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## 98 seniors to graduate from DHS, NHS Friday

Seniors in Dimmitt and Nazareth High School's will see their high school career's come to a close Friday night when they walk across the stage to accept diplomas during commencement exercises.

Dimmitt High School will graduate 78 seniors Friday at 8 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium.

Nazareth High School's 20 seniors will graduate at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Swift Field.

In case of inclement weather, Dimmitt will hold its commencement at the DHS Auditorium and Nazareth will hold its ceremonies in the school cafeteria.

Honor graduates include Colby McDaniel, DHS valedictorian with a 3.71 grade-point average (GPA); and Angela Fortenberry, NHS valedictorian with a 3.87 GPA. Salutatorians are Dimmitt's Joshua Roberts, 3.67 GPA; and Nazareth's Margie Durbin, 3.74 GPA.

Dimmitt's senior class officers are Conrado Saucedo, president; Emily Roberson, vice president; Kimberley Proffitt, secretary; Lindsey Garza, treasurer; and Alka Patel, reporter.

Nazareth's senior class officers include Heather Braddock, president; Nicholas Gerber, vice president; Nathan Hoelting, secretary; and Shawn Pohlmeier, treasurer.

Andrew Teaschner will offer the invocation at Dimmitt's commencement ceremony and Tawnee Matthews will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The Salutatory Address will be offered by Roberts and McDaniel will give the Valedictory Address.

Alex Perez will recite his poem, *The Way I See Things*.

Dimmitt Supt. Les Miller will

present the class for graduation, then Steve Buckley, president of the school board, will present diplomas.

Maria Garcia will give the benediction.

The invocation to open Nazareth's commencement exercises will be offered by Father Jerry Stein.

### Congratulations to the graduating Class of 1997!

Salute to the Seniors in Section B of this issue.

Durbin will give the Salutatory Address, followed by Fortenberry's Valedictory Address.

Max Ellison will give a special presentation.

Perch Bridges will give the commencement address.

Nazareth Supt. N. Dean Johnson will present scholarships and awards, then Principal Don Wood and David Olvera will award diplomas.

Father Stein will offer the benediction.



**TUESDAY ACCIDENT SCENE**—Paramedic Rita McDaniel and emergency medical technician Jason Jackson administer to 13-year-old Aaron Saenz at the scene of a one-vehicle accident on US 385, 10 miles north of Dimmitt Tuesday afternoon. In background, EMT Sal Ortiz checks another of the car's four occupants. The Ford Mustang left the highway

along a curve, impacted with a bar ditch and came to rest upright in a cotton field south of the pavement. Saenz and his mother, Elizabeth, both were taken by ambulance to Plains Memorial Hospital, where they were treated and released.

Photo by Don Nelson

## Memorial Day events to honor veterans

Veterans will be remembered this weekend as VFW and American Legion posts around the county plan special activities for Memorial Day.

A chili cook-off, dance, flag raising ceremony and breakfast will highlight events at VFW Post 8056 in Dimmitt over Memorial Day weekend.

The dance will be held Friday night, then the chili cook-off will be held Saturday. Both events will be held at the VFW Post Home. Then on Monday, the post plans a flag raising and breakfast to honor veterans on Memorial Day.

Hart American Legion will hold its annual Memorial Day program Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Hart Cemetery.

Nazareth American Legion will remember veterans at a special mass Monday at 7:15 a.m. at Holy Family Church, then will hold special services at the cemetery. A memorial service honoring veterans who have died in the past year will be held in conjunction with the annual breakfast.

### Dimmitt

The Dimmitt VFW will hold a dance held Friday from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. and members and guests are invited to attend. A chili cooks' party also has been planned in conjunction with the dance.

This year's chili cook-off should be a big one, with 25 cooks already signed up to compete. The cook-off on Saturday will begin with a cooks' meeting at 9 a.m. and all those planning to participate in the cook-off must attend.

The cook-off will feature chili, chicken, ribs, brisket and beans, and cooks may enter any or all categories.

Entry fee for the chili cook-off is \$17 and the prepared food must be turned in to judges by 2 p.m.

Entry fees for chicken, pork spare ribs and brisket are \$20 for each meat. Chicken must be ready for judges by 12 noon, ribs are due at 1 p.m. and brisket will be due by 3 p.m. Entry fee for those cooking beans will be \$5 and the finished food must be turned in to judges by

2:30 p.m.

All meats must be cooked outside, on site and from scratch. No contest cooking will be allowed before 6 p.m. on Friday.

The event offers a 100% payback and is WTBA sanctioned. The chili cook-off will be conducted under CASI rules.

Proceeds from the event will benefit VFW charities.

For more information, contact Marshall Young at 647-2328 or 647-3736; or Ben Aleman at 647-2515.

On Monday (Memorial Day) the local chapter of the Boy Scouts will conduct flag raising ceremonies at the VFW Hall beginning at 7 a.m.

A breakfast for all members and guests will be served prior to the flag raising.

The Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery Association will hold its annual business meeting Monday at 10 a.m. at the cemetery.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be moved to Dimmitt City Hall.

### Hart

The Hart American Legion plans to begin its Memorial Day program at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Hart Cemetery with the presentation of the colors by the color guard.

Jerry Jansa will then sing the *National Anthem*, and Greg

Kennedy, pastor of the Hart First United Methodist Church, will give

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## Kerrville man found dead

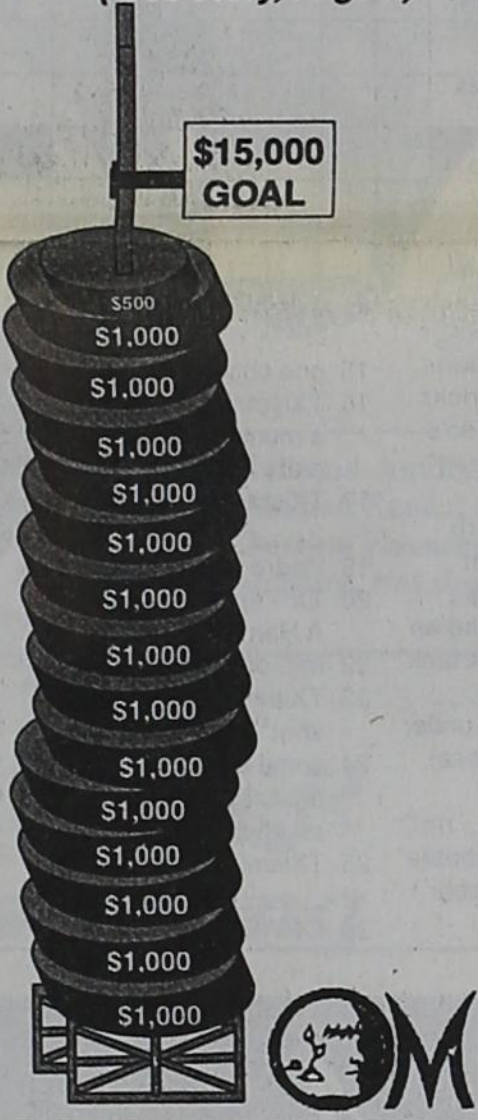
Frederick Earl Johnson, 69, of Kerrville, was found dead Monday morning in a travel trailer parked at the Dimmitt VFW RV park. His death has been attributed to coronary arterial sclerosis, according to the preliminary autopsy report released by Castro County Justice of the Peace Marshall Young.

Young said the time of death was sometime between May 9, when the man was last seen, and Monday when the body was discovered.

Sheriff's deputies were called to the VFW to investigate the trailer, since no one had been seen around it for several days. Sheriff CD Fitzgerald said there were absolutely no indications of foul play, and the trailer was still locked from the inside.

Fitzgerald said Johnson's family has been notified. Papers and other items in the trailer indicated that the man was a retired school teacher. Fitzgerald said Johnson's wife said she had expected him back home the latter part of last week after he had made a trip to Denton to get his travel trailer worked on.

\$14,500 raised so far in funds and pledges (See story, Page 2)



## 1:1

By Don Nelson

After we put the graduation section to press Saturday, I needed a break before jumping into this week's "regular" issue.

Verbie and I headed east Sunday with our minds focused on a common mission: to wet a hook at Lake Theo, at the Caprock Canyons State Park near Quitaque.

Instead of taking the direct route—Highway 86 east to the stoplight at Quitaque—we went by way of Plainview (to get her fishing license, which we had forgotten to do).

Taking that detour turned out to be a heady decision.

From Plainview we went on to Lockney, then took State 97 east to FM 1065, which runs north to Quitaque.

You wouldn't believe the profusion of wildflowers we saw along that little two-lane farm road when we reached the Caprock breaks.

The roadside was covered with yellow daisies and bright rust-colored Indian blankets (another form of daisy), along with purple lupine, buttercups, foxtail and several others that have unpronounceable Latin names.

It was breathtaking.

That area obviously got even more rain than we did during April. Seldom were we out of sight of at least two playa lakes. Most of the lakes were the color of mud, but many were clear, having formed on top of tall pasture grass.

It was downright marshy.

We saw cattle standing knee-deep in water, munching on the taller shoots around them.

There are both pasturing and cow-calf operations in that area, and the cattle—mostly Angus and black baldies—are uniformly fat and sleek. The wheat is full height and appears to be a couple of weeks ahead of ours.

We got blown off of the lake. It was too windy for a boat, and too shallow and weedy around the edges for good shoreline fishing.

But no matter. The wildflower experience was worth the trip.

We took the direct route home, with a detour to look over Lake Mackenzie near Silverton.

There aren't nearly as many wild-

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## Weather

	High	Low	Pr.	Tr.
Thursday .....	73	53	...	03
Friday .....	76	50	...	51
Saturday .....	80	51	...	51
Sunday .....	87	54	...	50
Monday .....	92	50	...	21
Tuesday .....	52	44	...	21
Wednesday .....	66	51	...	Tr.

May Moisture ..... 0.74  
1997 Moisture ..... 5.36  
Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.



**A RIDE FOR CHARITY**—Four Englishmen came through Dimmitt last Thursday on their way to complete a bicycle trek across the US. (From left) Graham Spurr, Mike Prendergast, Clive Carrington and Keith Dawson are spending their four-week "holi-

day" raising money for purchase of home infusion pumps for Scarborough Hospital's Children's Ward in Cayton, England. In front is their mascot "Suzy the Sheep."

Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Englishmen riding across US for charity

The US is not the only country where people hold fund-raisers for others less fortunate than themselves.

Four Englishmen came through Dimmitt last Thursday. Two of the men, Clive Carrington and Mike Prendergast, are riding bicycles from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C., in an effort to raise approximately \$30,000 for the children's ward of the Scarborough Hospital in Cayton, England. The other two, Graham Spurr and Keith Dawson, are the support team, driving an RV along for sleeping and eating quarters.

The two bikers underwent training for almost a year to get into shape for the arduous task of riding the estimated 125 miles per day it will take to complete the ride in the time allotted. The four collected pledges and funds before beginning the trip. All travel expenses have been paid by the men out of their own pockets.

Keeping them company on the trip is their mascot, "Suzy the Sheep," a child's rocking toy that was donated back to the team at a fund raising auction on the condition that it accompany them on the trip. The four are taking video footage of the trip, showing "Suzy" at the various stops along the way.

The four said the best part of the

trip has been meeting the "generous American people."

"Everyone we have met has been very, very kind," Spurr said. "Even the poor people we have seen. Everyone is always waving at us."

Spurr said he had been to Florida before, but it was "very commercialized." None of the others have been to the US before. Carrington's brother lives in Washington, D.C., where he works for the "Washington Free Post," and the group will conclude the trip there.

The four men are employees of the firm that prints the "Sunday Times Magazine," and they live in the area where Scarborough Hospital is located.

The funds they raise will be used to buy home infusion pumps for patients in the children's ward. The pumps will enable children to receive vital medical treatment at home on a regular basis, and thus avoid the distress of repeated admissions into the hospital, which in turn will provide the added bonus of releasing hospital beds for other needy children, according to a letter the men employed in their fund raising campaign.

"Our wives have been very understanding," Spurr said. He said every

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Photo by Don Nelson

**BILLIE MOYERS ACCEPTS 30-YEAR SERVICE PIN**  
... During DISD's annual Staff Appreciation Dinner at Expo Building



Photo by Don Nelson

**PAT EVAN RECEIVES 30-YEAR SERVICE PIN MONDAY NIGHT**  
... From School Board President Steve Buckley

# DISD employees are honored



**RETIREE HONORED**—On behalf of the Dimmitt Classroom Teachers Association, Vickie Richards (left) presents a retirement gift to Zetha Blackburn during the annual DISD Staff Appreciation Dinner Monday evening in the Expo Building. Blackburn, a Dimmitt native who teaches eighth grade English, is retiring after 30 years in the classroom, the last six of them here. Blackburn also received a bouquet from the school board.

Photo by Don Nelson

The Dimmitt School Board presented 60 service certificates and bonus checks to employees during the annual DISD Staff Appreciation Dinner Monday night at the Expo Building.

Honored were individuals who had completed 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years' service to the district, plus one retiring teacher and 26 who had perfect attendance at work during the school year.

School board members served employees, their spouses and guests a steak dinner prepared by the Methodist Men and the school district's food service staff.

Citing higher TAAS scores and other academic improvements this year, Supt. Les Miller told the district's employees, "You have made all the success stories we have had this year, and we've had plenty of them."

On a personal note, Miller said that he and his wife, Carla, "are entrusting you with our children. We have faith in your abilities to teach them properly. If we did not feel this way about the Dimmitt Independent School District, we would have found another place to live."

"You are very important in our family's lives," he said.

Zetha Blackburn, eighth grade English teacher who is retiring after 30 years in the classroom (the last six of them here), received a bouquet from the Classroom Teachers Association.

Receiving pins for attaining service milestones with the DISD were:

**30 YEARS:** Pat Evan and Billie Moyers.

**25 YEARS:** Polita Espinosa, Mary Helen Flores, Daisy Langford and Roxie Louder.

**20 YEARS:** Ruby Teaschner.

**15 YEARS:** Pat Bagley, Sandra Bagwell, Rachel Fuentes, Diane Gonzales, Mary Hunter and Irene Sepeda.

**10 YEARS:** Andrea Delacruz, Sylviana Flores, Debbie Harris, Diann Leatherwood, Gene Penney, Julia Turner and Cheryl Upshaw.

**5 YEARS:** Gumercindo Correa, R. L. Duke, Bertha Flores, Camarino Gamez, Lilly Garcia, Elvia Garza, Linda Langford, Irma Martinez, Jackie Odom, Jack Patton, Frances Purcell, Becky Ramos and Diane Snitker.

In presenting stipend checks for perfect attendance, Miller noted that when the incentive program was started three years ago, six employees went the full school year without missing a day of work. Last year the number was 12, and this year that number more than doubled.

# OM teams planning celebration May 31

The Dimmitt Odyssey of the Mind teams are very close to their goal of raising \$15,000 for their trip to the OM World Finals at the University of Maryland June 4-7, with at least \$14,500 in pledges and funds.

Their bake sale Saturday netted over \$590.

The team is continuing to collect aluminum cans, and is selling value discount cards and raffle tickets for a chance to win \$100 cash.

As a wrap up to the whole campaign, the teams are planning a celebration May 31, with the whole community invited.

A barbecue supper catered by Dyer's Barbecue of Amarillo will be served at the Expo Building, followed by a dance, with music provided by the band "Texas Country." Also, the winner of the raffle will be announced.

All ages are invited for an evening of fun for the whole family, an OM spokesperson said.

The event will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Cost of the meal will be \$5 for children 12 and under and senior citizens, and \$7 for over 12. Everyone is invited to attend the dance free of charge.

"We want to celebrate after all the hard work the teams have done in their fund raising efforts, and we're inviting the community since everyone has pitched in so willingly to help us," the spokesperson said.

The Dimmitt Middle School and Dimmitt High School structure

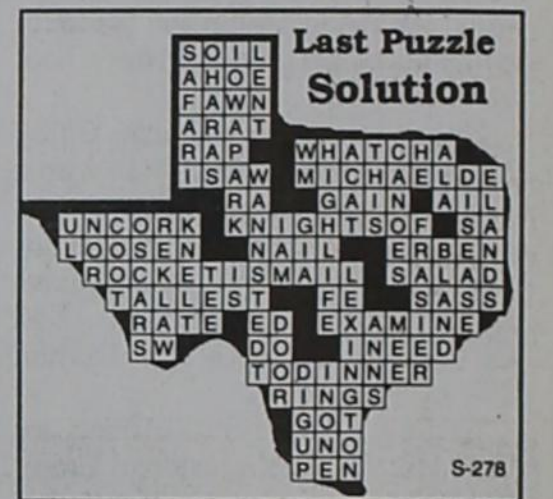
teams both won first in their divisions at the State OM competition to qualify for the World Finals.

Members of the DMS structure team are Daniel Proffitt, Kylie Webb, Lori Schulte, Josh Hardwick, and Cherie Norman. They are coached by Wayne and Paula Proffitt.

Members of the DHS team are Timothy Proffitt, Jeremy Matthews, Andy Hill, Jason Hargrove, Jason Hall, Michael Keith, and Jared Townsend. They are coached by Wayne Proffitt and Pat Keith.

The DMS Classics team placed fourth at state and will not advance, but they are helping with the fund raising efforts for the other two teams and may be contacted for raffle tickets, etc.

Team members are Cliff Wright, Alexis Proffitt, Rae Odom, Thomas Brockman, Jill Merritt, Ryan Hays and Kelsey Welch. They are coached by Kim Hays and Brenda Welch.



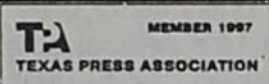
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- TXism: "couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ a drum" (loser)
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- TX Buddy Holly hit: "Peggy \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ as trying to rodeo on a rocking horse"
- \_\_\_\_\_ brush
- flightless birds not native to TX
- TXism: "you're dancing \_\_\_\_\_ field" (in danger)
- Australian bear at San Antonio Zoo
- Barry Switzer's pregame speech
- TX Sen. Gramm
- male writers from TX prisons
- TXism: "good many"
- Aikman exchange: forward \_\_\_\_\_
- C&W music medium
- TX Sam Bass was "Texas \_\_\_\_\_"
- for giving to the poor
- some Texans watch this company's TVs
- Bob Lilly's Cowboy position (abbr.)
- TXism: "he'd have \_\_\_\_\_ up to be a half wit" (dumb)
- Louisiana politics compared to TX

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- organ. for Rockets, Spurs & Mavericks
- San Antonio Zoo's star of "The Deep"
- Fort Worth northern suburb
- TX government workers (2 wds.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ like an anvil in a stock tank"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a bull" (worthless)
- Jo, TX
- TXism: "let '\_\_\_\_ rip!"
- TXism for "probable"
- UNT subject (abbr.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ rock, TX
- one chosen?
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a mummy's tomb" (very quiet)
- TXism: "let me chew \_\_\_\_\_ awhile"
- Padre Island commodity
- TX Trini's "If \_\_\_\_\_ A Hammer"
- init. of 27-across
- TXism: "within \_\_\_\_\_ shot" (nearby)
- some say JFK assassination was an elaborate \_\_\_\_\_
- TXism: "hot enough \_\_\_\_\_ mercury"
- C&W music label
- how racers travel around new Texas Motor Speedway
- ex-Cowboy QB Roger (init.)
- this TX Stucky sang "She Wakes Me Every Morning"
- avid fan of TX Roddenberry's sci-fi TV series
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# On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary held their annual Awards Brunch on Wednesday morning May 14 at the Rhoads Memorial Library. Mattie Seale presided over the business meeting and led in the Auxiliary prayer. Irene Blanton presented the awards. Gertie Waggoner, Lequetta West and Lois Waggoner were hostesses for the social hour. They served finger sandwiches, potato chips, cookies and punch. A'llan Bradley and Linda Rasor were the nurses present and Mrs. Bill Murphy was a guest.

Tricia Campbell of Lubbock spent Monday night with her grandmother, Olita Gollehon, observing a belated Mother's Day.

Edith Graef was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizen's Center, and she served a delicious Hawaiian wedding cake. Susie Reeves won high score and Alma Kenmore won second high score. Others playing were Emily Clingsmith, Bill Thornton, Loranel Hamilton, Helen Braafladt,

Louise Mears, Dude McLauren, Dugan Butler, Virginia Crider, Opha Burks, Cleo Forson, Neva Hickey, Elizabeth Huckabay and Carol Lantz.

Oleta Gollehon's grandson, Ron Rankin, of Amarillo received his Doctorate of Medicine Degree at the Lubbock Civic Center Friday, May 16. He will be on duty for family practice at the hospitals in Amarillo.

Ron's wife, Jeana, and all members of the family were there for the service. Ron's mother, Kathy (Gollehon) Poer, her husband, Johnny of Dallas, and his family from Abilene were there as well. Kathy enjoyed visiting her former Dimmitt classmate, Sherry (Lilley) Wilke, and Oleta enjoyed seeing Susan Hanners, a former Dimmitt resident. About 30 of Ron's relatives met at Harrigans for dinner after the service.

The graduating seniors were honored at the First Baptist Church on Sunday morning, May 18. The George Rasor family welcomed the guests and Tami Griffitt brought the children's message. David Schaeffer gave the invocation. Offertory prayer was given by Chad Ewing, and Crystal Stevens played the flute offertory "People Need the Lord." Dr. Gary Manning sang the special music as well as bringing the morn-

ing message: "Each Unique, All Alike." Zac Felts gave the benediction.

The Baptist Seniors are Mikel Atchley, Kevin Baldrige, Brad Beck, Chris Davis, Chad Ewing, Zak Felts, Jonathan Ivy, Asia Kirby, Jay McCormick, Cassie Owens, Brent Portwood, Kimberly Proffitt, Crystal Stevens and Mary Elizabeth Stiles.

The community-wide house warming for Jody and Laurie Watts was held on Sunday afternoon in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Many gifts were on display as well as a money basket. The centerpiece on the serving table was a beautiful, multi-colored flower arrangement with the napkins in all the colors of the flowers. Many kinds of cookies were served with punch to a large crowd.

Chad and Carla Humphrey are the proud parents of a baby boy, Quentin Douglas, who weighed 6 lbs. and 12 ozs., born May 16. Grandparents are Doug and Sheryl Pybus and Nell Humphrey. Great-grandparents are Dagwood Woods and Mrs. Greathouse.

Emily Clingsmith and Nell DiCuffa attended the graduating service for Mark Esche, the son of Vick and Ruthella (DiCuffa) Esche of San Angelo. Mark received his Doctorate of Medicine Degree at the Lubbock Civic Center last Friday. Approximately 100 received their degree. Mark will be doing his residency in Los Angeles, Calif. There were relatives as far away as Florida. The relatives enjoyed a dinner at the Holiday Inn following the service.

The Koffee Klatch ladies had a reunion at the home of Margaret Parsons recently. Fruit and cinnamon rolls and coffee were served and

cards for Ralph Lambright and Tina Rawlings were signed. Attending were Claudine Langford, Loranel Hamilton, Edith Graef, Barbara Sava, Avie Lewis, Geneva Justice, Deanne Clark, Margaret Parsons, Jackie McLeroy and Mary Small from Lubbock.

Linda Langford had the tennis gals over for salads and rolls and fruit pizza Tuesday evening after tennis. The occasion was the departure of Pam Bratton to Weatherford, Tex., with her husband, Highway Patrolman, David Bratton. Doricell Davis, Naomi Ponce, Kay Keller, Linda Langford, Debbie Fewell and Deanne Clark attended.

The Methodists honored their seniors with bibles from the UMW on Sunday. The Methodist Scholarship recipients were also announced. Carrie Bradley, Summer McLean, Andrew Teaschner, Cameron Lust and Emily Roberson are the graduates who received bibles. Scholarship recipients were those named above and Tracy Grand and Conrado Saucedo.

Edna Reinart had a special Mother's Day weekend. She celebrated her 75th birthday with her family and friends in her home on Saturday, May 10. One of her favorite hobbies is gardening, and her home was colorfully decorated in garden flowers and accent pieces.

She was born Edna Urbanczyk in White Deer on May 11, 1922, to Felix and Rosalia Urbanczyk. She moved to Hereford in 1937, and married the late Arhart Reinart in 1943.

Hosts for the afternoon were Janet and Lee George of Big Spring, Mary Jean and Jimmy Sims of San Angelo, and Doug and Penny Reinart of Plainview. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending were Chris George of Waco; Michelle, John David and Ryan King of Midland; Patrick George of Houston; Cameron and Justin Sims of San Angelo; and Chad Reinart of Plainview. Those unable to attend were Penny, Brittany and Dana Reinart of Plainview.

Over 75 guests from Hereford, Friona, Amarillo, Umbarger, Canyon, Dimmitt, Nazareth and Galveston shared in the celebration and friendship.

## Efrain Salazar to attend math, science camp

Efrain Salazar, a sophomore at Hart High School and a West Texas A&M University Upward Bound student, has been selected to attend the University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math/Science Camp June 8 to July 19.

More than 100 students applied to attend the camp. Salazar was one of 50 students who earned a spot at the camp.

Students were selected based on grade-point average and plans to study math, science or engineering in college.

Members of the Dimmitt Book Club and several guests enjoyed the annual luncheon held at the Border Line Restaurant on Saturday, May 17. They served a Hawaiian chicken with rice, green beans, tossed salad and chocolate dessert. Kim Hays gave a delightful and touching review of the book, "My Sergei, a Love Story" by Ekaterina Gordeeva. She and her husband were skaters, and he died at an early age. She is skating along now.

Shannon and Marie Powers are the proud parents of a baby boy, Brantly Blake, who was born on May 13 weighing 8 lbs. Grandparents are Jackie and Ronda Powers, and great-grandparents are Emily Ramey and Mrs. Faye Powers.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH—Honored recently at Dimmitt Middle School were these students: (front, from left) Jace Weaver, Raul Melendez, Jordan Delamar, Abraham Salinas, and Guadalupe Maldonado; (middle, from left) Isabel Garcia, Lilliana Aguilar, Sheena Ehly, Tara Delamar, and Melissa Rueda; and (back, from left) Jessica Salinas, Justina Navarro, Valerie Martinez, and Leticia Rodriguez. Not shown is B.J. Hill. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Correction

The recent photos of the Dimmitt Kids, Inc., basketball league winners were taken by local photographer Garner Ball. The photo credit lines on the pictures were listed wrong. The News regrets the error.

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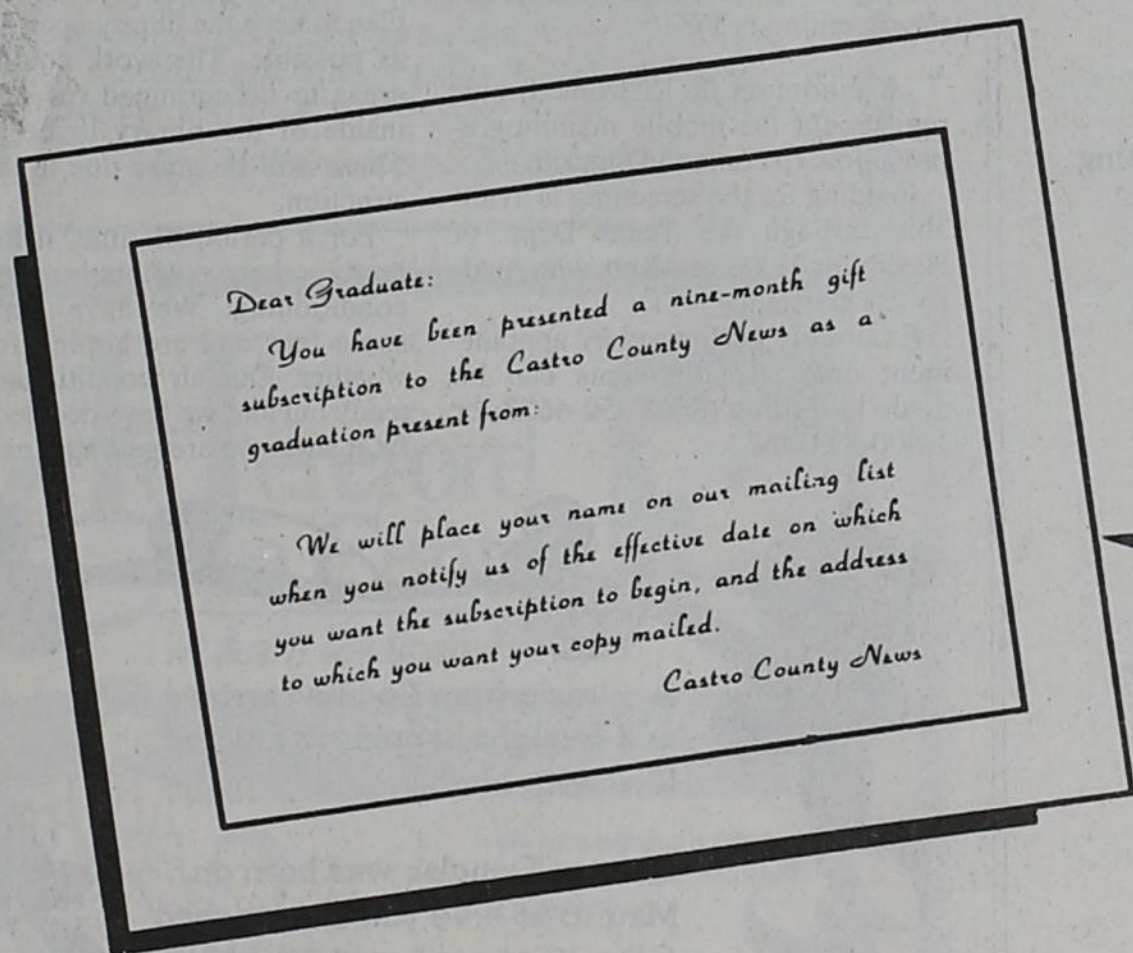
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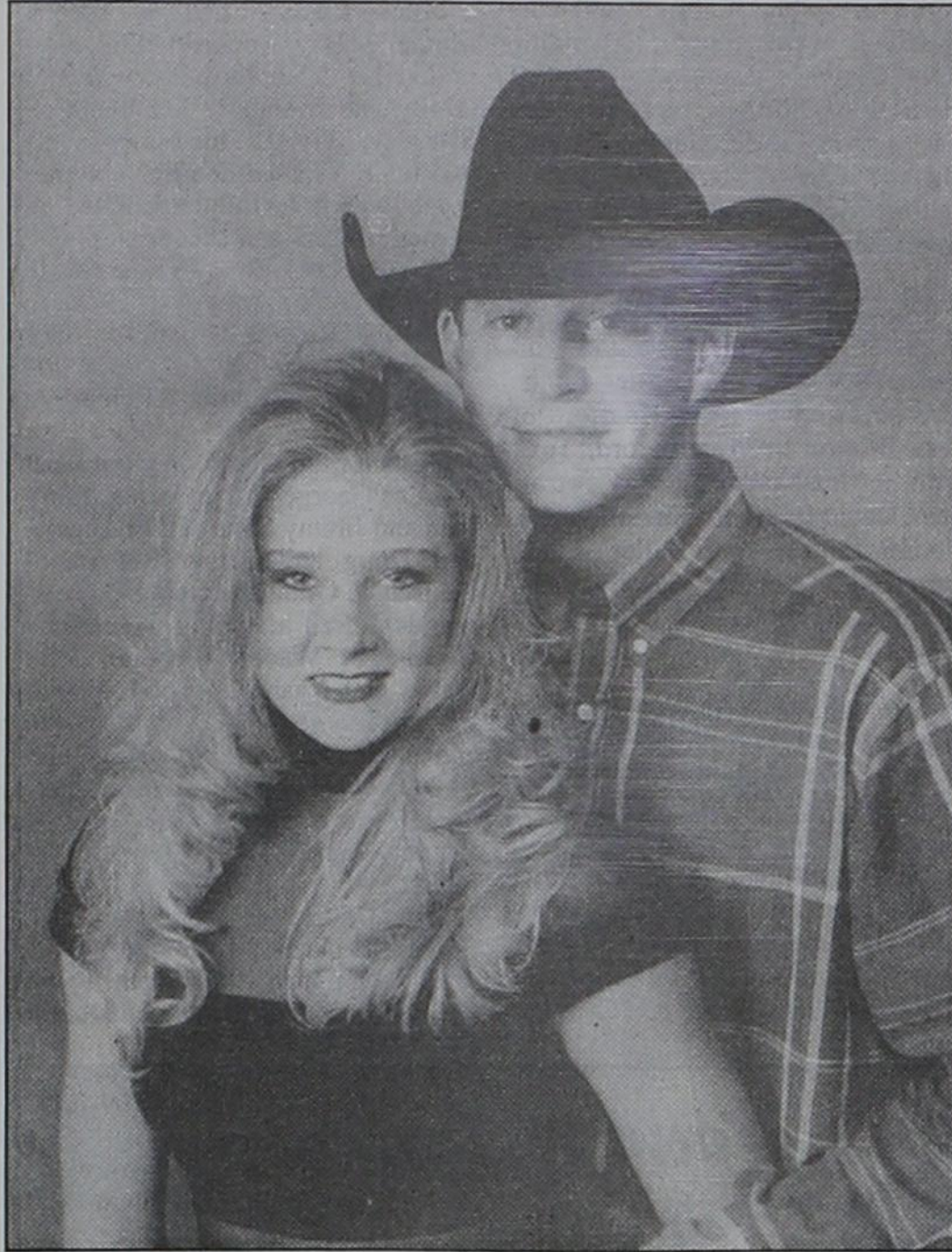
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# People



Julia Kay McDonald and Jeffery Tye Baca

## McDonald, Baca plan wedding

Lonnie and Roberta McDonald of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Julia Kay McDonald, to Jeffery Tye Baca, son of Mike and Jan Baca of Dimmitt.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows June 3 at Lake Tahoe, Nev.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Dimmitt High School and she just completed her freshman year at Texas A&M University. She will attend West Texas A&M University in Canyon this fall.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School and attended West Texas A&M University. He is engaged in the family ranching business at Vega.

## Chamber plans city-wide garage sale day for June 7

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce has scheduled its annual city-wide garage sale day for June 7, and those planning to have a sale on that day are asked to contact the Chamber to have their sale advertised and listed on a map of the city.

The 10th annual event will feature garage sales throughout the community beginning at 8 a.m.

"This annual event has become one of the Chamber's most popular activities, drawing people from miles around and adding money to our local economy," said Shelly Nutt, Chamber executive director. "There will be more than 100 garage sales in Dimmitt on this date."

Those planning to have residential garage sales will be charged \$10 to have their sale listed on the map, and they will receive a yard sign designating their sale as an official "Original Garage Sale Day" site. The \$10 donation is used to purchase publicity for the garage sale day in area newspapers and on the cable.

Booths will be available at the courthouse square for a donation of \$25. The booth sizes are 15x15 feet. No walls or electricity will be available.

Local merchants also will be participating in the day's festivities by holding sidewalk sale and having bargain racks.



MR. SETLIFF?—Doug Setliff, principal at Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary School, promised to dress as a woman if the students amassed at least 22,000 points in the accelerated reader program. They did, and he did, touring all of the classrooms in his stylish outfit last Thursday. Here he—she?—is visiting Barbara Bain's third grade classroom.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



Brandie Broeker and Patrick Acevedo

## Engagement is announced

John and Carol Broeker of Clovis, N.M., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brandie Lynn Broeker, to Patrick James Acevedo of Lubbock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Acevedo Jr. of Converse.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Julian Acevedo of Dimmitt and the late Edith Rollins Acevedo.

The couple will exchange vows June 21 at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. A reception will follow at the Holiday Inn Garden Room.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Clovis High School and a 1996 graduate of South Plains College in Levelland. She is attending Texas Tech University.

The prospective groom is a 1994 graduate of Clovis High School. He is employed at Tri-Care Medical and also attends South Plains College.



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## The Bookshelf

By Cindy Pottorff, Rhoads Memorial Librarian

Summer is nearly upon us and we're looking forward to a few changes here at the library.

The bookmark contest starts this week. From now until June 25, kids have a chance to submit bookmarks they have designed. This year's theme is *The Incredible Dream Machine*. Two winners will be chosen. The winning bookmarks will be printed and distributed in area libraries.

as well as given to the winners. Often, children ask us what they should draw. Our answer is that the ideas should come from your imagination.

## Breast cancer screening set

A breast cancer screening clinic will be conducted at Medical Center of Dimmitt on June 5.

The clinic is being conducted by the Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse. Cost for the screening is \$75.

Summer reading will start June 24 and will continue through July 26. Details will follow at a later date. The reason we don't start summer reading right after school is so it won't conflict as much with summer sports activities.

We do, however, welcome readers at any time.

A minimum of 15 women must register for the mobile mammography clinic to come to Dimmitt.

Funding for the screening is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

Exams are performed by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling (806) 359-4673; or 1-800-377-4673.

Kids who do come to the library this summer will have a larger selection. The library has purchased \$2,000 worth of children's books through a grant. Most of these books are already on the shelves.

Coming to the library this summer may not be as cool or quiet as usual. We will be getting a new heating and air conditioning system and hope work will begin sometime in June.

While the work is being done, we plan to keep the library open as much as possible. The work could cause areas to be curtained off or things inside of the library to be moved. There will be noise due to the construction.

For a period of time, it may get pretty hot, without any air conditioning. We have purchased some fans and are hoping for cool weather. Our air conditioner is already out and we have decided not to fix it since we are getting a new one.

## FAMILY VIOLENCE

... is not just a family problem — it's a crime!

### What is battering?

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  - \* Your clothes or other things are damaged.
  - \* You are often angrily yelled at or accused.
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  - \* Your feelings are not respected.
  - \* You feel threatened and afraid all the time.
  - \* You have no one to help you or nowhere to get help.
  - \* You are left in a dangerous place.
  - \* You are refused help when you are sick or hurt.
  - \* You have been hit, choked, cut, burned or bitten.
  - \* You have been yelled or screamed at, and/or had your hair pulled.
  - \* You have been forced to have sex.
  - \* You have bruises, broken bones, cuts, burns, female problems or have severe emotional upsets.
  - \* You have been hurt by hands, fists, teeth, guns, knives, shoes, furniture, cigarettes or anything else.

### How to get help:

There are several agencies, groups and institutions, including our hospital, that are geared to help domestic violence victims.

### For someone to talk to:

- \* Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Crisis Center  
24-hour Hotline: 1-806-293-7273
- \* Children's Protective Services, Hotline: 1-800-252-5400
- \* Castro County Ministerial Alliance  
Call local dispatcher, 647-3311
- \* Texas Run-Away for Kids, Hotline: 1-800-392-3352
- \* Crisis Intervention, Hotline: 1-806-359-6699
- \* Rape Crisis Center, Locally: 647-3311, Plainview: 293-7273, Amarillo (NWTN): 354-1151

### For legal help:

- \* County Sheriff's Office: 647-3311
- \* Dimmitt Police Dept.: 647-4545
- \* Hart Police Dept.: 647-3311
- \* District Attorney's Office: 647-3254

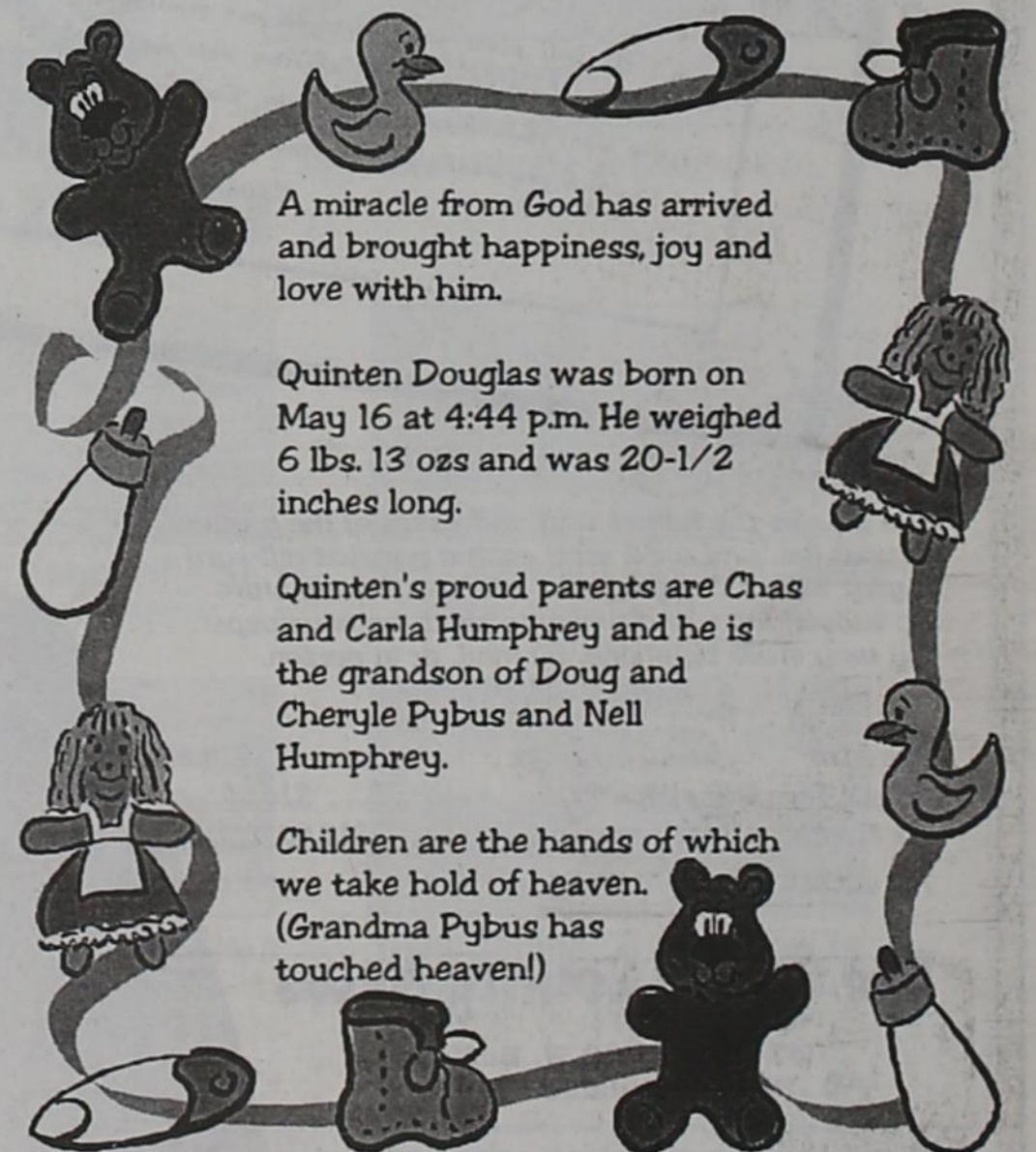
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A miracle from God has arrived and brought happiness, joy and love with him.

Quinten Douglas was born on May 16 at 4:44 p.m. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 ozs and was 20-1/2 inches long.

Quinten's proud parents are Chas and Carla Humphrey and he is the grandson of Doug and Cheryl Pybus and Nell Humphrey.

Children are the hands of which we take hold of heaven. (Grandma Pybus has touched heaven!)



Marjorie and Ewing Mathis

## Marjorie and Ewing Mathis to celebrate golden anniversary

Marjorie and Ewing Mathis of Tulsa, Okla., will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday.

The couple was honored at a surprise luncheon last Saturday at the home of their daughter, Mari Mathis-Wallace, in Tulsa.

Ewing Mathis married the former Marjorie Coleman on May 24, 1947, in Haskell. The couple have three children including Jim Mathis of Claxton, Ga., Jay Mathis of Guymon, Okla., and Mariann Mathis-Wallace of Tulsa; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Mathis, son of Lora and Robert Mathis of Sagerton, was born July 5, 1928. He graduated from Sagerton High School in 1945 and from Texas Tech University in 1958. During this time he served his country in the Army at the end of World War II and in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

He was office manager of Plainview Production Credit Association in Dimmitt from 1958 to 1964.

The couple moved to Guymon in October 1964, and he purchased farms and developed them for irrigation. He also helped organize the Texas County Irrigation Association in Guymon. He retired from farming in Guymon in 1990.

Mrs. Mathis, daughter of Floyd and Ernest Coleman of Stanford, was born Dec. 10, 1928. She graduated from Paint Creek Rural High School

## Band wins rating

The Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band won a Division II rating at the Morton H. Myerson Symphony Center in Dallas, where they performed as a part of the annual band trip.

## Kirsten Verkamp earns promotion to second lieutenant

Kirsten Verkamp has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the US Air Force.

Verkamp is a mother-infant nurse with the 59th Medical Wing at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

She is the daughter of Leslie Birkenfeld and the granddaughter of Rose Birkenfeld, both of Nazareth.

Her husband, Harold Verkamp, is the son of Robert and Mary Verkamp of Nazareth.

She is a 1990 graduate of Nazareth High School and a 1994 graduate of West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

## Horse judges claim district

Castro County's senior horse judging team swept the district competition on April 19, winning first place overall honors and first in Team Halter, Team Performance and Team Reasons.

Team member Rusty McDaniel led the senior judges by claiming top individual honors with first-place finishes in Performance and Reasons and a second-place finish in Halter.

Cody Annen was second-high individual, winning the Halter competition and placing second in Reasons and third in Performance.

Rusty Wooten was fourth overall, fourth in Halter, fifth in Performance and fifth in Reasons.

Also on the senior team is Kristin Hales.

The junior horse judging team, including Jennifer Wilhelm, Chris Reynolds and Reece Hales, finished third overall, third in Team Halter and fourth in Team Performance. Reynolds finished third in Halter among individuals.



Juli D'Ann Ratheal and Cary Don Sawyer

## Sawyer, Ratheal to wed Saturday

Cary Don Sawyer and Juli D'Ann Ratheal will exchange wedding vows Saturday at 8 p.m. at The Wild Plum in Olton.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Arnold Ratheal of Crosbyton and Dr. Duffy Wilks of Snyder. She graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and education, a master of science degree in school administration from Texas A&M at Kingsville. She is currently attending Texas Tech University, pursuing a doctorate degree in administration and mathematics. She has been employed for the last six years as a mathematics professor at Western Texas College in Snyder.

The prospective groom is the son of Darrell and Twila Sawyer of Earth. He has farmed in Castro County for the past five years.

After the wedding the couple plans to live near the Flagg Community in Castro County.

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## Colby McDaniel wins Cargill award

Colby McDaniel has received the \$1,000 Cargill Community Scholarship and his school, Dimmitt High School, will receive a check for \$200 to be used to purchase materials for its library.

McDaniel will graduate as valedictorian of his class at Dimmitt High School this year. He is the son of Stanley and Rita McDaniel of Dimmitt.

McDaniel excelled both on the football field and in the classroom. He was a second-team all-district lineman and served as captain of the football team this year. He was in the Top Ten and A honor roll for the last four years.

A member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, he also served as president of the Texas Association of Student Councils for District 1. He was a delegate to Texas Boys State and was voted Mr. DHS. He received the 4-H District Gold Star Award and American Legion Award. He was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and PALS.

The Cargill Community Scholarship program awarded \$150,000 to graduating seniors nationwide this year. The new scholarship was funded through Cargill's corporate headquarters in Minneapolis. The program was administered by Junior Achievement, Inc.

Over 3,000 applicants were submitted nationwide and 150 students were awarded scholarships. Cargill and Junior Achievement are strong advocates of literacy and winners' schools received the \$200 to benefit literacy programs.

## Correction

Kourtney Robertson, a junior at Nazareth High School, was inadvertently left off of the list of honor students submitted to the *News* recently.

Robertson qualified for the "A-B" honor roll.

## DHS classes of '45-'49 plan October reunion

Dimmitt High School's classes of 1945 through '49 are planning a reunion for the first weekend of October in Amarillo.

The reunion will be held at the Ramada Inn West, 6801 I-40 West, beginning Friday, Oct. 3.

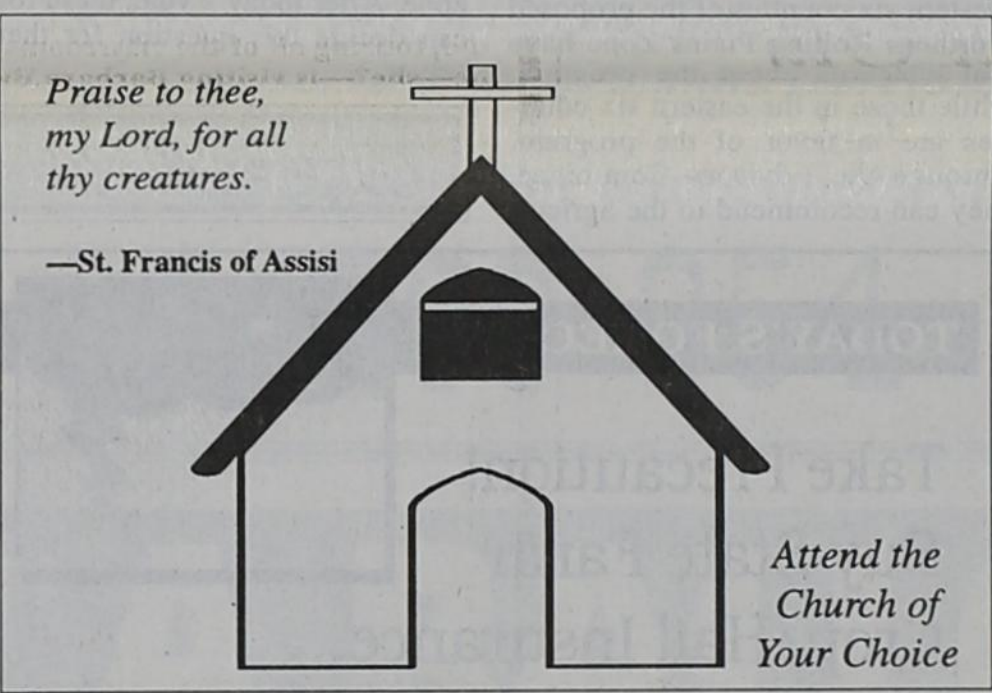
Those wishing to reserve rooms may contact Linda Bagley, sales coordinator, at (806) 358-7881 or (800) 858-2223. Special rates for the event range from \$40 to \$45 per night, including continental breakfast.

Each member of the Class of '47 is asked to draft a letter of personal highlights for the 50th-year reunion and mail it to Glenna (Morgan) Cooper, 17 Mayfair Dr., Bella Vista, AZ, 72715, phone (501) 855-1917.

Coordinating the reunion are Hoyt Kenmore, Virgie Eva (Cooper) Gibson, Lewis Martin, Joyce (Carpenter) Autry, Dorothy D. (Clingsmith) Van Buskirk and Carolyn (Rawlings) Jones.

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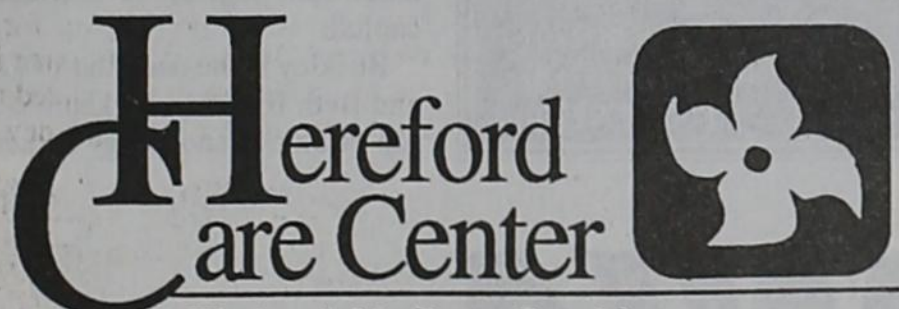
## Our Thanks...

To the Dimmitt churches and surrounding communities for their prayers, for Marcus. A special thank you to all the prayer groups, your prayers have been carrying us through this. Again thank you and please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Ray, Nadine & Marcus Berend & family

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# ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry



THE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY held its annual Awards Brunch May 14 at the Rhoads Memorial Library meeting room. Those who were awarded with pins included (back, from left) Lucille Drerup, Mary Edna Hendrix, Mattie Seale, Irene Blanton,

Florene Leinen and Lequetta West. Also given pins for their service were (front, from left) Betty Freeman, Barbara Sava, Ethel Fry and Edna Reinart. (Photo by Scott Brockman)

## Arkansas River Shiner to be listed as 'threatened'

Under the terms of a conservation agreement sought by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. (TPWD) and the Oklahoma Dept. of Wildlife Conservation (ODWC), the United States Fish and Wildlife Service plans to list the Arkansas River Shiner as threatened, not endangered, under the federal Endangered Species Act.

Threatened status for the tiny fish, which lives in the Canadian River in the Texas Panhandle, will mean greater flexibility for farmers and ranchers regarding land use practices, while effectively protecting the shiner and its aquatic habitat. Later this month, the US Fish and Wildlife Service is expected to publish a threatened listed for the Arkansas River Shiner in the federal register.

The Arkansas River Shiner is a minnow endemic to the western Arkansas River basin, where it characteristically inhabits channels of fluctuating, shallow streams with sifting sand beds. Historically, the species was considered widespread and abundant throughout the Arkansas River and its tributaries.

Within the last 20 years, the species has disappeared from nearly 80% of its historic range and is now largely restricted to the Canadian/South Canadian Rivers of New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. A small population also exists in the Cimarron River in Oklahoma and Kansas. Although the shiner still occupies 70% of its historic range in Texas, the population east of Lake Meredith continues to decline.

"This option would benefit Panhandle citizens, especially landowners and agricultural interests, because

it would mean greater flexibility on how the listing would affect them on issues like groundwater use and land management practices," said Dr. Larry McKinney, TPWD senior director for water policy.

"At the same time, the agreement we have with the US Fish and Wildlife Service contains specific steps to make sure the shiner and its habitat are secure."

The main points of the agreement between the two state agencies and the US Fish and Wildlife Service are:

- ◆ Conservation strategies will not restrict or regulate groundwater use of the High Plains Aquifer (formerly the Ogallala Aquifer) in Texas because, based on current knowledge, there is no connection between groundwater resources of this aquifer and surface river flows of the Canadian River in Texas.

- ◆ Conservation strategies will not require any releases from Lake Meredith, except as might be voluntarily agreed to by controlling authorities in contributing to the conservation and/or recovery of the species.

- ◆ Existing agricultural and land management activities as currently practiced adjacent to shiner habitat in Texas will not be adversely affected as part of developing conservation strategies, unless those practices are so modified as to adversely affect habitat of the shiner, existing river flow or cause degradation to water quality.

- ◆ States will not be held responsible for actions, or lack of action, by other states or entities that adversely affect conservation strategies for the

shiner and its habitat.

- ◆ The development of a conservation strategy will be an inclusive process in which all stakeholders will have the opportunity to participate.

"We want to make clear that existing, traditional land use activities by farmers and ranchers should not be affected by the listing of the Arkansas River Shiner as threatened under the terms of the conservation agreement," said McKinney. "That's part of what we were able to establish with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. But if a landowner were, for example, to build a dam or undertake other new action that would directly impact the shiner or its river habitat, that new action could be considered a violation of the Endangered Species Act."

TPWD worked closely with the Texas Farm Bureau and other agricultural organizations to assure to the greatest degree possible that impacts of the shiner listing on that industry would be minimal, but without compromising the conservation needs of the shiner.

"The agreement also demonstrates the value of cooperative efforts to involve stakeholders in decision-making processes about endangered species," McKinney said. "When the Arkansas River Shiner was first proposed for listing in 1994, it raised a firestorm of protest, partly because the announcement came as a surprise to many people in the Panhandle region. This time, the US Fish and Wildlife Service worked more closely with TPWD and we have made every effort possible to include all stakeholders. The result is a win-win for conservation and Panhandle landowners."

## Senate passes new boll weevil program

The Texas Senate has passed a bill that could reinstate the controversial Boll Weevil Eradication Program.

By a vote of 30-0, the Texas Senate passed the bill in hopes that this new and improved version will pass constitutional muster. The original Boll Weevil Eradication Program was ruled unconstitutional by the Texas Supreme Court last month.

"I believe that we have structured this bill in such a way that it will gain court approval," said Sen. Tom Haywood (R-Wichita Falls), who voted in favor of the measure. "With cotton planting season upon us, it is imperative that we get this done as soon as possible. Sen. Duncan deserves much of the credit for taking this problem from the beginning and focusing our attention on fixing it quickly."

The Boll Weevil Eradication Bill will place ultimate authority with the

Commissioner of Agriculture instead of a private entity in order to comply with the Supreme Court ruling. Another new provision of the program is the establishment of an advisory committee to be organized in each zone, and the committee will consist of one producer from each county in that zone. This committee will advise the agriculture commissioner on decisions that must be made concerning each zone.

"The creation of the zone advisory committees will give each county real representation and a voice in the decision making process," Haywood said. "I know the producers in the western six counties of the proposed Northern Rolling Plains Zone have real concerns about the program, while those in the eastern six counties are in favor of the program. Through the Advisory Committee, they can recommend to the agricul-

ture commissioner the Northern Rolling Zone be split, if that is what they decide."

Another new provision is the ability of counties to move from one zone to another with approval of a producer referendum in the individual county. The agriculture commissioner has the authority to grant each referendum.

"This new bill gives the producer of a county the ability to move from one zone to another by virtue of their vote and commissioner approval," said Haywood. "I know that some folks in my district believe they might be better served in another zone. After today's vote, these folks can decide this question for themselves."



## Deregulation may not be in best interest of consumers

Texas' electric cooperatives contend that a proposal to deregulate the electric utility industry by 2001 may not be in the best interest of electric cooperative consumers.

The co-ops are concerned that several key elements of the draft bill are not fully understood and they say that more time is needed to review them, according to Mike Williams, president of Texas Electric Cooperatives, the statewide association that represents the 75 distribution cooperatives and 11 generation and transmission cooperatives.

"Dramatic changes are being proposed that will impact how the electric industry in Texas operates. We believe that this proposal needs more time to be fully understood and to allow for thoughtful examination by legislators and the public to assure that these suggested changes are indeed in the public interest," Williams said.

"Unfortunately, this proposal does not necessarily assure lower electric rates or reliable service for our cooperative members."

Electric cooperatives serve approximately 3 million consumers in 244 of Texas's 254 counties, primarily in rural and suburban areas.

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Steve Louder, President and General Manager of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, agrees with Williams and asks that customer comments be directed to his office in Hereford.

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## Arredondo wins scholarships

Marta Arredondo of Dimmitt, a junior at Texas Tech University majoring in engineering, was recently named the recipient of three scholarship awards.

She received the Gary Bruegel Memorial Scholarship, the Shawn Cotter Memorial Scholarship and the D.A.T.A. Club Scholarship. The awards were announced at the Dimmitt High School Technology Students Association annual banquet last week.

At the banquet, recognition also was given to students who took their projects to the state contest at Waco.

## Two students picked for Washington trip

Area electric cooperatives recently announced that Jacy Buckley of Dimmitt and Jarred Birkenfeld of Nazareth have been selected to make a trip to Washington, D.C.

Rural electric cooperatives sponsor the trip each year for students from across the nation.

The trip is scheduled for June 5-17, and participants will be able to meet their legislators and tour the capital.

Buckley is the daughter of Darrell and Beth Buckley. Birkenfeld is the son of Sidney and Peggy Birkenfeld.

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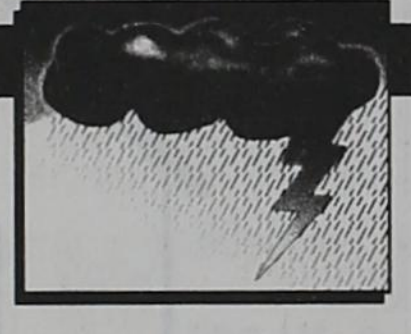
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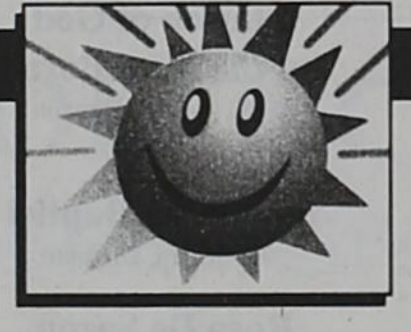
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# Band awards scholarships and names new officers

Scholarship winners were among those honored at the Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band 1997 Awards Banquet, held recently at the middle school cafeteria.

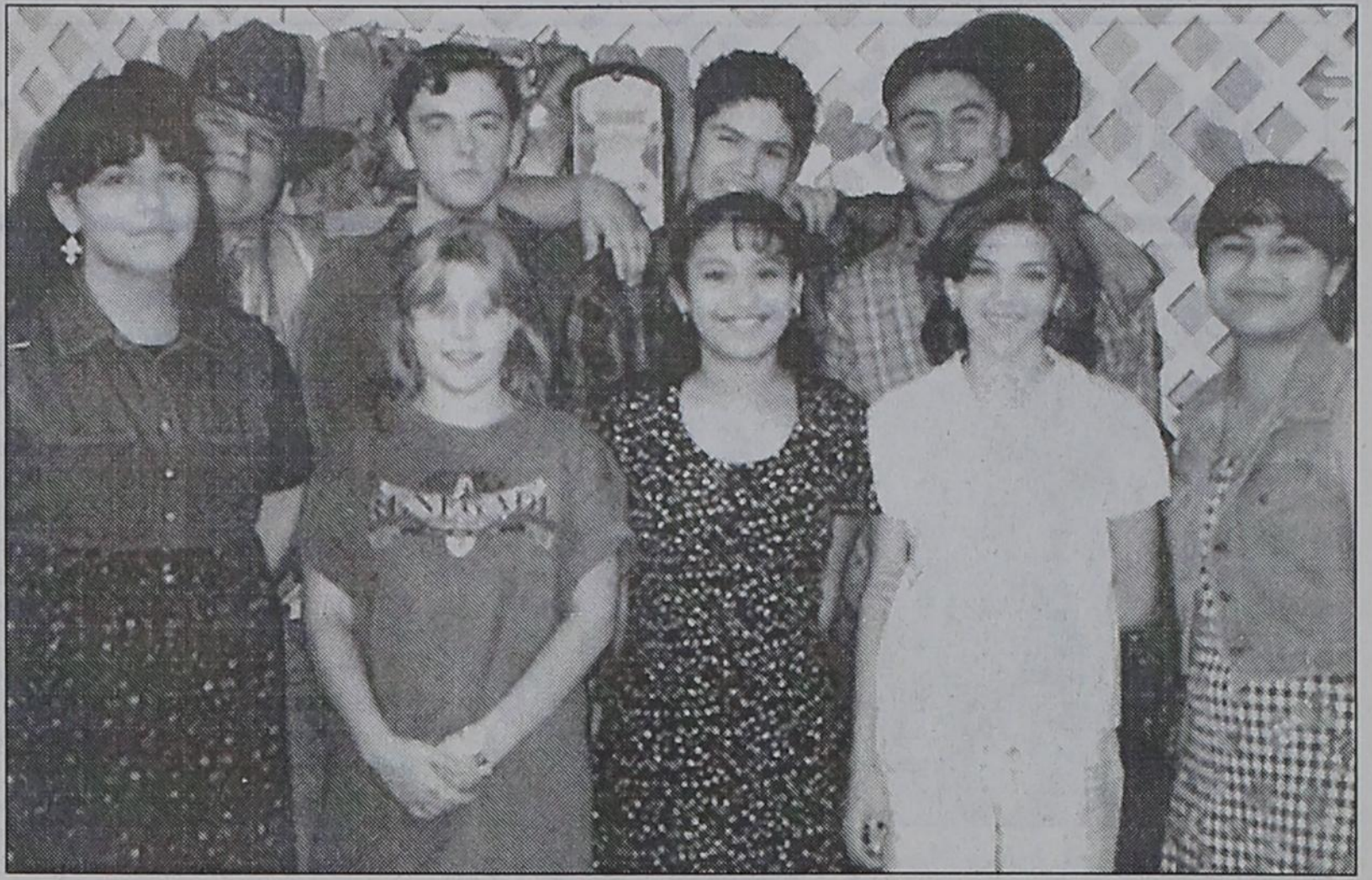
The Bobcat Band Scholarship was awarded to Crystal Stevens. The Jennifer Harris Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Jimmy Ivey. Also, band officers and Band

Booster Club officers were announced, along with other honor winners.

Band officers for the coming school year include Richard Martinez as president, Miranda Turner as vice president, Myra Pena as secretary, Cassandra DeLaCruz as treasurer, Josh Flores as head drum major, Lezly Martin as assistant drum major, Bradley Kinser as equipment manager, Jessica Salinas as freshman representative, and Dale West as percussion section leader.

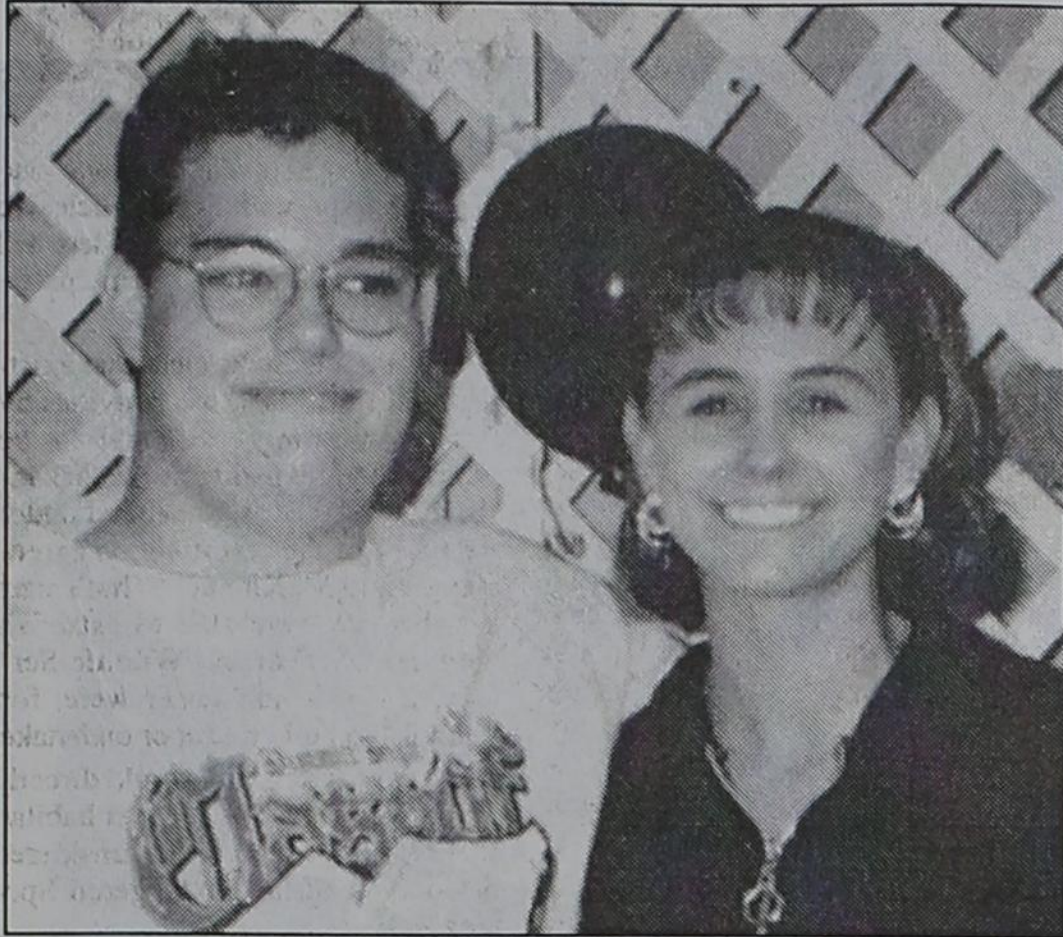
Other honor winners announced at the banquet included band camp scholarship winners Dale West, Lezly Martin and Josh Flores; Lisa Velo, Bobcat Band Award winner; Rosendo Amador, Outstanding Instrumentalist; Mechelle Leinen, Outstanding Marcher; Myra Pena, Most Improved; Jimmy Ivey, winner of the John Philip Sousa Award; and Dennis Chambless, named to the Lyre Club.

New officers for the Band Boosters include Leroy and Sharon Kinser fulfilling the duties of president, with Pete and Herminia Salinas as vice president, Richard and Peggy West as treasurer, and Jeanette Martin as secretary. Class parent representatives will be selected later.



1997-98 BOBCAT BAND OFFICERS: (front, from left) freshman representative Jessica Salinas, assistant drum major Lezly Martin, secretary Myra Pena, vice president Miranda Turner, and treasurer

Kassandra DeLaCruz; and (back, from left) equipment manager Bradley Kinser, percussion section leader Dale West, head drum major Josh Flores, and president Richard Martinez. *Courtesy Photo*



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS: Presented with scholarships at the recent Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band Banquet were Jimmy Ivey, winner of the Jennifer Harris Memorial Scholarship, and Crystal Stevens, winner of the Bobcat Band Scholarship. *Courtesy Photo*

## Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Teeny Bowden, Madge Robb, Becky Stovall and Clara Vick of the Castro County Historical Commission met in a called meeting at Rhoads Memorial Library Thursday afternoon to continue plans for the memorial marker honoring all the men who gave their lives in service for their country from Castro County. It will be dedicated July 4.

Ezell and Verba Sadler drove to Breckenridge Thursday night to attend the funeral services of Jimmie Louder, a Louder cousin who died of cancer Wednesday in Temple. The services were held in the funeral home in Breckenridge Friday, with burial in Breckenridge Cemetery. They visited for awhile with her husband, Gerald, and their only child, Linda, who has a son of her own. The Sadlers came home Friday evening.

The Sadlers also attended the graduation exercises for Anthony Sisemore and many other Wayland students in Herral Memorial Auditorium Saturday afternoon, but didn't get to talk to him. They stopped by and visited with another cousin, Nita McWilliams and her daughter, Sue Bracher, before returning home.

**Correction:** Tresa Sermans and her children still live in Amarillo so Verba and Ezell Sadler met James and Patricia in Amarillo not Dimmitt as I reported last week.

Emma Jean King attended their grandchildren's high school achievements awards assembly at

Springlake-Earth Thursday afternoon. Emma Jean's brother, Thurman Oler, and his wife, Marie, of Beeville came for a visit with Billie and Emma Jean Friday and spent Friday night, Saturday and Saturday night before going to see other family members in Tulia on Sunday. They did come back and spend Sunday night with Billie and Emma Jean.

Emma Jean went to Hobbs Sunday afternoon to see her granddaughter, Britni Williams tap in a dance recital. She also visited with her daughter, Britni's mom, and Alec Prancoeur, her son from another marriage.

Kelley Green had both radiation and chemotherapy in Lubbock this week.

Melissa Green started school at Carol's Pre-School in Springlake on Thursday.

Brandy Green went to Wonderland Park in Amarillo with a group of her classmates for a Springlake-Earth school trip Saturday.

Robert Duke was in Lubbock on business Friday, and he stopped and

visited with Lori Duke and the girls before coming home.

Robert and Frances Duke visited with Fred and Helen Kunts of Flagg Saturday.

Glenn and LaWanda Wilson and probably her daddy, Jim Brooks of Clovis, attended the Brooks family reunion in Oklahoma Sunday.

Rev. Bennie Wright worked for Millstead hardware in Plainview most of the week.

Rossie and her daughter, Lenzie Louder, went last Saturday to Amarillo to spend Mother's Day with her mother, Ruth Swink, and her sister, Paula McMenamy. They came home Monday morning.

Twenty hundredths inch of rain was received Thursday morning. We had some rain Monday morning, but it is too cold and windy to go to the gauge. I don't think it will be a measurable amount.

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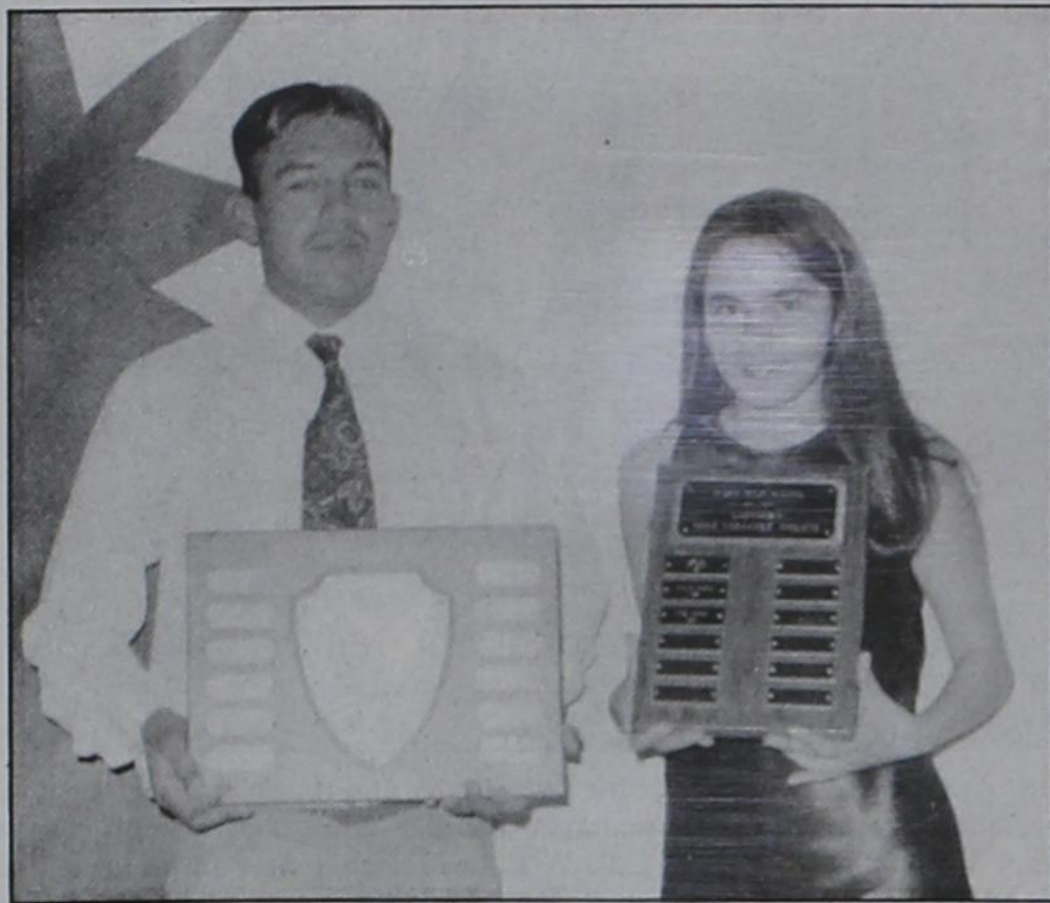
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**HART'S MOST VERSATILE ATHLETES**  
... From left, Sergio Martinez and Lisa Rincon  
*Photo by Neoma Williams*

## At Hart athletic banquet Martinez, Rincon named 'Most Versatile Athletes'

Hart's Sergio Martinez and Lisa Rincon nabbed honors as "Most Versatile Athletes" recently at Hart High School's annual athletic banquet.

Martinez also earned honors as Outstanding Offensive Back in football and Most Valuable Player in tennis. Rincon was Most Valuable Player in cross country.

The banquet was held May 5 at the Hart Elementary Gym.

In a special presentation, Armando Minjarez was presented the school's first-ever Scholar Athlete Award. Minjarez was one of Hart's leading athletes in football, basketball and track, and also achieved success in

the classroom, graduating this year as salutatorian of his class. Minjarez also garnered the Fighting Heart Award in football.

Moses Reyna was named Most Valuable Player in boys' basketball while Ysa Rodriguez and Charbra Lee shared the honor for the girls' tennis. Reyna and Rodriguez were named Basketball King and Queen, respectively.

Fighting Heart winners for basketball were Michael Pantoja and Veronica Gonzales.

Lee and Lupe De La Fuente earned awards as "Best Defensive Players" in basketball.

Several football awards were presented to athletes, including Outstanding Offensive Lineman Award to Felipe Guerrero; Outstanding Defensive Lineman Award to Juan Romero; Fighting Heart and Defensive Most Valuable Player Awards to Minjarez; Outstanding Offensive Back Award to Martinez; Offensive Most Valuable Player Award to J.J. Finch; and Outstanding Receiver and Outstanding Defensive Back Awards to De La Fuente.

Tylene Garcia was selected as Football Queen.

Cassie Neinast and Jared Aven snared Most Valuable Player honors in golf.

Most Valuable Players in tennis were the boys' doubles team of Martinez and Aven, and the girls' doubles team of Gonzales and Rodriguez.

In cross country, Eric Montemayor and Rincon were Most Valuable Players.

Minjarez and Lee were Most Valuable Players in track.



**HHS SCHOLAR ATHLETE**  
... Armando Minjarez  
*Photo by Neoma Williams*

# DHS athletes are honored

Crystal Stevens and Shaun Furr were honored with the Spirit of the Bobbie and Spirit of the Bobcat scholarships by the Dimmitt Booster Club at the annual all-sports banquet for Dimmitt High School Friday night.

Two seniors, Carrie Bradley and Brad Beck, were honored as recipients of Kenneth Cleveland Memorial Scholarships.

Daniel Maxwell was honored as the first recipient of the Aaron Wilcox Memorial Scholarship, and also received the Bill Rogers Memorial Scholarship.

Held at the middle school cafeteria, the banquet honored all athletes, managers and others associated with athletic programs at DHS. Also coaches thanked parents and others for their support of programs throughout the year.

Stevens has been a cheerleader for four years, and was feature twirler for the Bobcat Band. She was bookkeeper-manager for the varsity baseball team for two years.

Furr played on the Bobcat Varsity football and baseball teams his senior year, and was named to the Honorable Mention All-District 3-A football team as a lineman. His junior and sophomore years he also played varsity football and junior varsity baseball. He also played JV basketball as a sophomore, and his freshman year he played football and basketball.

Sports royalty crowned at the banquet included Summer McLean as football queen, Crystal Stevens as baseball queen, Carrie Bradley as basketball queen, and Cameron Lust as basketball king.

Athletes were honored in each varsity sport with various awards, including Most Valuable Player (MVP), Outstanding Player, "Most Improved," "Fighting Heart" (FH), and others awards.

Those honored included:  
**BOBCAT FOOTBALL:** Outstanding Offensive Player, Oscar Rueda; Outstanding Defensive Player, Kalem Thomas; and Most Improved, Daniel Maxwell.

**BOBBIE CROSS COUNTRY:** MVP, Shawna Kenworthy; FH, Taryn Hays.

**BOBBIE BASKETBALL:** Outstanding Offensive Player, Carrie Bradley; Outstanding Defensive Player, Amber Matthews; Most Improved, Heidi Weaver; Oilcan Award for "making things run smoothly," Jacy Buckley.

**BOBCAT BASKETBALL:** Outstanding Offensive Player, Brandon Smith; Outstanding Defensive Player, Jason Nino; Most Improved, Cameron Lust.

**BOBCAT GOLF:** Outstanding Golfer of the Year, Travis Crow; FH, Andy Hill.

**BOBCAT TENNIS:** MVP, Brad Beck; Most Improved, Wesley Mays.

**BOBBIE TENNIS:** MVP, Monica Ortiz and Kristin Doss; Most Improved, Kaci Schulte.

**BOBBIE TRACK:** MVP, Amy Matthews.

**BOBCAT TRACK:** MVP, Joey Flores; FH, Jerome Larra.

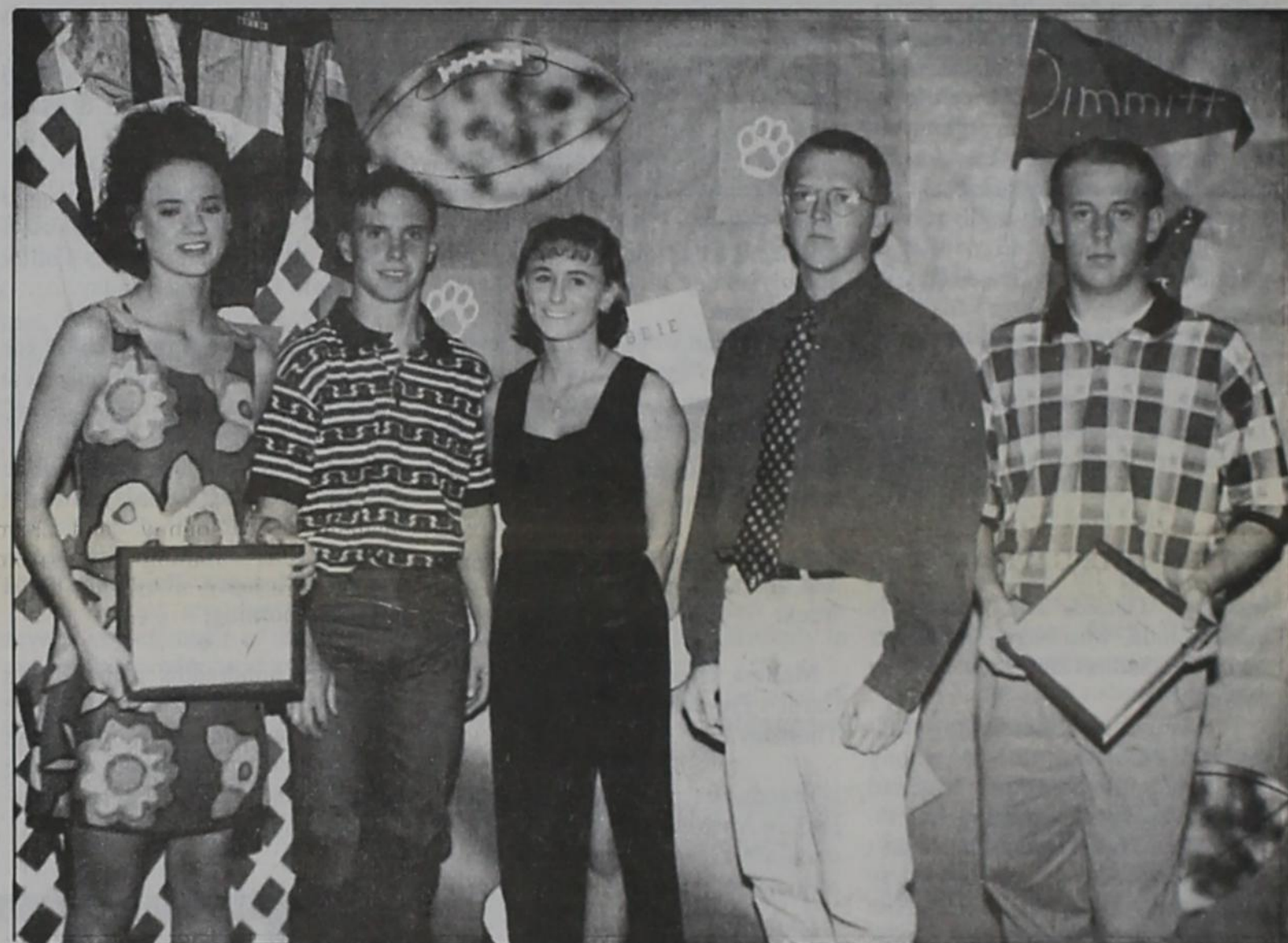
**BOBCAT BASEBALL:** Most Valuable Offensive Player, Zack Matthews; Most Valuable Defensive Player, Sergio Pedroza; FH, Daniel Maxwell.

**BOBCAT POWERLIFTING:** Top Lifter, Beau Hill.

Honored for setting new school records were Bobcat track participants Zack Matthews in the triple jump, with a mark of 43'8.5"; Char-



**ATHLETIC ROYALTY**—Honored at the Dimmitt High School Athletic Banquet Friday were these four students: (from left) Summer McLean, Football Queen, Cameron Lust, Basketball King, Carrie Bradley, Basketball Queen, and Crystal Stevens, Baseball Queen.  
*Photo by Linda Maxwell*



**FIVE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS** were honored at the Dimmitt High School Athletic Banquet Friday night. They are (from left) Carrie Bradley, a recipient of a Kenneth Cleveland Memorial Scholarship; Shaun Furr, recipient of the Spirit of the Bobcat Scholarship awarded by the Athletic Booster Club; Crystal Stevens, who won the Spirit of the Bobbie Scholarship from the Booster Club; Daniel Maxwell, who was named the first recipient of the Aaron Wilcox Memorial Scholarship, and was the second to receive the Bill Rogers Memorial Scholarship; and Brad Beck, who also was a recipient of a Kenneth Cleveland Memorial Scholarship.  
*Photo by Linda Maxwell*

ley Sanders in discus, with a throw of 158'8"; and the 1600 relay team of D.J. Fleeks, Zack Matthews, Casey Smith and Joey Flores, with a time of 3:21.

Next year's cheerleaders were announced, with Crystal DeLaCruz named as mascot. Also serving will be Brenda Flores, Daphanie Rivera, Brenda Arce, Lindsey Welch, Ashley Davis, Stephanie Flores, Brittany Porter and Myra Pena, with Cassie McLean as alternate.

District, regional and state champions and qualifiers, and persons who earned post-season honors also were congratulated at the banquet as teams were introduced. Also receiving recognition were team managers.

Earning All-District postseason honors in football were Kalem

Thomas, first team Linebacker; Amado Caldera, first team defensive back; Charley Sanders, first team tight end and defensive end; Zack Matthews, first team defensive back and punter, and honorable mention running back; Daniel Maxwell and Colby McDaniel, second team, offensive linemen; Oscar Rueda, second team running back and honorable mention linebacker; Serge Linskyi, second team kicker; and linemen Luis Nino and Shaun Furr, defensive end Travis Crow, defensive tackle Jesse Lopez, and defensive back Stuart Sutton, honorable mention. Also, Kalem Thomas was selected to participate in the Greenbelt Bowl.

Bobbie Basketball honors went to Carrie Bradley as MVP District 1-3A, All South Plains, All-Region second team, Amarillo Globe Super Team, and Caprock All Tournament; Jacy Buckley and Amber Matthews, All-District; and Heidi Weaver and Shawna Kenworthy, honorable mention All-District.

In Bobcat Basketball, Brandon Smith was named MVP of the Plainview Lions Classic, All-District, All-Region, All South Plains, and played in the Golden Spread All Star Game; Jason Nino, All Tournament Plainview, honorable mention All-District; Cameron Lust, All-District, All-Region; Kalem Thomas, honorable mention All-District; Albert Ewing, Golden Spread All Star Game; and Charley Sanders All-Tournament Plainview, All-District.

State qualifiers in Bobcat Track were Joey Flores in the 800 run, Charley Sanders in discus, and the 1600 relay team of D.J. Fleeks, Zack Matthews, Casey Smith and Joey Flores. Regional qualifiers included

Fleeks in the 800 run, Flores in the 800 run and 400 run, Jerome Larra in the 1600 run and 3200 run, Zack Matthews in the 100 meter dash, Sanders in the discus, the 400 relay team of Stuart Sutton, Jerry Thomas, Casey Smith and Matthews, and the 1600 relay of Fleeks, Matthews, Smith and Flores.

In cross country, Shawna Kenworthy was a state qualifier.

In tennis, those qualifying for regionals after placing in district were Brad Beck and Wesley Mays, both in boys singles.

Post season honors in baseball went to first team all-district selection Zack Matthews as an outfielder, and second team all-district choice Sergio Pedroza as an outfielder.

New officers for the Bobcat Athletic Booster Club next year will include John Furr as president, Bill Sanders as vice president, Joyce Wright as secretary, Treena Matthews as treasurer, and Steve Buckley as membership chairman.

## Nelson earns master's degree

Jim Nelson of Dimmitt received his master of science degree in biology from Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos on May 9.

Nelson is on staff at Texas A&M University at College Station, and he plans to continue studying toward his doctorate degree.

He is the son of Norman and Sandra Nelson of Dimmitt.

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# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Baccalaureate ceremonies were held Sunday morning in Holy Family Church for our senior graduates and eighth-grade graduates. We were happy to have a number of teachers attend the service.

Kourtney Robertson, president of the junior class, then addressed the seniors and eight graders. She read an impressive poem entitled "Friends." Senior class president Heather Braddock then addressed the senior class with a most inspiring farewell and thanked the parents and teachers. It was a wonderful presentation.

The senior's parents then hosted a breakfast at the school cafeteria for the seniors, Deacon Al and Leona Maurer, Superintendent Dean Johnson, high school principal Don Wood and sponsors, Coaches Cathy Lane and Rick Price. As a special presentation, each senior read a thank you note that they had written to Cecil Hoelting in the first grade after he had fixed their pencil sharpener. Thanks to Cecil for keeping these special notes for all these years. Many good laughs were had as they were read.

After the breakfast, the seniors enjoyed an afternoon party at the home of Fritz and Julene Gerber. Some of the parents were also there and enjoyed beating the seniors in volleyball. Most everyone welcomed a dunk in a tank of water to cool off.

Other high school students also joined in on the fun during the afternoon. Many hamburgers were devoured after an afternoon of fun and games.

The eighth-grade graduates enjoyed breakfast at the home of Dan and Karen Gerber. The warm, sunny day was spent playing volleyball, other games and mostly in the Gerber's swimming pool. Hamburgers and all the fixins were served in the late afternoon to hungry kids, parents, Principal Wood and his family, Superintendent Johnson and Father Jerry Stein.

The Nazareth Senior Citizens enjoyed a meal together on Sunday with lots of good food and visiting.

Our guest was Father John Hickey. A big thanks goes to the Jr. Catholic Daughters who brought homemade oatmeal cookies for dessert! Dominoes were enjoyed during the afternoon.

Charley and Beverly drove to Scott City, Kans., last Friday. After spending the night with Dave and Lee Ann Brown and family, they all drove to Hays, Kans., to attend the graduation of Shawn Brown from Hays State college with a degree in Political Science. On their way home they visited with members of Charley's family in McLean and Canadian.

Cole Ryan, infant son of Mark L and Missy Kleman was baptized Sunday morning in Holy Family Church by Deacon Al Maurer. Sponsors were Jennifer Sperry of Amarillo and Mitchell Brockman of Nazareth. Grandparents are Ralph and Sharon Brockman and Alphonse and Viola Kleman. Great-grandparents are Junior and Catherine Hochstein and Katie Brockman.

Congratulations to Chris and Ameer Schmucker of Lubbock on the birth of a son, Peyton Christopher, on May 5 at Lubbock Methodist Hospital. Grandparents are Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker of Nazareth and Gary and Vannette Gill of Lamesa. Great-grandparents are Greg and Christine Hoelting and Joe and Amy Schmucker of Nazareth.

Joe and Rita Woetovech drove to Bryan College Station for the May 9 graduation ceremonies of their daughter-in-law, Jennifer Beth Kleman, wife of Rodney Kleman. Held in the J. Earl Rudder Center Auditorium in a class of 150 graduates, Jen received her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree. The next few days were spent helping Rodney and Jen move to Spearman where they will make their new home.

Congratulations to Chris and Kelly Gerber of Kerney, Nebraska on the birth of a girl, Reghan Nicole, on May 17 at the Kerney Hospital. She has one three year old brother, Rylan. Grandparents are Fritz and Julene Gerber and Rodger and Edna Schilling. Great-grandparents are Walter and Anita Schilling of Dimmitt, Sylvia Hoelting, Easy Schulte and Mary Gerber of Nazareth.

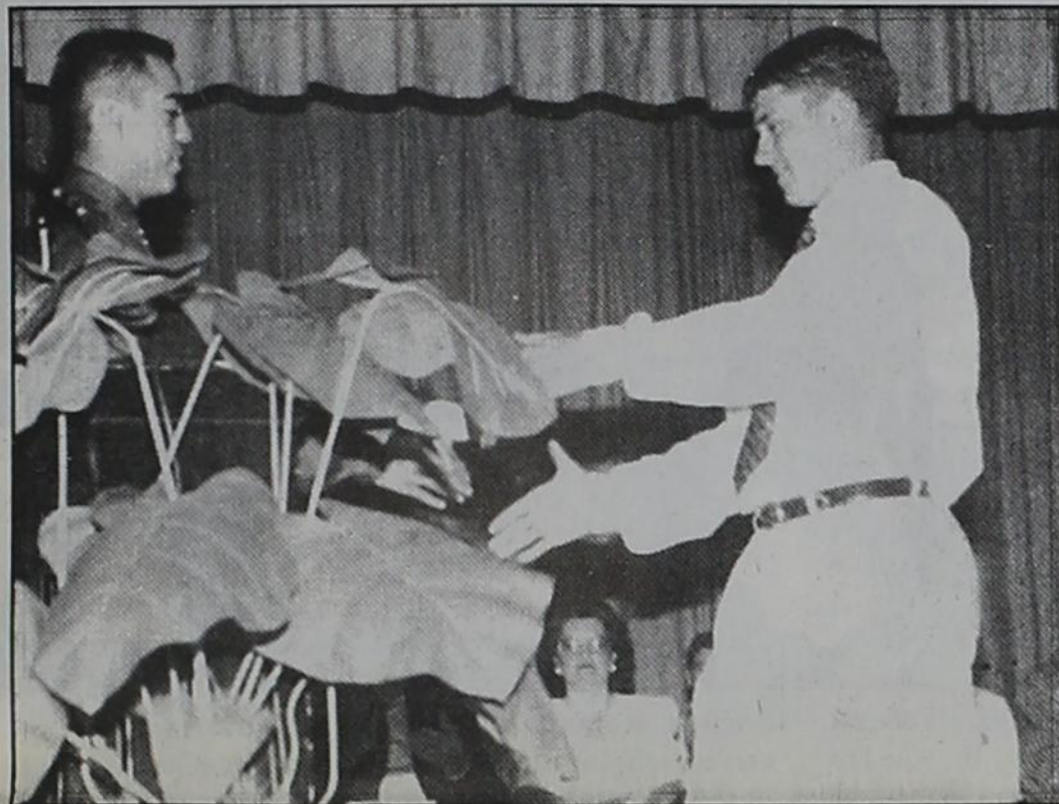
Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker hosted a family get-together in honor of LaDawn's 30th birthday. Attending were Doyle and LaDawn Schulte and children, Johnny and Kim Schmucker and family of Dumas, Chris and Ameer Schmucker and son of Lubbock, Melinda and Natalie Schmucker and Chris Kleman.

During the afternoon they celebrated a first birthday for Kami, daughter of Johnny and Kim Schmucker. Joining them from Olton were her grandmother, Marilyn Wilson, aunts and cousins.



LADY TEXAN STANDOUTS—County athletes Kim Thomas (far left) and Shea Bennett (third from right) received awards at the South Plains College athletic banquet April 28 at the SPC Student Center. Thomas, a Dimmitt High School graduate and freshman at SPC, received the "Outstanding

Defensive Player" award for the Lady Texans. Bennett, a graduate of Hart High School and sophomore, was awarded one of three captain's awards. Those pictured, from left, are: Thomas, Angie Brazier, Aleah Johnson, Bennett, Muffin Davis and Christy Kirkland.



PASSING THE GAVEL—Jason Nino (left) passes the gavel as Dimmitt High School Student Body President to Andy Hill at the DHS Awards Assembly Friday afternoon.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Amarillo College holds commencement exercises

Amarillo College hosted commencement for 1,034 students May 9 at the Amarillo Civic Center Cal Farley Coliseum.

The commencement included fall, spring and summer candidates for graduation.

Fall 1996 graduates from Dimmitt are: Lisa Rodriguez, Certificate of Completion, Vocational Nursing Certificate; and Richard G. Schacher, Certificate, Computer Assisted Drafting Certificate.

Spring 1997 graduates include: Lorena Fuentes, Certificate, Office Technology Professional Certificate; and Rita D. McDaniel, Associate in Applied Science (AAS), Paramedicine Technology.

Summer graduates are: Cynthia Castillo, Certificate, Vocational Nursing Certificate; and Maricela Flores, Certificate, Office Technology Certificate.



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Not very many small towns have a body shop as well equipped as Stanford Body Works in Dimmitt. The business was started in 1968 as J&R Paint & Body Shop by Johnny Stanford and his brother-in-law, Ronnie Hathaway. Johnny bought Ronnie out 22 years ago, and moved the business to its present location about 10 years ago.

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The shop is able to do complete body repairs, ranging from very small to very major. Although most of their customers are from Castro County, Stanford said a majority of their out-of-town customers are other body shops. "They can't handle some aspect of a job, so they bring it here," Stanford said. He said his Kansas Jack Laser Aligner machine has more than paid for itself in the jobs he has been able to do. His was one of the first body shops in the area to have a laser aligner, outside of Amarillo. He also has a frame rack, for straightening frames that have been bent due to collisions, and a Hunter Computer Wheel Aligner, so he can do alignment work by laser or computer.

Stanford has four certificates of training from Kansas Jack and several from Diamont and DuPont. He also completed a training course and obtained an I-CAR Certificate of Achievement. The Inter-Industry Conference on Auto Collision and Repair was set up by the government to establish industry-wide safety standards in car repairs. Stanford said car repair is changing every day, due to the different materials being used now in car construction. With plastics and different metal alloys being used, shops have to know how to repair each material safely.

The Mitchell Estimating System is an integral part of the business, with computerized pricing and parts lists enhancing the speed at which estimates can be made for customers. In addition, Stanford does glass replacement and runs a wrecker service.

He is helped on the job by his wife, Janet, who does the bookkeeping; his son, Chris; and Zak Felts, who works there after school.

Johnny and Janet have three children, Michael, Chris and Tammy, and one grandchild. They belong to Dimmitt's First Baptist Church and Johnny is a member and past president of the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club. They support local school and youth activities.

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# DHS names scholarship and award winners

Dimmitt High School held its annual Awards Assembly Friday afternoon in the high school auditorium, with recognition given to scholarship and award winners.

Student Body President Jason Nino passed the gavel to incoming Student Body President Andy Hill. Senior Class President Conrado Saucedo and Chris Davis announced the Senior Gift, which was a television for the hallway to display announcements, and a memorial plaque honoring the late David McCormick. They also announced the Senior picture panel that will be displayed with others in the school foyer.

Academic Letter Award winners were recognized from several grade levels, including Brad Beck, Michael Bell, Juary Cavazos, Jill Davis, Jami Fewell, Maria S. Garcia, Tracy Grand, Taryn Hays, Jimmy Ivey, Andy Hill, Cameron Lust, Amber Matthews, Daniel Maxwell, Colby McDaniel, Jason Nino, Joshua Roberts, Charley Sanders, Andrew Teaschner, and Heidi Weaver.

Winners of several major scholarships were announced during the assembly. The winner of the Dana Wall Memorial Scholarship, awarded by the Dimmitt Young Farmers, was Wesley Mays. He may receive \$1,000 per year for up to four years of studies in agricultural-related areas.

The Valedictorian, Colby McDaniel, may receive a full-tuition scholarship at any state-supported institution of higher learning. Salutatorian Joshua Roberts was awarded the Salutatorian scholarship.

Here are the winners of individual awards for scholarship, leadership, citizenship and service:

**VALEDICTORIAN:** Colby McDaniel.

**SALUTATORIAN:** Joshua Roberts.

**AMERICAN LEGION AWARD:** Sarah Goldsmith and Tracy Grand.

**ARMY RESERVE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD:** Carrie Bradley and Colby McDaniel.

**CITIZENSHIP AWARD:** Joshua Roberts and Crystal Stevens.

**UIL SCHOLAR AWARDS:** Maria S. Garcia, Joshua Roberts, and Andrew Teaschner.

**BOYS STATE:** Charley Sanders.

**GIRLS STATE:** Jill Davis and Heidi Weaver.

**I DARE YOU AWARDS:** Amber Matthews and Jeremy Matthews.

**FARM BUREAU CITIZENSHIP:** Jeremy Matthews and Teresa Robertson.

**ROTARY CAMP RYLA:** Juary Cavazos, Travis Crow, Amy Matthews and Vanessa Sanchez.

**SOPHOMORE OF THE YEAR:** Lindsey Welch.

**ATTENDANCE AWARDS:** Juary Cavazos, Lilia Dominguez, Chad Ewing, Ivan Flores, Larissa Fuentes, Shane Furr, Maria P. Garcia, Stephanie Hinojosa, Courtney Joplin, Abel Lopez, Ruben Lopez, Sylvia Medrano, Carol Summers, Andrew Teaschner, Elizabeth Velo, and Kurt Webb.

**UIL REGIONAL PARTICIPANTS:** Tracy Grand, Monica Ortiz, and Jeffery Riggs.

**PAL PARTICIPANTS FOR 1997-98:** Amber Matthews, Amy Matthews, Andy Hill, Brad Kinser, Charley Sanders, Crystal DeLaCruz, Jacy Buckley, Jana Nelson, Jared Townsend, Jason Hargrove, Jennifer Lilley, Jeremy Matthews, Jill Davis, Juary Cavazos, Kaci Bell, Sergio Pedroza, Sharlamar Jackson, Teresa Robertson, Travis Crow and Zack Matthews.

Academic awards were given to the top ten students in each class level. The top ten freshmen received jackets. They are Julie Merritt, Michael Penney, Randy Porter, Brittany Porter, Ivan Flores, Zackery Morgan, Dee Sloan, Sylvia Medrano, Van Jeter and Keevin Sanders—tie, and Felicia Sanchez.

Those honored in the sophomore class received pen and pencil sets. They are Lindsey Welch, Taryn Hays, Monica Ortiz, Heather Wise, Wesley Wright, Kristin Doss, Christina Fierro, Rusty McDaniel, Robert Sepeda, and Dene Clark.

Juniors in the top ten received a dictionary and thesaurus set. They are Jill Davis, Jeffery Riggs, Juary Cavazos, Amber Matthews, Charley Sanders, Michael Bell, Amy Garcia, Amy Matthews, Jared Townsend, and Laura Torres.

Seniors in the top ten received blankets emblazoned with a D. They are Colby McDaniel, Joshua Roberts, Andrew Teaschner, Tawnee Matthews, Maria S. Garcia, Jerry Rivera, Cameron Lust, Daniel Maxwell, Mary Stiles, and Shaun Furr.

Scholarship winners included: **BETA ZETA UPSILON:** Brad Beck, Tracy Grand, and Crystal Stevens.

**KIWANIS:** Joshua Roberts.

**HEREFORD TEXAS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION:** Tawnee Matthews, Jerry Rivera, Joshua Roberts, and Andrew Teaschner.

**BETA SIGMA PHI/ALPHA EPSILON:** Carrie Bradley and Summer McLean.

**JOHN BLAINE MEMORIAL:** Carrie Bradley.

**DICK PERRIN MEMORIAL:** Maria S. Garcia, Jimmy Ivey, Summer McLean, Alka Patel, Mary Stiles, and Andrew Teaschner.

**KOMA RATCLIFF MEMORIAL:** Carrie Bradley.

**JOHN COLLINS MEMORIAL:** Daniel Maxwell.

**DANA WALL MEMORIAL:** Wesley Mays.

**SHAWN SCHAEFFER MEMORIAL:** Kevin Baldrige and Colby McDaniel.

**MASONIC LODGE #879:** Kevin Baldrige.

**BOB & HELEN McLEAN MEMORIAL:** Summer McLean.

**AGGIE MOMS:** Cameron Lust.

**4-H PARENT LEADERS:** Tawnee Matthews and Shaun Furr.

**FAMILY COMMUNITY EDUCATORS:** Wesley Mays.

**CERESTAR USA DIMMITT, INC.:** Tracy Grand and Jerry Rivera.

**DIMMITT LIONS CLUB:** Joshua Roberts.

**DIMMITT LIONS CLUB SCHOLASTIC:** Daniel Maxwell.

**CARGILL:** Colby McDaniel.

**ROTARY CLUB:** Tawnee Matthews and Mary Stiles.

**INTERACT CLUB:** Cameron Lust.

**EASTER LIONS CLUB:** Ryan Harkins, Chad Ewing, Matias Hernandez, and Jimmy Ivey.

**TEXAS ASSN. OF STUDENT COUNCILS:** Tawnee Matthews and Colby McDaniel.

**CLASSIC CABLE:** Tawnee Matthews.

**BILL BROOKS ATHLETIC MEMORIAL:** Carrie Bradley, Tawnee Matthews, and Summer McLean.

**DANNY & SHARLA VAUGHAN MEMORIAL:** Cameron Lust and Tawnee Matthews.

**METHODIST CHURCH:** Brad Beck, Carrie Bradley, Tracy Grand, Cameron Lust, Tawnee Matthews, Daniel Maxwell, Summer McLean, Emily Roberson, Conrado Saucedo, Crystal Stevens, and Andrew Teaschner.

**ICC HOLY CROSS:** Jerry Rivera and Maria S. Garcia.

**LULAC:** Lindsey Garza, Maria Rios, Mechelle Leinen, Daniel Maxwell, Eliza Melendez, Andrea Mondragon, and Tangi Woolbright.

**P.E.O.:** Sarah Goldsmith and Crystal Stevens.

College and other scholarships that had been awarded to DHS seniors as of May 16 were:

**WTAMU RESIDENCE HALL:** Brad Beck, Tracy Grand, Daniel Maxwell and Jerry Rivera.

**STEPHEN F. AUSTIN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Carrie Bradley.

**ANGELO STATE CARR:** Shaun Furr.

**TEXAS TECH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Tawnee Matthews and Andrew Teaschner.

**DON & SYBIL HARRINGTON:** Colby McDaniel.

**TEXAS A&M ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Colby McDaniel.

**TEXAS TECH DEPT. OF HUMAN SCIENCES:** Summer McLean.

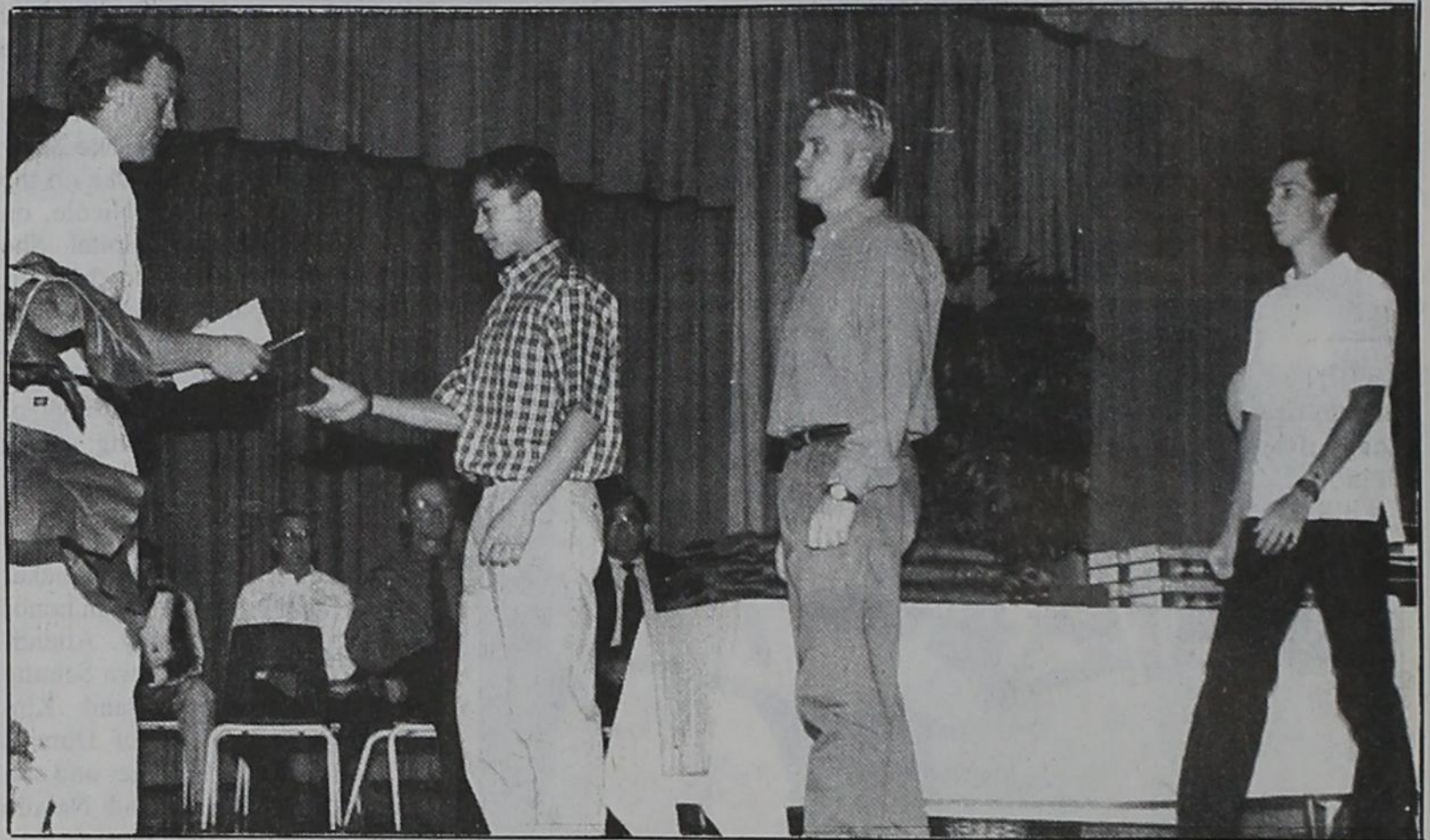
**WEST TEXAS A&M FRED & BENNIE VITTRUP:** Jerry Rivera.

**EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Joshua Roberts.



**CARGILL SCHOLARSHIP** is presented by Laura Hart to Colby McDaniel at the Dimmitt High School Award Assembly Friday afternoon. McDaniel was named Valedictorian, and also received a Shawn Schaeffer Memorial Scholarship, and a Texas Associ-

ation of Student Councils Scholarship. He was named the winner of the Army Reserve Scholar/Athlete Award and an Academic Letter Award, as well as being in the Top Ten. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



**FOR THE FIRST TIME**, the Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union awarded scholarships in Castro County, with four awarded to seniors at Dimmitt High School, one to a senior at Hart and one at Nazareth. Mike Huseman (left), manager of the Dimmitt office of the Credit Union, presented the awards at the DHS Award assembly Friday to (continuing from left) Jerry Rivera, Joshua Roberts and Andrew Teaschner. Not shown is recipient Tawnee Matthews. Rivera also received a scholarship from Cerestar USA Dimmitt, Inc., and from the ICC Holy Cross

Society. Roberts was named Salutatorian, and received scholarships from the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club and the Dimmitt Lions Club, and received a Citizenship Award, Academic Award, and a UIL Scholarship Award, as well as being named to the Top Ten. Teaschner also received a Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship and a Methodist Church Scholarship, and was named a UIL Scholar, received an Academic Letter Award, a perfect attendance award, and was in the Top Ten. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

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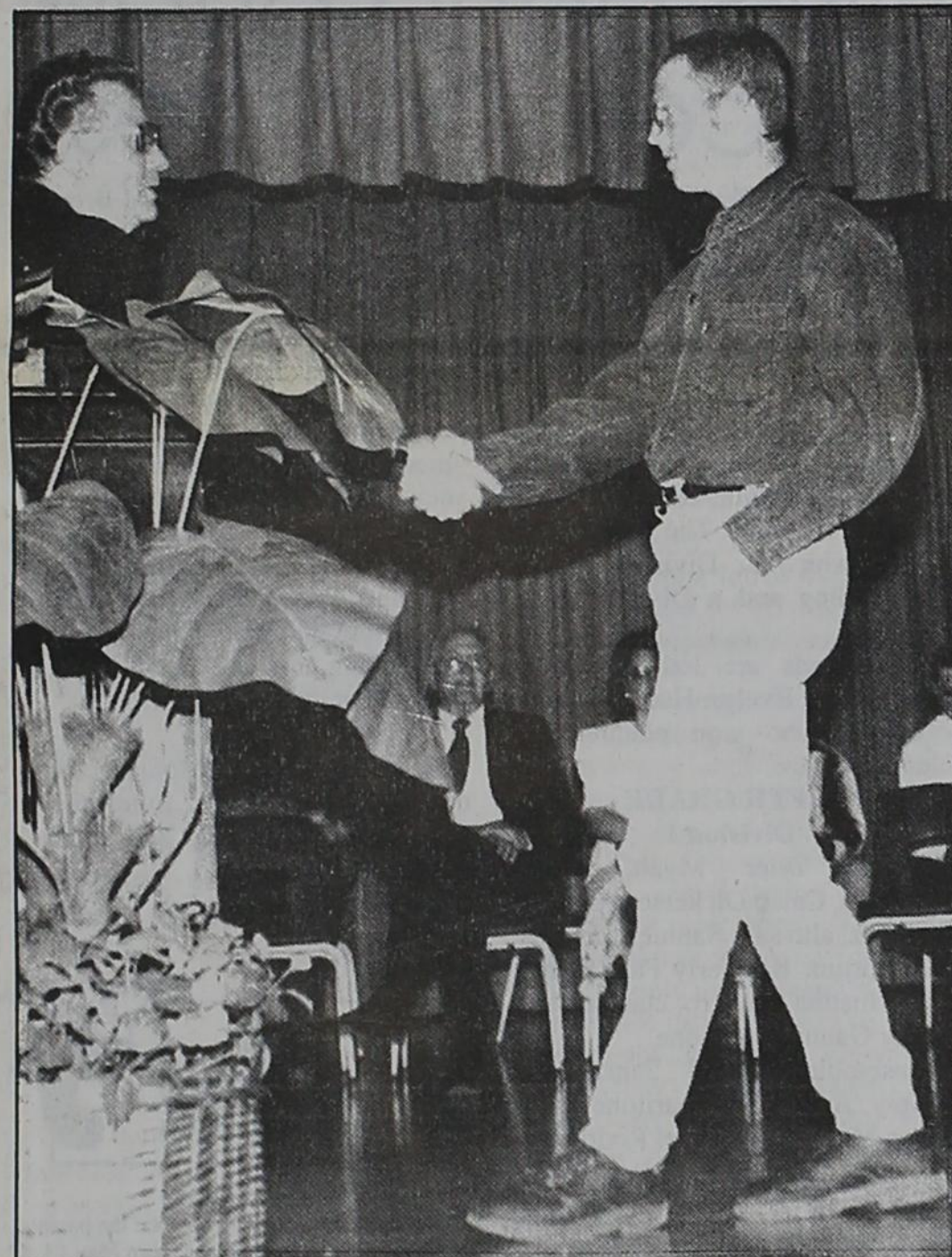
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**4-H PARENT LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP** is presented by Tami Griffitt (left) to Tawnee Matthews at the Dimmitt High School Awards Assembly. Matthews also received a Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union Scholarship, a Rotary Club Scholarship, a Texas Association of Student Councils Scholarship, a Bill Brooks Athletic Memorial Scholarship, a Methodist Church Scholarship, and was named to the Top Ten. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



**JOHN BLAINE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** is presented by Don Nelson to Carrie Bradley at the Dimmitt High School Awards Assembly Friday afternoon. Bradley also was named recipient of a Beta Sigma Phi/Alpha Epsilon Scholarship, the Koma Ratcliff Memorial Scholarship, a Bill Brooks Athletic Memorial Scholarship, and a Methodist Church Scholarship. She also received an Army Reserve Scholar/Athlete Award. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



**THE JOHN COLLINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** winner is Daniel Maxwell (right), presented by Wayne Collins at the Dimmitt High School Awards Assembly Friday afternoon. Maxwell also received a Lions Club Scholastic Scholarship, a Methodist Church Scholarship, and a LULAC Scholarship, in addition to being named an Academic Letter Award winner and one of the Top Ten in the Senior Class. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



**BOB & HELEN McLEAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** is presented by Robert McLean to Summer McLean at the Dimmitt High School Awards Assembly Friday afternoon. Summer McLean also won a Beta Sigma Phi/Alpha Epsilon Scholarship, a Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship, a Bill Brooks Athletic Memorial Scholarship, and a Methodist Church Scholarship. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

## *Congratulations to the Scholarship and Citizenship Winners, Class for 1997 ...*



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### **DIMMITT**

#### **KEVIN BALDRIDGE**

Shawn Schaeffer Memorial Scholarship,  
Masonic Lodge #879 Scholarship

#### **BRAD BECK**

Beta Zeta Upsilon Scholarship, Methodist Church  
Scholarship, Academic Letter Award, Kenneth Cleveland  
Memorial Scholarship, West Texas A&M University  
Residence Hall Scholarship

#### **CARRIE BRADLEY**

Army Reserve Scholar Athlete Award, Beta Sigma  
Phi/Alpha Epsilon Scholarship, John Blaine Memorial  
Scholarship, Koma Ratcliff Memorial Scholarship, Bill  
Brooks Athletic Memorial Scholarship, Methodist Church  
Scholarship, Kenneth Cleveland Memorial Scholarship,  
Stephen F. Austin Achievement Scholarship

#### **CHAD EWING**

Easter Lions club Scholarship, Perfect Attendance

#### **SHAUN FURR**

4-H Parent Leaders Scholarship, Top Ten, Spirit of the  
Bobcat Scholarship, Angelo State Carr Scholarship

#### **MARIA S. GARCIA**

Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship,  
ICC Holy Cross Scholarship, UIL Scholar,  
Academic Letter Award, Top Ten

#### **LINDSEY GARZA**

LULAC Scholarship

#### **SARAH GOLDSMITH**

American Legion Award, P.E.O. Scholarship

#### **TRACY GRAND**

American Legion Award, Beta Zeta Upsilon Scholarship,  
Cerestar USA Dimmitt, Inc. Scholarship, Methodist  
Church Scholarship, UIL Regional Participant, Academic  
Letter Award, West Texas A&M University Residence  
Hall Scholarship

#### **RYAN HARKINS**

Easter Lions Club Scholarship

#### **MATIAS HERNANDEZ**

Easter Lions Club Scholarship

#### **JIMMY IVEY**

Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship,  
Easter Lions Club Scholarship, Academic Letter Award,  
Jennifer Harris Memorial Scholarship

#### **MECHELLE LEINEN**

LULAC Scholarship

#### **CAMERON LUST**

Aggie Mom Scholarship, Interact Club Scholarship,  
Danny & Sharla Vaughan Memorial Scholarship,  
Methodist Church Scholarship, Academic Letter Award,  
Top Ten

#### **TAWNEE MATTHEWS**

Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union Scholarship, 4-H  
Parent Leaders Scholarship, Rotary Club Scholarship,  
Texas Ass'n of Student Councils Scholarship, Classic  
Cable Scholarship, Bill Brooks Athletic Memorial  
Scholarship, Danny & Sharla Vaughan Memorial  
Scholarship, Methodist Church Scholarship, Top Ten,  
Texas Tech Academic Achievement Scholarship

#### **DANIEL MAXWELL**

John Collins Memorial Scholarship, Dimmitt Lions Club  
Scholastic Scholarship, Methodist Church Scholarship,  
LULAC Scholarship, Academic Letter Award, Top Ten,  
Bill Rogers Memorial Scholarship, Aaron Wilcox  
Memorial Scholarship, West Texas A&M University  
Residence Hall Scholarship

#### **WESLEY MAYS**

Dana Wall Memorial Scholarship,  
Family Community Educators Scholarship

#### **COLBY McDANIEL**

Army Reserve Scholar Athlete Award,  
Shawn Schaeffer Memorial Scholarship,  
Cargill Scholarship, Texas Ass'n. Of Student Councils  
Scholarship, Valedictorian, Valedictorian Scholarship,  
Academic Letter Award, Top Ten, Don & Sybil  
Harrington Scholarship, Texas A&M Academic  
Achievement Award

#### **SUMMER McLEAN**

Beta Sigma Phi/Alpha Epsilon Scholarship, Texas Tech  
Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship, Bob & Helen McLean  
Memorial Scholarship, Bill Brooks Athletic Memorial  
Scholarship, Methodist Church Scholarship, Texas Tech  
Department of Human Sciences Scholarship

#### **ELIZA MELENDEZ**

LULAC Scholarship

#### **ANDREANA MONDRAGON**

LULAC Scholarship

#### **JASON NINO**

Academic Letter Award

#### **ALKA PATEL**

Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship

#### **MARIA RIOS**

LULAC Scholarship

#### **JERRY RIVERA**

Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union Scholarship,  
Cerestar USA Dimmitt, Inc. Scholarship, ICC Holy Cross  
Scholarship, Top Ten, West Texas A&M University  
Residence Hall Scholarship, West Texas A&M Fred &  
Bennie Vittrup Scholarship

#### **EMILY ROBERSON**

Methodist Church Scholarship

#### **JOSHUA ROBERTS**

Kiwanis Scholarship, Hereford Texas Federal Credit  
Union Scholarship, Dimmitt Lions Club Scholarship, UIL  
Scholar, Citizenship Award, Salutatorian, Salutatorian  
Scholarship, Academic Letter Award, Top Ten, Eastern  
New Mexico University Academic Achievement  
Scholarship

#### **CONRADO SAUCEDO**

Methodist Church Scholarship

#### **CRYSTAL STEVENS**

Beta Zeta Upsilon Scholarship, Methodist Church  
Scholarship, P.E.O. Scholarship, Citizenship Award,  
Bobcat Band Scholarship, Spirit of the Bobbie  
Scholarship

#### **MARY STILES**

Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship,  
Rotary Club Scholarship, Top Ten

#### **ANDREW TEASCHNER**

Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union Scholarship,  
Methodist Church Scholarship, UIL Scholar,  
Perfect Attendance Award, Academic Letter Award,  
Texas Tech Dick Perrin Memorial Scholarship, Top Ten,  
Texas Tech Academic Achievement Scholarship

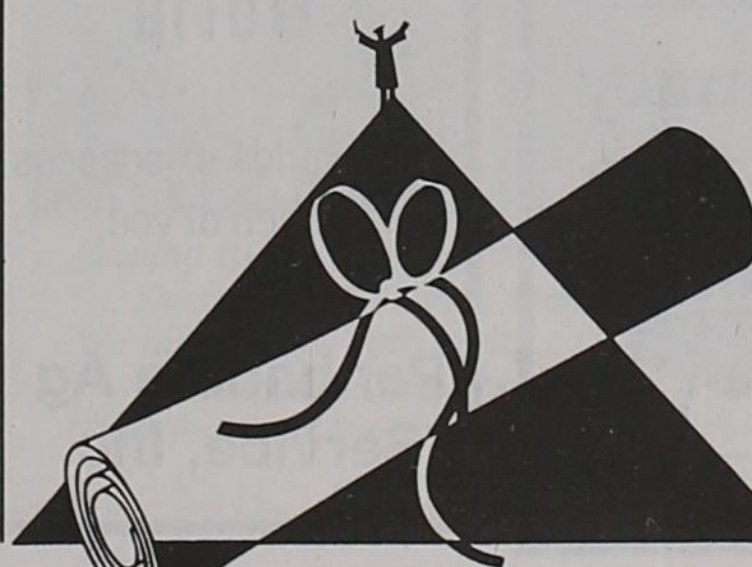
#### **TANGI WOOLBRIGHT**

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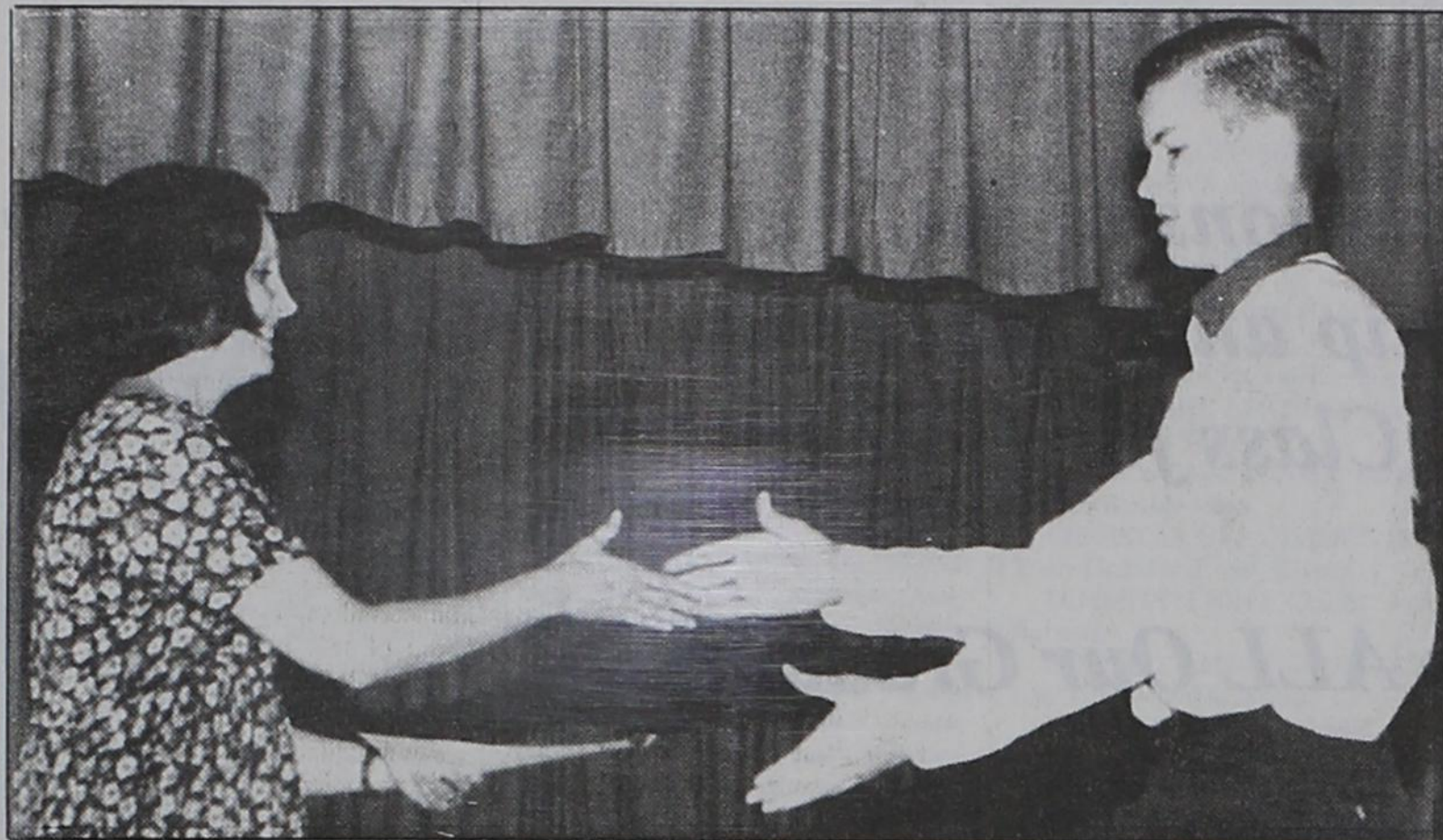
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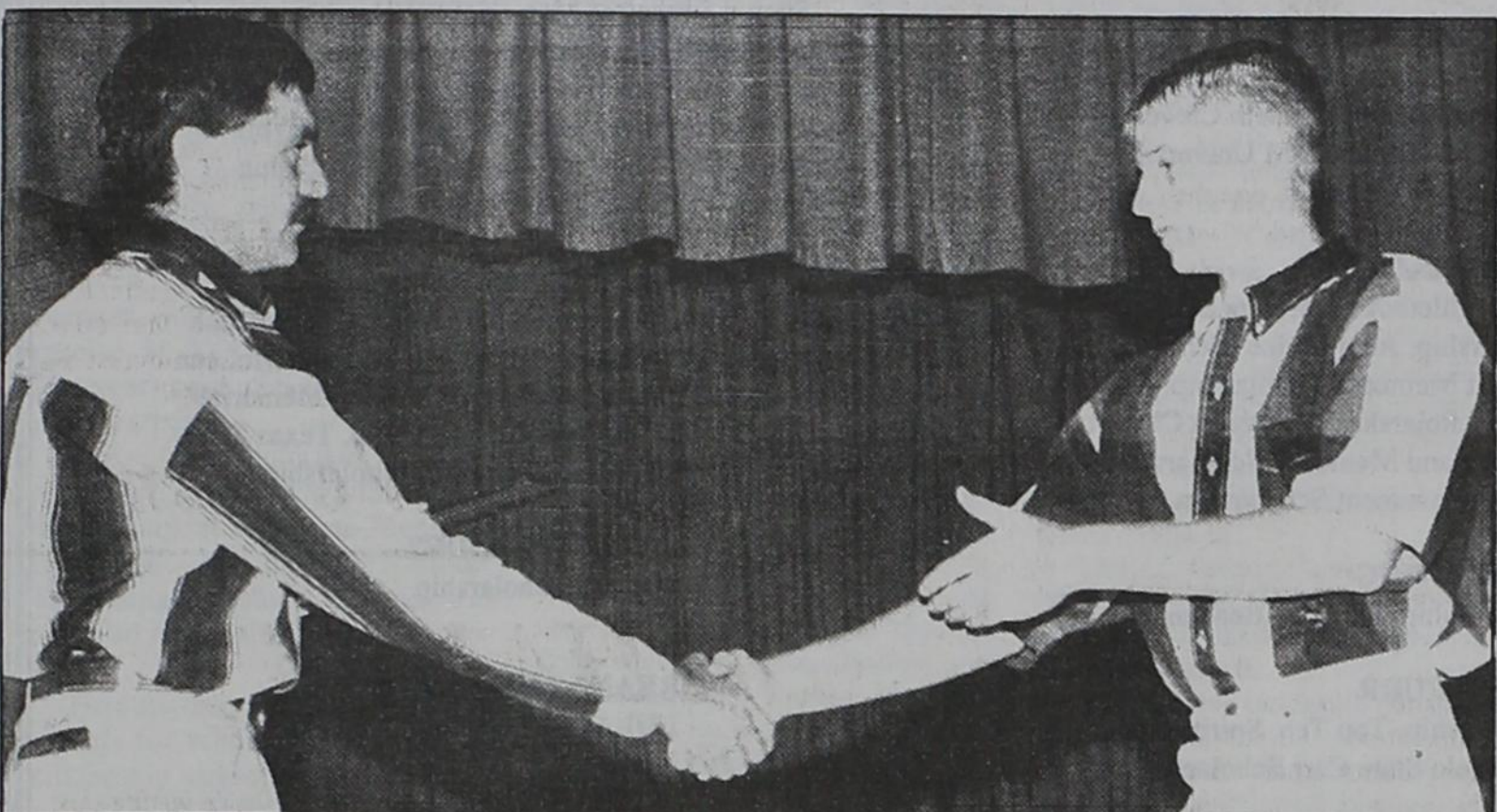
AGGIE MOMS, represented by Diane Townsend, awarded a scholarship to Cameron Lust at the Dimmitt High School Award Assembly Friday afternoon. Lust also was a recipient of the Danny &

Sharla Vaughan Memorial Scholarship, a Methodist Church Scholarship and the Interact Club Scholarship. He was named to the Top Ten and received an Academic Letter Award. Photo by Linda Maxwell



AMERICAN LEGION AWARD WINNERS at Dimmitt High School are announced by Fred Kuntz (left) at the DHS Awards Assembly Friday afternoon. Recipients are Sarah Goldsmith (center) and Tracy Grand (right). Goldsmith also received a P.E.O.

Scholarship. Grand was named a recipient of a Beta Zeta Upsilon Scholarship, a Ceresstar USA Dimmitt, Inc., Scholarship, and a Methodist Church Scholarship. He also was honored as a UIL Regional participant and an Academic Letter Award winner. Photo by Linda Maxwell



THE DANA WALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP for \$1,000 per year, renewable annually for four years, is awarded to Dimmitt High School Senior

Wesley Mays (right) by Dimmitt Young Farmer Lonnie Robb. Mays also won a scholarship from the Family Community Educators. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## What's cooking? In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for May 22-30.

### DIMMITT

**Preschool-First Grade Lunch**  
**THURSDAY:** Nachos with cheese and peppers, refried beans, watermelon, Arroz Mexicano and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** No school!

### Grades 2-12 Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of hot dog on bun with cheese, macaroni cheese and ham casserole or nachos with cheese and peppers; potato chips, mixed vegetables, refried beans, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, cole slaw or watermelon; assorted muffins, white hot rolls, arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**FRIDAY:** No school!

### HART

**Elementary School**  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito or steak finger basket, dill pickles, corn, fresh fruit, peaches and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket, corn dog or burrito, dill pickles, peaches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, corn on the cob, apricots, fresh fruit and milk.

**MONDAY:** Choice of steak finger basket, pizza or hamburger basket; salad, dill pickles, fresh fruit, chocolate cake with glaze and milk, punch or tea.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of enchilada casserole, hamburger basket or pizza; tortilla pieces, salad, corn, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, apricots and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of oven-fried chicken, hamburger basket or corn dog; wheat rolls, green bean salad, apricots, fresh fruit and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of burrito, pizza or frito pie; dill pickles, pinto beans, fresh fruit, gelatin dessert and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of hoagie sandwich or tuna salad sandwich, potato chips, lettuce, tomato and pickles, fresh fruit, peaches, carrot sticks, gelatin dessert, ginger cookies and milk.

**Junior High and High School**  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of burrito, pizza or steak finger basket, peaches, corn, salad, cherry crisp, ice cream and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket, corn dog or burrito, dill pickles, peaches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, corn on the cob, apricots, fresh fruit, ginger cookies and milk, kool-aid or tea.

**MONDAY:** Choice of steak finger basket, pizza or hamburger basket; beets, mixed vegetables, peaches, dill pickles, fresh fruit, chocolate cake with glaze and milk, punch or tea.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of enchiladas with tortilla pieces, hamburger basket or pizza; salad, corn, gelatin dessert, apricots, ginger cookies and milk, punch or tea.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of oven-fried chicken, hamburger basket or corn dog, wheat rolls, green beans, gravy, beets, apricots, peaches, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket,

**FRIDAY:** Choice of hoagie sandwich or tuna salad sandwich, potato chips, lettuce, tomato and pickles, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, peaches, carrot sticks, ginger cookies and milk, punch or tea.

### NAZARETH

**THURSDAY:** \*Chicken spaghetti or hamburgers and fries, salad, corn, pears, oranges and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** \*Sandwiches or corn dogs, lettuce, oranges, ice cream and milk.

(\*Entrees designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students while secondary students will be allowed to choose between the two entrees.)

## DMS band pupils place at contest

Band students from Dimmitt Middle School won placings at the Concert, Solo & Ensemble Contest they attended recently. Individuals won medals for solos and ensembles and three groups won awards for concert and sightreading.

The Sixth Grade Brass won a Division I in concert and sightreading, while the Sixth Grade Band did the same. The Junior High Band won a Division I in sightreading and a Division II in concert.

The bands are led by Teresa Carlisle and Evelyn Hadley.

Others who won placings included:

### FIFTH GRADE

**Division I**  
 Solos: Tyler Myatt, Casey Hargrove, Caleb Dickerson, cornet; Eva Paiz, alto sax; Samuel Cavazos, snare drum; Kimberly Paz, French horn; Justina Navarro, clarinet; and Nicky Gauna, trombone.

**Ensembles:** Todd Jansa and Jimmy Armstrong, baritone duet; Ethan Martin and Daniel Rodriguez, alto sax duet; Shae Odom, flute, Tabitha Laurent, clarinet and Megan Pigg, mallets, trio; Sheena Ehly, flute, and Angelica Lara and Cynthia Barrera, clarinet, trio;

### SIXTH GRADE

**Division I**  
 Solos: Jill Merritt, alto sax; Annette Zambrano, flute; Joel Birdwell, piano; Chris Back, clarinet; Cesar Ruiz, baritone; Natalie Jimenez and Alonso Lopez, alto sax; Steven Paz, French horn; L.J. Soler and Ruben Casas, cornet.

**Ensembles:** Chris Back and Roxie Saenz, clarinet duet; Robert Casas, Harold Casas, maracas, and Efen Gomez, snare drum, trio; Colby Williams, baritone, Patrick Hunter, trombone, and Casey Jones, cornet,

trio; Joel Birdwell and Lee Brown, baritone duet; and Ruben Espinoza and Ricky Ramirez, cornet duet.

### Division II

**Ensemble:** Ruben Leal, snare drum, and Freddy Flores, bass drum, percussion duet.

### JUNIOR HIGH

#### Division I

Solo: Raul Casas, snare drum.  
 Ensembles: Alexis Proffitt, tenor sax, and Rae Odom and Kelsey Welch, alto sax, saxophone trio; and Paul Craig, Ashley Jackson and Debbie Peralez, clarinet trio.

#### Division II

Ensembles: Jessica Montes, clarinet and Stacey Casas, flute, duet; and Dana Gonzales and Erika Mendoza, flute duet.



## Who's New!

**Out of town**  
 Shannon and Marie Powers are the parents of a baby boy, Brantley Blake, born May 13 at 11:53 p.m. at North West Texas Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs., 20 3/4 in. Grandparents are Jackie and Ronda Powers of Dimmitt, Kenny and Judy Flippo of LaPorte and Edgar Ramey of Dallas. Great-grandmothers are Faye Powers and Emily Ramey, both of Dimmitt.

## Correction

In two recent photos, Jeremy Matthews was incorrectly identified. He was one of the team members that worked on the "Muscle Car" display for his US History AP class, and he was the OM team member who helped out at the rabies shot clinic at the fire station. The News regrets the errors.

## Texas DPS stresses holiday safety on roads

As Memorial Day approaches, motorists are planning for summer vacations or maybe that first trip to area lakes. Once again, motorists will face the hazard of traffic deaths and injuries on our state's highways.

Trooper Wayne Beighle, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminds those drivers that summer time will mean an increase in the volume of traffic on area roads.

With more travelers sharing the road, the potential for traffic crashes also increases.

Each driver holds the key to their own safety. By ensuring that our vehicle is in good working order, pre-planning our travels to allow plenty of time to arrive and by concentrating on the driving task at hand, motorists will have that extra margin needed to avoid a collision.

Trooper Beighle advised extreme caution around area recreational spots this holiday. Traffic will be heavier and often, narrow roads could become congested.

"The use of alcohol is always a major concern during any holiday," Beighle added. "So be mindful and watchful for the impaired driver."

Beighle also advised that the best defense against any situation on the highway is a fastened safety belt.

*It is hard to feel individually responsible with respect to the invisible processes of a huge and distant government.*

—John Gardner

## Golf tournament benefits Cleveland Scholarship Fund

The third annual Kenneth Cleveland Memorial Scholarship Tournament will be held May 31 and June 1 at Country Club of Dimmitt.

Entry fee for the two-man, low-ball golf tournament will be \$65 per person and that includes a cart for two days and a steak dinner on Saturday night. Those who wish to sign up for the tournament should call the Country Club at 647-4502.

Here's hoping you achieve your future dreams, Grads.

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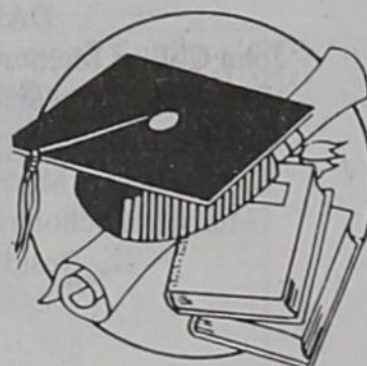
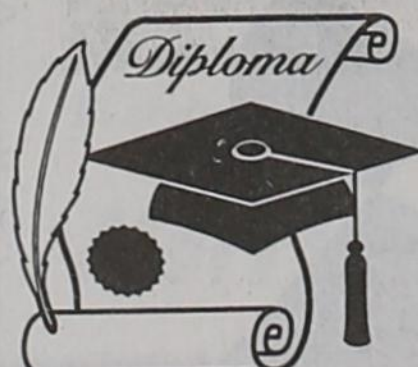
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## Graduation Day Wishes

May all your hopes and dreams come true in the years to come.

Congratulations on a job well done!

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May you celebrate many more triumphs on your way to the top.

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Your NAPA Store

# Obituaries

## Michael Diaz

Michael Diaz, infant son of Michael and Amy Diaz of Hart, died last Thursday at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Graveside services were held Saturday at Hart Cemetery with the Rev. Roger Velasquez officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Homes.

Survivors include his parents; a brother, Ryan of Hart; grandparents, Willie and Gloria Diaz, and Ray and Amelia Velasquez, all of Hart; great-grandparents, Joe Velasquez, Manuela Rodriguez, and Mel and Dominga Gonzales, all of Hart; and great-great-grandparents, Romanita Reyna, and Beatrice and Manny Fernandez, all of Hart.

## Ralph Futrell

Services for Ralph Edward Futrell, 70, of Hereford were held Tuesday in Hereford Church of the Nazarene with the Revs. Ted Taylor, pastor, and Denzil Leonard, of Canadian, officiating.

Burial was in Hart Cemetery under direction of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Futrell, a former resident of Hart, died Saturday, May 17, in Northwest Texas Hospital.

He was born on June 25, 1926, in Florence. He married Bonnie Hill in 1948. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene, and he was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II. He married Wilma Townsend on April 15, 1988, in Hereford.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bruce of Phoenix, Ariz.; a daughter, Rebecca Henley of San Antonio; a brother, Weston of Dumas; a sister, Carol Carruth of Alamosa, Colo.; and five grandchildren.

## Arthur Turpin

Graveside services for Arthur L. Turpin, 72 and former Hart farmer, of Plainview were Wednesday in Memorial Park Cemetery in Dalhart with the Rev. Mitch Wilson, pastor of First Baptist Church in Shallowater, officiating.

Burial will be under direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Turpin died May 18 in Plainview Methodist Hospital.

He was born Aug. 25, 1924, in Dustin, Okla. He attended Dalhart schools. He attended the Baptist Church, and he was a lifetime member of the Plainview Rodeo Association. A daughter, Mona Marie Turpin, and a son, Jody Carl, preceded him in death.

He farmed in Hart and Dalhart, retiring in 1990.

Survivors include four sons, Allyn McQuarie of San Diego, Calif., Danny Turpin of Tijeras, N.M., David Turpin of Plainview and Johnny Turpin of Shallowater; two sisters, Unie Matthews of Amarillo and Ludy Rogers of Lubbock; 17 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

## SBA to hold luncheon

The Small Business Administration (SBA) will be celebrating Small Business Week with a luncheon at the Market Alumni Center on June 2 at 11:30.

During the luncheon, which costs \$17 per person, the SBA will present the Small Business Award winners and recognize many others for their significant contributions and dedicated support of Small Business.

The keynote speaker will be Congressman Larry Combest.

Small businesses, numbering some 23 million strong, employ 53 percent of the private workforce in the United States and are responsible for a full 50 percent of the gross domestic product.

For information call (806) 745-1637 or (806) 472-7462. To reserve a seat now call (806) 745-1637 and ask for Sandra Caldwell.

Remit to the Texas Tech University Small Business Development Center, 2579 South Loop 289, Lubbock, Texas 79424. Seating is limited.



**THE DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR** earned a superior rating at the Band, Choir and Orchestra Festival in Dallas this past weekend. The Festival is part of Funfest activities at the Sandy Lake Amusement Park. Those who sang at the Festival include (back, from left) Sharlamar Jackson, Lacy Loudder, Monica Arce, Eddie Vasquez and Choir Director, Ken Strange. Kneeling are (from left)

Felicja Sanchez, Christina Fierro, Ebony Swaim, Christina Caldera and Debbie Garcia. Seated are (from left) Jennifer Perez, Edith Fuller, Larissa Fuentes, Jessica Garcia, Valerie Gonzales, Jeanette LaFuente, Angela Montiel and Nancy Flores. Holding the trophy are Christy Ewing, left, and Deidre Black. (Photo by Scott Brockman)

# Cotton Talks

Rain continues to fall across the Texas High Plains as producers try to get their crops in the ground. With over one-half of the normal yearly rainfall already received, it appears that once it is planted, the 1997 crop will have favorable moisture conditions for some time.

Hopefully, producers will be able to successfully work their way through all the other potential problems and put together a good crop.

Current estimates place planted acreage on the High Plains at approximately 10 to 20%. Any extended period of warm, open weather will likely cause a significant jump in this figure.

## DPS urges drivers to be cautious during the summer

School is out! This signals a lot of outdoor fun for children and for drivers it should necessitate a change in driving habits.

"With warmer weather and longer days, children play outside from early morning until late at night," said Dept. of Public Safety Trooper Wayne Beighle, public information officer. "Since there will be many more kids outside during the summer, drivers must remain alert and ready for almost anything."

Most people understand that children are not just small adults. Children do not think like adults and usually they do not reason like adults. They lack experience with traffic and also have limited perceptual skills, consequently they are unable to accurately judge the speed and distance of vehicles. Drivers, therefore, have the responsibility to watch out for children at play.

"The key to avoid hitting a pedestrian is leaving yourself plenty of time and space for proper reaction," said Beighle. "Scanning from curb to curb, well ahead of your vehicle, will afford a driver the necessary time and space."

Everyone who enters a roadway is vulnerable to injury, but children are at greater risk. As the number of children outdoors increases this summer, drivers are obligated to keep them safe.

County estimates received from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at press time showed a wide range in the planting progress. The lowest estimate received was from Crosby County, where only 2% of the crop has been planted. The highest percentage was in Castro County, where Texas Agricultural Extension Service estimates 75% of the cotton acres have been planted.

Many producers are simply waiting for fields to dry out or for soil temperatures to rebound following the cool rains that criss-crossed the area over the past week to 10 days.

"We are really in an enviable situation in terms of planting moisture," said PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "The past few growing seasons have been exactly the opposite with producers coping with overly dry conditions. Hopefully, everyone will be able to take advantage of the current situation."

Johnson said that overall, dryland production areas have experienced very lean times over the past few years and producers are looking forward to having adequate moisture on-hand to plant the dryland crop. Producers who irrigate their crop should also be able to obtain a significant benefit from the recent round of free moisture.

"With only a small percentage of

the crop planted, only a few fields have cotton up and growing," said Johnson. "With an increase in soil temperatures, we should begin to see more cotton planted. The key, as always, will be the weather over the next two weeks."

The effort to resurrect the recently squashed Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program continues as Senate Bill 1814 slowly makes its way through the Texas Legislature.

Senate Bill 1814, relating to modification of the official cotton growers' boll weevil eradication program, was introduced by Sen. Robert L. Duncan of Lubbock.

The purpose of the legislation is to correct problems in the setup of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation pointed out by the Texas Supreme Court.

Efforts are currently underway on many fronts to strengthen the bill. The overall goal of these efforts is to provide producers with the maximum flexibility possible for setting up boll weevil eradication programs.

Weekly boll weevil trap catches indicate weevils are continuing to emerge from overwintering habitats in increasing numbers. The figures should continue the general rise through the peak emergence period around the first of June.

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## Our Dearest Leta

You can deny it's your big day,  
But whatever you do,  
We still plan to have our say.

You've enjoyed your place  
As a much younger sister,  
Now it's no longer the case.

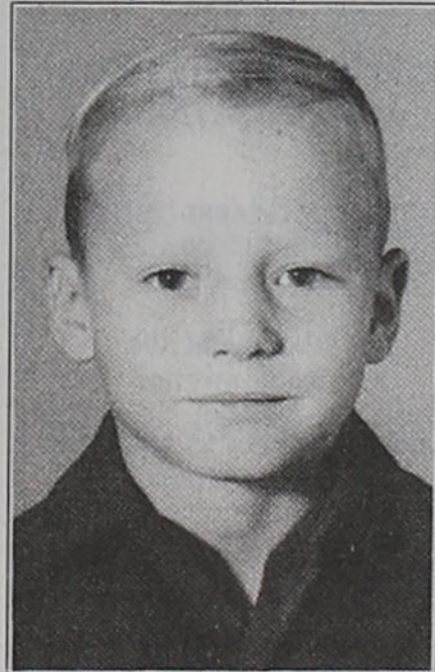
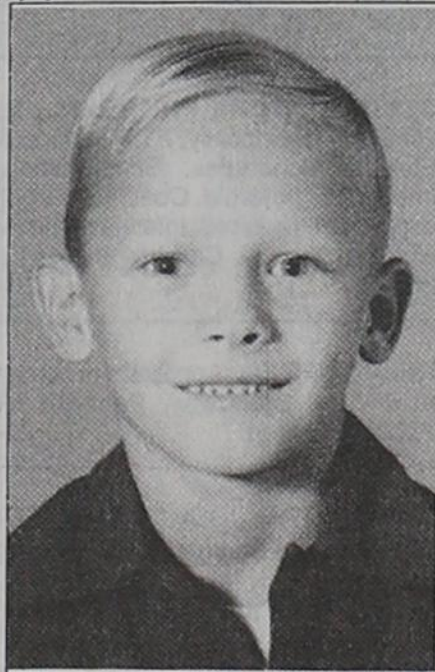
On being younger you can not gloat,  
Once you reach 40,  
We're all in the same age boat.

If you fly away or go on a cruise,  
We will still find a way  
To harass and abuse.

Happy 40th from your loving, but no longer  
much, much older sisters.

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Happy Birthday Happy Birthday Happy Birthday



Having twins is really nifty,  
Even more so when they're fifty.  
We wish them both well,  
Even though you can't tell,  
That together they make a whole century!

Happy Birthday Happy Birthday Happy Birthday

# Farm credit reports first quarter earnings

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas and its affiliated lending associations reported a combined first quarter 1997 earnings of \$22 million, compared to net income of \$27.6 million for the first three months of 1996.

The difference in first quarter net earnings compared to one year ago is attributed primarily to decreases in net interest income and in gains on the sale of other property owned.

During the first quarter, mortgage loan volume grew by \$75.8 million, while production volume experienced a \$65.2 million, or 7.2 percent, decrease in total loans.

Total gross loan volume at March 31, 1997, was \$3.89 billion, compared to \$3.9 billion at year-end 1996.

Member equity grew to \$887 million at quarter-end, from \$879 million at December 31, 1996.

Bank Chief Executive Officer Arnold R. Henson said district performance for the first quarter is on track with targets set by the bank and associations for the period.

"The condition of the bank and affiliated associations in our territory is very strong," he said. "While we are optimistic that 1997 will be another good year, we are evaluating activities impacting the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication efforts and are concerned about any potential loan

loss that may be experienced as a result of the Texas Supreme Court's ruling halting eradication efforts."

The bank and seven Production Credit Associations had approximately \$37 million in loans outstanding to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at April 30, 1997, when the court ruled that the statute creating the Foundation was unconstitutional.

These loans have been placed in nonaccrual status, pending final outcome of this matter, and approximately \$900,000 in interest income recorded in 1997 has been reversed.

The Foundation is currently pursuing both judicial and legislative remedies to permit continuation of the program.

"We applaud the legislature's efforts to restore the boll weevil program and feel it is critical that a legislative solution include provisions to ensure the repayment of the Foundation's present debt obligations," Henson said.

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas and its affiliated Production Credit Associations and Federal Land Bank Associations are member-owned agricultural lending cooperatives serving producers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas. Combined assets totaled \$4.5 billion at March 31, 1997.

## Together We Can

# THANKS

The Dimmitt Rotary Club wishes to thank all the city's businesses that purchased flag contracts this year. Because of your support, our business district looks patriotic and "well dressed" on our flag-flying holidays.

We also wish to thank those individuals, families and clubs that are sponsoring memorial flags on the courthouse square. Here is the current list of memorial flag sponsors:

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| <b>In honor or memory of:</b><br>All those who served<br>All those who served<br>All those who served<br>All those who served<br>All who served in the Vietnam War<br>Florence & Dora Albracht<br>A. M. (Blackie) Blackwood<br>L. C. Braafladt & Helen & Bob McLean | <b>Sponsors:</b><br>Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Clark<br>Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Berryhill<br>Mr. & Mrs. Roger Malone<br>Tots and Teens<br>Danny & Brenda Bruton<br>Henry & Linda Ramaekers & Family<br>Sonny & Ann Armstrong<br>Charles, Jill, Summer & Cassie McLean<br>Bruegel Family<br>Kevin Bruton<br>George Rasor & Alan Steinle<br>Henry & Linda Ramaekers & Family<br>Henry & Linda Ramaekers & Family<br>Cleo Forson<br>Ferne Dickey<br>Nelle DiCuffa<br>Lela Jane Dodson<br>Carole E. Dyer<br>Don & Verbie Nelson<br>Doug Pybus Family<br>Delores, Randy & Kim<br>Tommy Portwood Family<br>Sandra Hill<br>Sandra Hill<br>Rita Emmons<br>Butch Holcomb<br>Jaci Garner, Brandi & Sky Holcomb<br>Rita Emmons<br>Barbara Hudson<br>Mr. & Mrs. Bob Mooney<br>Danny Rice Family<br>Ferne Jones, Luvette & Harry<br>Geneva Justice<br>Louise Kemp<br>Nelle Kitchens DiCuffa<br>Doug Pybus Family<br>Stanley McDaniel Family<br>Wayne & Gladys Gipson<br>Mrs. Russell Moran<br>Jimmie & Della Chapman<br>Desi Pesina<br>Doug Pybus Family<br>Henry & Linda Ramaekers & Family<br>Mr. & Mrs. Glyn Reed<br>Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Rials<br>Danny Rice Family<br>Family of Robert Roland<br>Mr. & Mrs. Felix Sanchez & Family<br>Joe Bob, Bill, Brent & Brad Sanders<br>Dorothy Sheffy<br>Polly Simpson & Family<br>Shirley Stephens<br>Jack & Carolyn Thompson<br>Reeford & Betty Burrous<br>Betty Wallace<br>Carla Scott Family<br>& Sharon Ewing Family<br>Bobby F. West<br>Mauzee Youts |
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(More memorial flag spaces on courthouse square are available. If you would like to establish a memorial flag, you may contact any member of the Dimmitt Rotary. Sponsorship price is \$25 per year.)

## Dimmitt Rotary Club

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# Classified Advertising

Buy, Sell or Trade



## 1—Real Estate Homes & Land

### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

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

**FOR SALE:** Three bedroom, one bath. Nice deck, big backyard. Sprinkler system, fireplace, extra nice storage building. Close to elementary school. 647-3697 or 647-2439. 1-1-tfc

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**SIX BEDROOMS,** four baths, two living rooms, corner lot, two storage buildings, 2,899 sq. ft. \$42,000.

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**DARLING** two bedroom, one bath, one car garage, nice size kitchen, approximately 1300 sq. ft. \$28,000.

### FARMS

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

**615+ ACRES** west of Dimmitt on Highway 86, five wells—two gas and three electric. Highway on two sides. \$550/acre.

**300 ACRES** close to town, three wells, one quarter mile pivot, perfect cattle farm. \$425/acre.

**160 ACRES** in the Sunnyside area, sprinkler, good water. \$850/acre.

**TWO 10 ACRE TRACTS** with one well per tract, between Dimmitt and Nazareth. \$15,000 per tract.

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

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### FARMS

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ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR RENT  
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One, two and three bedroom apartments. Call for availability. Call 647-2631 or 647-3696 evenings.

## 5—For Rent, Misc.

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No credit checks.  
KITTRELL ELECTRONICS  
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## 6—For Sale, Misc.

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## 7—Garage Sale

**HOLD ON TO YOUR JUNK!** City-wide Garage Sale is coming June 7. 7-2-tfc

## 10—Agricultural Services

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

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## 13—Livestock, Pets

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## Kent's Auto Sales

116 E. Jones St., Dimmitt, TX 79027  
(806) 647-3427 or (806) 647-5501

**1993 Chev. Corsica,** 4-Dr, 50,000 miles, V-6, AT, PS, PB, AC, tilt, cruise.

**1993 Ford Tempo,** 4 cylinder, AT, PS, PB, AC, 31,000 miles.

**1991 Buick LeSabre Custom,** 4-Dr, loaded, 52,000 miles.

**1991 Dodge Dynasty,** 4-Dr, V-6, AT, PS, PB, AC, tilt, cruise, locks, AM/FM, tape, 48,000 miles.

**1991 Dodge Spirit,** 4-Dr, loaded, 30,000 miles, red.

**1990 Oldsmobile Regency 98,** 4-Dr, loaded, nice, leather interior. Come see!

**1985 Chev. Suburban,** trailer puller, 454 engine, transmission cooler, AT, PS, PB, front and rear AC, heavy duty Michelin tires, 73,000 actual miles. Has been used to pull travel trailer. Also has tilt, cruise, electric windows, locks, AM/FM tape. Local one owner.

**1989 Mercury Sable,** 4-Dr, loaded, nice.

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**1995 BUICK LeSABRE LIMITED**  
4-Dr., loaded, 14,000 miles.  
Luxury for less. White.

**1991 BUICK PARK AVE.**  
4-Dr., loaded, very nice.

**1990 CHEV SILVERADO S/W 1/2 T**  
Loaded, special paint.

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Loaded, one owner, very nice.

**1986 CHEV. CELEBRITY**  
4-Dr., clean, well equipped.

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## 18—Services

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SERVICE ON ALL MAKES

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## 19—Students Wanting Work

**LAWN MOWING,** call Buddy, 647-5561 or 647-7358. 19-5-2tp

## 20—Help Wanted

**NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS** for Rns, LVNs and CNAs for all shifts. Call or come by, (806) 364-7113; 231 Kingwood, Hereford. 20-35-tfc

**SWISHER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL** has an opening for one full-time nurse (RN), one part-time nurse (RN) for second and third shifts. If interested send resume to Swisher Memorial Hospital District Human Resources Dept., PO Box 808, Tulla, Texas 79088. 20-7-1tc

**STUDENT WORK PROGRAM.** 16 positions available locally, FT/PT, up to \$9.65. Flexible Schedules. Scholarships and internships possible. Conditions apply. No experience required. Interview in Amarillo, work in Dimmitt. Call btw 9-6 M-F, 358-2559. 20-5-8tp

**HELP WANTED:** Applications being taken at 313 N. Broadway, Pancake House. Apply in person. 20-7-2tc

**THE CASTRO COUNTY SHERIFF'S** Department has an immediate opening for a full-time county jailer. Applicants must be able to meet the minimum licensing requirements as specified by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education, and pass a drug test. Additional information may be obtained from Capt. Mary Ewing at the Castro County Sheriff's Office or by calling (806) 647-3311. Applications are available at the Castro County Sheriff's Office. Castro County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 20-6-3tc

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

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| 5. Miscellaneous items for rent   | 18. Services                |
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| 7. Garage sales                   | 19. Students seeking work   |
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**THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT** of Protective and Regulatory Services has an opening in Dimmitt for a child protective services specialist. Duties include casework related to protective services intake, child abuse/neglect investigations, ongoing services to families, foster care and adoption. Tasks include case documentation done by computer, home visits and court-related matters. Computer skills and typing are desired. Entry level salary is \$1,836 monthly. Minimum qualifications are a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. Contact the Amarillo office for a copy of the job announcement and application at 6200 I-40 West, telephone (806) 354-5365. Applications may also be picked up at the Plainview office at 121 East 7th, Suite A. Applicants must be in the Amarillo office by Wednesday, May 30, 1997, to be considered for this vacancy and should be mailed to PO Box 3700, Amarillo, Texas, 79116-3700. Interviews will be granted to the most qualified applicants. The fax is (806) 354-6299. 20-7-1tc

**COUNTRY CLUB** of Dimmitt has an opening for a counter clerk for the pro shop. Approximately 35 hours per week. Call Kathy or Glenn at 1-505-762-5021. 20-7-1tc

## 21—Wanted, Misc.

**WOULD LIKE TO BUY** refrigerated window air conditioning unit. Call 647-1009. 21-7-1tp

## 22—Notices

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS,** 647-4594. 22-4-5tc

## 24—Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
Thank you for all the help that you gave Daniel Lopez and also for praying for him. ALL OF HIS FAMILY, PARENTS AND WIFE 24-7-1tc

**CARD OF THANKS**  
To all the parents and volunteers who helped with Richardson Elementary School's Play Day (K, 1, 2, 3):

We wanted to thank all of you who helped with our play day last week. We could not have done it without your help and support on that hectic, but fun day. We also wanted to thank the following people: Doug Setliff, Irene Sepeda, Tomasa Leal, Polita Espinosa, Andrea DeLaCruz, Linda Bonilla, Dinah DeLeon, Glen Odom, Diann Leatherwood, Debra Goldsmith, Ruby Teaschner, Mary Emma Matthews and Nina Gothard. Again, thanks a million for EVERYTHING!  
KATRINA HOWELL  
MONTY GOTHARD  
24-7-1tc

The first human being who hurled an insult instead of a stone was the founder of civilization.  
—Sigmund Freud

## 25—Legal Notices

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
The Dimmitt Independent School District Food Service is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of food, non-food, janitorial, paper, milk and bread product items for the 1997-98 school year. Information may be obtained from the Administration Office at 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. All bids must be returned to Johnny Hill, Business Manager, or Charles Ketchum, Food Service Director, at 708 West Stinson by 2 p.m. on June 4, 1997. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids. All bids must be for the entire 1997-98 school year. 25-7-2tc

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
NO. PR 2262  
THE ESTATE OF CLARA THELMA GLADDEN, Deceased IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

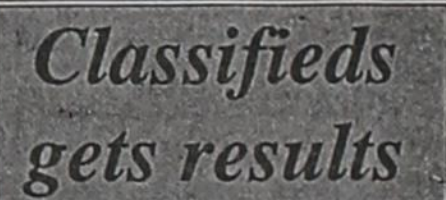
**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CLARA THELMA GLADDEN, Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of CLARA THELMA GLADDEN, Deceased, were issued to THELMA MOORE on the 20th day of May, 1997, in the proceedings indicated above, which proceedings are still pending, and that she now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law, to the following address: THELMA MOORE, 511 West Jones, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027. 25-7-1tc

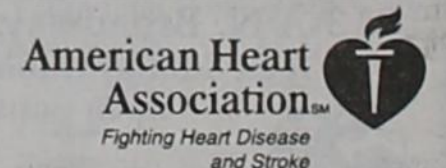
**LEGAL NOTICE**  
NO. PR 2264  
THE ESTATE OF IDA MARIE BOWEN, Deceased IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF IDA MARIE BOWEN, Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of IDA MARIE BOWEN, Deceased, were issued to RONALD WAYNE HUTTON on the 20th day of May, 1997, in the proceedings indicated above, which proceedings are still pending, and that he now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law, to the following address: RONALD WAYNE HUTTON, 4301 West 49th #123, Amarillo, Texas, 79109. 25-7-1tc



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# Six are indicted

Ten indictments were issued against six people by the 64th District Court Grand Jury that met Friday in Dimmitt.

Theodore Gutierrez, 17, of Hart, and Andrew Orlando Diego, 16, of Hart, both were indicted on two counts each in connection with the March 17 abduction and assault of a Hart youth. Bond for Gutierrez was set at \$5,000 for each charge—aggravated kidnapping and aggravated assault/serious bodily injury. Diego, who was adjudicated as an adult, faced bail of \$5,000 on the aggravated kidnapping charges and \$2,500 on the aggravated assault with serious bodily injury charge. The indictments allege that the two forced the Hart youth into a vehicle, took him out in the country and assaulted him, causing injuries that required him to have surgery on his face.

Genaro Garcia Jaramillo, 23, of Dimmitt, was placed under \$10,000 bail on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. It is alleged that on Oct. 6 he threatened imminent bodily injury to a man and did exhibit a firearm during the commission of an assault on the victim.

Ascencion Vargas Jr., 27, of Dimmitt, was indicted for evading arrest or detention. The charge states that on April 20 Vargas fled from Miguel Ontiveros who was attempting to arrest or detain him. Bail was set at \$2,500.

Indecency with a child was the charge listed against Rogelio H. Rodriguez, 28, of Dimmitt, whose bail was set at \$10,000. The indictment alleges that on Oct. 16 he touched the breast and female sexual organ of a child younger than 17 who was not his wife.

Three charges of credit card abuse were listed against Norma Trigo, 33, of San Antonio, with \$2,500 bail set on each charge. The indictments allege that on Dec. 19, 1995, April 13, 1996, and April 15, 1996, she used credit cards belonging to Raul and Ofelia Trigo without their consent.

# Senior party set Friday

Parents of seniors at Dimmitt High School are planning an all-night drug-free party following graduation ceremonies Friday, and all seniors are invited and encouraged to attend.

Also, each senior may bring one friend by buying them a ticket for \$10 per person.

Activities, slated for midnight until 5 a.m., will include music, dancing, casino-type games, and food.

Overall chairperson for the party is Beth Roberts. Entertainment chairperson is Paula Stiles. Food co-chairs are Dana Beck and Paula Portwood. Donation chairperson is Sue Atchley.

Atchley said that parents are contacting local businesses, asking for items for door prizes or donations toward the expense of the party.

Those wishing to make a donation may contact Atchley at 647-3464. Also, donations may be taken to the Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union or Dimmitt Thriftway.

All donations will be spent locally for door prizes and food.

"We would appreciate community support for this party, so that we can have a safe alternative for students celebrating on their graduation night," a spokesperson said.

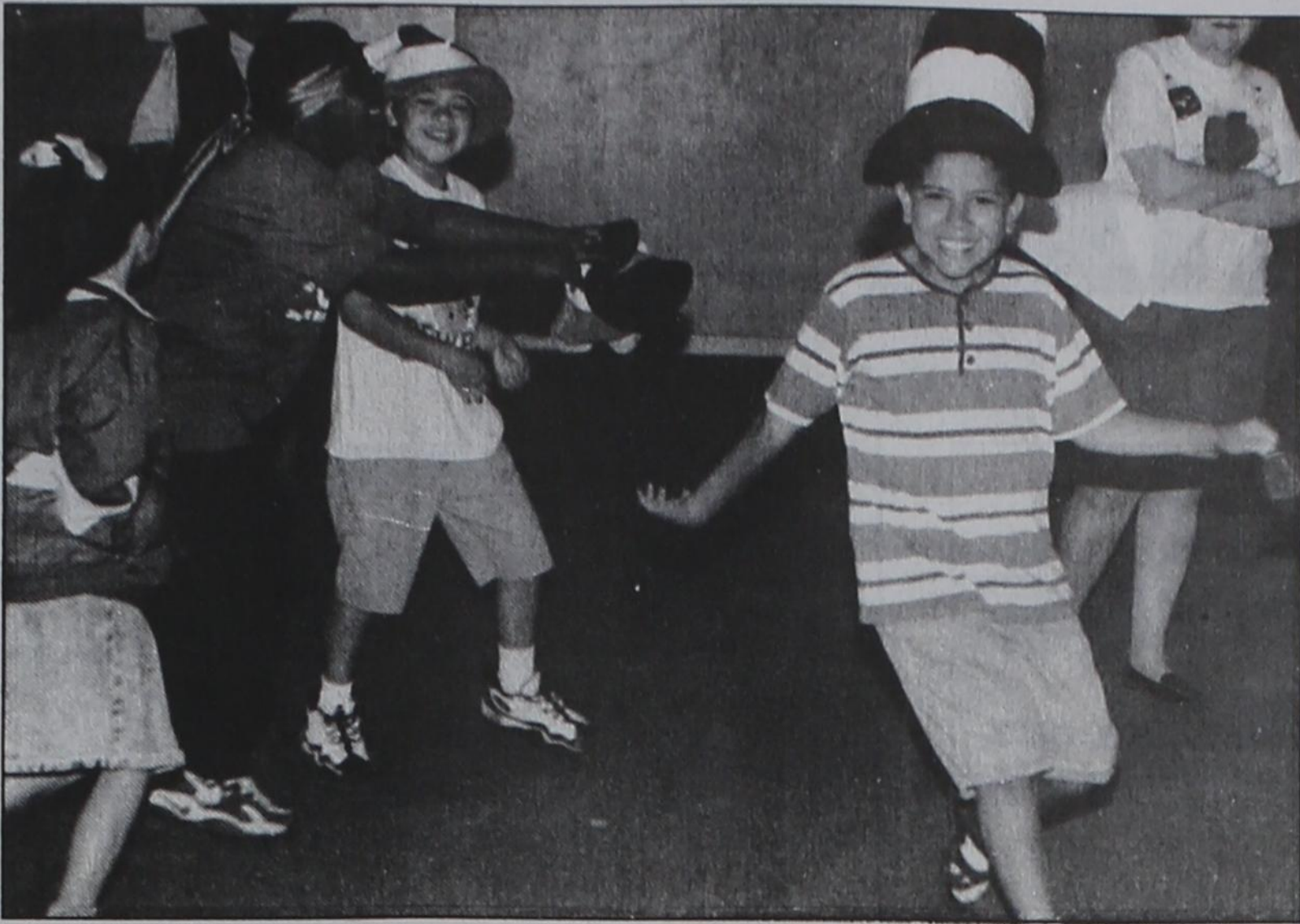
# More about Englishmen riding...

(Continued from Page 1) time they have managed to call home, it has been raining there, in contrast to the heat they experienced in coming across the American desert.

While speaking outside the VFW building at Dimmitt, where they had parked their RV for the night, the men marveled at a large beetle crawling across the parking lot, saying they would never see such a creature back home. Another creature they saw earlier in the trip gave them quite a scare, Spurr said.

They had stopped to see the grave of Billy the Kid in Fort Sumner, N.M., and right after leaving there, they came across a bull snake.

Spurr said they have been grateful that they have avoided severe weather so far. They planned to



DR. SEUSS DAY at Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary School was held Friday, with students enjoying 28 different activities centered on different stories by the famed children's author. "Green eggs and ham" were served for lunch, too. Here, students play a game based on the book, "Mr. Brown Can Moo."

Students were assigned noises to make to distract the blindfolded searcher from finding the student ringing a cowbell. "Cat in the Hat" tall hats were made by parents and teachers and sold for \$4 each to raise money for the school's accelerated reader program.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

# More about

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flowers along 86. It was as if that stretch along FM 1065 was a hidden kingdom, a Brigadoon complete with leprechauns.

Anne Acker says that the pasture at the farm where she grew up is covered with the same kinds of wildflowers. Her parents are Joe Lynn and Mary Lou Birkenfeld, who live three miles north of Nazareth.

"I told Dad I had never seen those kinds of wildflowers there," Anne said. "He told me it's because there hasn't been that much rain in April since I was born (thirty-something years ago)."

Wildflower seeds, you know, have a protective coating that must be "melted off" by the right combination of moisture and warmth before they'll germinate. The seed will lay dormant for years—even centuries—until the conditions are right.

Have you ever heard of Hmong? I hadn't, until the other night.

We were visiting with Ruvaldo Quintero, a 1989 Dimmitt High School grad who is working as a bilingual teacher aide and junior high coach in Merced, Calif., while attending college on the GI Bill.

The schools at Merced are on the year-round quarter system. Teachers work three months, then get a month off. Ruvaldo was home visiting his family during an "off month."

I asked him about the ethnic makeup of his classes. He said that in a class of 20 (which is a strict maximum there), probably 13 would be Hispanic, and many of those probably are the children of illegal aliens. "Also, we have a lot of Hmong," he said.

Hmongs? I asked the obvious question. "They're Asian," he said. "We have quite a community of them there."

I got on the Internet and learned that Hmongs are (or were) a major faction in Laos, and fought against the Communist expansion in Southeast Asia.

After the Khmer Rouge took over Cambodia, the Communist Pathet Lao took over Laos, and many of the Hmong people fled their homeland and became refugees throughout the world.

The movie, "The Killing Fields,"

leave Dimmitt around 5 a.m. to get a start while it was still cool. After leaving here, they planned to stop in Childress, and then on through Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee, although they said they were "not looking forward to the Appalachian Mountains."

When asked if they had had any mishaps, Spurr laughed and said Dawson had only knocked down a small wall when first learning to drive the rented RV.

"I've only driven on the wrong side of the road twice. Actually, that's why we're traveling so far each day. The police are still after us," Dawson added jokingly.

"We would like to thank the people of Dimmitt for the warm welcome we've had," Spurr said.

was about the Laotian war.

Many of the Laotians who fled to refugee camps in Thailand have been forced back to Laos, and to an uncertain fate.

Some of those who fled farther from the Killing Fields are now sending their children to school at Merced, Calif., to be taught and coached by a bright, polite young man from Dimmitt.

Things you don't want to hear during surgery:

"Hand me that... uh... that, uh, thingie."

"Oh, no! I just lost my Rolex!"

"Someone call the janitor—we're going to need a mop."

"Oops! Has anyone ever survived 500 miles of this stuff before?"

"Wait a minute. If that's his spleen, then what's this?"

"That's cool! Now can you make his leg twitch?"

"I wish I hadn't forgotten my glasses..."

"Well, folks, this will be an experiment for us all."

"Anyone see where I left that scalpel?"

"The patient has already had some kids, right?"

"Nurse, did this patient sign the organ donor card?"

"Don't worry. I think it's sharp enough."

"She's gonna blow! Everybody take cover!"

"Damn! Page 47 of the manual is missing!"

"What do you mean, you want a divorce?"

"Ya know, there's big money in kidneys. Heck, this guy's got two of 'em..."

"Damn, I lost my contact lens."

"Can you stop that thing from beating? It's throwing my concentration off."

# More about Veterans...

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the invocation.

The welcome and introductions will be given by Claude Ray, and then Jansa will play special music. Aaron Lee, minister of Hart's Church of Christ, will give the Memorial Day address, and Richard Entekin will read the list of deceased vets.

A 21-gun salute will follow and *Taps* will be played by Phil Phyllaier. The program will conclude with a benediction given by Roger Velasquez, pastor of Hispanic Assembly of God.

# Nazareth

The Nazareth American Legion will begin its remembrance of veterans with a mass at the Holy Family Church at 7:15 a.m. Monday.

Immediately following the mass, the congregation will go out to the Holy Family Cemetery to honor deceased veterans with a 21-gun salute and the playing of *Taps*.

A memorial service will follow at the American Legion Hall for Vincent Huseman, Vincent Guggemos and Leonard Birkenfeld, the three veterans who have died during the past year.

Legion members, Legionnaires and guests will then conclude the ceremonies with a breakfast, also at the Legion Hall.

# Police Calls

Police reported that a suspect was causing a disturbance at Dimmitt Middle School at 11 a.m. Friday.

A Class C misdemeanor case of assault of a family member was reported to police Saturday when a 33-year-old Dimmitt woman reported that a suspect had hit her on the face with a key.

Three incidents of vandalism of a vehicle were reported during the past week. Friday night, Daniel Luera told police that someone broke the back windshield of a car belonging to Diana Luera. The damage was done in the 200 block of Northwest Fourth Street. Andres Navarro of Dimmitt told police that someone shattered the front windshield of a car belonging to Sofia Navarro of Dimmitt. The damage was reported early Sunday

in the 300 block of Southwest Sixth. Abelardo Gonzalez, 22, of Plainview, told police that someone broke the driver's side window of a pickup belonging to Abelardo Gonzalez, 53, of Dimmitt. The damage was reported early Monday in the 600 block of East Dulin.

Miguel Velasquez, manager of the Azteca Complex, told police last Thursday afternoon that someone had damaged five window screens at the complex. He estimated the damage at \$50.

Two men were jailed Sunday for public intoxication. An 18-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested in the 100 block of West Dulin for urinating in public and for being intoxicated. A Hart man, 41, also was booked on public intoxication.

A suspect was reported to be in possession of a stolen checkbook Saturday night at the Azteca Complex. The checkbook belonged to Donna Wallace of Olton.

A 22-year-old Amarillo man was jailed Sunday night in connection with investigation of charges of retaliation against a victim.

# Early voting ends Tuesday

Tuesday will be the last day for early voting in the run-off election for the Hart Independent School District school board race. Early ballots may be cast at the HISD administration office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays.

The date for the run-off election has been set for May 31.

Pancho Diaz and Danny Rodriguez both received 118 votes in the May 3 election, tying for the third vacancy on the board. The top two vote getters were Marsha George, with 207 votes, and Ricky Mitchell, with 149. Incumbent David Smith was ousted, trailing with 110 votes.

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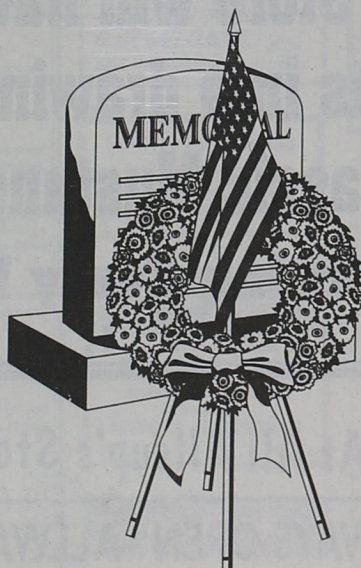


From our nation's very beginning, our freedom has been won, secured, defended and preserved by the blood of those who fought and died on battlefields far and near.

These are the heroes and heroines whom we honor on this Memorial Day.

To all those in the US Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and allied services who made the supreme sacrifice during the wars that have imperiled our nation, we pay our respect and offer our everlasting gratitude.

Remember them as you participate in Monday's ceremonies or enjoy the day with your family. Let us never forget.



## CLOSED Monday

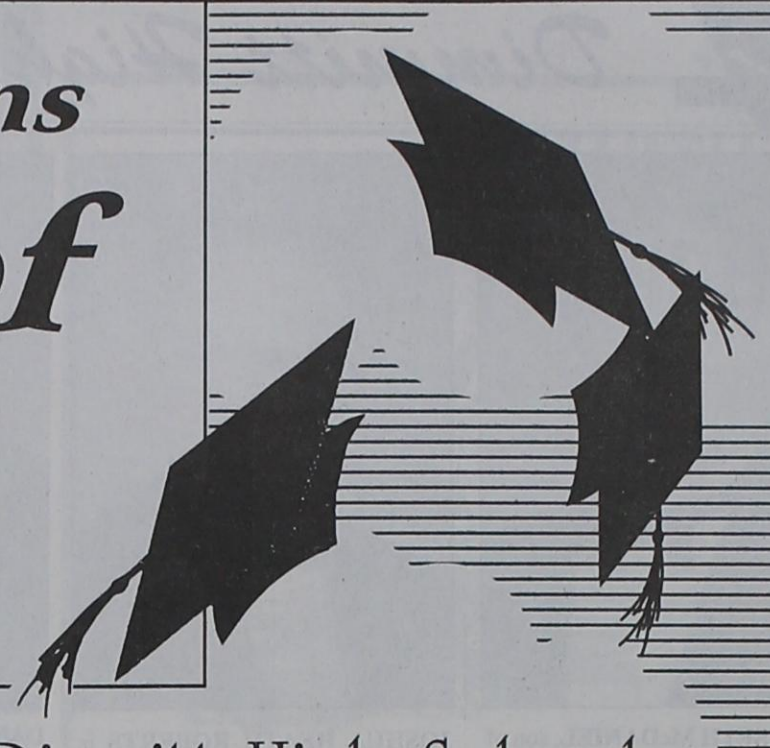
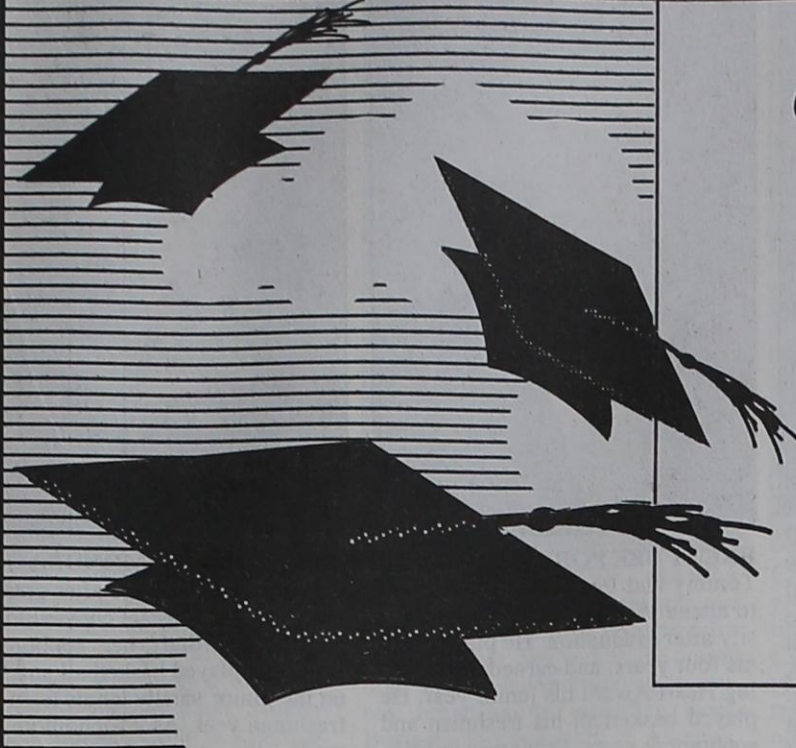
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- Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.
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- Medical Center of Dimmitt
- Merle Norman Studio
- Modern Carpet & Furniture
- The Pancake House  
(Also Closed Saturday and Sunday)
- Paxton Tire & Service
- Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt, C.P.A.
- James F. Sims, D.D.S.
- Texas Corn Growers Association
- Texas Corn Producers Board
- Texas Equipment Co., Inc.
- Tots and Teens
- Unique Gifts & More
- Charles Vandiver, D.D.S.
- The Village Shop

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- Castro Co-op Gin, Inc.
- Castro County News
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- Dimmitt Market
- 19th Hole
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- Pay & Save Foods
- Thriftway Super Market



# Congratulations Class of 1997



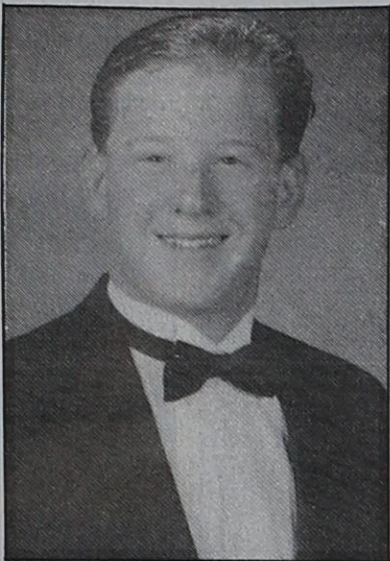
## Dimmitt High School

Commencement Exercises  
May 23, 1997—8 p.m.  
Bobcat Stadium

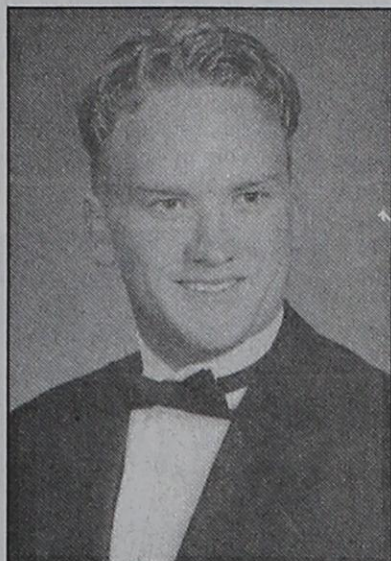
Processional .....	"Pomp & Circumstance"
Invocation .....	Andrew Teaschner
Pledge of Allegiance .....	Tawnee Matthews
Salutatory Address .....	Josh Roberts
Valedictory Address .....	Colby McDaniel
"The Way I See Things" by Alex Perez .....	Alex Perez
Presentation of Class of 1997 .....	Les Miller
Presentation of Diplomas .....	Steve Buckley
Benediction .....	Maria Garcia
Recessional .....	"Pomp & Circumstance"

Class Song: "Free Bird"  
Class Flower: Purple Rose  
Class Colors: Purple & Silver  
Class Motto:

*We will go our separate ways, but in our hearts,  
souls and minds, we will always be together."*



**COLBY McDANIEL**  
DHS Valedictorian  
3.71



**JOSHUA ROBERTS**  
DHS Salutatorian  
3.67

## Nazareth High School

Commencement Exercises  
May 23, 1997—7:30 p.m.  
Swift Field

Processional .....	Father Jerry Stein
Invocation .....	Margie Durbin
Salutatory Address .....	Angela Fortenberry
Valedictory Address .....	Max Ellison
Special Presentation .....	Perch Bridges
Commencement Speaker .....	N. Dean Johnson
Scholarships & Awards .....	Don Wood & David Olvera
Awarding of Diplomas .....	Father Jerry Stein
Benediction .....	"Hero of the Day"
Recessional .....	

Class Song: "Hero of the Day"  
Class Flower: White Rose  
Class Colors: Hunter Green and Maroon  
Class Motto: "It is not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves."



**ANGELA FORTENBERRY**  
NHS Valedictorian  
3.87



**MARGIE DURBIN**  
NHS Salutatorian  
3.74

## Hart High School

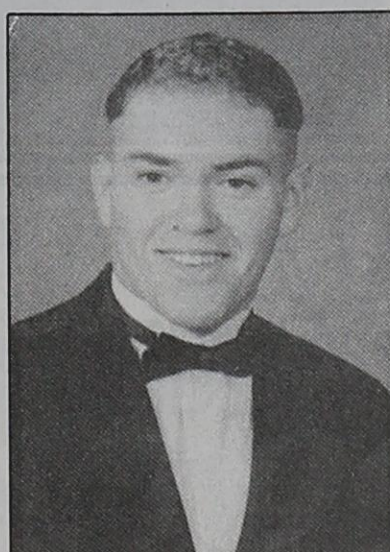
Commencement Exercises  
May 30, 1997—8 p.m.  
Hart High School Gym

Processional .....	Dan Kennedy
Invocation .....	Osbaldo Carrasco
Salutatory Address .....	Armando Minjarez
Class History .....	Slide Show
Presentation of Awards .....	Digger Elam
Presentation of Scholarships .....	Jeanie Birkenfeld
Valedictory Address .....	Cassie Neinast
Presentation of Class .....	Digger Elam
Presentation of Diplomas .....	Dr. Martin Earley & Mark Bennett
School Song .....	Class of 1997
Benediction .....	Sergio Martinez
Recessional .....	Dan Kennedy

Class Colors: Midnight Blue and Silver  
Class Flower: Calla Lilly  
Class Motto: "The more things change, the more they remain the same."



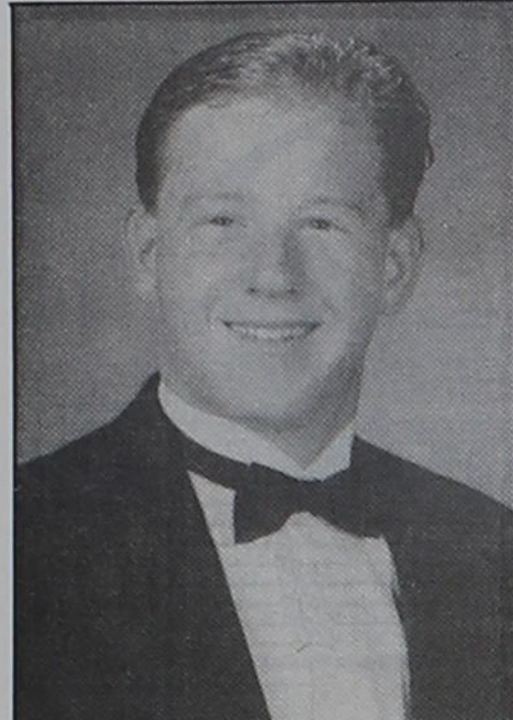
**CASSIE NEINAST**  
HHS Valedictorian  
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**ARMANDO MINJAREZ**  
HHS Salutatorian  
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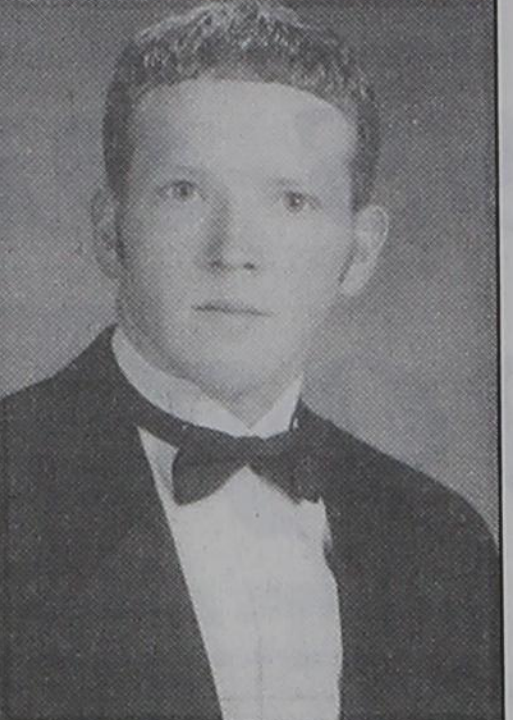
# GRADUATION Dimmitt High School



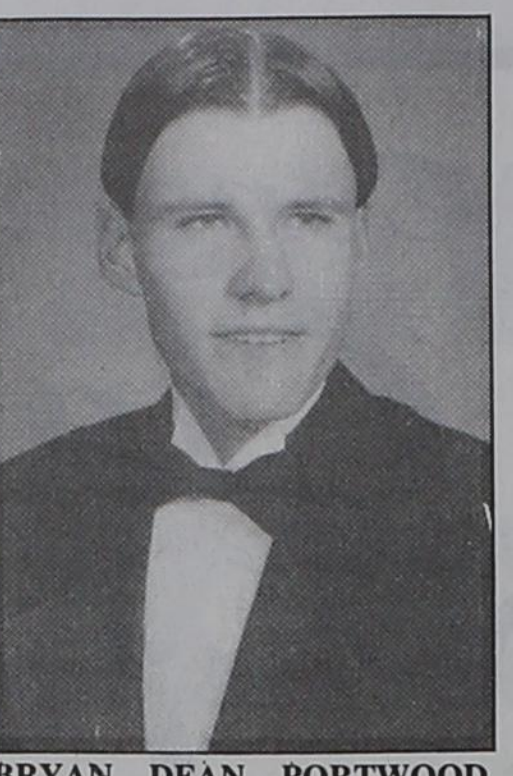
**COLBY SETH McDANIEL**, son of Stanley and Rita McDaniel, is valedictorian of the Dimmitt High School Class of '97 with a 3.71 grade point average. He served as District I president of Texas Association of Student Councils his senior year. Colby was a member of Student Council four years. He lettered in football three years and was second-team all-district offensive lineman and team captain this year. He attended Boys' State and won an American Legion Award. He was active in 4-H and finished second at State Roundup with a 4-H record book in energy management. He was on the Top Ten and A honor rolls four years. He won a District 4-H Gold Star Award. Colby received a \$10,000 academic achievement scholarship from Texas A&M University and a \$1,000 scholarship from Cargill. Colby was a member of PAL his senior year. He belonged to FHA his junior year. He was a member of National Honor Society and Spanish Honorary Society his sophomore through senior years. He was a four-year member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact Club and Student Council. He lists weight lifting among his hobbies. He plans to major in agricultural engineering at Texas A&M University after graduation.



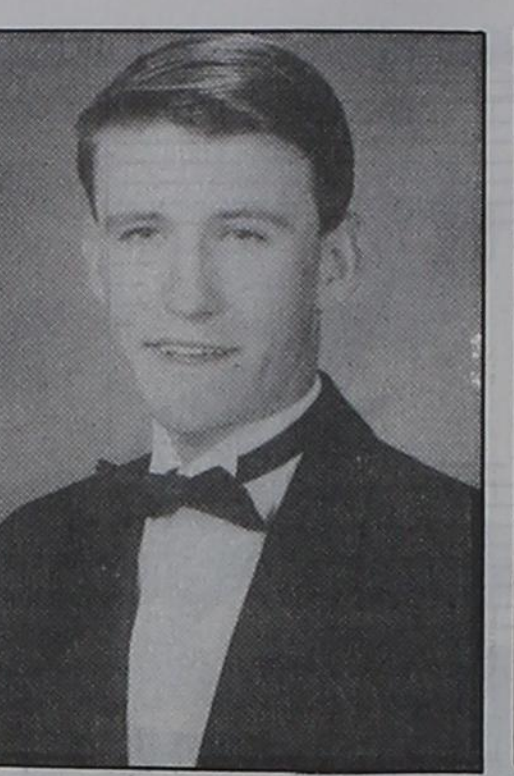
**JOSHUA HEATH ROBERTS** is salutatorian of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1997 with a 3.67 grade point average. He was president of the National Honor Society his senior year. He played football his freshman through junior years. He was a member of the One-Act Play cast his sophomore and junior years. Joshua competed in UIL Ready Writing, Math and Feature Writing his senior year. He competed in Foreign Language contests his sophomore and junior years. Joshua earned United States Achievement Academy awards his freshman, sophomore, junior and senior years; and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his sophomore through senior years. He earned the Texas Academic Excellence Award his junior and senior years. Joshua was a member of Spanish Club, PAL, Drama Club, FHA, National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He earned an Eagle Scout award. The son of Jackie and Beth Roberts, he plans to obtain a bachelor of arts degree and become a photographer. He enjoys playing the guitar, listening to music, reading and drawing.



**DANIEL KEITH MAXWELL** has been an honor student throughout his high school years, placing in the Top Ten of his class consistently, and being named to the honor roll. He was selected for the National Honor Society as a sophomore and was a member for three years. Just before his senior year, he was selected to participate in the Peer Assistance Leadership (PAL) program, and worked with students in the middle school and elementary grades. He has been named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* for three years, and the US Achievement Academy as a sophomore. Daniel participated in sports, as well. He was a member of the freshman football team. Although he started his sophomore year on the JV, he was moved up to the varsity, continuing on it through his senior year, when he was selected to the All-District Second Team as an offensive lineman. He played baseball for four years, making the varsity team as a senior. He also participated in track his senior year, throwing the discus and shot put. He was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for four years, and was named to *Who's Who in Sports* his senior year. He was a member of the Spanish Club for two years, and was named to the Spanish Honorary Society as a sophomore. He also won a second place award at the South Plains Foreign Language Contest as a sophomore. He plans to study engineering at West Texas A&M University and has received a residence hall scholarship from there. Daniel is a member of First Christian Church and belongs to the FCC Youth Group. He is the son of Leroy and Linda Maxwell. His hobbies include weight lifting, drawing, and playing guitar.



**BRYAN DEAN PORTWOOD** plans to become a radiologic technologist. He was in Student Council his freshman and sophomore years and attended a Student Council workshop. He was a member of FFA and Interact Club. He played basketball his freshman and sophomore years and was a four-year member of the tennis team. He was district runner-up and advanced to regional in doubles his sophomore year and won the Fighting Heart Award in tennis as a sophomore. He was listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* two years. The son of Tommy and Paula Portwood, he enjoys playing tennis in his spare time.



**BRENT DEE PORTWOOD**, son of Tommy and Paula Portwood, plans to attend West Texas A&M University after graduation. He played tennis four years, and earned the Fighting Heart Award his junior year. He played basketball his freshman and sophomore years. Brent was in FFA, FHA, Interact Club and Student Council. He was named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* two years. He lists playing tennis among his hobbies.



**ANDREAMA MONDRAGON** plans to attend college after graduation. She was assistant copy editor of the *Annual Staff* her sophomore year. She played basketball and was on the junior varsity tennis team her freshman year. As a sophomore she made the varsity tennis team. Andreama also was a member of PAL, Interact and FHA. She was on the "A-B" honor roll four years. The daughter of Rudy and Dinah DeLeon, she enjoys being with friends and family.

**CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!**

Hats Off to the GRADUATES!

Jones-Rawlings Insurance Agency wishes you the best of luck in the future!

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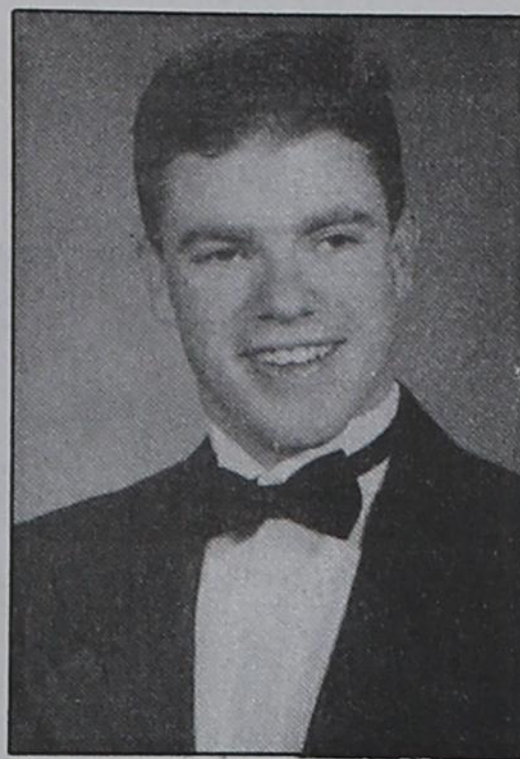
**BRAD H. BECK**, son of Danna Beck, served as vice president of the National Honor Society and secretary for the Student Council during his senior year. Brad was a four-year member of the Key Club, Student Council, Interact Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He belonged to PAL and FHA his senior year. He was a member of the National Honor Society his sophomore through senior years. Brad was active in tennis and basketball, playing each sport throughout high school. He advanced to regional in tennis four years, finishing as district champion three years and as district runner-up another. He earned an American High School Math Exam Certificate of Merit and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. He attended a Student Council workshop and served as treasurer of the group as a sophomore and was historian his junior year. He also was Chairman of Safety, was on the fundraising committee and executive committee. In his spare time, Brad enjoys playing tennis and basketball. He plans to become an accountant.



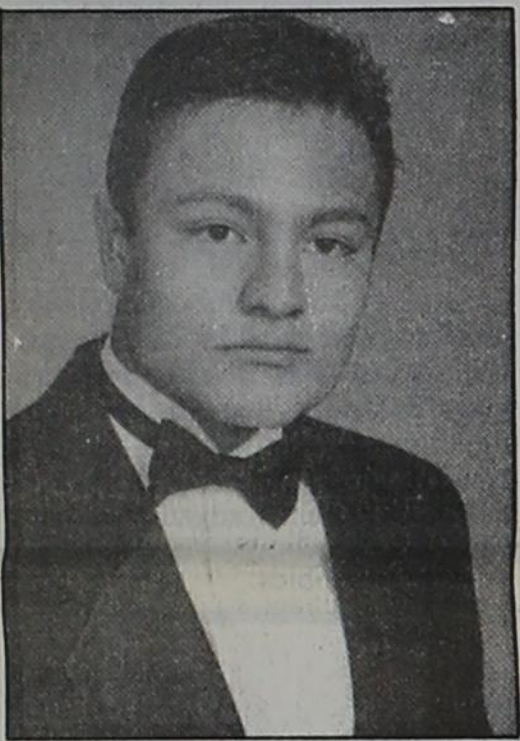
**LINDSEY LYNETTE GARZA** served as senior class treasurer and was vice president of programs for FHA this year. She was active during high school, being involved in several organizations including band, Business Professionals of America, FHA, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, YES, Interact Club and Spanish Honorary Society. She was a cheerleader. During her freshman and sophomore years she earned Division I ratings in UIL marching contests. She earned first and second places in UIL Poetry contests. Lindsey was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her freshman and sophomore years. She earned a National Merit Science Award her sophomore year. She was president of FHA. Lindsey was voted Flame Queen her senior year. She was on the Top Ten Honor Roll three years and will graduate with honors. She made the "A" honor roll for two years and "A-B" honor roll two years. She was named Best All-Around her junior year and was a member of the Homecoming Court as a sophomore. The daughter of Mike and Elvia Garza, she enjoys working at the grocery store and spending time with friends and family. After graduation she plans to move to Amarillo and attend college.



**CARRIE BRADLEY** served as vice president of Interact and was activities director for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes during her senior year. She played varsity basketball, track and tennis and was on the junior varsity cross country team. In basketball she was named honorable mention all-district her sophomore year, all-district her junior year and was MVP of District 1-AAA this year. She was also named all-South Plains and made the *Amarillo Globe News* Super Team second team this year. She was a two-time regional qualifier in tennis. Carrie won a Hoby Award in 1995 and attended Texas Bluebonnet Girls' State in 1994. She was nominated for Sophomore of the Year honors and was a Homecoming Queen candidate in 1996. She was Flame Queen candidate in 1995. Carrie was named Courtesy Queen in 1997 and was a three-time national qualifier in AAU Basketball. She was a member of 4-H for two years and was a four-year member of Key Club, FCA and Interact Club. She was in PAL for a year and was on the Student Council her junior and senior years. She was in the National Honor Society her sophomore through senior years. Carrie enjoys playing basketball and skiing in her spare time. The daughter of Ray and A'llan Bradley, she plans to study biology at Stephen F. Austin University.



**JAY L. McCORMICK** served as president of FFA and Texas Club Pig Association his senior year. Jay was a four-year member of 4-H, FFA and Interact Club. Jay was an active livestock exhibitor, showing pigs, lambs and steers at shows across the state and area. He exhibited the grand champion pig at the Amarillo Tri-State Fair in 1992, 1993 and 1994. He had the reserve grand barrow at the show in 1995. At the South Plains Fair he had the grand champion steer in 1996 and the grand pig in 1995. He showed the Arizona National Champion duroc. In the San Antonio Livestock Show this year he exhibited the reserve all other breed barrow. He had the champion Hampshire at San Angelo this year. He showed a reserve champion Yorkshire at the Houston Livestock Show in 1992. He was named champion showman of the El Paso show in 1995. In 1996 he was named Champion Showman at Phoenix, Ariz. He was named TCPA Champion All-Around in 1996. In addition to showing at stock shows, Jay competed on FFA judging teams. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. He enjoys golfing, hunting, fishing and working with animals. The son of Cassa McCormick, he plans to major in agriculture education and will attend college on a judging scholarship.



**OSCAR RUEDA** is the son of Arthur Rueda and Margie Sandoval. He was publicity chairman for Interact Club this year. He played JV football his freshman year and was on the varsity squad his sophomore through senior years. He earned *Amarillo Globe News* Player of the Week Honors his junior year. He was second-team all-district running back his senior year and also earned honorable-mention all-district line-backer honors. He was a football captain and was named to Who's Who in Sports this year. Oscar ran track three years, and was on varsity his sophomore and junior years. The team won the district championship his junior year. He was voted Flame King his senior year. He was in Business Professionals of America this year and competed in Spreadsheet Applications, qualifying for state as an alternate. He also belonged to Art Club, FHA, band and Interact Club. He was named to Who's Who in Academics his junior year. Oscar enjoys being with friends and reading in his free time. After graduation he plans to study physical therapy at South Plains College.



**DEIRDRE D. BLACK** has been a member of the DHS choir, Business Professionals of America and FHA during high school. She was a make-up artist for the One-Act Play her junior year. She competed in Business Professionals of America and UIL events her senior year. This year she also competed at Sandy Lake in choir competitions. Deirdre was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. She enjoys singing and riding around town in her spare time. The daughter of Louise Omeire, she plans to study x-ray technology at college.

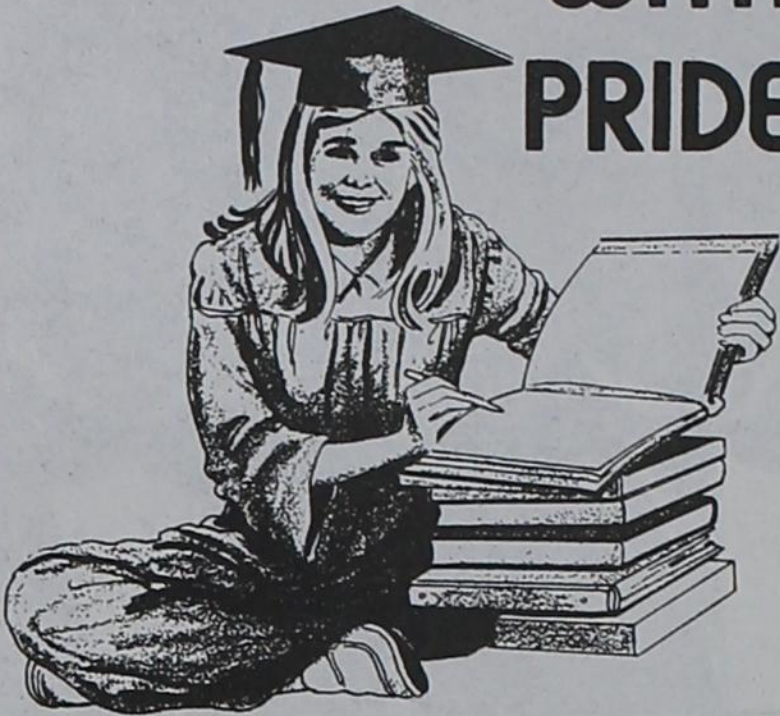
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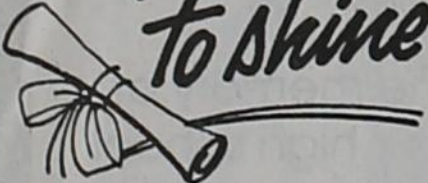


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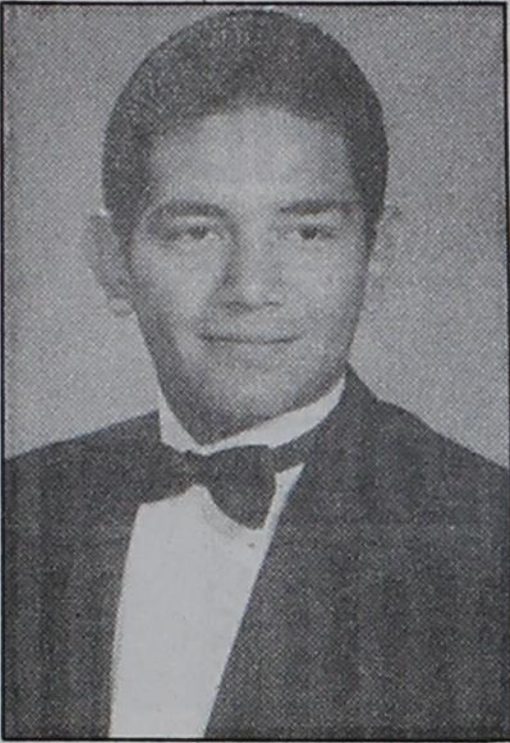


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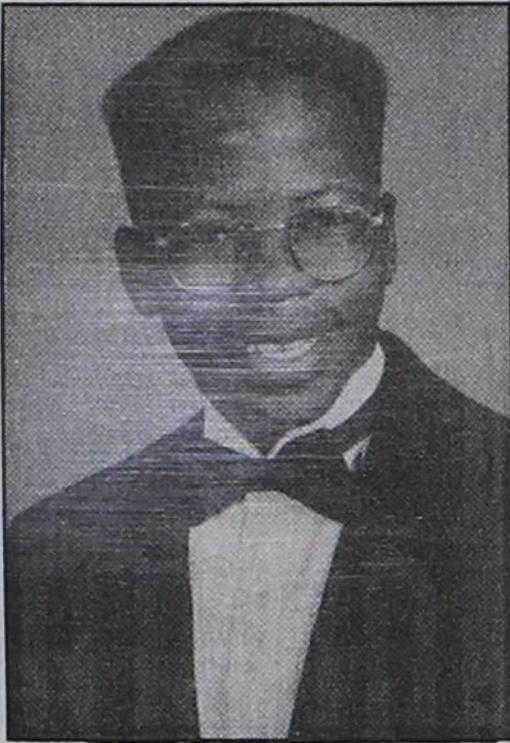
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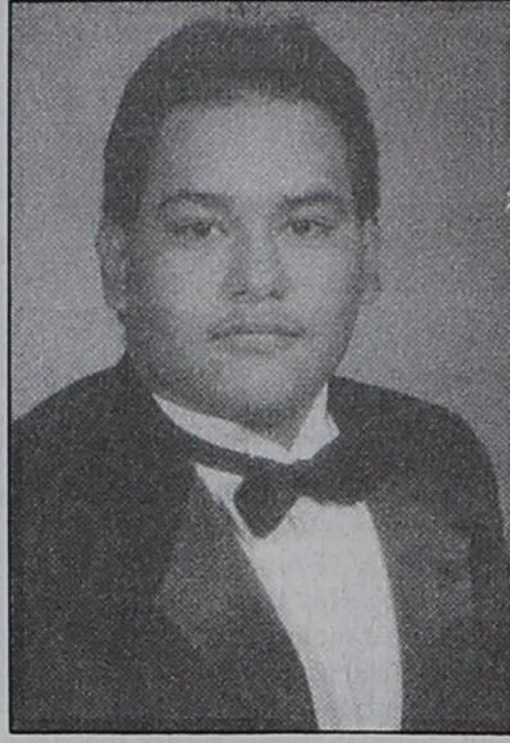
# Dimmitt High School



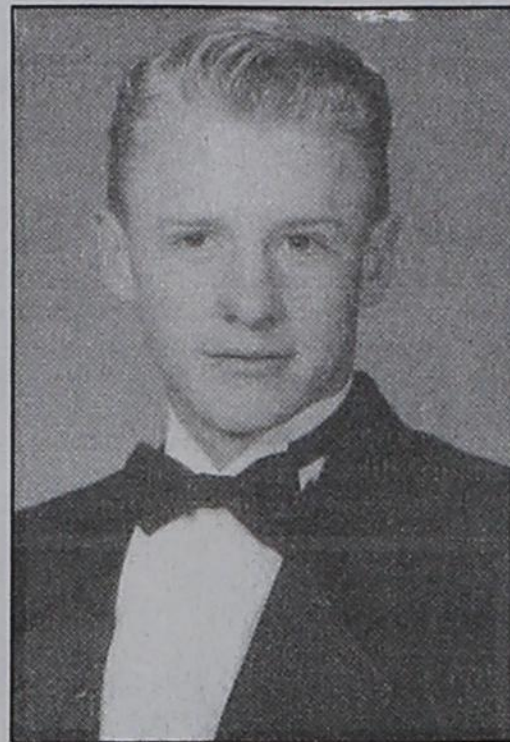
**DANIEL MORA** is the son of Enrique and Esperanza Ogas and he served as president of the Art Club his sophomore year. He also belonged to FFA. He lists drawing and auto mechanics among his hobbies. After graduation he plans to attend art school or join the Marines.



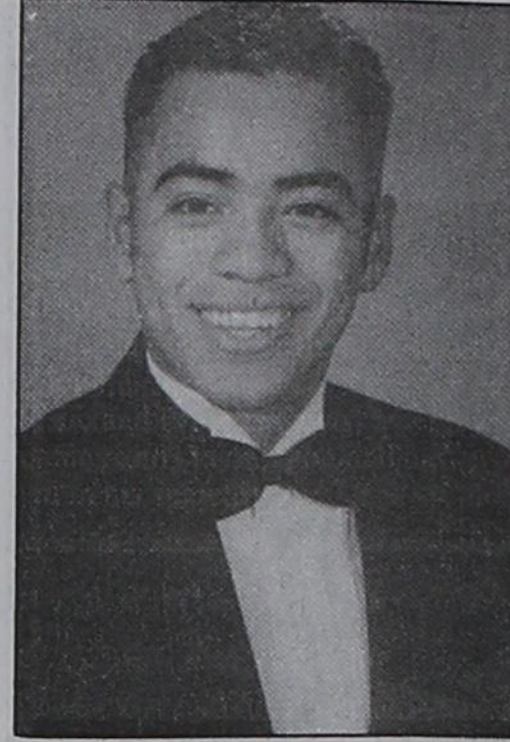
**AARON DEWAYNE EWING** is the son of Mary and Gerald Thomas. He played basketball three years, ran track two years and played football for a year. He was in FFA, Art Club and FHA. After graduation, he plans to get a college degree. In his free time he enjoys playing ball.



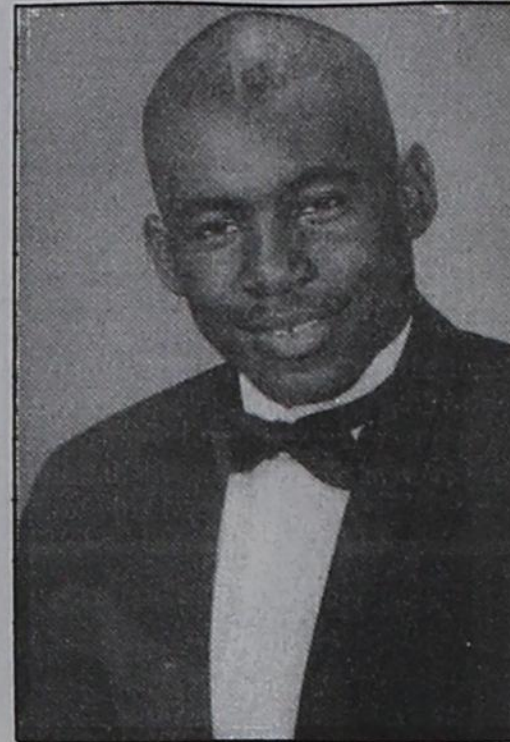
**ANTONIO GONZALES**, son of Nicholas and Maria Gonzales, plans to attend South Plains College after graduation. He was in FFA his junior year, Technology Student Association his freshman year and FHA his junior and senior years. He played baseball for a year and football two years. His hobbies include reading and being with his friends.



**WESLEY V. MAYS**, son of Mary and Anthony Mays, was in 4-H and FFA throughout high school and competed on many judging teams and showed livestock. He also was a member of FHA his freshman year. He played freshman and junior varsity basketball. He played tennis four years, and advanced to regional his senior year. He won the district championship in junior varsity play two years. Wesley is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. Wesley enjoys shooting sports and playing sports. His future plans include attending college.



**JASON NINO** was active in sports during high school. He played baseball four years and was all-district his freshman and junior years. He earned honorable mention all-district honors in basketball his junior and senior years. Jason was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. He was in band and National Honor Society for a year. He served as president of the Student Body this year. He belonged to Fellowship of Christian Athletes four years and was on the Student Council his junior year. He enjoys reading and being with friends in his spare time. The son of Richard and Sylvia Nino, he plans to major in nursing at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.



**KALEM THOMAS** plans to attend West Texas A&M University. Kalem was active in sports, playing varsity football and basketball three years. He ran track two years. He was all-district linebacker and will play in the Greenbelt Bowl all-star football game later this year. He earned honorable mention all-district honors as a senior. Kalem was in FFA his freshman and sophomore years. He belonged to Art Club as a freshman, and was in FHA his freshman and sophomore years. He was a four-year member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and belonged to Interact Club his first two years. The son of Bill and Ruthie Thomas, he enjoys playing sports in his spare time.

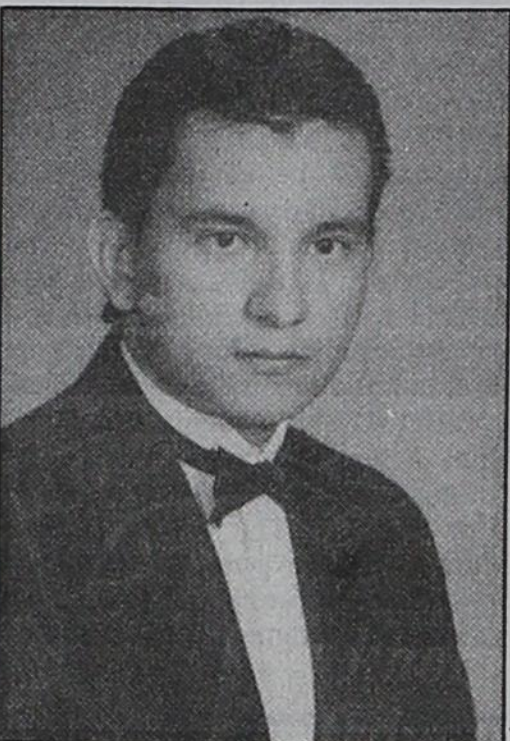


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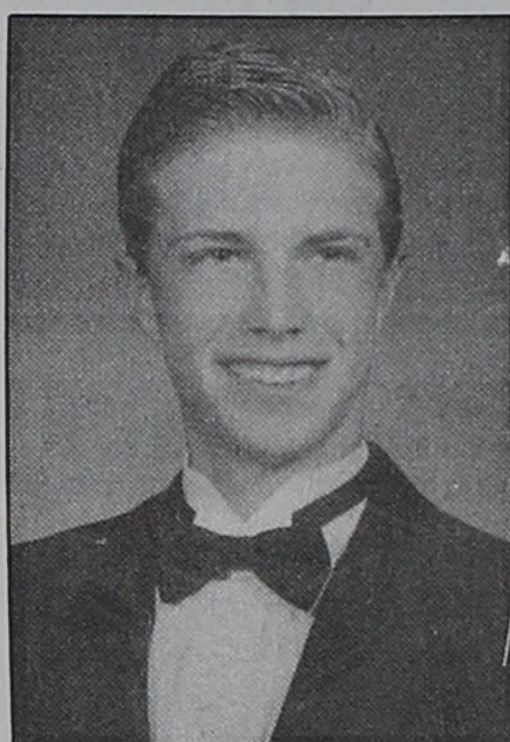
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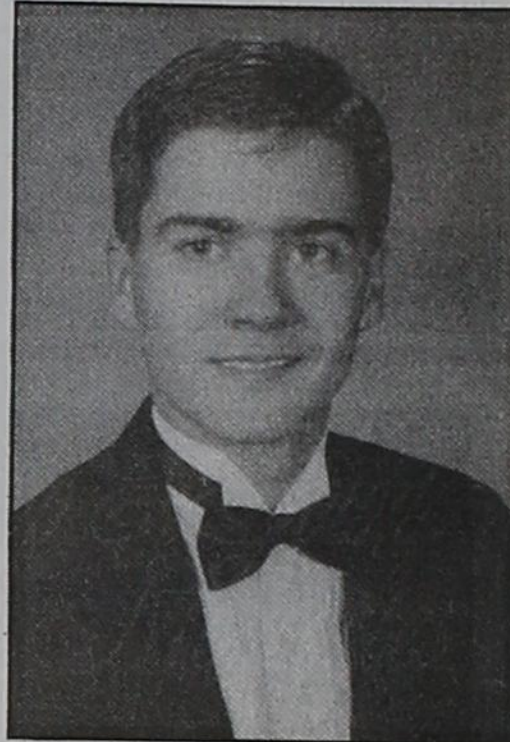
**MATIAS S. HERNANDEZ JR.**, son of Matias Sr. and Juanita Hernandez, enjoys being with his friends, playing football and hunting in his free time. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years. He played football his freshman and sophomore years. He was in FHA as a junior and senior. He is undecided about his future plans.



**JESSICA MEDRANO**, daughter of Jesse Medrano Sr., plans to attend cosmetology school after graduation, and plans to join the Marines later. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years. She was in Spanish Club her senior year and in FHA all four years. She was a member of the choir her sophomore through senior years. She lists spending time with friends and family among her hobbies.



**CHRIS DAVIS** served as vice president of FFA his senior year. He was in FFA and 4-H four years. He played basketball and football and will graduate with honors. The son of Leslie and Frances Davis, he enjoys reading and playing golf and basketball in his spare time.



**KEVIN BALDRIDGE** was active in Technology Student Association two years and competed in TSA events. The son of Sherri Wilkerson and Garry Baldrige, he plans on working this summer, then will attend Amarillo College where he will work to become a fire investigator or occupational therapist. He lists working among his hobbies.

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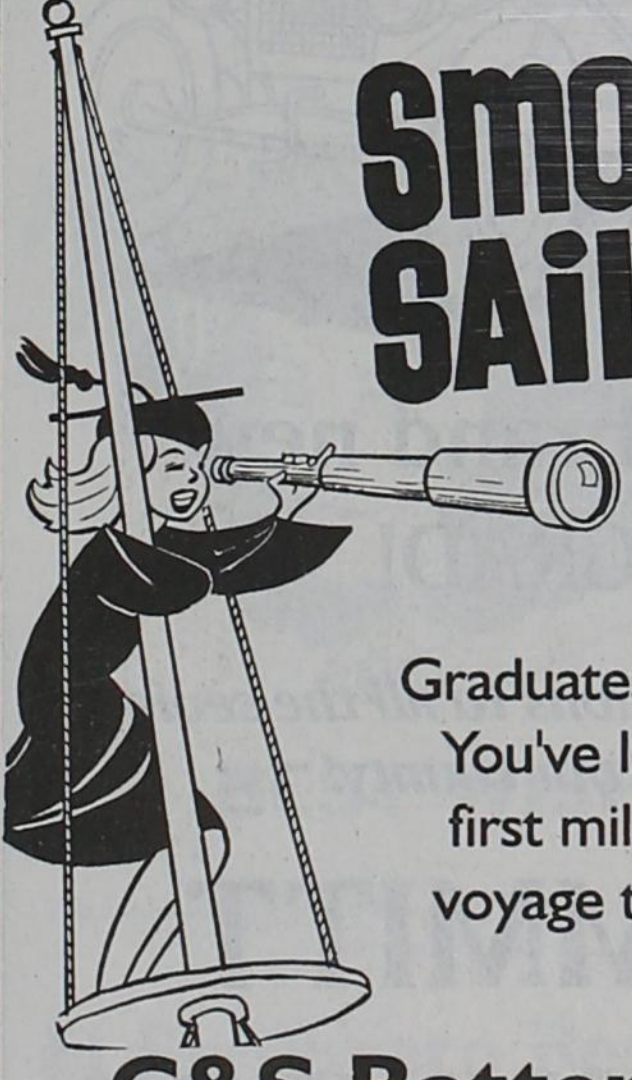


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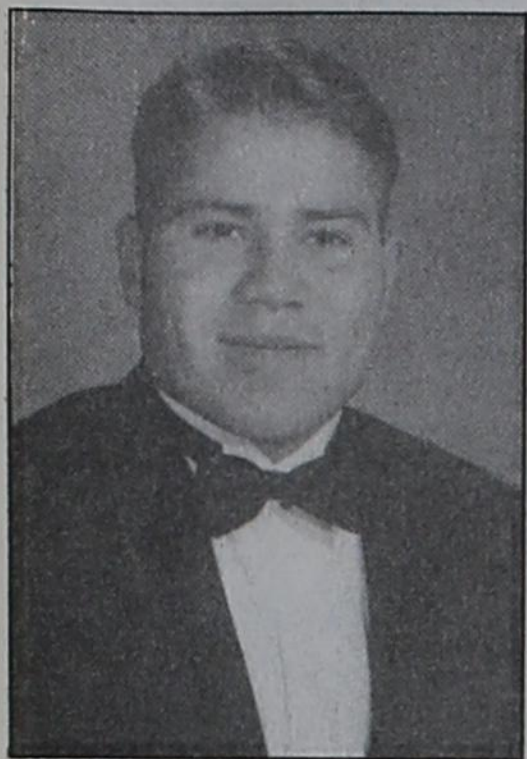


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**LUIS M. NINO** is the son of John and Felis Nino. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University. Luis was a member of the band two years. He played varsity baseball and varsity football his sophomore through senior years. He ran track his junior and senior years. He was first-team all-district designated hitter and was offensive MVP in baseball as a junior. He earned honorable mention all-district honors as an offensive lineman in football his junior year. He was a football captain. Luis also was a member of Business Professionals of America, FHA and Interact Club during high school. He was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students his sophomore year. He enjoys playing sports in his spare time.



**CASSIE DYAN OWEN** served as treasurer of Business Professionals of America this year. She was in FFA two years and was on the UIL One-Act Play cast one year. She belonged to FFA, BPA, Drama Club, FHA, Spanish Club and the Speech and Debate Club. She was a cheerleader. Cassie was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students three years. She earned a Perfect Attendance Award and was on the "A-B" honor roll. She enjoys riding horses, family activities and spending time with friends. The daughter of Jerry and Dianne Cartwright, she plans to attend college and become a pediatric nurse.



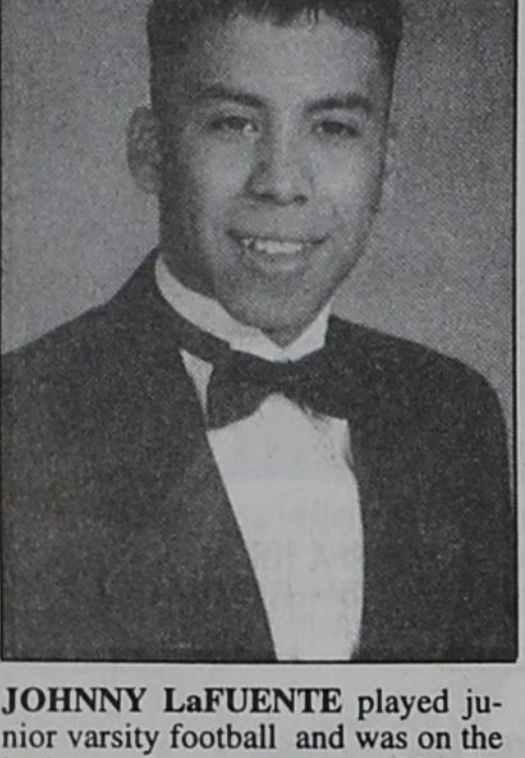
**KAYLA CLARK** has been involved in band, FFA, FHA and annual staff during high school. She enjoys riding horses, swimming and riding dirt bikes. The daughter of Danny and Martha Clark she plans to attend LaPlata School of Hair Design after she graduates from high school.



**KIMBERLEY DAWN PROFFITT** served as secretary for the senior class this year. She was manager for the baseball team three years and was named Baseball Queen her sophomore year. She was a four-year member of FHA and Interact Club. She belonged to Business Professionals of America her junior year and was on the Annual Staff her junior and senior years. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years. She served as assistant editor for the yearbook and was secretary of her class as a junior. She will graduate with honors. The daughter of Doug Proffitt and Kellie Proffitt, she plans to move to Amarillo and attend college after graduation.



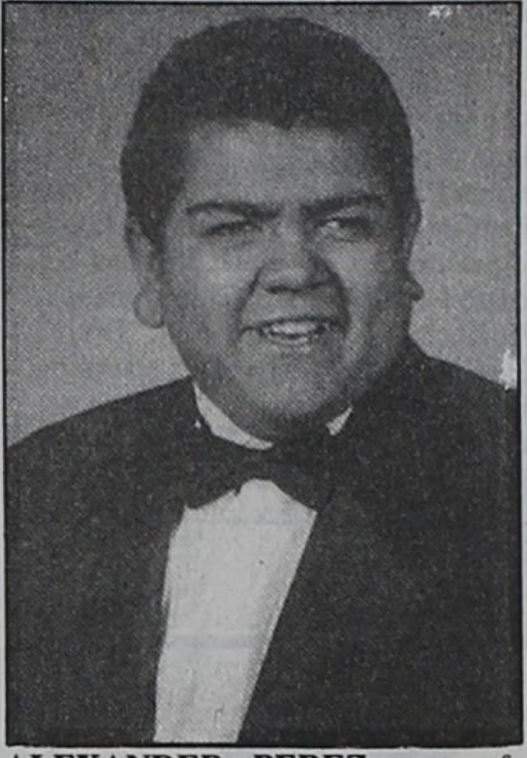
**FELIPE RODRIGUEZ** is the son of Ruben and Liduvina Rodriguez and he plans to attend Amarillo College. He was a three-year member of the football team, and he ran track and played basketball for a year. He belonged to FFA for a year. Felipe lists reading among his hobbies.



**JOHNNY LaFUENTE** played junior varsity football and was on the junior varsity track team in 1994. He was a member of Technology Student Association and Art Club his freshman year and was in FHA his sophomore year. He enjoys spending time with his friends and watching the sun set. The son of Johnny and Ofelia LaFuente, he plans to work after graduation, then attend college.



**MARIA S. GARCIA**, daughter of Jose and Alicia Garcia, has been on the Top Ten honor roll throughout high school. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students three years. Maria was voted Most Likely to Succeed her freshman year and won an Academic Award her junior year. She competed in UIL Accounting her senior year and competed in a Foreign Language Festival as a freshman. Maria has been a member of the Art Club, National Honor Society, Business Professionals of America, FHA and Spanish Club. After she graduates, she plans to study medicine at Texas Tech University.



**ALEXANDER PEREZ**, son of Mike and Lucy Perez, competed in all-district choir. He was in choir, FFA and FHA one year. He enjoys listening to music, writing short stories and collecting baseball cards. After graduation he plans to major in computer technology at Amarillo College.

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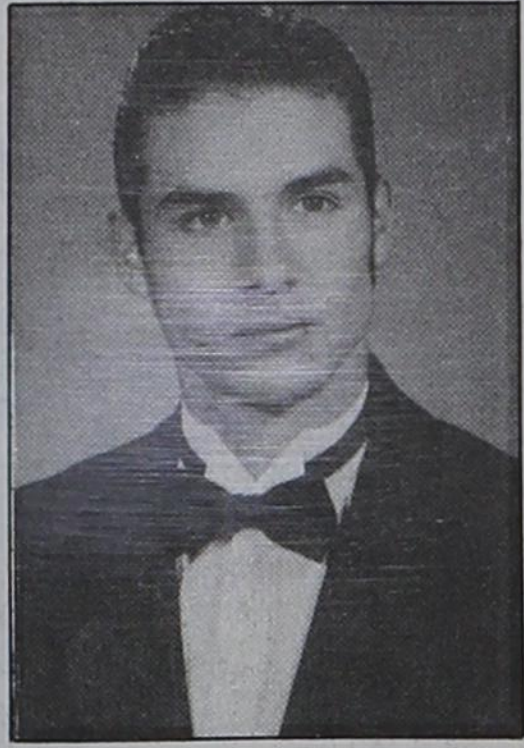
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**MECHELLE LEINEN** is the daughter of Don and Ramona Leinen and Timo and Anna Valdez. She was active in band during high school, and was president of the group this year. She earned Division I ratings in UIL marching contests her freshman, sophomore and junior years. In UIL concert competition she earned a Division I rating in sight reading. Her sophomore year the band advanced to the are contest in UIL Marching. She competed in solo and ensemble contests her freshman year and earned a Division I rating. She was named to the all-region band, earning eighth chair her senior year. She was named to Who's Who among American High School Students her freshman through senior years. She served as treasurer for the Spanish Club her junior year and was a member of the school's One-Act Play. She also has been a four-year member of Drama Club, and was in Spanish Club three years. She belonged to FHA a year. Her future plans include attending college next spring.



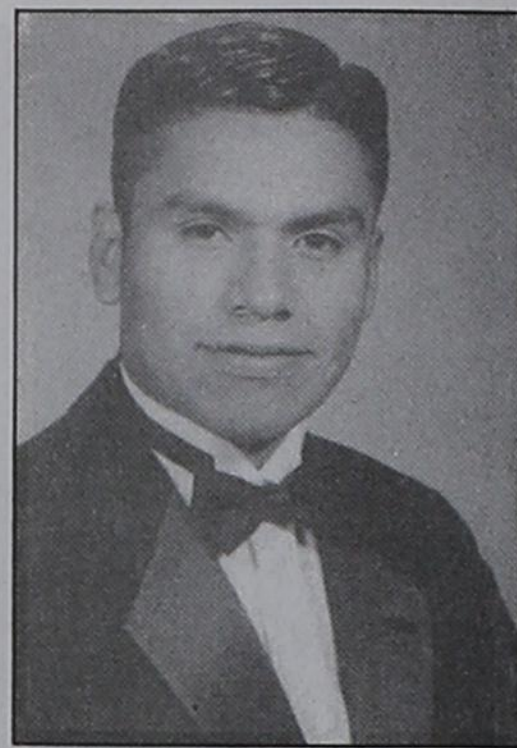
**JOEY FLORES** achieved success in track during high school. He was state champion in the 800-meter run his freshman year and qualified for state in the event four times. He won the district title in the 800 all four years. He won the event in the San Angelo Relays four years. He ran the 400, winning district and qualifying for regional two years. He also qualified for regional twice as a member of the mile relay team, winning district both times. The team advanced to state in the event this year. Joey was also involved in FFA and served as secretary of the organization this year. He also served as vice president of FFA during high school. He was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Athletes. He also played football and was a member of the Art Club, FHA, Spanish Club, Interact Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The son of Harvey and Rena Lumbra, he enjoys golfing, fishing and being with his friends. After high school he plans to attend college and hopes to become a veterinarian.



**SARA D'ANN GOLDSMITH** has been active in FHA during high school and has held many offices in the organization. She was vice president of recreation her sophomore year, vice president of programs her junior year and was president this year. She competed in FHA Star events in 1995. Sara also served as president of the Drama Club this year. She was a member of the Drama Club her sophomore through senior years and participated in the UIL One-Act Play in 1996. She competed in UIL Prose this year and was a member of the first-place team in UIL Literary Criticism in 1994. She won the I Dare You Award in 1996. Sara was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students in 1994, 1995 and 1996. Other organizations to which she has belonged are PAL, Art Club, Business Professionals of America, Drama Club and YES. She enjoys spending time with her friends. The daughter of Dan and Deborah Goldsmith, she plans to attend West Texas A&M University and become an occupational therapist.



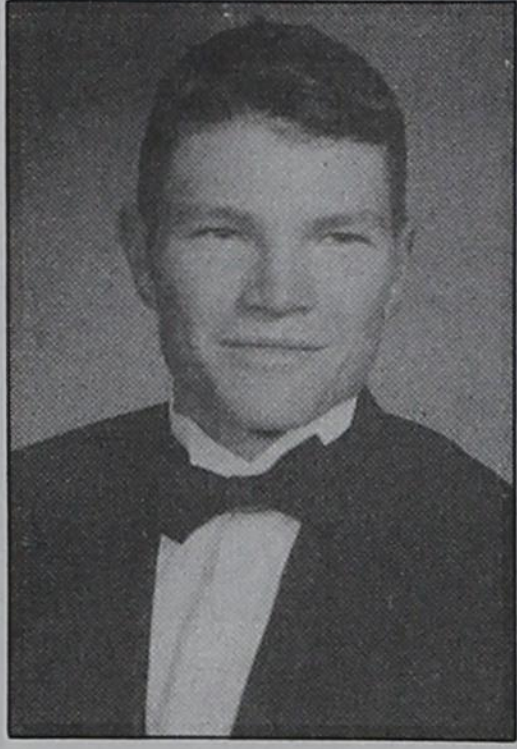
**ORALIA HERRERA** is the daughter of Miguel and Carmen Herrera. She served as secretary for band this year. She was a member of the band four years and earned Division I ratings in UIL Marching contests her freshman and sophomore years. She was in FHA her freshman and sophomore years and belonged to Spanish Club as a senior. She enjoys spending time with her daughter and family. She plans to attend Amarillo College.



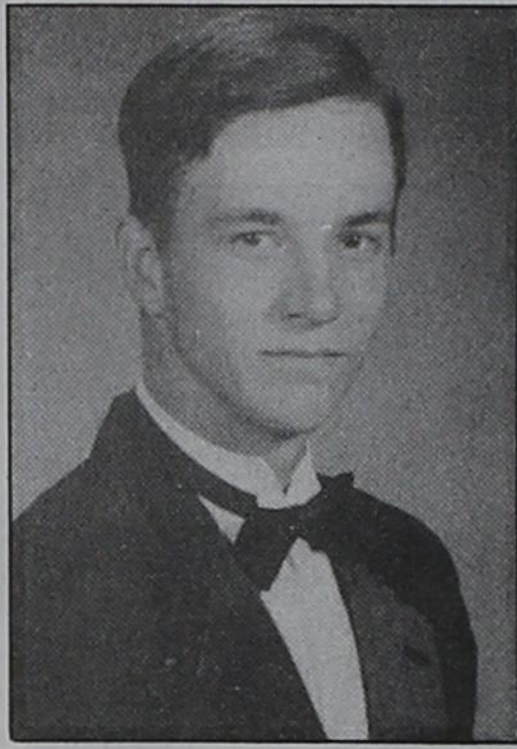
**JESSIE LOPEZ** is the son of Andres and Maria Lopez and he plans to attend West Texas A&M University. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students as a sophomore. He played football three years and was honorable mention all-district defensive tackle this year. He ran track two years and was in Interact Club. He enjoys reading and being with his friends.



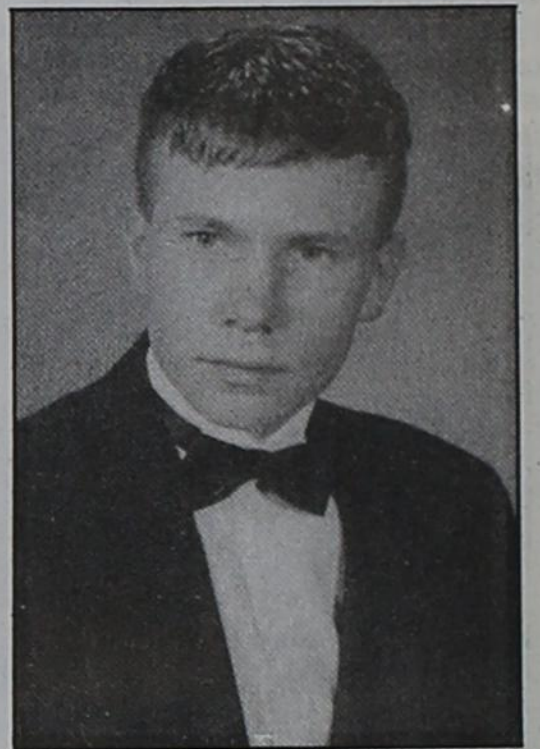
**CINDY NAVARRO**, daughter of Freddy and Lilly Garcia, was involved in choir and FHA during high school. She was vice-president of choir her junior year. She competed in choir solo and ensemble contests her sophomore year and earned a Division II rating. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students for three years. She lists spending time with her boyfriend and listening to music among her hobbies. After she graduates, Cindy plans to attend cosmetology school, then later she will join the Air Force.



**RYAN HARKINS**, son of Russell and Karen Harkins, was active in FFA throughout high school.



**BLU F. KROPP** was a four-year member of FFA. He is the son of John W. and Beverly M. Kropp.



**JOHNNY IVY**, son of Ron and Janice Ivy, played basketball and tennis. He graduates high school with honors. He enjoys playing basketball and reading in his free time. After graduation he plans to join the United States Marine Corps.

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**FRANCISCO MIGUEL MEDRANO**, son of Mary Cozbezy and B. Miguel Medrano, was a member of choir, FFA, Art Club and FHA during high school. He enjoys playing sports and working with electronics. He plans to join the Army and go to college.

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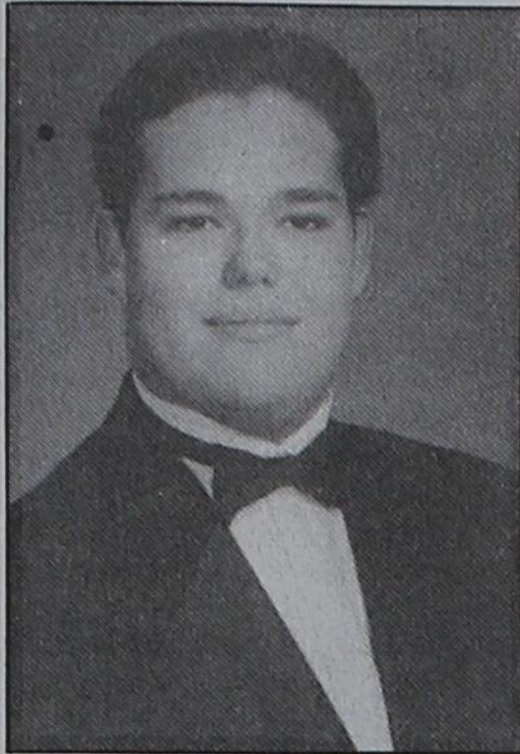
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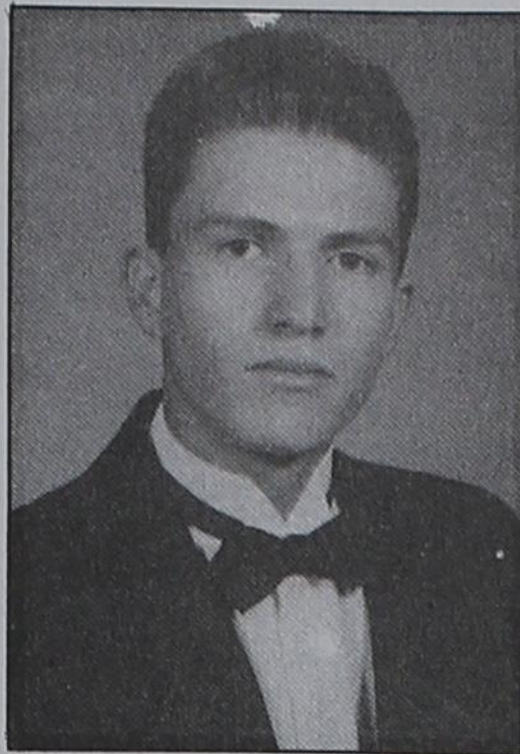
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**MELISSA RENEE DeLEON** is the daughter of Paul and Sylvia DeLeon and she was in choir and FHA during high school. She competed in Technology Student Association contests two years, placing second at regional and first at state with a curio console. She was on the "A-B" honor roll. She played basketball for a year and was in choir two years. She competed in UIL Accounting one year, UIL Number Sense two years, UIL Ready Writing three years and UIL Typing two years. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore year. She plans to study nursing at South Plains College. Her hobbies include working on cross-stitch projects.



**JAMES PAUL IVEY** is the son of Paul and Katie Ivey. His senior year he was vice president of BPA, treasurer of FFA, Head Drum Major of the Bobcat Band, historian of the Student Council, and co-editor of the Annual Staff. As a member of the band all four years and the DHS Jazz Band his freshman year, he was named to the All-Region Band, for timpani as a sophomore and senior, and for percussion as a junior. He earned all-area honors on timpani as a junior and senior, and at Solo & Ensemble Contest, received a Division I on a Class 3 timpani solo. He qualified for try-outs for All-Region Band as a freshman, and also tried out for the All-Region Jazz Band. His sophomore and junior years he received scholarships to attend the Texas Tech Band-Orchestra Camp. He served as assistant drum major his junior year and was a member of the Bobcat Band that was selected to attend the Area Marching Contest. He was named Outstanding Band Sophomore and Junior. As a four-year member of the FFA, James was a member of Livestock and Dairy Cattle Judging Teams his freshman and sophomore years, was named Outstanding Academic Freshman in FFA, and won FFA Proficiency Awards in prepared public speaking as a freshman and junior and in extemporaneous public speaking as a sophomore and junior. As a member of the BPA for two years, James participated in the BPA Area Contest. He also competed in UIL Literary events: current events for four years, editorial and headline writing for four years, science as a sophomore and junior, calculator as a freshman and literary criticism as a senior. He took sixth place in editorial writing as a freshman, and was nominated for a US Achievement Academy award for journalism. As a member of the annual staff, James was named assistant photo editor his sophomore year, and photo editor his junior year. His sophomore year he received several honors, including being selected to the National Honor Society, named to *Who's Who*, nominated for Sophomore of the Year, and being elected vice president of his class. He was nominated to attend the Convention on the Law and the Constitution, and was nominated to attend Boys State. As a two-year member of the Spanish Club, he won an excellent rating on a Spanish Presentation. He served on the student council for four years, was a member of FCA for four years, Interact Club for three years, the Drama club for two years, and FHA for a year. He was class secretary as a freshman. He enjoys reading, watching sports, playing and listening to music, and playing miniature golf. He is signed up to begin his studies in math and computer science at Texas Tech University on May 28.



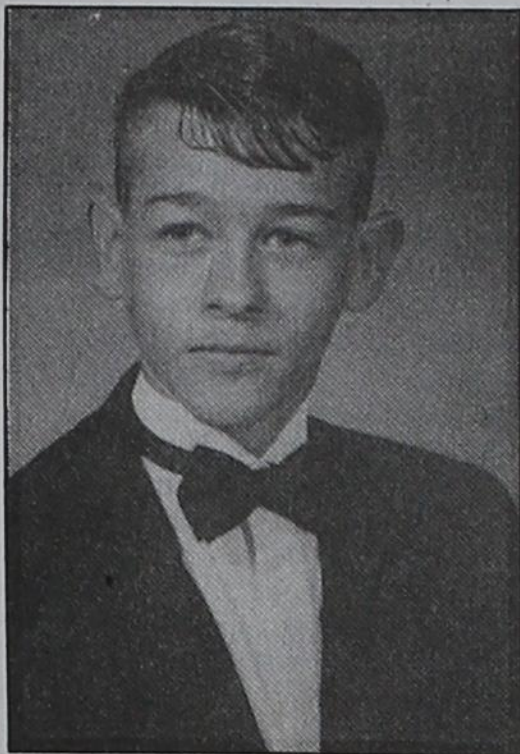
**LUIS ARTURO DELGADO**, son of Maria Salas and Miguel Lopez, plans to attend Amarillo College after graduation. He was in FHA his sophomore through senior years and was a member of FFA and the Spanish Club as a freshman. He ran track one year. In his spare time, Luis enjoys drawing, playing sports, helping people read and begin with his friends.



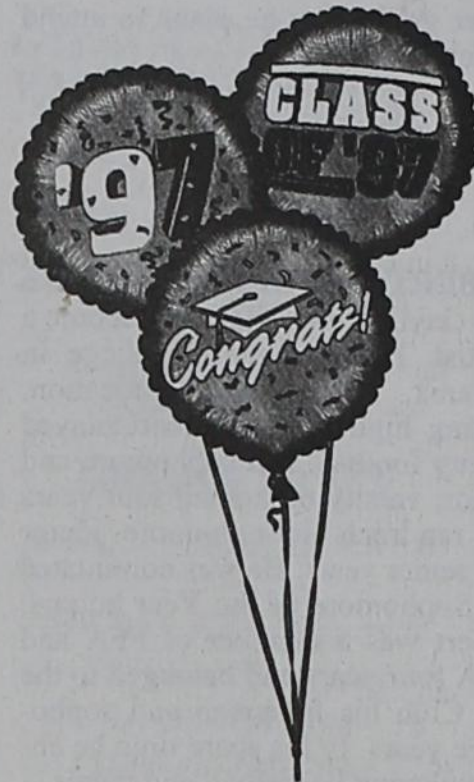
**SABRINA STUBBS** plans to attend college and hopes to become a physician's assistant. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years. She was in choir three years and competed in contests each year. She belonged to Business Professionals of America her senior year and was in FHA her junior and senior years. The daughter of Tim and Debra Murrell she enjoys working in the community.



**ALKA N. PATEL** served as reporter for the senior class and was secretary for the Speech Club her senior year. She was in band, Art Club and National Honor Society three years. She belonged to FHA and Spanish Club four years and was in the Spanish Honor Society three years. Alka was on the annual staff one year. She competed in the area UIL Marching contest three years and earned a Division I rating in UIL Marching twice. She placed second in the UIL Spanish Poetry contest once and competed in UIL Poetry one year. She was vice president of band one year and received the Outstanding Junior Marcher Award. Alka was a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students three years and received two teacher commendations. She attended two leadership conferences. Alka worked with the National Honor Society on a community food drive. She won Perfect Attendance awards three years. She was on the Top Ten honor roll two years and was an "A" honor roll student throughout high school. She was nominated for Courtesy Queen and served as sales manager for the DHS Yearbook. She was enrolled in an honors graduation plan during high school. She lists roller blading and spending time with her friends among her hobbies. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Nanubhai Patel, she plans to major in political science/pre-law at Texas Tech University.



**ROBERT COZBEY** is the son of Brenda House and Robert Cozbe and he plans to join the Army. Robert was involved in FFA three years. He enjoys riding horses in his spare time.



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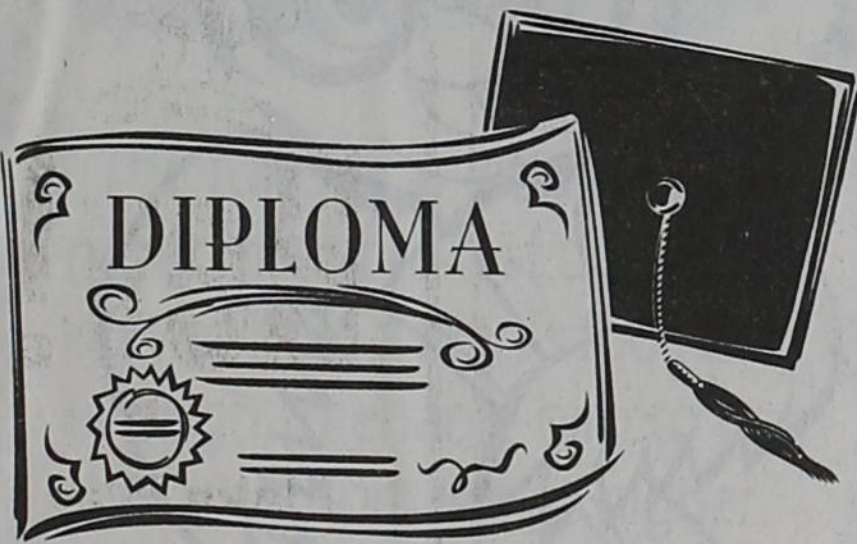
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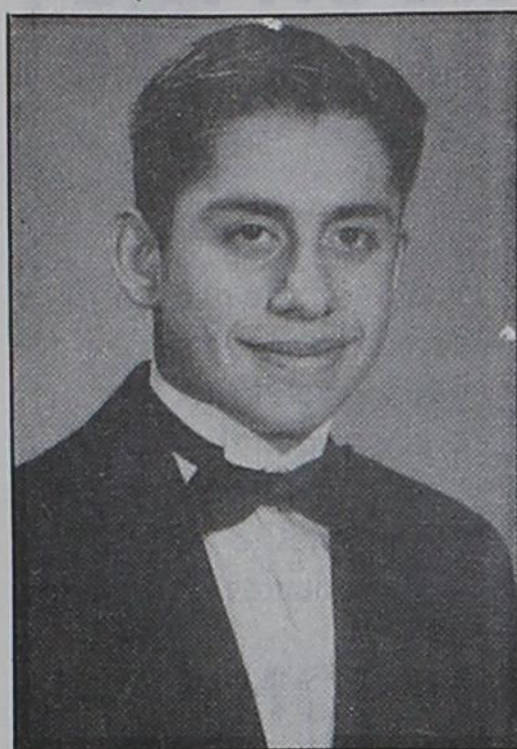
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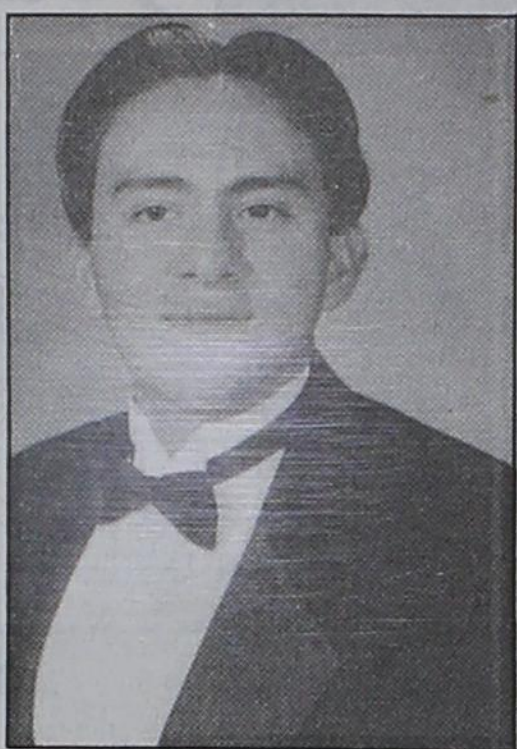
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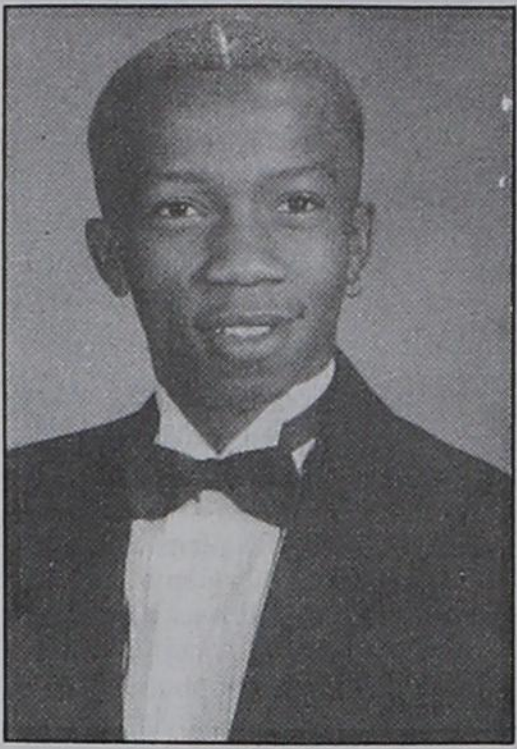
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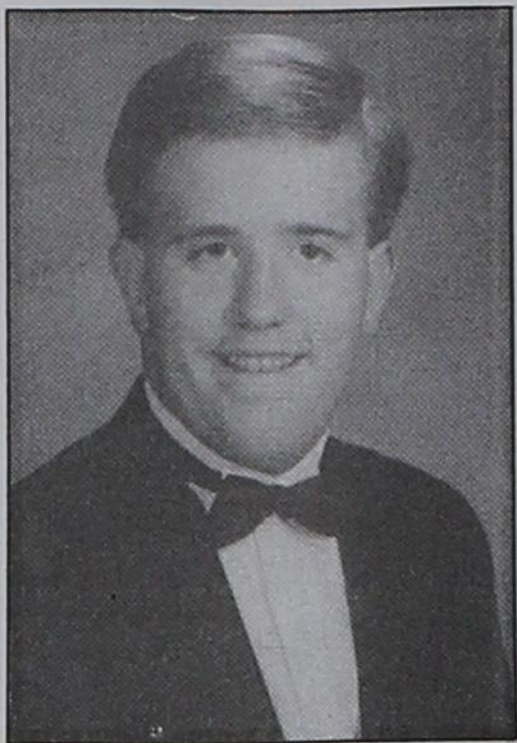
**JEROME LARRA** has qualified for the regional track meet four years and he holds the school record in the 3,200-meter run. He was district champion in the 3,200 his freshman, sophomore, junior and senior years. He was second in the 1,600-meter run at district his junior year and won district in the event his freshman and senior years. He was nominated two years to Who's Who in Track. He played basketball two years. He was a member of FHA his sophomore and junior years. He belonged to Interact Club this year. The son of Geronimo Larra and Mazy Larra he enjoys playing sports. He plans to attend college.



**JOSE E. MARTINEZ** is the son of Felipe and Irma Martinez and he plans to attend Amarillo College after graduation. He was in band four years and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students in 1994. He enjoys reading and lifting weights.



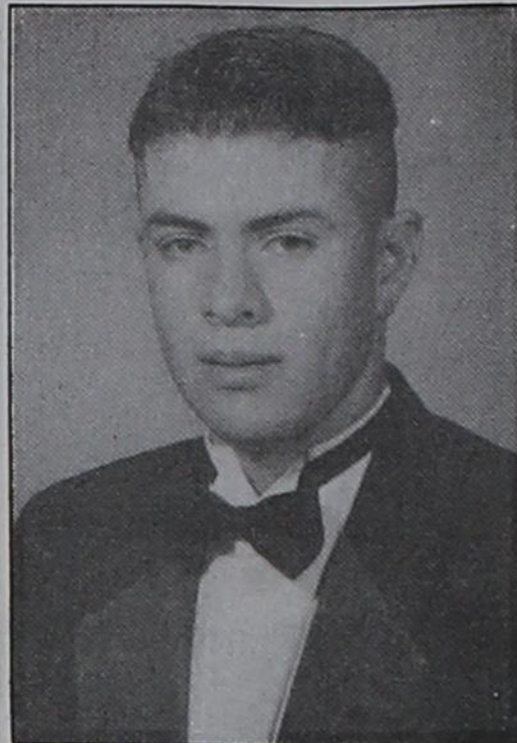
**BRANDON SMITH**, son of Mike and Gayle Smith, enjoys playing ball. He was a four-year member of the basketball team, played football three years and ran track for three. He was all-district in basketball his sophomore through senior years and was all-region and all-South Plains this year. He was in FFA and FHA. After graduation he plans to attend college.



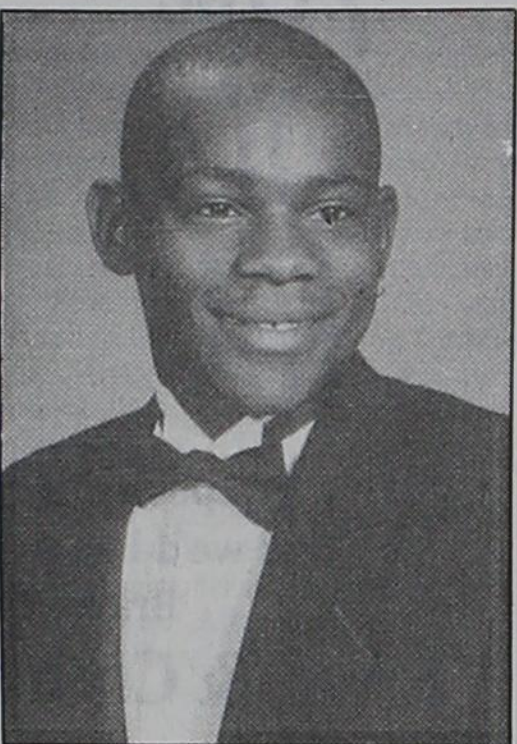
**TRACY JAMES GRAND** is the son of Gary and Linda Grand and he plans to attend West Texas A&M University where he will study sports medicine. During his senior year Tracy was president of Business Professionals of America and was regional vice president of STAR events for Future Homemakers of America. Tracy competed in UIL Headline Writing, News Writing and Editorial Writing four years, and in Computer Applications two years. He competed in Business Professionals of America computer contests two years. He earned an excellent rating at the Foreign Language Festival. Tracy belonged to PAL and YES for a year, BPA, Drama Club and Spanish Club for two years; FHA and National Honor Society three years and Student Council four years. He was voted Best All-Around his senior year. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his junior year. He was a regional qualifier in UIL contests his freshman, junior and senior years. He was a state alternate in BPA contests two years. Tracy enjoys reading, fishing and going to the mountains in his spare time.



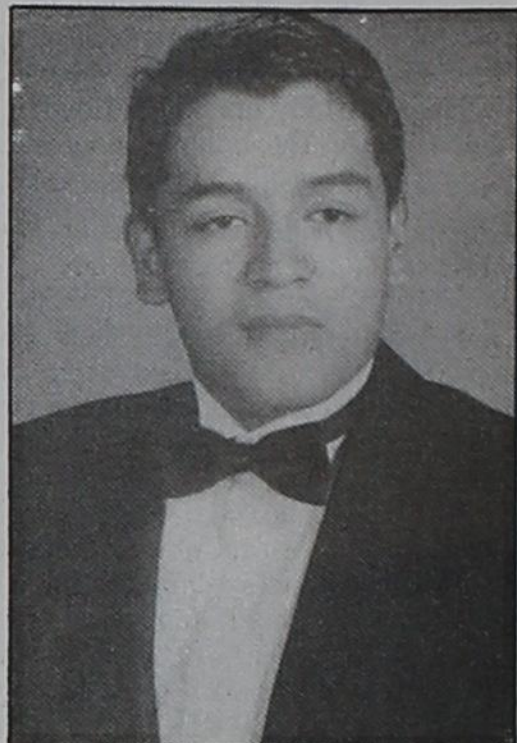
**SUMMER LYNN McLEAN** is the daughter of Charles and Jill McLean and she plans to major in speech therapy at Texas Tech University after graduation. Summer served as treasurer of Interact, secretary for Fellowship of Christian Athletes and secretary of National Honor Society her senior year. She played basketball and was a member of the cross country team through her junior year. She ran track her sophomore year. Summer was a varsity cheerleader her senior year. Her freshman basketball team won district. She ran in the state cross country meet her sophomore year and the team finished third. She also advanced to the state cross country meet her junior year and the team placed sixth. She was elected Most Beautiful her sophomore year and was a Flame Queen candidate that year. She was Most Beautiful as a junior and was elected to the Homecoming Court. She was named Miss DHS and Homecoming Queen this year. She was selected as a Universal Cheerleaders Association All-Star. She was chosen to represent Castro County at Bluebonnet Girls' State. She served as a page at the Republican Convention in San Antonio. She received an academic letter award. Summer was invited to attend the Presidential Classroom. Summer has been a member of 4-H, Key Club, PAL, FHA, National Honor Society, YES, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact Club and Student Council. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students three years. She enjoys spending time with her friends.



**RICHARD MORAN CARPIO** is the son of Eva Carpio and he plans to attend college after graduation. Richard played basketball three years and was on the baseball team four years. He was a member of the Art Club and FHA three years and belonged to Spanish Club and FFA for a year. In his free time Richard enjoys reading, homework and sleeping.



**ALBERT EWING JR.**, son of Mike and Gayle Smith, plans to become a dentist. He will attend college in Phoenix, Ariz., after graduation. During high school, Albert played varsity football as a sophomore and junior, varsity basketball four years and ran track his sophomore, junior and senior years. He was nominated for Sophomore of the Year honors. Albert was a member of FFA and FHA four years and belonged to the Art Club his freshman and sophomore years. In his spare time he enjoys playing basketball and tennis.



**OSCAR VASQUEZ**, son of Guadalupe and Rosario Vasquez, plans to study automotive collision or mechanics at Amarillo College. He enjoys "cruising" in his car, going to dances, working outdoors and being with his friends. Oscar was active in the Technology Student Association and competed in events, qualifying for state. He also has been a member of FFA and FHA.

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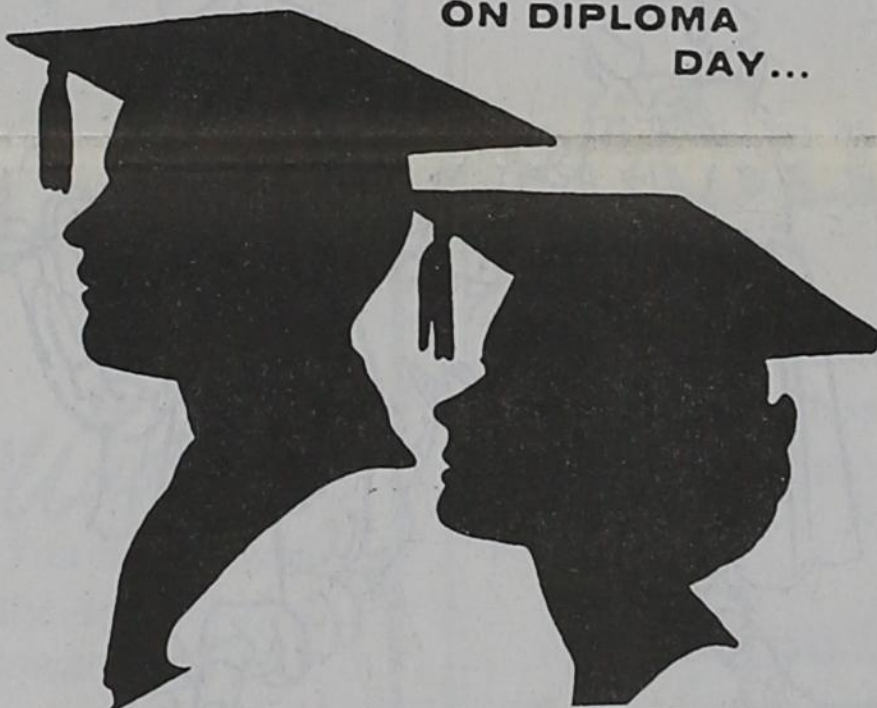
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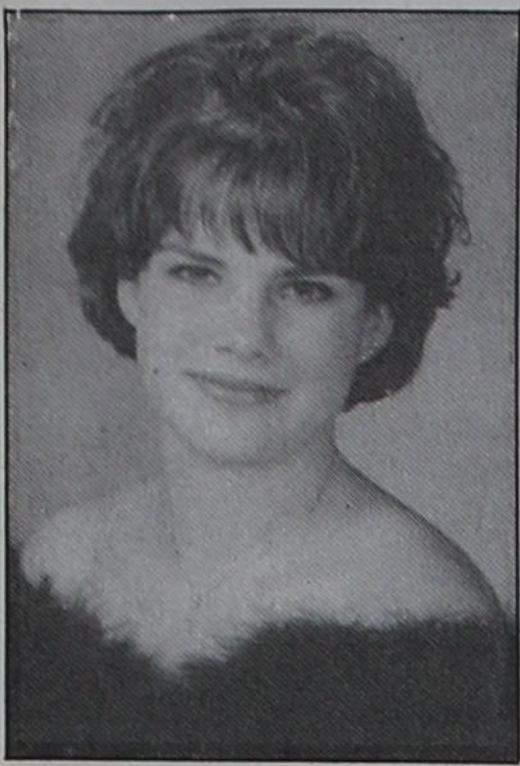


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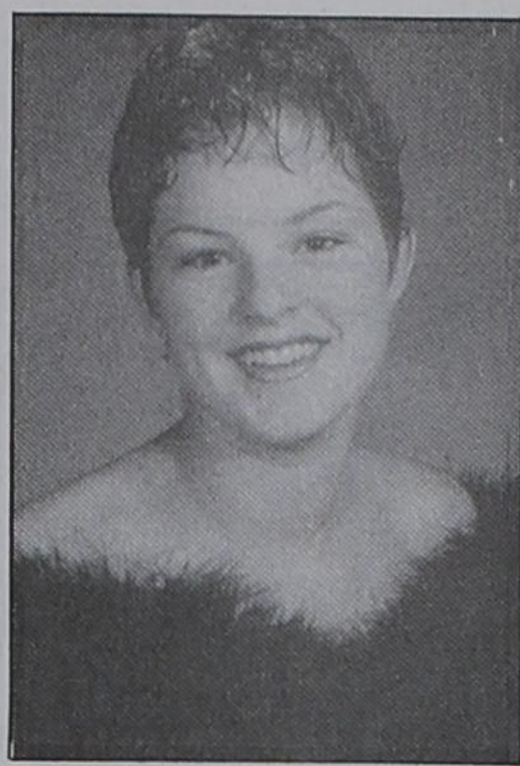
**TAWNEE LYN MATTHEWS** is the daughter of Jerry and Sherri Matthews and she has been active in numerous activities and organizations throughout high school. Tawnee has been in Student Council, Interact Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and 4-H four years. She was a cheerleader her junior and senior years. She was in the Art Club and PAL one year. She was in FHA her sophomore and junior years. She was a member of National Honor Society her sophomore through senior years. Tawnee played basketball and tennis her freshman and sophomore years. She competed in UIL Ready Writing as a sophomore. During her junior year she was a cheerleader and competed in UIL Feature Writing. She was head cheerleader this year and served as National Honor Society treasurer. She also was vice president of Student Body this year. Tawnee was selected Miss DHS. During her freshman year she was voted Most Beautiful and was a Flame Queen Candidate. She was named Sophomore of the Year and was elected to Who's Who Among American High School Students. As a junior she served as secretary for FHA and was vice president of her class. She also served as spirit chairman in Student Council and was a member of Spanish Honorary Society. She won the 4-H Gold Star Award her junior year and served as president of the 4-H County Council. Her senior year she was a 4-H State Council representative, 4-H district vice president and 4-H county council president. Tawnee has been on the "A" and Top Ten honor rolls throughout high school. She lists showing steers and water skiing among her hobbies. She plans to major in natural resource conservation at Texas A&M University after she graduates.



**CRYSTAL STEVENS** is the daughter of Janet Strickland and her hobbies include taking part in activities with the First Baptist Church Youth group, swimming and twirling in competition. She was a four-year member of the band and was feature twirler each year. She competed in UIL marching and concert contests and played a flute solo two years. She performed a twirling solo four years. She played in a flute ensemble two years. She earned Division I ratings on her flute solo and ensemble twice and qualified for state this year as a member of a flute solo with a Class I piece of music. She was named to the all-region band three years. Crystal was voted Miss Major-ette of Texas in 1993. She was Texas X-Strut Champion in 1991-94. She was a national qualifier at University of Notre Dame in 1993 and 1996. She was a member of FHA and competed in the STAR event at the state level. She was named Best All-Around Senior. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students two years and won a United State Achievement Academy award in cheerleading. She was manager for the baseball team for two years and was the school's Baseball Queen in 1996. She was a nominee and alternate for Texas Bluebonnet Girls' State in 1996. She was a member of 4-H, FHA, Interact Club, YES, National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes her junior and senior years. She was a cheerleader and belonged to PAL her senior year. She served as reporter for the National Honor Society and was FHA vice president of power this year. She plans to attend Angelo State University this fall and will be feature twirler for the Ram Band. She plans to study pre-law and accounting.



**MARIA ANTONIA RIOS** plans to study accounting at South Plains College. She was in Art Club and Annual Staff her senior year. She belonged to FHA and Spanish Club her sophomore through senior years. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years. She was on the "A-B" honor roll four years and served as sales manager for yearbook sales her senior year. She enjoys dancing, traveling and being with friends. She is the daughter of Ramon and Antonia Rios.



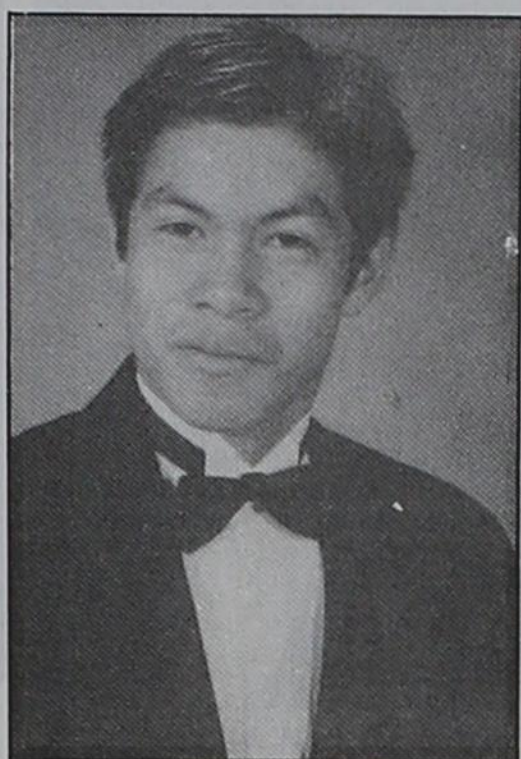
**MARY ELIZABETH STILES**'s future plans include majoring in architecture at Texas Tech University. She was in the National Honor Society her sophomore and junior years. She played basketball and ran cross country her freshman and sophomore years. She was a member of the band and Student Council her freshman year. She also was active in Business Professionals of America, FHA and Interact Club. Her hobbies include reading, painting and drawing. She is the daughter of Paula Stiles and Don Stiles Jr.



**YESENIA JESSICA ZAMORA** plans to attend Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos after graduation. She was in FFA her senior year and showed lambs in the stock show. She was also in Art Club and Business Professionals of America her senior year. She belonged to FHA four years and was a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Club her sophomore and junior years. She was nominated for Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and senior years. She is the daughter of Elida and Ruben Zamora.



**MARY DAVILA** plans to attend college and make her daughter proud. She was in band two years and earned Division I ratings in marching contest as a freshman and sophomore. She served as president of the sophomore FFA class. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore year. She was a member of FFA, Business Professionals of America, Spanish Club and Interact Club one year. She was in band and FHA two years. Mary is the daughter of Toribio Davila Jr. and the late Seferina Davila. In her spare time, Mary enjoys playing with and spending time with her daughter, Keeayra J. Thomas.



**AMADO CALDERA** plans to start a business after he graduates from high school. He played football his sophomore and junior years and ran track his junior and senior years. He was all-district defensive back in 1996 and was named to Who's Who in Sports in 1996. He was a member of FFA one year and FHA two years. He is the son of Amado and Nora Caldera.


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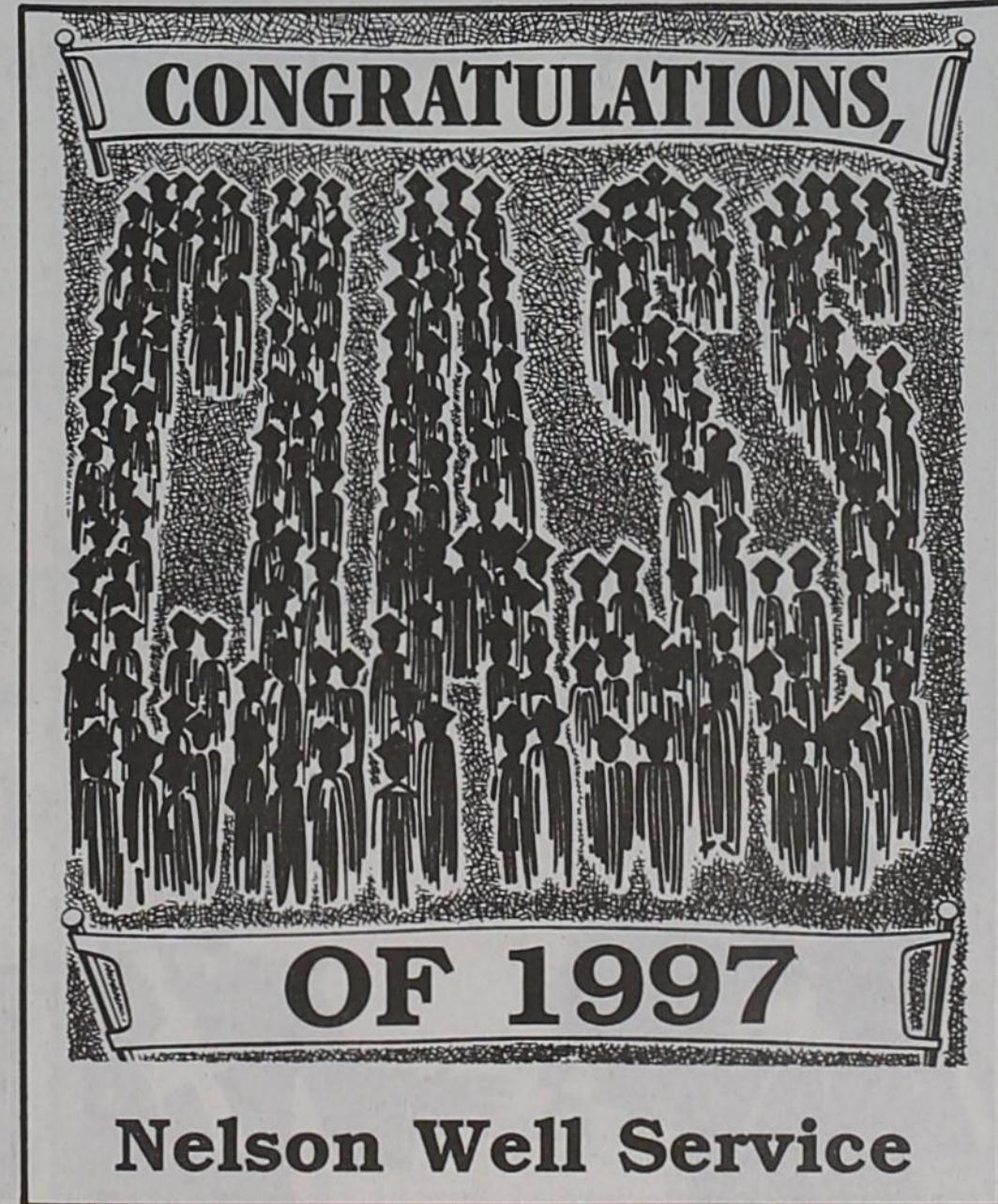
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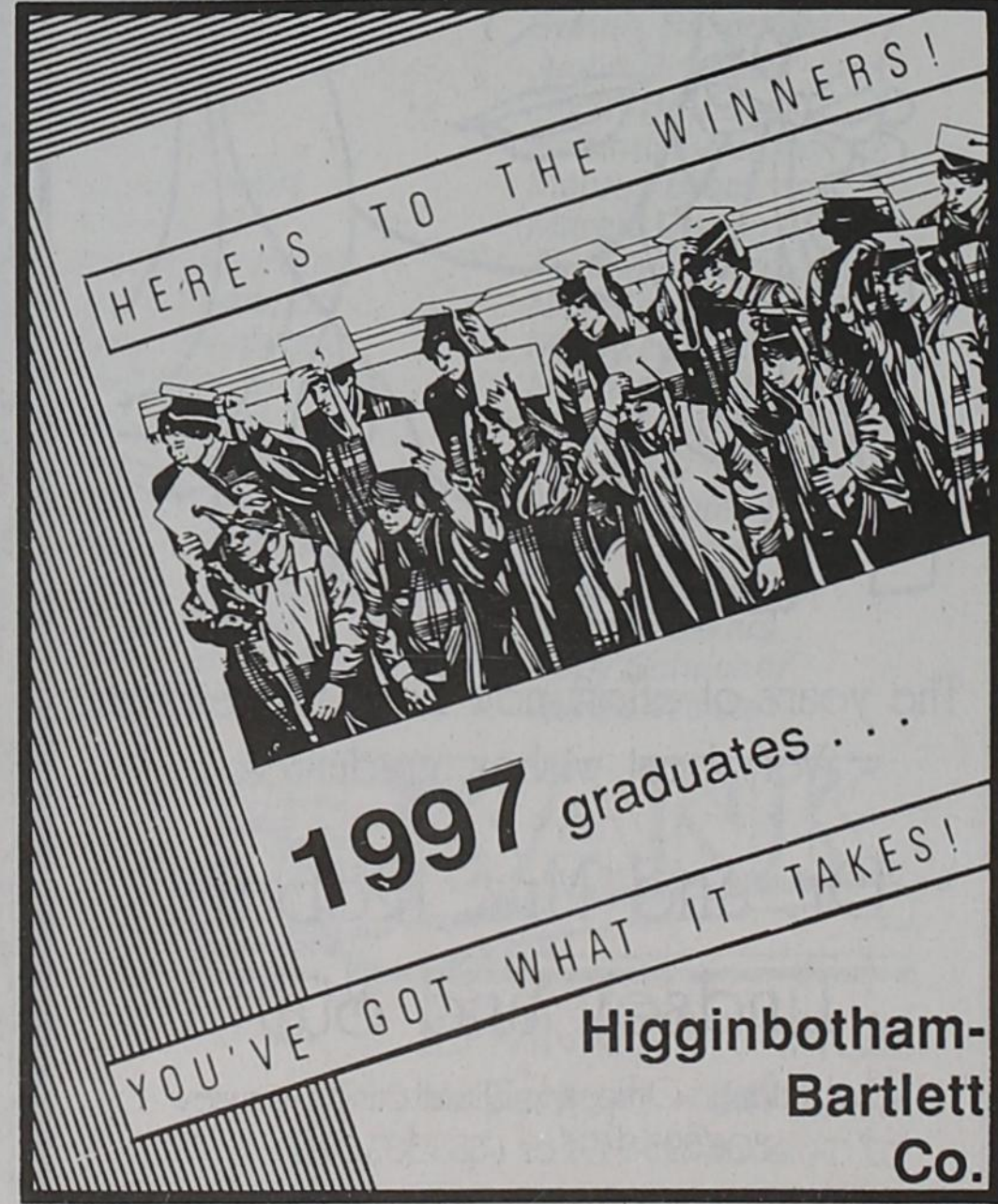
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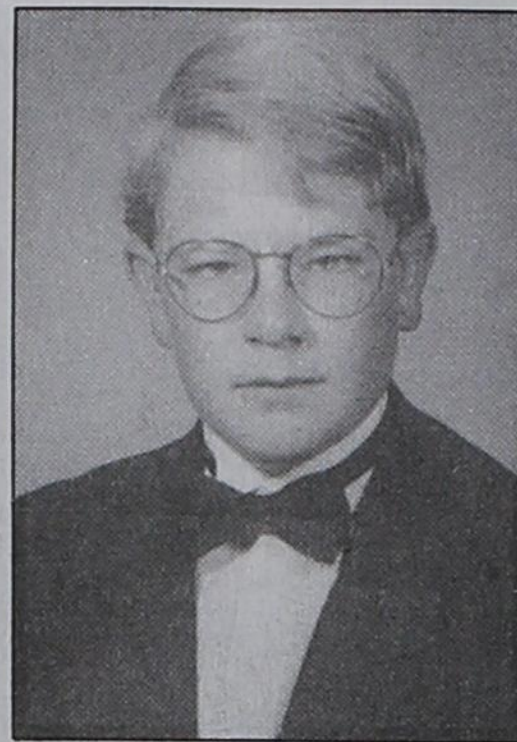
**EMILY DALYNN ROBERSON**, daughter of Bill and Karen Roberson, served as vice president of the senior class this year. She was a member of the Homecoming Court her freshman year and was voted Most Friendly her sophomore year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her freshman, sophomore and senior years. Emily played basketball throughout high school. She was a varsity cheerleader. She also was a member of Key Club, Business Professionals of America, FHA, FCA and Interact Club. She enjoys being with her friends. Emily plans to attend a nursing school after graduation and hopes to become a physical therapist later.



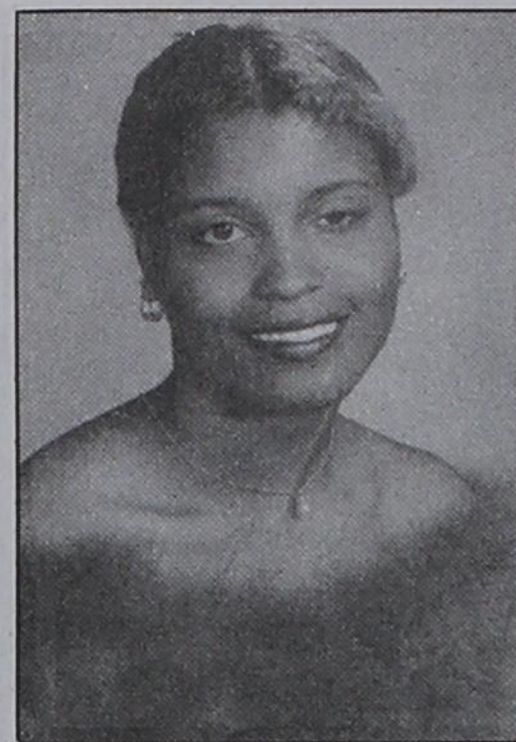
**DENNIS F. CHAMBLESS III** plans to attend college after graduation. He was a member of the concert and marching bands four years. He played baseball as a sophomore. Dennis was a member of the Technology Student Association his freshman and senior years. He earned first and third places in TSA woodworking contests with a chest of drawers that he built. He belonged to Business Professionals of America as a junior and senior. He was in the Art Club his freshman and sophomore years. He served as librarian for the band this year. He is the son of John and Teresa Garcia and he enjoys being with his friends and bowling.



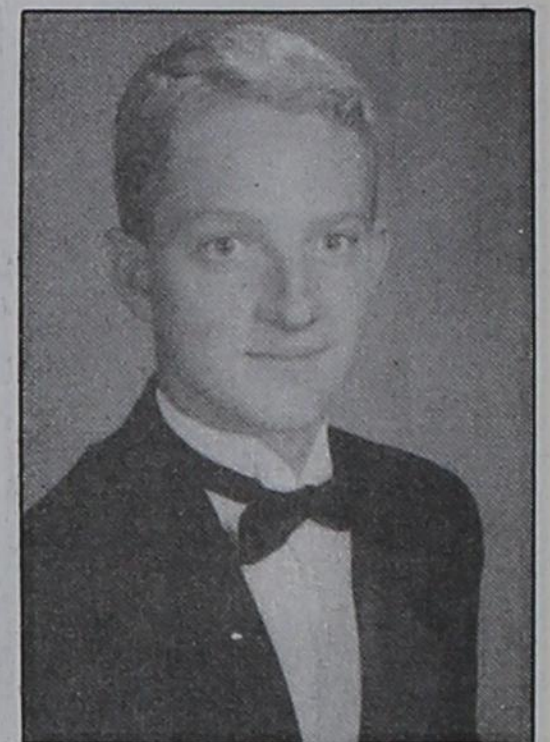
**ASIA TYRIA KIRBY** is the daughter of Dean and Belinda Kirby and she plans to become a registered nurse. During high school Asia was active in FFA, competing in livestock shows for 10 years, showing numerous animals. She served as reporter for FFA her senior year. She was a member of the band one year. She will complete her cosmetology training in May. She lists showing lambs among her hobbies.



**MIKEL JEREMY ATCHLEY** plans to attend Clarendon College to pursue a degree in ranch and feedlot operations. He was a member of 4-H and FFA throughout high school. He was in Art Club his freshman year, FHA his senior year and Spanish Club his freshman and sophomore years. He was a member of the National Honor Society his sophomore through senior years. Mikel played baseball his freshman year. The son of Charles and Sue Atchley, he enjoys working, riding and roping in his free time.



**CHRISTY M. EWING** plans to go to the International Air Academy after graduation. She competed in UIL Poetry contests and competed in choir competitions at Sandy Lake in Dallas her senior year. She earned a Perfect Attendance award when she was a freshman. Christy was a member of the choir throughout high school and she was in FHA her freshman and sophomore years. The daughter of Olivia Brown, she enjoys being with her friends and dancing.

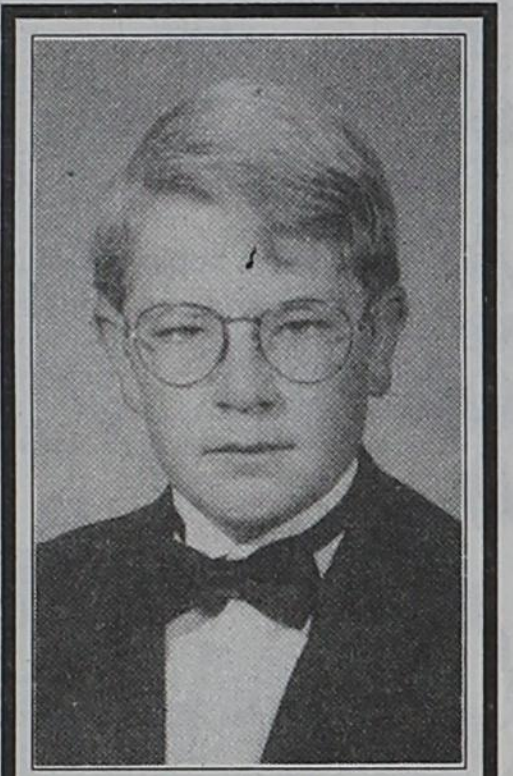


**ZAKARY FELTS** is the son of Gary Felts and Debbie Felts and he is unsure about his future plans. During his senior year Zak was vice president of the Technology Student Association. He was involved in the organization throughout high school and advanced to the state competition in Waco all four years. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his junior year. He was in 4-H and FFA his freshman year. He was in FHA his freshman and sophomore years. In his spare time, Zak enjoys spending time with his friends.

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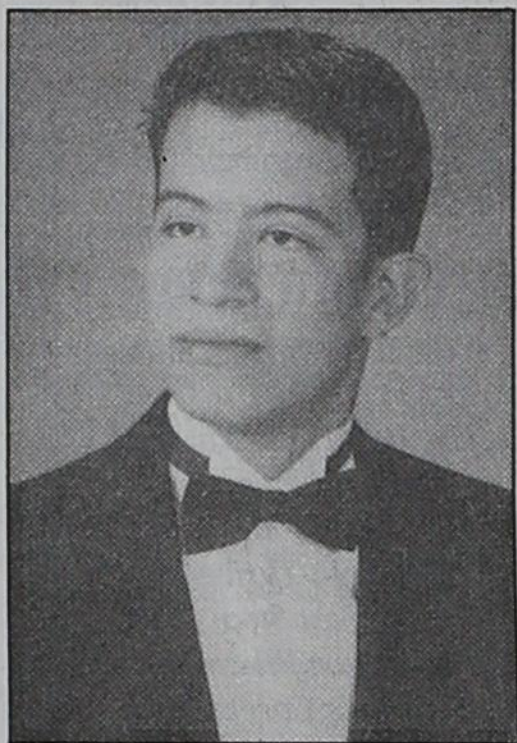


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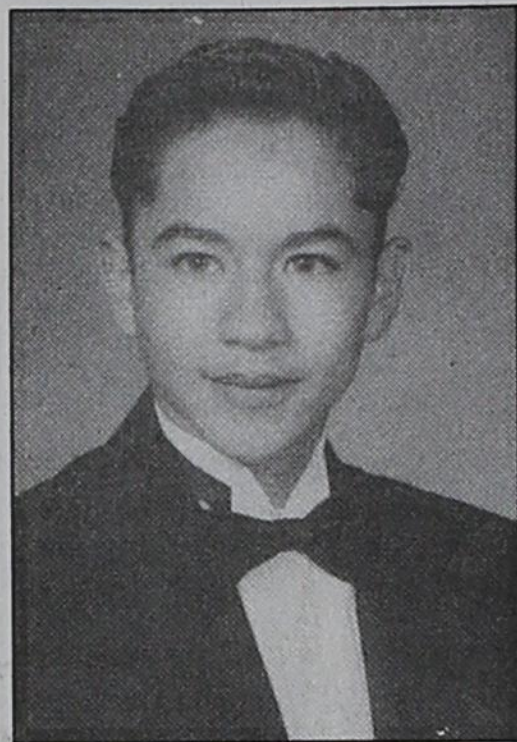
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**NICHOLAS S. SALINAS** played baseball four years and basketball for a year. He belonged to FHA and Interact Club one year. He enjoys spending time with his friends on weekends. He is the son of Pete Salinas and Herminia Salinas and his future plans include attending college at West Texas A&M University.



**JERRY RIVERA** earned an academic letter award his junior year and was on the Top Ten honor roll throughout high school. He earned Perfect Attendance Awards his freshman and sophomore years. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his sophomore year. He was a member of PAL, Art Club, National Honor Society and Interact Club. The son of Henry and Teresa Rivera, he enjoys listening to music. His future plans include majoring in physical therapy at college.



**CONNIE GARCIA** has been active in choir during high school. She earned a Division II rating in choir competition as a freshman and sophomore. She served as treasurer of choir her junior year. She also has been a member of PAL, Art Club, FHA and Spanish Club during high school. She enjoys traveling, dancing, listening to music and spending time with her family. The daughter of Jose Garcia and Sylvia Garcia she plans to attend South Plains College and major in education. She also plans to take a trip to Acapulco, Mexico after graduation.



**ELIZA G. MELENDEZ**, daughter of Cris and Alicia Melendez, enjoys listening to music, being with her friends and attending dances. She plans to study nursing at South Plains College. During high school, Eliza was a member of FHA, Spanish Club, Art Club and Annual Staff. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students three years. She was in the Spanish Honor Society her senior year. Eliza was on the "A-B" honor roll throughout high school.

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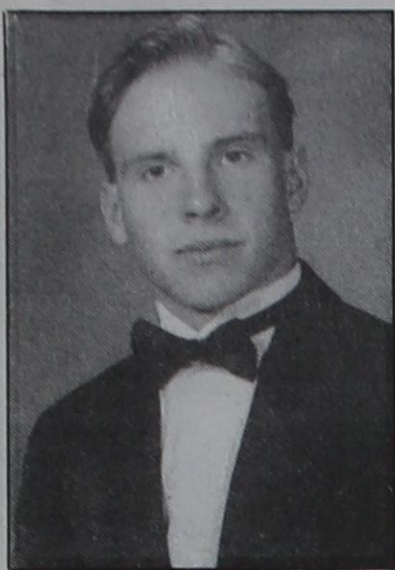
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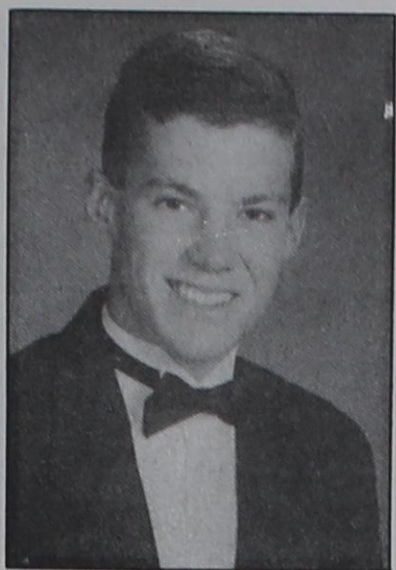
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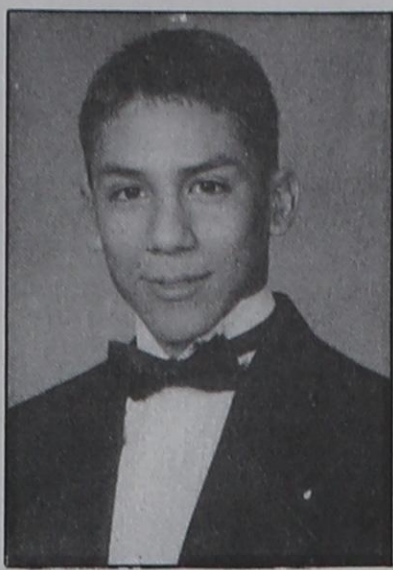
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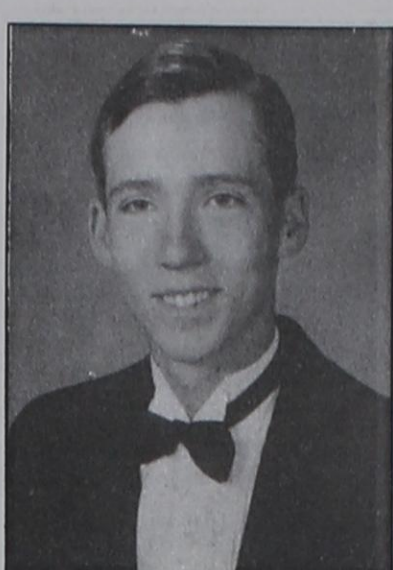
**SHAUN ERIC FURR**, son of John and Nacola Furr, was active in 4-H and was on judging teams. During his senior year Shaun was vice president of 4-H County Council and was a County Council delegate. He played football four years and earned honorable mention all-district honors as a lineman this year. He played baseball three years and was on varsity this year. He played basketball his freshman and sophomore years. Shaun was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his freshman through junior years. He earned an academic letter award and was on the Top Ten honor roll. He won the Rotary Camp Ryla Award. Shaun was a member of National Honor Society his junior and senior years and was in Student Council his freshman through junior years. He lists hunting, playing sports and working with computers among his hobbies. After graduation, Shaun plans to attend Angelo State University.



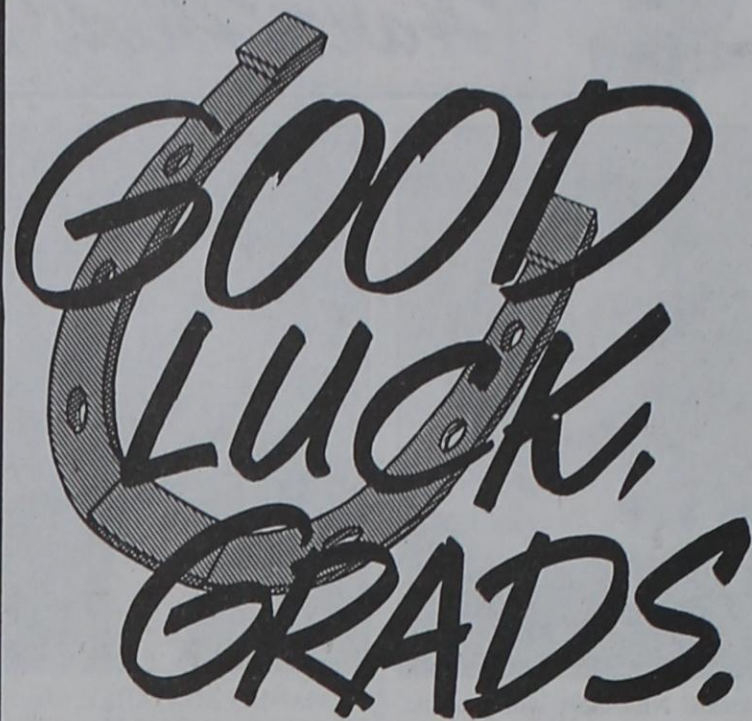
**CAMERON RYAN LUST** is the son of Shanee Thompson and Rex Lust and he served as president of Interact and treasurer of Student Council his senior year. He also belonged to 4-H, PAL, FHA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact Club, Spanish Honorary Society and Student Council. He was in National Honor Society his junior and senior years. He played football his freshman year and basketball throughout high school. He earned all-district and all-region honors in basketball his senior year. He was on the golf team. Cameron was on the Top Ten honor roll four years. He won the I Dare You Award in 1996. He was named Most Handsome last year and Most Friendly this year. He enjoys playing sports and "hanging out" in his free time. After graduation Cameron plans to major in business management at Texas A&M University.



**CONRADO SAUCEDO JR.** is the son of Conrado Sr. and Olga Saucedo. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University after graduating from high school. Conrado played football, basketball and baseball during high school. He was on the freshman football team in 1993. He played freshman and junior varsity basketball his freshman through junior years. He was on the baseball team throughout high school and played varsity ball three years. He earned a Perfect Attendance award and has been named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. He was a member of National Honor Society. He has been a member of PAL, FHA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact Club and Student Council. He was president of the senior class. Conrado enjoys being with friends, listening to music and "cruising" in his truck in his free time.



**ANDREW TEASCHNER** is the son of Ruby and Terry Teaschner and his future plans include attending college and becoming a park ranger. He enjoys hunting, fishing and reading in his spare time. Andrew has been on the Top Ten and A honor rolls throughout high school. He was inducted into the National Honor Society his sophomore through senior years. He received a Perfect Attendance Award. He competed in UIL Persuasive Speaking his junior year and was on the cast of the One-Act Play as a sophomore and junior. He competed in UIL Journalism events his sophomore through senior years and was in UIL Current Events as a junior and senior. Andrew has been in 4-H and Boy Scouts four years. He earned an Eagle Scout distinction in Boy Scouts. He won several 4-H record book awards. He was in Drama Club, FHA and Spanish Club.



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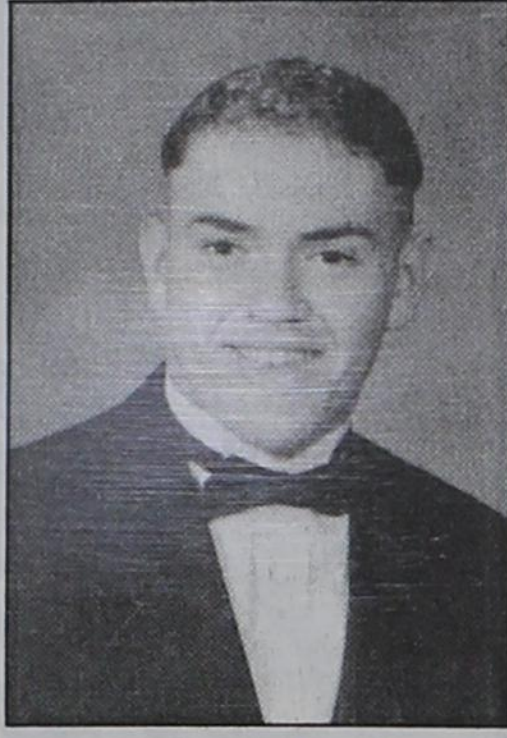


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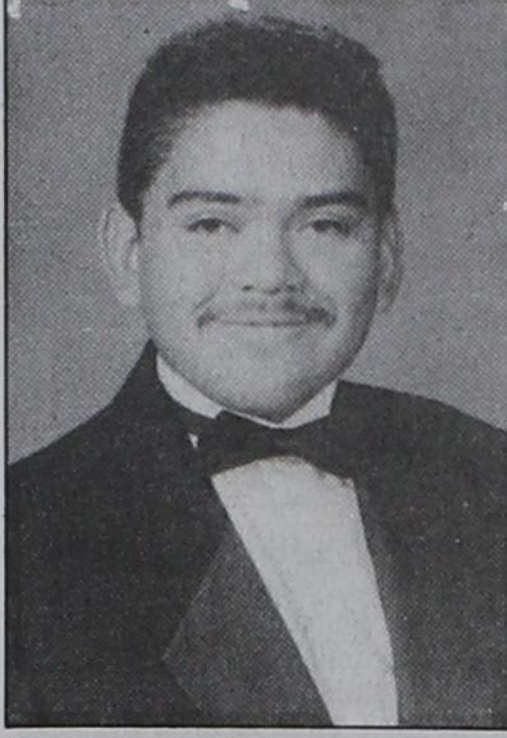
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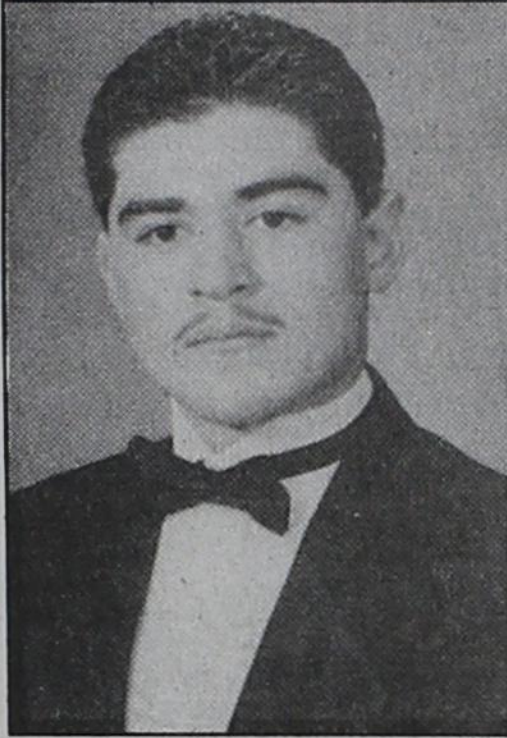
**CASSIE NEINAST** will graduate as Hart High School's valedictorian with a 3.8583 grade point average. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Neinast, she plans to major in physical therapy at Angelo State University this fall. During High School Cassie won numerous awards for her academic achievements. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students four years. She was a National Merit Scholar twice, earning awards in English and math. She won academic awards four years and earned "Academic Recognition" for her scores on the reading portion of TAAS. She earned an Academic Merit Certificate from the Texas Education Agency. Cassie attended HOBY and EFL in Los Angeles. She was voted Most Likely to Succeed. She played golf her junior and senior years and played basketball and tennis throughout her high school career. She was on the UIL One-Act Play cast her senior year. She has competed in UIL Computer Applications and Feature Writing, and qualified for regional. She was in the flag corps a year. Cassie was in band four years and made all-region band her freshman year. She was a member of FHA her freshman year and was in National Honor society three years. She was a cheerleader and a member of Student Council. Cassie received the Carr Academic Scholarship, worth \$10,000 over four years.



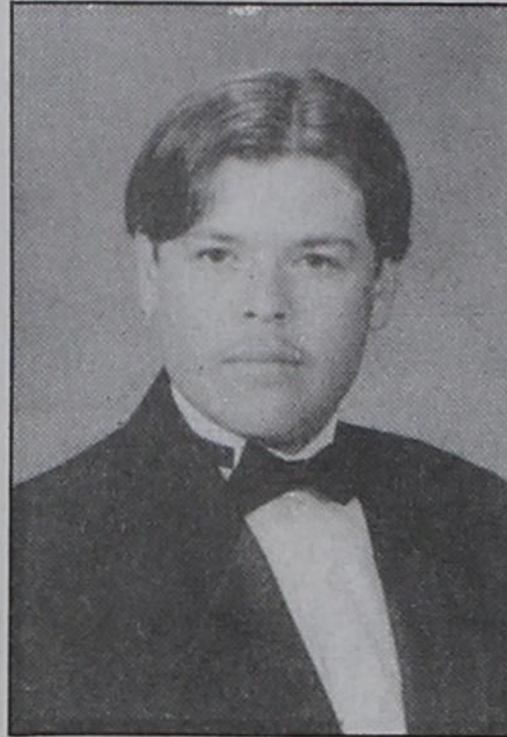
**ARMANDO MINJAREZ**, son of Manuel and Carmen Minjarez, is salutatorian for Hart High School's Class of 1997, graduating with a 3.6462 grade point average. Armando was a member of the National Honor Society. He competed in UIL Number Sense his senior year. He won a School Board Award. Armando was voted Friendliest, Most Talented, Most Likely to Succeed, and was class favorite several times. He was a candidate for Most Handsome. Armando was active in sports during high school. He was successful in football, earning honorable-mention all-district linebacker honors twice, before earning first-team honors his junior year. He was named second-team all-district running back his senior year. He also earned honorable-mention all-district honors as offensive lineman in 1995 and was honorable-mention all-state at linebacker in 1996. In track he was the district champion in the discus in 1995, 1996 and 1997, and was district runner-up in the shot put in 1997. He was a regional qualifier in track during his sophomore, junior and senior years. Armando enjoys lifting weights and collecting cards in his spare time. After graduating from high school, he plans to major in business management and hopes to own his own business some day.



**JESUS M. MEJIA**, son of Ramon and Rosalia Mejia, worked three years under the MOCT program. He enjoys working with his hands and fixing cars. After graduation he plans to become a diesel technician.



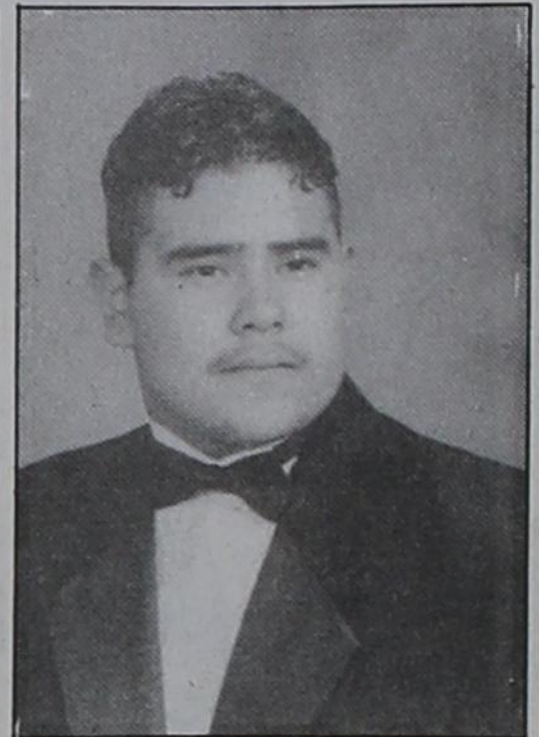
**MICHAEL PAUL GARCIA** is the son of Roger and Amparo Garcia and he was active in sports during high school, playing football, basketball and tennis, and running track and cross country. He was on the football team four years and played basketball when he was a freshman. He ran track his freshman and senior years and was on the cross country and tennis teams this year. He enjoys drawing and working on cars in his free time. In the future he plans to study electronics at South Plains College.



**FELIPE GUERRERO JR.** plans to attend South Plains College after graduation. He played football four years and was named all-district tight end as a junior. He was all-district offensive tackle this year. Felipe played basketball his freshman and sophomore years and ran track as a freshman. He was in FFA his sophomore and junior years, FHA as a freshman and senior and was in Fellowship of Christian Athletes as a junior. He is the son of Felipe Sr. and Martha Guerrero and he enjoys working on cars and working out.



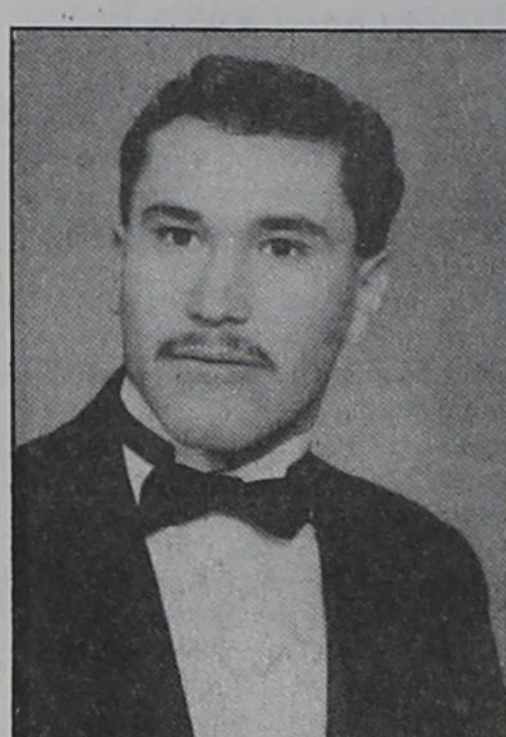
**ADELITA DOZAL** will work this summer, then attend college in the fall. The daughter of Pablo and Maria Dozal, she enjoys drawing and spending time with her friends. During her senior year, Adelita was vice president of FHA and vice president of Pep Squad. She belonged to FHA and Pep Squad four years and was a member of Student Council one year. She ran track four years. She won district in the discus this year and advanced to regional. She was in the MOCT program her senior year. She earned a Tech Prep Award.



**ABEL DOMINGUEZ** will work and attend college after graduation. He was a member of Student Council, FFA and FHA during high school. He played football four years and earned honorable-mention all-district honors as noseguard and was second-team all-district center in 1994-95. He earned first-team honors at center and second team honors at linebacker his senior year. Abel was named Pep Squad King. He earned academic awards four years and also was recognized for having perfect attendance. He was on a livestock judging team and ran track three years. He lists partying and riding around among his hobbies. Abel is the son of Manuel and Catalina Dominguez.



**SENAIDA CORRALES** won a Tech Prep Award during high school and participated in the MOCT program. She was on the Project Graduation Committee. Senaida was a member of the Pep Squad throughout high school and was in FHA her freshman and senior years. She is the daughter of Gloria Villarreal and she lists reading, dancing and music among her hobbies. She is undecided about her future plans.



**RUBEN VEGA** was a four-year member of the Longhorn football team and he earned honorable-mention all-district honors for his play on the offensive line. He was in FFA throughout high school and was on livestock judging teams two years. He was a member of FHA for two years. He enjoys riding around and partying. The son of Juan and Elidja Vega, he plans to attend college in the fall.



**ERMA GONZALES** worked as a library aide and was a member of FHA during high school. She enjoys listening to the radio and spending time with her niece and nephew. She enjoys helping her parents. She is the daughter of Daniel Gonzales and Susie Gonzales and she plans on attending college for a year.

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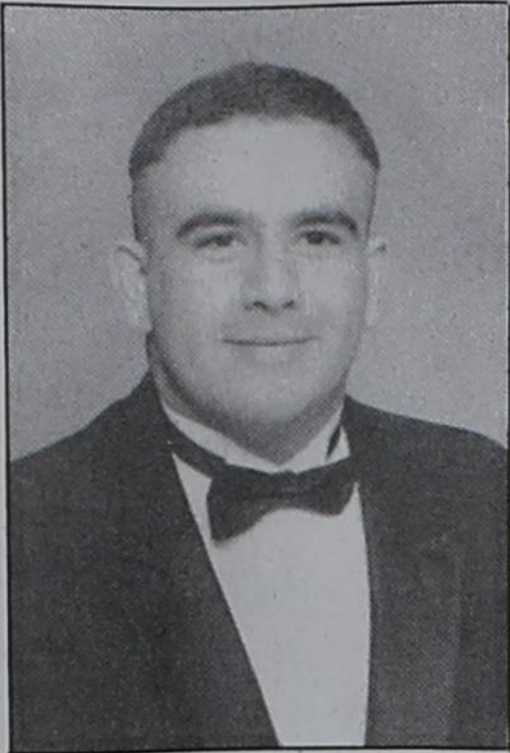
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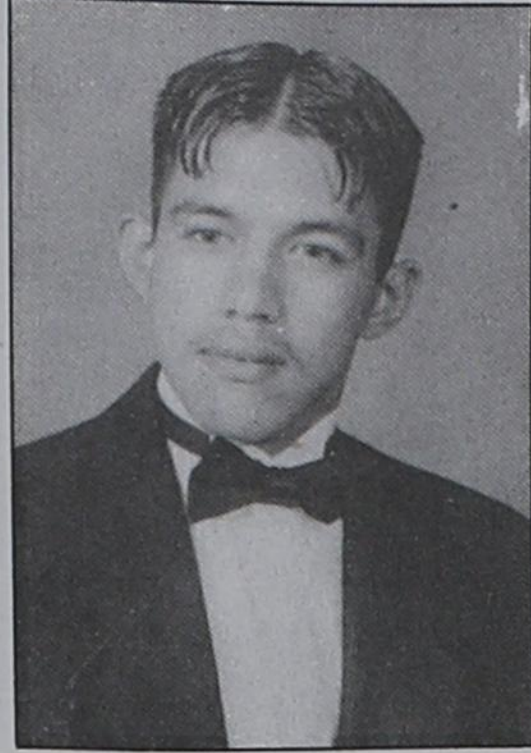
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**ALLISON MARTINEZ** is the daughter of Bennie Jr. and Alice Martinez and she was secretary for her class this year. She won the Academic Award her junior year and Animal Science Award as a sophomore. She competed in UIL Ready Writing as a freshman. Allison was in the school's Gifted and Talented Program her freshman year. She was in FFA and was on its Radio Broadcasting Team. She showed animals in livestock shows her sophomore through senior years. She placed at the San Antonio Livestock Show with a project as a junior. She was in Student Council her junior year and served as the organization's secretary. She was in Pep Squad and played golf her senior year and ran track as a freshman. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students as a junior and senior and she won National American Scholar Awards her junior and senior years. She attended Texas Bluebonnet Girls' State the summer before her senior year. After graduation, Allison plans to major in medicine at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.



**JUAN E. ROMERO** played football and ran track throughout high school and was successful in both endeavors. He earned honorable-mention all-district honors as defensive tackle in 1994-95 and earned first-team AD honors the next season. He also was named second-team all-district offensive guard and was the Most Valuable Down Lineman during the 1995-96 season. His senior year, Juan was named first-team all-district at defensive tackle, offensive guard and punter. He earned all-South Plains honors as offensive guard and punter. He was named first-team all-state punter with an average of 45.5 yards per kick. He earned honorable-mention all-state honors as defensive tackle and offensive guard. Juan also was a member of FFA. He plans to major in physical education, first at Cisco Junior College for two years, then he plans to transfer to Sterling College in Kansas to finish out his college career. The son of Juan and Juana Marin, he enjoys lifting weights, being with friends, riding around and playing football in his free time.



**SERGIO C. MARTINEZ**, son of Carlos and Alicia Martinez, plans to major in kinesiology at Angelo State University after he graduates. He served as historian for his class and was Student Council reporter this year. Sergio has been a member of National Honor Society and served on the annual staff and Student Council. He played football and tennis four years, basketball three years and ran track two years. He was on the One-Act Play cast two years. In football, Sergio won several post-season honors including honorable-mention all-district defensive back and split end honors his junior year; second-team all-district honors as defensive back and honorable-mention honors as quarterback as a senior. Sergio was named honorable-mention all-district in basketball this year. He was active in tennis, and was a member of the district runners-up doubles team in 1994-95 and 1995-96. He was part of the district championship doubles team this year. He qualified for the regional tennis meet in Abilene all three years and was a quarterfinalist this year. Sergio attended Texas Boys' State in Austin last summer. He attended the State Student Council Convention in Austin this year. Sergio has won the School Board Award and was a candidate for most Handsome this year. He was voted Most Witty this year. He lists sports and weight lifting among his hobbies.



**VERONICA MARTINEZ** held numerous offices during her senior year. She was reporter for FHA, secretary for the Pep Squad and was historian for her class. She ran track her freshman through junior years. She was in FHA and Pep Squad four years. She was a member of Student Council her freshman year. Veronica was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her freshman through senior years. She won a Tech Prep Award. Veronica was in the MOCT program and worked at Dimmitt Thriftway this year. She enjoys being with friends and dancing in her free time. The daughter of Cupertino and Margaret Martinez, she is undecided about her future plans.



**VERONICA HERNANDEZ**, is the daughter of Juan and Esmeralda Martinez and she was involved in the MOCT program, attending school for a half day, then working during the afternoons as a dietary aid at at Runningwater Draw Care Center in Olton. During high school, Veronica was in Pep Squad four years and was in 4-H her freshman year. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students two years. Her hobbies include caring for her husband and daughter, cooking and gardening. In the future, she hopes to become a mortician and eventually own her own business. After graduation she plans to attend Executive Secretary School in Dallas to become an administrative assistant.

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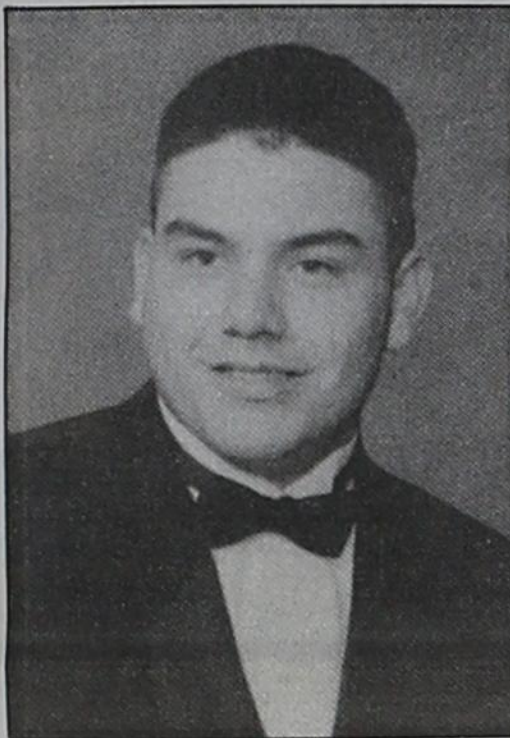
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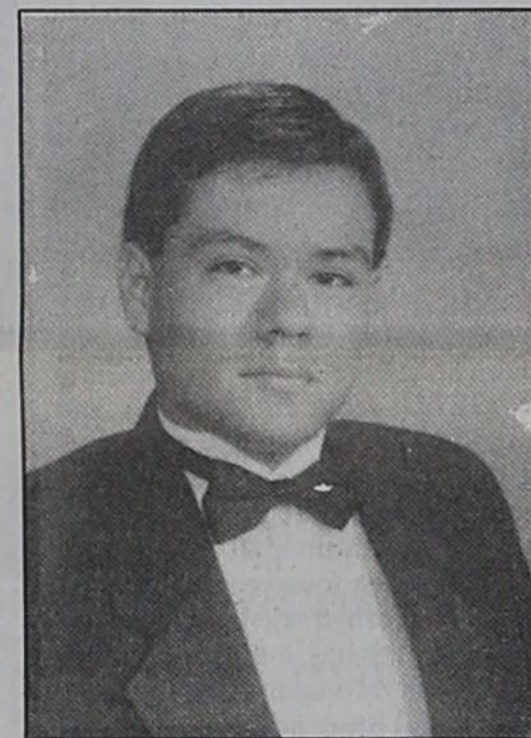
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**DEBBIE DEE VELASQUEZ** was president of the National Honor Society her senior year. She won Academic Awards all four years and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students four times. She was a candidate for Homecoming Queen this year. Debbie was a member of the basketball team and played tennis one year. She was in band and FHA one year. She was in the National Honor Society three years. The daughter of Roger and Noemi Velasquez, she plans to get married after graduation and hopes to major in business at college in the future. She lists listening to music and spending time with friends among her hobbies.



**DUSTY LUKE ORTIZ**, son of Fidel and Twila Ortiz, enjoys lifting weights and playing basketball. He was in band and National Honor Society for three years. He played football and basketball and ran track three years. He was named to Who's Who in Sports. Dusty earned all-district honors as an offensive and defensive tackle and defensive end in football for two years. He earned the Gridiron Great award in football. He was voted all-district post in basketball one year and earned all-tournament honors this year. He won awards for academic excellence three years. He qualified for regional in the shot put and discus this year. Dusty will attend Angelo State University on a football scholarship this fall, and he plans to major in kinesiology.



**IVAN MATA**, son of Aurelio and Lupe Mata, won several academic awards during high school. He received awards for his work in US History in 1993-94, and for geometry, English III, Spanish III and business computer in 1995-96. He served as manager of the football team two years. Ivan was a member of Student Council. He enjoys listening to music and art and he plans to major in elementary education at West Texas A&M University after graduation.

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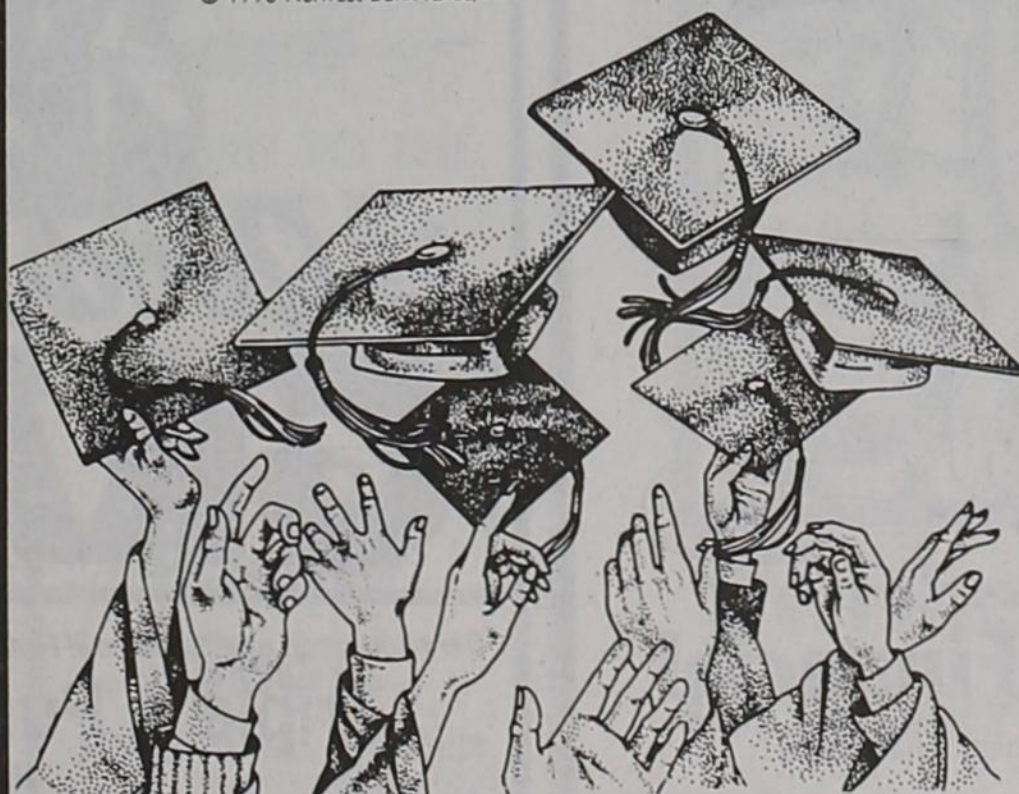


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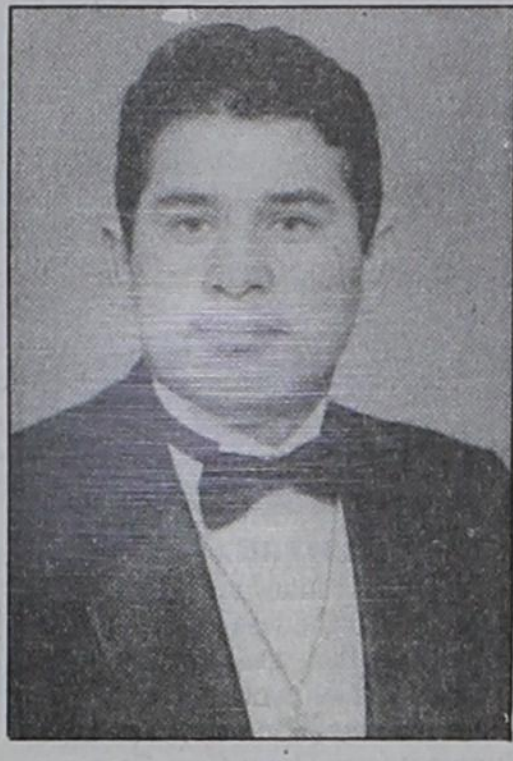
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**MARK MITCHELL** plans to attend Clarendon College this fall. He was a member of 4-H and FFA four years. He was on livestock judging teams two years and judged poultry one year. He also was in art for one year. Mark played football and golf four years. He enjoys spending his free time working with computers and working. He is the son of Ricky Mitchell and Janet Mitchell.



**RAMIRO VEGA** plans to attend college and work at Wal-Mart after graduating from high school. He played football one year and basketball three years. He was in FFA and competed on livestock judging teams two years. He was a member of FHA and Student Council. He lists riding around and partying among his hobbies. He is the son of Eusebio and Pura Vega.



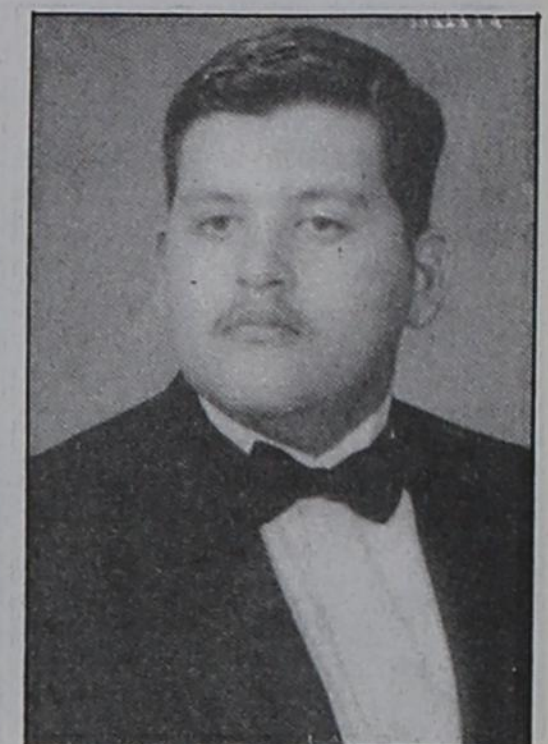
**RAQUEL CASARES** will attend Executive Secretarial School in Dallas to obtain a degree as an administrative assistant. She won a Departmental Award her sophomore year and a School Board Award as a junior. She earned a college Tech Prep Award for chemistry and microcomputer her junior year. She was involved in the MOCT program and worked at Hale County State Bank as a drive-up teller. She was on the stage crew for the school's One-Act Play as a sophomore and was alternate as a senior. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her freshman, sophomore and junior years and was an All-American Scholar as a sophomore. As a junior, Raquel made the All-American Honor Roll. She also was a member of FHA, Student Council and Pep Squad during high school. As a senior, she served as president of the Pep Squad and treasurer for FHA. The daughter of Julio and Fernanda Maldonado, she enjoys dancing, listening to music and talking on the phone.



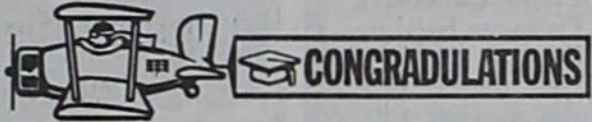
**CHRISTINA ROBLEDO** is the daughter of Eusebio and Socorro Robledo. She will major in occupational therapy at Amarillo College. During high school Christina enjoyed track and cross country, competing in both sports three years. In cross country, she qualified for regional with the Lady Horn team twice and she was named Most Valuable Runner during the 1993-94 season. She qualified for state that year, too. In track she qualified for regional in the 800 when she was a freshman. She was on the girls' golf team her senior year. Christina was a member of FHA for two years and belonged to FFA this year. She was a two-year member of the Longhorn Band and was on the yearbook staff a year. She became a Certified Nurses Aid her senior year. Christina enjoys being with friends, listening to the radio and watching television in her spare time.



**ELISSA ESMERALDA VELASQUEZ** is the daughter of Lupe and Juanita Velasquez and she plans to major in international business at West Texas A&M University. During high school, Elissa was involved in many organizations and held offices in many. She was parliamentarian for FHA, vice president for Student Council and was vice president for her class this year. She was in the Upward Bound program for three years. Elissa was a member of the Longhorn Band two years and was in the flag corp her freshman year. She was in FFA one year and was a cheerleader three years. She competed in UIL Poetry her junior and senior years and advanced to regional in the event when she was a junior. She was in the school's One-Act Play her senior year. She competed on an FFA judging team her senior year. Elissa served as reporter for the Student Council as a junior and was on the JV tennis team that year. She was in the flag corps as a freshman. Elissa was nominated for Homecoming Queen as a senior. She was named Most Beautiful her junior year and was nominated for the honor again this year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. She enjoys playing tennis and spending time with family and friends.



**JOAQUIN GABRIEL MONTEMAYOR** is the son of Antonio Jr. and Rosa Montemayor. He plans to obtain an associate degree at South Plains College and work. He was a member of the Longhorn Band and FFA his freshman through junior years. He was in FHA his junior and senior years. He played varsity football as a freshman, sophomore and junior and ran track those years, also. He played basketball when he was a freshman. He earned honorable mention all-district honors as a tackle in football his sophomore year. He was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students his junior year. His hobbies include being with friends.



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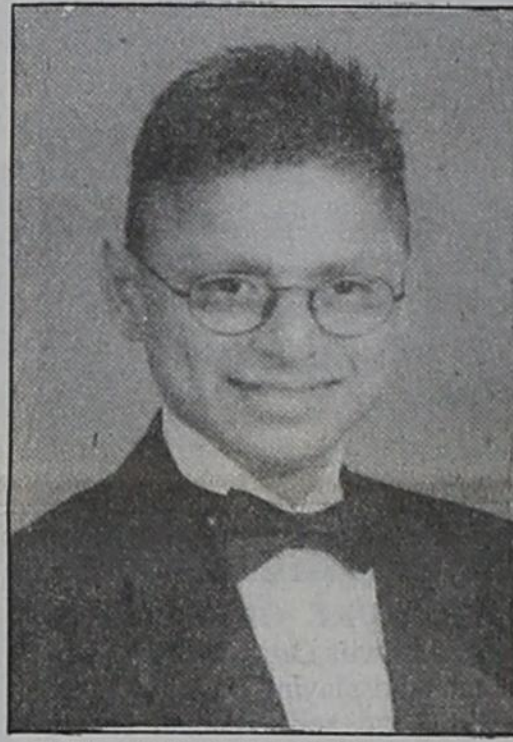
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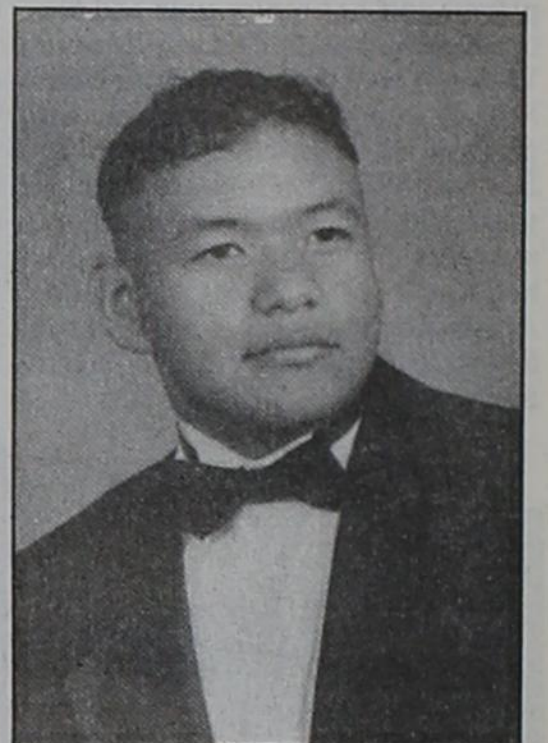
**ROSALINDA GONZALES**, daughter of Rodolfo and Maria, worked in the Hart High School library under the MOCT program. She was a member of Pep Squad and FHA during high school. She enjoys spending time with her family and shopping for things for her daughter. After graduation, she plans to work this summer, then attend college.



**MONICA ROSIO RODRIGUEZ** plans to major in business administration at college. She participated in the MOCT program this year and worked at Lowes Pay and Save during the afternoons under the program. She won a Tech Prep Award. She played basketball her junior year. She was a four-year member of the Lady Horn track team and advanced to regional in the shot put her senior year. Monica was a member of FHA and Student Council during high school. She was active in Pep Club and served as treasurer for the group this year. The daughter of Rinaldo and Regina Rodriguez, she lists talking and being with her family among her hobbies.



**NICK ALLEN GARCIA** is the son of Lydia Garcia and he plans to major in computer technology at South Plains College this fall. He was a member of the annual staff one year. He competed in UIL Computer Applications one year. He won academic awards in Farm and Ranch and Parenting. In his spare time, Nick enjoys working with computers, dancing and listening to music.



**MATTHEW HUERTA** served as president of Student Council his senior year. He attended the state Student Council convention in Austin. Matt was a member of the band two years and was in National Honor Society. He was also a part of the one-act play for one year. He played football and basketball four years, ran track for three years, played tennis three years and ran cross country for a year. In football, Matt earned second-team all-district honors as tight end and was honorable mention all-district defensive end when he was a junior. As a senior he earned first-team all-district honors for his work at tight end. He played doubles in tennis and qualified for regional. He is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. He enjoys sports, lifting weights and getting in shape. The son of Irene Luna, he plans to join the marines and become a member of the military police. After the Marines, he plans to go into law enforcement.

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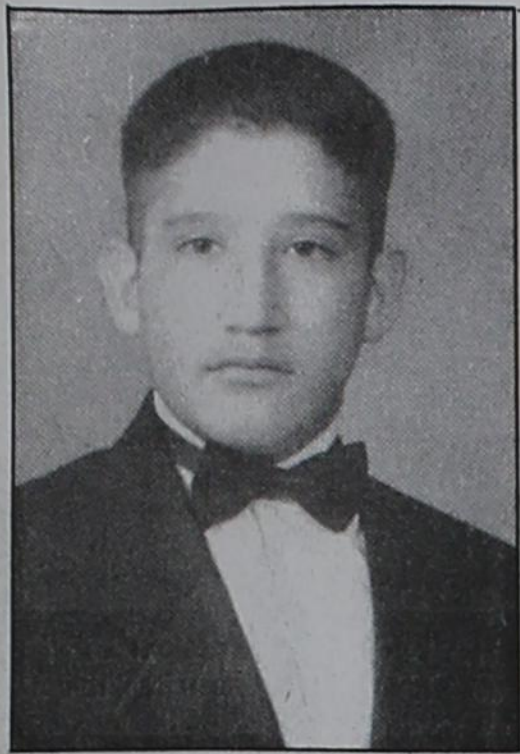
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**OSBALDO CARRASCO** plans to pursue a degree in business management at Angelo State University after he graduates. Osbaldo was a member of the Longhorn football team four years and he earned second-team all-district honors his senior year. He was named to Who's Who in Sports this year. Osbaldo played basketball his freshman and sophomore years and played tennis when he was a junior and senior. He qualified for regional in tennis with his doubles partner his senior year. He was on the cast of the school's One-Act Play this year and earned all-star cast honors. He attended Texas Boys State as a junior. Osbaldo was a member of FFA his sophomore and junior years and was in FHA his junior and senior years. He was a member of the National Honor Society his sophomore through senior years. He was in Fellowship of Christian Athletes his junior and senior years and served on the Student Council this year. He was president of his class this year. The son of Ismael Carrasco, he enjoys weight lifting, drawing and playing tennis.



**CLAUDIA GARCIA GUZMAN**, daughter of Mario and Beatriz Guzman, was president of FHA her senior year. She attended Texas Bluebonnet Girls' State the summer before her senior year. She was elected as a candidate for Homecoming Queen in 1996 and was Class Favorite her senior year. She was a cheerleader her senior year and was a dental assistant at Hart School. She ran cross country two years and her team advanced to regional in 1995. She ran track two years and was a manager for the basketball team in 1995. She was on the stage crew for the One-Act Play two years. She has won several awards during high school, including the English III Award, Academic Award her junior year, the Apparel Award and Tech Prep Award in Micro-Computer. She has been a member of the Longhorn Band, Pep Squad, FHA and Student Council. She competed in UIL Spelling. She lists spending time with her friends, dancing, listening to music and having fun among her hobbies. She plans to attend Amarillo College and hopes to pursue a career as a dental hygienist.



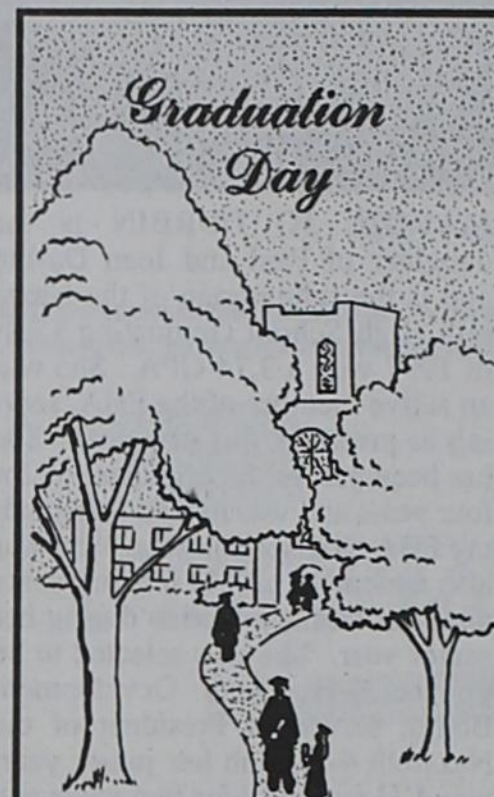
**KANDEE GROSSMAN** plans to major in education at West Texas A&M University after graduation. Kandee was a member of the Longhorn Band her freshman year and made the all-region band that year. She received academic awards her sophomore and junior years and received a citizenship award as a sophomore. She was voted Class Favorite her sophomore, junior and senior years. Kandee was named Homecoming Queen this year and was elected Miss HHS, Most Friendly and Best Citizen. She earned a Tech Prep Award for accounting when she was a junior. She was a member of the Pep Squad, FFA and FHA during high school. She served on the annual staff one year and was in Student Council one year. The daughter of Leo and Robbie Grossman, she enjoys spending time with friends and talking on the phone in her spare time.



**JANET R. PHYLLAIER**, daughter of Phil and Alice Phyllaier, plans to pursue a career as an occupational therapist. She was in band throughout high school and was co-captain of the flag corps. She made the Shortgrass Honor Band four years and earned Superior ratings for solos and ensembles three years. Janet was a state soloist one year. She was a member of the flag corps two years. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students four years. She played golf once year and was in the school's One-Act Play one year. She was voted Most Likely to Succeed. She also has been a member of FHA, National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She served on the annual staff and Student Council. She lists reading, running, and playing basketball and tennis with friends among her hobbies.



**JOHN MICHAEL SWEET** is the son of Michael and Mary Garrity and plans to major in art and minor in electronics at South Plains College in Levelland after graduation. He attended Lake Travis High in Austin and Dimmitt High School before coming to Hart High School. He participated in basketball during his freshman year and was part of the FHA during his sophomore and junior years. His hobbies include drawing, music, listening to music and being with friends.



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**TYLENE MARIE GARCIA**, daughter of Rudy Garcia and Gena VanAusdall, served as editor of the yearbook and captain of the Lady Horn basketball team her senior year. She played basketball throughout high school and was on varsity her junior and senior years. As a junior she earned honorable mention all-district honors. She was named all-district as a senior and her team won the district championship. Tylene earned Most Versatile Athlete honors her junior year. She ran track and cross country four years. Her cross country team advanced to regionals all four years and made it to state when she was a freshman. She advanced to regional in track, too. She played junior varsity tennis one year. Tylene was a candidate for Most Beautiful. She won academic awards four years and a UIL award one year. She was named Most Athletic. She was a member of the Longhorn Band one year. In her spare time, Tylene enjoys running, having fun, spending time with her friends and playing basketball. After graduation she plans to get married and attend college, majoring in business management.



**BLANCA ESTELLA LONGORIA** will attend Executive Secretarial School in Dallas and hopes to become an administrative assistant. She was secretary for FHA as a senior. She was a cheerleader for three years and was head cheerleader as a junior and senior. She was a candidate for HHS's Most Spirited award as a junior and won the honor this year. She was on the stage crew for the One-Act Play her freshman and senior years. She was a member of Student Council her sophomore and junior years. She served as historian for her class as a junior. She competed in UIL Prose four years and was a finalist as a sophomore and senior. She was a basketball manager as a freshman. She was involved in the MOCT program and worked at Lockhart Pharmacy in Dimmitt. She enjoys spending time with friends, dancing and having fun. She is the daughter of Alfonso and Estella Longoria.

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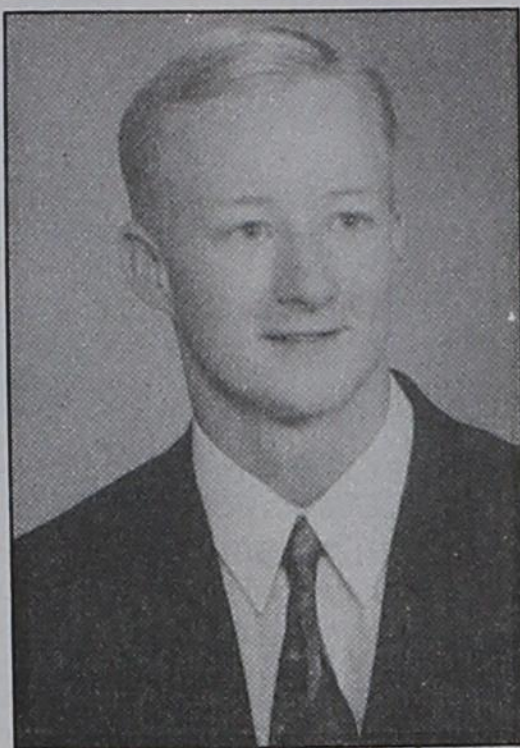
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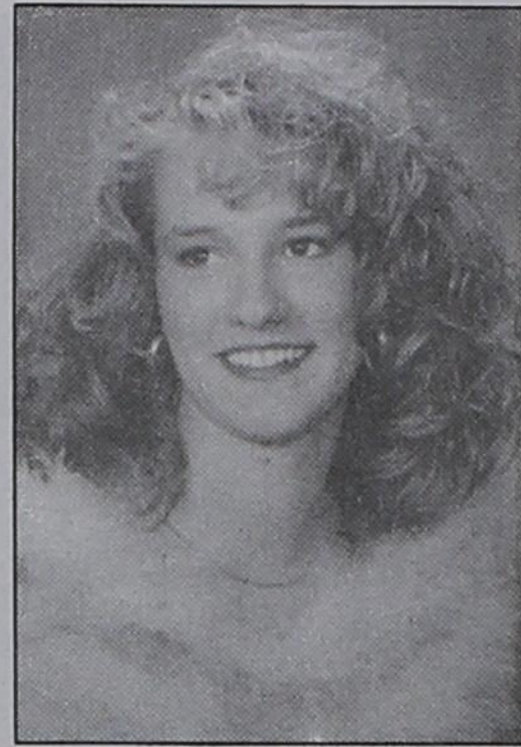
**ANGELA K. FORTENBERRY** is valedictorian of the Nazareth High School Graduating Class of 1997 with a 3.87 GPA. She was a member of the FHA all four years and was on the National Honor Society for three years. She was a Student Council member her freshman year. She was an active member of the band all four years in high school and received many awards. She was a state solo and ensemble participant her freshman and sophomore years and an all-region band member for two years. She was named outstanding musician her sophomore year. She also received the John Phillips Sousa Award her sophomore year. During her senior year she was drum major and Band Queen. She has also received many academic honors throughout her career. She was named to the Who's Who Among High School Students list three years and was named an All-American Scholar for two years. Angela received the Academic Excellence Award as a freshman and senior. She also participated in several UIL events such as Current Events, Literary Criticism, Ready Writing and Advanced Math. She played basketball for one year and ran in cross country for one year. She was a part of the track team for two years. She was also a recipient of the National Leadership and Service Award in her freshman and junior years. She was an active member in the Catholic Youth Organization throughout her high school career and was part of the Junior Catholic Daughters all four years. She served as president during her senior year. She also attended Girls' State. She is the daughter of Gladys Fortenberry and lists reading, playing flute, singing and performing at church, teaching religion class, tutoring younger students and babysitting as her hobbies. She plans to major in music at West Texas A&M next year.



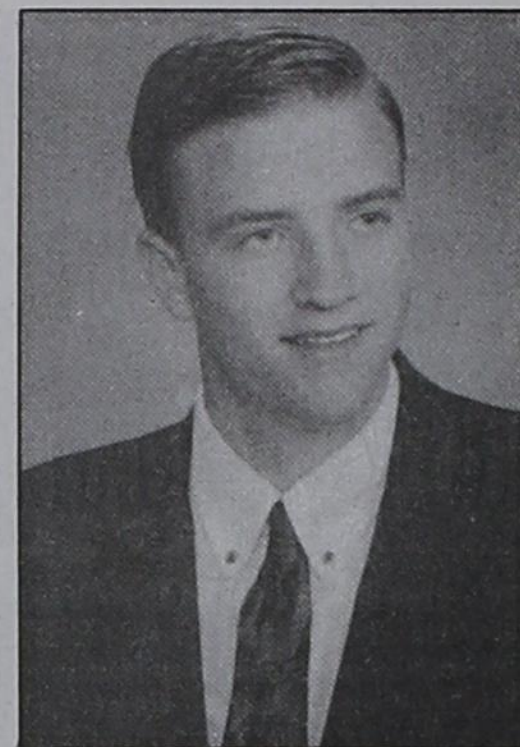
**MARGIE JO DURBIN** is the daughter of Paul and Joan Durbin and is the salutatorian of the Nazareth High School Graduating Class of 1997 with a 3.74 GPA. She was an active member of the FHA, serving as president this past year. She has been part of the organization for four years and was named Outstanding FHA member one year. She was also a member of 4-H for four years and was Parliamentarian during her senior year. She was selected to be on the 4-H Youth Development Board, served as President of the Nazareth 4-H Club her junior year, was 4-H secretary for two years and was 4-H County Council Treasurer in her junior year. She was on the National Honor Society for three years and a part of the Catholic Youth Organization for four years. She participated in many different sports throughout her career. She ran cross country for three years and track for two. She played basketball for three years and tennis during her freshman year. She was on the golf team during her sophomore and senior years. She was the team mascot in her sophomore year. In UIL competition, Margie participated in Computer Applications and One-Act Play during her senior year. She was also part of the annual staff as a senior. She was named Who's Who Among High School Students for three years and was an All-American Scholar. She was also a HOBY Leadership Ambassador. Roller-blading and jogging are her interests, and she plans to study pre-medicine at West Texas A&M University after graduation.



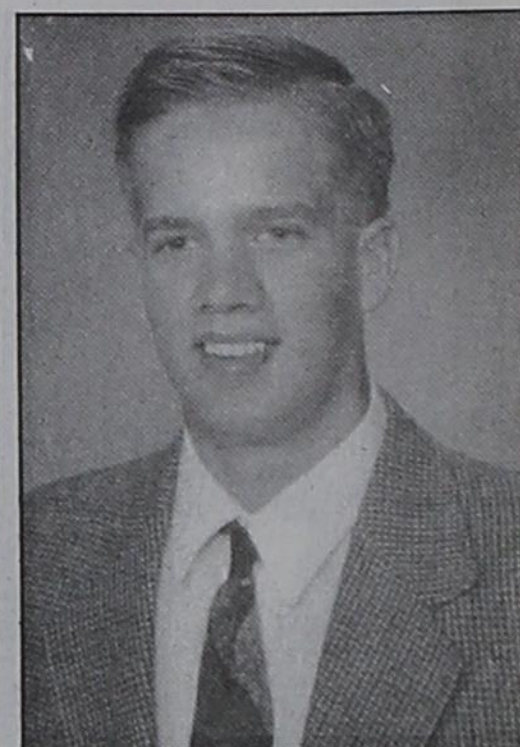
**JUSTIN BINGHAM** enjoyed a successful high school career in both academics and athletics. He captured the state championship in UIL News Writing his senior year. Justin had advanced to state in the event as a sophomore and junior also, placing sixth and second, respectively. He was a member of the National Honor Society for three years. Justin was a four-year member of the football and basketball teams. In basketball he earned honorable-mention all-district honors his senior year and was a member of the Swifts' state runner-up team this year. He earned post-season honors in football as a junior and senior, being named first-team all-district flanker and defensive back both years. Justin was in band and played tennis his freshman year. He was a member of FFA as a freshman and sophomore. He belonged to the Student Council his freshman year and worked on the annual staff that year. He was named to Who's Who in Sports this year. The son of Chris and Twila Williams, he enjoys driving around and playing sports. After graduation he plans to major in finance at West Texas A&M University.



**MISTI BALL** is the daughter of Rose and Darryl Ball and will major in elementary education at West Texas A&M after graduation. She was in band for one year and FHA for two years. She was part of the Catholic Youth Organization all four years. She also participated in many sports during high school. She ran cross country all four years and track for three years. She played basketball all four years. In cross country she qualified for state all four years, one as an individual and three as part of a team which placed second all three times. As a sophomore, she was named to the all-state team. In track, she qualified for state in the 800-meter run as a freshman, and as part of the mile relay team as a sophomore and junior. The team was a state champion during her sophomore year and placed third the next year. In basketball, Misti was part of the regional finalist team in 1995 and state champion team in 1996. She was on the all-district team after her junior and senior year and was named to the all-state tournament team in her junior season. As a senior she was selected for the Golden Spread all-star team. She was also a cheerleader for three years and was Homecoming Queen and Spirit Queen. She was named Who's Who Among High School Students three years and was on the list for High School Athletes for four years. She was also on the annual staff for two years. In her free time, she enjoys roller blading, jogging and hanging out with friends.



**BRYAN LANCE BRADDOCK** was the senior class Student Council Representative. He was a member of 4-H for four years, band for one year and FFA for two years. He was part of the Dairy Judging team in FFA as a junior and senior. The team advanced to state when he was a junior. He was active in sports during his career especially in basketball. He played all four years and was all-district in his junior and senior seasons. In his senior year he received all-region, all-South Plains, all-state tournament and all-state first teams. He was also part of the academic all-district team. He was part of the 1996 state qualifier team and the 1997 state runner-up team. As a freshman, Bryan ran track and cross country, and as a senior, he played tennis and advanced to regional. He is the son of Gerald and Mary Braddock. Hanging out with friends and playing basketball are his hobbies. After graduation, he plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in criminal justice.



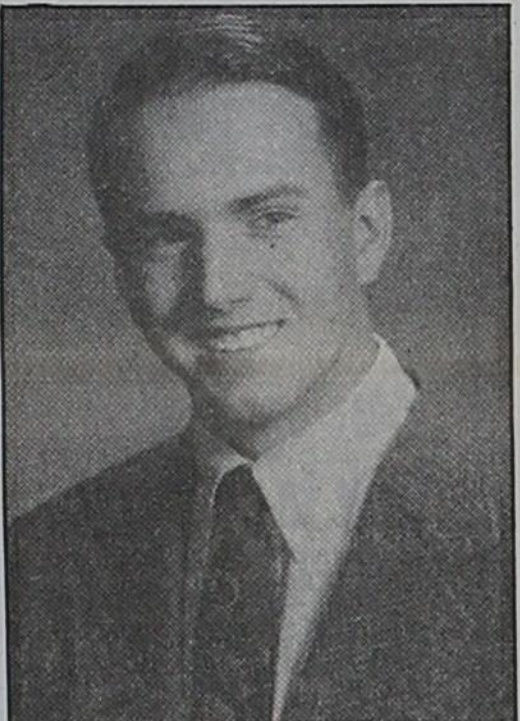
**MARCUS JOSEPH BROCKMAN** will major in agri-business at West Texas A&M University this fall. During his senior year, Marcus served as vice president of the National Honor Society and Student Council. He was treasurer of both his junior year. As a sophomore, he was a member of the National Honor Society. He was active in athletics, playing basketball, football and tennis four years. He earned all-district honors in basketball as a senior and was honorable-mention all-district safety in football this year. He was in FFA four years and competed in UIL Literary events throughout high school. He was on the annual staff his senior year. He was in band his freshman year. Marcus is the son of Dale and Mona Brockman, and he enjoys playing tennis and golf in his free time.



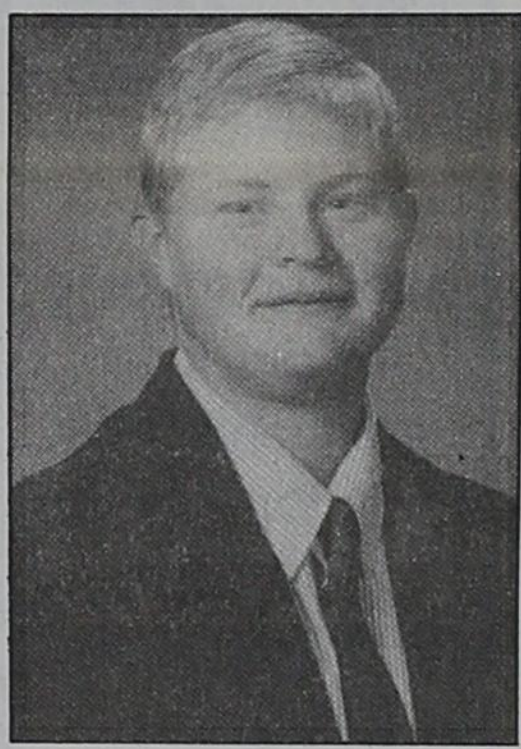
**BRYAN J. KERN**, son of Jerry and Carol Kern, plans to study electrical engineering at Texas Tech University. During his senior year, B.J. was president of 4-H and vice president of FFA. He was a four-year member of 4-H and competed on Dairy Judging and Entomology teams two years. He advanced to State 4-H Roundup in both contests once. He was a four-year member of FFA, competing on its Dairy Judging team, also. B.J. showed pigs in livestock shows under the 4-H and FFA banners for nine years. He was a member of National Honor Society his sophomore through senior years. He played football and golf four years and played basketball one year. He enjoys hunting and playing golf in his spare time.



**JILL MARIE RAMAEKERS** plans to major in physical therapy at South Plains College in Levelland this fall. The daughter of Henry and Linda Ramaekers, she enjoys spending time with friends and playing basketball. During her senior year Jill was treasurer of Student Council and vice president of the Catholic Youth Organization. She was president of her class as a junior and was a member of the Homecoming Court this year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore, junior and senior years. She ran cross country her freshman through junior years and played basketball four years. She ran track her freshman and sophomore years. Jill was in band three years and FHA four years. She was a member of National Honor Society three years. She served on the Student Council two years. She also was a member of CYO four years.



**JAMES ROBERT WILHITE**, son of Robert and Tammy Wilhite, played football and golf throughout high school. As a senior, James earned second-team all-district honors as a lineman in football and was named MVP of the golf team. He was a member of 4-H four years and belonged to FFA two years. He lists playing golf, playing the guitar and being with friends among his hobbies. After graduation, James plans to attend West Texas A&M University.



**DENNIS WILLIAM BIRKENFELD** is the son of Joe Lynn and Mary Lou Birkenfeld and was a member of FFA throughout high school. He plans on working at a dairy after graduation. He lists fishing, riding horses and raising cattle among his hobbies.

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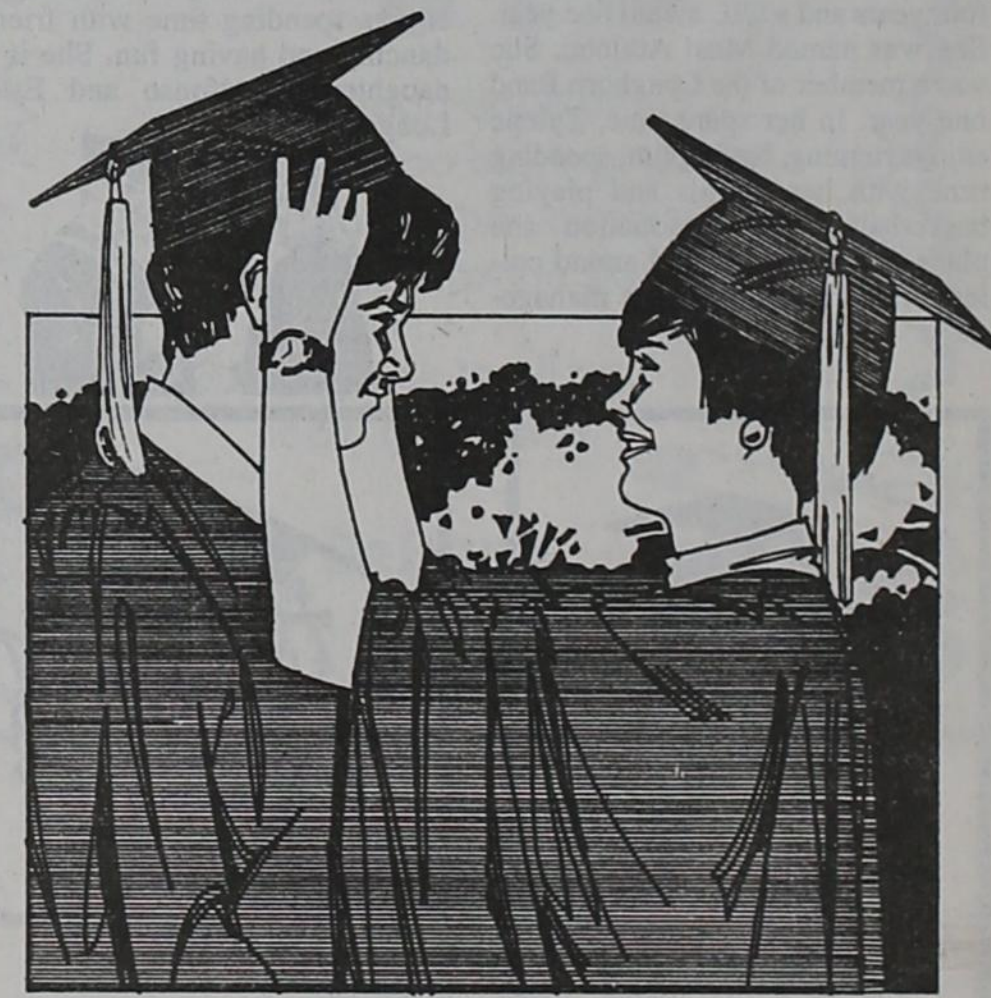
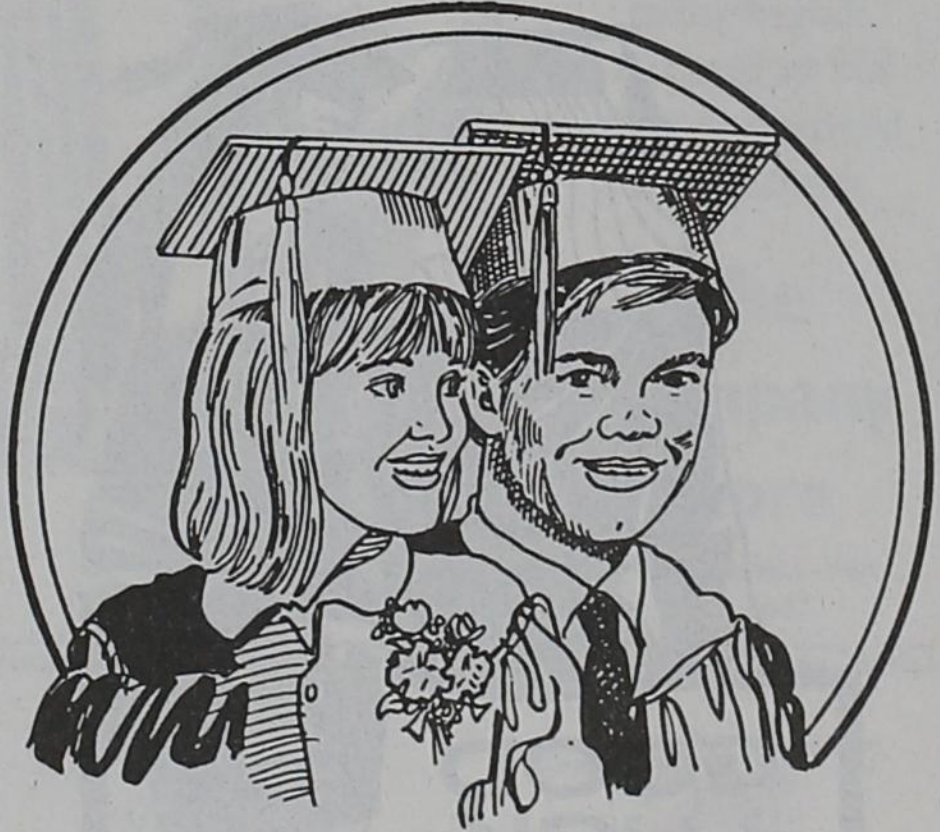
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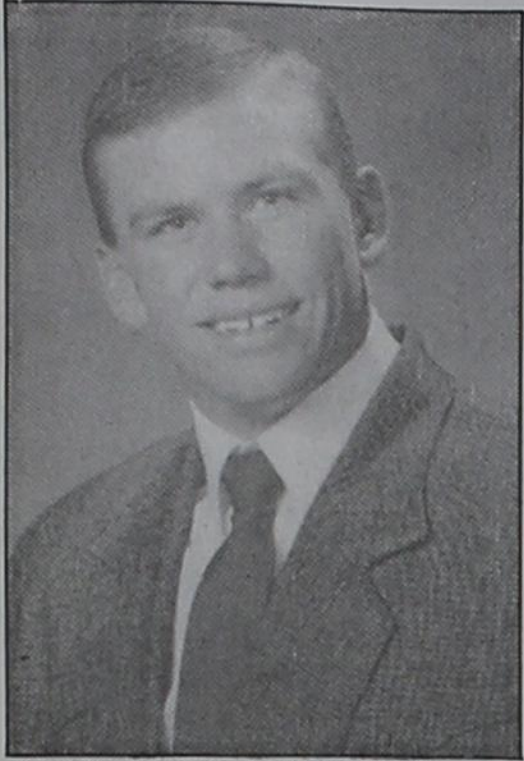
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**COBY JOHN SCHACHER** was active in athletics during high school, playing football and basketball throughout school and running track his freshman and sophomore years. He earned many post-season honors in football, including first-team all-district running back and defensive end honors his sophomore and junior years and first-team all-district running back laurels as a senior. He was named All-South Plains defensive end as a senior and was named a member of the Gridiron Greats this year and Who's Who in Sports for three years. In basketball, Coby earned honorable-mention all-district honors his sophomore year and was first-team all-district as a junior. Coby was active in 4-H and FFA, also. The son of Rusty and Lydia Schacher, he plans to play football and pursue a degree in agriculture at West Texas A&M University this fall. His hobbies include roping, riding horses and hunting.



**SARAH JEAN OLVERA** served as secretary for FFA and president of the Catholic Youth Organization this year. Sarah was a Student Council Representative her sophomore and senior years and was vice president of her class as a junior. She competed in several UIL Literary events. She was a contestant in Editorial Writing four years, and advanced to regional three times. She was a state qualifier in the event once. She competed in News Writing three years and qualified for regional. She also qualified for regional the one year she competed in Computer Applications. She also competed in Mathematics and was on the One-Act Play cast. She played tennis four years and showed hogs in Castro County Junior Livestock shows. Sarah was active in band and qualified for state twice as a member of a medium ensemble. She was a member of National Honor society, Annual Staff, FFA and 4-H. She enjoys listening to music and being with friends. She is the daughter of David and Mary Lynn Olvera and she plans to attend Texas Tech University after graduation.



**TRACY KAY MAURER** plans to attend West Texas A&M University this fall. Tracy was an honor student, consistently making the "A-B" honor roll during high school. She won a Perfect Attendance Award. She was a two-year member of the band and belonged to FHA three years. She played tennis and basketball two years and ran cross country two years. She was a member of the annual staff one year. She is the daughter of Duane and Kathy Maurer and she enjoys walking in her spare time.



**MALCOM JONES**, son of Darren and Suzy Jones, plans to go to college and find a good job after he graduates from high school. Malcom was a member of FFA four years and he competed on livestock judging teams two years. He played football four years and was all-district twice. He played golf one year and was a member of the 4-H Trap Shooting Team two years.

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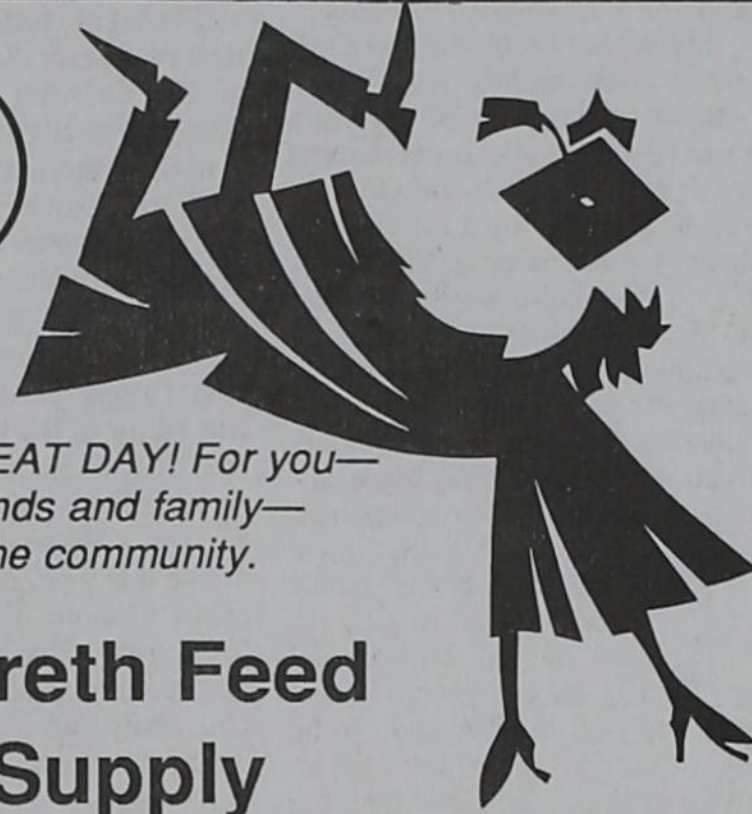


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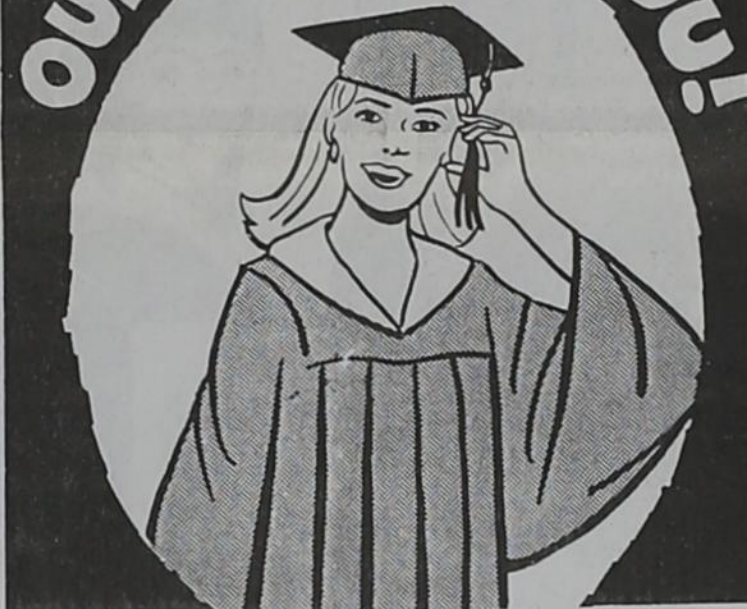
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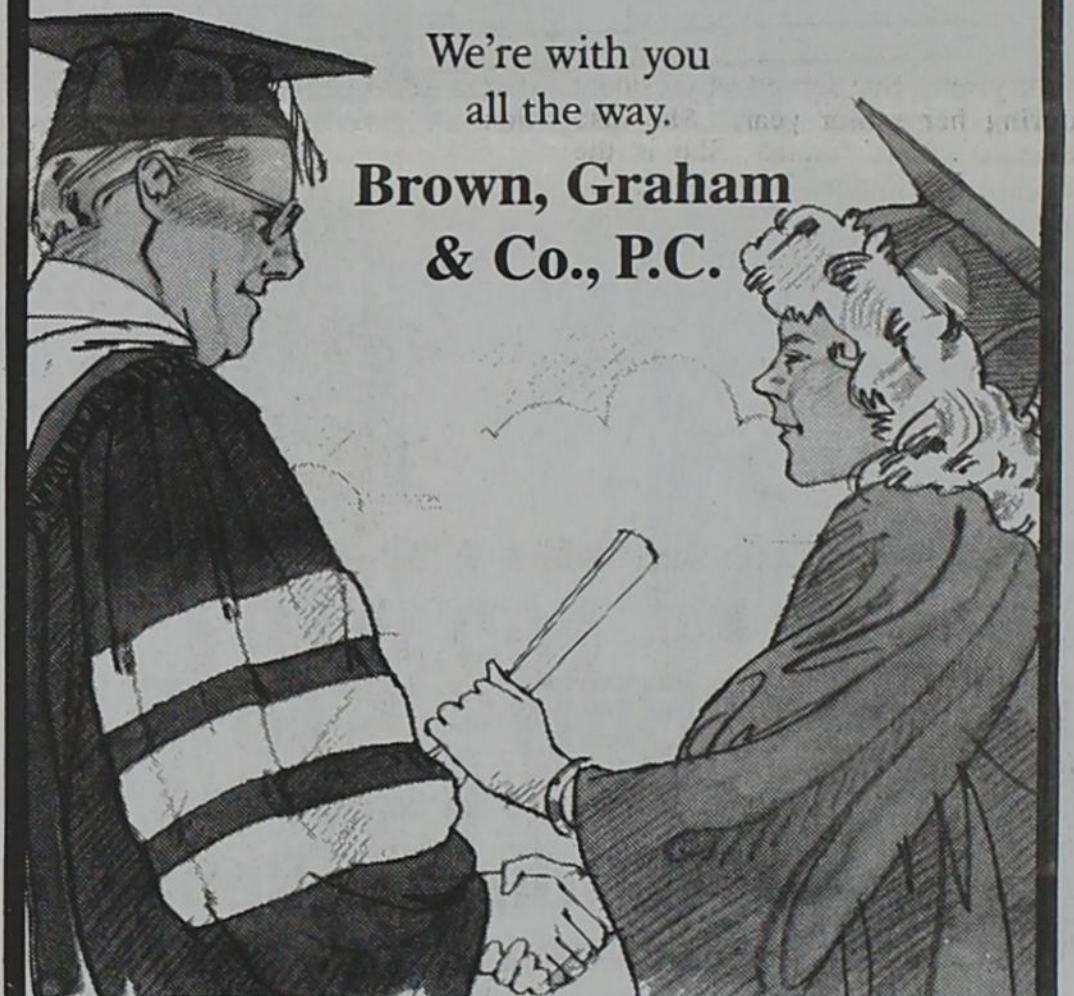
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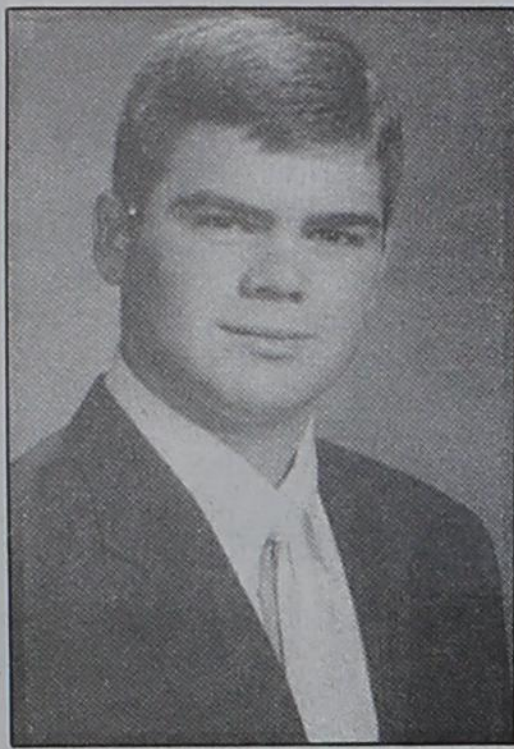
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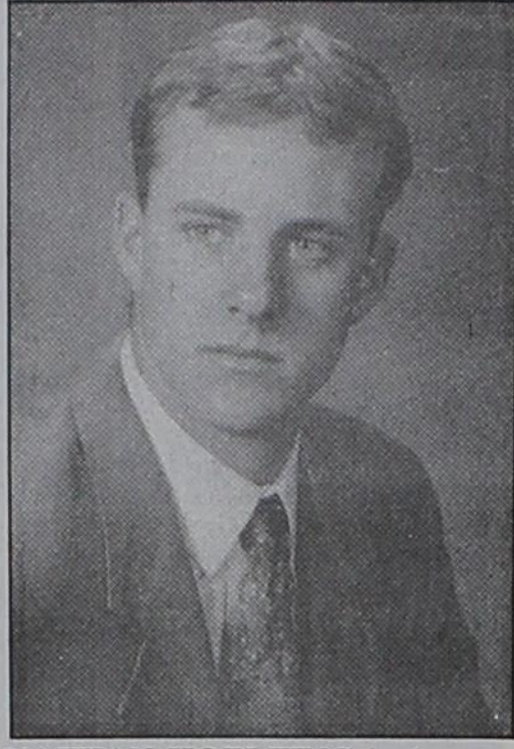
# Nazareth High School



**CODY ANNEN** was an active member of FFA and 4-H throughout his high school career. He was a member of the 4-H Horse Judging Team for seven years and his team won district twice. He played football four years and was named all-district kicker three years and all-district lineman twice. He earned honorable-mention all-district honors for his play at linebacker. He also played golf for two years and ran track for one. Cody was a member of the Drama Club one year. He enjoys playing golf in his spare time. The son of Claude and Brenda Annen, he plans to attend Frank Phillips College in Borger and pursue a degree in agronomy.



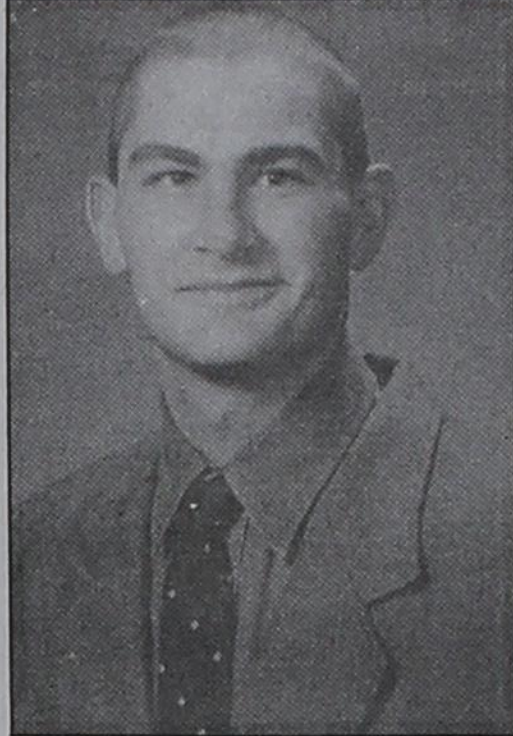
**NICHOLAS JOEL GERBER** is the son of Joel and Mary Beth Gerber and he enjoys playing basketball and helping his dad. Nicholas played football four years and was academic all-district as a junior. He also was a four-year member of the basketball team and he earned academic all-district and honorable-mention all-district honors his senior year. He ran track his freshman year and played golf as a sophomore. Nicholas was a member of 4-H, band and FFA two years. He was a three-year member of the National Honor Society and served on Student Council one year. He competed in 4-H Dairy Judging his junior and senior years. He competed in UIL Literary Criticism his freshman and sophomore years and UIL Science in his junior and senior years. He was named to the Who's Who Among American Students as a junior and senior. He performed in the state UIL Solo and Ensemble contest as a soloist his sophomore year. He served as vice president of his senior class. After graduation, Nicholas plans to major in chemistry at West Texas A&M University.



**NATHAN HOELTING** is the son of Jim and Sandee Hoelting and plans to attend Texas Tech University in pursuit of a degree in Industrial Engineering. He was active in sports throughout his high school career. He participated in basketball and football for four years, and tennis and golf for two years. In basketball, he was honorable mention all-district as a sophomore. As a junior, he was on the state qualifying team and was first team all-district, second team all-region and all-state tournament. He was also a part of the state runner-up team during his senior year. In his senior season he was first team all-district, all-region, TABC all-state, TSNA all-state and all-state tournament. He was also a Golden Spread all-star. In football, Nathan was named first team all-district as a wide receiver and punter, and second team all-district as a defensive back during his junior season. He participated in UIL for two years and was on the National Honor Society for one year. He also served one year in FFA and on the Student Council. In his free time he enjoys hunting, fishing and hanging out with friends.



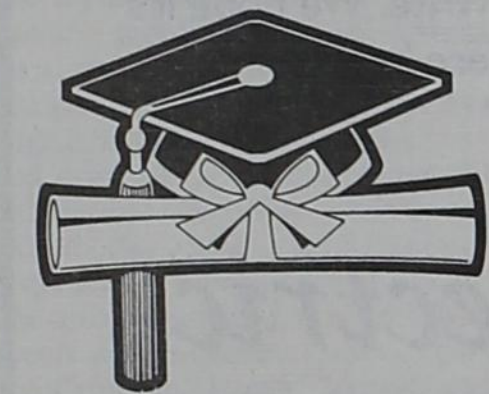
**HEATHER BRADDOCK** is the daughter of Gerald and Mary Braddock and she served as president of the senior class this year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her junior and senior years. She was named an All-American Scholar this year. Heather won a National English Merit Award and United States National Journalism Award her senior year. She was a member of 4-H three years and was in band two years. She was a four-year member of FFA and served on the annual staff two years. She was on the cast of the One-Act Play four years. Heather ran cross country her freshman year and played basketball her freshman, sophomore and junior years. She competed in UIL literary events and qualified for regional her freshman and senior years. She played golf when she was a freshman. During her senior year, Heather was editor of the yearbook. She was president of her class her freshman year and was treasurer as a junior. She was a Homecoming Queen candidate this year. She was a member of the Catholic Youth Organization four years. She plans to major in mass communications at Texas Tech University after graduation. Her hobbies include spending time with her friends.



**SHAWN POHLMIEIER** held several offices during his senior year. He was president of FFA and Swisher County High School Rodeo Team, and was treasurer of the senior class. He was a three-year member of the rodeo team. He played football his freshman and senior years. He was a member of the FFA Dairy Judging Team his freshman through senior years. He was a member of FFA and 4-H four years, and band two years. Shawn is the son of Walt and Lucy Pohlmeier and he enjoys roping, riding horses, hunting and skiing in his free time. He plans to attend college at Snyder, studying pre-veterinary medicine.



**MELINDA KAY HOELTING** is the daughter of Richard and Bernice Hoelting and she plans to major in elementary education, first at South Plains College and then at Texas Tech University. She played tennis all four years and won district at the junior varsity level her junior year. When she was a senior she finished third at district. She was voted Most Humorous her senior year. She was in band one year and belonged to FHA two years. She was a member of the annual staff her freshman and sophomore years. She lists playing tennis and being with friends among her hobbies.



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