

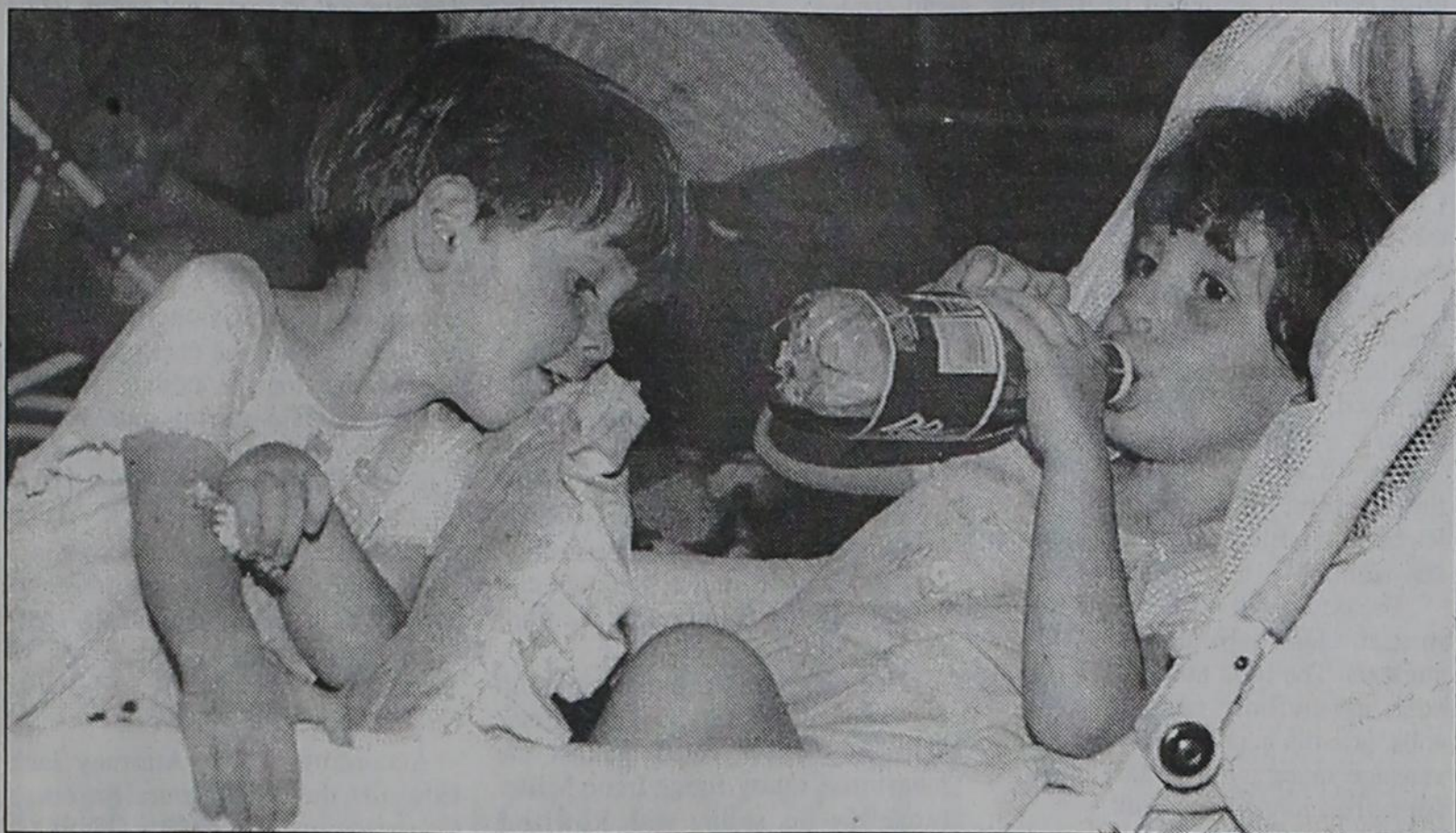
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THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES—Plenty of food and drinks were enjoyed by Harvest Days participants at the Expo building in Dimmitt Saturday, with items ranging from fajitas to a spaghetti dinner.

Here, Shelby Schilling, 3½, (right) takes a sip of soda, while her sister, Amy, 2½, peeks around to see if there's any left. The two are the daughters of Lee and Denise Schilling of Dimmitt. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Dimmitt raises school tax rate by 5 cents

The Dimmitt School Board voted five to one to set the tax rate for 1999-2000 at \$1.26 per \$100 property valuation, a 5 cent raise over last year's rate of \$1.21. Board member Earl Behrends voted against, with Paul Garcia, John Nino, Barbara Bain, Greg Odom and David Schaeffer in favor. Chevo Lumbraera was absent.

The vote was taken at a special meeting set Monday at 6 p.m. specifically to vote on the tax rate. A public hearing on the tax rate was held at 5 p.m., but no one appeared before the board, and no discussion was held.

Behrends made a motion to set the tax rate at 3 ½ cents above last year's rate and make up the deficit out of reserve funds. The motion died for lack of a second.

In the regular school board meeting at 7 p.m., the board reviewed the Academic Excellence Indicator System report for the Dimmitt schools. All three campuses received an accountability rating of academically acceptable.

DISD Supt. Les Miller said that district wide math scores from the TAAS tests are at the level required to receive the next highest rating—"recognized"—and the writing and reading scores are close to the percentage needed (80% passing).

"We have made great strides," Miller said after pointing out the score comparisons over the past five years. Student scores from all tests taken have increased 23% from 1994 to 1998, while state-wide scores showed a 22% increase. Local scores in reading showed a 10% improvement, with almost a 30% improvement in math and a 2% improvement

in writing scores over the five year period.

Scores in each of the test areas were up in comparing 1998 with 1997 also. In addition, the dropout rate has continued to decline, although the attendance rate dropped .3% over the five years, while remaining constant between 1997 and 1998.

In another matter, the board heard a report on the Upward Bound program administered through West Texas A&M University. The program will be extended to Dimmitt students for the first time this year.

The purpose of the program is to encourage students to attend college. It is designed for academically talented students who are low income, first generation (neither parent of the student attended a college or university), or handicapped.

Students must make application to participate in the program and only eight or 10 will be selected from Dimmitt. Upward Bound program personnel will make the final selection of participants.

Those selected will be expected to attend academic classes every other Saturday at the WTAMU campus, with transportation provided by the school. In addition, they will go to programs on campus for three selected Mondays throughout the school year. Also, there is a six-week summer camp they are asked to attend.

Students who continue in the program will receive assistance in applying for financial aid for college, although no guarantees are made. Students are required to make a commitment, and a meeting is held with each applicant's parents, as well.

No seniors will be accepted for the first year of the program here. Freshmen through juniors will be accepted the first year. Those accepted for the program will be encouraged to stay with it for the rest of their high school years. If any leave the program, other applicants will be added.

The board voted five to one to increase the number of excused absences a student is allowed per school year. Previously, a student had been allowed a maximum of 10 absences for attending competitions, etc., up to district level, with an additional five allowed for post-district and the option to petition for two additional. The board approved a policy that will allow students 20 days, with no more than 15 in any one semester. Odom voted against the measure, saying he thought it should be raised as high as 30 days, with 15 allowed per semester.

The board approved a contract with Interquest Detection Canines of West Texas for drug dog services for the schools at a cost of \$4,000 for the school year, including 20 half-day visits.

Board members approved two parent representatives for the Language Proficiency Committee. They are Veronica Corral and Maria Arenas.

Following an executive session, the board accepted the resignation of Special Education Diagnostician Stormetta Stater, who will be going to work for the Region 16 Service Center. She will be replaced by Patrice Hill, who has been a special ed teacher at DMS. Jill Millican was hired to replace Hill, pending her certification qualification.

County will help Hart repair some city streets

Castro County has agreed to lend a helping hand to the City of Hart, allowing precinct workers to perform needed repairs on certain city streets, but not all commissioners agreed to the service.

At an August meeting of the commissioners' court, Hart Mayor Marguerite McLain asked for the county's help in working on streets in the northwest part of her city. According to McLain, drainage has been a problem from that area and extensive dirt work, cleaning out culverts and removal of trees would be required to improve the situation.

She asked for the county's help.

Commissioners didn't take any action during that meeting, tabling the matter until Monday's meeting, but Pct. 2 Commissioner Clyde Damron had expressed concern about approving the work because "it wouldn't be a one-time deal."

McLain said the bar ditches along both sides of Hawkins Street, Eighth Street and a few other streets in the northwest part of Hart need to be dug out so that water will flow more easily. She said some streets also need to be taken out where the water drains through a culvert that passes

under a railroad track.

"It's going to be quite a few hours of work, but we can do it," Pct. 1 Commissioner Newlon Rowland said. "There are about 4.6 miles of dirt road involved. We'll have to take up the culverts and reset them and a lot of dirt will have to be moved."

"The work needs to be done, there's no doubt about that, but how long will the county be expected to help with upkeep after the repairs are made, doing the work for free," Rowland said.

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Homecoming week sparks spirit at NHS

"Dreaming of a Victory" is the theme of Homecoming Week this week at Nazareth High School, and students have been participating in special dress-up days in keeping with that theme. The week will culminate in the crowning of the Homecoming Queen before Friday's football game against Farwell.

The Homecoming Pep Rally will be today (Thursday) at 8 p.m. at the football field, weather permitting. Also, the Home and School Association will sponsor a chili supper, with serving starting at 5:30 p.m. and continuing until the pep rally. Serving will resume after the pep rally until all are served. The meal of home-made chili and desserts will be served at the Nazareth school cafeteria at the price of \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

During the pep rally, the Spirit Queen and King will be honored. Candidates include Teri Ramaekers and Luke Price, freshmen; Danette Ramaekers and Ky Wilcox, sophomores; Tara Kleman and Wade Price, juniors; and Karen Wilhelm and Clay Hoelting, seniors.

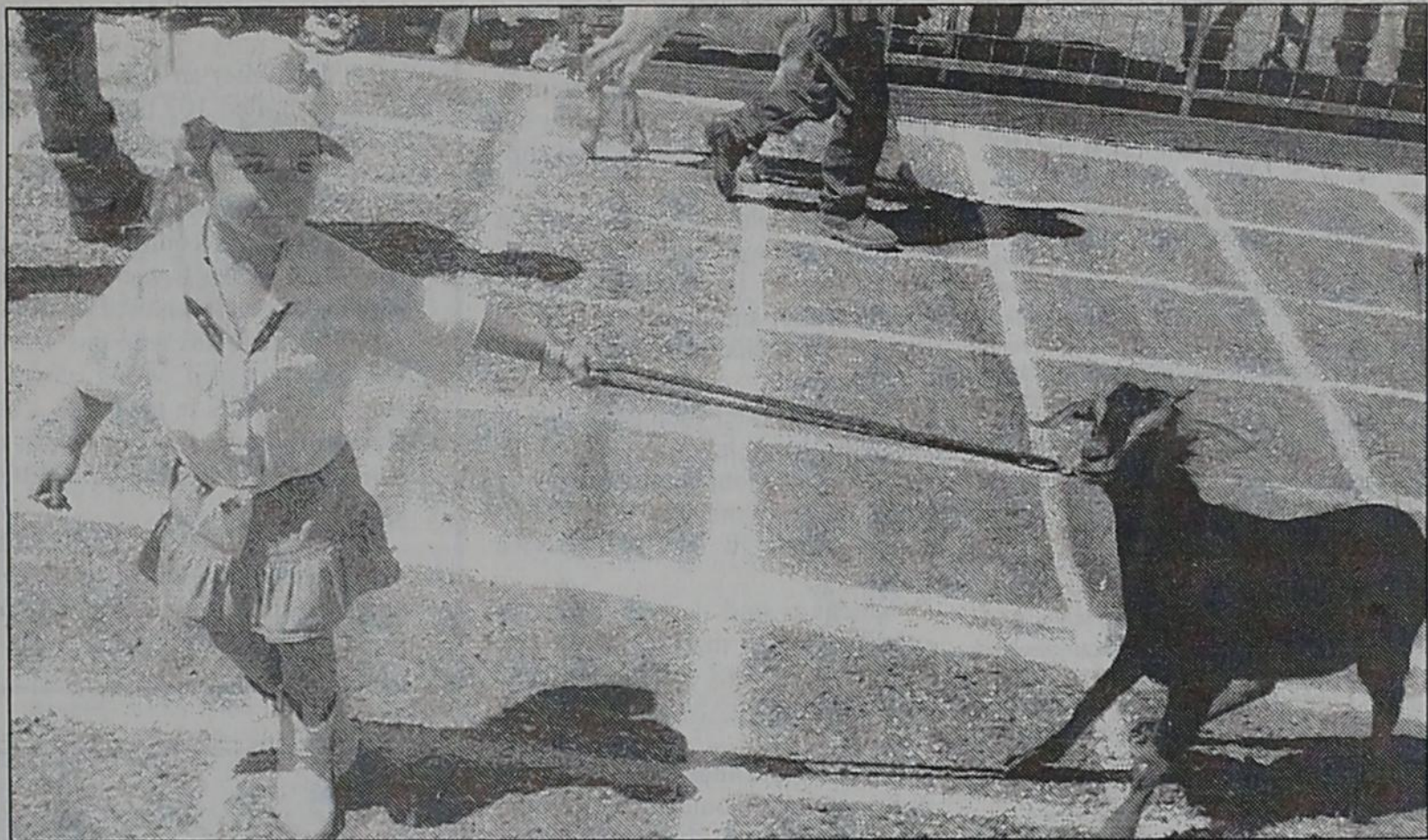
The Homecoming game will start at 7:30 p.m. and the Homecoming (Continued on Page 2)

Lions urge 'Eat more beef' here Saturday

Dimmitt's Lions will stage their annual "Beef Appreciation Day" Saturday by serving barbecued beef at the Centennial Plaza on the courthouse square.

From 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., Lions will serve barbecued brisket and bottom round with potato salad, pinto beans, bread and soft drinks. Price will be \$6 per plate for all you can eat, and take-out plates will be available.

The Lions started their Beef Appreciation Day 17 years ago to call attention to the importance of the beef industry to the county's economy. Local feedyards and allied businesses and industries now help support the annual project as a way to promote beef.



COME ON, YOU STUBBORN GOAT!—Moralía Porras, 2½-year-old daughter of Manuel and Linda Porras of Castro County, tries to maneuver her goat in front of judges Saturday afternoon during the 4-H

goat show at the Expo Building. Porras competed in the pee-wee showmanship portion of the event. The goat show was part of the Castro County Harvest Days celebration. *Photo by Anne Acker*

Texas Corn Producers Board names Gibson as new director

David Gibson, former Swisher County Extension Agent, has been named the executive director of the Texas Corn Producers Board and he will assume his new duties on Oct. 1.

The Texas Corn Producers Board is currently based in Dimmitt, but plans to move its office to Lubbock next spring, according to officials with the organization.

The board receives checkoff funds from producers as they sell their corn. These funds are used for a broad spectrum of research; corn breeding experiments in conjunction with Texas A&M University for drought, pest and disease resistance; and general research to improve performance with lower inputs for water, fertilizer, pesticides and herbicides.

Before selecting Gibson as the new executive director, the board conducted a national search and reviewed more than 30 candidates. Gibson was selected for his experience in agriculture and his understanding of the challenges that today's farmers face, according to Joe Reed of Kress, chairman of the

Texas Corn Producers Board. Gibson replaces Jerry Don Glover, who resigned as executive director after four years. Glover said he plans to return to private business and his family's farming operation.

"David is the right choice at the right time," said Glover. "He will do

a great job for Texas' corn producers."

Gibson will work side-by-side with Glover over the next few months to ensure a smooth transition, Reed said.

Gibson says the board is involved in many areas other than market development. The board works to provide training through outside groups for farmers to use more sophisticated marketing techniques and works to open markets for corn. He adds that the board's mission is to enhance corn production and marketing.

"Texas Corn Board has always been at the forefront of change, representing the farmer," said Gibson. "I've watched what they've done and really admired their work. Now I'm very excited to be a part of the organization and its future."

Gibson said he will continue the emphasis on research and marketing, which is the backbone of the Texas Corn Producers Board programs.

Gibson, originally from Erick, Okla., graduated from Panhandle

Weather

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	69	59	
Friday	84	57	
Saturday	92	56	
Sunday	90	56	
Monday	71	50	
Tuesday	79	52	
Wednesday	79	54	2.11

September Moisture 2.15
1999 Moisture 29.48

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

DHS Homecoming winds down with pep rally, game, sock hop

Dimmitt students have been getting into the spirit of Homecoming '99 this week by taking part in a series of dress-up days, and the celebration continues through Friday's pep rally and Homecoming game against Friona.

The traditional pinning ceremony was scheduled for Wednesday evening at Bobcat Stadium. During the event, football players were pinned and the Flame King and Queen were crowned.

Candidates for Flame King and Queen were freshmen Elizabeth Cartwright and Coby Martinez, sophomores Sarah Torres and Anthony Oliviero, juniors Lori Schulte and Daniel Proffitt and seniors Ironica Traylor and Armando Castaneda.

A special Junior Olympics will be held today (Thursday) at 1 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School gym. Members of the student body will be participating in various events and the winning teams will be named at the Homecoming pep rally on Friday.

Highlighting the activities on Fri-

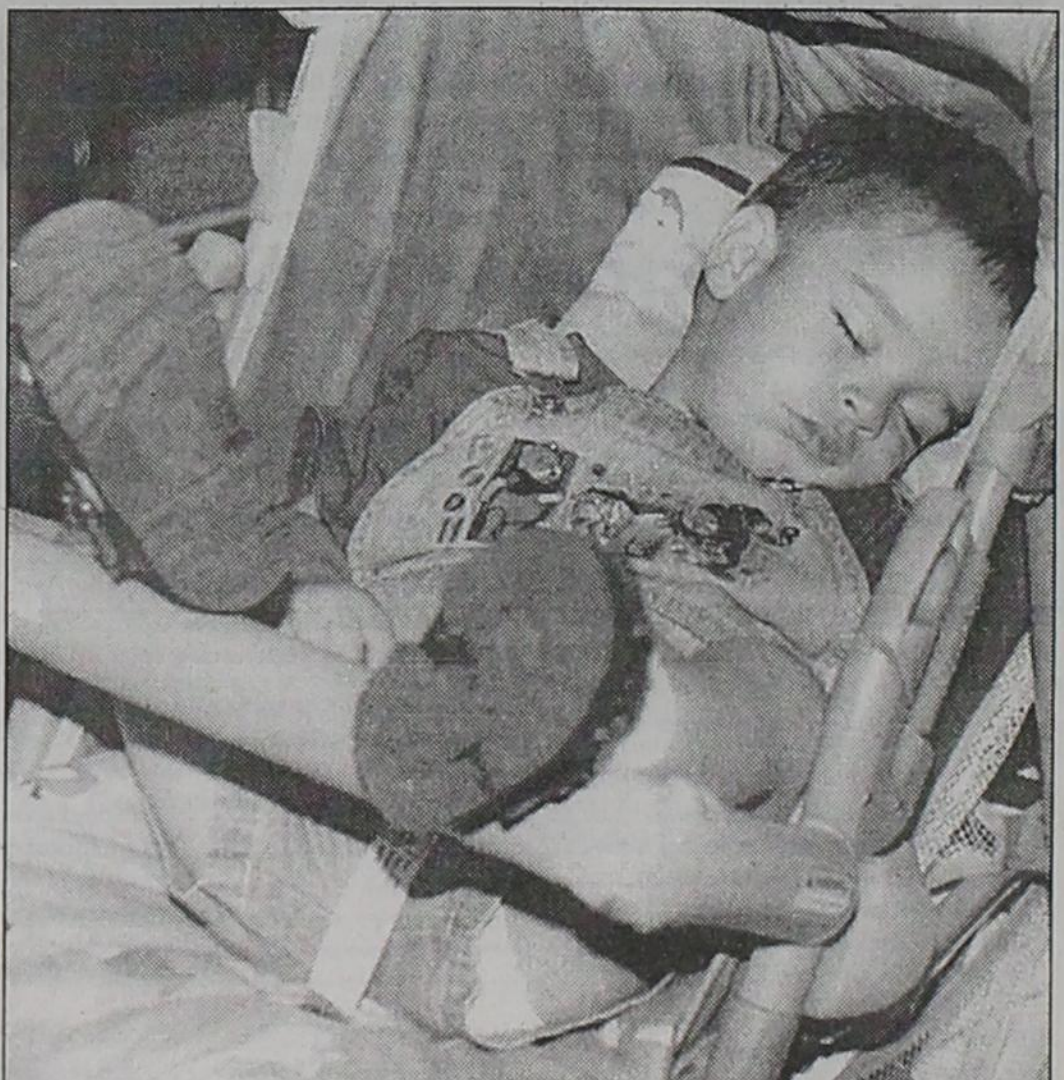
day will be the Homecoming pep rally, slated for 3 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School gym. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned at the pep rally and candidates include seniors Larissa Fuentes, Maria Garcia and Carol Summers.

Members of the Homecoming Court are freshman Caitlin Buckley, sophomore Tramesha Rivers and junior Christina Moctezuma.

A brisket supper, sponsored by the Dimmitt FHA, will be served from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Dimmitt High School cafeteria. Cost for the meal is \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under.

The Homecoming football game between Dimmitt and Friona will begin at 8 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium.

The Dimmitt High School juniors will sponsor a Homecoming dance after the football game. The sock hop will be in the DHS gym and will last until 12:30. Cost to attend the dance is \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.



A LOT OF ACTIVITIES were available for all ages at this year's Harvest Days celebration, and some participants got worn out, like Christian Martinez, 22 months, the son of Lalo and Linda Martinez of Dimmitt. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



THE CLASS OF 1944 of Dimmitt High School held a 55th anniversary gathering in conjunction with the Old Settlers' Reunion Saturday at the Senior Citizens Center. Class members present were (seated, from left) Jim Dyer of Fort Worth, Bill Birdwell of Dimmitt, Edith Waggoner Swartout of Magalia, Calif., Patsy Houtchens Merritt of Clovis, and Clyde Damron of Dimmitt. Standing, from left: Kenneth Jackson of Dimmitt, Raymond Mobley of Farmington, N.M., Willie Word of Big Spring, Clarence Behrends of Easter, and Billy Hackleman of Dimmitt. Photo by Don Nelson

Free breakfast pilot program set for RES

Richardson Elementary School will begin feeding free breakfasts to all its students starting Monday in a pilot program designed to improve student nutrition and performance, as well as to improve the financial picture for the food service budget.

The new program, dubbed "grab-n-go" by food service director Charles Ketchum, was approved by the school board at their regular meeting Monday night.

"We have had a breakfast program in the Dimmitt schools for a number of years, but few have participated," Ketchum said in a news release. "Changing the breakfast service to a grab-n-go will provide the opportunity for all children in Richardson Elementary to start the day right."

Breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. in each classroom at no cost to the students. The food may include items such as muffins, croissants, sweet rolls, granola bars, biscuits with ham, sausage or eggs, breakfast burritos, fruit, fruit juices, and milk.

Ketchum told the board he visited with RES Principal Clint Seward and teachers. He said a main concern expressed was about the mess that might be caused by the program, especially if syrup or cereal with milk were served. He said those items will be avoided. Also, he said special trash bags would be distributed to classrooms along with the bagged meals to be used to dispose of the extra trash. The trash bags would be placed in the hall for disposal by the janitors.

Ketchum said he feels the program can be implemented at RES without any increase in labor costs at first.

Currently, about 22% of students at the elementary eat breakfast at school, and about 10% each at the middle school and high school. Ketchum said the greatest percentage of those eating breakfast are bus students.

Ketchum said if the program is implemented for the rest of the school year it would generate \$66,466.40 in reimbursements from state and federal funding for student feeding programs. However, the district would have to pay back up to \$13,952.40 for the cost of meals that would go to students who do not qualify for free or reduced price meals. He showed that the potential profit would be \$42,825.17 after the payback, food costs, labor and supplies.

Ketchum told the board that if the program goes well at Richardson, he would like to implement it at the middle school and high school. If all students are included in the program, the potential profit would be \$114,951.42, after total paybacks of \$54,220.21 and labor and expenses. He said that would go a long way toward meeting the annual \$130,000 deficit shown in the food service budget.

Ketchum said if the program is extended to the middle school and high school it will entail expanding the labor hours by two hours at both campuses.

Seward said that the elementary staff can see some benefits that would come from the program. He said the school nurse sees quite a few students who don't eat breakfast.

Ketchum cited research that

shows students who regularly eat a nutritious breakfast can work efficiently, concentrate, react quickly, and are less likely to experience the gnawing hunger pangs that can interfere with learning.

The board agreed to put the program on a trial basis, with the understanding that it may be stopped at any time if it does not seem to be working.

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County will help Hart . . .

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After a lengthy discussion, Pct. 3 Commissioner Bay Baldrige made a motion that in order for the county crews to perform work on the Hart streets, the city must agree to abide by the interlocal agreement already established between the government entities, which states that the city would pay the county \$85 per hour for the work.

Damron seconded the motion, but Rowland and Pct. 4 Commissioner Dan Schmucker voted against the measure. County Judge Irene Miller broke the tie, siding with Rowland and Schmucker, and the motion failed.

Then Schmucker entertained a motion that Rowland be allowed to perform the work for Hart this time, and if future work needs to be done, the city will have to approach the county with another request.

Rowland seconded that motion, but Baldrige and Damron cast dissenting votes. Judge Miller added her approval to the motion, breaking the stalemate.

Commissioners have scheduled a public hearing to discuss problems with the use of the herbicide, 2,4-D.

Carl King of the Texas Corn Growers Association and local farmer Brian Armstrong had ap-

proached commissioners recently about regulating the chemical.

In order for the county to take action, a public hearing must be held.

On Monday, commissioners agreed to hold a hearing at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 14.

In other action, commissioners agreed to a sanitary control easement requested by the City of Dimmitt.

According to City Attorney Jack Edwards, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) recently inspected the city's water supply, and informed the city that all property within 150 feet of the city's water well must comply with certain restrictions, and asked that the city obtain easements on that property.

Castro County owns property within the specified distance (the parking lot adjacent to the Castro County Appraisal District office).

Edwards said the easement shouldn't affect anything the county would do with the land, because the restrictions pertained to allowing animals to graze, burying fuel tanks, etc.

In other action, commissioners named Patsy Franks as the Republican early voting judge for Castro County.

Police Calls

Julian Gil, 25, of Dimmitt, told police last Thursday that a suspect assaulted him in the 100 block of Northwest 12th.

Brian Clark of Rt. 3, Hereford, told deputies last Thursday night that someone apparently threw rocks at a horse, causing it to be injured from being run into a barbed wire fence. Suspects also appeared to have damaged a vehicle's windshield.

Mark Melendez of Dimmitt told police that a dog bit him Sunday afternoon in the 500 block of Southwest Third.

Arrested in connection with alcohol charges were:

—Last Thursday, a 25-year-old Dimmitt man, for DWI, second offense.

—Early Saturday, a Dimmitt man, 19, for DWI, first offense.

Jailed on warrants or probation matters were:

—Sept. 8, a Levelland man, 21, on a warrant for driving with license suspended, violation of probation, motion to revoke.

—Last Thursday, an Olton man, 31, on a warrant for aggravated assault; and a 22-year-old Grapeville woman for a warrant on bond surrender on charges of theft by check.

—Saturday, a Dimmitt woman, 26, on a warrant for Class C assault.

—Sunday, a Dimmitt man, 32, on Deaf Smith County warrants for possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, and bond surrender; and a Sudan woman, 45, for DWI, second offense, violation of

probation.

Sept. 7 at 8:07 a.m., Kendra Lynn Shannon, 16, of Dimmitt, was driving a 1992 Chevrolet Cavalier east in the 500 block of West Jones and struck the rear of a 1983 Chevrolet pickup driven by Virgil Brockman, 46, of Dimmitt. Both drivers had moderate to heavy damage, while the pickup had light damage. Shannon was given a ticket for failure to control speed.

Sept. 7 at 2:45 p.m., a 1997 Ford pickup driven by Daniel Ray Salinas, 19, of Dimmitt, was stopped in the Dairy Queen parking lot, then pulled out onto South US 385, and struck a 1996 Cadillac DeVille driven by Charles Roger Ridlon, 53, of El Paso. The Cadillac had been heading south on US 385. No injuries were reported and damage to both vehicles was rated light. Salinas was given a ticket for turning when unsafe.

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Homecoming . . .

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royalty will be honored at ceremonies before the game, starting at 7:10 p.m. Homecoming Princesses are Erica Gerber, freshman; Marsha Black, sophomore; and Whitney Hoelting, junior. Homecoming Queen candidates include seniors Meredith Braddock, Mindi Ethridge, and Cassi Birkenfeld.

Special emphasis days continue today (Thursday) with "Dreaming in Color" as the theme for Thursday, and everyone wearing the school colors. Friday will dress up day with the theme of "Wake Up in Style."

Dairy Queen parking lot, then pulled out onto South US 385, and struck a 1996 Cadillac DeVille driven by Charles Roger Ridlon, 53, of El Paso. The Cadillac had been heading south on US 385. No injuries were reported and damage to both vehicles was rated light. Salinas was given a ticket for turning when unsafe.

Last Thursday at 5 p.m., Pablo M. Campos, 35, of Dimmitt, was driving a 1996 Chevrolet Lumina north in the 100 block of South Broadway and attempted to make a left turn, turning into the path of a 1987 Olds Delta 88 driven by Juan Orlando Gonzales, 34, of Dimmitt. The Olds struck the Lumina, causing light damage to both vehicles. Campos was listed as uninjured, while Gonzales had possible injuries. Campos was given a ticket for driving without a license, failure to yield right of way, and no proof of liability insurance.



Who's New

PLAINS MEMORIAL
Ulises and Maria Jaime of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Ashley Alexandra, born Sept. 9 at 2:24 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces and was 20 inches long. Big sister is Wendy Lucero. Grandparents are Juan and Maria Jaime and Pablo and Lucina Mendoza, all of Mexico. Great-grandparents are Juan and Epifania Jaime, Antonio and Conzuelo Gomez, Lorenzo and Maria Mendoza, and Jose and Olga Muñoz.

Omar and Angelina Flores of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Daniel, who was born Sept. 3 at 4:29 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds and 7.6 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Jose and Maria Luisa Flores and Cruz and Soledad Gonzalez, all of Mexico. Great-grandparents are Juana Salcido, Maria Gonzalez and Lazara Morales.

OUT OF TOWN
Greg and Becky Sava of Cheyenne, Wyo., are the parents of a baby girl, Anna Maria, born Sept. 10 at 3 a.m. in Cheyenne. The infant weighed 7 pounds and 3 ounces and was 20 inches long. She has a big sister, Sarah, 18 months. Grandparents are Bill and Jacque Sava of Dimmitt and Gene and Vernie Schacher of Lazbuddie. Great-grandmothers are Rose Birkenfeld of Nazareth and Barbara Sava of Dimmitt.

It's a boy, Brennan Tate Armes, for Jeff and Katrina Armes of Lubbock. The baby was born Sept. 8 at 12:59 p.m. in Lubbock at Covenant Medical Center North (formerly Lubbock Methodist). The baby weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Francis and Bea Acker of Dimmitt and Johnny and Teresa Armes of Lubbock. Great-grandparents are Clarence and Odell Schulte of Nazareth and Alma Armes of New Home. Brennan has a 2½-year-old sister, Cierra.

Recent studies show that fat calories in the final product are the same whether the chicken skin is removed before or after cooking. That's good news because skinless chicken tends to dry out during cooking.

Last Puzzle Solution

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★ POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST ★

Sharon Cline is No. 1

Well, this season's contest is taking up where last season's left off, with Mr. and Mrs. Milas Cline Jr. vying for supremacy as the top local prognosticators.

In the final week of last season's Power Points contest, Milas had to win a tie-breaker to outpoint his wife for the \$20 local prize money.

But now, after an eight-month hiatus, Sharon got him back. She compiled 103 points to finish as the No. 1 guesser in the No. 1 week, and her husband will have to like it or lump it. (He'll probably like it. She said that anytime one of them wins, the other gets taken out to dinner.)

This season's contest is taking up at the same place statewide, too—at Abilene. It was an Abilene man, Ramon Aguirre, who won the final week's contest last season. And now another Abilene man, Jessie Krebs, has won this season's Week 1 grand prize of \$1,000.

Krebs guessed wrong on the Seattle Seahawks and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in his Week 1 ballot—as did nearly everyone else. But those two games cost him only four points total, and he finished with 132 of a possible 136 to outpoint all other Texas contestants.

This week's POWER POINTS Football Contest is on Page 10. To enter, just make your picks according to the rules, clip out the form and turn it in at the News office, 108 W. Bedford St., by 2 p.m. Friday. Good luck!

Together We Can

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ACROSS

- TXism: "happy as ___ with two tails"
- some Texan scuba in Canyon Lk.
- TXism: "flat as ___ handle prairie"
- TXism: "it'll ___ the enamel off your molars" (hot chili)
- TXism: "___ on rooster"
- TX Reynolds film: "Say ___ For Me"
- former Amarillo mayor
- TX actress Sandy (init.)
- Lady ___ Johnson
- female aviator Earhart
- ready-to-assemble building
- TX gunman Ben Thompson ran an Austin ___ parlor
- TXism: "___ Steven"
- Arlington auto plant (abbr.)
- "old time religion" preacher
- TXism: "them ___ there"
- Pres. Bush to Gov. Bush (abbr.)
- to carry out the death penalty in TX in Hays Co. off I-35
- undiluted whiskey
- TXism: "quaking ___ (scared)"
- former Mavericks coach Dick
- weekday (abbr.)
- poker pot start
- ex-Astro Ortiz
- where JFK was taken at Parkland (abbr.)
- TXism: "book ___ horse smart" (wise)
- varnish oil
- TXism: "___ in the bud"
- Houston-made "The Thief Who ___ To Dinner" (72)
- purchase at the "Ford House" (2 wds.)
- spy fiction writer Deighton
- in Concho Co. on 83
- Love Field abbr.
- many early Texans ___ from eastern states
- TX journalist Donaldson
- Astro & Ranger sport
- company's image effort (abbr.)
- TX TV "Tarzan" Ely (init.)
- Adam's "ball and chain"
- TX Mark Chesnut tune: "Old Flames Have New ___"
- TXism: "___ cement"
- Deer Park's "Dow Park & Gardens"
- variable star
- TXism: "hot as road ___ in July"
- "there's ___ every crowd"
- anti-DWI mothers
- TX Dabney played this Merle in "Mary Hartman" TV series
- ___ Marcus

DOWN

- Houston oilman Robert ___ Sr.
- TXism: "put that in your ___ smoke it"
- county south of Real Co.
- prefix meaning five
- TXism: "___ chaser" (womanizer)
- Houston hockey player
- TXism: "get ___ of it"
- TXism: "foaming ___ the mouth" (mad)
- TXism: "___ hankerin' for it"
- TX Mark Chesnut tune: "Old Flames Have New ___"
- TXism: "___ like scales on a fish"
- TXism: "tie up the loose ___"
- ex-Astro Gonzalez
- TX Roddenberry's "Star Trek" milieu

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Texas Corn Producers Board . . .

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State College in Goodwell, Okla., with a bachelor of science degree in animal science and agribusiness. He also has completed graduate course work at Texas A&M University and Texas Tech University. He worked for the Extension Service for 23 years. He has personal experience in farming, having been raised on a farm and raising cattle, wheat and cotton on his own in Oklahoma. Gibson also has experience with the Integrated Pest Management program and field demonstrations. He has assisted researchers as they looked at new genetic lines. He also worked on test plots for development of genetic lines favoring disease, insect and drought resistance significance.

Gibson has been working as manager of the Tula and Kress legs of Attebury Grain for the past two

years, and he says that through that position he has "learned more about end-user requirements and the reasons for their needs."

"I want the corn board to represent the majority of producers as they face the issues. That is my only objective. I will seek guidance from the board of directors, who are the elected representatives of the producers," Gibson said. "Through the Texas Corn Producers Board's involvement in pest management programs and drought and genetic research, production has improved considerably. Their work was especially evident during the last few years of drought and aflatoxin outbreaks."

"David brings Texas corn farmers the knowledge and experience that is necessary to best prepare producers for the challenges of the 21st century," said Reed.

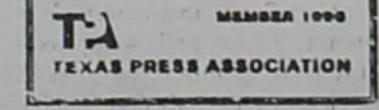
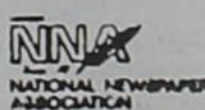
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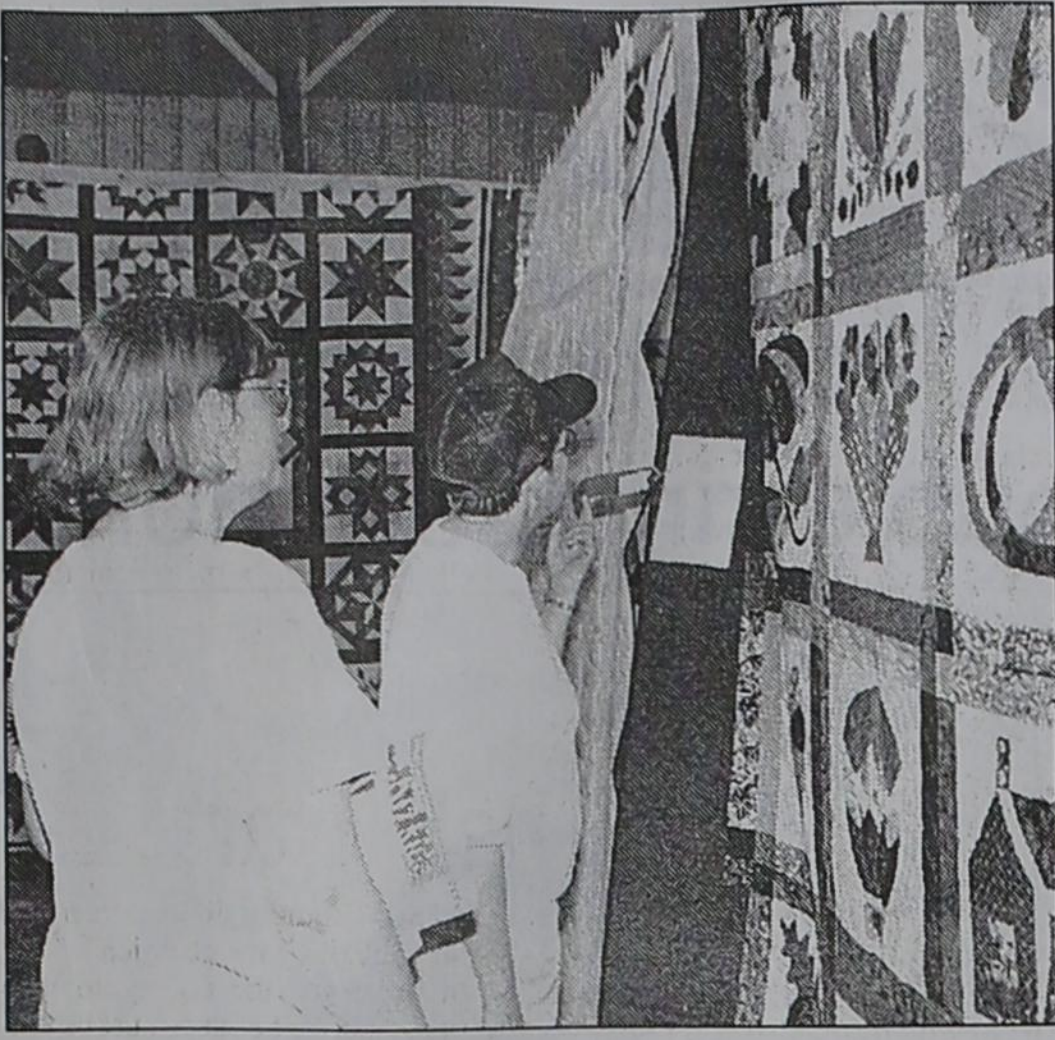


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ARTWORK—The stitchery on display for the annual Harvest Days Quilt Show attracted many viewers. Photo by Joyce Nelson

The Thursday Bridge Club met at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens, with Carol Lantz as hostess. Dwight Joiner had high score, with Loranel Hamilton second. Martha Dannevik was our only guest.

Billy and Mike and Bill and Kay and Jo and I went to Ruidoso on Labor Day weekend. After a shopping spree, we had a good time, then went to LaCoutre Art Gallery to see a special showing of paintings by Kathy Henson. She is a native of Meadow. She has been living in Phoenix, but is planning to relocate to Ruidoso.

Curtis Durbin was a graduate of the graduating class of 1989. Their class had a ten-year reunion, and the Joe Drerups opened their home to the members.

While in Ruidoso, Jo and Midge Burleson served a brunch to family members and friends, including Jean and Ray Gober of Meadow, Billy and Mike Settle of Tulia, Kay Kellar of Dimmitt, Jo Hyman and Bill Settle of Amarillo, and Kathy Henson of Phoenix and her friend, Pat, also of Phoenix.

Jo Hyman was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Kay Rogers. The house is a dream

home and Kay is a gracious hostess. After the shower, they drove to Olton for a luncheon at The Wild

Plum, with 21 guests attending. Deanne Clark of Lubbock, and formerly of Dimmitt, came for the

parade and activities Saturday. From all reports, the parade and fair activities were well-attended.

Parade winners are announced

The 1999 Harvest Days Parade was led off by Parade Marshal Chuck Braafladt and a color guard from the US Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps from Caprock High School in Amarillo.

Members of the color guard included Cadet Capt. F. Saldana, Cadet 1st Sgt. R. Montrose, Cadet 2nd Lt. T. Dillon, and Cadet 1st Sgt. C. Jusiak.

The Caprock JROTC also had two drill teams present—a female drill team led by Cadet Major G. Hernandez and a male drill team led by Cadet Major D. Wilde.

Best of Parade honors went to the Dimmitt High School FFA float, which was awarded a \$75 cash prize. Second over-all (and \$50) went to the First Baptist Church Children's Ministry float, and third in Best of Parade judging (and \$25) went to the "Dimmitt Clowns."

The FFA float also won first in the Clubs and Organizations Division. Second place in the division went to the FBC Children's Ministry float. The Dimmitt VFW Post won third place.

For the Commercial Division, the Castro County Farm Bureau won first; the first United Bank of Dimmitt took second; and Cerestar won third.

In the Bicycle Division, Kelsey

The rounded shape of Sugar Loaf Mountain in Brazil is the result of hundreds of millions of years of erosion.

Schilling won first, Josh Alvarez was second, Keila Schilling was third, and Reagan Hunter was fourth.

Clarence Behrends took first in the Antique Car Division and Kathy Davis won second.

The best in the Antique Truck Division was shown by Ray Bain, with Danny Bruton's entry picked second.

David Stephens won first place in the Antique Tractors Division.

Jake Ebeling and Chance Schilling tied for the Best Dressed Cowboy award.

First place among the wagons entered was the one driven by Edgar Dennis. Second went to Melonie Link.

Jackpot pole, barrel race set Monday

A jackpot pole and barrel race competition has been slated for Monday at Kim Drerup's arena in Nazareth.

The event is being coordinated by Melanie Wilhelm.

For information call Wilhelm at 945-2335 or Drerup at 945-2205.



BEST OF SHOW AT THE HARVEST DAYS QUILT SHOW ... A "primitive sampler" shown by Darlene Collins.

Photo by Joyce Nelson

PUBLIC NOTICE BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS Special Election NOVEMBER 2, 1999

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 44 - HJR 44 proposes a constitutional amendment that would ensure a clear succession in event of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Specifically, the amendment would provide that if after qualifying for the office, the Governor is temporarily unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until the Governor is able to serve; but if the Governor is permanently unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall become the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The amendment would require a Lieutenant Governor who becomes Governor to forfeit the office of Lieutenant Governor. The amendment would also provide similar succession procedures when a vacancy occurs in the office of Governor before the newly elected Governor qualifies for office, and when the newly elected Governor is temporarily unable to take office. The amendment also would provide that if there is a temporary vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate will fill the position; but if there is a permanent vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate shall serve as Lieutenant Governor only until such time as the whole senate can convene to elect one of its members to perform the duties of Lieutenant Governor. Finally, the amendment would provide that if the Lieutenant Governor, while temporarily exercising the powers of the Governor, becomes temporarily disabled or unable to serve, the President pro tempore of the senate shall exercise the powers and authority of the office of the Governor until such time as the Governor or Lieutenant Governor resumes those powers and duties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to revise the provisions for the filling of a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 12 - SJR 12 proposes a constitutional amendment that would resolve conflicts between the Texas Constitution and federal law relating to the definition, rules, and procedures of reverse mortgages. The amendment would define "reverse mortgage" in part as an extension of credit made against the homestead of a person who is 62 years or older, or whose spouse is 62 years or older. It would expand the list of circumstances under which payment of principal and interest become due and the procedures involved in foreclosure, and would require certain advances to be made according to specific terms in loan documents, including advances by the lender, on behalf of the borrower for payments necessary to protect the lender's interest. Finally, the amendment would require the Texas Supreme Court to promulgate rules of civil procedure expediting court-ordered foreclosures of reverse mortgage liens.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the making of advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 62 - HJR 62 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would simplify and clarify the language of the Texas Constitution. The amendment would make no substantive changes, but would eliminate duplicative, expired, out-of-date, and ineffective terms.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate duplicative, executed, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 4 - HJR 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would broaden the definition of charitable organizations. The amendment would exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of any organization engaged primarily in public charitable functions, and it would allow such an organization to conduct additional activities to support its charitable functions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt property owned by institutions engaged primarily in public charitable functions from ad valorem taxation."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 26 - SJR 26 proposes an amendment that would remove the restriction prohibiting state employees who receive all or part of their compensation from the state from serving as members of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district unless the state employee receives no salary for such service. The amendment would allow state employees to receive compensation from the governing bodies of which they are members.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing state employees to receive compensation for serving as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 22 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would increase the maximum size of an urban homestead, which is a homestead in a city, town, or village, from one acre to ten acres and require the urban homestead to be composed of either a single lot or several lots that are adjacent to one another. The amendment also would provide that the urban homestead must be used as a home or as both a home and place of business, whereas current law does not require that an urban homestead that is used as a place of business be used also as a home.

Current law further allows a person to secure a home equity loan on their homestead, provided that the loan does not overburden the homestead. That is, the principal amount of the home equity loan, when added to the total of the outstanding principal balances of all other indebtedness secured against the homestead, does not exceed 80 percent of the fair market value of the homestead on the date the extension of credit is made. The

proposed amendment would clarify current law by specifically allowing home equity loans on all or part of urban homesteads of up to ten acres and subject such loans to the same requirement that the refinanced or new loan not overburden the homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres, prescribing permissible uses of urban homesteads, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 16 - HJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that if an employee is delinquent in paying court-ordered spousal maintenance, a portion of that employee's wages may be withheld to pay the spousal maintenance. Current law allows such withholding, or garnishment, only for payment of delinquent court-ordered child support.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing garnishment of wages for the enforcement of court-ordered spousal maintenance."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 95 - HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the adjutant general, who is appointed by the Governor and who serves as the governing officer of the state military forces, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the adjutant general serves at the pleasure of the governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 10 - SJR 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to create a judicial compensation committee to make recommendations for salaries for the justices and judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Courts of Appeals, and the District Courts. The amendment would mandate that the recommendations become law if neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives rejects them by majority vote.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a judicial compensation commission."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 74 - HJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the commissioner of health and human services, who is appointed by the Governor, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 69 - HJR 69 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a county, city, town, or other political subdivision to

spend public funds or extend credit to purchase nonassessable property or casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. Under current law, a political subdivision is generally prohibited from spending public funds or extending credit to become a stockholder in a corporation but is permitted to purchase nonassessable life, health or accident insurance policies from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a company.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company in the same manner that the political subdivision purchases life, health, and accident insurance."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 21 - SJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt from ad valorem taxation a leased motor vehicle that is not used by the lessee primarily to produce income. The amendment would provide that the legislature also may limit the ability of a political subdivision to subject such a vehicle to taxation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not held by the lessee primarily to produce income."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 16 - SJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to allow the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$400 million in order to finance educational loans to students. The amendment also would authorize the Legislature to limit the amount of interest the bonds can bear and establish procedures for the investment of the bond proceeds. The proposed amendment would specify the method of repaying the bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 29 - HJR 29 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize the Legislature to require the board of regents of the state university and boards of trustees or managers of the educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the state, whose members serve six year terms, to be composed of an odd number of three or more board members (for example, 5, 7, or 9 members). The proposed amendment would allow approximately one-third of members of boards whose membership is not evenly divisible by three to be elected or appointed every two years. The amendment also would allow the Legislature to set the composition of constitutionally required boards, whose members serve for a term of six years, to a number divisible by three so that exactly one-third of the board members may be elected or appointed every two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board composed of an odd number of three or more

members."

PROPOSITION NO. 15 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 36 - HJR 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow spouses, by an agreement in writing, to convert all or part of their separate property into community property. Separate property is primarily the property owned or claimed by the spouse before marriage and the property acquired by the spouse during the marriage by gift or inheritance. Community property consists of the property, other than separate property, acquired by either spouse during marriage.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property."

PROPOSITION NO. 16 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 71 - HJR 71 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county with a population of 50,000 or more, rather than 30,000 or more, to be divided into four to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts. The amendment also would allow a county with a population between 18,000 and 50,000 to have two to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts, rather than the current maximum of five precincts. Furthermore, the amendment would limit Randall County to not less than two and not more than six precincts. Finally, the amendment would set a minimum of four precincts for any county that as of November 2, 1999, is divided into four or more precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of precincts."

PROPOSITION NO. 17 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 58 - HJR 58 proposes a constitutional amendment which would require the board of regents of the University of Texas System to manage investments of the permanent university fund (PUF) according to the standards of a prudent investor. Generally, earnings from the PUF are distributed to the available university fund (AUF) and then ultimately distributed to the public university systems of Texas. Under the amendment, the amount distributed to the AUF would consist of distributions, as determined by the University of Texas System board of regents, from the total return on all investment assets of the PUF, instead of consisting only of the dividends, interest, and other income of the PUF minus administrative expenses. The amendment also would provide guidelines for minimum and maximum amounts to be distributed to the AUF, and require that the board of regents manage distributions to the AUF in a manner that will provide the AUF with a stable and predictable stream of annual distributions and maintain the purchasing power of the PUF investments and annual distributions to the AUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 2 de noviembre de 1999. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamo a 1/800/252/8683 or por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Tx 78711.

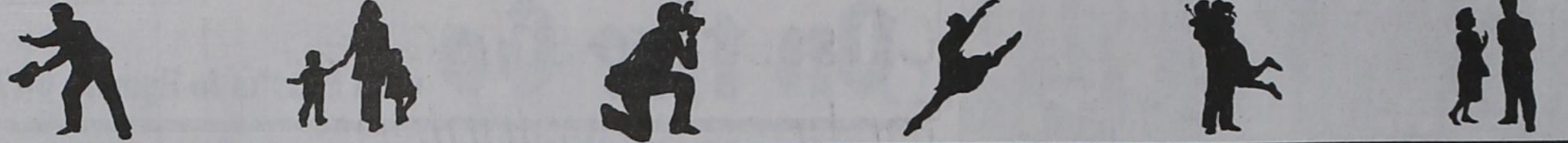
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Reception honors CV

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Harvest Days reception honoring the staff and residents of Canterbury Villa on Sept. 7 at 10 a.m. Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava presented a program including gospel and country music, and residents were invited to join in the singing. Refreshments were served. The reception is an annual Harvest Days event, and was attended by 29 residents and staff members.

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MR. AND MRS. SCOTT HECK

Pair establish home in El Paso

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Heck are at home at Fort Bliss in El Paso, following their Sept. 1 marriage.

The groom is the son of Lewis and Linda Heck of Dimmitt. He is the grandson of J.W. and Louise Stone of Dimmitt and Vera Heck of Tulia and the late George Heck. The bride is the former Nichole Brewer, daughter of Richard and Tammy Brewer of Carlisle Pa. She is the granddaughter of Donald and Esther Nerat of Carlisle, Pa.

The pair were wed in a ceremony Sept. 1 in El Paso.

On Sept. 4, they were honored with a family cookout and reception in Dimmitt in the backyard of the groom's parents. About 30 guests attended.

The bride and groom's table was decorated with yellow and white flowers and candles. The bride's cake was fashioned in three heart-shaped tiers, frosted in white with yellow roses. The groom's two-layer cake was decorated in army colors. Both cakes were made by Sharon Kinser, a family friend.

The groom is classified as an E4 and the bride is a PFC E3 Chaplain's Assistant.

Schmucker, Pharies exchange vows in double-ring ceremony

Melinda Schmucker and Chet Pharies exchanged wedding vows Aug. 28 in a formal, double-ring ceremony at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth. Msgr. Harold Waldo officiated at the nuptial service, and he was assisted by Deacon Al Maurer.

The bride is the daughter of Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker of Nazareth. Parents of the groom are Phil and Donna Pharies of Clovis, N.M.

The altar area of the church was decorated with brass candelabra, ivy plants and white bouquets. Large multi-colored arrangements in purple urns adorned the side altars. A candle burned in memory of the groom's brother, Chad.

The pews were marked with candle globes, deep purple tulle bows and greenery accented with white satin bows and pearls.

Music was provided by the groom's father, Phil Pharies, who played the saxophone and clarinet; Marcia Hoelting, who played the piano; Courtney Hoelting, who played the piano and performed a solo; Crystal Grisson, Megan McIlwain and Dwayne Kleman, soloists; and Alan Birkenfeld, guitarist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, selected a formal gown of white Italian satin and organza from the designers of Private Label. The sleeveless gown featured a scoop neckline in the front and back. The bodice was embellished with beaded Schifflia lace. The basque waistline allowed the full ball gown skirt of organza to fall gracefully to the floor and sweep into a cathedral-length train. The skirt and train were heavily accented with beaded Schifflia lace appliques and finished off with a matching lace hem.

Her headpiece of pearls and sequins was finished with layers of fingertip illusion and was trimmed with satin cording.

To complete her attire, the bride wore a pearl necklace and earrings, which were a wedding gift from the groom.

She carried a cascade bouquet of hot pink and white roses with purple and yellow flowers accented with greenery.

For "something old," the bride carried a handkerchief crocheted by her maternal great-grandmother and a gold rosary belonging to her paternal grandmother. "Something new" was her wedding gown. For "something borrowed," she wore her mother's wedding band. "Something blue" was a traditional blue garter.

Maid of honor was Cari Wethington of Amarillo, friend of the bride. Matron of honor was Natalie Kleman of Plano, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Courtney Hoelting of Lubbock, friend of the bride; LaDawn Schulte of Nazareth and Debbie Russell of La Grange, sisters of the bride; Cheri Pharies of Oklahoma City, Okla., sister of the groom; and Amber Tate of Abilene, friend of the bride.

The bridal attendants were outfitted in dresses of lilac satin back crepe. The sleeveless dresses featured a straight neckline front and back. The gowns were designed with an empire style bodice sewn on alternating sides of the fabric to create a striped effect. The straight skirts fell just to the floor.



MRS. CHET PHARIES
... nee Melinda Schmucker

To complete the look, bridal attendants wore dyed-to-match pumps and pearl invisible necklaces with matching earrings, which were a gift from the bride.

Each attendant carried an arm bouquet featuring multi-colored flowers of purple, hot pink and yellow.

Best man was Seth Hamilton of Lubbock, friend of the groom. Groomsmen included P.J. Jasin of Rockwall, Jarod Wilhite, T.J. Curtis and Jeremy King, all of Clovis, friends of the groom; Charles Pharies of Albuquerque, N.M., brother of the groom; and Caleb Rains of Elido, friend of the groom.

Flower girl was Kami Schmucker of Dumas, the bride's goddaughter.

Ring bearers were Peyton Schmucker of New Braunfels and Tommy Russell of La Grange, nephews of the bride. Candlelighters were Hayley Schmucker of Dumas, niece of the bride; and Tiffany Schmucker and Jayme Schmucker, cousins of the bride.

Ushers were Mike LaPaglia, Newlee Hester, Tony LaPaglia and Spencer Odom, friends of the groom.

The bride's brothers, Johnny Schmucker and Chris Schmucker, presented readings from a Bible

which had belonged to the groom's late brother, Chad. Gifts were presented by Kim Schmucker, Aimee Schmucker and Stacy Pharies. Mass servers were Kyle Schmucker, Taylor Schulte, Miles Ware and Shane Kleman. Eucharistic ministers were Linda Ware, Anette Loflin, Amy Pohlmeier and Jayme Bingham.

Melissa Maines and Tasha Quillan registered guests, and Chelsea Schulte, Melanie Russell and Delaney Ware distributed programs.

After the wedding, a reception and dance were held in the Nazareth Community Hall.

The hall was decorated with topiaries, lanterns and greenery. The lace-covered brides' table held the six-tiered wedding cake decorated with fresh flowers in colors matching the wedding scheme. Punch was served by Cara Timmons, Rene Hanebutt and Elisha Walker.

The groom's table featured a German chocolate cake depicting a ranch. Pictures of the couple from birth to the engagement were displayed along with portraits of the bride.

After the traditional trip "up the hill," a dance was enjoyed with music provided by "Music to the Maxx" of Lubbock.

Junior 4-Hers can attend retreat

Junior 4-H'ers can learn numerous basic personal skills and leadership techniques by attending the 1999 Junior Leadership Retreat Nov. 19-21 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood.

The retreat is for 4-H'ers between the ages of 11 and 13.

Participants must be at least 11 on or before Aug. 31, 1999, and cannot be older than 14 on or before that

date. Participants must send a \$20 non-refundable deposit with the registration form.

Cost to attend the workshop is \$70 for those arriving Friday evening or \$51.75 for those planning to arrive Saturday morning.

Those interested in attending should contact Castro County Assistant Extension Agent Benny Martinez at 647-4115.

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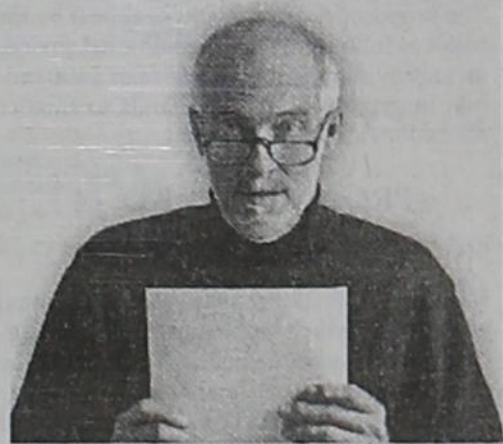
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In honor of Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, CCHD would like to remind you that a simple blood test is the best tool currently available for detecting prostate cancer in its earliest — and most curable — stages. Don't become a statistic. Contact your physician or call Plains Memorial Hospital for more information.



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Class of '79 20th reunion activities set

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1979 will be holding activities this week for their 20-year reunion.

They will be the honor class at the Homecoming Pep Rally Friday at 3 p.m., and at the football game versus Friona Friday at 8 p.m. There will be a section reserved for them at the football game.

After the game, they will have a party at the Country Club, of Dimmitt, and everyone is invited to stop by and visit with the class members.

Other activities are slated for Saturday in Lubbock.

Call Tami (McMaster) Griffith at 647-4114 or Sue Rita (King) Myatt at 647-3407 for more information.

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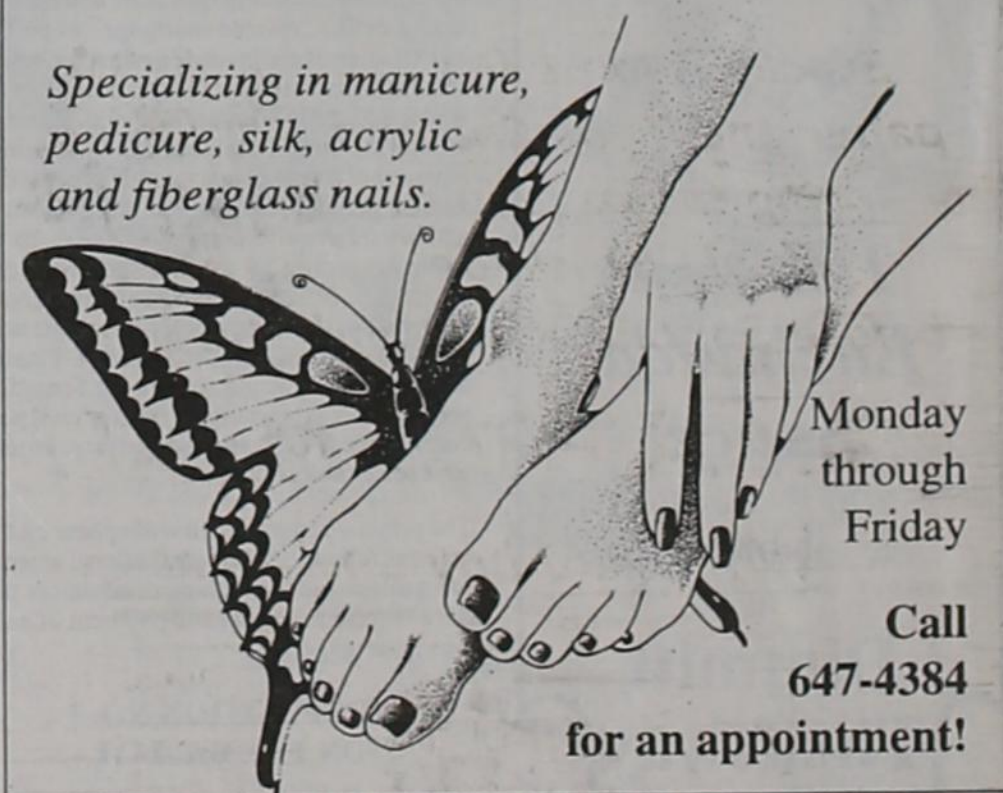
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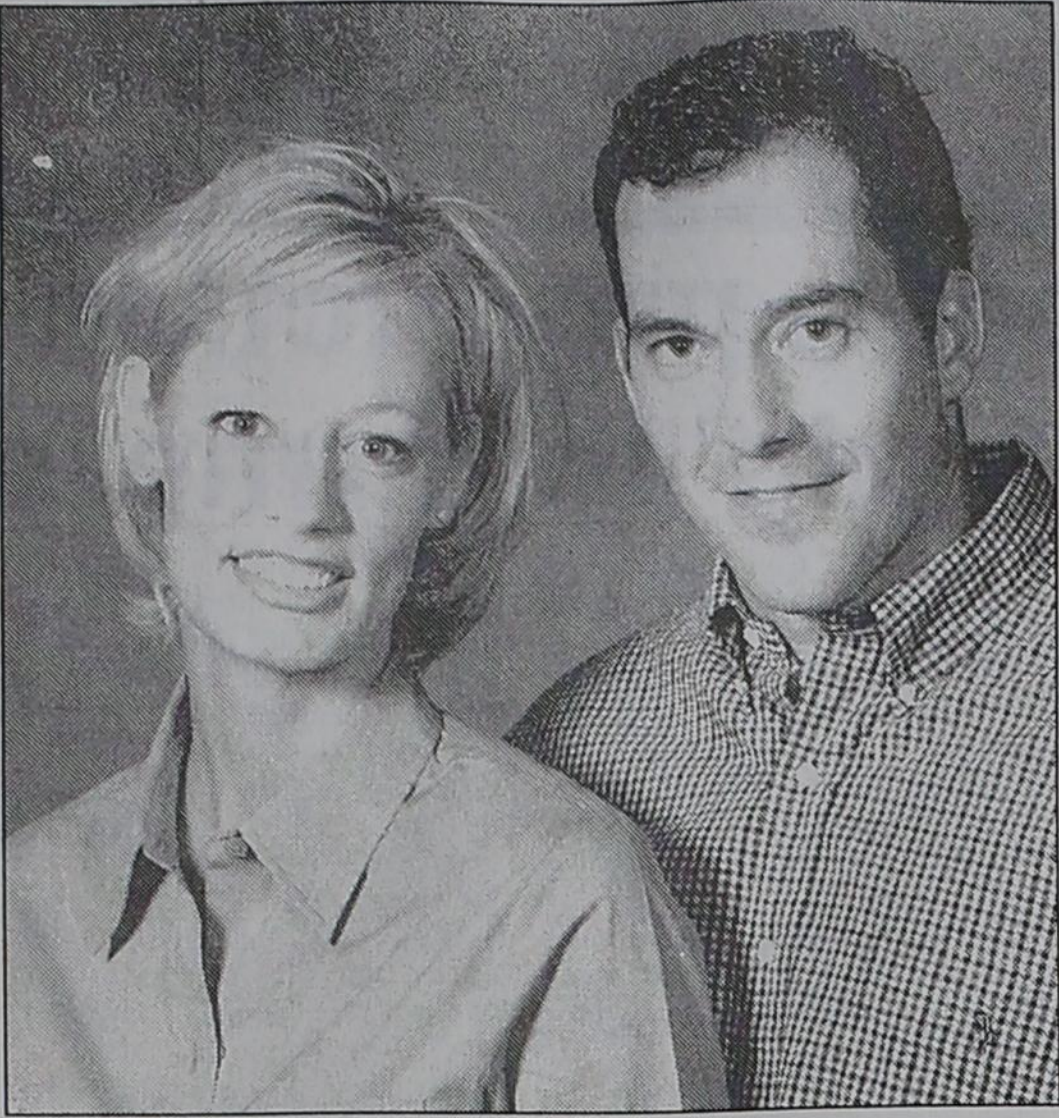
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Jill Pohlmeier and Tony LeGrow

Pohlmeier and LeGrow to wed

J.C. and Jocelyn Pohlmeier of Nazareth announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jill Pohlmeier, to Tony LeGrow, son of Bruce and Muriel LeGrow of Linden.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 13 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Nazareth High School. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1998 with a bachelor of science degree in exercise and sports science. She is teaching and coaching at Mackenzie Junior High School in Lubbock.

The prospective groom graduated from Linden-Kildare High School in 1991. He holds a bachelor of science degree in biology from Stephen F. Austin University, graduating in 1995. He obtained his master of science degree in physiology from Texas Tech University in 1998. He is currently employed by Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Following the wedding, the couple plans to reside in Lubbock.

Classes are scheduled for hospice volunteers

Hospice Care, a division of the Castro County Hospital District, will be offering free training classes beginning on Tuesday for those interested in hospice care.

The series of classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m., with the first class slated for Tuesday.

Those interested in registering for the classes should call Connie Nutt, director of the agency, or Shelly Rice at 647-3785. Participants will be required to schedule an interview before beginning the hospice classes.

The class is for hospice volunteers, professionals who wish to enhance their training, and individuals desiring personal growth and enrichment.

Volunteers are needed to become direct patient care volunteers, along with administrative volunteers. Federal regulations state that 5% of the total patient care hours must be provided by volunteers.

The volunteer course encompasses 30 hours of training in a wide variety of topics.

Volunteers can be utilized in just about any capacity. Patient volunteers read to patients, do light house-keeping, hold hands, write cards and letters or anything else that is needed at the time. Every situation is different with each patient. Administrative volunteers can help out with bereavement records and general office help.

"Our biggest need right now is additional volunteers in the Thrift Shop," said Nutt.

Thrift Shop volunteers are not required to complete the entire 30-hour course. The proceeds from the Thrift Shop benefit the local hospice patients, helping cover any additional

things those patients might have a need for that Medicare does not cover.

If you are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer but the above scheduled classes will not work for you, please call the hospice office to discuss alternative dates and times.

Bridal shower honors Hyman

Jo Hyman of Dimmitt, bride-elect of Bill Settle, was honored with a bridal shower on Saturday in the home of Kay Rogers.

The serving table featured a table runner accented with hand-painted autumn leaves in a design similar to that found on the plates and glasses used. The centerpiece was an autumn arrangement that was entwined into a chandelier.

Hostesses serve cinnamon rolls, fresh fruit and almond tea to the guests.

Among the many out-of-town guests attending the shower were the prospective groom's mother, Mike Settle of Tulia; his grandmother, Midge Burleson of Lubbock; his friends, Lisa Schott and daughter, Nichole of Tulia; his aunt, Marcella Reed of Lubbock; the bride-to-be's aunt, Shirley Baccus of Levelland; her friends, Dickie Ballard of Lubbock, Juanita Newton and Alma Parrott of Amarillo, and Carol Grogran of Canyon.

The hostesses assisting Mrs. Rogers with the shower presented the honoree with a set of pottery.



FORMER DIMMITT RESIDENT ALICE COLLYER (left) married Jerry R. Young Sr. in an afternoon ceremony on Aug. 14 at Edge Park United Methodist Church with the Rev. Cal Hoffman officiating. The couple are living at 341 Thompson, Fort Worth 76134.

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The couple plan to wed Oct. 22 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Amarillo. The bride-elect is employed by Creative Employment Options in Amarillo, and the prospective groom is a self-employed farmer.

The pair plan to reside on a farm north of Nazareth after the wedding.

Aguero named student of week

Laraine Aguero, daughter of Joe and Linda Aguero, has been named the student of the week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms at Dimmitt Middle School.

Miss Aguero was born in Dimmitt on July 23, 1990. Her favorites include pizza, rabbits and the book, *Barkley, Come Home*.

She says she is good in math and reading and wants to be a better baseball player.

She likes the teachers and changing classes at Dimmitt Middle School.

When she grows up, Aguero hopes to be a veterinarian. She admires her mother.

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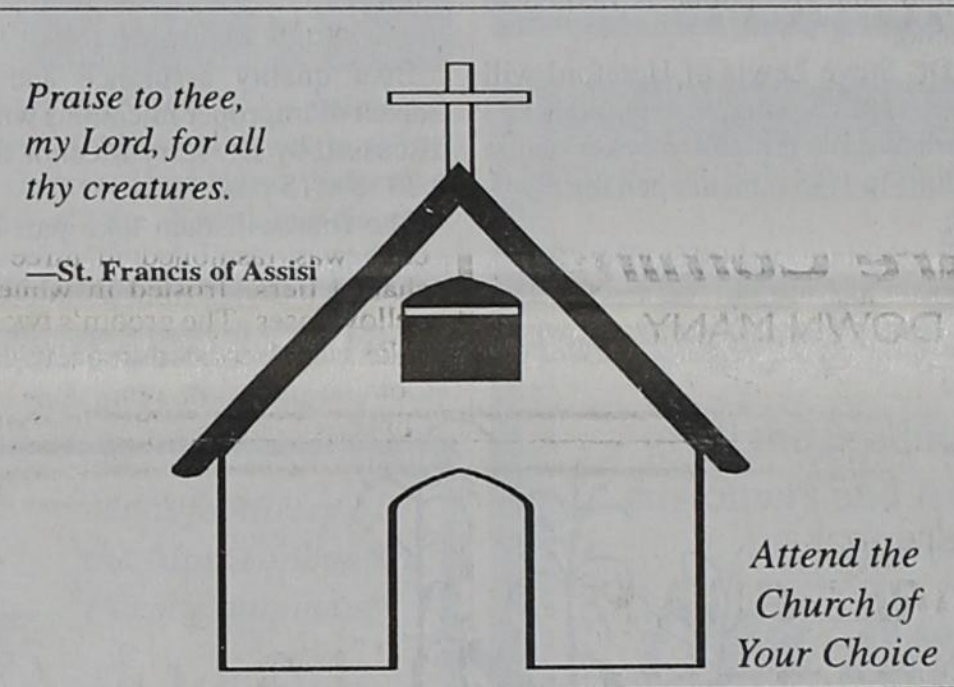
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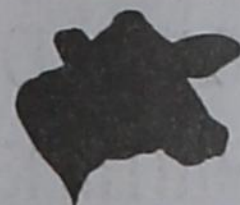
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Nazareth grad named Briscoe Extension Agent

Lena Durbin Deusterhaus, former Nazareth resident, has been named the new County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences in Briscoe County.

Deusterhaus filled the position on Sept. 1 that was formerly held by Calley Payne, who moved to Seminole to become the agent in Gaines County.

"We are excited about Lena's coming to Briscoe County," said Donna Brauchi, district director of Extension. "This area has traditionally had a strong Extension program. Lena will continue that tradition by providing leadership for family and consumer science and 4-H and youth development programs to meet the needs of the county's families."

In May, Deusterhaus graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree in food and nutrition with a minor in restaurant, hotel and institutional management. While in school, she was a member of the Student Diabetic Association and worked as a dietary aide for Highland Medical Center in Lubbock. She also spent a year working at the Samaritan Counseling Center in Amarillo.

Deusterhaus has done volunteer work at Highland Medical Center, Columbia Medical Center in Borger and at Lubbock's Ronald McDonald House.

A native of Nazareth, she was active in Castro County 4-H, as well as sports, church activities and the Future Farmers of America.

She will be joined in Silverton by her husband, Ben, a graduate student at Texas Tech University.



MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT—Joshua Alvarez of Dimmitt was decked out from head to toe in support of his favorite team, the Bobcats, Saturday at the Harvest Days celebration. He entered the parade as a bicycle rider, and his bike sported a Bobcat head. At the pet show later that day, he and his dog earned the school spirit award. Photo by Joyce Nelson

Stocker cattle strategies will be discussed at meeting

Successful strategies for stock cattle will be the topic of a seminar today (Thursday) at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

The meeting will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

Dr. Steve Lewis of Hereford will discuss processing, vaccinations and medications for fall stocker cattle from 1 to 1:45 p.m. to open the meeting.

Beginning at 1:45, Dr. Galen Weaver of Amarillo will discuss how

ranchers can maximize cattle's response to antibiotics.

After a short break, Dr. Gary Vogel will talk about nutritional management for starting high-risk cattle.

Beef quality assurance and the impact of improper injections will be discussed by Dr. Jerry Mechor from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.

The four will then take part in a panel discussion and fielding questions and answers from producers.

Castor bean production may be 'toxic' to farmers

A new cooperative based in Plainview is planning to award contracts on approximately 38,000 acres of castor beans to be grown in this area, but many groups are concerned that growing the crop on the High Plains will adversely affect other commodities grown here.

Castor Oil, Inc., of Plainview held a kickoff and stock sale Wednesday in Plainview for the High Plains Value Added Cooperative.

According to Castor Oil, Inc., the production of castor beans would bring extra dollars into the farm economy of the High Plains, create 40 new jobs, produce \$18 million dollars of castor oil annually, and reduce the 100% reliance on foreign sources of this product by 20%.

"Regional farming operations can benefit from this opportunity (to grow castor beans) and the long-term financial benefits that are available for cooperative members," said Marion Garland, chairman of the board of High Plains Value Added Cooperative.

Wednesday's meeting featured several speakers, including Dr. Harold Muller, a consultant for castor breeding and production who will be relocating to Plainview from southern France to provide technical assistance for castor production in conjunction with Texas Tech University.

The problem with castor bean production, is the extreme toxicity of the plant, especially to humans and animals like cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, fowl, rabbits and other small animals.

The phytotoxin in castor beans is ricin, a water soluble protein which is concentrated in the seed. Also present are ricinine, an alkaloid, and

an irritant oil. Commercially-prepared castor oil contains none of the toxin, however.

Seeds ingested at .2% of body weight have caused toxicosis in cattle and .01% of body weight was toxic to horses. Humans who ingest the seeds may also become ill and/or die. Two to four chewed seeds can cause death in children.

The seed is only toxic if the outer shell is broken or chewed open. Seeds swallowed intact usually pass without incident.

But the possible toxic risks of the plant have prompted concern from many segments of the agricultural industry.

According to the Texas Corn Producers Board, some elevators will refuse to accept corn from a farm if a castor bean is found in one load. Feedlots also are concerned about the possibility that castor beans may contaminate their feed supplies.

Death is likely to animals who consume even a small amount of castor bean. The seeds are the primary source of toxin, but the rest of the plant may be considered slightly toxic as well.

Cattle have been poisoned overseas after ingesting improperly treated castor bean products such as cattle cakes.

Symptoms of castor bean poisoning include severe diarrhea with blood and mucous in the feces, abortions, a drastic reduction in milk yield, and death of newborn calves. Weakness, feeble pulse, shortness of breath and swollen joints also have occurred. Temperate becomes subnormal, with the pulse becoming weak and fast. The lethal dose was estimated at 250 grams of husks.

Postmortem findings showed hemorrhaging in the heart, degeneration of the kidneys and liver, and intense inflammation and erosion of the intestinal membranes.

The castor bean is a stout, robust shrub-like plant with reddish to purple stems that may reach 12 feet in height. A perennial in its native tropics, it is grown as a garden annual in Indiana.

The large (four to 30 inches across) umbrella-like leaves have five to nine pointed, finger-like lobes. long purple leaf stems are attached near the centers of the leaf blades. Greenish-white or reddish-brown flowers are produced in narrow, upright clusters. The fruit is a three-lobed, green or red capsule with a soft, spiny exterior. One large, mottled attractive seed develops in each lobe. Some people think the seeds look like well-fed ticks.

Early Settlers gather Saturday for reunion, lunch

One of the smallest crowds in recent years gathered for the annual Early Settlers' Reunion at the Senior Citizens Center Saturday. However, there was no shortage of fellowship, fun or food.

Forty-seven people registered for the reunion, which was held at the Senior Citizens Center.

A brief business meeting followed the potluck lunch.

Gifts were presented to Edith Waggoner Swartout of Magalia, Calif., who traveled the longest distance; to Willie John Word for having the "shiniest head;" to Ruth Brown for being the oldest person in attendance; to Dorothy Sheffy for having the most family members present; and to Emily Clingingsmith for being the earliest Dimmitt High School graduate.

Wade and Walter Maynard were named presidents of the organization for the coming year.

Larra begins basic training

Army Pvt. Geronimo Larra III of Dimmitt has arrived at Fort Knox, Ken., to complete basic combat training.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldier will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history and traditions.

Larra is the son of Geronimo and Mary Larra of Dimmitt. He is a 1997 graduate of Dimmitt High School.

Boll weevil foundation starts weekly treatments

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation began the weekly treatment of all cotton fields in the southern part of the Northwest Plains zone.

All fields located south of US Hwy. 70 will be treated weekly until all the hostable parts of the plants, including blooms, squares and bolls, are eliminated by defoliation and harvesting or by a killing freeze. Fields located north of US 70 also will receive treatments only if traps indicate weevil activity in the field.

All fields continue to be trapped for boll weevil detection and survey. The overall average number of adult weevils caught per trap during the week of Aug. 23-29 was 4.23, compared to 3.79 during the week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5.

Weekly Boll Weevil Information Muleshoe's total cotton acres of

117,568.4 acres had 16,675 weevils captured during the week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5, with 2,259 traps inspected averaging 7.38 weevils per trap. Muleshoe has a year-to-date total of 45,456 weevils captured.

The Friona area has 146,852.5 total cotton acres, with 5,397 weevils captured during Aug. 30-Sept. 5. The 7,919 traps inspected averaged .68 weevils per trap, bringing the year-to-date total to 10,279.

For Littlefield's total 65,809 cotton acres, the 1,443 traps inspected captured 20,396 weevils, for an average of 14.13 per trap, and bringing the year-to-date total to 74,193.

Around Springlake, the 2,131 traps inspected yielded 9,901 weevils for an average of 4.65 per trap over the total 101,641 cotton acres. The year-to-date total is 20,158 weevils captured.

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Corn Grower Report

Ethanol program could take big hit by eliminating oxygen requirement

Ethanol supporters and corn producers are potentially big losers with the decision by the Environmental Protection Agency's Blue Ribbon Panel to recommend the elimination of the current oxygen requirement in reformulated gasoline (RFG). The use of oxygen as part of the RFG program has been the single most important impetus for growing the demand for ethanol-blended fuels over the past four and one half years.

The Blue Ribbon Panel was formed last December in response to concerns arising from incidences of water contamination by gasoline containing MTBE. Much of the criticism of MTBE has been directed by certain segments of the ethanol industry that forecast increased market share for ethanol if MTBE use were restricted.

In their haste to question the use of one of the oxygenates fuels, these ethanol supporters have now put the entire oxygenate fuel industry in jeopardy. Instead of helping the industry they claim to represent, they have dealt a severe blow to the continued growth of this most important fuel additive. Their actions also temper the hope of developing an ETBE industry as a means to expand the total demand for ethanol.

The ACGA also questions the conclusions by the Blue Ribbon Panel that lead to the recommendation to eliminate the use of oxygen. The panel heard testimony documenting significant reductions in air pollution resulting from the use of oxygenated fuels. How the panel drew the conclusion to scrap the use of oxygen while addressing water contamination is troubling and inconsistent with the facts. One has absolutely nothing to do with the other.

In response to the EPA's call for congressional action to move forward the panel's recommendations, the ACGA reaffirmed its support for the continued use of all oxygenates as part of the RFG program, and its pledge to oppose any measures that dilute the use of oxygenates in reformulated gasoline.

The ACGA has had the responsibility to maintain a sensible voice in the entire debate over oxygenated fuel use and an expanded role for ethanol. We have tried to unite the industry to work towards common goals and objectives. Despite the misguided actions of a few, the ACGA will continue to reach out to all segments of the oxygenate community to preserve the gains made over the past few years.

Freedom to profit

While immediate support is vital to sustain family farmers this year, only long-term changes to the current farm program will return the opportunity for higher commodity prices in the future. With this objective in mind, the ACGA has developed their answer to Freedom to Profit. It's called "Freedom to Profit" and it contains four basic points:

- Raise the loan rates to cost of production levels
- Extend the loan from 9 to 15 months
- Inventory management program using short term CRP or acreage reductions
- Farmer Owned Grain Reserve with high release levels.

The ACGA is working with Congressional leaders to incorporate Freedom to Profit into the many different farm proposals that are forthcoming this fall. The overall reaction to this program has been well received.

The power to change the farm program is in our hands. Call your member of congress and tell them to support Freedom to Profit for the year 2000. Anything less is just not good enough.



BARBECUE—A good crowd turned out for the barbecue supper sponsored by Castro Masonic Lodge #879 Saturday evening as a part of the Harvest Days celebration. Enjoying a slice of bread at the meal is Nicholas Sparks, 2, son of Traci and Greg Sparks of Dimmitt.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

SPS's second Y2K readiness test success should reassure customers

Southwestern Public Service Co. reports its second Y2K readiness drill, performed Sept. 8 and 9, went well and demonstrate the company is ready to perform reliably, even under highly unusual conditions.

The drill was a rehearsal for the transition from Dec. 31, 1999, to Jan. 1, 2000.

"Some electric customers are concerned about that date transition because of the so-called Y2K bug, which they are concerned might affect computerized systems," said Alan Davidson, SPS's Y2K contingency planning project manager. "The drills and exercises we held Tuesday and Wednesday, as well as the successful drill we held last April, should help assure those customers that electric service from SPS will continue without interruption as we enter the new year."

SPS announced on June 30 that all of its critical computer systems and equipment used to generate and deliver electricity "are ready for the year 2000."

This week's rehearsal helped confirm that readiness, Davidson said.

The company began preparing in

1996 for Y2K-related computer problems.

Last week's drills were held in conjunction with drills by other electric utilities across the nation. The drills were coordinated by the North American Electric Reliability Council, which sets service reliability standards for interconnected electric transmission system operations.

The North American Electric Reliability Council reported last Thursday that about 15,000 utility personnel participated at 400 to 500 utilities, and that at least 1,000 electric substations and power plants were involved in the drill.

"No Y2K problems with the 9/9/99 date occurred, no Y2K problems were reported and all electric systems transitioned normally into Sept. 9, 1999," reported officials with the North American Electric Reliability Council.

"SPS performed this drill to demonstrate we are ready for potential problems, even under highly unusual conditions," Davidson said. "We simulated conditions that might occur during the New Year's Eve rollover and were very satisfied with the results."

"Our drill tested SPS's various backup communications systems—the communications that would be used if our normal systems were not operating. The drill also tested our ability to deploy personnel in the field, for instance, to monitor critical electrical systems and manually relay information to SPS power plants and service and dispatch centers," Davidson explained.

Some 400 SPS employees were involved in the drill. The same employees will deploy again on New Year's Eve. If any problems should occur with computerized equipment during the drill or on New Year's Eve, "employees in the field and in

our power plants will keep the SPS system operating," Davidson said.

SPS has already tested the Y2K readiness of its delivery systems and power plants by setting control clocks forward to Dec. 31, 1999, and evaluating their performances while computers "think" they are operating into the year 2000, he said. The tests also have operated the plants at simulated later dates in 2000.

"The on-line testing has progressed smoothly. In fact, most of the SPS power plants' critical systems are now operating under year-2000 dates," Davidson said.

"We ran this second major drill because we want to be prepared for even the most unlikely of events on New Year's Eve. Good contingency plans are essential to our business, every day and every year."

Tractor pull winners listed

There were 33 competitors in the Harvest Days Pedal Tractor Pull in Dimmitt last Thursday, and first, second and third place winners were honored in each age group for both boys and girls.

The event was sponsored by the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club and the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. The event was sanctioned by the Texas Pedal Pull Association and top winners will be notified by letter if they are qualified to advance to area competition.

The participants are all from Dimmitt unless otherwise noted. Placings were:

Age 4
Boys: 1. Tyler Essary, 2. Colton O'Brien, 3. Chase Summers.

Age 5
Girls: 1. Kelsey Schilling, 2. Mikala Whitaker of Hart, 3. Krissy Gonzales, 4. Teanna Lively.
Boys: 1. Coby Venhaus, 2. Adam Reinart, 3. Logan Robb.

Age 6
Girls: 1. Jacy Black of Hart.
Boys: 1. Sam Wales of Hereford, 2. David Underwood of Dimmitt.

Age 7
Girls: 1. Kayla Lively, 2. Keila Schilling.
Boys: 1. Cody Essary.

Age 8
Girls: 1. Jazzlyn Sepeda.
Boys: 1. Sage Black of Hart, 2. John D. Gonzales, 3. Whit Whitaker of Hart, 4. Will Whitaker of Hart, 5. Chase Hatla, 6. Dustin Venhaus, 7. Jake Ebeling, 8. Dusty Horn of Tulia, 9. Ethan Wales of Hereford.

Age 9
Girls: 1. Cassidy Watts.
Boys: 1. Landon Porsch, 2. Chance Schilling.

Age 10
Boys: 1. Rye Patton, 2. Dennis Underwood, 3. Houston Sutton, 4. Justin Lively.

No one entered the divisions for ages 11 and 12.

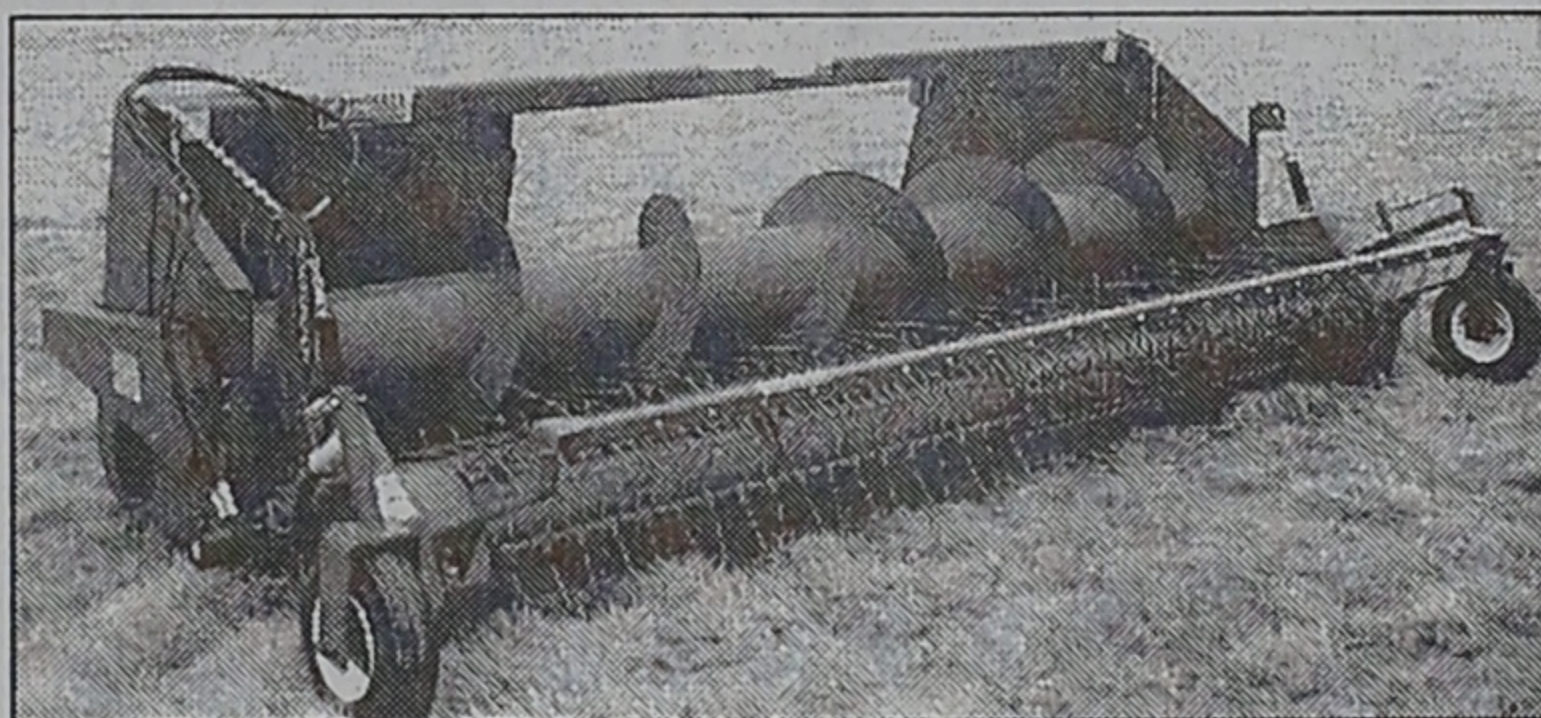
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JANET DENTON—An estimated crowd of 350 turned out to enjoy the Harvest Days dance Saturday night at the Expo building in Dimmitt. Janet Denton and the Six-shooters provided music for the dance. She sings country and western, as well as gospel and a little rock and roll. Courtesy Photo

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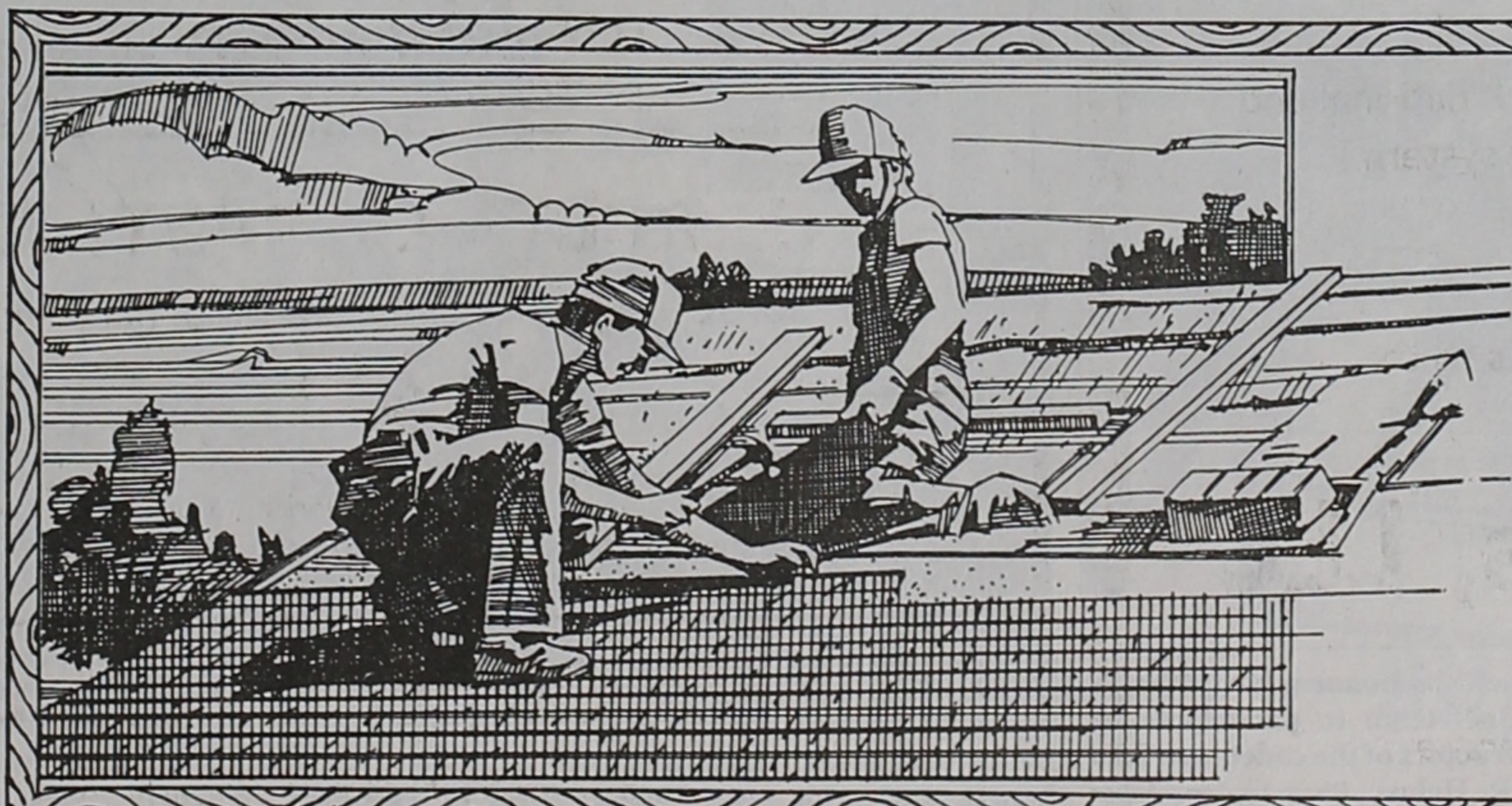
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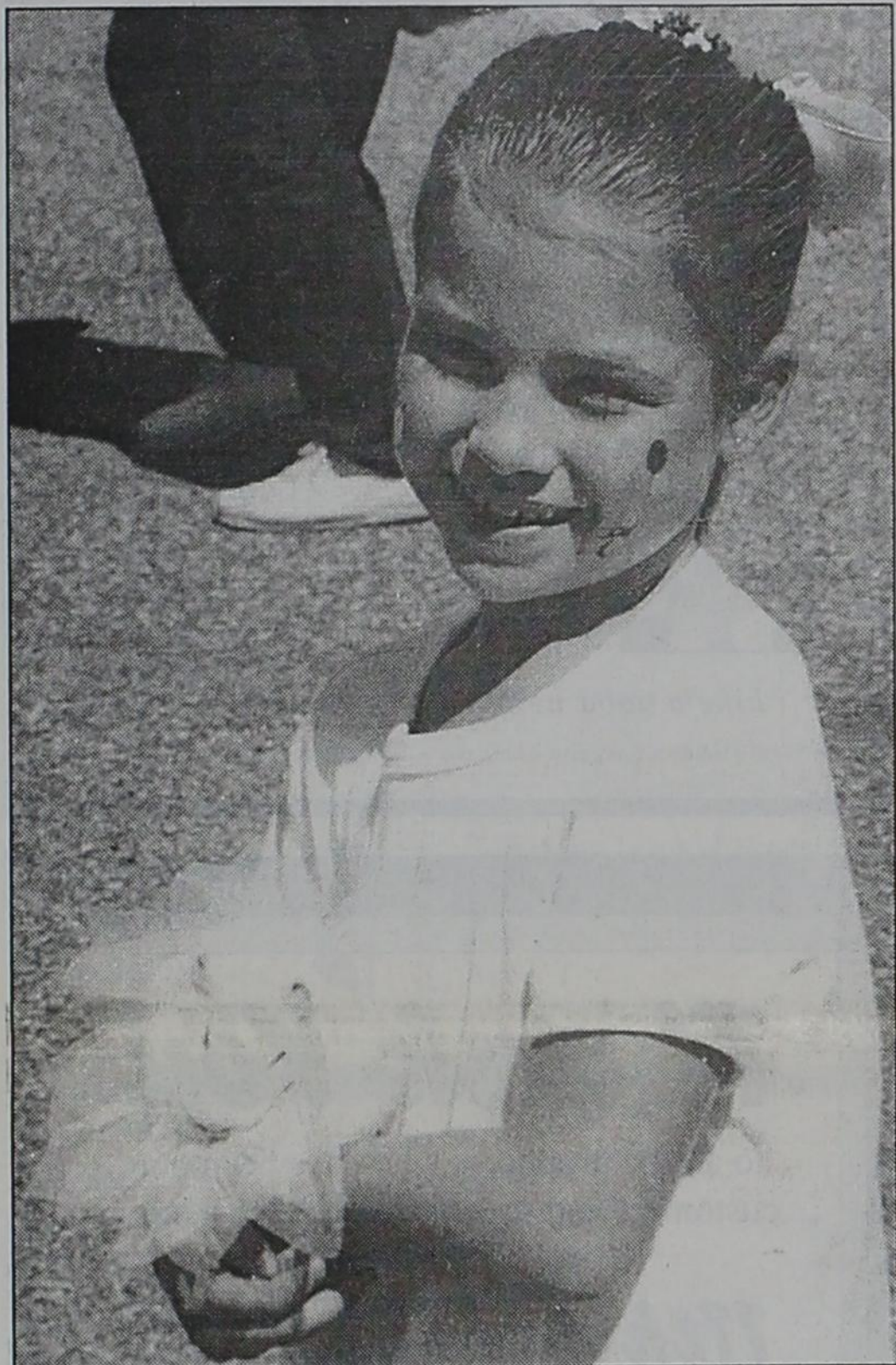


THE DIMMITT FFA created fake store fronts from wood and built their own "City of Dimmitt" and the float earned the "Best of Parade" award and was first in the Clubs and Organizations Division Saturday in the

Harvest Days Parade. After dismantling the float, the FFA presented local businesses with their own replica store front. Photo by Anne Acker



PRESENTING THE COLORS to lead off Saturday's Harvest Days Parade was the Caprock High School JROTC Honor Guard, represented by Cadet Captain F. Saldana, Cadet First Sgt. R. Montrose, Cadet Second Lt. T. Dillon and Cadet First Sgt. C. Jusiak. The school also had its female drill team and male drill team represented in the parade. Photo by Anne Acker



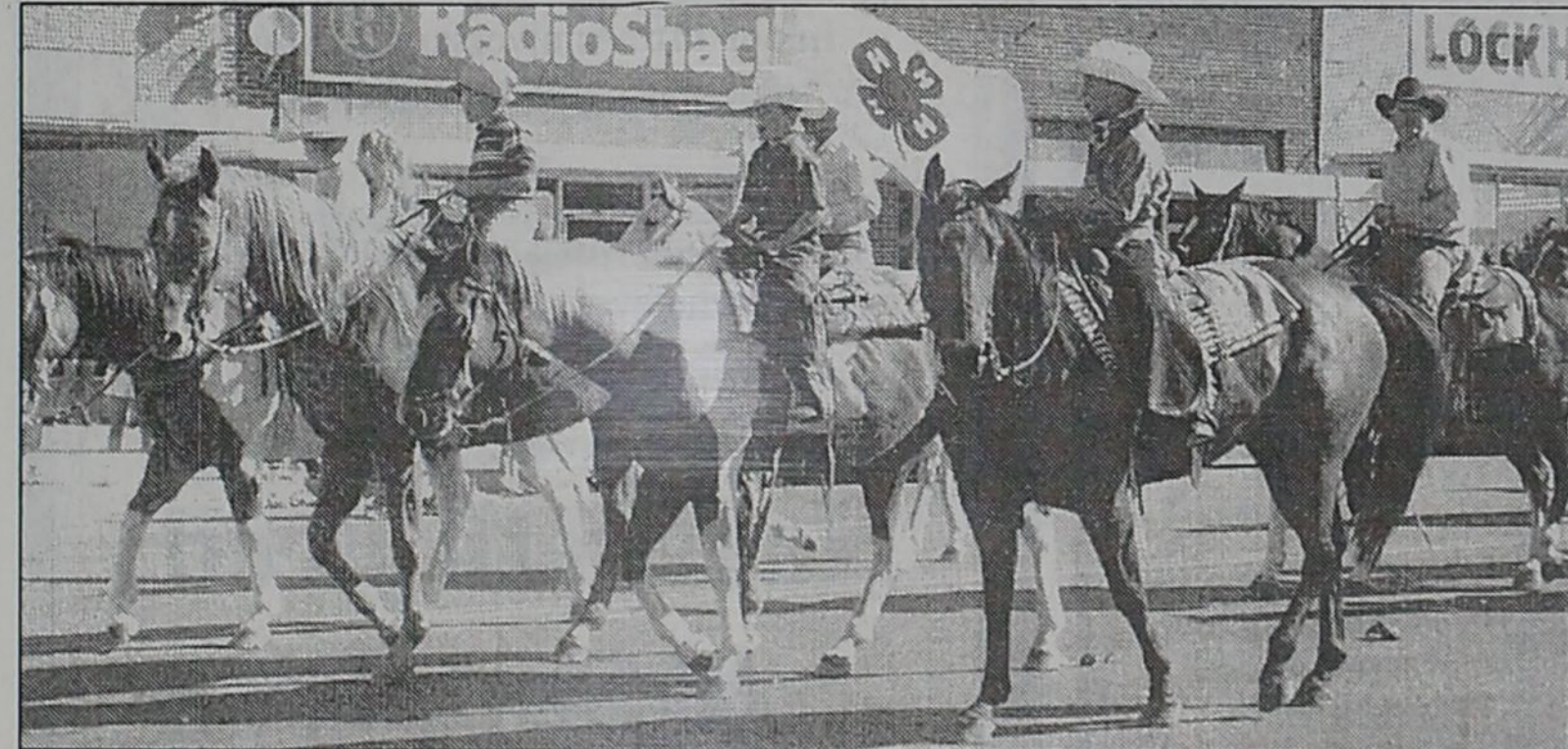
BEST DRESSED GUINEA PIG at the annual Harvest Days Pet Show was Cheddar, shown by Wendy Bradford and her sister, Molly (not shown). The event was sponsored by Dimmitt Veterinarian Dr. W.J. Hill and by Merrick Pet Foods, headquartered in Hereford. Merrick supplies pet food and other items for prizes. A blue ribbon is given to each entrant, with Hill making up unique categories. Photo by Linda Maxwell



WATCHING FOR MORE CANDY—Kelyn Wardlaw, 3, the daughter of Brac and Kerri Wardlaw of Canyon, sits on the curb with her sack ready to catch more goodies thrown her way by the many entries in Saturday's Harvest Days Parade in Dimmitt. Photo by Linda Maxwell



THE AMARILLO RATTLETS MASCOT was in Dimmitt Saturday and participated in the Harvest Days parade. He greeted children along the route as colleagues from the Rattlers' ice hockey team threw out treats and shot t-shirts out of a "cannon." Here, the mascot is visiting with Carsyn Steffens. Photo by Linda Maxwell



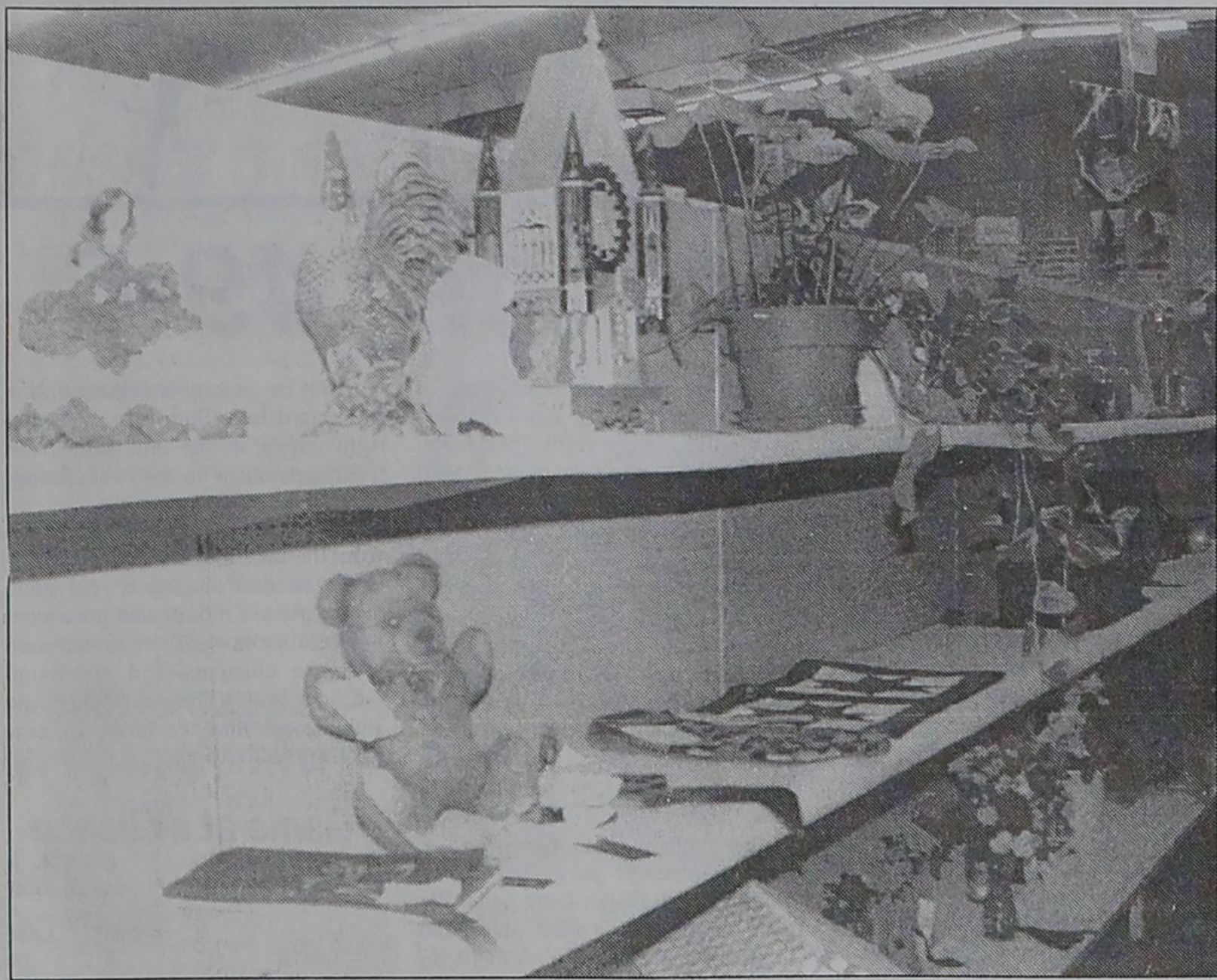
THE CASTRO COUNTY 4-H HORSE CLUB shows off their equestrian skills along with other horsemen Saturday during the Harvest Days Parade. This year's parade drew a large number of floats and other entries. Photo by Anne Acker



FORWARD, MARCH!—Members of the Caprock High School JROTC, male drill team, under the direction of Cadet Major D. White, were among those featured in Saturday's Harvest Days Parade. Caprock High School sent its honor guard, female drill team and male drill team to participate in Saturday's parade. Instructors of the cadets are T.L. Johnson Jr., and John R. Helms. Photo by Anne Acker



TIME OUT! The First Baptist Church's Children's Ministry donned jerseys and created their own basketball court, complete with scoreboard and bench, and took second-place "Best of Parade" honors in Saturday's Harvest Days Parade. The group also finished second with their float in the Clubs and Organizations Division of the parade. Photo by Anne Acker



PLANTS, CRAFTS, STUFFED ANIMALS, QUILTED ITEMS AND MORE ... County residents showcase talents in the county Fair

Photo by Anne Acker



DIMMITT MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMS AT HARVEST DAYS CELEBRATION SATURDAY ... Choir members perform motions to the song *I Like School*, under the direction of Elaine Hazel.



JUST CLOWNING AROUND, THESE GIRLS WERE THIRD OVERALL IN THE PARADE ... Group of clowns come in third in "Best of Parade" judging

Photo by Joyce Nelson



BEST DECORATED BIKES in the Harvest Days Parade were (foreground, from left) Kelsey Schilling, first place; Josh Alvarez, second; Keila Schilling, third; and Reagan Hunter, fourth. All their bikes followed the parade theme, "Be a Sport, Support Dimmitt." Kelsey and Keila are the daughters of Roy and Carla Schilling. Josh's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alvarez. Reagan is the son of Rodney and Sarah Hunter.

Photo by Don Nelson



LOCAL TALENT—Cailee Gilbreath of Dimmitt won third place at the Fiddlers Contest held Saturday as a part of the Harvest Days celebration in Dimmitt. She is the daughter of Coby and Connie Gilbreath.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



WHAT A JOB!—Four individuals at Saturday's Harvest Days celebration had the lucky task of judging the homemade fruit pie contest. They included (seated, from left) Bay Baldrige, David Hoehns of Lubbock, Jackie Odom and Oneida Hutto. Directing the contest is Castro County Extension Agent Marily Neal (standing, background).

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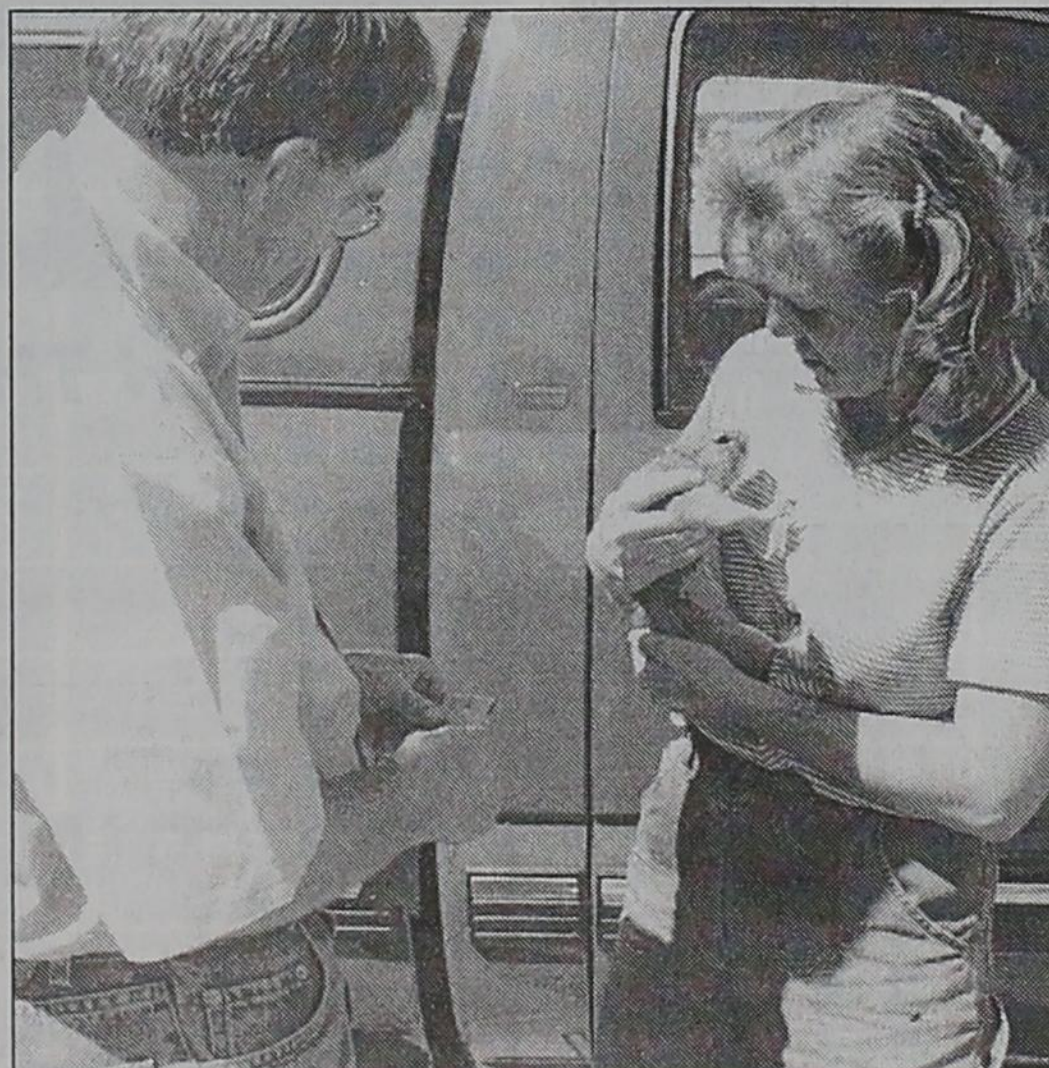
JACKIE ODOM eyes the photography display at the Expo Building Saturday during the Harvest Days celebration. Several county residents entered their favorite photos in the photography contest at the county fair.

Photo by Joyce Nelson



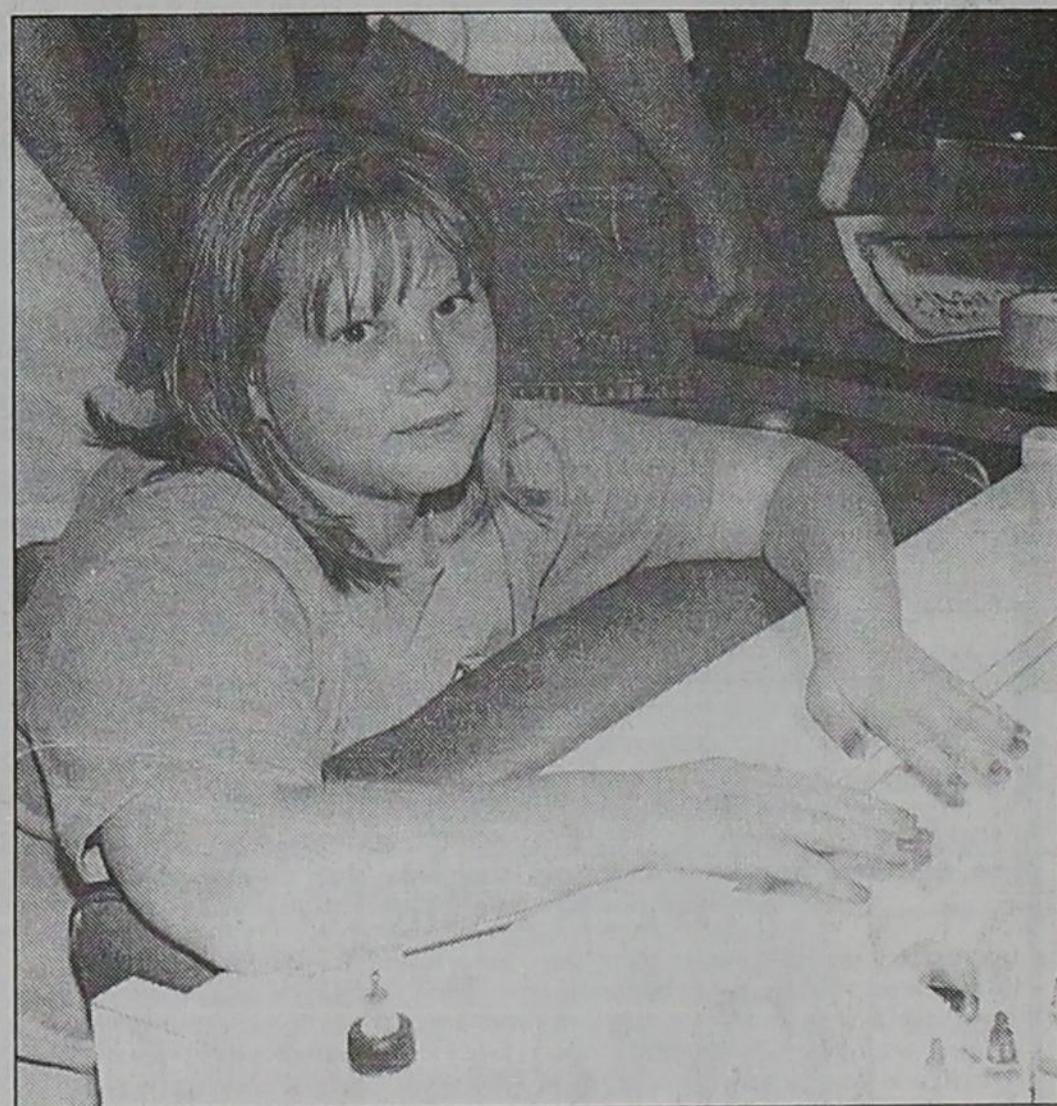
PEDAL, COLTON, PEDAL!—Colton O'Brien of Dimmitt, strains to keep the wheels turning as he struggles to obtain a full pull last Thursday in the pedal tractor pull at Dimmitt. O'Brien finished second in the 4-year-old boys' division.

Photo by Joyce Nelson



MOST UNUSUAL PET at the Pet Show was Pierce, the prairie dog, shown by Kathy Maurer. Awarding the ribbon is Dr. W.J. Hill.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



JOSLYN HARMONSON of Dimmitt waits patiently for her fingernails to dry after she has a manicure at one of the booths set up at the fair Saturday during the Harvest Days celebration.

Photo by Joyce Nelson

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Ouch! Golden Tors stun Bobcats, 49-6

By DON NELSON

With a 49-6 win over Dimmitt, the Lamesa Golden Tors served notice Friday night that they'll be a major force in North Texas' Class AAA ranks this year.

It was the Tors' first victory over Dimmitt. They went into the playoffs last year carrying an early-season loss to the Bobcats.

Friday night's rout at Lamesa's Tornado Field proved the advantage

that a larger school often has over a smaller one. Lamesa High School has an enrollment of 700+ vs. Dimmitt High's 400+.

Lamesa Coach Tim James had only a couple of players who started on both offense and defense, and was able to rotate five running backs of nearly equal ability behind quarterback Waylon Hogg.

For the Bobcats, eight players started both ways.

"The Dimmitt boys don't need to get their heads down—they have a good team," Coach James said. "They just have a lot of boys who have to play both ways, and that was one of the main differences in this game."

Bobcat Coach Bruce Dollar agreed.

"Also, we had some kids who were starting in a varsity game for the first time because of injuries and illness,"

Coach Dollar said.

Nonetheless, the Tors looked impressive indeed from the opening kickoff as they scored on two of their first three possessions and rolled to a 35-0 halftime lead.

"We had to stop them from making big plays, but they made them early," Coach Dollar said, "and once we got behind, we didn't ever recover."

The Bobcats' lone TD came early in the fourth quarter when tailback Justin Sutton scored on a five-yard run against Lamesa's reserves.

The Tors' defense held the dangerous Sutton to 54 yards on 18 carries.

"The key to our game plan was to contain Sutton," Coach James said. "We probably don't have anyone as fast as Sutton, but we have about 11 guys who can run and can go to the ball."

The Tors also were successful in stifling Dimmitt's passing game.

"We put pressure on the ball, and our secondary did a great job of staying up with those Dimmitt receivers," Coach James commented.

Bobcat QB B. J. Hill, who usually had to throw on the run or with one or two Lamesa defenders hanging onto him, completed only three of 19 passes for 42 yards, and had two intercepted. Daniel Flores was 0-for-1 on a pass off of a fake reverse.

With the second quarter barely a minute along, Hogg ran Lamesa's veer option to the right, then faded back and uncorked a perfect pass to Morales, who was wide-open on the right sideline. Morales caught the ball in stride and raced to the end zone untouched to complete a 60-yard scoring play.

Matt Wade scored again on a 33-yard romp with 8:02 remaining in the second period, and Hogg scored on an impressive 35-yard run off of an option-right keeper at the 5:10 mark to give the Tors a huge 35-0 halftime lead.

"We contributed to their effort by making mistakes and giving up big plays," Coach Dollar lamented. "We were out of position a few times, and missed some tackles. You can't do that against a good team. If you give them a step, they'll go the whole way."

Four minutes into the third quarter, Hogg kept the ball on a bootleg to the left, juiced one Dimmitt defender and outran two others on a 31-yard TD run to give the Tors a 42-0 lead after Chris Arredondo's sixth extra-point kick.

"We played our starting lineup one series in the second half, then put our second offensive line in," Coach James explained. "Wade scored one more TD, though, because of the way we rotate our backs."

After turning the corner on a left sweep, Wade shook off three tacklers and raced 81 yards up the sideline for his third TD of the night and the Tors' final score. This time it was senior J. J. Phillips booting the extra point to make it 49-0.

A fumble recovery by defensive end James Jackson at Lamesa's 15-yard line and a pass interference call against the Tors paved the way for Dimmitt's touchdown.

Jackson's fumble recovery came on the next-to-last play of the third quarter. Just two plays into the fourth, a pass from Hill to Keevin Sanders in the end zone fell incomplete, but Lamesa was penalized for pass interference and the Bobcats got a first-and-goal at the 2.

After an incomplete pass and a three-yard loss, Sutton raced to the right corner of the end zone from five yards out with 9:49 remaining.

The Bobcats will try to take a lesson from the loss, Dollar said.

"We needed to play a real good team early to find out where we were—where we're weak, where we need to make changes—and we found out," he said. "They exposed some weaknesses that we have, so now we'll try to fix them."

Game at a Glance

Dimmitt	0	0	0	6	6
Lamesa	14	21	14	0	49

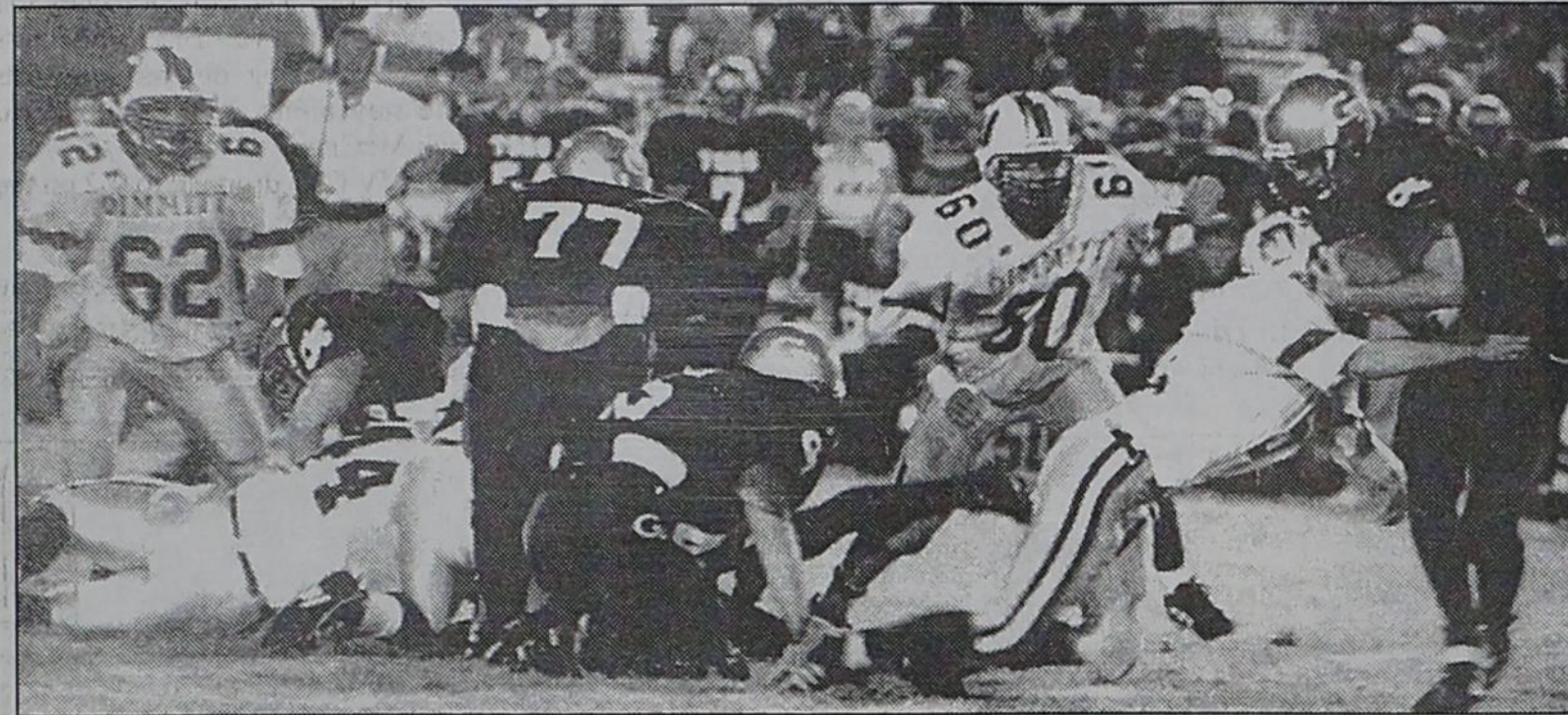
	DIM	LAM
First Downs	8	14
Rushes-Yards	38-90	27-328
Passing Yards	42	141
Total Yards	132	469
Passes Comp/Att	3/20	4/5
Interceptions By	0	2
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-2
Punts-Avg.	8-38.3	2-36.5
Penalties-Yards	5-25	3-29

SCORING SUMMARY

- First Quarter:**
 L—Matt Wade 1 run (Chris Arredondo kick), 7:48.
 L—Wade 22 run (Arredondo kick), 4:03.
- Second Quarter:**
 L—Noel Morales 40 pass from Waylon Hogg (Arredondo kick), 10:53.
 L—Wade 33 run (Arredondo kick), 8:02.
 L—Hogg 35 run (Arredondo kick), 5:10.
- Third Quarter:**
 L—Hogg 31 run (Arredondo kick), 7:47.
 L—Wade 81 run (J.J. Phillips kick), 4:52.
- Fourth Quarter:**
 D—Justin Sutton 5 run (pass failed).

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

- Rushing**—DIMMITT: Justin Sutton 18-54, Anthony Oliviera 13-30, B.J. Hill 4-(21), Fred Traylor 4-23, Keevin Sanders 1-4. LAMESA: Matthew Wade 9-164 (4TD), Waylon Hogg 6-74 (2TD), Abel Gallo 5-51.
- Passing**—DIMMITT: B.J. Hill 3/19-2-42, Daniel Flores 0/1-0-0. LAMESA: Hogg 4/5-0-141.
- Receiving**—DIMMITT: Anthony Oliviera 1-36, Daniel Flores 1-6, Sutton 1-0.
- Leading Tacklers**—DIMMITT: Sutton 4u, 4a; Sanders 2u, 3a; Bobby Hill 1u, 9a.
- Tackles Behind Line**—DIMMITT: Bobby Hill 1.
- Fumbles Recovered**—DIMMITT: Daniel Salazar 1, James Jackson 1.
- Fumbles Caused**—Jackson 1, Bobby Hill 1, Armando Castaneda 1.
- Records:** Dimmitt 1-1, Lamesa 2-0.



BEHIND THE LINE—Dimmitt defensive end James Jackson makes the first hit on Lamesa quarterback Josh Wade in the fourth quarter of Friday night's game at Lamesa. Wade, who had bobbled the snap,

backed out of Jackson's grasp, but Michael Penny (62) and Armando Castaneda (60) closed in to finish the play and nailed Wade for a two-yard loss. The Golden Tors won, 49-6. Photo by Carter Townsend

The game was barely four minutes old when Lamesa scored its first TD.

After fumbling away the ball on the second play of the game, the Tors took to the air on the first play of their next possession, and it paid off.

Hogg tossed a pass to wide receiver Noel Morales, and the 181-lb. junior shook off two tacklers and raced 65 yards before Sutton caught him from behind at the Dimmitt 16-yard line. Runningback Donny Hernandez made it to the 1-yard line up the middle, and Matt Wade dived in for the TD from there with 7:48 still to play in the first.

Wade scored a second TD on Lamesa's next possession when he broke over the right side and shook off tacklers all the way to the end zone on a 22-yard scoring run.

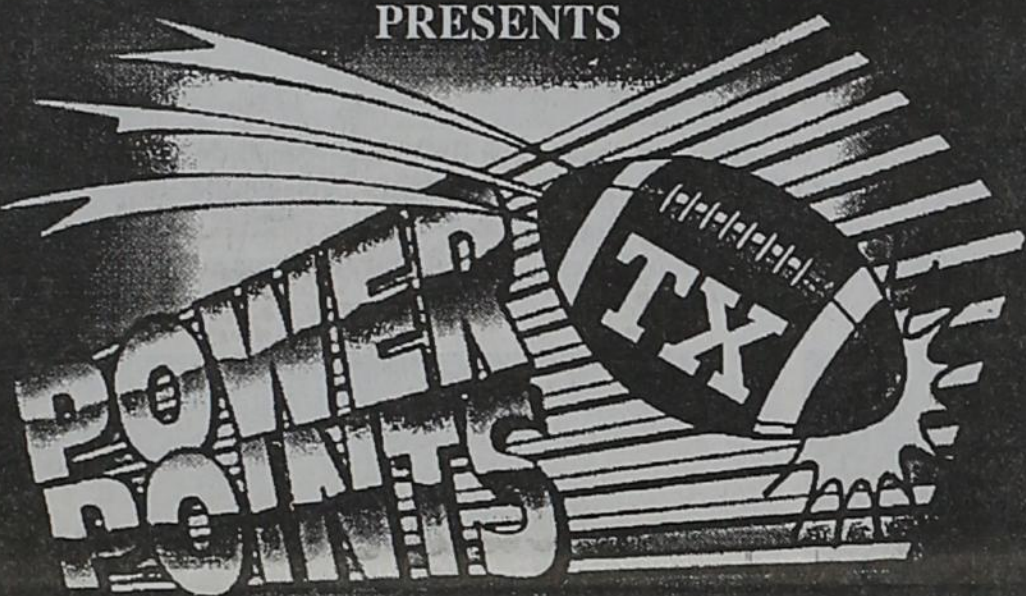


TOUCHDOWN!—Dimmitt tailback Justin Sutton sprints into the corner of the end zone for the Bobcats' only touchdown at Lamesa Friday night. His

five-yard scoring run came on the second play of the fourth quarter. The Golden Tornadoes posted an impressive 49-6 victory. Photo by Carter Townsend

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THIS WEEK'S GAMES

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| Arizona at Miami | Pittsburgh at Baltimore |
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| Denver at Kansas City | Seattle at Chicago |
| Green Bay at Detroit | Tampa Bay at Philadelphia |
| Indianapolis at New England | Washington at NY Giants |
| Jacksonville at Carolina | NY Jets at Buffalo |
| New Orleans at San Francisco | Atlanta at Dallas |
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- Neither this newspaper nor any co-sponsor will be responsible for illegible entry forms or those lost, stolen or damaged in any way.
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FHA plans brisket meal

The Dimmitt FHA will sponsor a brisket supper Friday night, just prior to the Dimmitt-Friona Homecoming football game.

The meal will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School Cafeteria and the public is invited to attend.

The brisket meal will include baked potatoes, beans, rolls, water or tea, and peach or cherry cobbler.

Tickets for the meal are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets may be purchased from any FHA member or from Mrs. Carter or Mrs. Odom at Dimmitt High School.

Youth Group sets pre-game prayer

The Dimmitt Youth Group is planning to have a pre-game time of prayer at 7:35 p.m. Friday before the Bobcats' homecoming football game against Friona.

Everyone interested in participating is invited to gather at the south end zone of the football field.



MERCURY FALL, a rock-and-roll band featuring Dimmitt natives (from left) Justin Roberts and Joshua Roberts, along with

guitarist Paul Miller and drummer Nick Bell, entertained the Harvest Days crowd Saturday afternoon at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Photo by Anne Acker

Here's how our opponents fared

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

Dimmitt opponents

Sundown (1-1) lost to Springlake-Earth, 21-6
Friona (2-0) beat Brownfield (1-1), 44-6
Muleshoe (2-0) beat Denver City, 21-0
River Road (1-1) beat West Texas High, 33-12
Tulia (0-2) lost to Littlefield, 20-19
Sanford-Fritch (2-0) beat Caprock, 32-9
Dalhart (1-1) lost to Stratford, 26-6
Perryton (0-2) lost to Dumas, 32-0

Nazareth opponents

Farwell (2-0) beat Crosbyton, 55-0
Whiteface (0-1) lost to Bovina, 33-0
Claude (0-2) lost to Highland Park, 21-14
Vega (2-0) beat Boys Ranch, 13-6
Hart (1-1) beat Smyer, 32-20
S'lake-Earth (1-1) beat Sundown, 21-6
Kress (1-1) beat LCHS (0-2), 54-13
Happy (2-0) beat O'Donnell, 19-14

Hart opponents

Morton (2-0) beat Lorenzo, 21-12
Bovina (1-1) beat Whiteface, 33-0
Olton (2-0) beat Ropes, 28-12
Kress (1-1) beat LCHS, 54-13
Nazareth (2-0) beat Valley (0-2), 28-7
Happy (2-0) beat O'Donnell, 19-14
S'lake-Earth (1-1) beat Sundown, 21-6
Vega (2-0) beat Boys Ranch, 13-6

Lamesa stymies JV Cats

The JV Bobcats moved the ball well against Lamesa last Thursday, but saw each of their big drives die on the Lamesa end of the field, allowing the Golden Tornadoes to pull out a 6-0 win.

"We moved the ball well all night, but they stopped our drives on their end of the field," said Dimmitt coaches. "The JV boys played aggressive football against a tough Lamesa team."

Coaches listed offensive standouts as Juan Gonzales, Luis Gonzales and Casey Villanueva. Team members with outstanding defensive efforts were Steven Paz, Abel Espinoza and Zack McClure.

The JV Cats dropped to 0-2 on the season with the loss.

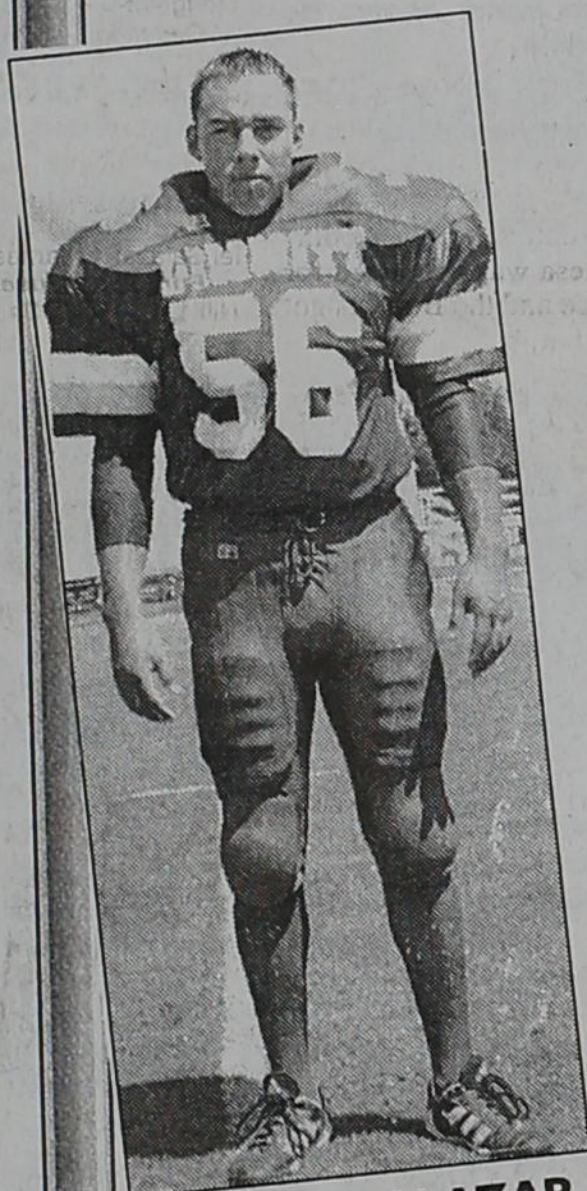
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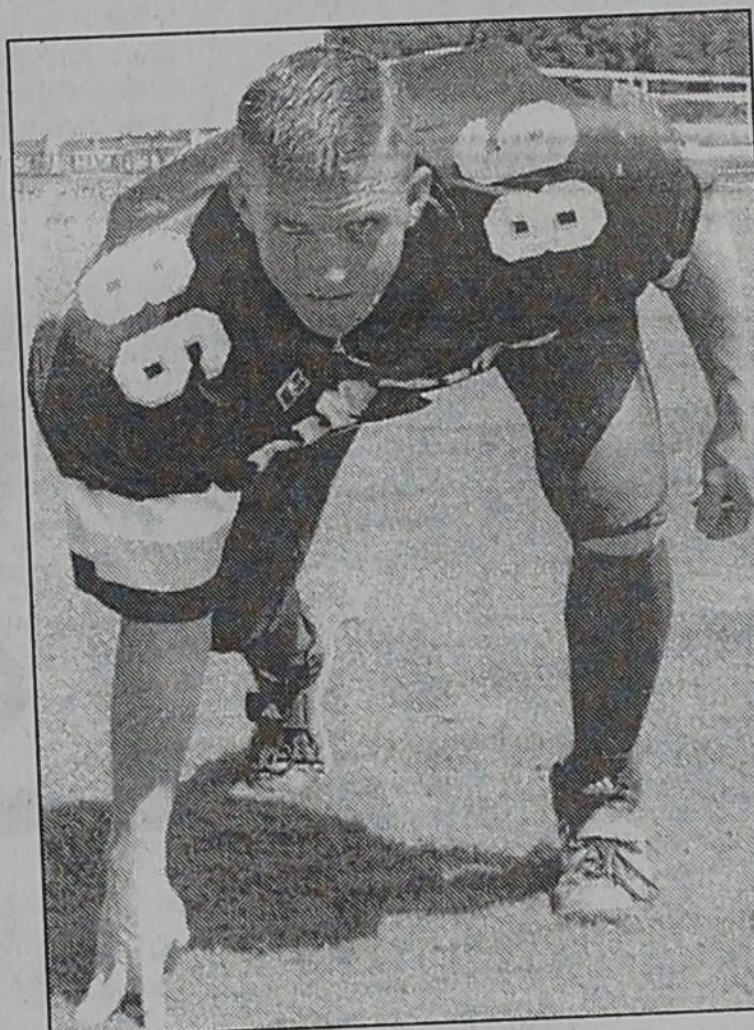
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Schedule & Scores

VARSITY

Bobcats 33, Sundown 14		
Bobcats 6, Lamesa 49		
Sept. 17 Friona (Homecoming)	Here	8:00
Sept. 24 Brownfield	There	8:00
Oct. 1 Muleshoe	Here	8:00
Oct. 8 *River Road	There	7:30
Oct. 15 *Tulia	Here	7:30
Oct. 22 *Sanford-Fritch	There	7:30
Oct. 29 *Dalhart	There	7:30
Nov. 5 *Perryton (Senior Parents)	Here	7:30

JUNIOR VARSITY

JV Bobcats 0, Sundown 12		
JV Bobcats 0, Lamesa 6		
Sept. 16 Friona	There	6:30
Sept. 23 Brownfield	Here	6:30
Sept. 30 Muleshoe	Here	6:30
Oct. 7 River Road	Here	6:30
Oct. 14 Tulia	There	6:30
Oct. 21 Sanford-Fritch	Here	6:30
Oct. 28 Dalhart	Here	6:30
Nov. 4 Tulia	Here	6:30

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Swift defense yields little in Valley win

By MEGAN HOELTING
Nazareth was able to capitalize on three scoring opportunities while the Swift special teams did an outstanding job Friday to lift Nazareth to a 28-7 win over Valley at Patriot Stadium.

The Swifts scored once in each stanza, beginning with sophomore Kade Wilcox's 90-yard kickoff return at the onset of action. Sophomore quarterback Blake Birkenfeld completed touchdown passes to senior tight end Bo Hunter and freshman receiver Eric Schilling. Senior running back Cameron McLain finally broke free from a tough defense in the fourth quarter to pick up Nazareth's first rushing touchdown of the game, a 48-yard run.

"The outcome of this game was determined by two things," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "First, our offense was able to cash in on the opportunities we had. Second, our special teams did a great job with a kickoff return for a touchdown, two partially-blocked punts, and good punting and kicking which pinned Valley deep in its own territory all night."

Junior Matty McLain booted five punts, each over 40 yards, to keep Valley deep in its own territory. Also, all of his kickoffs landed inside the Patriot 20 or went out of the end zone.

The Patriots' defense was keyed on Cameron McLain all night, and that hampered the Swifts ground

game. He did manage to carry the ball for 93 yards and a touchdown, but he was it for the Swifts' rushing game.

Birkenfeld passed the ball 11 times, completing seven of the tosses for 94 yards and two touchdowns. Sophomore Daryl Pohlmeier grabbed two of those passes for 55 yards.

Nazareth gained 198 yards on offense while its defense limited the Patriots to 182 yards.

"They matched us in yards gained, but field position was in our favor all night," Price said. "Once again, our defense was solid. We pitched a shut-out until just seconds remained in the game."

The Patriots had problems scoring, finally getting on the board in the final seconds on a five-yard run by Nathan Wheeler, but Wheeler picked up good yardage against the Swifts and kept the defense on alert throughout the game.

To start off the game, Valley kicked off and Kade Wilcox fielded the kick. With the help of a few well-placed blocks, he was able to race down the sideline and eventually outran everyone for the 90-yard touchdown. Stanton Wethington's point-after missed wide right, but the Swifts were on the board, 6-0, just seconds into the game.

The Patriots managed to get two first downs and traveled 58 yards on their first offensive possession before Nazareth's defense shut down any

further progress and they had to punt.

Nazareth attempted two running plays and had an incomplete pass on its first offensive series, but Valley's big defensive line yielded nothing and the Swifts punted after failing to convert on third down.

Valley ran into the same brick wall when attempting to move the ball against the Swift defense, and another punt was the call a short time later.

The Swifts managed to gain seven yards on three plays, but once again, a first down proved elusive and the punt team took the field.

Valley picked up 17 yards and a first down on its next series before dying at the hands of Swift defenders.

After taking the Patriot punt, the Swifts ran four plays at the start of the second quarter, then got a big bonus when Valley was flagged for offsides, giving Nazareth a first down on the Patriot 39.

The Swifts picked up two yards on a run, then Birkenfeld moved the chains with 25-yard pass completion to Pohlmeier. A Birkenfeld to Schilling pass was good for six points from 12 yards away, giving Nazareth a 12-0 lead. Birkenfeld capped the scoring drive and gave the Swifts a 14-0 lead when he found Kade Wilcox in the end zone for the two-point conversion.

With 9:20 left in the first half, Valley wasted three plays and punted.

Nazareth picked up eight yards, but on fourth down, they still needed a pair to get another set of downs. The Swifts elected to go for the first instead of punting, and Cameron McLain came through, gaining four on the play to keep the drive alive. It didn't last long, though. Three plays later the drive stalled and Nazareth had to punt.

The Patriots managed to get two first downs on six plays, but the drive ended when Pohlmeier intercepted a pass and gave the Swifts a first down with eight seconds left in the half.

Nazareth kicked off to start the second half and Valley used good blocking and tough running to gain a couple of first downs, but on the next series of downs, the Patriots luck ran out and they couldn't convert a fourth-down play, turning the ball back to the Swifts.

Cameron McLain picked up four yards on the ground, then Birkenfeld passed to Kade Wilcox for a seven-yard gain and first down. Cameron McLain gained 23 yards and earned another first-down, moving the Swifts into Valley territory, setting up the next scoring play.

This time Birkenfeld dropped back to pass and spotted a wide open Hunter in the end zone and the pass was on target for six points. Wethington's kick split the uprights for a 21-0 Nazareth lead.

After forcing a Valley punt, Nazareth started its next scoring drive late in the third quarter and capped the drive on the second play of the fourth quarter when Cameron McLain ran the ball 48 yards for the Swifts' fourth and final touchdown. Nazareth took a 28-0 lead on Wethington's PAT.

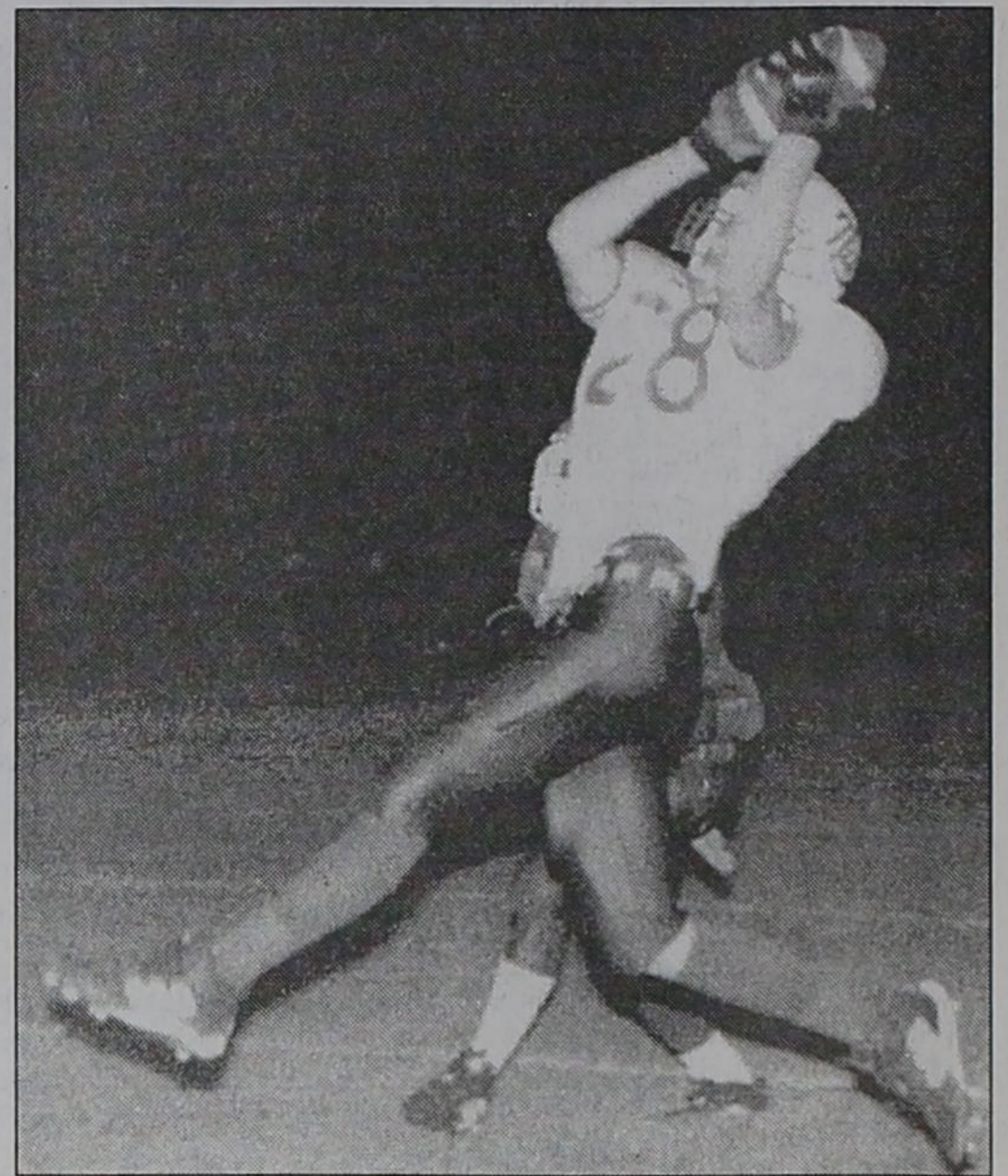
Nazareth got the ball back after Valley went three and out, but two big penalties on the Swifts buried Nazareth in a hole they couldn't crawl out of and they had to punt.

The Swift defense held again, forcing a Patriot punt after three plays, then Nazareth returned the kick after failing to pick up a first down.

Valley picked up two first downs and started working downhill with two minutes left in the game.

With 28 seconds left in the game, a Swift penalty kept Valley's drive alive and gave the Patriots a first down at the Nazareth 5.

From there Valley's leading rusher Nathan Wheeler took over, running five yards for the touchdown. Vince Chandler kicked the extra point for the Patriots.



COMPLETE! Nazareth receiver Daryl Pohlmeier (28) hauls in a 31-yard pass from quarterback Blake Birkenfeld, giving Nazareth a first down at the Valley 39 Friday in third-quarter action at Valley. The Swifts took a 28-0 lead, and held Valley scoreless until the final 12 seconds to post their second straight win, 28-7.

Photo by Anne Acker

Game at a Glance

	Swifts 28, Valley 7			
Nazareth	6	8	7	7-28
Valley	0	0	0	7-7

	NAZ	VAL
First Downs	9	12
Yards Rushing	95	161
Yards Passing	94	21
Total Yards Gained	189	182
Passes Comp.-Att.	7-14	2-8
Interceptions By	1	0
Punts-Avg.	5-39.8	6-24.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-44	3-15

Scoring By Quarters

First Quarter:
NAZ—Kade Wilcox 90-yard kickoff return (kick failed)

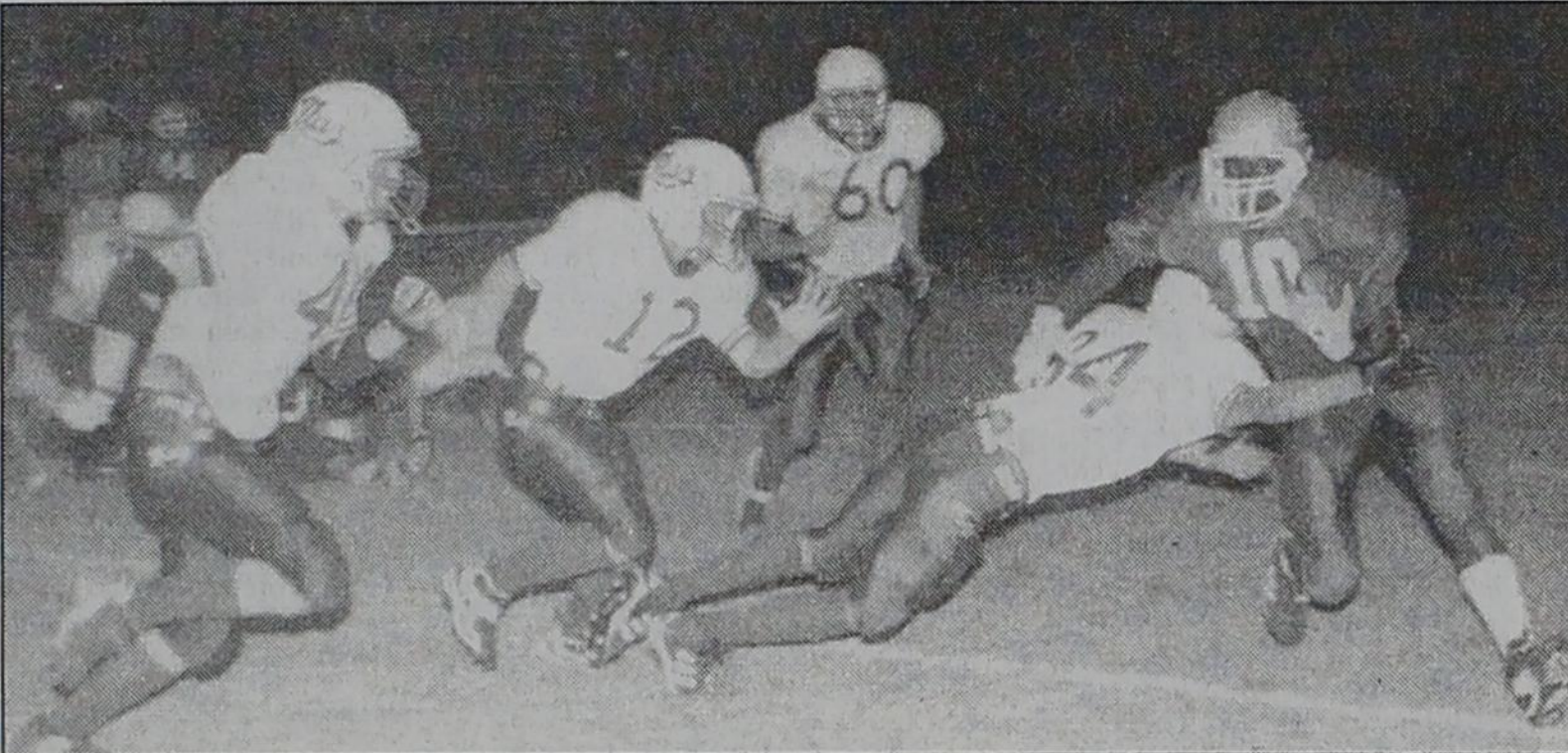
Second Quarter:
NAZ—Eric Schilling 12 pass from Blake Birkenfeld (Kade Wilcox pass from Birkenfeld)

Third Quarter:
NAZ—Bo Hunter 14 pass from Birkenfeld (Stanton Wethington kick)

Fourth Quarter:
NAZ—Cameron McLain 47 run (Wethington kick)
VALLEY—Nathan Wheeler 5 run (Vance Chandler kick)

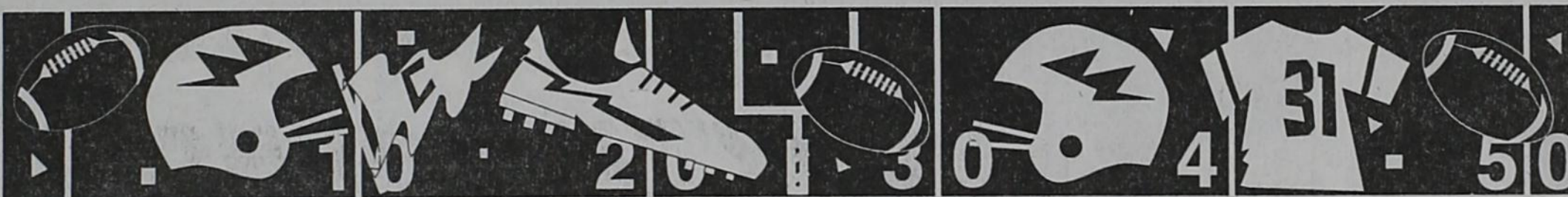


LINO PEREZ of Dimmitt won the First Flight in the annual Labor Day Perez Golf Tournament in Brownsville at Fort Brown Golf Course. He had a 30 handicap and finished with 97 in the 18-hole tournament. The Championship Flight was won by Daniel Perez with 81 strokes. Photo by Anne Acker



YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE—Valley running back Justin Davis (10) picks up a yard before he's forced out of bounds by Nazareth defenders Eric Schilling (84), Matty McLain (44), Jason Huseman (12) and Stanton Wethington (60) Friday night in Valley. The Swift defense shut down the Patriots until the final 12 seconds, posting a 28-7 win.

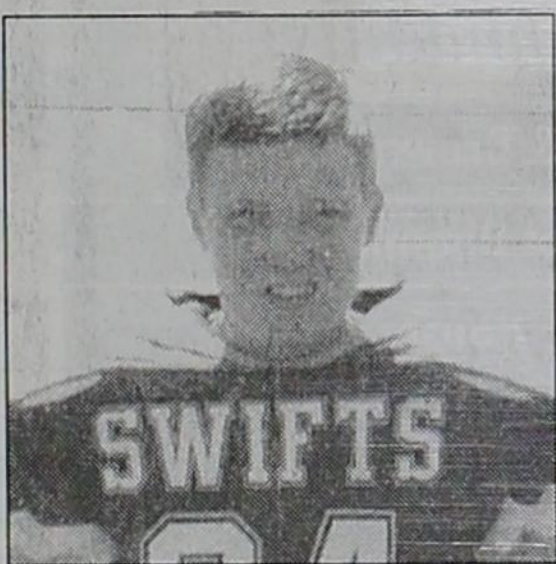
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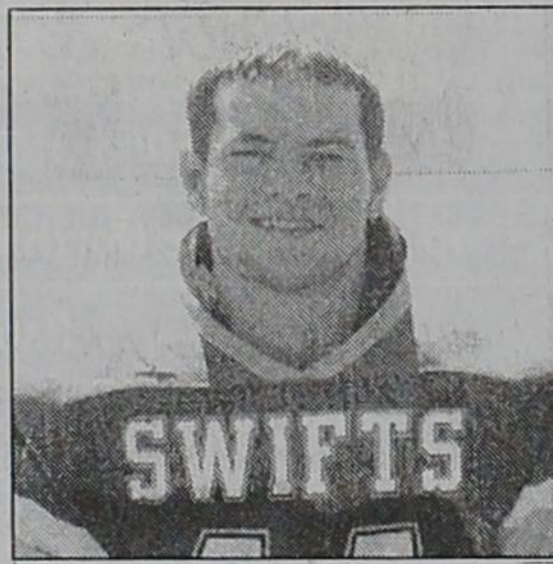
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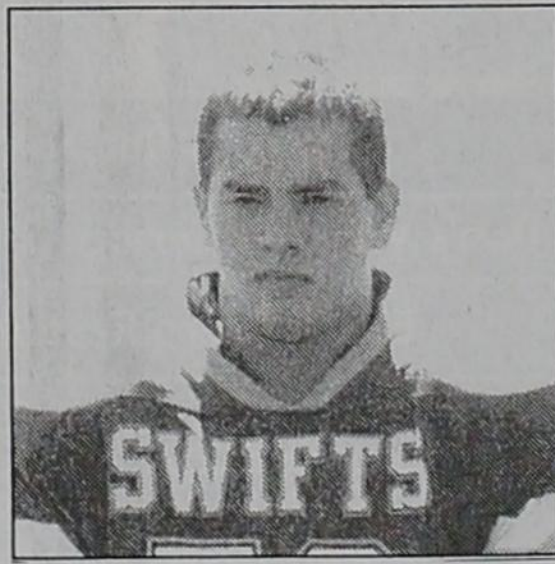
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Pets earn awards Saturday

Dogs, cats, a guinea pig, prairie dog and more were paraded before Dr. W.J. Hill Saturday during the annual Harvest Days pet show. Pet food and pet treats were presented to participants, courtesy of Garth Merrick of Merrick Pet Foods, Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic and Dr. Hill. Here are the winners in this year's show:

Most Unusual: Kathy Maurer with her prairie dog.

First-Place Pomeranian: Dora Espinosa with her pet dog.

Best Name: Suzy Alterano with her dachshund, "Corn Dog."

First-Place Chihuahua: Adrianna Gil with her dog.

Youngest Pet: Dana Sandoval with her pet boxer.

Best Dressed Guinea Pig: Shown by Molly and Wendy Bradford.

Best Groomed Pet: Chrissy Malloy with her schnauzer.

Most Loved Pet: Michael and Laura Rasor with their pekingese.

First-Place Bulldog: Anessa Myrick with her bulldog.

Most School Spirit: Presented to Joshua Alvarez with his shitzu.

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Finch leads Hart in come-from-behind win, 34-20

Keith Finch was a thorn in the paw of every Smyer Bobcat from the opening kickoff to the final buzzer Friday night, scoring five touchdowns and logging 10 tackles to lead the Hart Longhorns in a come-from-behind win, 34-20.

Finch was unstoppable on offense in the second half, gaining 254 of his 268 yards, and scoring on touchdown runs of 21, 49, 56 and 45 yards. His one-yard touchdown near the end of the first half started the comeback after Hart fell behind 14-0 in the second quarter.

"Overall, we played a great ballgame," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps. We executed right and cut down on the mistakes in the second half, and that allowed us to win the ballgame."

Hart out-gained Smyer on offense, 306 yards to 263. The bulk of those yards came from the two teams' ground attacks. Hart picked up 294 yards rushing while Smyer accounted for 219.

Hart still had problems hanging on to the football, fumbling four times and losing three of those bobbles Friday. The Horns also suffered one interception. But Hart was able to overcome those mistakes behind the strong running of Finch.

"Our linemen came together as a unit and we played a good second half," said Hart Assistant Coach Todd Bryant.

Smyer found a hole in Hart's defense early in the game, scoring on a 21-yard run by Rodney Moore. Simon Rodriguez ran in the two-point conversion for an 8-0 lead.

The Bobcats extended their lead to 14-0 in the second quarter when Moore hauled in a pass from Smyer

quarterback Justin Preston, and time was running out in the first half.

But Finch sparked Hart's hopes, first by returning a punt 40 yards, and then capping the possession with a one-yard touchdown plunge, cutting Smyer's lead to 14-6 by intermission.

The turnover problem continued to plague Hart in the second half, though.

On the opening possession of the second half, Hart fumbled and Smyer gained possession.

Hart's defense didn't give up, holding Smyer to little gain and got the ball back for the Longhorn offense. That's when Finch took control.

With help from a much-improved offensive line, the Longhorns drove the ball downfield, setting up Finch's second touchdown, this time from 20 yards out. That cut Smyer's lead to two, 14-12, but more importantly, it caused a monumental shift in the momentum of the game—for a short time.

Once again, Smyer took advantage of a Hart mistake and extended its lead. Phillip Stevens intercepted a Hart pass and returned the pick 47 yards for a touchdown, giving Smyer a 20-12 edge.

Hart wasted little time in striking back, with Finch breaking free for a 49-yard touchdown, then picking up the two-point conversion to tie the game at 20.

Hart's defense continued to stifle Smyer in the second half and forced the Bobcats to punt.

Finch put the Longhorns on top for the first time and for good on his team's next possession. His second long run of the game, a 56 yarder, made it a 26-20 game.

Hart's Jeff Bennett came up with a key interception, killing Smyer's next drive, and setting up Finch's fifth and final touchdown, this time from 45 yards out, for a 34-20 win.

Finch also led the defense with 10 tackles. He was joined in the defensive effort by Dan Eric Castillo and Bennett, who had nine tackles each. Gabe Carrasco had an interception and Leon Minjarez caused a fumble with a big tackle.

"We didn't play well in the first half, but in the second half we regrouped and came back from a big deficit," said Bennett.

Game at a Glance

Longhorns 34, Smyer 20					
Hart	0	6	14	12	34
Smyer	8	6	6	0	20

	HART	SMY
First Downs	10	11
Yards Rushing	294	219
Yards Passing	12	44
Total Yards Gained	306	263
Passes Comp.-Att.	2-4	3-15
Interceptions By	1	1
Punts-Avg.	4-35	3-29
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-30	10-65

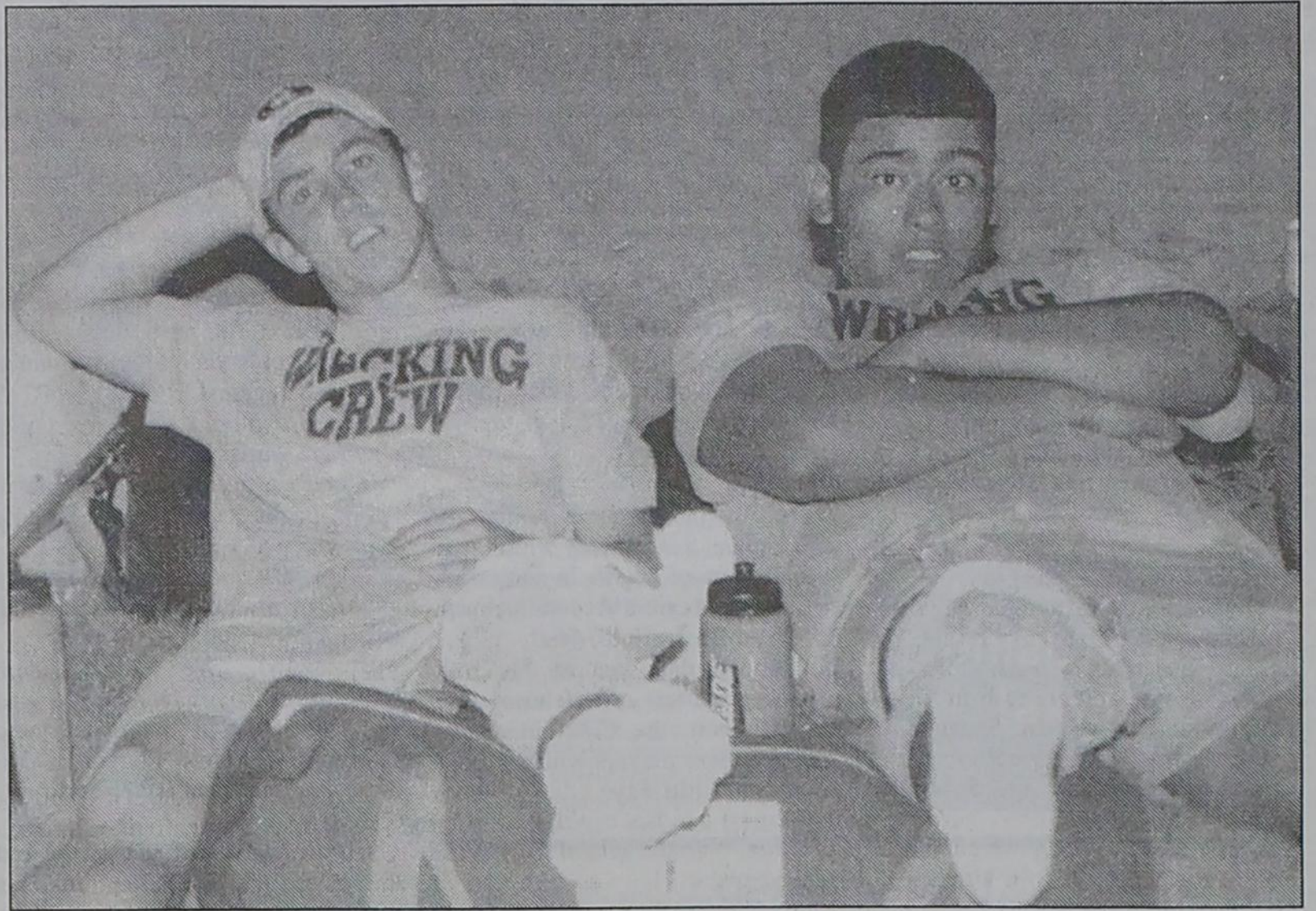
Scoring By Quarters

First Quarter:
SMYER—Rodney Moore 21 run (Simon Rodriguez run)

Second Quarter:
SMYER—Moore 5 pass from Justin Preston (pass failed)
HART—Keith Finch 1 run (run failed)

Third Quarter:
HART—Finch 21 run (run failed)
SMYER—Phillip Stevens 47 interception return (run failed)
HART—Finch 49 run (Finch run)

Fourth Quarter:
HART—Finch 56 run (pass failed)
HART—Finch 45 run (run failed)



HART'S INJURY WOES continued Friday night when starters Chris George and Emilio Diaz were sidelined with knee injuries. George was filling in at quarterback for regular starter, Jeremiah Velasquez,

who has a broken arm. George also lines up in the secondary on defense. Diaz is the Longhorns' starting center and defensive tackle.

Photo by Rachel Wall

Hart's cross country teams race in Plainview

Hart cross country runners opened their 1999 season Saturday by competing in the Plainview Invitational Meet.

The top runner in the varsity girls' race was Vanessa Castillo, who finished 53rd in 15:39. Her teammates

and their respective finishes were Sonya Garcia, 64th, 16:00; Kelly George, 75th, 16:11; Nikki Burress, 101st, 16:47; Mallory King, 133rd, 17:38; Becky Guzman, 144th, 18:17; and Lindsey Montemayor, 147th, 18:28.

For the Hart boys' varsity, Isaias Garcia was 51st in 21:38. Thomas Chia placed 65th in 22:17 and Manuel Barron was 87th in 22:35.

Hart's junior varsity girls also competed, but times and places were unavailable. Team members were Valerie Ellis, Krystal Diego, Amanda Carrasco, Brenda Diego, Yadira Anzaldua, Whitney Mitchell, Lacie Curry, Ruby Rodriguez and Millie Longoria.

The junior high boys from Hart placed three runners in the top 10, including Roy Robledo, who was third; Matthew Gonzales, seventh; and Josh Finch, ninth. Also running was Trent Barnes, who was 20th.

Junior high girls competing were Amber Moore, Amber Exum, Alex Reyna, Jennifer Reyes, Adrienne Hart, Adilene Fernandez, Yvet Beanes, Jennifer Robinson and Leslie Sifuentes.

Finch earns player honor

Keith Finch of Hart was recognized for his five-touchdown performance in Hart's 34-20 win over Smyer Friday by being named the Class A Player of the Week by the *Amarillo Globe News*.

Finch gained 265 yards on 28 carries and scored on runs of 23, 49, 37 and 1. He did the job on the other side of the ball, too, recording 10 tackles to lead the Longhorn defense.

After falling behind 14-0 to Smyer Friday, Finch got the Longhorns going in the second quarter with one

touchdown, then he exploded in the second half, capping his performance with the go-ahead scores in the fourth quarter.

Earning honorable mention honors this week were Nazareth's Cameron McLain, who gained more than 90 yards and scored a 47-yard touchdown in the Swifts' 28-7 win over Valley; and Hart safety Jeff Bennett, who recorded nine tackles and picked off one Bobcat pass.



LOOSE BALL! Hart's Manuel Mendoza (68), Eric Gutierrez (54), Dan Eric Castillo (40) and Fabian Rodriguez (75) battle a Smyer lineman and running

back for a loose ball during action Friday night. Hart came back from a 14-0 deficit in the first half to down Smyer, 34-20.

Photo by Rachel Wall

Swifts crack AP's top 10

The Nazareth Swifts earned the No. 9 spot in the Associated Press's Class A state rankings, released Monday.

The Swifts are 2-0 on the season, having posted wins over Lubbock Christian High School (48-13) and Valley (28-7). They are the third-highest ranked area team on the list, with Wheeler holding down the top spot and Sudan coming in at No. 7.

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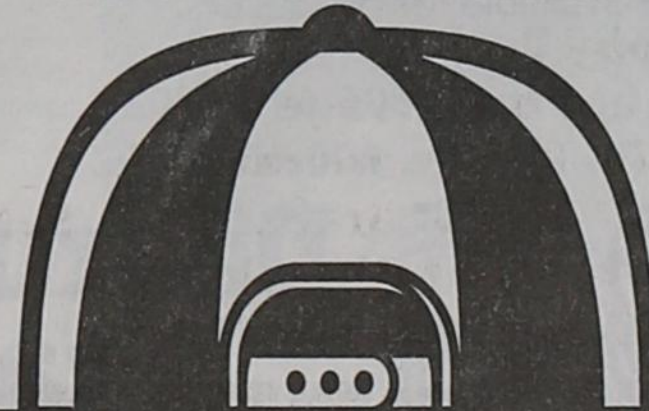
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Homecoming tilts highlight week's games

Spirit is filling the air in Dimmitt and Nazareth this week as students celebrate Homecoming 1999, while Hart students are still enjoying a big come-from behind win last week.

All three teams have high hopes for this week's games.

The Dimmitt Bobcats will host Friona for their Homecoming game while Nazareth welcomes Farwell to Swift Field. The Dimmitt game is slated to start at 8 p.m. Nazareth's game will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The Hart Longhorns will travel to Bovina to meet the Mustangs at 8 p.m.

Friona at Dimmitt

The time-honored custom is to set your Homecoming for a weekend when you'll be hosting a patsy that will make the local team look good.

In that case, somebody at Dimmitt High screwed up.

The Bobcats' Homecoming opponents Friday night will be none other than the big-big, bad-bad Friona Chieftains, playoff contenders for the last three years and four of the last five.

The Chieftains are still looking for an opponent that can stay within four touchdowns of them. In their first two games, they barbecued Lockney, 35-8, and Brownfield, 44-6.

Although they lost all but four offensive starters off of last year's playoff team, the Chieftains have some younger players who are stepping up in a big way.

For example, Friona's leading gainer in the 35-8 win over Lockney was a freshman, Adam Bandy, who ran for 169 yards and scored three touchdowns on runs of 63, 44 and 25 yards.

Also in the Chieftains' backfield is big senior running back Noel Grajeda (5-10, 200), who rushed for more than 1,100 yards last season. As the Tribe's main toter, he gained 149 yards against Lockney and 115 against Brownfield, and is averaging about six yards per carry.

It takes a good offensive line to spring backs loose for that kind of yardage on a regular basis.

"They just wore out both Lockney and Brownfield," Dimmitt Coach Bruce Dollar said.

He added, "We watched them scrimmage Canyon, and they played each other to a tie, with each team scoring once. Now Canyon is 2-0 also, and they beat River Road 49-0."

With runners such as Grajeda and the Bandy boys (Adam and his brother Joseph, a 160-lb. senior), the Chieftains continue to be a ground-oriented team, working out of a Wing-T offense piloted by senior quarterback Nathan King (5-8, 150).

The Chieftains attempted only seven passes against Lockney and 11 against Brownfield. However, they completed seven of 11 against Brownfield, including two for touchdowns.

The Bobcats have lost sophomore running back Jake Laurent for the season because of a leg fracture, and several other players are questionable for Friday night because of injuries or illness.

The Chieftains "are just as good as they were last year," Coach Dollar said, "so we've got our hands full again."

"But we're going to show up and play the game anyway, just to see what happens."

After all, this is Dimmitt vs. Friona, and anyone who isn't a greenhorn around here knows that when those two teams get together, anything can happen.

Farwell at Nazareth

Stopping Farwell quarterback Tyler Chadwick (5-9, 172) and running back Clint Corn (6-1, 178) will be the goal of the Nazareth Swift defense Friday when the Steers visit Swift Field in a non-district tilt and Nazareth's homecoming.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. in the Swifts' first home game of the season. Pre-game festivities, which include coronation of the homecoming queen, will start around 7:10 p.m.

A year ago, Farwell edged Nazareth, 8-7, in a defensive battle. The Swifts hope to avenge that loss in 1999.

That victory over Nazareth last year was one of nine the Steers posted in the regular season. They lost just one game—a one-pointer to Kress. They breezed through district with a perfect mark before losing to state-ranked Stanton in the playoffs.

Nazareth and Farwell both are undefeated this season, and Farwell has yet to give up a point, blasting its

first two opponents, 23-0 over Petersburg and 55-0 over Crosbyton.

This year's Farwell team is loaded with talent again, and Chadwick headlines a long list of returning starters from that group.

"Offensively, we need to control Chadwick. He's quick as a cat," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "They'll set up lots of plays where he can either throw the ball or pull it down and run with it himself."

Chadwick is also a big part of the Steers' defense, lining up in the secondary.

Chadwick runs Farwell's Wing T offense behind a group of talented linemen including center Clint Patterson (6-3, 166), guards Grant Opplinger (5-10, 172) and Paul Franse (6-0, 160), and tackles Joel Barrett (5-10, 210) and Matt Schwertner (6-0, 208). He's joined in the backfield by returning starter Corn at fullback. Tight end Shane Roberts (6-3, 155) also returns to the starting lineup.

Over the first two games, Corn and Chadwick have provided the bulk of

the Steer offense.

Corn rushed for 95 yards the first week and gained a whopping 211 against Crosbyton Friday. He has scored four touchdowns so far.

Chadwick also has enjoyed success this year, completing 10 of 17 passes for 110 yards so far. He's a big threat to run with the ball, himself, as he proved Friday night, by rushing for three touchdowns against Crosbyton.

"They run mainly the Wing T and they're pretty balanced on offense. They'll take whatever you give them," Price said. "They graduated the two running backs that hurt us last year, but Corn is big and fast and each time I see him play, he's looking better."

Farwell's 5-2 defense is a little inexperienced, but should have proven to be strong in posting the two shutouts so far this year.

In the two games, Farwell's defense has allowed an average of 97 yards rushing and 78 passing.

Farwell's defense also forced four turnovers in each game.

Leading the defensive attack are Chadwick, Roberts at linebacker, and Franse, Corn, Opplinger and Barrett on the line.

"We've played bigger teams—I think they've only got one or two guys over 200—but everybody on the field is athletic and that really shows up on defense. They pursue and get to the ball quick. We probably won't get any of the explosive big plays we got in the first two games."

Price said the entire Steer defense stands out, but Chadwick is the leader, making a lot of plays against both the run and pass from his safety position.

Hart at Bovina

The Hart Longhorns will face one of its toughest challenges of the season Friday when they travel to Bovina and attempt to tackle the Mustangs in a non-district showdown at 8 p.m.

Bovina, 1-1 on the season, returns 14 lettermen, including six offensive and four defensive regulars, from last year's 3-7 team.

Leading Bovina's multi-formation offense are a pair of talented running backs, 5-10, 195-lb. senior Lucas Ramos and 5-11, 175-lb. senior Josh Quintana.

The two run behind a massive offensive line that still needs some playing time and experience, but so far, they've done okay. Anchoring that line are center Alvaro Martinez, 6-3, 250-lb. senior; and guards Yancy Graves, 6-1, 225-lb. junior, and Joe Olvera, 5-10, 220-lb. senior. Tyson Kerby (5-10, 150-lb. junior) is the starting quarterback.

So far this season, the Mustangs have outscored opponents 46-14. They beat Whiteface, 33-0, on Friday; but lost to Anton, 14-13, in the season opener.

In each of those games, Quintana had big efforts. He scored two 1-yard touchdowns in the loss to Anton while gaining 53 yards rushing and hauling in three passes for 24 yards. Against Whiteface, Quintana scored on another 1-yard plunge and paced the Mustangs with a 124-yard rushing performance.

Ramos had a big outing against Whiteface, too, scoring on rushes of 1 and 4 yards, and he picked off a Whiteface pass on defense and returned it 34 yards for another touchdown.

Only four starters are back from the 1998 team, and those earning the spots this year are still learning the ropes. But they've only allowed 14 points and 489 yards in the Mustangs' two games this season.

Bovina's 5-2 defense features Ramos at linebacker, Quintana at cornerback and Miguel Hernandez (5-9, 245-lb. senior) up front in the noseguard slot.

Harris Picks

Here are Jon Harris's predictions for Week 3 of the regular season. Home teams are listed in capital letters.

Friona 11 over DIMMITT
BOVINA 9 over Hart
Farwell 14 over NAZARETH
CLAUDE 2 over Happy
Memphis 14 over KRESS
Vega 13 over SHAMROCK
Springlake-Earth 34 over SMYER
Paducah 24 over LORENZO
Valley 30 over CROWLEY
West Texas High 4 over DALHART
SANFORD-FRITCH 32 over Panhandle
LOCKNEY 1 over Tulia
Littlefield 25 over SLATON
MULESHOE 27 over Brownfield
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HULA HOOP WINNERS—The Harvest Days Hula Hoop Contest ended in a tie Saturday afternoon, with Rubie Sanchez (left) and Sage Black continuing their gyrations for over 10 minutes. Other competitors were Jacy Black and Anna Brockman. Each participant was awarded a Beanie Baby by Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava. The Chamber sponsored the event. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Naz runners take second in Plainview

The Nazareth Swiftettes placed two runners among the top 10 and their finishes boosted the team to a second-place team finish in the Plainview Invitational.

Danette Ramaekers posted the second-best time in the meet, finishing in 13:49 to lead her team. Erica Gerber was seventh for the Swiftettes, recording a time of 14:19.

Others joining the varsity squad in the effort were Lindsey K. Gerber, 17th, 14:43; Sara Schulte, 31st, 15:05; Stephanie Thiel, 38th, 15:17; Mandy Hoelting, 39th, 15:18; Whitney Hoelting, 49th, 15:37; and Teri Ramaekers, 55th, 15:46.

In the varsity boys' race, Trinity Robb finished 11th with a time of 19:29. Quentin Jones was 37th in 21:00 and Craig Birkenfeld was 39th in 21:04.

The junior varsity Swiftettes also finished second overall in the track meet, with Cassie Birkenfeld leading the effort with a ninth-place finish in 15:19. Rounding out the JV team were Marsha Black, 17th, 15:32; Mikki Huguley, 22nd, 15:45; Lesley Brockman, 28th, 15:58; Elizabeth Olvera, 30th, 16:00; Lindsay M. Gerber, 35th, 16:06; and Wendy Black, 55th, 16:40.

Nazareth's junior high girls also ran in the Plainview meet, with Jackie Thiel placing third in 15:09. Kim Brockman was the second-best runner for the Swiftettes, posting a time of 15:45 for ninth place. Others placing were Kelsey Hochstein, 36th, 17:24; Tanya Herring, 46th, 17:42; and Jamie Black, 57th, 18:02. Other runners on the team were Keli Schulte, Veronica Rodriguez, Jamie Birkenfeld, Sara Ellison, Cassie Price, Jenna Acker, Kelsey Kleman and Rebecca Olvera.

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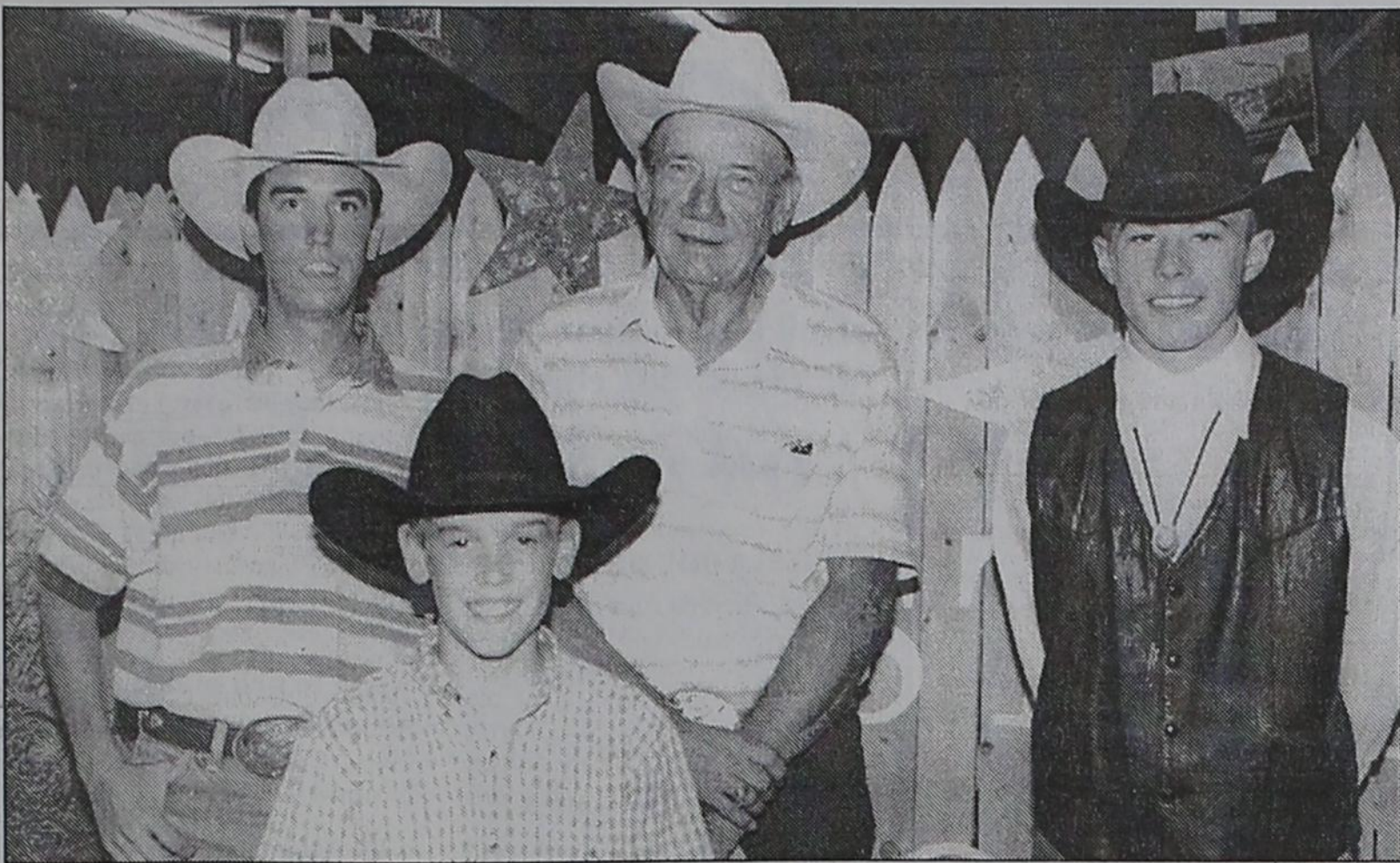
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TOP FIDDLERS—First place winners in the Fiddlers Contest in Dimmitt Saturday are (front) Justin Williams, age 12 and under division; and (back, from left) Cory Williams, age 19-40 division, Weldon Turpin, age 41 and up division, and Adam Inmon, age 13-18 division. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Harvest Days Fiddlers Contest winners listed

Winners were named in four age divisions at the Harvest Days Fiddlers Contest Saturday at the Expo building in Dimmitt.

In the under age 12 and under division, Justin Williams of Kress took first place in a repeat of his last year's victory, winning a cash award of \$25. Second place went to Victoria Pate of Amarillo, who received a prize of \$20. Cailee Gilbreath of Dimmitt, the only local entrant, took

second place honors and a prize of \$15.

In the age 13-18 division, Adam Inmon of Dumas took first place, with a cash prize of \$75; and Carla Archibeque of Dumas won second place and \$50.

Cory Williams of Kress was the only entrant in the age 19-40 division, and was judged worthy of first place and a \$100 prize.

In the age 41 and up division, a

play-off was required for the judges to decide between eventual winner Weldon Turpin of Lubbock and second place winner Rodney Hinshaw of Mayhill, N.M. Their prizes were \$100 and \$75, respectively. Third place and a prize of \$50 went to Bobby McCall of Silverton.

Judges for the event were Blackie Foster of Amarillo, and Jim Elliott and Cal Tipple, both of Clovis, N.M.

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

A hamburger cookout was held Sunday evening at the Nazareth Community Hall for Father Jerry Stein, who will be taking a medical retirement.

A large number of parishioners enjoyed visiting, and eating hamburgers, homemade ice cream and cookies. Thanks to the Parish Council, which sponsored the event.

A bridal shower honoring Kandal Derrick of Canyon, bride-elect of Justin Wethington, was held Saturday morning at the home of Lou Wethington. Many relatives and friends attended. Among the guests attending were Kandal's mother, Trudy Derrick of Canyon; her grandmother, Lois Hollingsworth of Canyon; her aunts, Ruby Walker and Pat Bryant, both of Hereford; Justin's mother, Joy Wethington; and his grandmother, Geraldine Nolen of Tulia.

here visiting the Huseman and Pohlmeier families over the Labor Day weekend. They live in Yukon, Okla.

A birthday party was held Saturday afternoon for 3-year-old Madison Hoelting at the home of Cory and Kimberly Hoelting in Tulia.

The big attraction was a green dragon pinata hanging from a tree in the back yard.

Attending were grandparents Jim and Sandee Hoelting, Leonard and Charlotte Fields of Amarillo, along with many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Prayers are asked for Marvin Jones, Florine Brockman, Lori Huseman, Leonard Gerber, Sue Schneider, Trey Johnson, Anna Huseman Lee, Melanie Wilhelm and Leonard Wilhelm.

likely serve as excellent blackmail material for many years to come.

Class members in attendance included Dale Birkenfeld and Brad Kleman of Nazareth; Curtis Durbin of Dimmitt; Jennifer (Brockman) Sperry of Canyon; Stephanie (Brockman) Behrends of Amarillo; Wendal Huseman, Lee Kleman and Kyle Schilling, all of Dumas; Tom Cobb and Howie Mosier of Fort Worth; Brian Klein of Greenville; Calvin Lange of Silverton; Shana (Birkenfeld) Hutchins of College Station; and Tammy Drerup of Houston.

Trent Johnson of Amarillo later joined the group for Sunday's festivities.

A big thanks to Joe and Imogene for offering their home, hospitality, culinary talents and precious time; and to Brad and Lee, not to mention their spouses, for all of the fantastic planning.

A bridal shower honoring Toni Jo Bailey of Amarillo, bride-elect of Michael Hochstein, was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Carol Kern. Many relatives and friends attended. Special guests attending were Toni's mother, Kathy Bailey of Amarillo; her grandmother, Pat Burns of Amarillo; and Michael's mother, Catherine Hochstein.

A 50th wedding anniversary celebration for Henry (Hank) and Evelyn (Braddock) Rossi of Tulia was held Saturday evening beginning with mass in Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia with Father John Salazar presiding. He gave such a meaningful homily during the mass. They also renewed their marriage vows.

Ten years after heading their separate ways in search of fame and fortune, 15 members of the Nazareth High School Class of 1989 returned to Nazareth recently for their 10-year reunion and the Labor Day holiday.

Unofficial class sponsors Joe and Imogene Drerup graciously volunteered to host the group at their home, preparing a delicious hamburger lunch and a steak supper.

In addition to good food, class members enjoyed revisiting the past and catching up on the present while sharing such items as farming/family planning techniques, gravy recipes and other assorted stories that will

Country Peddler Show is slated in Lubbock Sept. 24-26

The Country Peddler Show will be held in Lubbock Sept. 24-26 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Admission costs \$4 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens. Children under 12 are admitted free.

Show hours will be from 4 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sept. 25, and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sept. 26.

A reception was held at the Tulia VFW Hall with a great number of relatives and friends attending. Everyone enjoyed visiting with the Rossi children and their families including Libby and Rick Howard and Peggy and Brian Pohlmeier, all of Plainview; Roxanne and Anthony Ledwig of Amarillo; Susan and Cliff Britten of Groom; Denise and Carroll Gerber of Nazareth; Kathy and Mike Smith of Amarillo; Larry and Carissa Rossi of Plainview; Stephen Rossi of Amarillo; and Terry Rossi of Oklahoma City, Okla. A special guest was Andrea Beaver of New Zealand, who was the Rossi's foreign exchange student in 1977.



Funeral mass for Lloyd Bonds was held recently in Dumas at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Lloyd is a brother-in-law of Helen Backus and Marie Venhaus. Those attending from Nazareth were Evelyn Backus, Robert and Mary Verkamp, Dickie and Bernice Hoelting, Hubert and Joan Backus and Catherine Huseman.

Ralph, Emaline and Melissa Pohlmeier and a friend, Ashley, were

A KARAOKE HIT—Ashley Castaneda, 6, of Dimmitt, sings a song in Spanish with prompting from her great-aunt, Linda Martinez. The Karaoke sing-along was a part of Harvest Days activities Saturday. Photo by Linda Maxwell

What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Sept. 16-24.

DIMMITT Breakfast

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh bananas and milk.

FRIDAY: Pancake on a stick with sausage, pineapple juice and milk.

MONDAY: Raisin toast, fruit cocktail and milk.

TUESDAY: Corn Pops cereal, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Fresh donuts, orange wedges, and milk.

THURSDAY: Corn Flakes cereal, grape juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Breakfast burrito, fresh banana and milk.

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, mixed vegetables, honeydew melon, jalapeno peppers and milk.

FRIDAY: Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, potato wedges, apple slices and milk.

MONDAY: Hoagie submarine sandwich, savory green beans, fruit cocktail, relish cup and milk.

TUESDAY: Italian spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic bread and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Steak fingers, French fries, pineapple sunset salad, hot rolls and milk.

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, Mexipinto beans, plums, jalapeno peppers and milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken enchiladas, refried beans, Fideo Mexicano and milk.

Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of nachos with cheese, barbecued chicken or fruit and cheese plate; vegetable medley, potato salad or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, haystack finger salad or honeydew melon; hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, red beans and rice or enchiladas; potato wedges, corn on the cob or refried beans; tossed salad, fresh spinach salad or apple slices; cornbread, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

MONDAY: Choice of hoagie submarine sandwich, western burger or beef taco; mashed potatoes, baked potatoes or savory green beans; hamburger salad, taco condiment salad or honeydew melon; hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice or corn tortilla; chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of Italian spaghetti, fajitas with sauteed onions or poor boy beef steak; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or butter beans; tossed salad, orange wedges or potato salad; garlic bread, hot wheat rolls or flour tortillas; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of steak fingers, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; hot rolls, Arroz

Mexicano or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of nachos with cheese, grilled, chopped steak or beef stir fry; Chinese-style vegetables, Lyonaise carrots or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, cantaloupe or plums; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls or Spanish rice; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of chicken enchilada, Chinese chicken plate or fish nuggets; baked potato, tomato and okra gumbo or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or fruited gelatin; hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

HART Breakfast

THURSDAY: Sausage, biscuits, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Biscuits, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers, raisins and milk.

MONDAY: Breakfast pizza, waffles, sausage, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast burrito with salsa, cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Pancake and chicken breakfast stick, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

THURSDAY: Breakfast pizza, cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

FRIDAY: Biscuits, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers, raisins and milk.

Elementary Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, hamburger with potato chips or barbecued beef on a roll; salad, dill pickles, gelatin dessert, mixed fruit, Longhorn cookie and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of spaghetti and meat sauce or hamburger with potato chips; toast, salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, corn dog or chicken fajita, carrot sticks, salad, refried beans, fresh fruit, peanut butter bars and milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich with chips or pork chop; mashed potatoes, wheat rolls, gravy, carrot sticks, Italian green beans, cherry crisp and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of burrito, chicken sandwich with chips or pizza; green beans, gelatin dessert, peaches, salad, cake with cherry topping and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich with chips, ham sandwich or chicken nuggets; gravy, mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, green beans, wheat rolls, cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich with chips, hot dog on a bun with chili or chili; cornbread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk.

Junior High/High School Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, hamburger

with potato chips or barbecued beef on a roll; salad, dill pickles, gelatin dessert, mixed fruit, Longhorn cookie and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of spaghetti and meat sauce or hamburger and potato chips; toast, salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, corn dog or chicken fajitas; carrot sticks, salad, refried beans, fresh fruit, peanut butter bars and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich with chips or pork chop; mashed potatoes, wheat rolls, gravy, carrot sticks, Italian green beans, cherry crisp and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of burrito, chicken sandwich with chips or pizza; macaroni and cheese, green beans, gelatin dessert, peaches, salad, cake with cherry topping and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich with chips, ham sandwich or chicken nuggets; gravy, mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, green beans, wheat rolls, cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich with chips or hot dog on a bun; pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles; peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH Breakfast

THURSDAY: Sausage and pancake on a stick, cereal, juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Breakfast taco, cereal, juice and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon roll or blueberry muffin, cereal, orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Sausage or Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Waffle and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

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

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

Lunch

THURSDAY: * Frito pie or pizza, cornbread, tossed salad, rice pilaf, fruit cocktail, pudding and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Chicken spaghetti and biscuit or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad, corn, applesauce, dessert and milk or juice.

MONDAY: * Nachos with rolls or corn dog, tossed salad, green beans, pears, dessert and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: * Chicken pot pie or pizza, tossed salad, carrots and peas, fruit, dessert and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: * Burrito or baked potato with chili, tossed salad, Spanish rice, strawberries, peanut butter chews and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: * Chicken fried steak with roll or pizza, tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, peaches, dessert and milk.

FRIDAY: * Beef taco or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, applesauce, cookies and milk.

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

Most common form of cancer in men today is prostate cancer

The American Cancer Society estimates that 184,500 new cases of prostate cancer are diagnosed annually in the United States, and that 39,200 men die from the disease each year.

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death after lung cancer in American men, according to Dr. Leon Joplin of the Castro County Hospital District.

"Most men are not aware that this is the most common male cancer," Dr. Joplin said.

Men over 40 should have a checkup annually. A simple blood test, called the PSA test, is the best tool currently available for detecting prostate cancer in its earliest and

most curable stages. Since prostate cancer usually progresses slowly and produces no symptoms in its initial stages, early testing can be a lifesaver. Warning signs may include difficult, painful or frequent urination.

The American Cancer Society recommends that men have an annual, digital rectal exam beginning at age 40. In addition, men 50 years and older should have an annual PSA blood test.

Prostate cancer will affect one in 17 men and is the leading cause of cancer death among men. According

to the American Cancer Society, 80% of men diagnosed with prostate cancer survive at least five years after diagnosis, and 63% survive 10 years. If the cancer is discovered while still localized, the five-year relative survival rate (a measure used to monitor persons who are living five years after diagnosis) is nearly 100%.

About 58% of prostate cancers are discovered at this stage.

Just because everything seems okay does not necessarily mean that it is. Having an annual exam could be the wisest thing you do this year.

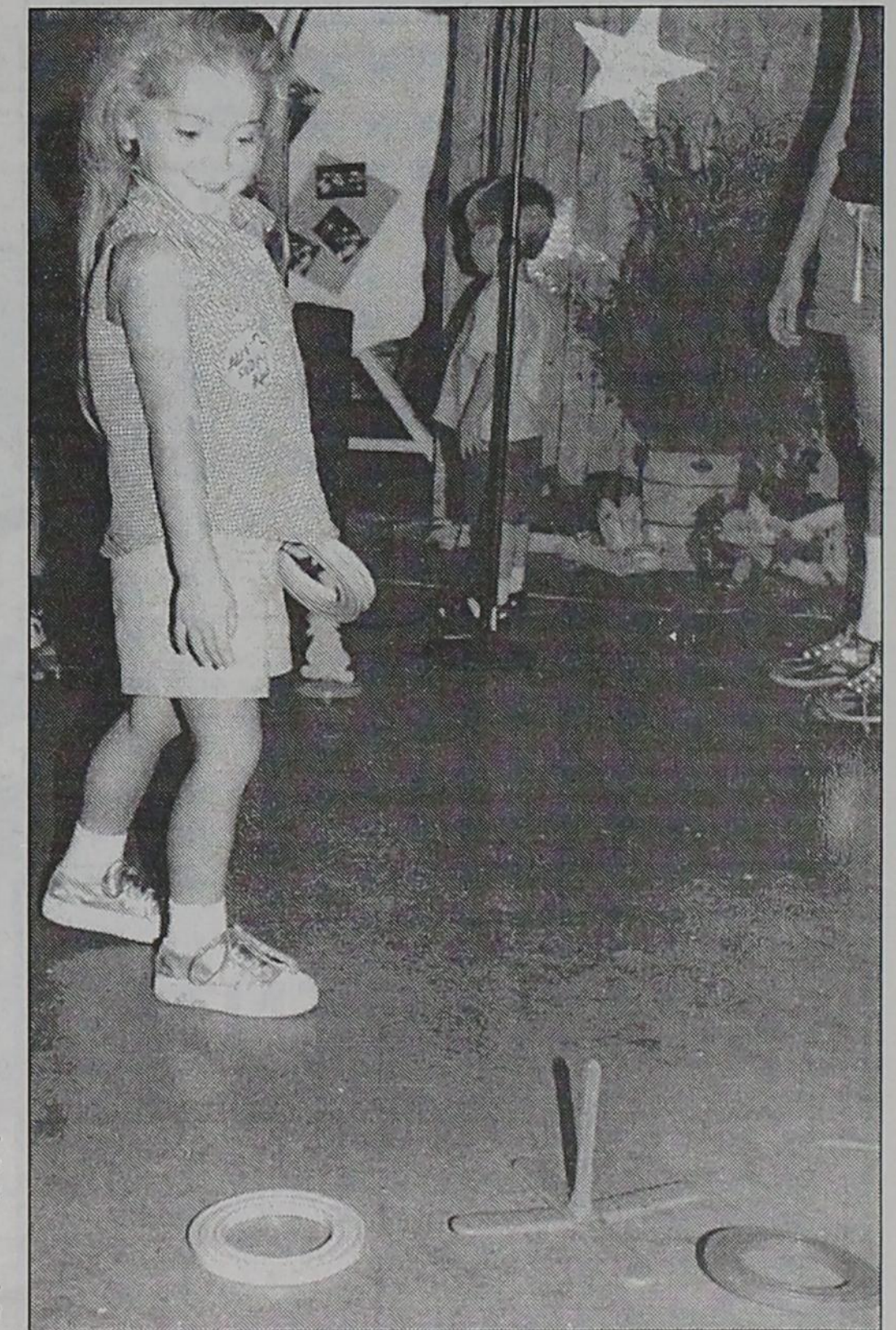
Breast cancer screening slated Oct. 7

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic Oct. 7 at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 W. Halsell in Dimmitt.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-377-4673 or 806-356-1905.

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20—Help Wanted

CASTRO COUNTY is now taking applications for experienced road maintainer for Precinct 2. Applications may be obtained at the Castro County Treasurer's office and may be submitted until Sept. 17, 1999, at 5 p.m. Castro County is an equal opportunity employer. 20-23-2tc

20—Help Wanted

TRUCK DRIVER WANTED, good pay and benefits. Tanker experience necessary. CDL required. Must be insurable, with good driving record. Call 364-7170 or 364-7597, nights. 20-24-2tc

HELP WANTED FOR HARVEST—Experienced tractor or truck driver needed for corn and cotton harvest. 647-4749. 20-24-2tc

NEED EXPERIENCED WELDERS, excellent pay and benefits. Call or apply in person at Dimmitt Welding and Electric, E. Highway 86, 647-3128. 20-24-2tc

22—Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 647-2577. 22-22-5tc

PUBLIC SALE—Commercial vegetable processing and flash freeze equipment. For details, contact Jay Gibbs at (817) 861-3633. 22-24-1tc

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Obituaries

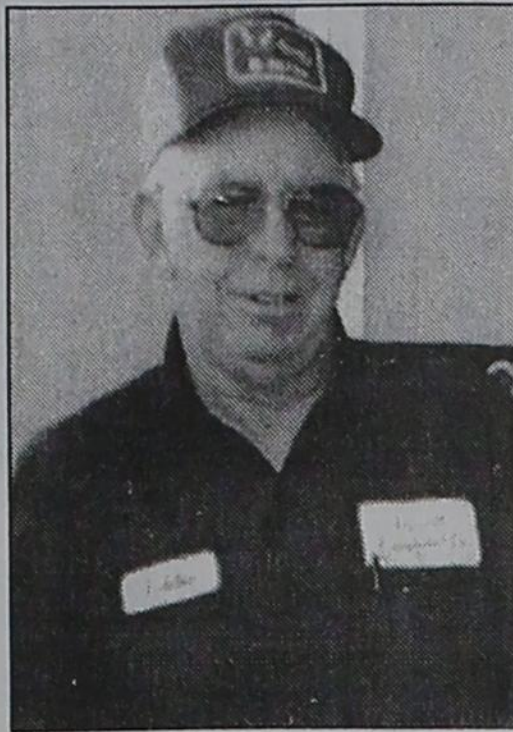
Wayne Henderson

Wayne Henderson, 73, of Plainview, a longtime farmer and rancher in the Dimmitt area, died last Wednesday, Sept. 8.

Graveside services were held Saturday afternoon in the Paducah Garden of Memories at Paducah with the Rev. James Hooper, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Paducah.

Mr. Henderson was born in Cottle County. He married Nola Mae Britton in 1948 at Paducah. He farmed and ranched for 20 years in Dimmitt, Olton and Edmonson. He later operated a crop dusting service in Dumas before moving to Plainview in 1980. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the Navy. He was a member of the Plainview Masonic Lodge Scottish Rite Consistory.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Roger Henderson of Slaton; a daughter, Cynthia Carter of Amarillo; three brothers, Elvie Henderson of Floydada, Charlie Henderson of Kerrville and Jack Henderson of Baytown; two sisters, Geneva Metcalf of Iowa Park and Gwen Oram of Abernathy; and four grandchildren.



Eddie Campbell

Services for Eddie Campbell, 57, of Dimmitt, will be held at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Wayne Mullin, pastor of the God of Prophecy Church in Amarillo, officiating. Burial will follow in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Campbell died at 11:12 p.m. Monday at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

He was born June 18, 1942, in Las Animas, Colo. He married Linda Yates on March 11, 1961, in Dimmitt.

He was raised in Larned, Kan., and he attended schools there. He moved to Dimmitt in 1961. He worked for Dimmitt Equipment Co., for 32 years. He was a member of the Church of God in Hereford. He also attended the Church of God of Prophecy in Dimmitt for several years.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Alford Campbell, in April 1999.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Susan Venhaus of Dimmitt; a son, Bobby Campbell of Canyon; a brother, Ronnie Campbell of Ellendale, North Dakota; three step-brothers, Gerald Love of Dimmitt, Alvie Love of Boise City, Okla., and Elver Love of Amarillo; a sister, Janet Leingang of Dimmitt; and five grandchildren.

High School, then worked his way through the University of Texas, where he earned a bachelor of arts degree. He also attended the UT School of Law.

He married Alice Hamilton on March 11, 1939, in Austin.

He was a public school teacher and administrator for several years at Comanche and Baird, and later became a supervisor for the US Dept. of Agriculture, managing one of the nation's first migrant labor camps.

During World War II, he served as an area supervisor for the War Price Administration at College Station.

He and his wife moved to Dimmitt in December 1947 with their young son, Joey, and he joined Swain Burkett, a former UT schoolmate, in the abstract business here.

In 1948 he opened his own insurance agency, and also became a partner with N. L. Wesson in the real estate business. In 1949 he established his own real estate, insurance and loan business on the south side of the courthouse square, and continued in business there until 1977.

He served as Dimmitt's mayor and as president of the Chamber of Commerce, the Dimmitt Lions Club and the Parent-Teacher Association. He was the county Democratic Party chairman for many years and also served as a district executive committeeman. He was a charter member of the Presbyterian Church of Dimmitt.

He was known as an eloquent public speaker and humorist.

Through action by his fellow Lions Club members, he was a Melvin Jones Fellow (life member) in Lions International.

He is survived by his wife, Alice, of the home; a son, Joseph H. Cowen of Beeville; two grandsons, Russell and Christopher Cowen; a brother, Judge Wilson Cowen of Washington, D.C., and a great-granddaughter.

Leonard E. Dollar

Leonard E. Dollar, 93, of Amarillo, former Castro County farmer, died Friday.

Graveside services were held Tuesday morning in Llano Cemetery in Amarillo with the Rev. Dean Wynn, chaplain of Craig Methodist Retirement Center, officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mr. Dollar was born in Iredell. He was a lifetime resident of the Texas Panhandle and was a retired farmer from Castro County.

Survivors include three daughters, Brenda Allen of Anchorage, Alaska, Pamela Rush of Lynden, Wash., and Betty Dollar of Oklahoma City; a son, Monty Dollar of Temple; a brother, Harrell Dollar of Lockney; a

sister, Lela Taack of Plainview; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be to Gideons International, PO Box 2304, Amarillo 79105.

Jennifer Roberson

Services for Jennifer Kay Roberson, 30, of Lubbock, former Dimmitt resident, were held Monday afternoon at First Progressive Baptist Church in Lubbock with the Rev. Homer Avery officiating.

Burial followed in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

A wake was held Sunday evening in the Tull Thornton Jr. Chapel at Brock's South Plains Funeral Directors.

Miss Roberson died Tuesday at Covenant Medical Center.

She was born Jan. 20, 1969, in Lubbock. She attended schools in Lubbock and Dimmitt. She later received her GED and a certificate in office skills from St. Marcus Job Corps. She attended Agape Church of God in Christ.

Survivors include her son, Christopher Ray Roberson of Lubbock; two sisters, Paula Marie Roberson and Lakila Deon Roberson, both of Lubbock; and a half-sister, Mechai Roberson of Dimmitt.

Billy Williams

Graveside services for Billy Williams, 44, of Crosbyton, the brother of a Dimmitt woman, were held Friday morning at Crosbyton Cemetery with Rev. Billy Joe Wiley officiating.

Burial was under direction of Adams Funeral Home of Crosbyton.

Mr. Williams died Sept. 7 at Covenant Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 9, 1955, in Crosbyton.

He worked for Crosby County Pump Co. for 29 years. He was a lifelong resident of Crosbyton.

Survivors include three daughters, Erica, Lisa and Rose, all of Crosbyton; his mother, Delores of Crosbyton; eight brothers, Bobby Joe and Johnny, both of Crosbyton, Willie of Garland, Roy, Otis and Gregory, all of Sweetwater, and Dale and Paul, both of Columbus, Ga.; seven sisters, Annie Williams, Roxie Elliott, Donna Williams and Shirley Hightower, all of Lubbock, Linda McCoy of Sweetwater, Lois Fleaks of Dimmitt, and Martha Potts of San Antonio.

Cork is made from the extremely thick outer bark of the oak tree.

A full stomach can hold about 2 and one half pints.



BEST GROOMED PET at the Harvest Days Pet Show was Jett, a Yorkshire terrier belonging to Chrissy Milloy of Dimmitt.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

23—Lost & Found

LOST during Harvest Days, a lady's yellow gold watch with sets in case and band. Call 647-2575 or return to News office. Reward. 23-24-1tc

24—Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the merchants who donated items to be given to the people attending the Castro County Early Settlers Reunion Saturday during Harvest Days. They are: Harman's Department Store, AgriFarm Industries, LLC, Texas Corn Producers, Terra International, First United Bank, K-Bob's, Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, Texas Corn Growers and First Texas Federal Land Bank.

WADE & WALTER MAYNARD, Presidents 24-24-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

The Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club would like to say thank you to the following for making the Varsity and Junior Varsity floats in the Harvest Days Parade a success: E.M. Jones, Rick Wright, Harold Hyman, David Allison, Steve Buckley, and the Dimmitt First United Methodist Church. DIMMITT ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB 24-24-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends and neighbors: there aren't adequate words to express our thanks to you all for everything that was done for us during the illness and loss of our husband, dad and granddad. The prayers, food, flowers, calls and visits meant so much to us. Thanks also to everyone for the donations to the mission fund. THE FAMILY OF BUTCH STRICKLAND 24-24-1tc

25—Legal Notices

BID NOTICE

The Commissioner's Court of Castro County will accept bids on 2 (two) new vehicles to be used by the Castro County Sheriff's Office on Oct. 11, 1999, beginning at 9 a.m. during Commissioner's Court.

Bids should be submitted in the following manner:

Bid for the outright purchase of 2 (two) Factory Police Interceptors. Bids should include the price with and without the trade-in of 1 (one) 1993 Ford Crown Victoria.

Vehicle offered for trade-in can be seen at the Castro County Courthouse by contacting the Castro County Sheriff's Office.

Bid specifications may be obtained at the Castro County Sheriff's Office from the Sheriff or at the Office of the County Judge. Any other information may be obtained by contacting Sheriff CD Fitzgerald at the Castro County Sheriff's Office at (806) 647-3311 or (806) 647-4611.

Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities.

IRENE MILLER, Castro County Judge 25-23-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The undersigned hereby gives notice of application to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, Texas, for a Private Club Permit Renewal to be located at FM 2392 So. Side .9 mile W. Hwy. 385, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. Said business to be operated under the name of Country Club of Dimmitt/Private Club, Inc.

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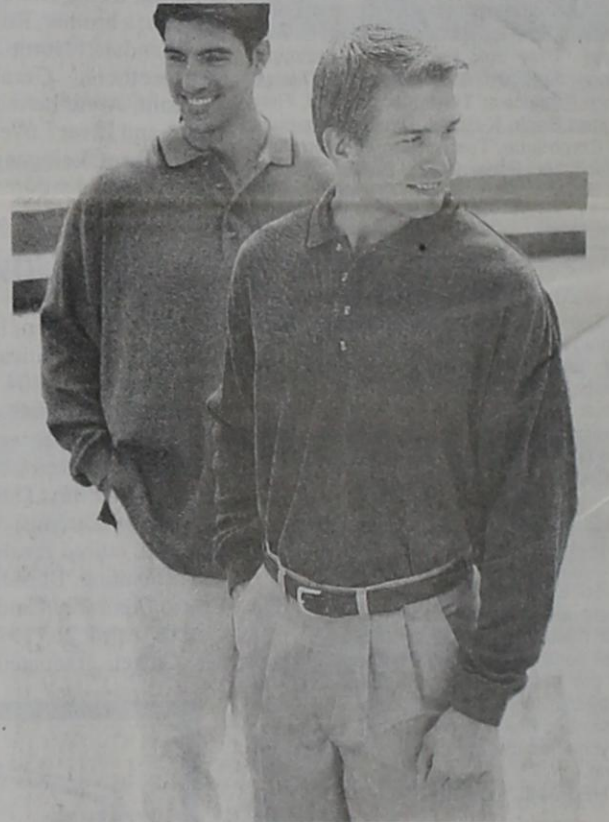


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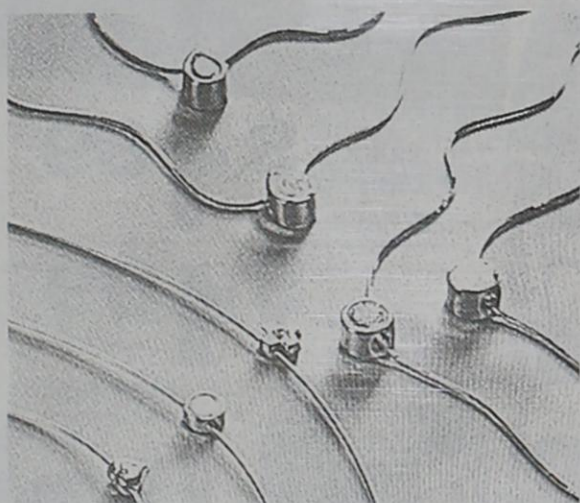


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