went with Millicent Davis of Dimmitt to Lubbock Tuesday for the 55th reunion of the Dimmitt class of 1932. They met in the home of George Brewer of Lubbock. Other class members attending the dinner furnished by the host included Faye Smith Chapman of Plainview, and Orice Webb of Champaign, Ill. George Brewer's sister helped him with the meal. They visited, took pictures, looked at scrapbooks, and listened to the tape made at their 50th class reunion. Hazel and Millicent stopped by for a visit after the reunion.

M.K. Fisher of Hale Center, Gerald Elkin's uncle, died Sunday morning after a long illness.

Gerald and Pat Elkins and their family had Mother's Day dinner with Jim and Cindy Lawson and family Sunday.

Alton and Betty Louder had a Mother's Day supper with Lowell and Genevieve Westmoreland and their family in the home of Rickey and Gena Yantis of Amherst Saturday night.

Ezell and Verba Sadler had a Mother's Day supper with Larry and Sharon Sadler, Laura and Matt, and Tex and Norma Conard of Dimmitt Sunday night.

Molligay Waggoner attended the Junior-Senior Banquet in Dimmitt Saturday night. Laura Waggoner was one of the juniors who helped with the serving.

Susan Waggoner placed first in the tennis tournament at Dimmitt Saturday.

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Presbyterian happenings

There is a Sunday church school class for everyone every Sunday at 10 a.m. The adult Bible class meets at the manse. All other classes meet at the church.

"Living Beyond Death," is the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the morning church worship service at 11 a.m.

Mid-week Bible study will be Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Morning prayers will be held next Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

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People

Couple recite wedding vows in Holy Family Church

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Fischbacher will establish their new home in Canyon after enjoying a wedding trip to Florida.

The couple exchanged wedding vows Saturday afternoon in Holy Family Church at Nazareth with Rev. Brendan Sherry, pastor, officiating at the formal, double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the former Anita Huseman, daughter of Arnold and Catherine Huseman of Nazareth. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fischbacher of Canyon.

Arrangements of ruby and mauve silk roses and gladiolas, made by the bride's mother, decorated the altars in the church.

Greg and Glenda Birkenfeld and Debbie Schmucker provided the music and were accompanied by organist Mary Lynn Olvera.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride chose a formal-length bridal gown with a fitted bodice with insets of lace, sequins and pearls. The full bouffant sleeves gathered at the elbow and continued as tapered lace sleeves which formed points over her wrists. The full skirt was created with tiers of lace, falling in waterfall fashion to form a cathedral train.

She wore a cascading, four-tiered veil attached to a headpiece of white flowers and pearls. The tiers of the veil were edged in pearls. The headpiece and attached veil were made by the bride's mother.

The bridal bouquet, also made by her mother, was created from mauve and ruby roses and featured an entwined gold rosary that belonged to the bride's grandmother. Mauve, ruby and white ribbons accented the cascading bouquet.

Matron of honor was Lenora Braddock of Nazareth, the bride's sister.

Bridal attendants were Patty Ferick of Vega, sister of the groom, and Renee Ramaekers, Leona Gerber and LaDawn Schmucker, friends of the bride of Nazareth.

Each attendant wore ruby and mauve gowns and wore matching



MRS. KEN FISCHBACHER
...nee Anita Huseman

bows in their hair. They carried small white umbrellas trimmed in ruby baby's breath and ribbon. The umbrellas were made by the bride's mother.

Jim Fischbacher of Canyon, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen included Pat Wilhelm and Kevin Hartman, both friends of the groom of Happy, and Derwin Huseman and Virgil Huseman of Nazareth, brothers of the bride.

Flower girl was Melissa Pohlmeier of Yukon, Okla., niece of the bride.

Joshua McDonald of Lazbuddie, nephew of the groom, was ring bearer.

Debbie Bigelow of Amarillo, sister of the groom and Renee Ball of Nazareth, friend of the bride, were candlelighters.

Emaline Pohlmeier of Yukon, Okla., and Marlene Acker of Dimmitt, the bride's sisters, served as gift bearers.

The bride's sister-in-law, Mary Jo Huseman of Memphis, registered guests.

Ushers were Bryan Huseman of Memphis and Virgil Huseman of Nazareth, the bride's brothers and Raymond Ray of Amarillo and Danny Ferick of Vega, brothers-in-law of the groom.

The newlyweds were honored with a reception and dance following the ceremony at the Nazareth Community Hall.

The multi-tiered wedding cake was decorated in ruby and mauve colors and featured a Precious Moments bride and groom topospiece and Precious Moments bridesmaid and groomsmen figurines. The bride's cake was made by Vicki Kleman and Patti White, both of Nazareth. The figurines were a gift to the bride from her sister, Emaline Pohlmeier.

The tables were decorated with mauve lanterns and heart centerpieces made by the bride's mother.

Serving cake and punch were Shari Schilling of Dimmitt, and Patsy Birkenfeld, Cheryl Hoelting and Deanna Hoelting, all of Nazareth and friends of the bride.

The bride is a 1985 graduate of Nazareth High School and operated a registered day care home in Nazareth.

The groom graduated from Canyon High School and attended West Texas State University for two years. He is self-employed as a farmer near Canyon.

Jackson is named secretary of SGA

Stacie Jackson of Dimmitt was installed as 1987-88 secretary of alumni affairs of the Student Government Association at Wayland Baptist University.

A sophomore at WBU, Jackson is pursuing a degree in business and is one of seven students who assumed the top offices of Wayland's largest student organization.

The SGA is comprised of all Wayland students and provides a forum for student interaction in such areas as recreation, entertainment, residence hall life, social and religious activities and regulation of conduct.



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AUXILIARY SERVICE AWARD WINNERS
...Auxiliary members were honored at awards brunch Tuesday

Auxiliary installs new officers and honors members at brunch

Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary members presented service awards to several Auxiliary members and installed new officers at their annual awards brunch Tuesday.

New officers for the coming year include Nell Newton, president; Betty Freeman, first vice president; Lucille Drerup, second vice president; Irene Carpenter, secretary; Mattie Seale, treasurer; Mary Emma Mathews, reporter and Jackie McLeroy, historian.

Those receiving service awards were:

100 hour pins — Mary Edna Hendrix, Virginia Nelson, Mattie Seale, Mildred Washington, Jewel Scott and Ann Ethington.

200 hour bar—Seale, Ethington, Dugan Butler, Alyce Killingsworth and Dorothy Cook.

500 hour bar — Claudine Langford and Lois Waggoner.

800 hour bar—Betty Freeman, Era Heckerson, Edith Graef and Bea Hardy.

1,000 hour bar—Hardy, Graef, Freeman, Heckerson, Susie Bradford, Wanda Murdock and Doris Wylie.

1,300 hour bar—Cleo Guerra, Heckerson, Wylie and Ruby Wood.

1,600 hour bar—Nell Newton.

1,800 hour bar — Willie Mae Sadler.

2,100 hour bar—Mathews.
3,100 hour bar—Lucille Drerup.

The serving table was decorated with floral arrangements of purple and white mums and silver appointments.

Fruit, finger sandwiches and mini muffins along with orange juice and coffee were served by Ruby Wood, Mary Edna Hendrix, Wanda Murdock, Claudine Langford, Mattie Seale and Nell Newton.

Joe Stevens, administrator at Plains Memorial Hospital, was guest speaker at the brunch.

"The hospital will survive because you (Auxiliary members) and your neighbors want it to," Stevens said.

He also praised the nursing staff and gave credit to nursing director Vicki Buckley for "the quality of care given at the hospital."

Buckley was quick to praise the Auxiliary members and said that "when the chips are down, we can

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County students to graduate AC

Five county students are among the 521 students who will be graduating Friday from Amarillo College.

Degree recipients include: Nancy Fuller, business administration; Shanee Lust and San Juana Najar, vocational nursing; Norma Sandoval and Jan Rammenga, nursing.

Graduation exercises will be held at 8 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum.

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Pamula Boyd and Danny Dutton

Dutton, Boyd to wed

The engagement of Pamula Boyd and Danny Dutton has been announced by the parents of the bride-elect, Nancy Mullins of Fairfax, Va., and Don Boyd of Lubbock. Boyd is the niece of Betty Dennis of Dimmitt.

The prospective groom is the son of Don and Linda Dutton of Dimmitt. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Cox of Hereford and Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Dutton of Hereford.

The couple will announce their wedding date later.

Boyd is a 1985 graduate of Richardson High School in Fairfax. She has completed two years of school at South Plains College in Levelland and plans to continue her education at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She is employed at Bently's Dept. Store in Lubbock as department manager.

Dutton is a 1985 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He attended South Plains College for a year and will continue his education at Texas Tech University. He is employed with Dekalb-Pfizer Genetics in Lubbock.



Phillip B. Hawkins and Angelika C. Lukacsy

Pair to wed May 30

Mr. and Mrs. Gene T. Lukacsy of Colleyville announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Angelika to Phillip Hawkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hawkins of Hart.

The pair will exchange wedding vows May 30 at 5 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church at Colleyville.

The bride-elect is a 1984 graduate of Grapevine High School and transferred to North Texas State University from Texas A&M University. She is studying interior design. She is employed as a fragrance model with Bloomingdale's and Sanger Harris department stores.

Hawkins is a 1982 graduate of Hart High School and also transferred from Texas A&M University to North Texas State University, where he is senior advertising arts major. He is employed with Corgan Associates Architects in Dallas as a

construction administrator.

The couple will make their home in Euless after a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico.

Happy Anniversary

[Compiled from the Community Birthday Calendars sponsored by the Castro County Extension Homemakers, the Nazareth Swift Band and the Hart Band.]

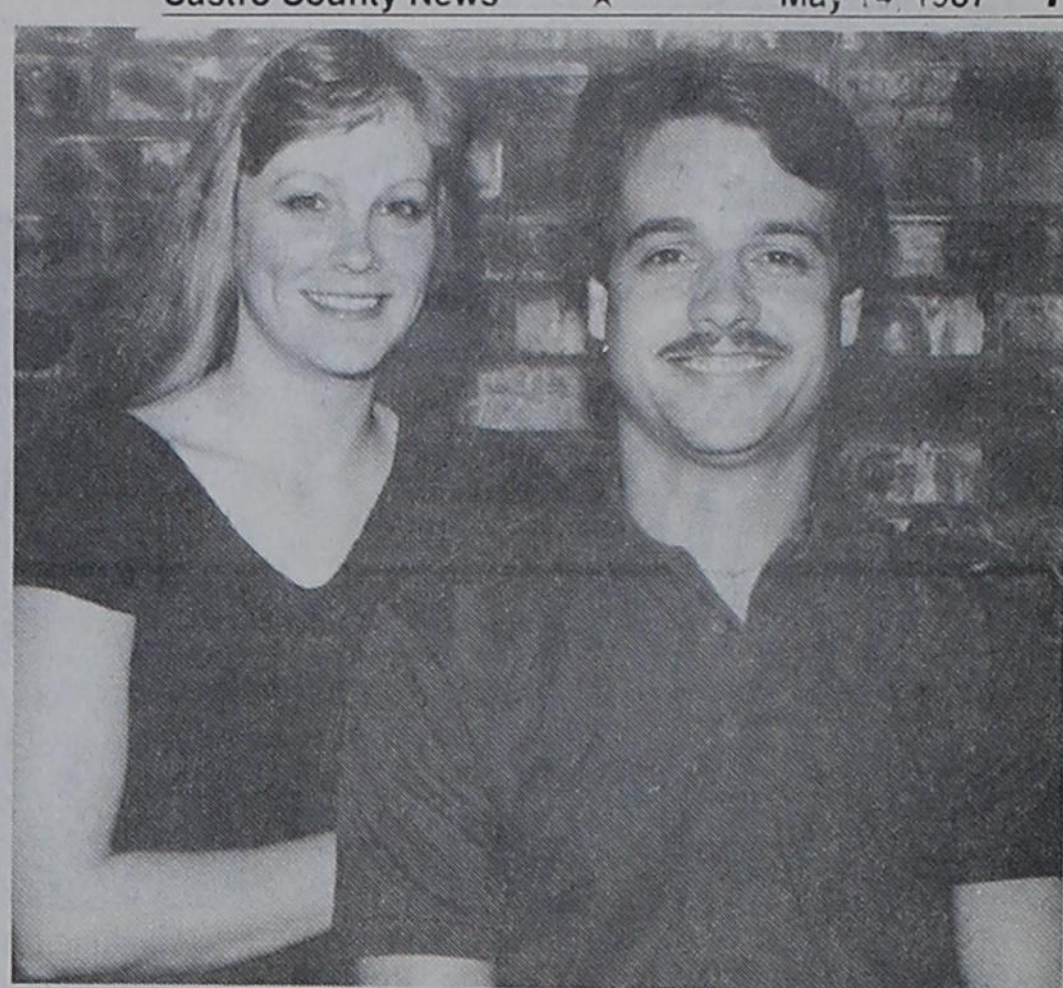
MAY 14—Steve and Karon Smith, Rusty and Lydia Schacher.

MAY 17 — Homer and Tommie Sue Nisbett.

MAY 18 — Dale and Kathy Jahay, Sonny and Ann Armstrong.

MAY 19 — Paul and Inez Johnson.

MAY 20—Tommy and Linda Martin, Fred and Ramona Annen.



Lori Anderson and Leon Huseman

June vows planned

George and Linda Anderson of Garland announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lori Lynn Anderson, to Leon Richard Huseman, son of Philip and Martha Huseman of Tullia.

The couple will exchange wedding vows June 27 at 3 p.m. in the New World United Methodist Church in Garland.

The bride-elect is a 1981 graduate of Lakeview Centennial High

School. She is majoring in business at Eastfield Junior College and is employed with Mobil Oil Corporation as a secretary.

The prospective groom is a 1980 graduate of Nazareth High School and graduated from the National Institute of Technology with a degree in electronics in 1982. He is employed as a field engineer with Timeplex, Inc.

The couple plans to reside in Garland after the wedding.

Nazareth By Virge Gerber, 945-2669

Max Acker attended the wedding of her granddaughter, Janice Marie White and Larry Gentsch Saturday. The ceremony was held at St. Michael Catholic Church in Bedford. Janice is the daughter of H.D. and Myrtle White of Amarillo. Al Cameron seems to be improving but is still a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital. While recuperating from leg surgery, he had a heart attack and is intensive care. We wish him well.

The family of Fonsa Huseman gathered at the home of Dolly and Gilbert Schulte Sunday evening on Mother's Day. Those attending were Edwin and Irene Huseman of Dumas, Elmer and Mildred Huseman of Dimmitt, Arnold and Catherine Huseman, Alphonse and Viola Kleman, Elmer and Florene Schulte and Gilbert and Dolly Schulte.

The Dan and Ethel Schmucker family, Joe and Imogene Drerup family, Jim and Evelyn Ball family, and Lucille Drerup enjoyed Mother's Day at the home of John and Carol Gary in Levelland.

Francis and Connie Backus of Hereford, Edmund and Sharon Backus of Dumas, Joan and Hubert Backus and Arnold and Catherine Huseman enjoyed Mother's Day with their mother, Helen Backus.

Sandee Hoelting and children and Sylvia Hoelting spent Saturday afternoon with Kate Hankins in Plainview.

Many relatives and friends attended the wedding of Anita Huseman and Ken Fischbacher Saturday afternoon at Holy Family Church with Rev. Brendan Sherry, officiating. Reception and dance followed at the Nazareth Community Hall.

The families of Albert Gerber, LeRoy Pohlmeier, Denny Heiman, Evelyn Hill, Virgil Pohlmeier, Florene Leinen and Meta Stork gathered for Mother's Day dinner Sunday at the home of Albert and Virgie Gerber.

Sister Jean Marie Hilvers and Sister Antonnette of Clovis attended the Huseman-Fischbacher wedding.

Lloyd Fitzsimmons was baptized Sunday morning after mass in Holy

Family Church with Deacon Jerome Brockman, officiating. His sponsor was Don Acker. Dinner was held at the home of Don and Betty Acker for Loyd and Roanne (Acker) Fitzsimmons and family, Frank Acker family, Clayton Acker family, Vance Acker and Lucy Leinen.

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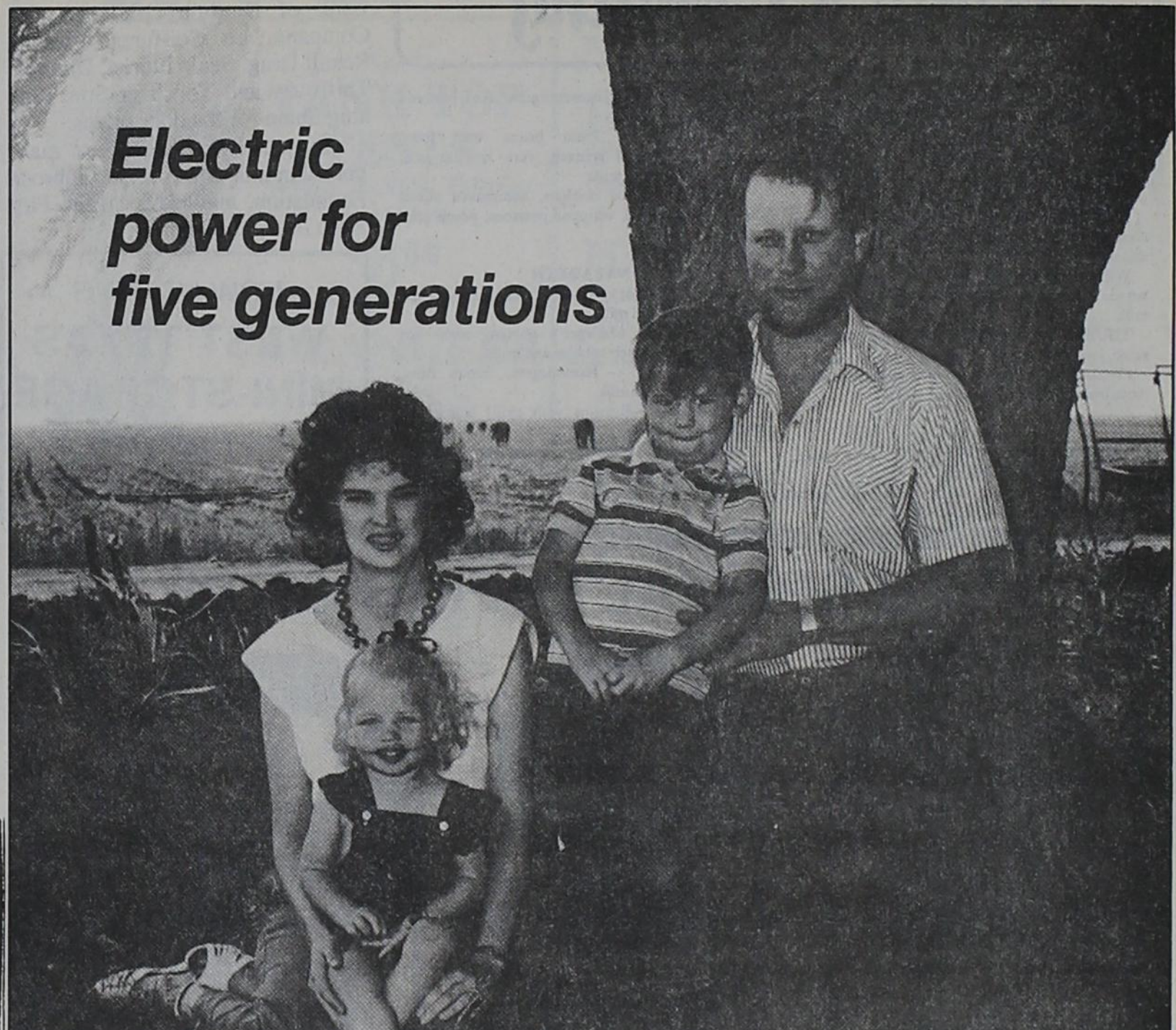
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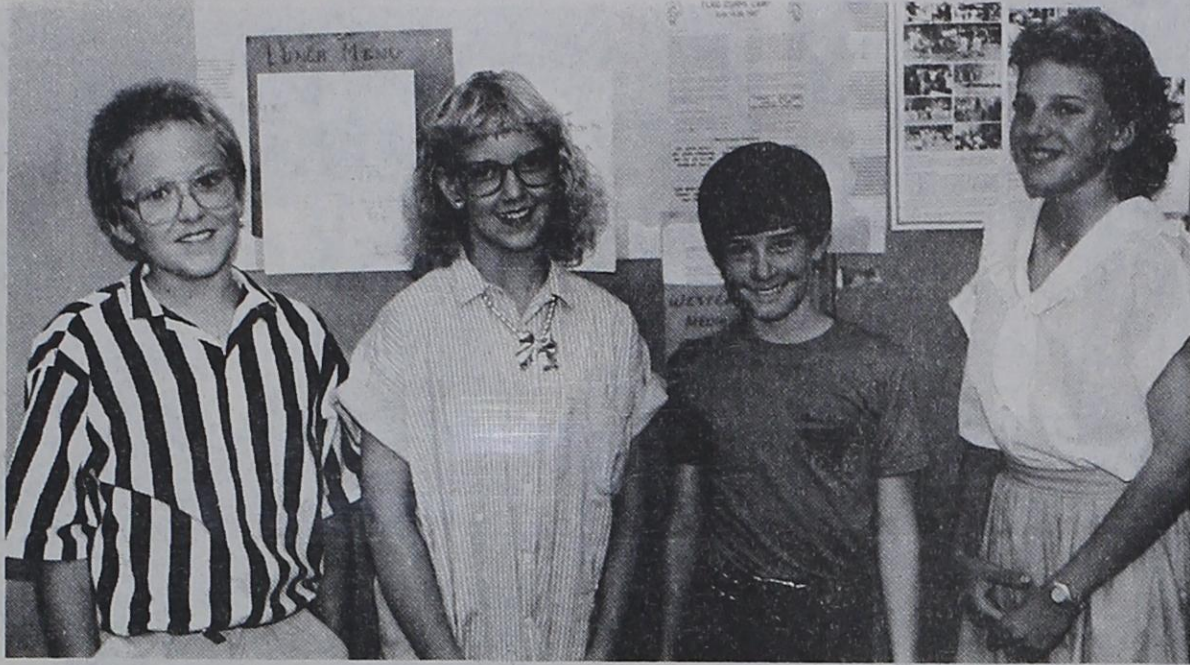
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standing fifth grade girl; Lynn Hand, outstanding sixth grade boy; and Wendi Ethridge, outstanding sixth grade girl.



SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BAND AWARDS were presented last Thursday to, from left, Johnny Rutkowski, outstanding seventh grade boy; Candy Matthews, outstanding seventh

grade girl; Amanda Boothe, Director's Award; Renea Harman, outstanding eighth grade girl; and Ryan Hardee, outstanding eighth grade boy.

Friday is deadline for DKG application

The deadline for applying for a recruitment grant sponsored by Delta Kappa Gamma is Friday.

The grant will be awarded to a college student from Castro County who is majoring in education and who has been accepted by the education department of a college.

General qualifications for the grant are: the applicant must have attended one of the Castro County high schools; must have official verification of acceptance by a college education department; and, must submit a letter of application along with the verification letter.

The grant was established by the Iota Zeta Chapter and is made possible through donations of local members. Iota Zeta is a Castro County chapter of key women educators interested in honoring students who show a potential for distinctive service in any field of education.

For more information or details, contact Shirley Barnes at 938-2243, or Nancy Wescott at 938-2221. Written correspondence should be addressed to Delta Kappa Recruitment Grant Committee in care of Shirley Barnes, P.O. Box 381, Hart, 79043.

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Sorority to award scholarships

Dimmitt seniors Tiffany Braafladt, Scott Morris and Whitney Warren will be awarded scholarships by the Alpha Epsilon Tau chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

The sorority will award the scholarships as their service project for 1987. They met Wednesday night in the home of Betty Touchstone.

The group will resume meeting in September with a new slate of officers.

Outgoing officers for the sorority are Betty Touchstone, president; Jackie Byrnes, secretary; and Carlee Warren, treasurer.

Ortiz receives degree

Danny Ortiz, son of Natividad and Olivia Ortiz of Dimmitt, graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Okla.

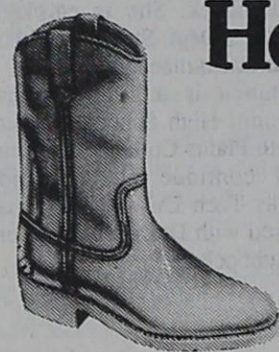
He received his degree at commencement ceremonies Sunday afternoon.

His goals include becoming a member of the Border Patrol.

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CF benefit games net over \$800

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sion to the games and through donations.

The committee sponsoring the benefit games "thanks everyone

who helped in organizing, promoting and seeing the project through to completion."

They also thank Bob Towler Equipment Company, Coleman Pharmacy, Dimmitt Car Wash, Dimmitt Consumers, First State Bank of Dimmitt, Hi-Plains Oil Company, La Coiffures, Parsons Rexall Drug, Seale Florist, Dimmitt Thriftway and Touch of Sun Tanning Salon for the door prizes.

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What's Cooking

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of May 18 through 22.

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TUESDAY—Chicken fried steak with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, butter, honey and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Mexican fiesta, buttered rice, lettuce and tomato salad, chocolate pudding and milk.
THURSDAY—Pizza, french fries, vegetable salad, ice cream cup and milk.
FRIDAY—Polish sausage on a stick, cole slaw, pinto beans, Jello with fruit and milk.

HART
MONDAY—Burrito with chili, tossed salad, new potatoes, cake and milk.
TUESDAY—Little Smokies, wheat rolls, pinto beans, cole slaw, apple cobbler and milk.

NAZARETH
MONDAY—Hot turkey sandwich, green beans, peanuts, pears and milk.
TUESDAY—Manager's choice, corn, hot buttered bread, peach cobbler and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Hamburgers, french fries, salad, cookies and milk.
THURSDAY—Burritos with chili, cole slaw, fruit salad and milk.
FRIDAY—Barbecued chicken, hot buttered bread, potato salad, pork and beans, pudding and milk.

WEDNESDAY—Cheeseburgers, salad, buttered corn, Jello and milk.
THURSDAY—Pinto beans with ham, cornbread, buttered spinach, corn on the cob, pineapple cake and milk.
FRIDAY—Fried chicken, homemade sliced bread, green beans, whipped potatoes, peach cobbler and milk.

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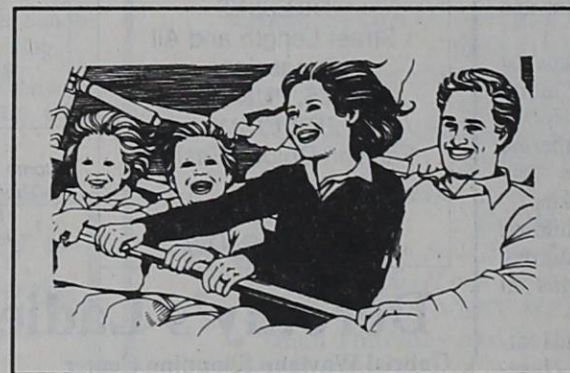
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Sports

County defenders descend on Austin

Defending state Class 2A 3,200 champion Tammy Menchaca of Hart will be carrying a double-favorite tag into the state track meet Saturday at Memorial Stadium in Austin.

Menchaca will be joined at the state meet by schoolmates Lupe Mijares, who also runs the 3,200 and 1,600 meters, and Martin and Andy Castillo in 2A doubles.

Nazareth also carries a favorites tag in both Class A doubles events. Defending state boys' champions Kenny Kern and Todd Hill will be back at Pennick Tennis Center, along with Traci Hill, who won last year's doubles title with Mona Heiman Schulte.

This year, Hill teams with Stephanie Brockman in search of the girls' title, while Linda Birkenfeld (3,200) and Rachel Huseman (400) will be on the Memorial Stadium track Friday evening.

Hill and Kern had a tough battle last year before winning the state title despite giving up six games in each set before winning, 4-6, 7-6, 8-6, in a three-hour match. This year, only one doubles team returns besides the Nazareth duo—Moore and Moore of Frost.

Hill-Kern will open against Katt and Katt from Saltillo. Favorites, besides the defending champions, include teams from Santa Ana, Eden and Port Aransas.

The Birkenfeld-Hill team will meet a Gary team "that comes in

with good tradition," according to Coach Sandy Heiman. The semifinal match would probably be against the Mandy Hernandez-Mona Friday team from Nueces Canyon that gave last year's champion fits before falling 6-3, 7-6.

The bottom half "looks pretty tough," Heiman said, "with a strong Baird team and Gembler, who played on last year's Knippa team that faced Nazareth in the finals, teaming up with Roberts.

Nazareth won the finals 6-0, 6-0 last year.

Birkenfeld "has a chance for a medal," Heiman said, "but she'll be pressed by Julie Dodd of Prairie Valley, who finished second ahead of Birkenfeld at the state Cross-Country meet last fall in George-

town. She has a good chance for a medal."

Heiman said Huseman should be "at least in the middle of the pack, but there are two girls from Region II that have run in the 58's."

Birkenfeld and Huseman are coached by Lisa Anglin.

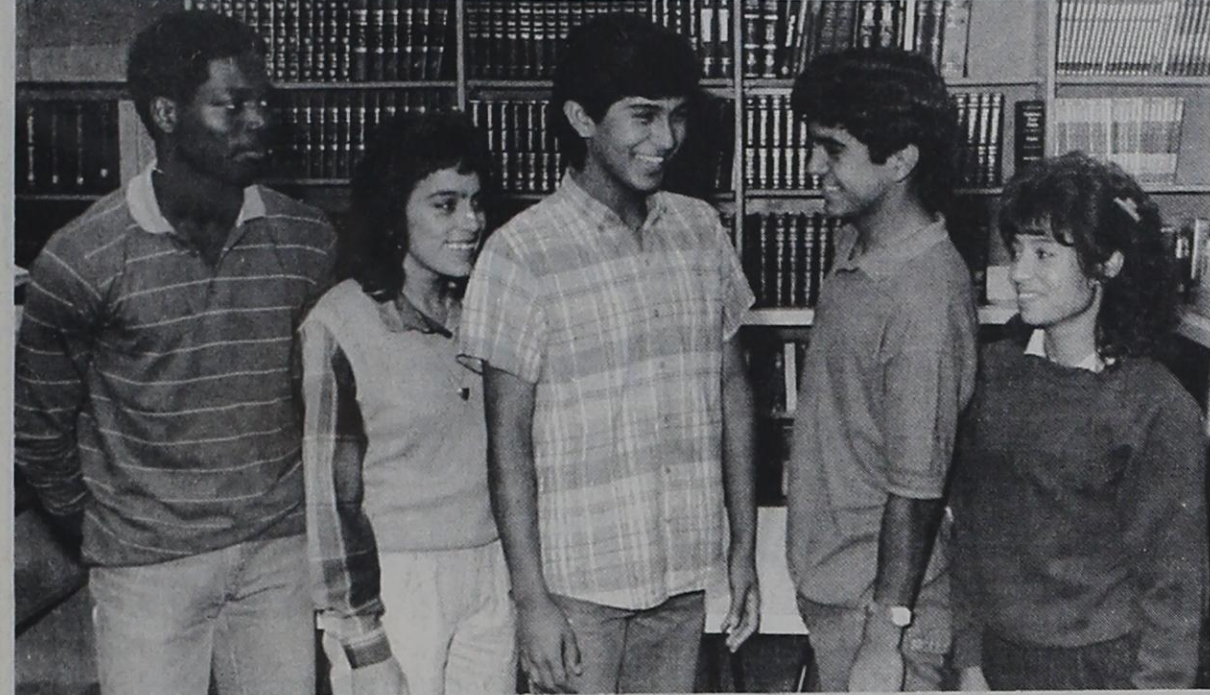
Menchaca won last year's 3,200 in 11:36.4, a new personal record, and carries the top time into the meet this year with an 11:51 seasonal best. Mijares has a season's best of 11:58. The next-best time, 12:19, is shared by Barbara Martinez of Stockdale and Tracy Hesson of Ingram-Moore.

Menchaca and Mijares also own the top two times in the 1,600—5:33.21 for Tammy and 5:36.28 for Lupe. Hesson is next in the mile with a 5:36.96.

"I think we have a very good chance of finishing one-two in both races," said Hart coach Mark Albin. "It's going to be a little tough because the races are just three hours apart Saturday afternoon."

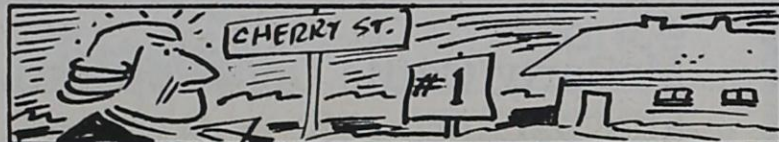
Last year, Albin was worried about the same thing, but caught a break from the weather. A Saturday rainstorm moved the schedule back so there was a five-hour break between races. Menchaca came back from her winning effort in the 3,200 to place third in the mile in 5:29.5, just .6 behind Gloria Seballos of Coleman.

The Castillos will take on the Chambless brothers of Grand Sa-

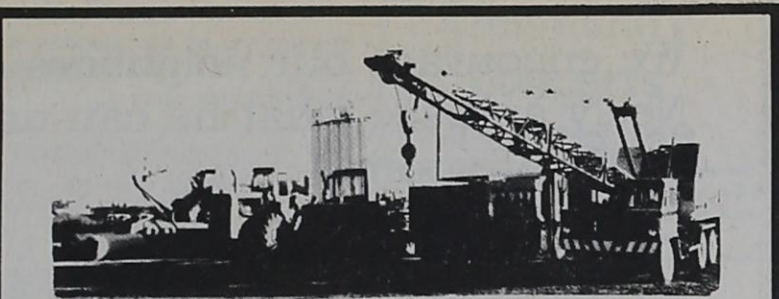


READY FOR STATE—Hart's state qualifiers include Larry Brown, long jump; Lupe Mijares, mile and two-mile; Martin and Andy Castillo, tennis doubles; and Tammy Menchaca, mile and

two-mile. The Castillos are the defending bronze medalists in 2A doubles, while Menchaca won last year's two-mile and finished a close third in the mile.



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Sarpalius calls for special waste study

State Sen. Bill Sarpalius has filed legislation calling for a special legislative study of a possible nuclear waste repository in Deaf Smith County.

Sarpalius filed Senate Concurrent Resolution 112 "because he believes the Legislature is facing serious policy questions as a result of the Dept. of Energy's ongoing investigation of the Deaf Smith

County site," said press aide Joel Brandenberger.

"We in the Legislature are going to face some tough decisions because of the DOE investigation," Sarpalius said, "and right now we don't have enough information available to make intelligent decisions. The interim study created by this resolution can provide us with the information we need."

SCR 112 calls for the creation of

a 12-member Select Committee on High-Level Nuclear Waste. The committee will be composed of six legislators and six public members. The committee is given the authority, in the bill, to study all aspects of the DOE's investigation in Deaf Smith County.

"We're asking the select committee to do two things," Sarpalius said. "First, the committee needs to determine how big a potential pub-

lic health hazard the repository is. Then, it needs to decide what we should do about the repository in the way of legislation."

Sarpalius stressed the select committee would not be an excuse for Texas politicians to blast the repository or be a rubber stamp for legislation to harass DOE.

"I've made it clear that I don't

like the idea of a dump near Hereford, but I can assure you I don't want our interim committee to be a harassment committee," the senator said. "There's no point in recommending a bunch of sorry bills to mess DOE around if all those bills are going to be struck down as unconstitutional."

"What I want is a balanced committee of open-minded individuals

that can make a fair decision about the repository. I want any legislation that comes out of the committee to be responsible legislation that's in the best interest of all Texans."

Sarpalius said he expected the resolution to receive approval and the select committee should begin work later this year.

Proposed bills could clamp on water controls

A variety of bills has been offered in the Texas Legislature this session to gain more control over the use and rights of groundwater in Texas.

Some of the bills include clarification of the role of the Texas Water Commission and take water agencies from under Sunset review. Other bills, however, are not so innocuous.

HB 2232, introduced by Rep. Lena Guerrero, would prohibit activities "reasonably suspected" of causing ground water contamination by organic substances if any of the substances are detected at any level in the aquifer.

"Most of the 53 substances listed which could potentially contaminate ground water are used in agribusiness," said A. Wayne Wyatt, manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District in Lubbock. "Most of these chemicals are used in very small quantities and have a very short half-life, meaning they decompose or are tied up with soil minerals in a very short period of time. The Environ-

mental Protection Agency has spent millions of dollars to determine the maximum safe level of these substances in drinking water and has yet to determine their safe limits and continues to pursue this effort.

"It appears unnecessary for the state of Texas to duplicate this pursuit. Let the EPA continue their efforts. At such time as they determine safe levels for these substances, we can address the subject in state legislation.

"If we are not careful, we may set such high standards for protection of aquifers that we would limit the use of chemicals to such a degree that we would starve to death while drinking pure water."

Guerrero has also introduced a bill, HB 1898, that would encourage coordinated management of surface and groundwater resources and would allow the Texas Water Commission to declare an aquifer, like the Ogallala in the Panhandle-Plains area, a regulated basin.

With such a declaration, TWC could adjudicate the use of the

basin's water, limiting use to pre-set levels and forcing producers, and municipalities, to go through legal processes before expanding their water use.

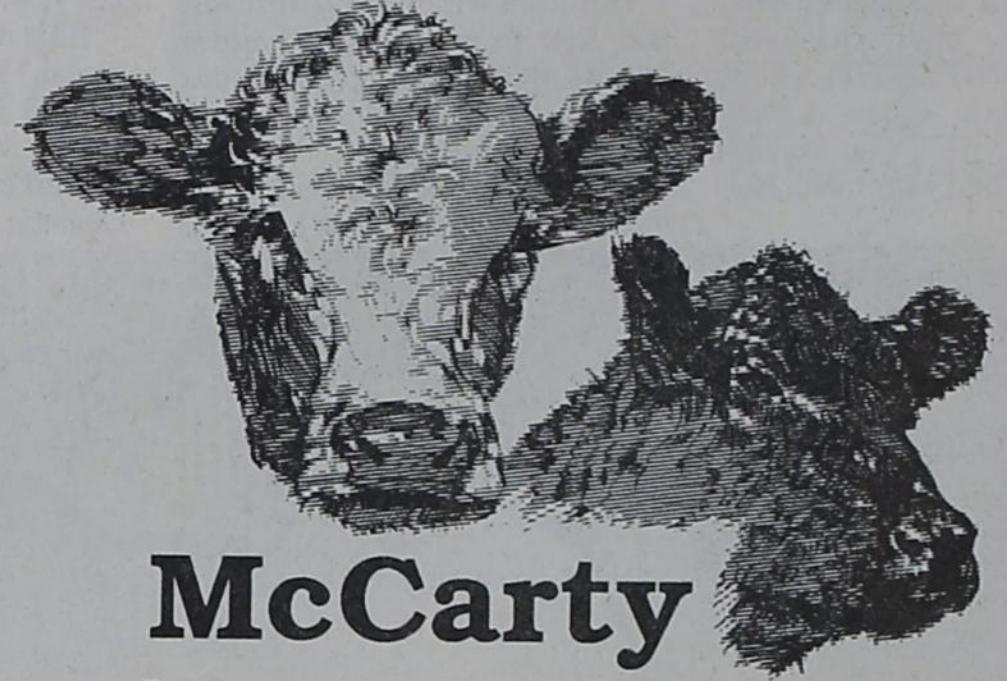
"One provision, in essence, says 'use it or lose it,' Wyatt said. "This bill is in direct opposition to all efforts to promote conservation. It would not only eliminate any incentive for conservation, but actually require the owner to use water whether he needed it or not just to protect his claim."

Other bills include the extension of the pilot loan program, which was approved by Texas voters in 1985 and an oversight committee keeping watch on water districts throughout the state.

DYF to meet

The Dimmitt Young Farmers will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School ag shop.

The agenda will include possible rules changes for the Castro County Junior Livestock Show, and the Dana Wall Scholarship. The public is invited to attend.



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18 Red, 735 lbs.	\$71.75
14 Mixed, 653 lbs.	\$75.90
22 Mixed, 880 lbs.	\$65.90
18 Whiteface, 690 lbs.	\$71.00
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ASCS News

By CHARLEY HILL
County
Executive Director
CERTIFICATION

Friday is the final date for certifying wheat and other small grains. All small grains must be certified by Friday, whether for harvest, grazing or for cover. All acreage must be certified accurately to insure program benefits.

HAYING AND GRAZING OF ACR

Castro County has been approved for haying and grazing of ACR for 1987. The cover crop may be baled or grazed for a producer's own use or may be given to another producer. The cover may not be sold.

If you are interested in this provision you must make a request in writing at the Castro County ASCS office before haying or grazing the ACR cover. Failure to do this could result in the loss of program benefits.

FAILED ACRES

If any of your wheat for grain has failed due to freeze or other natural disaster, be sure to certify these acres and file a disaster application (ASCS-574) before making other use of this acreage. If you plan to plant your freeze-damaged wheat to another crop, please file your disaster form prior to Friday.

Procurement workshop is set Tuesday

A federal contract procurement workshop will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

Dickie Haney, director of the Procurement Center in Amarillo, will explain how local businesses can expand their market by bidding on government contracts. He will address bid opportunities, answer questions about bonding, and explain the procedures necessary to begin selling their products or services to various branches and agencies of the US government.

Several Dimmitt businesses are already taking advantage of the center, according to the Chamber manager Delores Heller.

There is no charge to attend the workshop, but persons wishing to attend should call 647-2524 in advance to insure adequate materials are available.

Business seminar is Saturday

An all-day seminar on "Operating a Small Business Successfully" will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Centennial Room, Lower Level, of the First National Bank of Amarillo.

Co-sponsored by the Amarillo chapter of the Service Corps of Retired Executives, FNB and the US Small Business Administration, the seminar is part of US Small Business Week. May 10 through 16 was proclaimed National Small Business Week to pay tribute to the nation's 15 million small business owners. The week's activities are coordinated by SBA.

Topics will include small business organization and operation, applying for SBA loans, how the Tax Reform Act of 1986 affects small businesses, and an evaluation period.

Admission to the workshop is \$10.

Social Security in Castro County

By TERRY J. CLEMENTS

EXPIRED CCC-6 CERTIFICATES

If you still have a generic commodity certificate that expired Dec. 31, 1986 through March 31, 1987, you may request that the certificate be exchanged for cash at the ASCS office before Friday. Payment will be made for an amount equal to the face value, minus 15% for handling, and 4.3% Gramm-Rudman-Hollings reduction.

MEASUREMENT SERVICE

Measurement service is available for small grains to interested producers. The cost is \$20 per farm plus two cents for all acres over 25.

LTA SIGN-UP

A sign-up for Long Term Conservation Agreements (LTA) will be held through Friday. This agreement is for three to five years. Interested producers are urged to come by and visit with us.

HOLIDAY

The Castro County ASCS office will be closed May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

OM teams to perform

Dimmitt's three "Olympics of the Mind" teams that will perform at the World OM Meet this month in Michigan will perform Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School auditorium. Admission will be \$1 per person.

The OM teams will also hold a bake sale Saturday at Dimmitt Thriftway, with proceeds to help defray expenses of their Michigan trip.

Awards assembly is Tuesday

Dimmitt High School's annual awards assembly will be held Tuesday at 10:20 a.m. at the DHS auditorium.

Awards, scholarships and other achievements will be presented to DHS seniors, and the Top 10 members of each class will be recognized.

The National Honor Society will induct its new members at the assembly.

The public is invited to attend.

We receive a lot of questions and comments concerning the "notch."

The term "notch" is used to refer to the difference between benefit amounts payable to workers with similar earnings histories born in 1916 and earlier. The difference resulted from the 1977 amendments to the Social Security Act that changed the way Social Security benefits are computed.

In 1975, automatic yearly cost-of-living adjustments to Social Security benefits were implemented. However, the formula used to compute payment rates tended to over-compensate for inflation. Increases in both wages and prices were taken into account in the calculation of benefits. Because of unusually high inflation in the 1970s, benefit rates for people initially affected by the new formula, generally persons born in 1910 and later, increased dramatically.

This excessive adjustment for inflation would have eventually led to benefit payments higher than pre-retirement earnings for the average worker. Congress realized that something had to be done to stop runaway benefit rates, restore more appropriate payment levels, and maintain the financial soundness of the program.

This led to the computation changes in the 1977 amendments and the creation of the "notch."

A Social Security benefit essentially represents a percentage of a person's average monthly working income based on a lifetime earnings history. The ratio of a worker's pre-retirement earnings replaced by Social Security is known as the "replacement rate." Benefit computations are such that low-income workers receive a greater replacement rate than do those with

high salaries. However, the replacement rate for workers with "average" earnings should be about 42%.

Because of the flaws in the computation formula used in 1975, replacement rates for the people born after 1910 began to climb drastically to unintended levels. For example, for persons retiring shortly before implementation, the rate was 37% while workers born in 1916 benefitted from a 55% rate. This rate would have eventually risen to over 100%, more than the average lifetime earnings.

To ease the burden of the changeover, a five-year transition period was included. It called for a special benefit computation for people born from 1917 to 1921 that gradually lowered replacement rates.

In 1983, a popular newspaper advice columnist coined the phrase, "notch-year babies," referring to people born in 1917 through 1921. The column incorrectly implied that these workers were singled out to receive benefits lower than those payable to people born either before 1917 or after 1921. Actually, all workers born after 1916 have their benefits computed under the new method. The so-called "notch-year babies" actually receive higher replacement rates than do people born in 1922 and later.

In summary, the "notch" issue stems not from penalizing a group of workers as it is often portrayed but rather is a correction of a bonus or windfall received on the part of certain workers as a result of the formula change in 1975.

Questions about this or other Social Security matters should be referred to the Social Security office at 1401-B West Fifth in Plainview. The telephone number is 293-9623.

Ministerial Alliance

Bentley Gwyn will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of II Timothy 1:1-2:13 on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Sunnyside Baptist Church.

Community Concerts Association

Community Concerts workers are urged to turn in their memberships at the Presbyterian Church or manse this week.

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DIMMITT MIDDLE SCHOOL teachers Lori Lemons, Nancy Greer, Jean Morris and Vicki Richards joined the Dimmitt seventh and eighth grade bands for "Concerto for Band and Faculty" during the annual spring band concert last Thursday at the Dimmitt High School auditorium.

More about

School board...

(Continued from Page 1)
tax office and continue to lease its services to the assessment district.
"Since we paid \$56,000 for the present computer five years ago and have leased service to the assessment district for \$10,000 a year, it means we've used the computer five years for \$6,000," King said. "So we'll keep the present computer and continue leasing the service. It's still a better deal for the assessment district than leasing service from a private firm."
Dimmitt High School may finally get an all-weather track.
The board voted to call for bids on the project after Supt. Ryan said the school district apparently has enough surplus funds to pay for it.
According to an estimate by Vibra-Whirl and Company of Panhandle, a track-surfacing firm, the

project would require 300 to 500 tons of base material and 300 to 325 tons of hot-mix asphaltic concrete, plus a soft-mix weatherproof track surface. The present track curbing may have to be repaired in some spots but will not need to be replaced, Ryan said.
Vibra-Whirl said the estimated cost range would be \$75,000 to \$81,000, plus another \$7,500 if the school decides to convert the present track to metric distances.
DHS is now one of the few Class AAA schools still using a packed-sand track.
Fifty-two Dimmitt teachers have met the requirements for advancement to Career Ladder Level II, and each will receive a bonus of \$1,673.22.
The board approved a request by the administration to advance all 52 qualifying teachers to Level II and apportion \$87,007.45 in earmarked funds among them equally as a one-time bonus.

The board learned that the new security systems in all school buildings are now installed and working. The systems were installed to combat burglaries and vandalism that have plagued the schools in recent years.
In other matters, the board:
—Approved transfer requests by students who live in other districts but want to attend Dimmitt schools;
—Accepted reports on tax income, tax-roll additions and deletions, enrollment, adult education activity and building projects;
—Read a thank-you note from the Olympics of the Mind teams for school board support, plus a report on the teams' schedule and plans for the World Competition later this month in Michigan; and
—Rescheduled the July board meeting for Monday night, July 20 to avoid a conflict with the Texas Education Agency summer workshop.

Class of '32 holds reunion

Eight members of the Dimmitt High School class of 1932 met in Lubbock Saturday for their fifty-fifth reunion.
Meeting in the home of George Brewer and his sister, Emil Carmichael, in Lubbock, the class enjoyed a catered luncheon, viewed pictures and listened to a recording made during the fiftieth reunion.
Class members attending included Eules and Hazel Williams Waggoner, Millicent Hastings Davis and Alton Louder of Dimmitt; Faye Smith Chapman of Plainview; and Orice Webb of Champaign, Ill.
32 persons graduated in the class.

Dimmitt residents earn degrees

Cheryl Glidewell and Frank Guajardo of Dimmitt will be among the 619 students from West Texas State University receiving their degrees Saturday at 4 p.m. in the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum.
Glidewell will receive a bachelor of science degree in elementary education. Guajardo will receive a bachelor of science degree in liberal arts and medicine.

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FFA awards honors Tuesday

Dimmitt's top agriculture students were honored Tuesday at the annual Dimmitt FFA Banquet at Richardson Elementary School.
Top honors at the ice cream supper included Star Greenhand, Kay Lynn Gleghorn; Star Chapter Farmer, Kevin Petty; and Outstanding FFA Member, Charlynn Hunter.
Production awards were given to Trampas Moke, Swine, and Jad Gabel, Beef, while special awards went to Danny Underwood, named Honorary Chapter Farmer, and to Jack Howell, long-time auctioneer at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show.
Kim Gleghorn, who has served the past year as local president and

Plainview District president, was honored, and Kevin Bruton, who will be the sixth-straight Plainview District president from the local chapter, was recognized.
Other honors included:
Scholarship — Kay Lynn Gleghorn, Aaron Odom, Pam Anthony and Laura Nelson;
Herdsman—Ty Lively, Joe Yokum and Kevin Wheelless;
Dekalb Award—Charlynn Hunter;
Leadership Awards—Charlynn Hunter, Mat Bradley, Kim Gleghorn, Cinnamon Cox, Laura Nelson, Pam Anthony, Aaron Odom, Stacy Wilson, Kay Gleghorn, Curt Summers, Brian Nelson, Ben Scott and Paula Ivey;
Judging Awards—Charlynn Hunter, Trampas Moke, Chad Smithson, Kim Gleghorn, Cinnamon Cox, Laura Nelson, Stacy Wilson, Lucynde Lynn, Kevin Bruton, Mat Bradley, Kevin Petty, Kevin Wheelless, Randy Nutt, Pam Anthony, Paula Ivey, Zay Bradley, Jad Gabel, Brian Nelson, Curt Summers and Ben Scott.

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with no firm answer on a subsidy.
"We need about \$2,000 a month," Stevens said. "That would provide us with a full-time ambulance director, which we need. The ambulance program is slowly and surely falling apart. It's kind of like many other things that are volunteer programs—they start with a boom and gradually deteriorate."
"The ambulance drivers are currently making \$3.35 an hour for being on call, and make up to \$25 per run." Those rates were recently raised after many ambulance drivers threatened to quit.
Drivers were unhappy because they were making \$2.50 per hour for being on call, rates for runs were lower, and federal withholding taxes and Social Security were being withheld from their checks. Until a few months ago, nothing was withheld from their checks.
Stevens said money was also needed to begin a fund to replace ambulances on a timely basis. Currently, four ambulances — all bought by the City of Dimmitt—are in use, including models from 1969, 1977, 1980 and 1985. "No money has been put into a depreciation fund, and some of the ambulances are getting old," Stevens said.

"I think we should share the expenses, not pay so much a month," said Pct. 4 Commissioner Vincent Guggemos. "We might want to subsidize the difference, but not pay the total cost. One of the problems in the past was that all of the revenue from the ambulance service was thrown into the general fund at the hospital."
Commissioners agreed they would like to set up a joint meeting with city and hospital officials and Clark to come up with a joint plan for the ambulance service.
"We need to meet with Dave Clark to see what others are doing," said County Judge Polly Simpson. "I don't think we're against help, but we need to come up with some guidelines."
Commissioners also agreed to buy two new radar units for the Dept. of Public Safety and adopted a resolution calling for assistance for the beleaguered Panhandle Alcoholic Recovery Center.

Obituaries

Oma Clevenger

Oma Clevenger, 85, of Tulia died Monday.

Services were held Wednesday at Central Church of Christ with Harold Kenamer officiating. Burial followed in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

She was born Oma Reeves on April 20, 1902 in Alva, Okla. She lived in Swisher County. She married William Jefferson Clevenger on July 26, 1926 in Tulia. He died June 6, 1978. She was a member of Central Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Jetuan George and Vonda Kiker, both of Tulia; three sons, Harold of Pagosa Springs, Colo., Deryl of Hart and Wister of Olton; a brother, Orval Reeves of Prairie Grove, Ark.; 18 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Gorden Gatewood

Gorden Jefferson Gatewood, 86, of Tulia died Monday.

Services were held Wednesday in Central Church of Christ with Harold Kenamer officiating.

Burial followed in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

He was born in Bosque County and moved to Tulia in 1946 from Floydada. He married Retta Thompson on May 23, 1926 in Hemphill County. He was an elementary school principal and teacher. He was a past lieutenant governor of Kiwanis and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Bettie Lu Herndon of Tulia; two sons, J.W. of Corpus Christi and John of Duncan, Okla.; four sisters, Velma Birchfield of Dimmitt, Stella Wester and Willodyn Brooks, both of Hereford, and Altha Owens of Fort Worth; two brothers, Nolan of Canyon and L.C. of Leavenworth; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

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