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Holiday Calendar

TODAY: Dimmitt's annual Christmas Open House will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Santa Claus is expected to make his first visit to Dimmitt that night. Many businesses in the city will have special sales that night.

FRIDAY: Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will hold its annual holiday bazaar and turkey dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. Plates will be \$5 per person. Take-outs will be \$5.25. The Auxiliary also will sell chances at a quilt, which will be awarded that day. Tickets for the quilt raffle are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

SUNDAY: A holiday arts and crafts bazaar and Thanksgiving dinner will be held in Nazareth. The arts and crafts bazaar, sponsored by the Nazareth Art Club, will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Nazareth school cafeteria. The annual Thanksgiving dinner, which features turkey, dressing and all the trimmings will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall. Plates are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Raffle tickets will be available.

SUNDAY: A Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. Rev. Paul Kenley will preach the sermon. A free will offering will be taken, with proceeds to benefit the Ministerial Alliance in its work with local and transient indigents.



NAZARETH'S CASEY HOELTING (right) runs past a runner from Priddy during the first mile of Saturday's Class A State Cross-Country Meet at Georgetown. Hoelting was strong throughout the race and finished fourth overall.

Photo by John Brooks

Lots of medals Swiftettes take silver, Bobbies bronze at state

Castro County runners served notice Saturday at the State UIL Cross-Country Meet at Georgetown that they will be a force to be reckoned with for at least the next few years.

Nazareth placed second in Class A girls and Dimmitt was third in Class AAA girls. Casey Hoelting of Nazareth was fourth in Class A boys and Amy Ethridge of Dimmitt was fourth in Class AAA girls to top county individual runners.

Hart's Lisa Rincon was 26th overall in the first race of the morning in Class AA girls. She ran the two mile course in 13:30. The Class AA girls race was won by Cassidy Watson of Goldthwaite in 12:44.8.

Rincon had finished eighth at the Region I meet the previous week.

Runners from Northwest Texas may have had an advantage, with a "cold" morning in the lower 50s at the course at Southwestern University. There were a few sprinkles early in the day but threatened rain stayed to the east.

Dimmitt's girls completed a trifecta for Region I, but saw the Clint girls slide ahead of them and into second place. Clint almost unseated the meet's huge favorite, Sanford-Fritch, but the Eagles held on to win, 80-84. Dimmitt was next with 101 points, followed by Cameron Yoe (109), Canton (112) and Springtown (125). The rest of the field was far behind.

Ethridge sliced 20 seconds off her regional time to earn fourth place overall in 12:30.7 as she led the

second pack across the line in a strong effort. She ran the Georgetown course 51 seconds faster than she did in 1993, when she earned 32nd place in 13:21.

Ethridge and her teammates fought back a tough challenge from Yoe for the third place medals with a strong team effort.

Rochelle Harman, a senior in her last cross-country race, improved on her regional time to finish in 13:18, while Kim Thomas, defending state champion in the 400 meters, was 43rd overall in 13:26. Thomas is also a senior.

Summer McLean came back from off the pace at the start to finish strong in 13:33, while Laura Torres was 54th overall in 13:40.

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Thanksgiving service is set Sunday night

A Community Thanksgiving Service will be held Sunday at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

Rev. Paul Kenley of the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt will bring the sermon at the service and the public is invited to attend.

A combined choir will perform and those planning to participate are asked to meet at the church's choir room at 5:30 Sunday for a brief rehearsal.

A free will offering will be taken, and all donations will go to the Ministerial Alliance, to help fund its ministry to local and transient indigents.



LET'S GO DEFENSE! Nazareth fans are on their feet, waving their hands and yelling at the top of their voices for their Swifts, who came back from a 28-point deficit to beat 14th-ranked Shamrock, 34-28, in a Class A bi-district playoff Friday night. The

fans shivered and huddled together in the cold during the first half, but came alive in the second half, along with the Swifts. The win moves Nazareth to the area round of the playoffs where the Swifts will meet Kress Friday at 7:30 at Tulia High School.

Photo by Anne Acker

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By Don Nelson

Jim Wright, one of the nicest guys around, was thoughtful enough to bring me a copy of the *Austin American-Statesman* of Sunday, Nov. 6, which had the story about the UT-A&M football game.

He also brought me a Texas Longhorns plastic cold-cup from Memorial Stadium. He had jotted down the score on the cup with a permanent marker, lest I forget:

A&M 34
t.u. 10

(The paper also had a sports column about the need for Longhorn Coach John Mackovic to be shown the gate, and the sooner the better. The sports scribes and the more rabid alumni are getting really-really restless.)

I can understand why the Aggies get the giddies when they can win a game over the premier university. And I really do appreciate Jim's thoughtfulness, since I didn't get to go to the game — and since it couldn't be televised this year. . . .

I've never seen such a turnaround in a high-school football game.

The bi-district game between Shamrock's Fighting Irish and Nazareth's Swifts at Highland Park High School Friday night was a rout from the start. The Irish (favored by 9) took the opening kickoff and drove for a touchdown. Then they held the Swifts and drove for another, and another, and another—every time they got the ball—until it was 28-0 midway in the second quarter.

The Swifts finally got on the scoreboard with a fourth-down pass 17 seconds before halftime. They missed on a two-point conversion play, but at least the score was a shade more respectable at 28-6.

Then, in the second half, the

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Early deadlines are established

The *News* will have early deadlines next week for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Items which usually have a Monday deadline, especially news for the People section, non-breaking general news and sports items, must be submitted by Friday at noon.

All other items, including display and classified advertising, must be in the *News* office by noon Monday.

The *News* will print a day early next week because of Thanksgiving.

Weather

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	53	30	
Friday	59	29	
Saturday	66	37	
Sunday	55	45	.11
Monday	62	30	
Tuesday	51	24	
Wednesday	52	25	

November Moisture 74
1994 Moisture 19.82

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

Coleman resigns from CCHD board

Hospital Board President Garland Coleman, frustrated by months of controversy over the operation of the hospital district, resigned from the board Tuesday.

In a letter to his four fellow board members, the Dimmitt pharmacist said:

"After much thought, consideration and prayer, I have decided to resign from the Castro County Hospital District Board of Directors effective today, Monday, Nov. 15, 1994.

"Devotion to my family and my business must come first, and for the past several months this has not been possible due to my involvement on this board for the hospital district. The hours and efforts spent in this direction have taken far too much away from both my family and business.

"I have had the pleasure of being elected to and serving on this board for almost 10 years. I do feel that I have made several positive contributions toward directing and preserving this hospital district, but recently my direction, decisions and motives have been questioned

by certain individuals.

"Let me assure each of you that the well-being and continued existence of a hospital offering quality care for the residents of Castro County has been my only goal."

With Coleman's resignation, Board Vice-President James Welch — a longtime trustee who previously served several years as president — will automatically become the board's president until the board can be reorganized.

The board's next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 29. At that meeting, the filling of the vacancy is expected to be the first order of business.

The hospital district's bylaws call for the remaining board members to appoint a replacement trustee to serve the remainder of the term, according to Hospital Administrator Steve Goode.

"There are no other options," Goode said, "and the bylaws don't specify how the board should go about selecting a replacement."

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Grant may help DHS students get on superhighway

Dimmitt High School students may be sailing a little more quickly down the Information Superhighway if the local schools are awarded a \$40,000 grant that could gain direct access to the Internet.

Rhenea Webb, computer instructor at DHS, and Jean Morris, media center director, explained the grant process to the Dimmitt school board Monday. The grant would provide access to TENET, a service provider which would allow local

students and teachers immediate access to the Internet.

Because they are currently limited in phone line access, the schools are currently trying to use an "800" number. That works—sometimes. Webb told of having to dial 62 times Monday to get into the system. Once they are in, DHS teachers and students are limited to 45 minutes per day per person.

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'Santa's Open House' will be held tonight

Downtown Dimmitt will become a holiday wonderland tonight (Thursday) as the city stages its annual "Santa's Open House."

Downtown stores, office buildings and government buildings will turn on their holiday lights for the first time at 6 p.m., then 19 stores will remain open from 6 to 9, serving holiday refreshments to shoppers and showing off their new gift selections.

Most participating stores will have "Open House Specials," featured in advertisements in this "Santa's Open House" format in this issue. Also, most stores will offer their own "Mystery Specials," which will remain a secret until shoppers go in and ask.

Centerpiece of the festive evening will be the gaily decorated Gazebo on the courthouse square, where Santa will arrive at 6:30 and visit with children until 8:30.

Preceding Santa's arrival, a public caroling party will be held at the Gazebo from 6 to 6:30.

The Dimmitt Dairy Queen will serve free hot drinks at the Gazebo throughout the evening.

Shoppers are invited to register in every participating store for "Dimmitt Dollars" prize drawings. Two lucky shoppers will receive \$50 each in a drawing at 9 p.m. at the Gazebo. Registration and weekly drawings will continue through Dec. 19, with prizes being awarded every Monday. In all, local merchants will award \$525 worth of Dimmitt Dollars to 13 lucky winners between now and Dec. 19. The Dimmitt Dollars may be used for purchases in any Dimmitt store.

Santa's Open House, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee to kick off the Christmas shopping season, has become a popular holiday tradition here.



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Reader challenges editor

Dear Editor,
After reading your column in the Nov. 3 issue of the *Castro County News*, I was not surprised by your comments about the Christian Coalition, Rush Limbaugh etc., but very disturbed by the falsehood of your comments. These people are only informing the American public of what is really happening in our country and in our government, and that we better wake up and do something before it is too late. Praise God that is what the American people have done.

I resent very much what you said about the Christian Coalition. I would like to know what you think is so un-Christian about their tactics. Is it that they are informing the American people about how their Congressmen are voting? Not surprising! That is what has upset the big government in Washington. They do not want us to know how they are spending our money and how many freedoms are being taken away. They want us to sleep and depend on them and then be grateful. Not this Christian American, and with the way the election went, I believe that most Americans feel the same way.

I pray that we will continue to stand up and let our voices be heard, that we will hold our government accountable for their actions. It was and should be a government of the people, by the people and for the people. Our founding fathers and many after

them have died to make this country the great country that it is. It was founded on Christian principles. It has strayed far away from that.

I would like for you to explain to me how a Christian can vote for a candidate who supports abortion, homosexuality and condom distribution to our children when God clearly states in His Word how He feels about such things. It is beyond me.

I pray that we as Christians who believe that God means what He says in His Word will continue to stay on our knees and pray, and then stand up and be heard.

May God bless America,
LYNN CAMERON

EDITOR'S NOTE

I seldom respond to critical letters because your opinion has as much right to be in this newspaper as mine. However, you seem to be demanding an answer. So let's take a look at the "falsehood of my comments."

As to the government not wanting us to know "how they are spending our money and how many freedoms are being taken away": Who said? The *Congressional Record*, the wire services and the daily newspapers inform us on a regular basis about how our senators and representatives voted. Newspapers and newsmagazines also carry separate stories on the pro-and-con implications of major bills.

How many freedoms are being taken away? Do you believe our elected representatives ran for office in order to take away our freedoms? Or that there's some kind of conspiracy in Congress to do that? I'd wager that few Americans hold our freedoms more dear than do our elected representatives who try to make the process work.

Politics is problem-solving, and as I've said before, the solutions (restrictions and regulations) have now become the problem.

As to the Christian Coalition, I don't care for this organization's political tactics, mainly because I am a Christian.

To me, "Christian principles" have to do with tolerance and compassion for all people, and with following the example of Christ, who ministered to the "outcasts" of society. The Christian Coalition's agenda seems to be one of wrath and judgment instead of tolerance and compassion. It has sent loaded questionnaires to congressmen, inviting them to entrap themselves by their answers to skewed questions. That was un-Christian deviousness. In the US Senate race in Virginia, the CC was one of the main supporters of Ollie North, a man I consider to be despicable. (North didn't just deceive and lie to President Reagan and Congress; he deceived and lied to all of us. He bore false witness, and the CC supported him.) I'm suspicious of any group that says its way is the only right way. I think that, if you asked around, you'd find that there are many of us in the Christian community whom the Christian Coalition does not represent.

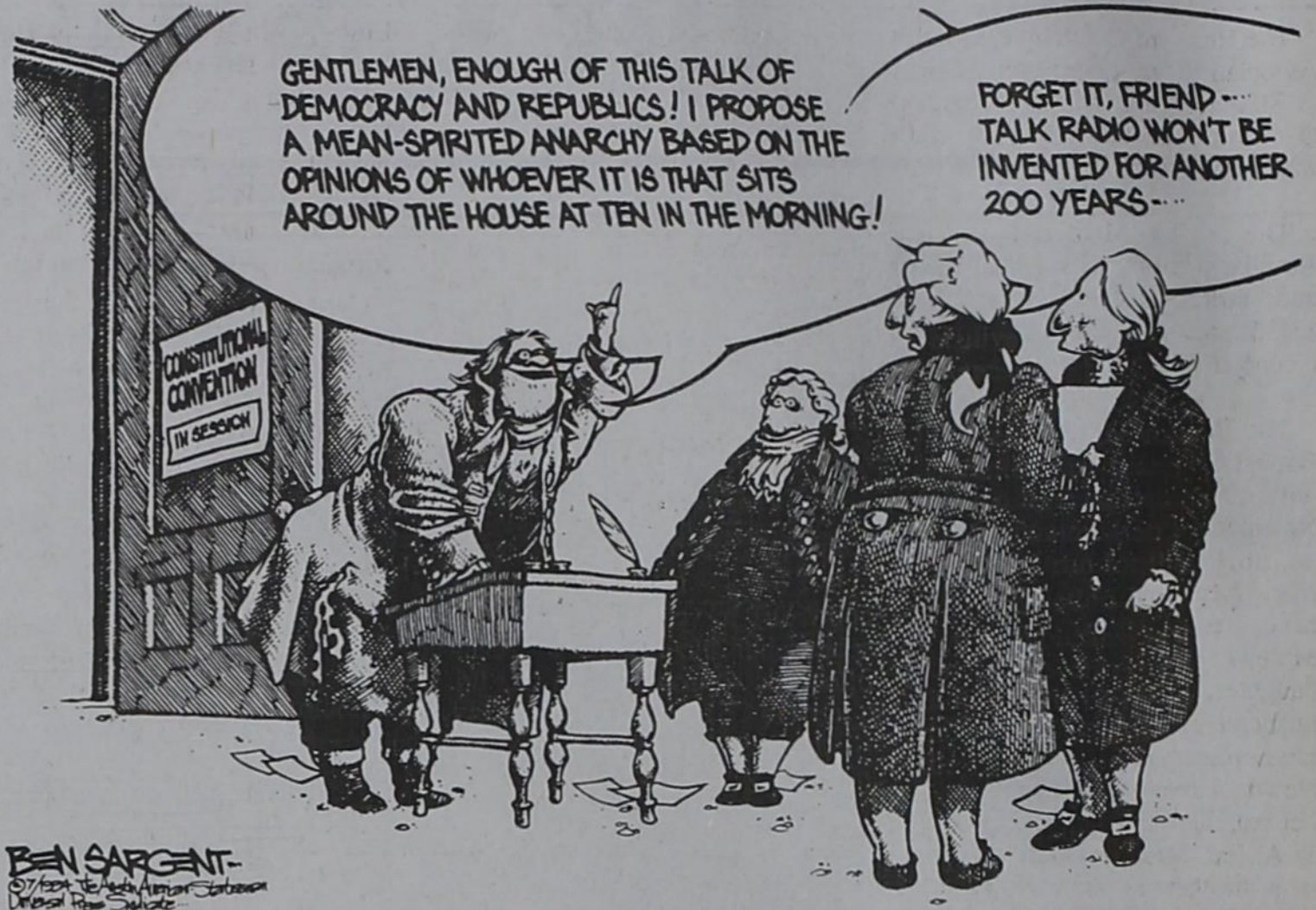
I agree with you that our society is in moral decay, and that we need to restore religious values to public life and politics. (But not exclusively Christian values—remember *e pluribus unum*?) According to *US News & World Report*, there are some thoughtful books on the subject: *The Soul of Politics* by Jim Wallis, *Arrogant Capital* by Kevin Phillips, *Jewish Renewal* by Michael Lerner, *The Culture of Disbelief* by Stephen Carter. I am optimistic about a proposed national summit on ethics to be co-sponsored next year by the Jewish magazine *Tikkun* and the evangelical publication *Sojourners*. If religious concerns on public policy are expressed in good faith and without wrath, deviousness or judgment, I think our elected officials will listen.

Concerning abortion, I don't like the idea of it and I don't know anyone who does. But should that option be denied to a desperate woman who has been impregnated against her will? I don't think taxpayers' money should pay for abortions. But should the government take away a woman's freedom to make such an agonizing choice in consultation with her physician, her family and/or her minister? To me, this is a moral issue and the government should stay out of it. If abortion is outlawed, we'll go back to where we were before—to back-alley butcher shops.

I don't understand homosexual behavior. I can't imagine anyone actually choosing that lifestyle, and from the letters that I've read from homosexuals, they didn't choose it. Can we agree that homosexuals are God's children, too, and that perhaps God has a purpose for their lives? And that as citizens they are entitled to the basic freedoms we "straight" people enjoy?

I think condom distribution to teenagers is both silly and sad, but I'm not going to base my vote on such a frivolous issue.

I hope I haven't offended you. I consider you a friend, and I respect you for who you are and for the fine children you've raised. But you did ask.



State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — During her campaign, Gov. Ann Richards ridiculed a man who she said woke up one day and decided he wanted to be governor of Texas. That man is now Gov.-elect George W. Bush.

On Nov. 8, Texas voters turned their backs on the incumbent Democrat's long record as a public officeholder and weren't convinced by her "smear" ads. Bush, a Republican, won with 53.5 percent of the vote to Richards' 45.9 percent.

The day after the election, Bush said he believed he had a mandate to overhaul the state's juvenile justice, public education and welfare systems. He congratulated his party mates and held out his hand to Democrats, saying, "This is not a Republican agenda, because there will be a lot of Democrats who will support my plan to make our schools better, our streets safer and the welfare system more responsible."

Bullock Scores Easy Win

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, Texas' most powerful officeholder, is now the state's highest-elected Democrat.

Bullock, 65, overwhelmingly defeated Republican Tex Lezar of Dallas to win his second four-year term. Bullock garnered 62 percent of the vote to Lezar's 38 percent.

"This election is not so much a

victory for me as it is a victory for Texans who want their problems solved without partisanship or gridlock," said Bullock.

Hutchison Defeats Fisher

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is returning to Washington with a full six-year term and a Republican majority in Congress for the first time in 40 years.

Hutchison, the state's first female senator, easily defeated Dallas financier Richard Fisher with 62 percent of the votes to Fisher's 37.3 percent.

"I think we are going to see some significant legislation passed immediately," Hutchison said. She predicted that the GOP Congress would approve term limits, staff cuts and a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget.

Veteran Democrats Defeated

Four longtime Democratic officeholders shared Richards' fate. For months, political talking heads accurately predicted that the mid-term election would be a plebiscite against incumbents, liberals and President Bill Clinton.

Voters rejected four veteran Democrats: State Sens. Carl Parker of Port Arthur and Steve Carriker of Roby, and in the House, Betty Denton of Waco; and U.S. Rep. Jack Brooks of Beaumont.

Parker, 60, who was elected to the state Senate in 1976, also served 14 years as a state representative. He was elected to the Texas House in 1962 — three years before his Republican opponent was born.

Michael Galloway of The Woodlands, a 29-year-old independent oil and gas producer — and political novice — claimed 53 percent of the vote to Parker's 47 percent.

State Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, told the *Houston Chronicle* Parker was "the ideological and intellectual leader of the liberal group" in the Senate.

Carriker, 43, was defeated by Tom Haywood of Wichita Falls.

Carriker served in the House from 1983-88, and the Senate from 1988.

Meanwhile, Denton, 48, lost to Republican Barbara Rusing of China Spring, after serving in the House for 17 years.

Brooks, whose hold on the 9th Congressional District in East Texas spanned 42 years, would have been the senior representative in Congress had he been re-elected. He lost to Steve Stockman, a 37-year-old accountant from Friendswood.

GOP Takes RR Commission

As further proof that Texas is a bona fide two-party state, Republicans staged an unprecedented sweep of the Texas Railroad Commission, with the first woman ever elected to the post winning one of two seats on the ballot this year.

GOP challenger Charles R. Matthews of Garland defeated Democratic Chairman James E. Nugent for a full six-year term, ending more than 40 years of government service for Nugent.

In the other race, Democratic incumbent Mary Scott Nabers was beaten for a two-year term by GOP challenger Carole Keeton Rylander, a former three-term mayor of Austin.

Nabers became the second consecutive woman appointed to the commission by Gov. Richards to lose her job at election time. Lena Guerrero was the first. Nabers was appointed last year to fill the unexpired term of Bob Krueger, who left the commission to make an unsuccessful run for the U.S. Senate.

Election Highlights

■ Republicans captured four of the seven seats on the State Board of Education up for election to give the GOP a slim majority (8-7) on the 15-member board.

■ Other statewide officials re-elected include: Dan Morales (D), attorney general; John Sharp (D), comptroller; Martha Whitehead (D), treasurer; Garry Mauro (D), land commissioner; and Rick Perry (R), agriculture commissioner.

Letter

Thanks for column

Dear Editor:
Thought I would drop you a note about how much I appreciated your 1:1 columns of Oct. 27 on health care and Nov. 3 on the just-concluded campaign. Just before writing this I received the Nov. 10 issue of the paper and noted that some of your readers were not as appreciative of your efforts as I.

One writer noted the "Christians were upset." Well, there are a lot of people that stay upset. But Christians shouldn't be—after all, we won't be saved by either Democrats or Republicans. Wiser folks than I have noted that we have adopted a terrible way to govern, but as bad as it is, nothing has been found that's better.

This writer also noted that all these "troubles" started "about 15 years ago." They probably started a few thousand years ago in the Garden of Eden probably by Democrats! At any rate, I thought Reagan was going to solve all these problems—what was it, 14 years ago?

We had 12 years of Reagan and Bush. The problems only worsened and they accumulated three times as much debt as had their predecessors in 200 years of running the country. We can't afford that kind of salvation.

The "Religious Right" invites criticism. First, some of the men who claim to be preachers and have led and are leading their docile followers, are a bit unsavory. Jim Bakker is in jail for fraud. Pat Rob-

ertson has apparently converted his communication empire—developed with tax deductible religious contributions, into a personal and family fortune. Second, these men and others use their pulpits, on TV and radio, to slander the President and others in politics with whom they disagree. That's not the purpose of the pulpit. What it is, politics, and in my view, a sleazy brand of politics.

Bill Clinton is a Southern Baptist. I know of nothing that would lead me to believe that he is not what he professes to be, but after all, that's not really my business. That's between him and God. I support him because he's a Democrat. That is not incompatible with my own Christian beliefs.

That really gets down to the main problem with the religious right. They think only they could possibly know God's will for all the population. That's poppycock.

I wish the country had given our President support in the election just completed. They didn't. So now we will have Newt and Bob and Phil and Jesse leading the Congress. They will have to do something now other than say no. It should be quite a show.

Anyway, editor, I enjoyed your columns, and I agreed with them.

The bad news for all of us is that the 1996 campaign has started already!

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- Laredo smelter processes stib
- TXism: "if he's he'll bark"
- TX song: "From Dumas"
- TXism: "it'll do pinch" (adequate)
- TX Frizzell hit: "I've Got the Time"
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- TX Autry
- turkey sound
- TX capital
- TX Jim Reeves hit: "He'll Have Cotton"
- TXism: "I don't cotton"
- Dallas hotel: Mansion Turtle Creek
- in Rusk Co. on 43
- TX Willie's dad was an mechanic
- fighting in 54-across
- TX Willie's current music format
- TX King Fisher carried
- handled guns
- TXism: "that boat float" (unacceptable)
- "null and"
- TX Bush said: "my lips."
- cowboy purchase (2 wds.)
- 16- shotgun
- TXism: "can't teach an dog new tricks"

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- panhandle river
- TXism: "happy as candy store"
- TXism: "ain't smart enough to stump"
- TXism: "sneaky as float"
- early TX explorer: de Camargo
- Lorrie Morgan's "What Part"
- TX poet Naomi (beginning)
- where Rangers & Astros hang out
- at the drop of (impulsive)
- exotic deer found in TX
- "no" in TX legislature
- TXism: "the whole and caboodle" (all)
- chicken steak
- Arlington's GM plant competed with plant in Mich. in '92
- TXism: "likely (probably)
- the Money
- Co. feud: Doo War
- TXism: "blister (handle)"
- "me casa su casa" (friendly)
- TXism: "plov around the stump"
- it's owed
- TX's 1st pres. (init.)
- odd TX Creek name
- gallon hat
- TXism: "morals" (immoral)
- TX-sized phone co.
- Arlington GM union
- TX Barry Cobin film: "Crazy"
- TXism: "tight enough to pick a (good fence)
- Arlington-built car
- TXism: "about is fair play"
- " got that I don't?" (female envy)
- 31-across has parking
- TXism: "chaser" (early riser)
- TXism: "couldn't kitten" (weak)
- TX slogan: "Wuth, I Luv Yew"
- TX Charley Pride's "Wonder Live There..."
- Dallas defensive coach Jim
- crippled
- TXism: "put on tallow" (weight)
- 47 UT men's group
- TXism: "gullywashers"
- TX Kite's goal: a hole

On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Hereford Community Concert Association will present the Soloists of St. Petersburg tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. at the Hereford High School auditorium.

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will host its annual bazaar and turkey dinner Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Castro County Expo Building in Dimmitt.

The Baptist Women met at First Baptist Church on Monday evening with Ysleta Ball presiding. Loyce Newman presented the program on an emphasis on foreign missions. Mrs. Newman and her husband have recently returned from Malawi, Africa, where their daughter, Charla Baker and her husband Steve, have been missionaries for several years. Mrs. Newman showed slides of the work her daughter and husband are doing in Africa. Mrs. Newman's husband is a brother to Don Newman of Dimmitt.

Dorothy Hopson led prayer for the missionaries who had birthdays on Monday. During the social hour, Maxine Tidwell served party sandwiches, cookies and hot punch to a good crowd. Several women from Lee Street Baptist Church and the Mexican mission were guests.

Out of town visitors at the museum recently were Jo Beecher Prather of Jackson, Miss., and Beth Beecher McLendon of Dallas. They were in Dimmitt visiting their mother, Kate Beecher.

The annual Election Day turkey dinner and Bazaar sponsored by the United Methodist Women held on Nov. 8 was a huge success again this year. They reported feeding over 800; 400 of those were takeouts.

The hospital auxiliary met on Wednesday morning with Jackie McLeroy presiding over the business meeting. Plans were made for the bazaar and turkey dinner to be held Friday at the Expo Building. Mattie Seale reported that in 30 years the Auxiliary has given \$127,645 in equipment to the hospital.

It was stated in Rosetta Bellinghausen's report of her trip to Italy that she visited her great-grandchildren, but it was her great-grand nieces and nephews.

The Methodists had their Charge Conference after Sunday worship this week. District Supt. Ishan Ardhuermly presided. Reports of various committee chairpersons were given for the year. Connie Nelson's mother, Mrs. Goodwin, was visiting from Oklahoma.

Dorothy Hopson, Carolyn Sides and Deanne Clark attended the funeral of Vernon O'Kelly's mother, Bernice, in Abilene on Saturday. Lisa Nelson Morgan was also there.

Bill Clark celebrated his birthday Friday night with friends who shared dinner, cake and cards.

Tina Rawlings celebrated her 94th birthday at Canterbury Villa. Friends dropped by to take her

cards and share cookies and coffee. Her daughters, Carolyn Jones of Dimmitt and Patsy Rogers of Midland, hosted the party.

Congratulations to the seven teachers from Castro County who were nominated to *Who's Who Among American High School Teachers* for 1994. In case you missed it in the *News* story last month, local teachers were Brenda Schulte of Nazareth and Rose Ball, Becky Book, Waurayne Hughes, Katie Ivey, Carol Schroeder and Ruby Teaschner of Dimmitt. The teachers were nominated by students who are currently listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* or *The National Dean's List*.

The Dimmitt Book Club met Wednesday at Rhoads Memorial

Library with Barbara Bain presiding over the business meeting. She had an attractive interest center on a table with a poster, "Be thankful for our library and the many good books available for us to read." Several new books and a cornucopia were also on the table.

Carole Dyer introduced her guest reviewer, Margaret Bell of Hereford. She gave a delightful review of the book *Having Our Way*, the biography of the Delancy sisters who are 104 and 106 years old.

Maxine Tidwell and Cindy Pottorff were hostesses for the social hour and served party sandwiches, miniature cheesecakes and almond tea. The centerpiece was a huge basket filled with artificial fruit and vegetables.

The Town and Country

Homemakers Club met on Friday morning at the courthouse basement. Since it was a holiday we thought we were locked out of the building but finally went in on the sheriff's office side. I needed to call a member who was late so they let me make one phone call in the sheriff's office!

Ann Henderson presided over the business meeting. Margaret Womack served pickup food and hot apple cider and Betty Freeman served delicious health food oatmeal cookies. Others present were Onaida Hutto, Rosetta Bellinghausen and Mary Edna Hendrix.

Bobby and Wanda Murdock and granddaughter Katie attended the promotion ceremony for their son, Brad, who was promoted to staff sergeant at Cannon Air Force Base at Clovis, N.M. They stayed for another promotion ceremony for one who is under Brad's command.

"Harmony" presented a Christian concert Sunday evening at First Baptist Church. Zelda Ellison and several of her teacher friends from Lockney are in the group. This was a delightful concert and it was wonderful to visit with Zelda, Terry and their daughter, Tiffany, former Dimmitt residents. The FBC choir hosted a fellowship after the concert and served sandwiches, dips and chips, cookies, brownies, coffee and tea to a large crowd.

Friends of the Ellisons from other churches were there to visit with them. I enjoyed visiting with Keri and Galen Jack of Friona. Keri is the daughter of Troy and Billie Kirby.

Employees and nurses at Plains Memorial Hospital enjoyed a salad

luncheon on Wednesday, celebrating several birthdays. Dr. Bill Murphy, Faye Varner, Mary Braddock, Amparo Garcia, Christy Velasquez, Flossie Castaneda, Gloria Garcia, Delynda McGuire and Doris Petty were the honored guests. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alexei Linskyi.

Ferne Dickey was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. She served chocolate cake and doughnut holes for snacks.

Susie Reeves won high score and Ina Rae Cates won second high score. Others playing were Dugan Butler, Neva Hickey, Edith Graef, Virginia Crider, Dude McLauren, Elizabeth Huckabay, Johnnie Vannoy, Bill Thornton, Helen Braafladt, Alma Kenmore, Emily Clingsmith, Cleo Forson and Bernice Hill.

The Junior High Youth at First United Methodist Church met with

Cathy Robertson and Frances Duke to make Thanksgiving greeting cards for some shut-ins. The cards were decorated with pressed flowers from Frances' garden. Terri Loudder served dip and chips and soft drinks for refreshments.

The Senior High Youth met in the home of Danny and Shelly Rice and had an interesting program on the tongue. They were given scriptures on how the tongue can work for you and also how it can work against you. Nachos and brownies were served.

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A family parish mission began Sunday evening in Holy Family Church with Father Forest McAllister, a Franciscan, conducting the Vesper Service, consisting of prayers, readings, psalms, main theme talk, meditation and blessing with holy oil. Father has a very good sense of humor and his message to us Sunday through Thursday should be very beneficial.

Congratulations to the Nazareth Swifts and their coaches on winning their bi-district football game against Shamrock, 34-28, Friday evening at Highland Park High School in Amarillo. The Swifts will advance to the area playoff Friday evening against Kress. The game will be played in Tulia with kickoff slated for 7:30 p.m.

Congratulations to the Swiftettes' cross country team, which placed second at the state meet in Georgetown this weekend, and to Casey Hoelting, who placed fourth in the boys' race at the state meet.

A bridal shower honoring Traci Hill, bride-elect of Kevin Scholl of Wichita Falls, was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mitzie Brockman. A large number of family and friends attended. Kevin's mother, Jeannette Gaddy of Ardmore, Okla., was a special guest.

A baby shower was held Sunday afternoon for Carol Kern at the home of Regina Steffens. Family and friends attended and many useful gifts were received.

Karen Gerber is home to recuperate after having surgery at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt last week. She is doing fine.

Lester Schulte is recuperating from surgery at Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Elmer Huseman is a patient at University Medical Center in Lubbock and he was scheduled to undergo surgery on Tuesday morning.

The Nazareth Senior Citizens enjoyed dinner Sunday at the Center. The meal was catered by the Band Parents and members of the Swift Band.

LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier and Virgil and Viola Pohlmeier drove to Lubbock Sunday to spend a few hours with Harold and Karen Pohlmeier of Corpus Christi. Harold and Karen's son, Hoelt, is a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

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People



Shawn Gales and Marla Ramaekers

Ramaekers to wed Gales

Ed and Leola Ramaekers of Nazareth announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Marla, to Shawn Gales, son of J.C. and Cindy Gales of Canyon.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Saturday, Jan. 7, at 3:30 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

The bride-elect graduated from Nazareth High School in 1990. She will receive her bachelor of science degree in social work from West Texas A&M University in December. She is employed by the O'Brien House and Youth Center of the High Plains.

The prospective groom is a 1990 graduate of Happy High School. He is a junior animal science major at West Texas A&M. He is employed by C.A.V.L. in Amarillo.

After the wedding, the couple plans to establish their home in Canyon.

Turkey dinner, crafts show set Sunday in Nazareth

Holiday shoppers can get some early shopping out of the way and enjoy a turkey dinner Sunday in Nazareth.

The Nazareth Art Club will hold its annual holiday arts and crafts bazaar Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Nazareth school cafeteria.

The Nazareth Christian Mothers' annual Thanksgiving dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. that day in the Nazareth Community Hall. The dinner will feature turkey, dressing and all the trimmings. Prices for the meal will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and

under. Raffle tickets will be available.

The cafeteria will be open at 7:30 a.m. the day of the show to allow exhibitors time to set up their displays at the arts and crafts show.

PMHA plans dinner, bazaar

A turkey and dressing dinner and holiday bazaar featuring many handmade and homemade items will be held at the Expo Building Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The public is invited to attend both the bazaar and dinner, which are being sponsored by the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

The bazaar will feature craft items made by Auxiliary members as well as homemade baked goods and candies.

The dinner will feature turkey and dressing, with other "covered dishes" and desserts being furnished by Auxiliary members. Several vegetables, casseroles, gelatin and fruit salads are usually served along with other meats. Cost for the meal is \$5 per person. Take-out plates will be available for \$5.25.

In addition to the bazaar and dinner, the Auxiliary will be selling chances on a quilt which will be given away at 2 p.m. that day. Tickets for a chance at the quilt are \$1 each or 6 for \$5, and may be purchased at the bazaar.

Wedding shower honors Williamses

Kyle and Ann Williams were honored at a wedding shower Saturday in the home of Jackie Byrnes of Dimmitt.

Jo Hyman and Kirsten Long of Waco served punch, pumpkin rolls, almond tea and coffee to about 50 guests. The hostess gift to the couple was a new oven.

Out-of-town guests were Betty Williams, groom's mother, Kelley Kelly, groom's sister, and Brittany Kelly, groom's niece, all of Clarendon; Bridget Johnson, groom's aunt, and Gloria Majors, groom's cousin, both of Idalou; Arlowene Williams, groom's grandmother, and Willie Grace Majors, groom's great-aunt, both of Turkey; and Charlotte Williams, groom's aunt, of Abilene.



Craig Huseman and Amy Chadwick

January vows planned

Greg and Sydney Martin of Texico, N.M. and Bobby Chadwick of Farwell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Chadwick, to Craig Huseman, son of Arnold and Catherine Huseman of Nazareth.

The couple will exchange wedding vows Jan. 14, 1995, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Texico High School. She is a student at West Texas A&M University in Canyon and is employed by Consumers Fuel Co-op in Hereford.

The prospective groom graduated from Nazareth High School. He is employed by Castro County.

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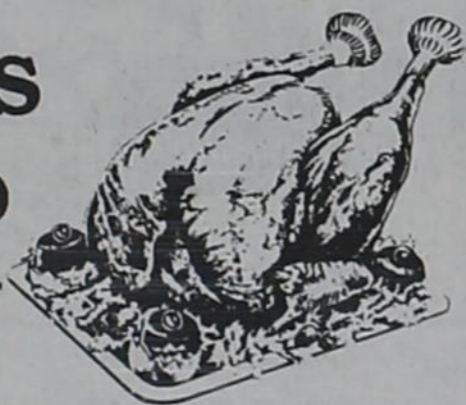
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Max Crittenden and Liz Murphy

Couple to wed Jan. 21

Liz Murphy and Max Crittenden will exchange wedding vows at 11 a.m. on Jan. 21, 1995, at Fairmont Methodist Church in Abilene.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Dr. Bill D. Murphy of Dimmitt and Charlyne Murphy of Abilene. She attended Dimmitt High School until midway through her junior year, then finished out her high school career at Abilene Christian High School. She attended the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, earning qualification as a physician's assistant in 1981. She is employed with Dr. Gary R. Hardee in Dimmitt and has a 3-year-old son, Jedidiah.

The prospective groom holds a doctor of jurisprudence degree from the University of Washington and he is an attorney in Abilene. He has a 17-year-old daughter, Amy.

The bride-elect and prospective groom have done foreign mission work and both have worked with Youth With a Mission.

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CHECKING THE INGREDIENTS — Joanne Snider (seated), Dimmitt High School home economics teacher, shows her newly published cookbook to Home Economics Cooperative Education student Adrianna Rodriguez. The book is available for purchase from Snider or at The Village Shop in Dimmitt. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Snider publishes personal recipes

Everything from a simple polish for copper-bottomed cookware to complete instructions for her famous chicken-fried steak and cream gravy—it's all included in a cookbook just published by Joanne Snider, home economics teacher at Dimmitt High School.

Snider said she has had so many students — present, and especially former students — ask for her recipes, that she decided to put them all together in a cookbook.

"I did it just to have my recipes written down. I didn't do it to make money," Snider said.

The 178-page book, titled *Tuxedo and Apron Strings*, was shipped from Morris Press of Kearney, Kan. last week, and copies may be purchased from Snider or at The Village Shop in Dimmitt.

Snider said she has worked for two years, mostly during summers, to compile the 450 recipes and numerous helpful household and cooking hints.

"A few of the recipes had ingredients left out when I checked the proofs from the printer, so I hope we got all of the mistakes corrected," Snider said.

She said all of the recipes are ones that she has used in her home economics classes or at home, with some of them having been handed down through four generations of family. Some of the recipes were given to her by others, and she tried to include a name in the titles of those dishes, such as "Pat's Raspberry Coffeecake" (on page 10 of the book).

"For the ones I could remember, anyway," Snider said, adding that she may have overlooked some.

A popular recipe among the men in her family is her chicken-fried steak and cream gravy recipe (page 64), Snider said. She added that her husband, Bill, is also very partial to

her apple dumplings (page 83). None of the recipes are duplicated, Snider said.

"Some cookbooks might have six different broccoli and rice casserole recipes, but I just included the way I usually fix a dish," she said. "I just wrote down how I do it when I prepare something."

Snider's cookbook has many personal touches, including divider pages that feature sketches of the author in the kitchen displaying various foods.

"They show me at just about every size I've ever been," Snider said with a laugh. She submitted the rough drawings, which then were refined by the publisher's artists.

"I already know what I'm giving for Christmas gifts this year," Snider said, smiling.

As a teacher in the Dimmitt schools for over 35 years, Snider was named Dimmitt's Teacher of the Year in 1993 at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. The same year she was named the Region I Outstanding Teacher by the Vocational Home Economics Association of Texas. In 1992 she received the Educating for Excellence Award in Dimmitt Schools and the University of Texas Excellence Award for Outstanding High School Teachers.

The Dimmitt High School National Honor Society will hold a bake sale Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at Dimmitt Thriftway. The sale will feature a variety of baked goods including cakes, pies, breads and more.



Presbyterian Church

Sunday is Bible Sunday and Christ the King Sunday. Sunday school classes will meet at 10 a.m. Divine worship will be at 11 a.m. Sunday with Pastor Edward D. Freeman preaching on the subject "No King But King Jesus."

Following the Sunday morning worship service there will be a congregational meeting to elect new church officers.

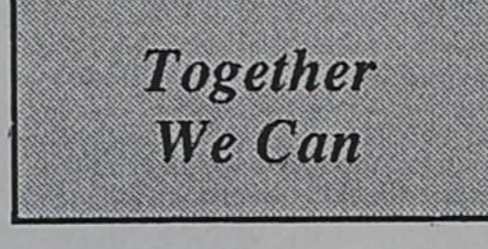
Presbyterians will join with other Christians in a Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt. Rev. Paul Kenley will be preaching.

Ministerial Alliance

Lillith Ardhuerumly will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Hebrews 11:4-50 on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Hart.

A Community Thanksgiving Service will be held Sunday at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt. Rev. Paul Kenley will bring the sermon.

A free will offering will be collected with collections benefiting the Ministerial Alliance's ministry to local and transient indigents.



DHS honor students named

Top 10 awards and the honor roll for the second six weeks have been announced at Dimmitt High School.

TOP 10 Seniors

Danny George, Terri Teaschner, Wendy Finke, Zach Bell, Katrina Vernon, Adrian Sanchez, Rochelle Harman, Carrie Sheffy, Margarita Vasquez, Holly Wise and Brandi Rice.

Juniors

Jennifer Vick, Joel Townsend, Amy Fuller, Justin Newman, Joe Larra, Chad Ellis, Carlos Garcia, Frank Perez, Julia McDonald and Jessica Caldera.

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Ellis, Amy Ethridge, Marcella Flores, Amy Fuller, Jeramy Hall, Kara Josselot, Amber Langford, Justin Newman, Alicia Sanchez, Joel Townsend, Jennifer Vick, Randa Wood and Jason Wooten.

Sophomores

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Lodge schedules supper Monday

Castro Masonic Lodge will host a covered dish supper Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge, NW Third and Etter in Dimmitt.

The supper is open to members, and smoked turkey will be provided. Members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish.

The lodge will hold its regular stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. More information is available from Jerry Jansa at 647-5527 or 647-4611.



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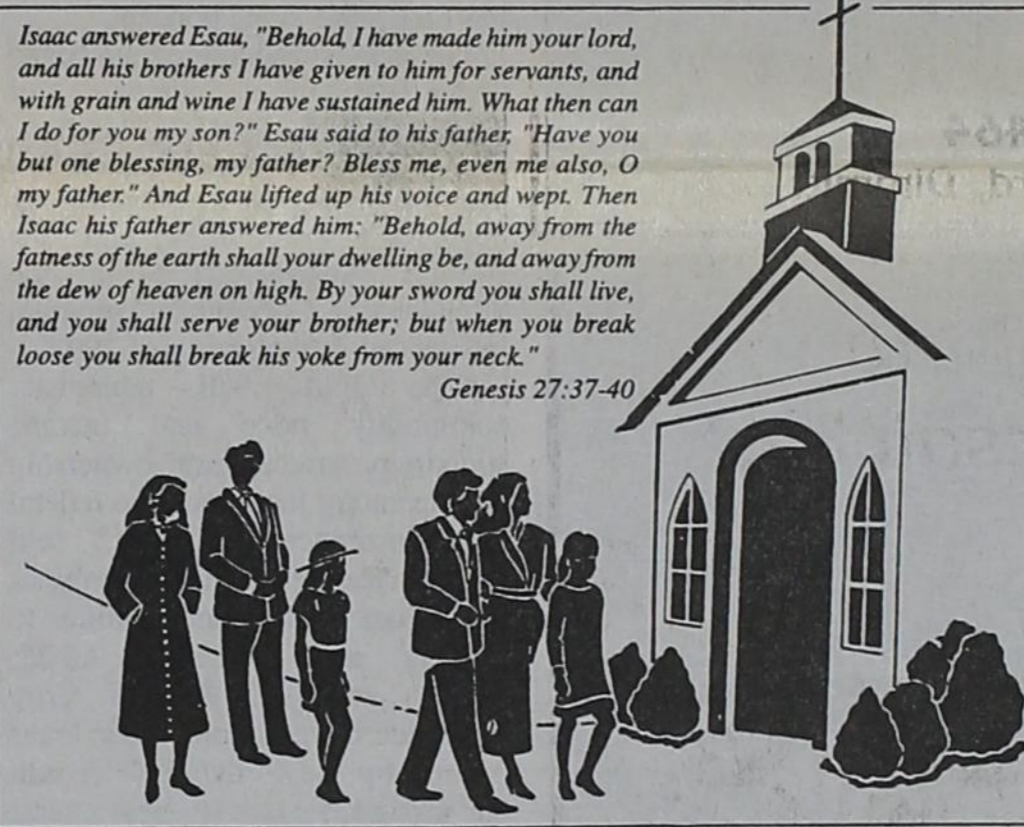
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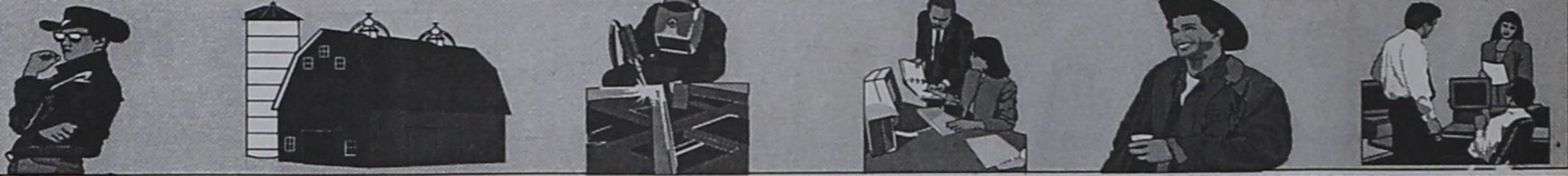
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The drive from downtown Chicago to O'Hare International Airport shouldn't take more than 30 or 40 minutes. I'm thankful for the light flow of traffic and I'm grateful to head back to warm, sunny Texas.

The rental car I'm driving is quiet. I decide to leave the radio off. There will be time enough for news, music and noise when I arrive at the airport. Just now I'm thankful for the quiet.

As the shivers give way to the warmth, I find myself in a reflective,

thankful mood. It has been a good 48 years. I've much to be thankful for.

A time for reflection

As I drive on toward the airport I begin to count my blessings. First, I think about my family. I have a loving wife of 24 years and a 17-year-old daughter who would make any father proud. I'm also thankful for our family's health. To the best of our knowledge we're doing pretty well. All of our in-laws and out-laws are productive, hard-working folks. My mother and mother-in-law have always been caring teachers for my wife and me. Their early guidance helped shape our present lives. We are thankful for our heritage.

I think about our friends: we are blessed in that area, too. We have made many friends and we have them scattered all around the country. It always amazes me how we can walk right into their homes and pick up where we left off last.

I'm also thankful for those with whom I work. My co-workers at the office—Ann, David and Bill—always keep things going smoothly even when I'm gone. Their personal integrity, motivation and good attitudes are the reasons our clients are well served.

I'm also blessed with a fine boss and a host of professional partners. Together we've made an impact on West Texas.

To all of those I've mentioned above and others I may have forgotten, I want to say a big, personal "Thank you." You're the ones who have made my life exciting and joy filled.

Let's get started

We shouldn't wait for Thanksgiving every year to get into a thankful mood. In fact, let's break the habit right now. For the rest of this year and all year long, let's try to be more thankful.

Here's a list of places we might start: Thank someone for their courtesy.

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Thank someone for being sensitive.

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A final thought on being thankful. To those of you who read this column and to those in the newspaper business who bring it to you, I want to say thanks. I covet your praise when I earn it, and your criticism when I deserve it.

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Farm Service Agency will combine services

There is a new kid on the block—the Farm Service Agency (FSA).

It came into being last month when President Clinton signed a restructuring plan into law. It will revamp the US Dept. of Agriculture and will improve the way USDA

agencies do business in Castro County, said Frank Wise, acting chairperson of the Castro County FSA Committee.

Several things are "interim" right now, including the county committee and Scotty Abbott's job as FSA director. The county

committee is the same as was in business under the ASCS program, and Abbott was the county executive director of ASCS. The county committee was disbanded and Abbott was terminated, but both came immediately back into being as the interim county FSA committee and as county FSA interim director.

Also up in the air is the future look of the county committee. The committee could have three or five members; it's up to decision makers in Washington to decide, and they haven't yet.

Once the committee is in place, it will have to decide who will be the county FSA director. It could be Abbott or it could be Sheila Osbourne, county Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) director. Their agencies will be merged with the FSA "one-stop" concept.

The reorganization program began under former Secretary of Agriculture Edward J. Madigan during the Bush Administration. His plan was embraced by outgoing Ag Secretary Mike Espy and the Clinton Administration in the "Reinventing Government" program introduced in the spring of 1993.

"The FSA will administer commodity price and income support programs, farm ownership and operating loans, and the federal crop insurance programs," said Abbott. The new agency combines all or part of programs familiar to farmers and ranchers: ASCS, FmHA and the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. Other loans offered by the former FmHA will be assigned to a new rural development agency.

"We want producers to know that the reorganization did not eliminate



TEN YEARS OF SERVICE—Edna Schilling (left) of the Castro County Farm Service Agency in Dimmitt, received a certificate for 10 years of service from Frank Wise (right), acting chairman of the interim FSA County Committee.

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Cotton Talks

Upland cotton deficiency payments seem to be holding steady through September, according to Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. of Lubbock.

The projected payment rate did not significantly change with the addition of September's figures. Overall, the weighted average price increased from 64.99¢ to an even 65¢ per pound.

This change translates into a minor drop in the amount of the pro-

jected deficiency payment from 7.91¢ to 7.9¢ per pound.

Marketings during the month of September totaled 836,000 bales, 11,000 more than marketed in September 1993. September sales brought cumulative marketings for 1994 up to 6.76 million bales.

Compared with cumulative marketings through the first nine months last year, 1994 marketings appear to be under 100,000 bales behind 1993 at 6.76 million bales.

Based on the September figures, it appears the final 1994 payment rate will be around 7.9¢ per pound. Producers who requested an advance deficiency payment would subtract the 6.45¢ already received for 1994 and end up with a final payment rate of 1.45¢ per pound.

Deficiency payments are calculated as the lesser of the difference between the target price and either the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) loan rate or the average price received by growers weighted by total marketings for the preceding calendar year.

For the 1994 crop, the upland cotton price is 72.9¢ per pound and the CCC loan rate is 50¢ per pound. So far in 1994 the weighted average price received by growers is 65¢ per pound.

The Nov. 9 estimate of Texas cotton production by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service (TASS) left projections for the 1994 crop unchanged from the October report.

According to Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., the November estimate continues to indicate a crop of 2.91 million bales for crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S. These two districts contain the majority of the cotton producing counties on the High Plains and is often used as a measuring stick of cotton production in the 25-county area surrounding Lubbock.

Texas upland cotton production is pegged at an even five million bales in 1994. US upland cotton production is tapped at 19,097 million bales.

ARP announced for '95 cotton crop

A preliminary 7.5% Acreage Reduction Program (ARP) requirement for the 1995 upland cotton program has been announced by the US Dept. of Agriculture.

The Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, requires the upland cotton ARP to be announced by Nov. 1. It also requires that the program lead to a supply/use situation in which projected ending stocks approximate, as closely as possible, 29.5% of the projected total of domestic mill use and exports for the 1995 marketing year.

Based on USDA's October supply and use estimates, USDA determined that a 7.5% ARP level will most likely achieve stocks meeting this ratio. A final ARP requirement, which may be different, must be announced by Jan. 1.

Other 1995 crop upland cotton program provisions announced include:

-The established target price will be the statutory minimum of 72.9 cents per pound.

-A 51.92 center per pound price support loan level is established for the base quality of color grade 41, leaf grade 4, staple length 1 1/16 inches, micronaire 3.5-3.6 and 4.3-4.9, and strength 24-25 grams per tex.

-No paid land diversion will be offered.

"Additional program provisions will be announced as they become available," said Scotty Abbott, acting county executive director of the Castro County Farm Services Agency.

County seniors may apply for Cargill scholarships

The Cargill Foundation will sponsor \$1,000 scholarships for 250 high school seniors from US farm families for the 10th year next spring.

The Cargill Scholarship for Rural America is open to all high school seniors who will graduate in the spring. The seniors must come from families that derive at least half of their income from farming. Scholarship candidates must enroll full-time next fall at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

Information and application forms can be obtained at any Cargill office or high school FFA department. Students also may request forms from the Cargill scholarship coordinator, National FFA, P.O. Box 45205, Madison, Wis., 53744-5205. The application deadline is Feb. 15.

"The program has helped to honor academic achievement among rural students," said Bill Pearce, president of the Cargill Foundation. "It's an endeavor that has received an enthusiastic reception in rural communities. We are committed to this scholarship program."

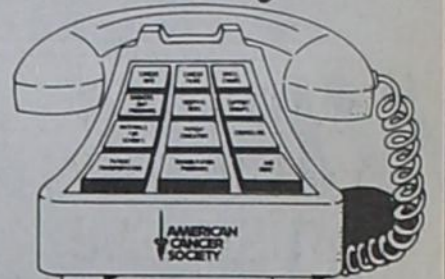
The Cargill Foundation established the program in 1986 to recognize and encourage academic achievement, accomplishment and talent among rural youth. Thus far the foundation has presented 1,753 awards for a total of \$2 million.

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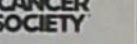
"The FFA has a long history of administering scholarship programs for agriculturally-based companies," said Gladys Tripp, a professional in Cargill's community relations department. "Because it is a national organization that is part of the curriculum in many rural high schools, it is ideally suited to manage the program."

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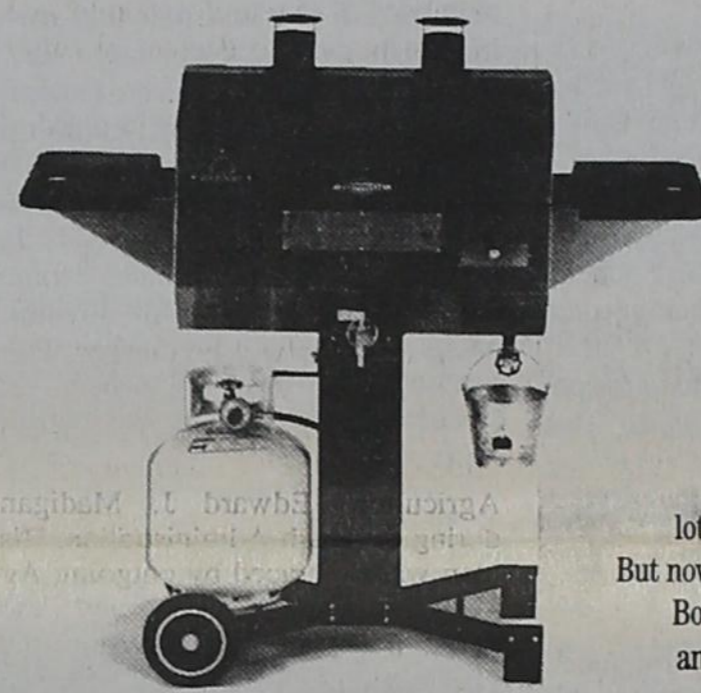
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any programs," Abbott said. "What will change are that these services soon will be available to producers on a 'one-stop' basis. The whole purpose of the new FSA is to be able to provide better, more efficient service and to make it easier for farmers to use our programs."

The farmer-elected county committee will still oversee farm program administration and will take on more duties in directing FSA programs.

"The agencies are merging at headquarters first," Wise said. "The combination of staffs and functions at the county level will come in time. In the meantime, farmers can receive service as usual at the county offices."

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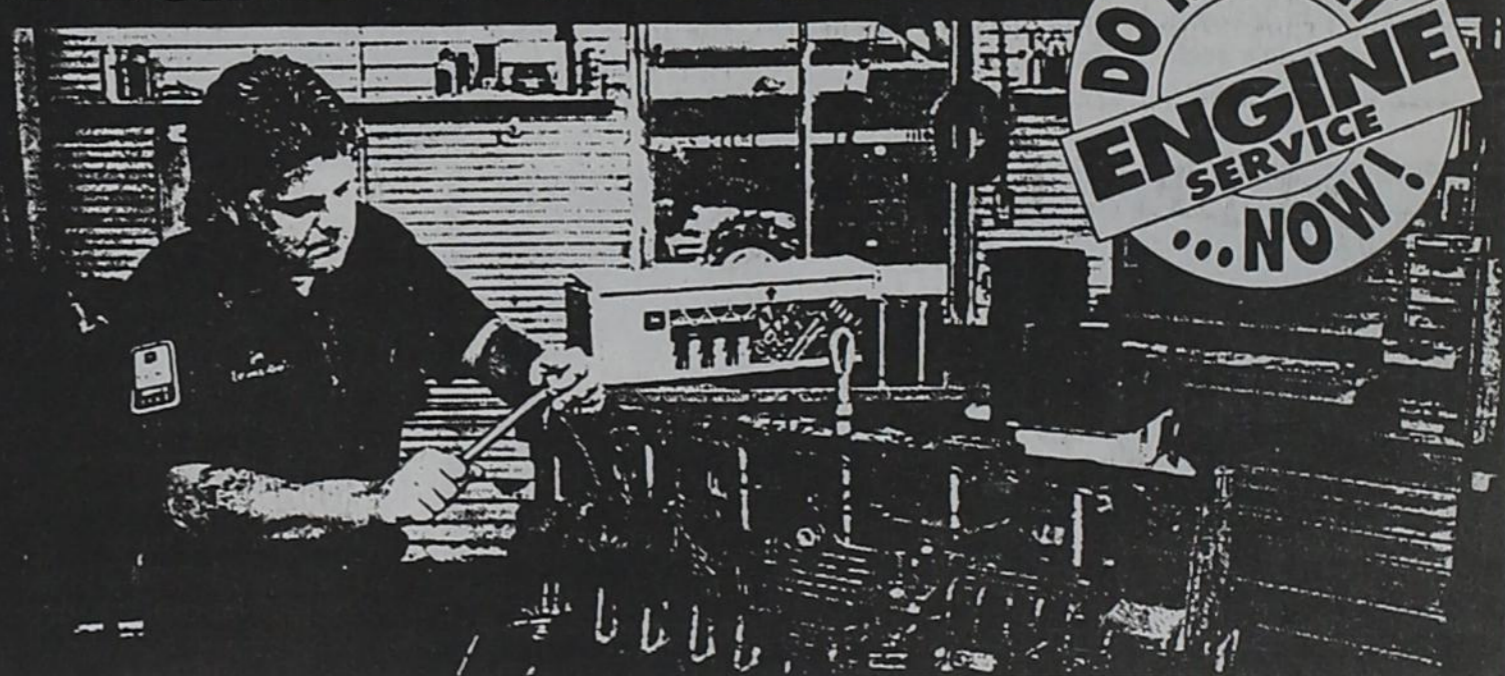


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Sports



What a comeback!

Naz storms back from 28-point deficit to win bi-district

By SCOTT BROCKMAN

If you listened to or watched the first half of Friday night's Class A bi-district game between Nazareth and Shamrock, figured the game was over and didn't pay attention to action in the second half, you missed one of the season's biggest comeback victories.

The Shamrock Fighting Irish came out and ran all over the Swifts and were up 28-0 in the second quarter. At halftime the score was 28-6 in favor of the Irish.

But somebody forgot to tell Nazareth Shamrock was in control of the game because the Swifts came out in the second half and outscored Shamrock 28-0 to claim a 34-28 Class A bi-district victory at Highland Park in Amarillo.

Shamrock, District 1-A runner-up, finished its season with a 9-2 mark. The Swifts (2-A champions) improved to 8-2 with the win and will advance to the area round, where they will meet Kress Friday night in Tulia.

Nothing stopped Nazareth in the second half—not Shamrock's defense, not 1,500-yard rusher Willie Angton, and certainly not the rest of the Shamrock offense, which was stopped on every possession.

The Swifts weren't a happy team when they went into the locker room at halftime, but not a lot was said by players or coaches.

"We talked about specifics, (at halftime)" said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "I told the guys we had a good game plan and it would work if we just executed. I told them to keep thinking positive. I also mentioned how River Road had been down by 29 against Tulia and they came back and won their game. I guess we owe some credit to River Road and Coach Shores."

Price added he didn't think the Swifts were convinced they could come back and win the game when they retook the field in the second half, but after they scored the first touchdown in the third quarter, they began to believe. And when they started to believe, they started to achieve.

Nazareth quarterback Gaylon Schilling led the comeback in a big way. The junior signal caller ran for 136 yards on 22 carries and had a hand in every one of the Swifts' 34 points. He threw a touchdown pass and two two-point conversions to Colby Pohlmeier and he ran for four other touchdowns in the second half.

You would never have known he was battling an injury as well as Shamrock's defense.

Schilling had been suffering from a strain or pull in his abdomen all week, but that didn't seem to faze him Friday night. In addition to his

rushing yardage, he passed for a total of 72 yards and was in on eight tackles on defense.

"Gaylon played a whale of a game, that's for sure," said Price. "He's got a pulled or bruised muscle in his stomach and we had been treating it with heat, trying to keep it loose."

Jon Johnson was the Swifts' second-leading rusher, gaining 72 yards on 18 totes; and Coby Schacher picked up 68 on 11 carries. Pohlmeier was Schilling's favorite target, hauling in four passes for 59 yards.

But it wasn't just offense that sparked the turnaround in the second half—a lot of it was defense.

The Swifts' defense, pumped up by the offense's performance, shut down Shamrock in the second half, and dropped Angton behind the line of scrimmage more than once. Leading tacklers for the Swifts were Adam Johnson and Ron Backus, who finished with 11 apiece; Bryan Charanza, who recorded 10; Alston Farris with 9; and Schilling and Jaret Schulte with 8 each.

The Irish finished with 295 yards total offense and 18 first downs while the Swifts picked up 348 yards and 22 first downs.

Angton, who finished with 158 yards rushing in the game, had gained 101 of those yards in the first half to spearhead the Irish's offensive attack and 28 points.

On Shamrock's opening drive, he carried nine times for 44 yards, including the nine-yard touchdown run. Chris Robinson kicked the extra point to give the Irish a 7-0 lead.

Nazareth's offense sputtered through its three plays, then punted to the Irish, who started their second scoring drive.

Angton gained another 26 yards on three carries and culminated the drive with his second nine-yard touchdown run. Robinson's extra point gave Shamrock a 14-0 advantage with 3:38 left in the first quarter.

Shamrock's defense did a number on Nazareth, again, stopping the Swifts in three plays to force another punt. After fielding the short kick, Shamrock went to work again.

This time it was Irish air attack that paralyzed the Swift defense. Quarterback Chad Gragg capped off a 10-play drive by hitting an open Preston Wilson in the end zone for a 15-yard scoring strike with 9:17 left in the second quarter. Another Robinson PAT made it 21-0.

Nazareth fans were becoming discouraged.

"Gragg was throwing the ball well in the first half," said Price. "He was almost perfect on little passes. Our defense was there, but everything he threw was right on the mark."



ANOTHER FIRST DOWN!—Nazareth's Gaylon Schilling picks up another Swift first down during second-half action versus Shamrock Friday night in Highland Park. The Swifts and Fighting Irish squared off in a Class A bi-district game and Shamrock jumped out to a quick 28-0 lead in the first half and was up 28-6 at intermission. That was all the Irish would score, however. In the meantime, Schilling and the Swifts decided they weren't satisfied with the way the game was going. The junior quarterback came out in the second half and rushed for four touchdowns and passed for two two-point conversions to spearhead a major comeback drive, leading the Swifts to a 34-28 win.

Photo by Anne Acker

The Swifts showed a little life and began to move the ball, but eventually were stopped by Shamrock's defense on a fourth-down play.

It didn't take Shamrock long to add

another seven points to their score. Gragg found Bobby Ryan wide open on a screen pass and the running back raced 40 yards for the score. The kick was good by Robinson to give Shamrock a 28-point advantage.

That would be the Irish's last trek into the end zone.

Nazareth got on the board late in the first half to begin their comeback.

After receiving the kickoff after Ryan's touchdown, Nazareth began to move the ball.

Nazareth worked down to the Irish's 29-yard line, but looked to be in trouble, facing a fourth-and-25 play. Shamrock had been pleased with the situation, but the Irish started celebrating a little too early. Schilling dropped back and threw a perfect pass to Pohlmeier for a 29-yard strike with 17 seconds left in the half. Cody Annen's extra point was blocked, leaving the score 28-6, Shamrock.

Nazareth recovered the ensuing short kickoff and attempted to trim the deficit before half, but Schilling's passes fell incomplete.

The Swifts' problems in the first half became Shamrock's problems in the second.

Nazareth couldn't move the ball and couldn't stop Shamrock's offense for the first two quarters and Shamrock struggled on offense and defense in the second half.

"In our offensive game plan we had eight or nine things that we felt like would work against them (Shamrock defense), but in the first half we didn't have the ball enough to be able to try those things. In the second half we had the chances to run those plays and things started to click," Price said.

The Swifts received the second-half kickoff and chipped away at Shamrock's defense until Schilling barreled in from five yards out with 8:15 left in the third quarter. The run attempt for a two-point conversion was stopped short, leaving the score 28-12, Shamrock.

By that time Nazareth fans were on their feet cheering the Swifts. The defense responded to the support,

shutting down the Irish on their next possession. A fourth-down play was stopped short and the Swifts took over.

Swift fans had more to cheer about as Nazareth proceeded to march down the field toward Shamrock's end zone. The Swifts advanced the ball to just inside the goal line, then Schilling picked up the remaining yard for the score with 10 seconds left in the third stanza. Then Schilling found Pohlmeier in the end zone for the extra two points to narrow Shamrock's lead even more, 28-20.

Price said that's when he felt like the team was convinced it could come back and win the game.

"Football is a game of momentum. When you get emotion going on your side, it's a big advantage. They had the momentum in the first half, but we had it in the second half."

Nazareth's offensive momentum continued to spark the defensive unit, which allowed Shamrock only three plays before forcing a punt on the Irish's next series.

Fifty yards later the Swifts cut Shamrock's lead to two points, 28-26, when Schilling danced his way into the end zone from 17 yards out. He attempted to tie the score by running in the two-point conversion, but he slipped.

Shamrock wasn't about to let up, though, and it looked like the team found new life through the legs of Angton, who carried the team 26 yards down the field. Shamrock, facing a short fourth down play, looked to their star runner to pick up the needed yards, but the Nazareth defense brought him up short and the Swifts took over to begin their game-winning drive.

A 22-yard run by Coby Schacher moved the chains to the Shamrock 19. From there Schilling took off around the left end. He was met by a

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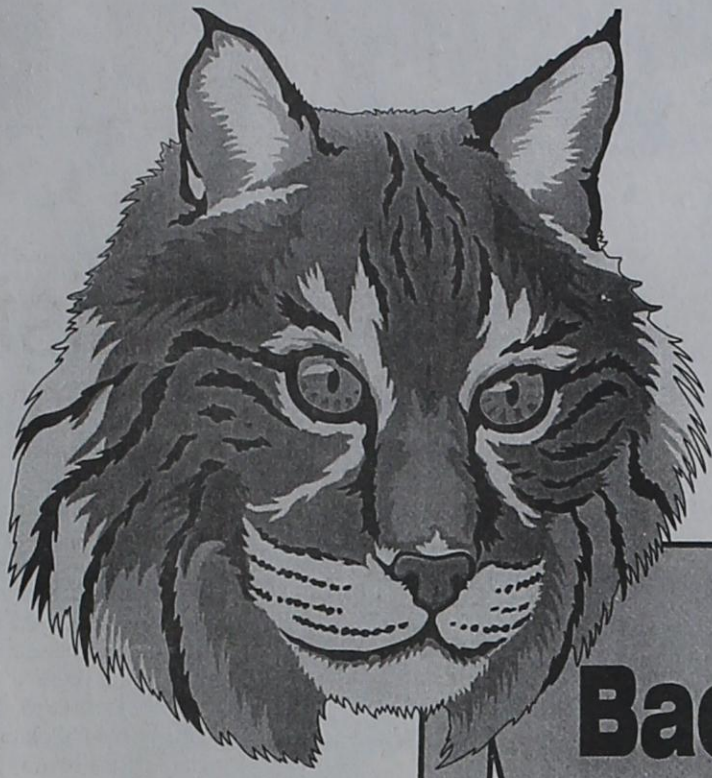
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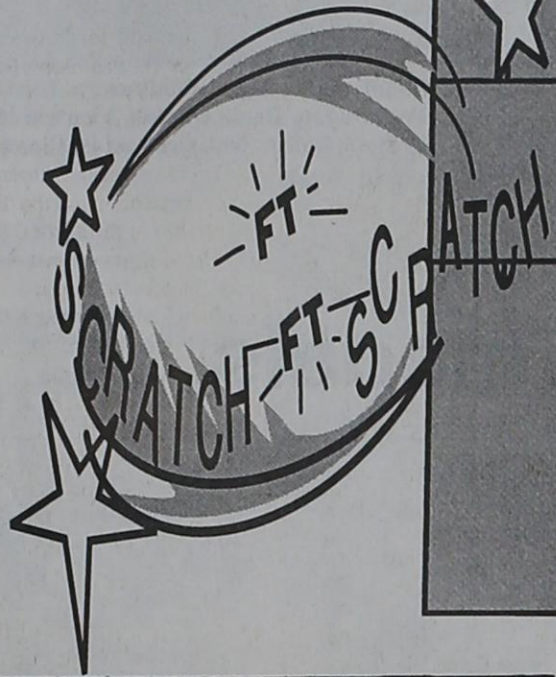


EDGING AWAY FROM ANGTION—Nazareth's Colby Pohlmeier (28) catches a pass from Gaylon Schilling, just ahead of Shamrock's speedy defender, Willie Angton (17). Pohlmeier races 15 yards for a first-down at the Shamrock 20-yard line with 1:55 left in third-quarter action Friday night. The Swifts fell behind Shamrock, 28-0, in the first half, but pulled off a big comeback in the second half to win the Class A bi-district playoff, 34-28, and advance to the area round. The Swifts will meet Kress at 7:30 Friday night in Tulia in a Class A Area playoff game.

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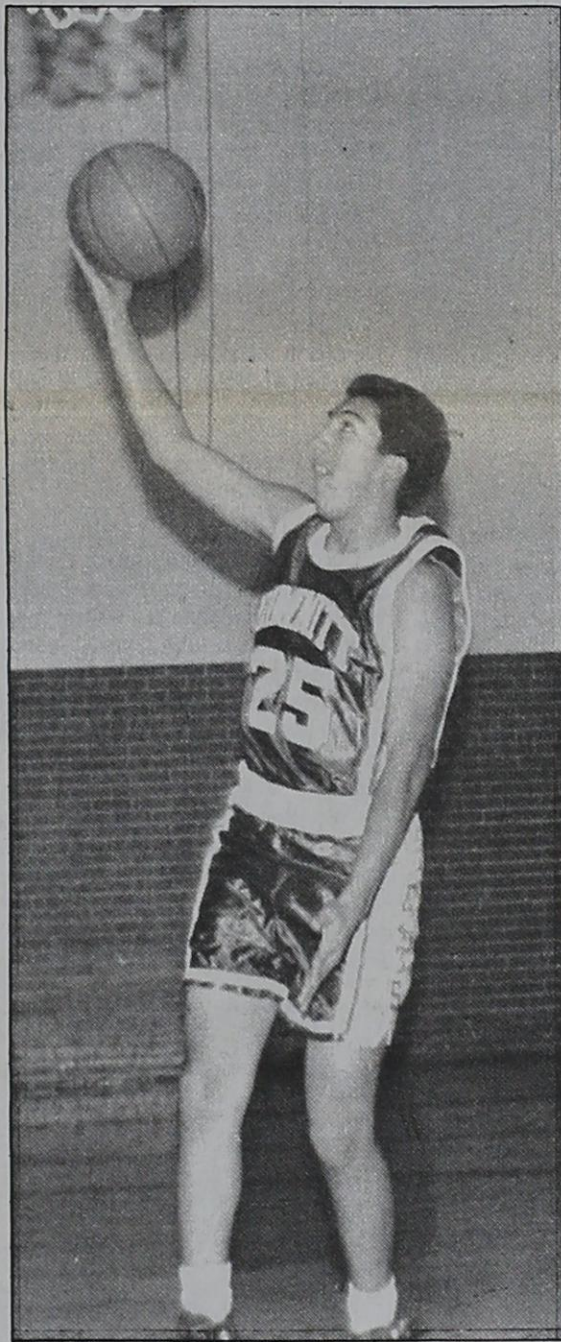
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BOBBIES THIRD IN STATE—The Dimmitt girls finished third in state in Class AAA at the UIL State Cross-Country Meet held Saturday at Georgetown. The team includes (kneeling, from left) Laura Torres, Rochelle Harman and Summer McLean; (standing, from left) Coach Richard Wood, Amy Ethridge, Sabrina Olvera, Jacy Buckley, Amy Matthews, Jessica Vasquez, Kim Thomas and Coach Neila Malcom. *Photo by John Brooks*



PSYCHED UP AND READY—The Nazareth girls encourage each other before getting ready to run Saturday afternoon at the UIL State Cross-Country Meet at Georgetown. The Swiftettes fought through sickness to finish second. Team members include (from left) Amy Pohlmeier, Misti Ball, Carie Wethington, Denia Durbin, Melinda Schmucker and Trina Johnson. Not pictured is Tanya Wethington. *Photo by John Brooks*

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Dimmitt, Nazareth runners earn state medals...

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Jessica Vasquez, who suffered a severely turned ankle during the week, fought through her injury to be Dimmitt's sixth runner, finishing 66th overall in 13:53. Jacy Buckley was seventh for the Bobbies, going 68th overall in 13:56.

"Amy came back to run a real strong race for us this week, and Rochelle and Kim did us a lot of good to help us medal," coach Richard Wood said after the race. "I was glad to see Rochelle and Kim run like they did because this was

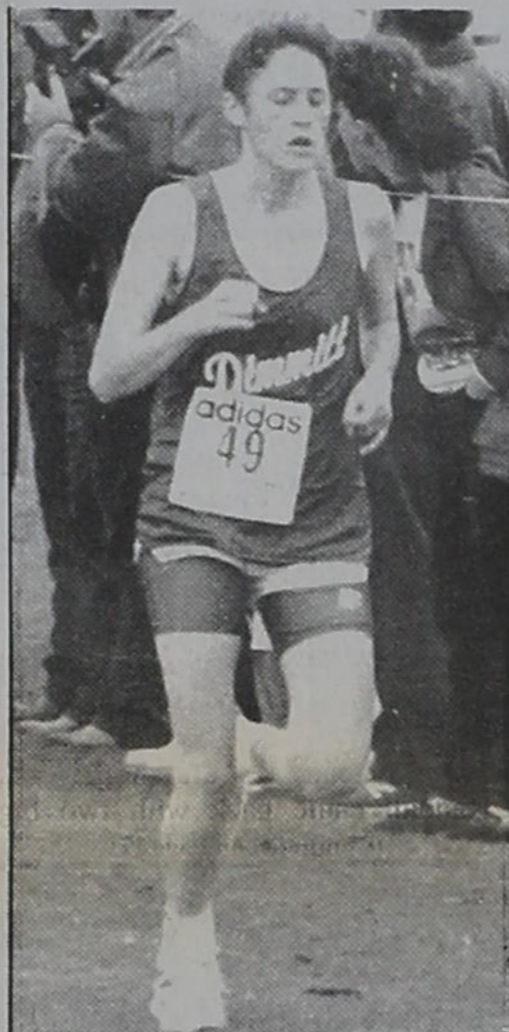
their last cross-country race. I hope this also gives them some incentive this spring in track."

Harman and Thomas are the only two seniors on the team, but the others will be pressed for their spots next year with a strong eighth grade class coming up.

"I think they will push some of these other girls, plus we have Amy Matthews and Sabrina Olvera off the junior varsity," Wood said. "We have a chance to come back down here next year and several more after that and win the thing. We got



FIGHTING THROUGH THE CROWD—Nazareth's Tanya Wethington (764) and Trina Johnson (763) fight their way through slower traffic at the UIL State Cross-Country Meet in Georgetown on Saturday. The Swiftettes finished second among all Class A teams. *Photo by John Brooks*



ROCHELLE HARMAN finished 36th overall, running the two miles in 13:18 at the UIL State Cross-Country Meet Saturday at Georgetown. Harman, a senior, helped the Bobbies to a third place finish. *Photo by John Brooks*

a taste of what it could be like this year, and I'm proud of what these girls accomplished this year."

Nazareth's girls fought off sickness to earn the silver medals in Class A.

The Swiftettes were back for the first time in five years as a team. Any thoughts they may have had about adding to the five championships earned in the 1980s were dashed by Rocksprings, which won the meet with just 28 points, compared with 59 for Naz. Four of the Angoras were in the top seven to pave the way to the gold medals.

Nazareth's top runner, Misti Ball, fought off a terrible sinus infection to place 12th overall in 13:10.8. That time was significantly better than her race last year at Georgetown, when she was 36th in 13:51.

Melinda Schmucker picked up some of the slack for Naz, improving to 13:25.4 to place 18th overall in the race. Carie and Tanya Wethington, who were also ill and barely able to hang on during the race, were next, and were followed by Amy Pohlmeier, Trina Johnson and Denia Durbin.

Durbin was the only senior on the team for the Swiftettes, who should be able to challenge Rocksprings a little more solidly next year. Rocksprings graduates at least three of its top runners, and the Swiftettes will have another year of hard cross-country work under their belts.

"We knew they (Rocksprings) were very, very good, and we knew that second was probably the best we were going to get even if everybody was in perfect health," Nazareth coach Johnny Hampton



I'M COMING AROUND—Nazareth's Misti Ball (758) prepares to pass a Rocksprings runner during the Class A girls event at the UIL State Cross-Country Meet at Georgetown. The Swiftettes were second to the Lady Angoras on Saturday. *Photo by John Brooks*

said. "We were pleased with how everybody did." Naz was followed by Sterling City (100) and Sudan (123) in the team race.

Hoelting, 10th at the state meet last year, lopped over a minute off his 1993 time at the Georgetown course and just missed a shot at the bronze.

The Class A winner, Willie Garcia of Sabinal, ran as advertised and blitzed the field in 15:53, while two runners from Priddy picked up the other two medals. Priddy won the boys team event with just 39 points.

Hoelting was next in 16:55.4. He vanquished his regional rival, Duane Coffey of White Deer, who was seventh in 17:15.6. Hoelting

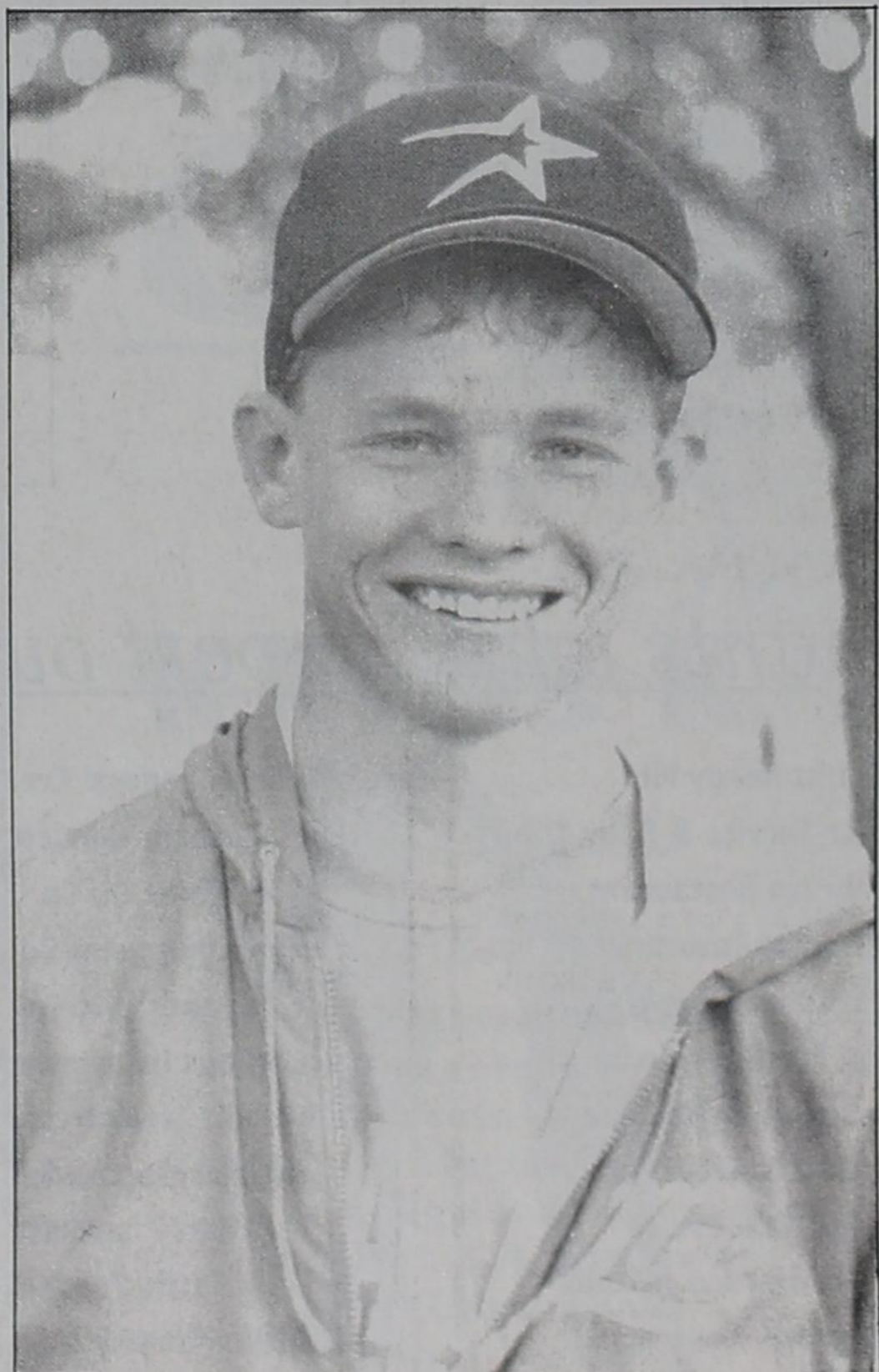
was nipped at the line by Coffey in the regional meet the week before in Lubbock.

Hoelting, not noted for his sprint, was among the leaders in the second group for much of the race on the hilly, twisting state meet course. He outdueled a third Priddy runner and a runner from Douglass; they both threatened Hoelting at the two-mile mark as the field made its first loop through the south half of the course. They never seriously threatened Hoelting the rest of the race.

"Casey ran real strong and I'm glad to see him up there at the top," Hampton said. "I think he'll continue to improve, and with these other guys graduating I think he has a great shot to win it next year."



AMY ETHRIDGE ...Finished fourth among Class AAA runners *Photo by John Brooks*



CASEY HOELTING ...Finished fourth among Class A runners *Photo by John Brooks*



LISA RINCON ...Finished 26th among Class AA runners *Photo by John Brooks*

Swifts to meet Kress in area playoff

The Kress Kangaroos are no strangers to Nazareth. Up until this season the two had met in district play for several years with the Swifts coming out on top.

The two teams are getting ready to go at it again, but this time the winner continues playing and the loser heads for the basketball court. Nazareth and Kress will meet Friday night in a Class A Area playoff game at Younger Field in Tulia. Kickoff is slated for 7:30 p.m.

Kress finished as runner-up in District 3-A behind Spur, which is currently undefeated. The Kangaroos are 8-2 on the season with losses to Claude and Spur. Kress drew a bye in the bi-district round of the playoffs and didn't play last week.

The Swifts earned the right to advance to Area by beating Shamrock, 34-28, in a come-from-behind bi-district thriller Friday night at Highland Park in Amarillo. It was Nazareth's first playoff win since 1983, when the Swifts beat Sundown and Wheeler before falling to Knox City. The next season the Swifts tied Whiteface and advanced

on penetrations. The Swifts made the playoffs three times since 1984 but lost in bi-district each time.

Nazareth hasn't had any problem handling Kress the past few seasons, but Swift Coach Rick Price said the Kangaroos are "the real thing" this year.

He said the teams are familiar with each other. "They should recognize a lot of our stuff and we should recognize a lot of their stuff," said Price.

"They've got a good fullback, a good tailback and an excellent freshman quarterback," Price said. "And they're big up front, averaging about 250 pounds on the line."

Kress operates in a Wing T formation on offense with Monty Durham (5-8, 145) at quarterback.

"He's (Durham) got an amazing touch on the ball. He puts his passes right where they need to be," Price said.

Josh Searsy (5-7, 130) is the starting split end and he's one of Durham's favorite targets along with Jason Lindeman (6-2, 170).

Durham has thrown for 605 yards this year, but rushing is the main part of Kress's offensive arsenal.

The Kangaroos have gained 2,438 yards on the ground. Fullback Toby Tomsu (5-11, 180) is Kress's leading runner with 1,058 yards rushing and 11 touchdowns this season. Tailback is David Amador (5-8, 155), and he has scored nine touchdowns this year. Amador was the leading rusher against Petersburg in the season finale, gaining 111 yards.

Those backs get a lot of help up front from linemen Reagan Reed (6-0, 205), Rey Rosas (6-2, 255), Chad Freeman (6-1, 260) and Jamie Moya (5-11, 295).

The Kangaroos have outscored opponents by a combined 298-77 in 10 games.

Defensively, Kress has allowed only an average of 180 yards per game—1,252 total on the ground and 549 through the air.

The 27 defense is quick and solid, according to Price.

"They don't utilize their big linemen on defense as much as they do on offense. Their defense is quick. You've got to block well, hit the holes that are opened and execute or they will shut you down."

Rosas, Moya and Lindeman are on the line with Amador and Billy Max Huerta at linebackers. Tomsu is in the secondary along with Robert Noriega and Junior Tijerina.

"Kress has a lot of quickness in the secondary, but they're not very big, so we're hoping to take advantage of that," Price said. "We've got to control the ball. That's our game plan—keep the ball, move the chains and finish it off with a TD."

Hampton gets first win as Swiftettes cruise by Vega

Nazareth overcame a slow start to give coach Johnny Hampton his first win in his second career at NHS with a 44-31 win over Vega.

The Swiftettes (1-0) were the only county varsity unit to win Tuesday. Monterey used a big third-quarter push to down the Hart Lady 'Horns, 73-62, in Lubbock, and Randall swept Dimmitt at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. The Bobbies saw an eight-point halftime lead slip away in a 42-35 loss, while the Bobcats couldn't quite come back and a Randall run at the end of the game gave the Raiders a 67-56 victory.

The Swiftettes, defending regional finalists, welcomed Hampton back for his second run in Nazareth. The first time Hampton coached, he was boys' assistant and then head coach. He's back this year and was greeted with a slow start, but the Swiftettes came on with a strong second half to put 11th-ranked Vega away.

Nazareth and Vega tied at 6-all at the end of the first quarter, but the Swiftettes established a five-point lead, 15-10, at halftime as Nazareth overcame some sloppiness and any intimidation by Vega's 6-2 post, Cari Allred. Led by Melinda Schmucker and Misti Ball, the Naz offense began to click in the third quarter as the Swiftettes outscored the Longhorns 17-12 in the period for a 32-22 lead at the end of three. Schmucker and Carie Wethington hit back-to-back threes in the

middle of the quarter to change a 19-18 lead into a 25-18 cushion, and the Swiftettes weren't threatened again.

Schmucker led all scorers with 20 points, while Ball was next for Naz with nine.

The JV Swiftettes also won their game, 30-24.

Dimmitt's varsity teams were colder from the field than the season's first cold front as Randall shot well enough to win both varsity contests.

The Dimmitt girls shot 30%, 13-of-43, from the field and were just 9-of-19 from the free throw line. The Bobbies outbounded the Raiders, 42-29, but here's the rub: the Bobbies had 14 offensive rebounds. Coupled with Randall's 18 defensive rebounds, that was a bunch of missed shots.

The Bobbies intended to just give Randall coach Jim Wilcoxson five gifts (one presented by each Dimmitt starter as they were introduced) for his 50th birthday, but gave him a sixth as they frittered away two eight point leads. Dimmitt took a 19-11 lead with 3:38 to play on a five-foot baseline jumper, and re-established the eight-point advantage on two free throws by Randa Wood with 1:16 to play, 23-15.

Those were the last free throws made by the Bobbies, and they shot

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group of Irish defenders, so he cut back against the grain and juked his way down the field, crossing the goal line and running out of the end zone untouched for the go-ahead score with 1:49 left to play. That put the Swifts on top for the first time, 32-28. Schilling added to his effort by finding Pohlmeier in the end zone for the two-point conversion to make it 34-28.

Shamrock still had a lot of time left to score, especially with the talents of Gragg and Angton in the backfield. Fourth-down plagued the Irish again, though, and a short play gave the Swifts the ball back with the clock ticking away.

Shamrock had one more chance to stay alive.

Schacher took off up the middle and lost the handle on the ball and it was recovered by Robinson with just over a minute left to play.

Shamrock went to the air, trying to move down the field in a short period of time, but a Gragg pass was picked off by Nazareth's Quentin Dobmeier to seal the win.

"After we took the lead, we got out of our nine-man front and went to a 52 for a four-man secondary. They came out in the shotgun and we wanted to be ready. They just didn't seem to be executing the way they did in the first half," Price said.



	NAZ	SHA
First Downs	22	18
Rushes-Yards	51-276	42-160
Passing Yards	72	135
Total Offense	348	295
Passes Comp./Att.	5/15	10/17
Passes Int. By	1	0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Punts-Avg.	2-18.5	1-40
Penalties-Yds	6-46	9-70
Nazareth	0	6 14 14-34
Shamrock	14	14 0 0-28

SCORING SUMMARY
First Quarter:
SHAMROCK: Willie Angton 7 run (Chris Robinson kick)
SHAMROCK: Angton 9 run (Robinson kick)
Second Quarter:
SHAMROCK: Preston Wilson 15 pass from Chad Gragg (Robinson Kick)
SHAMROCK: Bobby Ryan 39 pass from Gragg (Robinson Kick)
NAZ: Colby Pohlmeier 29 pass from Gaylon Schilling (Kick failed)
Third Quarter:
NAZ: Schilling 5 run (run failed)
NAZ: Schilling 1 run (Pohlmeier pass from Schilling)
Fourth Quarter:
NAZ: Schilling 18 run (run failed)
NAZ: Schilling 19 run (Pohlmeier pass from Schilling)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—NAZ: Gaylon Schilling 22-136; Jon Johnson 18-72; Coby Schacher 11-68; SHAMROCK: Willie Angton 9-158.
Passing—NAZ: Gaylon Schilling 5/15 for 72 yards; SHAMROCK: Chad Gragg 10/17 for 135 yards.
Receiving—NAZ: Colby Pohlmeier 4-59; Jon Johnson 1-13; SHAMROCK: Bobby Ryan 5-88.
Fumble Recoveries—NAZ: None; SHAMROCK: Chris Robinson.
Interceptions—NAZ: Quentin Dobmeier.
Tackles—NAZ: Adam Johnson and Ron Backus 11; Bryan Charanza 10; Alston Farris 9; Jaret Schulte and Gaylon Schilling 8.

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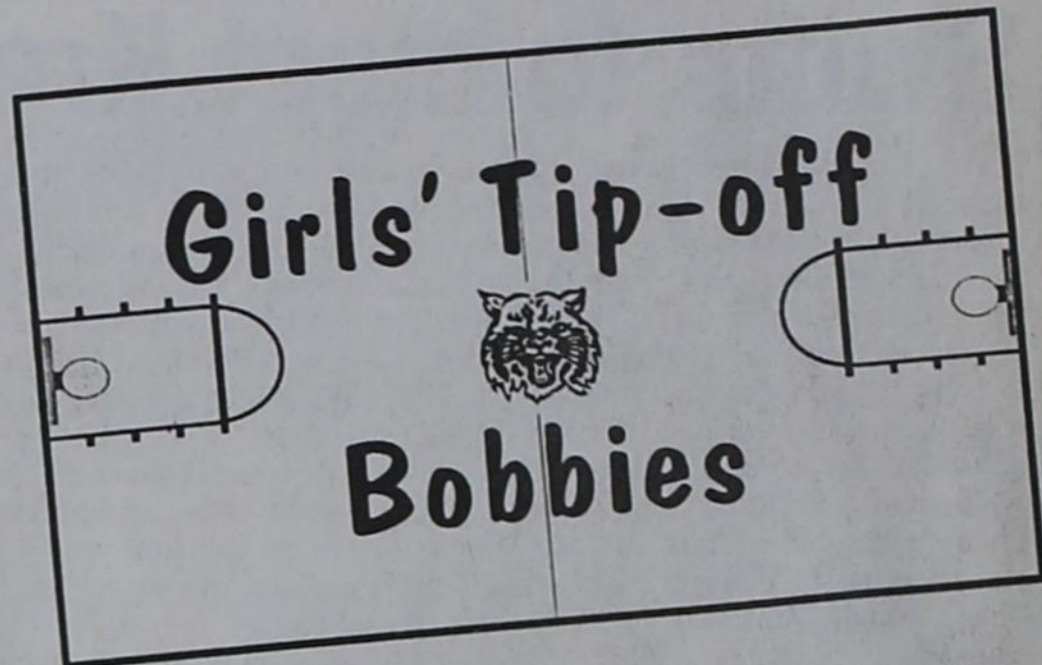
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BOBBIES READY FOR A PLAYOFF DRIVE—The Dimmitt Bobbies are ready for a drive to the playoffs this year with six players back from last year's 15-15 squad. Team members include (kneeling, from left) managers Linda Fuentes, Alma Longoria and Angelique Pfaff; (standing, from left) assistant coach Neila Malcom, Jennifer Vick, Amy Ethridge, Kim Thomas, Dolores Dimas, Carrie Bradley, Tiffany Wilcox, Amber Langford, Kara Josselet, Randa Wood and head coach Richard Wood. *Photo by John Brooks*

Bobbies' experience could lead to playoff spot

With six of eight players back from last year's 15-15 squad, Coach Richard Wood and the Dimmitt Bobbies hope to get back into the Class AAA playoffs next winter after a year's hiatus.

Last year was a total rebuilding year after the Bobbies won the 1993 state championship. Dimmitt was close in almost every game last year, especially in district, but the young team faltered down the stretch in a few games.

Injuries to key players limited the Bobbies somewhat, and the girls will have to stay away from the training room to have a shot in a very competitive conference this year.

"We are ahead of where we were at this time last year," Wood said Monday before Dimmitt's season opener Tuesday against Randall. "We are quicker than we were last year. We're small and we need to improve our ball handling and shooting. Our desire is great, our effort is great, and our work habits are great."

"All of our girls want to compete. As long as we compete academically and athletically we'll be fine. These girls haven't failed to compete yet."

The Bobbies return four of the top five players from last year,

including senior starters Kim Thomas and Tiffany Wilcox and junior starters Amy Ethridge and Kara Josselet. Also back are Dolores Dimas, who saw loads of playing time last year on the wing, and Randa Wood.

New on the varsity this year are juniors Jennifer Vick and Amber Langford and sophomore Carrie Bradley.

"Amber is a good hustler who works hard. She will improve with varsity experience," Wood said. "The same thing with Jennifer: she needs some experience. She is great on hustling, and she has good quickness."

"Carrie can help us in the post and maybe on the wing. She works hard and just keeps improving."

All six veterans bring tons of experience earned last year, when everyone got plenty of playing time as the Bobbies fought through their world-class schedule, then upset the appecart for two contenders in District 2-3A and just missed out on a shot at the playoffs.

The only weaknesses this year are the same as last year: lack of a good ball-handling point guard, lack of height, and little team speed. The Bobbies were third as a team at the state cross-country meet last week,

and Thomas won last spring's 400 meter state championship, while the mile relay team also went to state. The Bobbies will be able to out-endure anyone, but couldn't outquick their own shadows.

"That's why we need to work on our team ballhandling, and we need some scorers," Wood said.

Thomas was an all-district performer last year, and led the team much of the season until a severe ankle sprain slowed her late in the season.

She'll do a lot of her work from the wing and the post for Wood's motion offense.

Ethridge, who averaged double figures last year as a sophomore while starting every one of the 30 games, will do much of her work from the wing.

Josselet, also a junior, played on the point most of the time and is being called on to help with much of the ball-handling and playmaking. She'll also see lots of time on the wing.

Wilcox was a part-time starter last year and showed she can fill the hoop with performances such as a second-half blitz at Floydada before she fouled out. She will be in the post most of the year.

Randa Wood is overcoming problems with a hip but showed

signs of coming around in the past week. She will be playing on the point most of the time, and will be called on to pick up her scoring.

Dimas is the team's top utility player, able to play anywhere on the court and sometimes able to score at will. She has proven to be a more-than-capable ball handler at times, and has the ability to score lots of points from inside and outside—when she's on.

Dimmitt had just one scrimmage before the season, taking on Levelland and Nazareth a week ago. The Bobbies didn't play well in the first period against Levelland, but then came on to play even with both teams the rest of the way, even winning a few quarters against the state-ranked powers.

"We got better as the scrimmage went on, that's for sure," Wood said. "Our defense played very well, and we made some mistakes that we can correct. We didn't make stupid mistakes, we made some mistakes that we can correct pretty easily. Our girls gave a super effort, but sometimes we just couldn't buy a basket."

If the Bobbies can make it out of a tough District 2-AAA, they won't have the Canyon Eagles staring them in the face: Canyon moved up to Class AAAA this year. Just

down the road, though, is Slaton. Coach Chris Kennedy's crew has everyone back from a team that lost just four games last year. The Tigers were very impressive in a scrimmage last week that included Shallowater, Abemathy and Monterey.

The Bobbies will be well-tested before going into conference play this year, with tough tournaments in Plainview, Levelland and Caprock within the next six weeks. The Bobbies drew the Amarillo High girls again in the Plainview Queens Classic, and they'll meet at 6 p.m. Thanksgiving Day.



Other teams in the Plainview tourney include Hart, Canyon, Randall, Slaton, Levelland and Plainview.

In the Levelland Invitational, Dec. 1-3 the Bobbies open against El Paso Eastwood, a Class AAAA playoff team last year. Also in the

Levelland tourney are Randall, Denver City, Levelland, El Paso Socorro, Hart and Odessa.

The Bobbies' other pre-district games include Levelland, Borger, Abemathy, Hereford, Plainview, Nazareth, Tulia, Pampa and Clovis. All but Pampa and Hereford were in the playoffs last year, and both of those teams will be stronger this year.

"It's a very tough schedule, but that's the kind of schedule you have to play to get better," Wood said. "We feel like we are going to be very competitive with all of these teams."

The tough schedule won't get easier when district play begins Jan. 6 with Floydada. District favorite Littlefield will come to Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium on Jan. 10.

"Littlefield has everybody back," Wood said. "I've talked to some people who have seen them scrimmage, and they said they are in mid-season form. They should be loaded for bear this year."

"Friona and Shallowater will be very good this year, and Muleshoe will be good with lots of height. I think right now Littlefield is first and it's a tossup between everyone else for second. It could be a real dogfight."

Hampton hopes to lead Naz back to Austin

Winning a state title in basketball may be a lofty goal for many teams, but it's one that has become an automatic goal for the Nazareth Swiftettes, who have won 12 titles since 1977.

But the Swiftettes have been denied that goal for three years, now, and the 1994-95 team plans to bring the gold back home.

The Swiftettes are ranked second in the state in the pre-season TABC poll, with longtime nemesis Sudan sitting at the top of the list. The Swiftettes lost to the Lady Hornets in the regional finals last season and Sudan went on to win state.

Nazareth returns several members of last year's team and those girls are singleminded in their determination to avenge last year's loss and return to the state tournament.

They'll have plenty of chances to best Sudan, too. UJL threw the two teams, along with No. 3-ranked Happy, into the same district this year. That means the top three Class A girls' teams in the state are in the same district. Nazareth will have its hands full to even get out of district since the Swiftettes will have to play Sudan and Happy

twice. Then the odds are good that if the Swiftettes do get out of district, they will have to meet Sudan or Happy down the line again—probably in the regional championship game.

The Swiftettes are getting used to a new system this season, too. Johnny Hampton, a Dimmitt native and all-stater who played under Coach Kenneth Cleveland and was a member of the 1975 state championship team at Dimmitt, takes over as the Swiftettes' head coach this season.

Hampton isn't a stranger to Nazareth, having coached the boys to the state championship in 1986. After leaving Nazareth he coached at Merkel, then at Sudan.

Hampton said he remembers a time when he was playing for Dimmitt and the Bobcats were highly ranked in the state, along with district foes Friona and Morton. He said the Swiftettes' situation this year reminds him of that one.

Hampton hopes an extra tough pre-district schedule will have the Swiftettes ready when loop play rolls around.

"Our schedule is really strong,"

Hampton said. "We've got three tough tournaments in the Canyon Classic, Abemathy Invitational and Caprock Tournament, then we've got games scheduled against Levelland, Dimmitt, Tulia and Meadow. All those teams are good. We really don't have a weak game on the schedule. We should be better for it. We're anxious to get started."

Hampton takes over a team with a returning two-time all-stater in junior point guard Melinda Schmucker (5-9), who averaged 18.5 points, 2.9 assists, 5.3 steals and 6.7 rebounds per game last year to lead the Swiftettes.

The junior, who is Nazareth's lone returning fulltime starter, will direct Nazareth's offense again and Hampton said she's "strong in every aspect of the game."

She will be joined in the starting lineup by junior guards Courtney Hoelting (5-7) and Carie Wethington (5-5), both part-time starters a year ago who earned all-district honors; and Kelley Boyd, a 5-8 senior post who also started before being sidelined with a knee injury. Rounding out the first five will be

5-9 freshman post Amy Pohlmeier.

Hampton has a good bench to turn to, also, with 5-6 senior guard Denia Durbin, 5-10 sophomore Misti Ball, 5-7 sophomore post Jill Ramaekers, 5-5 junior point Robin Schulte and 5-9 freshman post K'Lynn Gerber.

With the exception of Gerber and Ball, all saw some playoff action last year.

Although he's carrying two freshmen on varsity, and one of those girls will start, Hampton said he's not worried about their being able to handle varsity action. "If they didn't have the ability, they wouldn't be there," he said of Pohlmeier and Gerber.

He said Pohlmeier is "solid in every area, and I expect her to be good for a freshman."

Hampton said he will look to Boyd to be one of his leading scorers and expects her to be a strong contributor on the boards. She scored 181 points last season and only played part of the year.

Wethington is a strong defensive player who Hampton will look to for pressure against other teams. She also can contribute on the boards, despite her height, and was the team's third-leading rebounder last season. She also recorded 90 steals.

He said Hoelting is a good outside shooter and has a lot of enthusiasm when she's on the floor and she, along with Schmucker, will be the Swiftettes' main outside threats. Hoelting was a 30% shooter from three-point range as well as two-point.

Ball will fill several areas, and is capable of playing either outside or inside.

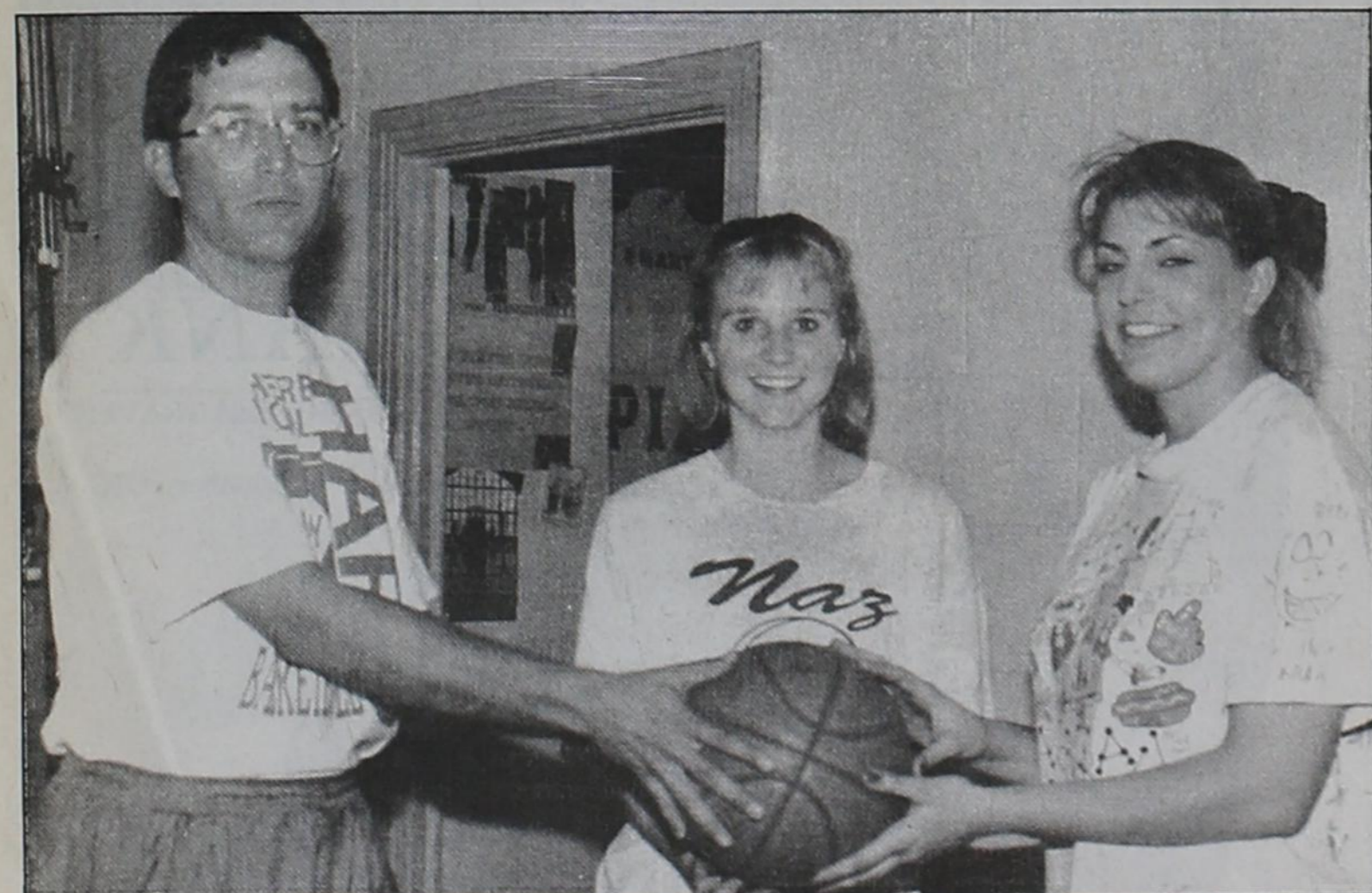
"Misti runs the court well and we'll count on her to pick up some easy baskets for us on breaks," Hampton said.

Ramaekers should be another strong threat off the bench for her defensive play, rebounding and scoring ability.

He also expects good defensive contribution from Durbin.

Schulte will spell Schmucker at point guard and Gerber will contribute at post.

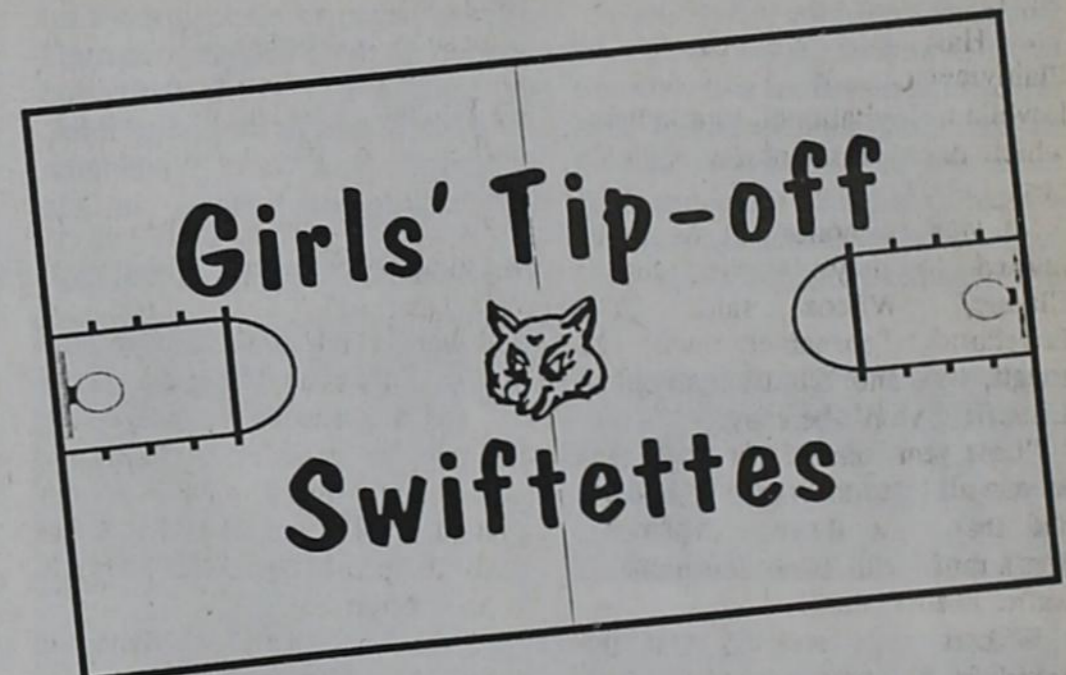
"We will have a balanced attack on offense," Hampton said. "We won't depend on any certain individual. Everyone can score, and our



ONLY TWO SENIORS are included on the Nazareth Swiftettes' roster this season, but Coach Johnny Hampton (left) expects both to contribute a lot toward the team's success this year. Those

seniors are guard Denia Durbin (center) and post Kelley Boyd. Boyd was a starter last season before being sidelined with a knee injury.

Photo by Anne Acker



goal is to have good production both inside and outside."

The Swiftettes are good shooters, and Hampton said that is probably the team's strength at this point.

Defensively, the Swiftettes will apply man-to-man pressure, "unless we're really overmatched, and then we'll try something else," Hampton said. "We'll press some teams, if we think it will work—probably man-to-man."

He said the team's defensive output is not where he would like it to be right now, but it's coming along. Another area in which he would like to see improvement is passing.

He expects a strong work ethic among the players to help turn around those weaknesses and if that happens, look for the Swiftettes to be where they have been so many times before—the regional tournament fighting for a trip to Austin.

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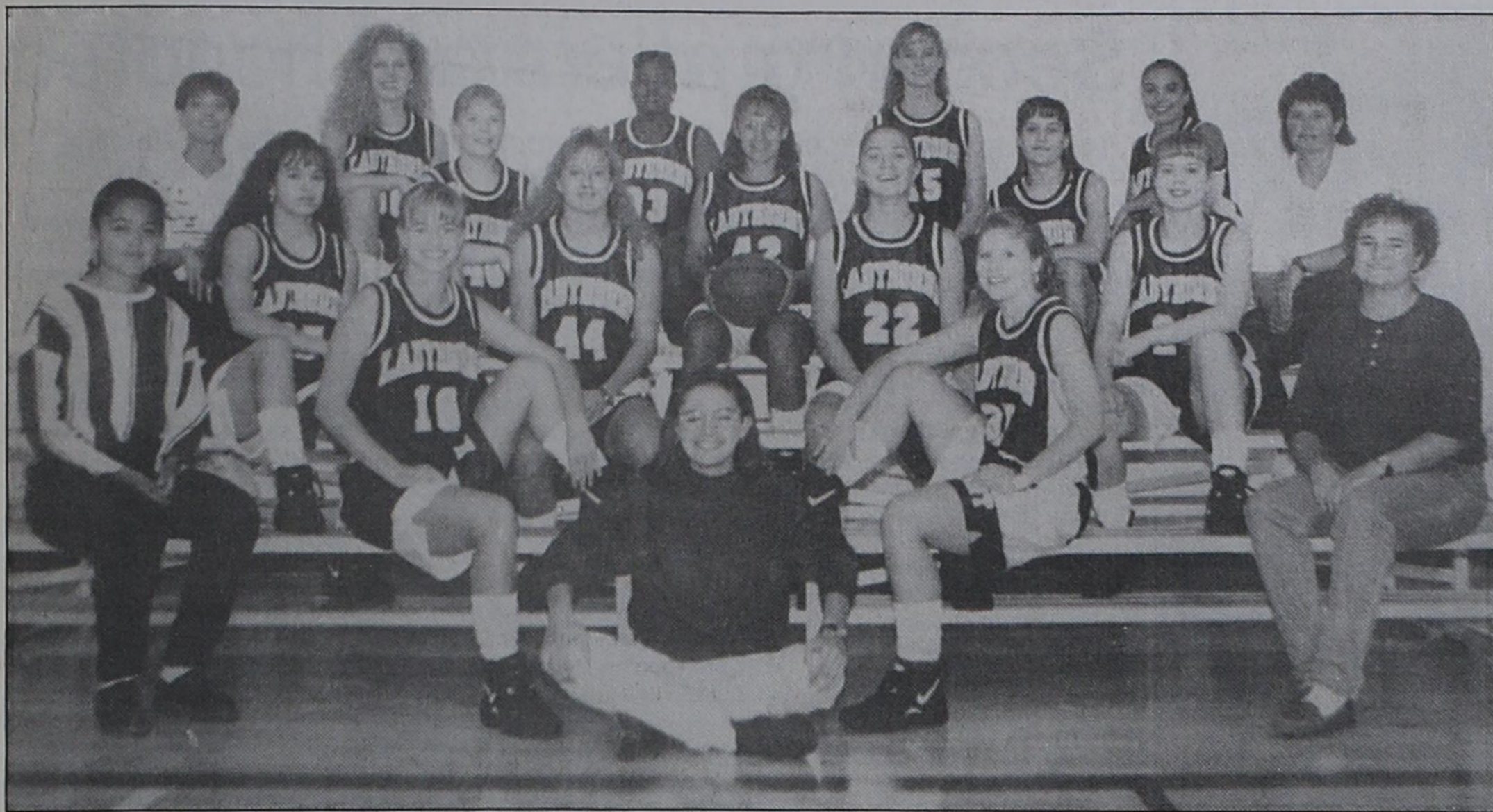
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READY FOR THE JUMP TO CLASS 2A—The Hart Lady 'Horns are ready for the jump from Class A to Class AA this year with 13 players back from last year's regional qualifiers. The team includes (front row, from left) manager Jennifer Martinez, Sheila Aalbers, manager Claudia Guzman, Danna Wilhelm and manager Tanya Leibel; (middle row, from left) Gayla Reyna, Brandi Key, Kelly Mayhew, Bonnie Reyna, Jodi Card, Tiffany Bradford and Kim Grossman; (back row, from left) head coach Rachelle Wilcox, Shea Bennett, Trinetta Finch, Sheila Knox, Sandra Lopez and assistant coach Lucrecia Shropshire. *Courtesy photo*

Hart returns 13 for run at AA playoffs

After going to the Class A regional tournament last year and with 13 players back with at least a little varsity experience, the sky may be the limit for the Hart Lady Longhorns this year.

Even with all five starters back, Coach Chelle Wilcox says the biggest advantage may be that she has been there for three years.

"The girls know what to expect," Wilcox said Thursday as her girls prepared for Tuesday's season opener at Lubbock Monterey. "It's great to have 13 girls back this year, but it may be even better that this is my third year with them. They know what to expect, they know what our system is, they know how we are going to react."

The system is still a post-oriented team that tries to go inside before going outside.

"We'll probably have more outside scoring this year because our wings and guards have more confidence and are shooting the ball well," Wilcox said. "That should keep people from doubling on Shea Bennett like they have in the past."

Ten of the 13 are seniors, and their expectations are higher than ever with their experience. Wilcox has ditched last year's schedule against mostly second-caliber teams and has gone out for some of the big dogs, starting with Monterey. The Hart girls will be in the Plainview Quens Classic and the Levelland Invitational, tournaments which draw some of the region's best.

"It was an honor for us to be invited to play in the Quens Classic," Wilcox said. "The Levelland Tournament will be tough, too, and our tournament at Littlefield won't be easy."

"Last year, one of our goals was to win all three tournaments and we did that, but those tournaments don't rank with these tournaments we're in this year."

Wilcox isn't worried that the schedule may be too tough. In fact, she said the tough slate has helped raise their expectations.

"Last year our schedule was mediocre and now we've seen this schedule since May," Wilcox said. "I believe our girls have a higher level of confidence because they know the level of these teams."

"We have the tough schedule in hopes that by district we will have

taken our knocks and become a better team. We've talked about maybe taking a couple of knocks along the way but being a much better team. Of course, we could also win all of those games. We know that if we take a few knocks before district it won't hurt us because it will help us in district and in the playoffs. I also know that if all of our girls play we can be as tough as anyone."

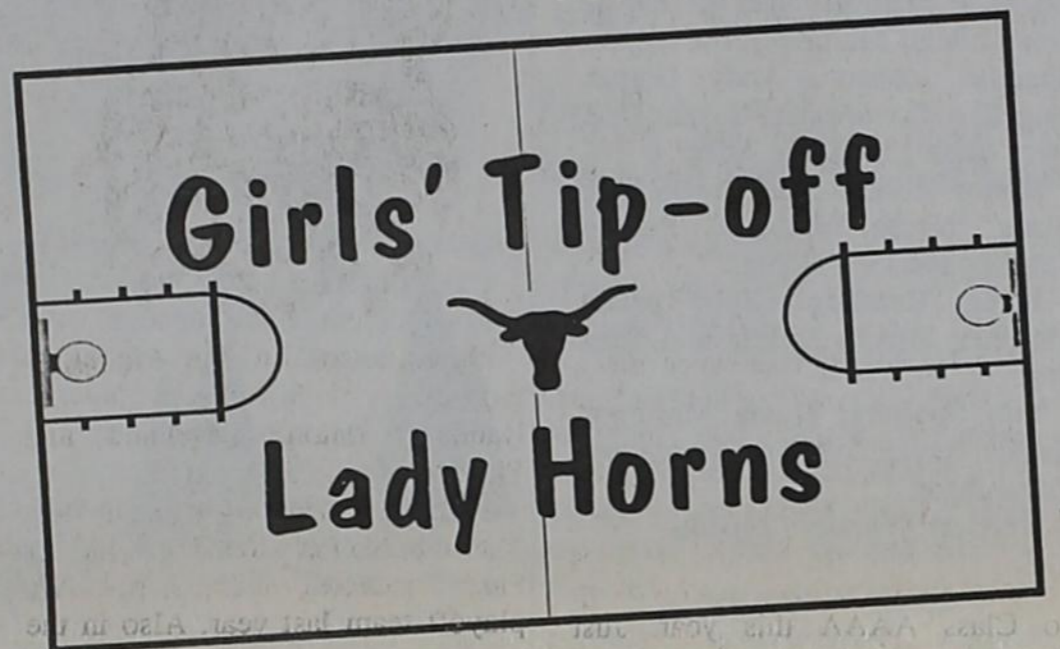
Wilcox has already rearranged her starting lineup, with 6-2 post Traci

three or four good minutes each quarter. She started the year behind but she is improving every day and is getting better the longer we play.

"Her defense is coming along, too. It's good to see her working against Shea when we scrimmage in practice. Trinetta's a good defensive player and can score when we need it."

Jodi Card adds another dimension with her work outside.

"Things don't click as well when she's not in there," Wilcox said.



Knox relegated to a substitute role in place of Trinetta Finch. Finch played extremely well in a scrimmage last week against Muleshoe to earn the starting berth. She'll be joined along the baseline by Bennett, who has used summer basketball to polish her top-flight game.

"It amazes me how Shea keeps working to get better," Wilcox said. "She has taken college off her mind and won't think about it again until spring. That should help her game."

"It's a pleasure to coach her because she works on her skills and gets better every day. She has gained a little weight and that has really helped her with her strength. It hasn't hurt her."

"Shea is also a dynamite rebounder. She may not be the tallest player on the team or the court but she is always one of the hardest workers, and that's what it takes."

Finch was one of the first people off the bench last year, and will probably split time with Knox during the season.

"The longer we play, the better she gets," Wilcox said. "Trinetta can't go a full quarter right now, but she can come in and give us

"We need her to score more and continue running the offense well, and she can do both. She is more than capable, and the kids have confidence in her."

Brandi Key is also new in the starting lineup this year.

"She played summer ball and that helped her a lot," Wilcox said. "She has confidence in her outside shot, and she has brought herself a long way. She gives us more height on the wing (5-7). That helps us get the ball inside, plus she can score. We can look for her to be a scoring threat for us, and that will also alleviate some of the pressure on our inside game."

Kim Grossman is back from a season-ending knee injury last year to regain a starting spot on the wing.

"She is quick and hasn't lost any of her quickness," Wilcox said. "She shoots lights out when she wants to. She is a very unselfish player."

Here are some of Wilcox's assessments of her other squad members:

Knox—"She can still help us tremendously, maybe moreso, coming off the bench. Her height intimidates a lot of players. We look forward to her help."

Sheila Aalbers—"She came in last year for Kim and played well. She shoots the ball well and can come off the bench and do great things. She came in during the first scrimmage against Muleshoe and nailed several shots cold off the bench. We look forward to a lot of scoring from her."

Sandra Lopez—"She has moved into a new role (post). She is a small post player but is getting better at it. She is going to help us and can do some outside scoring for us."

Danna Wilhelm—"Danna is our sixth man and is doing a great job. She can play on the point or wing and her quickness helps the team, especially on defense. She had some back problems last year, and that's because she plays so hard. She is on the floor a lot, diving and rolling and going after the ball. We hope she can stay healthy all year."

Gayla Reyna—"She helps us at the point and does a good job shooting the three. She sees the court well, does a good job with the offense and can help us a lot."

Tiffany Bradford—"She was on the junior varsity last year and is still having to learn a little. She is a skill player and likes to go to the hole."

Kelly Mayhew—"She lost a whole year to knee problems but even though she is tremendously behind she has a great attitude. We see improvement every day from Kelly."

Bonnie Reyna—"The only thing that hurts Bonnie is that she is small (5-6) in the post. She just needs to keep working and learn the varsity system."

The Hart girls should challenge Springlake-Earth and Abernathy for the two playoff spots in District 3-

AA. Abernathy is going through a down year, but S-E has reloaded from last year's playoff squad.

"Our girls are confident, and with our tough schedule we should be ready for whatever comes our way in district—and beyond," Wilcox said.

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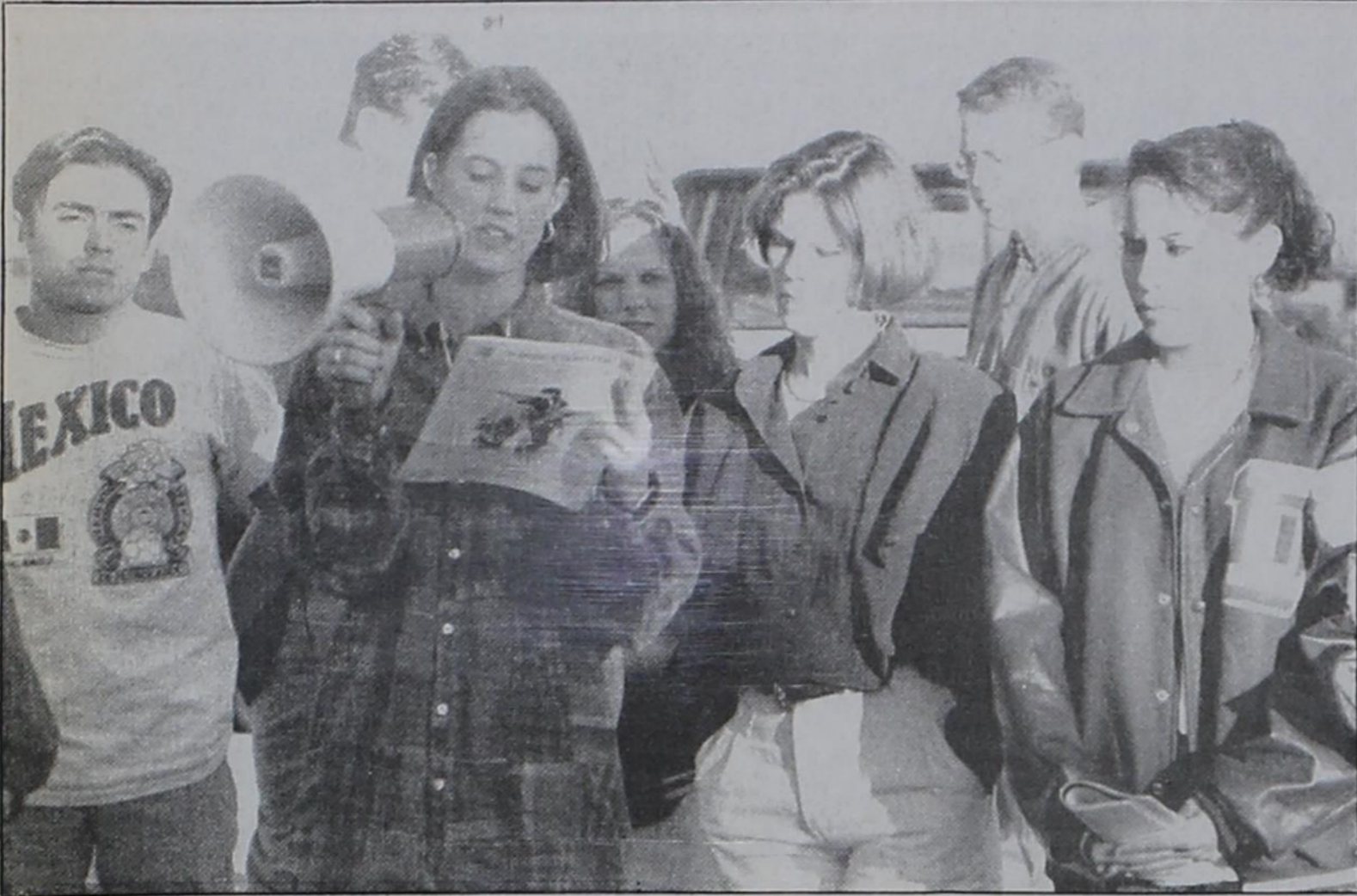
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VETERANS REMEMBERED AT DHS—Carla Petty (with megaphone) of the Dimmitt High School Student Council reads about the contributions of America's veterans during a tribute Friday morning at the flagpole at Dimmitt High School. The entire DHS student body participated in the ceremony which included raising the flag while a group from

the DHS Band played *The Star-Spangled Banner*, and the Pledge of Allegiance. Several local veterans were on hand for the ceremony. Other students pictured include (from left) Stephan Villanueva, Justin Roberts, Randa Wood, Poppy Cline, Daniel Maxwell and Lupe Mendez.

Photo by John Brooks

First graders are recognized for grades, writing, attendance

First-grade students with perfect attendance, good citizenship, good writing and those who showed improvement in their work during the second six weeks of school have been recognized by Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt.

Awards were presented in each first-grade teacher's room. Winners included:

KEITH'S ROOM

Citizenship: Marisa Allison, Kathy Amador, Angel Diaz, Amber Enriquez, Kimberly Saenz and Tabitha Sullivan.

Perfect Attendance: Allison, Amador, Joshua McAllister, Orlando Olvera, Saenz, Diego Salinas, Zjhon Smothermon, Nicole Tarango, Gerald Thomas and Bridgette Velasquez.

Writing: Isaac Aguilar, Amador, Aaron Herrera and Joshua McAllister.

Most Improved: Cindy Alvarado, Alex Arguijo, Angel Diaz, Daniel Perez, Smothermon and Orlando Olvera.

ROBERSON'S ROOM

Citizenship: Vanessa Caballero, Krystal Martinez, Casey Maurer, Jessica Ortega, Rocio Rodriguez, Ivy Sanchez, Brittany Williams and Shenea Wright.

Perfect Attendance: Vanessa Barba, Caballero, Monica Dozal, Bryan Hall, Maurer, Cesar Mejia, Emilio Mendoza, J.J. Pena, Rodriguez, Chris Saenz, Sanchez, Ka Shondra Sherman, Williams and Wright.

Writing: Jonathan Flores, Mejia, Mendoza, Pena and Williams.

BARRETERO'S ROOM

Citizenship: Jaime Esqueda, Maria Quintana, Alejandra Silva, Angelica Reyes, Sergio Ontiveros, Alma Reyes, Luis Dominguez and Adrian Trevino.

Perfect Attendance: Fernando Agüero, Dominguez, Norma Moran, Ontiveros, Jorge Quintana, Maria Quintana, Johnny Ramirez, Alma Reyes, Angelica Reyes, Giovanni Rodriguez, Teresa Sanchez and

Writing: Vicente Diaz, Moran and Maria Quintana.

Most Improved: Diaz and Silva.

MATTHEWS' ROOM

Citizenship: Garrett Behrends, Daniella Covarrubia, Mandi Ebeling, Stephanie Esquivel, Darcy Fisher, Gabriel Mirelez, Kristy Reyes and Ashley Sears.

Perfect Attendance: Behrends, Ebeling, Esquivel, Luis Lopez, Anthony Navarro, Kendra Puentes, Sears, Asia Spencer and Desiree Sanchez.

Writing: Behrends, Ebeling, Esquivel, Fisher, Jessica Perez, Puentes, Reyes, Sergio Saucedo.

Most Improved: Mirelez and Sears.

FEASTER'S ROOM

Citizenship: Ross Hunter, Hayli Wise, Stephanie Enriquez, Nicholas Ortiz, Christopher Velasquez, Sean Hunter, Gregory Calderon, Rebecca Bryan, Melissa Campos, Sabrena Patlan, Olivia Galindo, Ricky Guerra, Jennifer Fuentes and Sarah Lopez.

Perfect Attendance: Bryan, Calderon, Campos, Jason Corlis, Fuentes, Hunter, Julian Ortiz, Patlan, Velasquez, Isela Velo and Wise.

Writing: Velasquez, Nicholas Ortiz and Hunter.

Most Improved: Jacob Ruiz.

PONCE'S ROOM

Citizenship: Samantha Neri, John Medrano, Haidee Villalba, Vincent Casas, Rene Villegas and Jr. Limas.

Perfect Attendance: Casas, Lupe Castaneda, Sergio Cuevas, Janette Galvan, Valerie Ledesma, Neri, Villalba, Jessica Pena, Roger Ramirez, Ruben Rodriguez, Kelly Ruiz and Ana Sias.

Writing: Rodriguez and Limas.

Most Improved: Villalba.

MYATT'S ROOM

Citizenship: Kendra Smith, Haley Heard, Clarissa Herrera, Jennifer Montes, Ashlee Nino, Shauna Nutt, Maria Ramos, Laura

Razor, Bianca Torres, Ester Velasquez, Mark Melendez, Elias Porras and Tucker Self.

Perfect Attendance: Heard, Herrera, Ryan Hunter, Mark Melendez, Nutt, Elias Porras, Razor, Self, Torres and Smith.

Writing: Nino, Heard, Hunter and Natasha Rodriguez.

Most Improved: Montes, Frank De La Paz, Jordan Bell and Fabian Diaz.

DHS plans assemblies

Dimmitt High School students will receive information and education about making important choices in life during assemblies Friday.

Students Together Avoiding Risky Situations (STARS) is the name chosen for the theme of the day. Activities begin with an assembly at 9 a.m. with Linda Hutcherson, counselor with the Canyon schools, and a group of Canyon students. The students use pantomime to educate students about making wise choices.

Following the assembly, 24 presentors will have sessions to help students make wise decisions before it is too late. The sessions are for teens, faculty, parents and other interested adults. Some of the topics to be covered include the dangers of drinking and driving, family relationships, AIDS, drug abuse and making wise choices.

The teenager of today faces uncertainty in an age where alcohol and other drugs, sex and negative peer pressures are present daily. The community is invited to hear the specialists share information and materials that address the issues that affect the lives of families today.

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Second graders are honored

Richardson Elementary School second graders were presented awards for making the "A" honor roll, for being top spellers, hard workers and for having perfect attendance during the second six weeks. The students were recognized at a ceremony last Wednesday.

Those presented with awards were:

THAMES' ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Weldon Allison, Vicente Alvarez, Robin Beames, Stephen Bueno, Steven Caballero, Chuck Cruz, Estela Garcia, Niccole Heard, Adam Mendoza, Jeremy Norman, Darrell Reyes and Willie Thomas.

Honor Roll: Beames and Norman.

Top Spellers: Bueno, Heard, Norman and Thomas.

Hardest Worker: Samantha Hernandez.

BROWN'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Raynee Bradley, Jaime Cavazos, Carlos Chavez, Carlos Escamilla, Lesley Hinojosa, Meggie Lemons, Rosa Marrufo, Viktorya Navarro, Kelly Reyes, Ricky Reyes, Charley Saenz and Stuart Sheffy.

Honor Roll: Lemons and Kelly Reyes.

Top Spellers: Ben Birdwell, Bradley, Chavez, Escamilla, Lemons, Navarro, Kelly Reyes and Saenz.

Hardest Worker: Liliana Aguilar.

SOLIZ' ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Elias Zepeda, Rudy Salinas, Nayelli Reyes, Christina Ramos, Fabian Pena, Shaun Martinez, Jose Lopez, Sharette Johnson, Andy Garcia, Angelica Covarrubia, Jared Bell, Cory Back and Kayla Acker.

Honor Roll: Acker, Corrie Kate Black, Nyssa Martinez, Felisha Starling and Lori Garza.

10-pt. Reading Club: Nyssa Martinez, Black, Zepeda and Starling.

Top Spellers: Nyssa Martinez, Ramos, Reyes, Starling, Zepeda and Covarrubia.

Hardest Worker: Zepeda.

LUNA'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Jesus Alvarado, Jorge Alvarado, Delilah Barrios, Joaquina Castaneda, Jessica Delgado, Sonya Gonzales, Jose Ledesma, Rolando Ontiveros, Rosina Ornelas, Susana Ornelas, Rene Rodriguez, Andy Sias, Alejandra Velasquez and Yadira Villalba.

Honor Roll: Jorge Alvarado and Velasquez.

Top Spellers: Jorge Alvarado, Barrios, Cristela Casares, Delgado, Gonzales, Rosina Ornelas, Susana Ornelas, Velasquez and Villalba.

Hardest Worker: Ledesma.

Correction

In the unofficial, uncanvassed vote totals which were published in the Nov. 10 *News*, there was a mistake made in the number of votes recorded for Newlon Rowland and Danny Rodriguez in Pct. 1.

Rowland, after the votes were canvassed, received 227 votes. Rodriguez received 145 votes.

The *News* regrets the error.

EVAN'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Casey Alaniz, Daniel Coleman, Ryan Miller, April Morgan, Jose Ontiveros, Trisha Reyes, Maribel Rivcra, Matthew Ruiz, Rosalia Saenz, Jeremiah Sanchez and Roy Sanchez.

Honor Roll: Michael Diaz, Apolonia Flores, Morgan and Ignacio Sifuentez.

Top Spellers: Amy Carter, Flores, Ontiveros, Ruiz, Ignacio Sifuentez and Yvonne Sifuentez.

Hardest Worker: Morgan.

COLLINS' ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Matt Calderon, Carla Carpio, Chris Casas, David Diaz, Ruby Espinosa, Cody Lamer, Matthew Larra, Martha Lopez, Raul Melendez, Callen Mixson, Maribel Montiel, Shelley Burk, Layne Penney and Christopher Perez.

Honor Roll: Mixson, Montiel, Burk and Penney.

Top Spellers: Calderon, Casas, Espinosa, Lamer, Larra, Lopez, Melendez, Mixson, Montiel, Burk, Penney and Perez.

Hardest Worker: Diaz.

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Dimmitt Middle School recognizes top students

Dimmitt Middle School has released its honor roll and honored students for the second six weeks.

FOURTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Jaelyn Bishop, Elizabeth Cartwright, Dalton Fisher, Jaci Hardwick, Ashley Irons, Chelsea Lowance, Valerie Martinez, Jill Merritt and Melissa Rueda.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Amber Bell, Elvis Birdwell, Caitlin Buckley, Harold Casas, Robert Casas, Juan Diaz, Isabel Garcia, Gina Gonzales, Natalie Jimenez, Casey Jones, Coby Martinez, Amy Melendez, Raul Ontiveros, Steven Paz, Emilio Porras, Rosa Rivera, Leticia Rodriguez, Roxie Saenz, Heather Sniiker, Leopoldo Soler, Jenna Steinle and Colby Williams.

FIFTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Lyndee Behrends, Jeremy Bishop, Thomas Brockman, Gabriel Garcia, Ryan Hays, Brent Josselet, Charley Nutt, Rae Odom, Alexis Proffitt, Sally Stahl, Kelsey Welch, Cliff Wright and Matthew Wright.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Sarah Bradford, Deacon Buckley, Eric Bural, Albert Campos, Angela Cartwright, Justin Clay, Yvette Correa, Jennifer Fuentes, Gabriel Garcia, Jose Garcia, Dana Gonzales, Natasha Green, Jason Harris, Sharla Kenworthy, Jake Laurent, Kody Laurent, Eric Martinez, Saul Medrano, Georgia Mireles, Jessica Montes, Jason Riggs, Jennifer Robertson, Bianey Saucedo, Tanner Self, April Tijerina and Omar Torres.

SIXTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Mary Bradley, Joshua Hardwick, B.J. Hill, Mandi Moore, Cherie Norman, Daniel Proffitt and Lori Schulte.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Georgina Arredondo, Heather Black, Casandra Casas, Stephanie Casas, Mario Castaneda, Paul Craig, Eric Enriquez, Guadalupe Fierro, David Garcia, Laura Gil, Olga Gonzales, Lisa Goode, Rachal Harman, Lyndsey Heard, Elissa Jackson, Corey Lane, Marcus Larra, Karen Peralez, Carmen Pineda, Ricky Pompa, Amanda Rodriguez, Ben Ruiz, Audrey Saenz, Matthew Sandoval, Lillian Stewart, Jade Vick, Kylie Webb and Kristin Welch.

SEVENTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Holly Goode, Julie Merritt and Michael Penny.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Wendy Amador, Christie Bryan, Laura Cardona, Larissa Fuentes, Shane Furr, James Jackson, Van Jeter, Moses Lugo, Taylor Mathews, Sylvia Medrano, Angela Montiel, Zackery Morgan, Brittany Porter, Randy Porter, Samuel Prieto, Lupita Rodriguez, Felicia Sanchez, Kassandra Sanchez, Keevin Sanders, Carol Summers, Justin Sutton, Ironic Traylor, Juana Vasquez and Kyle Wood.

Honor Students

English: Ivan Flores. Reading: Samuel Prieto. Math 87: Cynthia Hernandez. Math 76: Arthur Lule. Pre-Algebra: Michael Penny. History: Penny and Flores. Science: Holly Goode. Industrial Arts: James Jackson. Mechanics: Jeannette

Sanchez. Band: Wendy Amador. Food Production: Felicia Sanchez. Life Management Skills: Goode. Choir: Leah Scarborough.

EIGHTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Cody Brockman, Derek Buckley, Kristin Doss, Christina Fierro, Taryn Hays, Monica Ortiz, Miranda Turner, Lindsey Welch, Heather Wise and Wesley Wright.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Brandon Allison, Ben Coleman, Rafael Enriquez, Jessica Flores, Valerie Gonzales, Adam Gonzalez, Beau Hill, Shawna Kenworthy, Jacob Larra, Lezly Martin, Rusty McDaniel, Cassie McLean, Antonio Ramos, Russell Rickert, Daphanie Rivera, Allison Roberson, Emily Robertson, Tonya Robertson, Olivia Rodriguez, Robert Sepeda, Jerry Thomas, Sandra Torres, Stacey Villanueva, Kurt Webb, Dale West, Aaron Wilcox and Rusty Wooten.

Honor Students

English: Christina Fierro. Reading: Wesley Wright. Math: Anthony Vidal. Pre-Algebra: Sandra Torres. Algebra I: Wright. History: Fierro. Science: Taryn Hays. Industrial Arts: Jessica Flores. Mechanics: Jacob Larra. Band: Miranda Turner. Computer: Monica Ortiz and Rusty McDaniel. Health: Lindsey Welch. Food Production: Janina Puente. Life Management Skills: Olivia Rodriguez. Choir: Debbie Gil.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH at Dimmitt Middle School for November include (back row, from left) Justin Sutton, Lupita Rodriguez, Jerry Thomas,

Cassie McLean and Gina Arredondo; and (front row, from left) Ashley Irons, Josh Hardwick, April Hill, Saul Medrano and Ruben Casas.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Easter Lions set turkey shoot

Easter Lions Club will host a turkey shoot Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Easter Community Center.

A variety of events will be held, and all interested persons are invited to attend.

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DHS forms committee to study block schedules

Dimmitt High School students and teachers may be looking at a "more humane" schedule next year after a study of potential block scheduling plans.

Six faculty members, Principal R. L. Stockstill and Curriculum Director Gainell Minnick spent two days at four schools in the Denver, Colo., area last week. They interviewed teachers, students and community members on their thoughts and ideas about block scheduling.

A few schools in the area, including Hart, are using a block schedule this year.

"We wanted to go up there to the Denver area because these schools have been using block schedules for a longer period of time, more than just a year or two," Stockstill told the Dimmitt school board Monday. "We also know there are as many variations as there are schools."

The one common factor: students have two "core" courses (English, math) and two "elective" courses each day. The big advantage of block scheduling is that students would have at least eight course opportunities each year, instead of the seven available in the traditional every-class-every-day schedule.

Danna Beck, a DHS teacher, said teachers and students at Longmont High School said the schedule was "more humane."

"You don't have students running from class to class all day," she said. "Students have more time to learn and teachers have more time to teach. You have to adapt your

strategies so you can teach for 90 minutes, and you don't try to cram two days into one.

"You see more hands-on teaching and learning. You get students personally involved and they retain what they learn longer. That is a big benefit to the lower-level student and doesn't hurt the higher-level student.

"Students get more 'real' work and not so much 'busy' work. Your time spent reviewing is no worse."

She said not all teachers are able to handle the block schedule. Stockstill said it's not a problem for kids.

"Adults have trouble with it but kids don't," Stockstill said. "They learn with it and they like it."

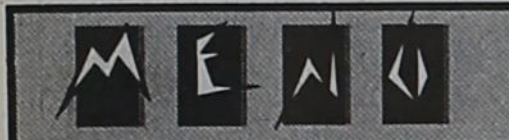
The persons who went to Colorado plan to form a task force including other teachers, students and parents to study what will be best for DHS.

"...They said their goal was to educate, not graduate," said Barbara Kenley, one of the teachers who went to Colorado.

"Sometimes the Dimmitt kids feel that way," Beck said, "that we just want them to graduate. This system lowers the frustration level for students and faculty."

"We want to talk to the faculty and redefine our goals. We want 100% of our faculty to have input. This could be the answer to many of our problems and with our course offerings."

"The plan needs to be ours. It needs to work for our students. We need student and faculty involvement. We want our students to be involved."



Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Nov. 17-25.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY: Choices of chicken and dumplings; corn dog on a stick or *beef and bean burrito with chili and cheese; pork and beans, German potato salad or *potato fingers; *tossed salad with dressing, *fruited gelatin or fresh fruit slices; *homemade biscuits, cornbread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *pizza supreme, Monterey casserole or red beans and rice; *baked beans, baked potato or Fideo Mexicano; tossed salad with dressing, assorted relishes or *cantaloupe wedges; cornbread, *whole wheat rolls or crackers; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choices of turkey and dressing, supreme, *turkey salad sandwich or vegetable soup; green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy or sweet potatoes; tossed salad with dressing or *fruit fantasy; cheese rolls or cornbread; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of taco salad, *soft taco with hot sauce or turkey fajitas with onions; *refried beans, Mexicali corn or Spanish rice; tossed salad with dressing, haystack finger salad or *fruited gelatin; cheese rolls, crackers or cornmeal yeast rolls; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY: No School!

(Items designated with an asterisk will be served to students in pre-kindergarten through the second grade.

HART

THURSDAY: Cheeseburgers (elementary) or chicken sandwich, French fries, fresh fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Burritos, corn, peaches, cookie and milk (elementary); and char-steak or sack lunch, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, roll and milk (secondary).

MONDAY: Submarine sandwich (elementary) or pizza burger on a roll, lettuce, tomato, pickles, peaches, cookies and milk.

TUESDAY: Burritos (elementary), cornbread casserole, stew or pizza burgers; cornbread, crackers, cheese slice, salad, brownie, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY: No School!

(Hart school menus are subject to change without notice.)

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: Turkey and dressing, potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, peaches, bread and milk.

FRIDAY: Nachos, corn, applesauce, rolls and milk.

MONDAY: Burritos, chili, peas, cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti, tossed salad, rolls, pears and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sandwiches, chips, pickle spears, oranges and milk.

THURSDAY-FRIDAY: No School!

Band's pecans being delivered

Pecans from the annual sale by the Dimmitt Bobcat Band are being delivered, but a small mistake was made in the price offered in the pre-sale.

Pecans will cost \$5.50 per bag instead of the \$5.25 for which they were offered, according to director Michael Johnson.

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Obituaries

Verna Faye Bussey

Verna Faye Bussey, 63, of Littlefield, died Nov. 9 in Lubbock. Services were Friday in First Baptist Church in Littlefield with the Rev. Steve Buckland, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Littlefield Memorial Park by Hammons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bussey was born Sept. 28, 1931, in Hart. She married Roy Bussey on Sept. 7, 1947 in Hereford. She was a member of First Baptist Church and the Ladies

Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4854.

She was a seamstress and had worked at Ware's Department Store.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Royce of Littlefield; a daughter, Stella Goyne of Plainview; three brothers, L.A. Beavers of Joplin, Mo., Clifford Beavers of Dimmitt and R.L. Beavers of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a sister, Marzell Powell of Dimmitt; four grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Ware, Bill Weige, Ted Stubblefield, John Parkman, Billy Smith, Roy Jackson, Greg Goyne and Brad Bussey.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

Ivy Jackson

Ivy Newton Jackson, 87, of Dimmitt, died Thursday.

Services were Saturday in Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ with Harry Riggs and Carlos Calvert officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens by Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Jackson was born in Big Spring on May 7, 1907. She moved from Big Spring to Dimmitt in 1929. She married Francis Jackson on Feb. 18, 1944 in Dimmitt. He died in 1971.

She was a member of the Church of Christ and the AARP. She was a 1926 graduate of Big Spring High School, and attended West Texas A&M University. She was a charter member of the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Association and had served as its vice president. She owned and operated Jackson's Cleaners for several years. She was a secretary

in the Castro County judge's and clerk's offices and worked for Cowsert Abstract in the 1940's.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Bo Jackson in 1988 and Francis Jackson in 1957.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth Jackson of Dimmitt; eight grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Association, 218 W. Jones, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

Rita Martinez

Rita Medina Martinez, 82, of Littlefield, died Monday in Lubbock.

Rosary service was planned Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Hammons Funeral Home Chapel in Littlefield. Services will be today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Littlefield with the Rev. Clarence Huber, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Littlefield Memorial Park.

Mrs. Martinez was born Nov. 19, 1911 in Lubbock. She married Gonzalo Martinez on June 24, 1932 in Clovis, N.M. She was a

homemaker and a member of the Guadalupanas.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Fred Martinez, Joe Martinez and John Martinez, all of Littlefield; four daughters, Gloria Esquivel of Dimmitt and Julia Rodriguez, Carol Martinez and Tina Roberts, all of Littlefield; two brothers, Loen Medina of San Francisco and Felipe Medina of Albuquerque, N.M.; 24 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Corky Esquivel, Rammy Esquivel, Nick Rodriguez, Randy Rodriguez, Cucho Rodriguez and Geno Trevino.

Jaquelin Rodriguez

Jaquelin Rodriguez, infant daughter of Francisco and Veronica Rodriguez of Hart, died Thursday.

Services were Sunday in Hart Cemetery with Deacon Robert Gonzales of St. John's Catholic Church in Hart officiating. Arrangements were by Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Jaquelin was born Nov. 9 in Dimmitt.

Survivors include her parents; her paternal grandparents, David and Maria Rodriguez of Mexico; and her maternal grandparents, Lydia Sanchez and George Chapa, both of Hart.

Grace E. Simms

Grace E. Simms, 78, of Tulsa, Okla., formerly of Dimmitt, died Monday.

Private family services will be held today (Thursday) at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with Dr. Donald Turner, assistant pastor of First Baptist Church in Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are by Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors in Amarillo.

Mrs. Simms was born in Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School and attended Texas Woman's University in Denton for three years. She was a bookkeeper for 55 years and a member of First Baptist Church of Dimmitt.

Survivors include a daughter, Sandra Gafford of Tulsa; a son, Gary Simms of Amarillo; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.



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Police Calls

Dimmitt police are investigating three complaints of alleged injury to children in Dimmitt.

A six-year-old was apparently injured sometime Sunday or early Monday. The injury was discovered Monday by school personnel and turned over to police.

A five-year-old boy was also discovered to have been injured sometime Sunday or early Monday. That injury was also discovered Monday evening by school personnel, who reported their findings to Dimmitt police.

A third report was filed Nov. 6 when a girl (her age was not given) was apparently struck on the head. That case was discovered by a Dimmitt doctor, who notified police.

Three men were jailed during the past week for violating their probation on previous charges to which they pleaded guilty.

A 17-year-old Nazareth man was arrested Thursday at Nazareth High School. He was picked up on a warrant for violating his probation on an original charge of burglary of a building.

A Dimmitt man was arrested Monday for violating his probation. He was also originally convicted of burglary of a building.

A man working on the new state prison facility in Plainview was arrested there for violating his probation here for theft by check.

Deputies are also investigating the shooting of tractor windows near Nazareth and a fence charger stolen from a fence near Tam Anne on Nov. 9-10.

Other reports to Dimmitt police over the past week included:

- An assault Wednesday in the 200 block of NW Fourth.
- Theft of a battery from a vehicle in the 400 block of NW Second.
- A radio antenna broken off a car in the 100 block of W. Grant.
- An alleged arson at a house in the 400 block of NE Seventh.
- Criminal mischief to a car in the 1000 block of W. Stinson.
- A purse lost at Mr. Burger.
- A gas cap stolen from a Corvette in the 400 block of SW Fourth.

More about

Hospital...

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Coleman's resignation came after an argumentative session in a special board meeting Monday night.

Coleman and Board Member Teresa Lindsey both criticized Castro County Community Clinics Administrator Vince Moss over an administrative matter, and the discussion led to criticism from the audience about closed sessions, communications in general, and board members becoming involved in day-to-day operations instead of policy-setting.

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SUNRISE CEREMONY—Members of Boy Scout Troop 66 and Girl Scout Troop 20 raise the flag at the Castro Memorial VFW Post Friday morning before a large Veterans Day assembly of veterans,

spouses, guests and fellow Scouts. The sunrise flag-raising followed a hearty breakfast and a brief commemorative program in the post's dining room.

Photo by Don Nelson

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three \$25 Prizes Dec. 5; three \$25 Prizes Dec. 12;
two \$100 Prizes Dec. 19.



Santa's Open House

More about Bobcats . . .

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 pushes in the second quarter to take an eight-point lead, 34-26, at halftime. The Bobcats had rallied to tie the score at 26-all on a three-pointer by Brandon Smith with 3:34 to play but didn't score again until the first minute of the third quarter. Dimmitt closed with four, 38-34, on two free throws by Chad Ellis with 5:13 to go in the third, but Randall went on another blitz to go up by 13 points, 52-39, with 44 seconds left in the third. Dimmitt cut it back to eight, 52-44, by the end of the third.

Dimmitt got within one, 54-53, on a three by Fernando Ontiveros, baskets by Chad Ellis and Joe Larra and two free throws by Justin Newman, but couldn't get back into the lead. Randall then went on another run in the final two minutes to win by 11.

Ontiveros led Dimmitt with 15 points; Newman was next with 10. Randall also won both JV games, taking a 67-56 win in the boys game and a 34-23 victory in the girls contest.

There was an explosion Tuesday night in The New Box at Monterey High School: it was Monterey going boom from outside in the third quarter as the Lady Plainsmen edged the Hart girls.

The game was even through the first half, as the teams tied at 12 at the end of the first quarter. Monterey led 28-27 at the end of the half, but Micah Crutcher hit eight points in the third quarter and Amy Wells nailed three threes to give Monterey the win.

Hart came back to outscore the Lady Plainsmen, 25-22, in the fourth period.

Brandi Key worked hard outside for 21 points, while Shea Bennett added 13 for the Lady 'Horns.

More about School . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

With a dedicated phone line, students and teachers would have unlimited access to an almost infinite number of sources, teaching and study aids and more information than imaginable.

"You'd be able to use a 1994 book instead of a 1955 book," Morris said. "You would have today's information, the very latest, instead of information that is a month old or a year old or several years old."

The Internet has actually been around since the 1960s and began as a link between universities and research centers. The Internet has grown exponentially with the computer boom, with high-tech companies, news sources and more and more colleges joining in. Even the White House has joined in: You can call President Clinton or Vice President Gore at whitehouse.gov. Gore is usually good about answering his mail, and Clinton is participating at times.

"Dimmitt kids would have the same things as Dallas kids with access to TENET and the Internet," Webb told the board.

"Our students have to be able to do electronic research," Morris said. "Students who are unable to do electronic research are behind."

The computers in the DHS lab are already networked, so that cost won't have to come out of the grant.



GOING FOR A RECORD—Sharon Leinen holds the next cake and Jack Howell calls up the bids during Canterbury Villa's annual Cake Auction last Thursday night. According to Administrator Clota Shaw, the auction netted an all-time high of

more than \$4,000 to buy Christmas gifts for the nursing home's residents this year. Residents and guests enjoyed a big turkey dinner before the auction.

Photo by Don Nelson

SCOREBOARD

MONDAY
 Freshmen Bobbies 33, Tulla 52
 Dimmitt 14 5 6 8 — 33
 Tulla 11 12 16 13 — 52
SCORING: Dimmitt: Kami Hand 10.

SCORING—Randall: Michelle McWilliams 16, Tory Simms and Terri Bartley 8. Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 12, Kim Thomas 11. Records: Dimmitt 0-1, Randall 1-0.

TUESDAY
 Swiftettes 44, Vega 31
 Vega 6 4 12 9 — 31
 Nazareth 6 9 17 12 — 44
SCORING—Vega: Allred 12, Karber 11. Naz: Melinda Schmucker 20, Misti Ball 9. Records: Naz 1-0, Vega 0-1.

Randall 34, JV Bobbies 23
 Randall 67, Bobcats 56
 Randall 10 24 18 15 — 67
 Dimmitt 14 12 18 12 — 56
SCORING—Randall: Brad Spikes 15, Jeff Pursefield 10. Dimmitt: Fernando Ontiveros 15, Justin Newman 10. Records: Randall 1-0, Dimmitt 0-1.
 Randall 67, JV Bobcats 56

JV Swiftettes 30, Vega 24
 Randall 42, Bobbies 35
 Randall 7 8 13 14 — 42
 Dimmitt 12 11 6 6 — 35

Monterey 73, Lady Horns 62
 Hart 12 15 10 25 — 62
 Monterey 12 16 23 22 — 73
SCORING—Brandi Key 21, Shea Bennett 13
 JV Lady Horns 52, Monterey 44

November 16, 1994

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22-Notices

WEIGHT WATCHERS is now meeting every Monday in Dimmitt. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131.
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24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

Just in case we failed to send you a thank you note, please feel important. Many people did both small and large tasks from telephoning, walking the blocks, mailing brochures or displaying signs. The campaign required lots of help, and you were appreciated. You made the victories sweet.
DEANNE CLARK
Chairperson, Castro County Republican Party
24-32-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mary Lou (Bobbie) Webb wishes to thank you for all the kindness that you took the time to show and to tell you that it meant much more than you will ever know. A thoughtful act or a kind word may pass in a moment, but the warmth and care behind it will stay in our hearts forever.

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VETERANS GATHER in the "chow line" for a big Veterans Day breakfast Friday morning in the Castro Memorial VFW Post. The breakfast was

followed by a brief program and a sunrise flag-raising, with local Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts doing the honors.
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COMBINED NOTICE
NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT
and
NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

City of Nazareth
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Nazareth, Texas 79063
Tel: (806) 945-2285

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the above named City of Nazareth intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to be used for the following project:

Project Title or Name: Water Treatment Facilities

Contract Number: 702441—Texas Community Development Program

Purpose or Nature of Project: Water Well and Transmission Line Acquisition

Location of Project: Section 29, Block 10T, T. & N. O. RR Survey
Castro County, Texas

Estimate Cost of Project: \$267,000

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above named City of Nazareth has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P. L. 91-190). The reason for such a decision not to prepare such a statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated.

An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by City of Nazareth which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such a statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at City Hall between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF FINDING

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the address as set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered and the City will not request the release of funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to date specified in the preceding sentence.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Nazareth will undertake the activities described above with the Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I from its Program Year 1993 under grant numbered 702441 from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Nazareth is certifying to TDHCA that Mr. Ralph Brockman in his official capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, City of Nazareth may use the Block Grant funds, and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. TDHCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and the procedures described in 24 CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, P.O. Box 13941 Austin, Texas 7811-3941.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the TDHCA. No objection received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by the TDHCA.

Ralph Brockman, Mayor
City of Nazareth
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November 17, 1994

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County gets break from joint juvenile probation program

Castro County will receive \$15,887.82 for its juvenile probation thanks to an excess in the department.

Castro and Swisher County share a juvenile probation service and the combined excess of funds was \$27,000.04. Swisher will receive the other \$11,112.22.

County Auditor Maretta Smithson told commissioners Monday the \$15,887.82 will go into the juvenile probation fund for next year, so the county will be that far ahead in its contributions.

Juvenile probation receipts, which included grant monies, probation fees and contributions from Castro and Swisher Counties, totaled \$154,484.50. Total expenditures for the year were \$127,484.46.

Probation fees received from Castro County totaled \$389 while

Swisher County fees were \$1,453.50.

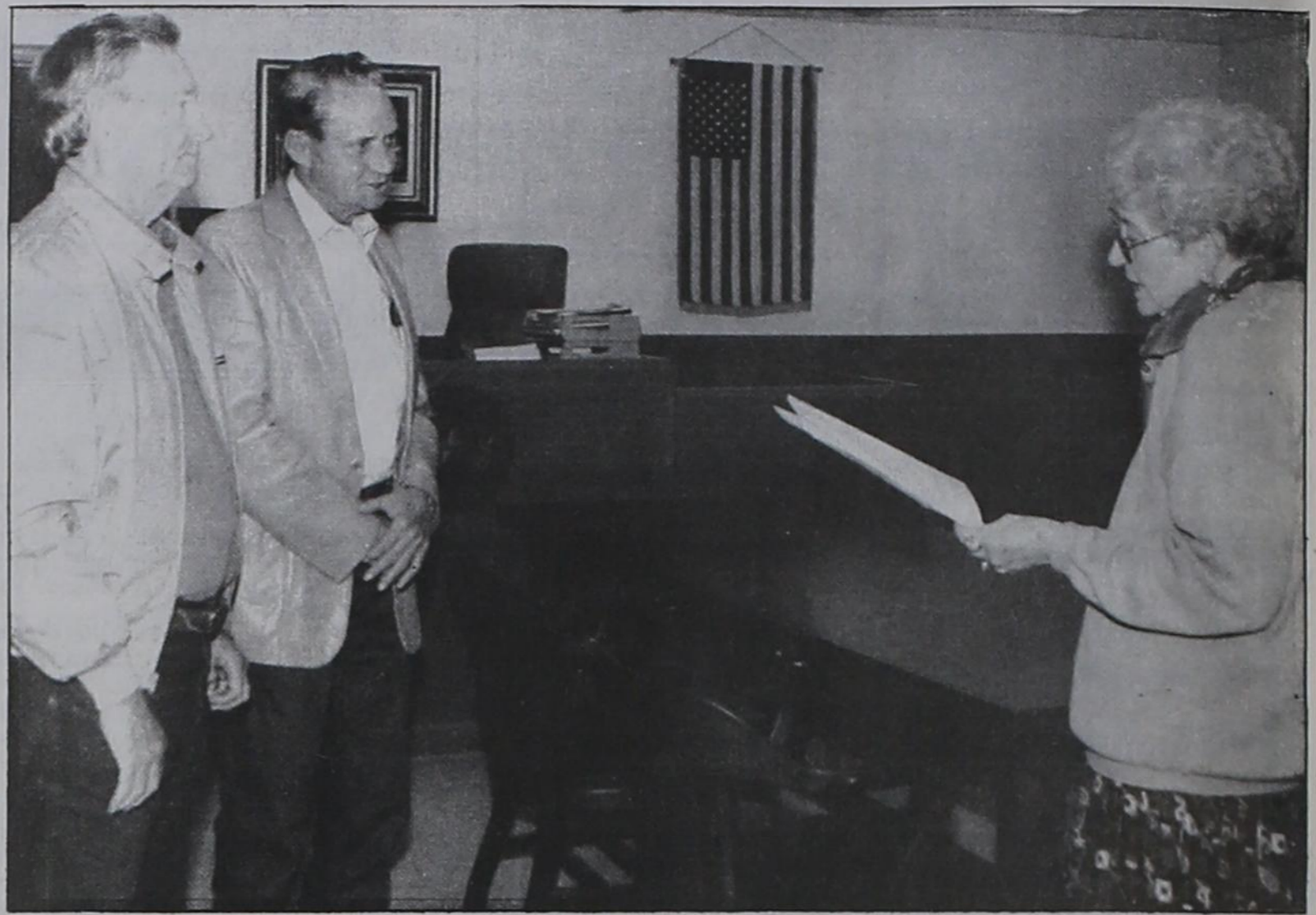
Castro County contributed \$24,750 while Swisher County paid \$33,293 toward the program. If you subtract the county's rebate of \$15,887.82 from its contribution, the actual cost for the juvenile probation program for Castro County was \$8,862.18. The actual cost for Swisher County was \$22,180.78.

Smithson told commissioners that during the past year, Castro County had four children in juvenile detention for 279 days at a cost of \$20,925. Swisher County had seven children in juvenile detention at a cost of \$26,285.

Commissioners set county holidays for 1995 as follows: New

Year's Day, Jan. 2; Good Friday, April 14; Memorial Day, May 29; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, Sept. 4; Thanksgiving, Nov. 23 and 24; and Christmas, Dec. 23 and Dec. 26.

In other action, commissioners canvassed the Nov. 8 general election returns; accepted a \$1,841.51 bid from Harris Lumber Company in Hart for work to make a restroom and water fountain in the courthouse handicap-accessible; granted permission for Kerry George in Pct. 1 to install an eight-inch plastic pipe under County Road 520, 1/4 mile north of Highway 145; approved a \$6,800 payment to the Texas Dept. of Public Safety for a 1992 Chevrolet Caprice Classic for Constable James Dobbs; and accepted the car donated by the City of Dimmitt for use by the county's DARE officer.



NEWLY-ELECTED COMMISSIONERS Newlon Rowland (left) and W.A. "Bay" Baldrige (center) are sworn in as commissioners Tuesday afternoon by Castro County Judge Polly Simpson (right). Rowland was re-elected as Pct. 1 commissioner

while Baldrige claimed the Pct. 3 seat in the Nov. 8 general election, which featured all four commission races. Both took office immediately while other election winners will be sworn in Jan. 1.

Photo by Anne Acker

More about

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Swifts turned the tables. No, they didn't just turn them—they flipped 'em and spun 'em and stomped 'em.

Nazareth took the kickoff and drove 59 yards for a TD. A two-point conversion run came up short. 12-28.

Next time the Swifts got the ball, they drove 67 yards for a touchdown, then completed a two-point conversion pass. 20-28.

"Hey," I thought, "if they could do that again, they could tie it up."

On their next possession (early in the fourth), they drove 49 yards for still another TD. But their two-point conversion run came up short. 26-28.

Nazareth's fans forgot the chill and the wind and went ballistic. "DEE-fense! DEE-fense!"

The Swifts held again, got the ball back with 5:20 left, and drove 47 yards to the Shamrock 19. Then they ran the play that had been working best for them—a quarterback sweep left. Gaylon Schilling—who had run or passed for every NHS touchdown so far—started left behind his blockers, saw things getting jammed up near the sideline, cut back to the right, and raced ka-whonkerjog toward the opposite side of the end zone with 1:49 remaining in the game. No one touched him. Colby Pohlmeier caught his third scoring pass of the night for a two-point PAT.

Final score: 34-28. Coach Rick Price had told them at halftime that they could do it. You gotta believe.

Jerry Cartwright's car has a great license plate: 999 - TEN

Before Joy Barker retired as the News's office manager, she and I always tried to get the same license-plate number: 711. She wanted it because that was her address on Oak Street at the time. I wanted it because it's Verbie's birthday, July 11.

There were usually enough 711's to go around, but we never knew what combination of letters we'd get.

People go through all kinds of mental gyrations to remember their license-plate numbers. One year we had MSS - 711. That was easy: "Mississippi Gambler, 7-come-11."

Then the state switched and put the numbers ahead of the letters, and we got 711 - YFR. For that one I memorized "Happy Birthday, Verbie—Your Friend Ralph."

When I got our present plate, they didn't have any 711's. So I got my birthday instead: 225 - XNW. The gas-station attendant usually looks at me a little funny now when he asks my number and I close my eyes, scroonch up my nose and say to myself, "225 by Northwest," then reel off the number for him.

Sometimes it comes slowly, but it works for me.

One of the best custom plates I've ever seen was 6 - SIDES, used by George and Caroline Sides. They used it for their signature on the Community Christmas Greeting page every year, too, while their kids were still at home.

The custom plate that struck me as the funniest I've ever seen was on the car of a Texas Tech student years ago, during the Vietnam War. For whatever reason—the war, the

military draft, the pressures of college—his plate read WHY - ME.

Most blue-eyed people don't need a calendar to tell when the autumnal equinox is past. The sun isn't as bright now, and we don't need our sunglasses as often.

During the summer, when I step out of a dark building into the bright sunlight, my eyeballs actually hurt for a few seconds until they get accustomed to it. And if I didn't wear my sunglasses, I'd probably develop a permanent squint.

I worried for years that I might have some ominous kind of eye problem—until I read that blue eyes are simply more sensitive to light than brown, green or hazel eyes because they don't filter the rays as well.

I think we blue-eyed folks also have a harder time driving at night against oncoming headlights.

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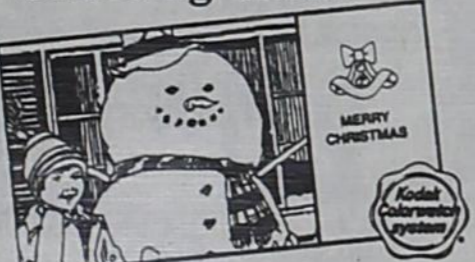
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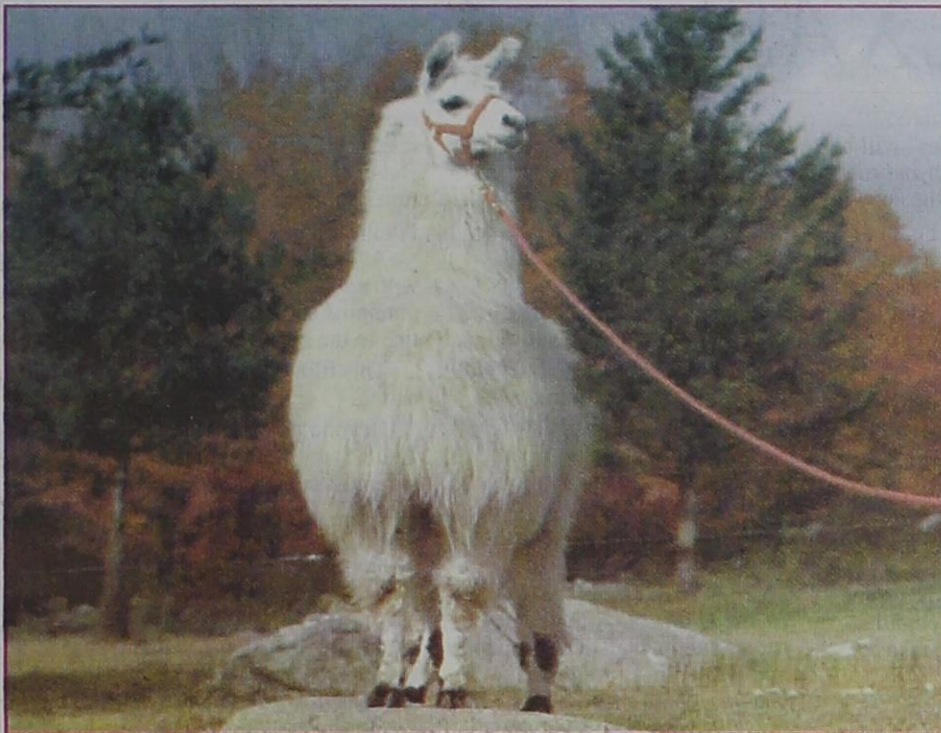
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CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Brig. Hassan Sami always knows when an animal has been beaten all its life: "It shies from human touch."

Sami, retired from the Egyptian army, caters to such animals as overseer of Cairo's Brooke Hospital for Animals and four Brooke clinics in the countryside.

Beginning in early morning, the animals —

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PR News Foto

À top llama

Senor Manzana, a male llama from the farm of Lars and Gayle Garrison in Stamford, VT., West Mountain Farm, Inc. is one of the largest breeders of llamas in the Northeast. They have trained llamas for golf caddies, pack animals and sheep-guards. Llama fiber is extremely fine and is used by spinners, knitters and weavers. "Manzana," born in Bolivia, weighs 300 pounds. He has had about 15 offspring, with 20 more expected next year. Llama are raised by numerous livestock raisers in the South Plains/Texas Panhandle area.

Texas Bison Association holds membership drive

The Texas Bison Association, formed in March of this year to promote and support the bison industry in Texas, is seeking members.

"We want to disprove the myth that bison are extinct. Bison are thriving and doing well in Texas," said Alvin Jones of Iraan, who is president of the new association. "Our purpose is to build a network of bison breeders, marketers and consumers, as well as people who appreciate bison and the history that they represent."

Active memberships are available for \$100 annually for owners of bison, which are also called buffalo. Associate memberships are available for \$75 per year.

The association plans to conduct seminars, video auctions and other activities, as well as increase contact among those interested in bison as a business or hobby.

Interested parties may contact Deborah De Los Santos, TBA secretary, at (713)429-9206.

Checks for memberships may be sent to De Los Santos at 16445 Edgefield Lane, Conroe, Texas 77302. Checks should be made payable to E. L. Bauer, DBA Texas Bison Association.

Eleven founding members met in San Antonio March 11 to discuss the group's charter, which is currently being finalized. The group elected five directors. Newly elected directors include

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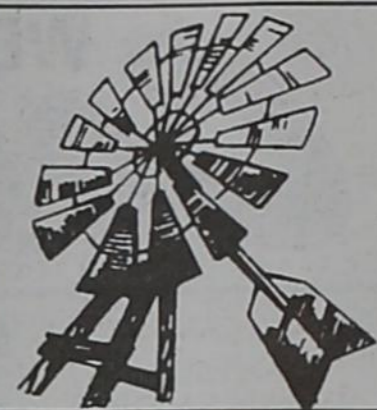
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AgReview



Michener's 'TEXAS' debuts on video this year

By BRUCE WESTBROOK

c. 1994 Houston Chronicle

As history, "James A. Michener's Texas" does a fine job of depicting Texas' evolution from Mexican colony to independent nation to state.

But as entertainment, the miniseries based on Michener's book is a mixed bag, aiming for epic scope but settling for what becomes a routine re-enactment of events that shaped Texas from 1821 to 1845.

Nothing is routine about the release of "Texas," though.

In an unprecedented move, the film premiered Wednesday on video before going to ABC in three to six months for its network debut.

Many movies go directly to video, and some TV shows have been sent to video simultaneously with their broadcasts. But this is the first major network miniseries to get video exposure first and make TV wait.

On video from Republic Pictures, "Texas" is a two-tape set priced for the rental market

(\$49.98) and running three hours. On ABC, "Texas" will be spread over two nights and run four hours, thanks to the commercials.

Reportedly, the direct-to-video plan enabled producer Aaron Spelling to get additional financing, making "Texas" a \$12 million production.

Already, Republic has sold 150,000 copies to stores. And the rental audience is expected to be different from the future TV audience.

The film itself will be different for each audience, too.

On video, "Texas" has some nudity, violence and rough language that will be trimmed for its ABC showing.

Produced by Spelling Television, it's directed by TV veteran Richard Lang.

Headliners include Patrick Duffy, formerly of "Dallas," as Stephen F. Austin; Grant Show, a "Melrose Place" heartthrob, as Col. William B. Travis; and Rick Schroder, typecast from "Lonesome Dove" as yet another cry-baby young'un learning to be a man on the frontier.

But this is no "Lonesome Dove" in other ways, especially in character development.

"Texas" sorely needs a charisma fix. It humanizes some heroes to the point of being unsavory, hard-drinking louts, while making others stodgy, hand-wringing worry-warts.

And its saga of heroic revolution is less rousing than downbeat — if not downright sad.

Yet the first half isn't bad, largely thanks to two attractive actors playing composite — rather than historical — characters.

They're Chelsea Field as Mattie Quimper, a spunky new settler and independent woman, and Benjamin Bratt as Benito Garza, a charming, dashing, brave vaquero who's loyal to Mexico and his family's proud heritage.

Their star-crossed love affair should have been the heart pulsing beneath "Texas" history. But in the latter half, their romance is trampled by messy battles, melodramatic tragedy and a barrage of historical details.

Charlton Heston provides

most of the latter with calmly reassuring off-screen narration. But even there, "Texas" sometimes succumbs to chest-beating jingoistic pride.

At least the locations are worth such pride; they're untainted and lovely and do justice to the material.

This film doesn't lack strong acting.

Beyond lovers Field and Bratt, Stacy Keach gives the strongest performance as Sam Houston. His righteous wrath in one scene with a cowardly and grasping Anthony Michael Hall is the film's dramatic highlight.

But Duffy, as a dutiful, stiff diplomat, gives a depressing, bleak portrait of an ill and anguished Austin, while Show employs a ludicrous Southern accent and looks like he's late for a costume party.

Worst of all, John Schneider as Davy Crockett gets little chance to make any impact. Sorry, but Crockett is no throw-away character.

Even so, at its start, the film has a strong human feel, with tender romantic scenes and a

buoyant frontier spirit.

But so much of "Texas" is then mismanaged, from the monotonous coughing and hacking of Duffy and David Keith (as Jim Bowie) to the clumsily edited, gratuitous scenes of bare-breasted women nervously fleeing or watching gunplay.

That gunplay is botched, too, with scene after scene shot the same way: Extras grimace as messy blood packs explode in their bellies, then fall to the ground in slow motion.

Take out the slow-mo, and "Texas" might run 10 minutes shorter. It's like little boys playing a game of dying spectacularly but without much imagination.

Besides, the point here shouldn't be clichéd death but a human approach to a broad historical canvas.

To paint that canvas, "Texas" was made on a hefty TV budget. Yet often the film doesn't look lavish. In fact, some of its Alamo battle scenes almost appear to be stock footage.

You might say Texas — and "Texas" — deserve better.

South Plains

Ag News

Nov. 29-30, Dec. 1

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By MARIAN BURROS

c. 1994 N.Y. Times

This year, this annual mail-order column has almost twice as many sweets as savories. That is in part because there are many more mail-order desserts than there are mail-order vegetables, meat, cheese or grain dishes.

But after watching the guests at a mail-order party at my home a few months ago, it was easy to conclude that people are far more interested in sweets as gifts than they are in, say, the best buffalo-milk mozzarella or smoked fish. They are also less discriminating about sweets than they are about any other category of food.

The 20 or so items in this column were whittled down from about 40 or 50. In order to eat as little as possible of each, especially those I like, I decided to share them with a group of friends this year; hence, the party. I asked them all to comment on what they ate, so I could compare their thoughts with my tasting notes.

We differed on many things, something particularly noticeable

when it came to the desserts. Some that I thought were too dry or that had no discernible flavor beyond sweet were routinely described by the guests as good to excellent. Their impressions didn't change my mind, but they did prove the appeal of sweet things. When the desserts were put out, the guests flocked to the table and didn't move until they had sampled each one.

Their comments about the savories were far more pointed. What almost everyone loved unreservedly was D'Artagnan's truffle mousse, but many

were not as fond as I of the salmon torta. Both are included in the following list.

None of the desserts had any bad marks, although the unquestioned favorite was the praline pumpkin cheesecake from Culinary Crafts.

As people have become busier and busier, buying and gift-giving by mail have become more and more popular but, with rare exceptions, the very large mail-order companies are not providing food that is any better than what can be purchased in the local supermarket. So this list concentrates

on small companies with lots of personal service. Though the party's over, feel free to share your comments. Next week: Good tasting, good-for-you mail-order foods.

SWEETS
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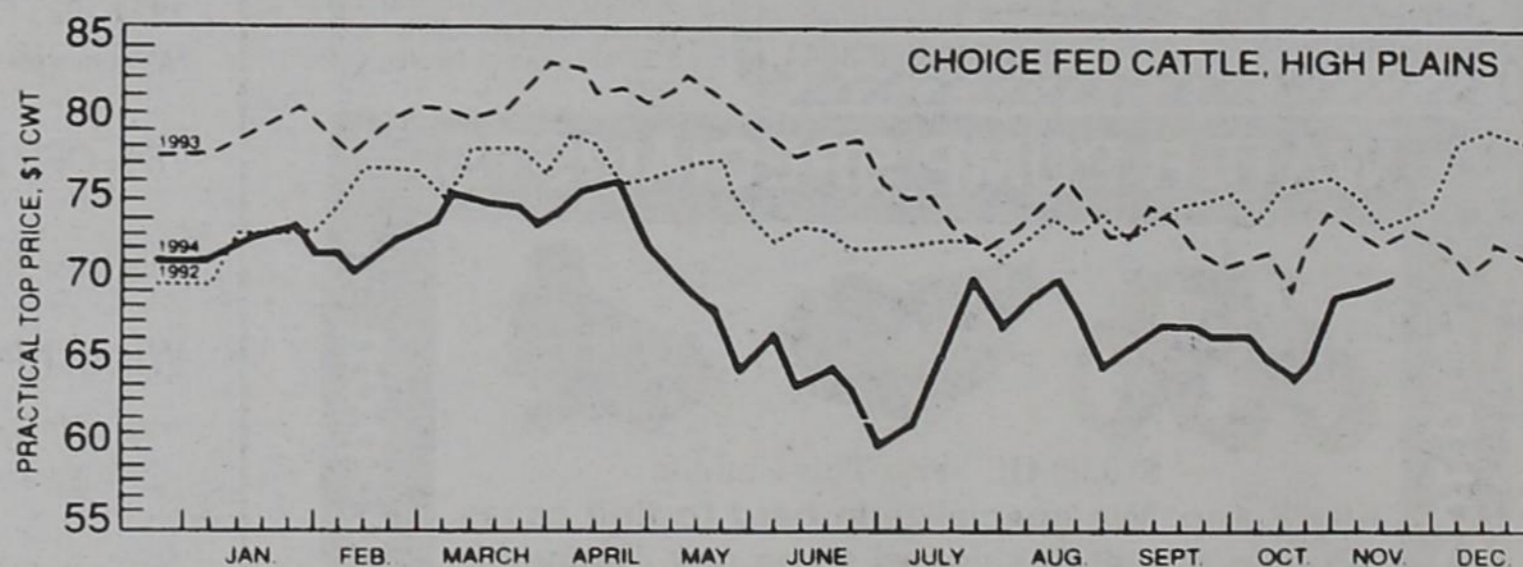
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New fads: Mail order food is here



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The above report reflects market activity through Nov 10.

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Edgar Bauer, Fayetteville; Beverly Brown, Bryan; Deborah De Los Santos, Conroe; Clifford Dorn, College Station; and Alvin Jones, Iraan.

Additional information regarding association activities may be obtained

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EGYPT

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keys and an occasional camel — line up outside the hospital doors, facing a side street of a Cairo slum. Some will be treated. Some want only a drink.

For these animals, who'll work until they drop, the Brooke Animal Hospital is probably the only friend they'll ever have.

"These people are all uneducated. They depend on the animal," Sami says. "When they whip the horse or donkey, it's not because they have no heart. It's because they're trying to feed their family."

The hospital staff understands that for the poor, beating an animal is like pressing a truck's accelerator. In the Third World, it's a wretched life both for working animals and the working poor.

That's why the spotless Brooke clinics are paradise for the patients.

"I remember one horse we nursed back to health and returned to its owner," Sami says. "He had just gotten to the top of that hill before he bolted and tried to come through our doors again."

But the horse left with its owner. That's Brooke policy.

"All we can do, once we've helped the animal, is try to convince the man that a healthy, happy horse means a better life for his family," Sami says.

This is the legacy of Dorothy Brooke, an English military wife who came to

Cairo in 1930 and saw Old Bill, her first war horse.

"The worst-looking horse I'd ever seen," Brooke wrote to London's Morning Post, with a photograph enclosed.

The letter, suggesting a fund to help abandoned war horses, raised a public outcry in animal-loving England to find a way to honor the 160,000 aging horses, mules, donkeys and camels that accompanied Commonwealth troops into World War I's bloody battles of the Near East. Most remained when the soldiers went home.

The picture of Old Bill brought an outpouring of money. He became the first of 5,000 old war horses Mrs. Brooke bought. All but a few were given a few days of food, rest and loving care before being put down.

In 1934, the Brooke Hospital for Old War Horses came to the slums of Sayyida Zainab. Here, Mrs. Brooke turned her attention to the donkeys and horses who carry the burdens and share the miseries of Cairo's working poor.

The Brooke Hospital for Animals was in business.

Through wars and revolutions, political squabbles and sporadic financial woes, the hospital hasn't closed its doors for 60 years.

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Ever since Professor Smart's book, "How to Succeed Though Untalented and Under-Motivated", hit the shelves; the good professor has just been showin' up everywhere.

I stopped in at "Qlo Neely's Service Station and Branch Post Office" to pick up my mail and a copy of the "Windy Valley/Windsor Lake Daily Disappointment & Observer". Right there in the left-hand column of the front page was an article by Dr. Smart. Editor, Wilbert "Scoop" Wiggs, said Smart's articles would appear every Thursday, henceforth.

I found Smart's article so interestin' that I had to share it with Preacher Fike, R.C. Daffern, and J.C. Shields who were in their usual early mornin' loafin' mode.

"Listen boys, this is heavy," I announced.

Smart writes, "A few years ago, a prominent businessman was interviewed by the media. "To what do you attribute your great success?" they asked.

"I attribute my success to three little words," he replied. "The three little words are: AND THEN SOME. Those three little words have made possible whatever success I enjoy today."

"The media asked, 'What do you mean by that? How did those three little words contribute to your success?'"

"The businessman explained that when he was in school he tried to do everything the teachers expected of him. AND THEN SOME. When he went off to college he always tried to prepare all assignments and do all of the outside readin' required, AND THEN SOME. When he played football, he said, 'I did all of the exercises and assignments the coach demanded, AND THEN SOME.' And then, he said, 'When I graduated from college and went into business for myself, I tried to give my customers

every bit of the goods and services they had a right to expect of me, AND THEN SOME. Those three little words, AND THEN SOME, account for any success that I have enjoyed."

When I finished readin' I looked up at the mornin' coffee crowd and said, "Boys, isn't that good? I wish I had learned that a long time ago. Reckon I coulda bloomed a lot earlier if somebody had just explained this 'AND THEN SOME' business to me a little better."

The reactions of the loafers ranged from, "That's mighty interestin'" to "I'd never thought of it quite that way."

Preacher Fike interrupted, "I don't know why not. It's been right there in the



Illustrations by Chris Johnson

Bible for a couple thousand years: "If a man should compel you to go one mile, go with him two."

Course, that rung a bell. Preacher Fike told how the Romans were usurpers in Palestine and they could force any private citizen to perform any act they pleased against their will. Compulsory service for the hated Romans was a bitter pill.

"Maybe that's why," Preacher Fike concluded, "we have so much trouble with this 'AND THEN SOME' business. We have to think of others before ourselves and that's a bitter pill for some!"

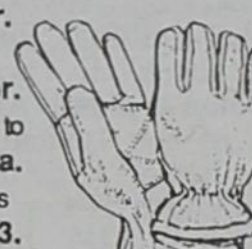
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South Texas boasts record in White Tail deer hunting

By **JOE DOGGETT**

Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — South Texas is the heavy-weight division of white-tail deer hunting.

The Brush Country offers big buck potential challenged by no other region of the state, and few if any areas of the nation. This statement is not just hot air fanned by a mesquite fire — a fact to remember as the South Texas deer season opens Saturday.

Let's look at the record book.

The Boone & Crockett Club recognizes world-class whitetail antler measurement of at least 170 inches, net, in the typical configuration, and 195 in the non-typical configuration.

Last season, seven bucks from Texas officially qualified for the B&C "book" (five typical, two non-typical). All but two of the typical-division bucks were taken from South Texas.

During the banner 1992-93 season, 18 bucks were certified by B&C (13 typical, five non-typical). All 13 typical bucks, and three of the five non-typical heads, were taken from South Texas.

Of course, even in South Texas almost nobody ever gets a chance at a "sure-nuff" B&C deer. The high — many say too-high — standards established by B&C make this quest for the antlered grail a very long shot.

A better measure of overall trophy potential is the ongoing list compiled by the Texas Big Game Awards Program.

The program, sponsored primarily by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Wildlife Association, uses regional standards to recognize realistic trophy-class potential.

The South Texas region requires B&C scores of 140, net, typical and 155 non-typical.

No other region posts such high minimums. For example, the Hill Country minimums are 130 and 145, and the East Texas minimums are 125 and 140.

Last season, the TBGAP certified 257 typical bucks and 59 non-typical bucks from South Texas. The Hill Country (Edwards Plateau) posted 68 typical and 19 non-typical entries. East Texas (Pineywoods) posted 72 and 12.

A fluke? During the 1992-93 season South Texas qualified 329 typical and 79 non-typical white-tails. The Hill Country placed 96 and 14, and the Pineywoods saw 75 and 10.

The imbalance is even more staggering when you consider that South Texas is working under significantly higher minimums.

These statistics are not intended to downgrade the fine hunting in other regions; rather, they are a celebration of the Brush Country.

South Texas has an aura, a mystique. You don't make that long haul and (sadly) spend that big money just to

shoot any deer. The thought of every south-bound deer hunter is, "I want a big buck."

But what exactly is a "big buck?" The concept of trophy is relative not only to region but to experience. To a beginner, anything sprouting horns is high drama — nothing wrong with that attitude.

But the grizzled gunslinger, the veteran of many South Texas campaigns, becomes selective.

Serious hunters on big ranches and long-term leases allow the game to mature. The variables of habitat aside, a six-year-old buck will beat a two-year-old buck every time.

But what constitutes quality in a mature buck?

Here again, antlers are a matter of interpretation. The B&C scoring system is the established measure, but it places heavy emphasis on symmetry. In short, unless the right antler mirrors the left antler, scoring points are deducted.

This is a somewhat

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Amarillo, Texas

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19th at 10:00a.m.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20th at 1:00p.m.

More furniture, more glass, antiques, collectables, some jewelry (Indian) and the remainder of the Katie Ryan Collection!

Moved to: The Tri-State Fairgrounds
Commercial Exhibits Building, Amarillo, TX. Exit from I-40 on Grand St, then north to 10th. Then west to the corner arch (#1) watch for signs.

The Katie Ryan Collection has been moved from Odessa, TX to be combined with the Mr. and Mrs. Hans Fuhler Estate. Both estates boast some of the finest period antiques from the early 18th century, 19th century, and including modern or reproduction along with 20th century antiques. Plus art glass lamps, an astounding array of bronze statuary, flow blue porcelain, cut crystal, ruby cut to clear, porcelain chocolate set, Dresden center piece, cobalt servers and Dore elect. candelabrum. Signed "Tiffany" art glass and lamps, Indian art and jewelry, skulls, longhorn and buffalo mounts. Reconditioned antique gas pumps. Original Charles Summey oil on canvas (and artist signed numbered prints). Antique and semi-antique handmade rugs. Oriental porcelain vases (palace size), toys, cast iron toys, baby buggy, doll buggy, dolls, etc. Antique Louis XV style sofa and 2 chairs, antique French sofa and 2 chairs with 8' wide carved trim all around! Cast aluminum Patio table and 4 chairs, 4 street lamps, 2 carousel style horses, planters and etc. Bronze statue (life size) of nude woman and Blackamoor (life size) with torch (both from pool area), bronze fountain from spa of boy on fish, other fabulous fountains and bronze statues from the garden and atrium areas. Fabulous carved French bedroom suites, fine carved dining room suites, and plenty of heavy carved court cupboards, sideboards, backbars, and entry or accessory pieces from the period - 18th and 19th century. 3 piece antique statue clock sets with candelabrum. Large Grand piano by Harwood of New York. Antique musical photo album. 19th century swiss music box in rosewood case. Marble pedestal and carved marble Eagle Lamp. Beautiful marquetry inlaid desk with ormolou trim. Cherry bookcases. English walnut breakfast. Banded 2 pedestal dining table and chippendale chairs. Coca-Cola decorated antique gas pump with A.M.-F.M. radio, C.D., etc. like new.

FRIDAY: Jewelry, some crystal, some small bronze jewelry guaranteed by Auction Co. to be genuine! Will be brought from bank vault by security on Friday at 9:00 and displayed for inspection during and before auction.

SATURDAY: Furniture, glass, porcelain, Indian artifacts, antique gas pumps, rugs, misc. trucks and trailers.

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ironic concept when you consider that a perfectly symmetrical whitetail rack with no "deducts" is perhaps the rarest of all freak configurations. It just doesn't happen — not in the real world of brush and bucks.

This focus on symmetry has knocked many glorious bucks from the book, bucks that might gross in the high 170s or even 180s but net (after the dreaded deductions) below the 170 minimum. Most of the non-qualifiers are awesome bucks

that display the gnarly characteristics that so define the thorn brush.

Another asset that may or may not court the B&C score is antler spread. No question, wide racks are revered in South Texas, but beam width does not count for much in the official scoring system. The B&C formula adds beam lengths and circumferences plus tine lengths to the single measurement of the inside beam width taken at the widest point.

The difference between a so-so 18-inch inside spread and an exceptional 22-inch inside spread is four inches — not much when a net total of 140 inches is needed for TBGAP certification (not to mention 170 for the hallowed "Book").

Granted, the 22-inch buck looks more impressive, as the beams fan and curl beyond the ear tips, but looks don't always count for much against the steel tape.

In fact, a dispropor-

tionate number of modest spreads score well with B&C. Last season, the top three typicals had official inside beam spreads of 17 4/8 (174 4/8 net), 17 4/8 (174 1/8), and 17 1/8 (171 3/8). The top non-typical (Alex Hixon's 203 4/8) carried a mere 15 5/8-inch inside spread.

Like it or not, if you covet the B&C score, do not discount those "basket rack" bucks with narrow spreads but long beams and high tines. These often will score

significantly better than a wide deer with (typically) short tines — although the wide deer might be the more impressive-looking mount.

But scores aren't everything. Looks play a huge part in trophy status. Measurements and deductions aside, the buck that grabs your eye and pounds your pulse is the "big deer." And beginning this weekend, the top venue in the state to fulfill this dream opens with

uncommon promise.

And remember that last season, the state's top typical, Gary Braun's 174 4/8 and the overall Muy Grande winner, John Brent's 366 2/8 (score combines body weight and antler measurements), were taken during mid-November. Not all the big ones in the brush wait for the rut of mid-December.

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'Claus' could be hit of '94 Christmas holidays

By BOB STRAUSS

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LOS ANGELES — Tim Allen aims high. Not content with being television's reigning megastar, the "Home Improvement" headliner makes his movie debut as the biggest beloved guy of all time in "The Santa Clause."

We do mean big. Though this kiddie-aimed Christmas comedy doesn't often rise above an adequately entertaining level, the effects that turn trim

Allen into St. Nick are marvelous. Prosthetics whizzes Alec Gillis and Tom Woodruff and fat-suit designer Linda Notaro prove themselves movie's real magical elves.

Directed by Allen's "Improvement" collaborator John Pasquin, "Clause" is otherwise a big-screen sitcom. Allen plays divorced toy company executive Scott Calvin. A less-than-competent weekend father, he pretty much blows Christmas Eve with his

son, Charlie (Eric Lloyd) by burning the turkey, and they wind up eating with all the other single dads and their kids at Denny's.

Later, after reading his son "The Night Before Christmas," the Calvins are awakened by a guy trying to crawl down their chimney.

Scott startles him, the intruder falls off the roof, is gravely hurt and then, suddenly, vanishes. Leaving his big, empty red suit in the snow.

Charlie convinces Scott to put the Santa clothes on. A sleigh pulled by flying animatronic reindeer materializes. Father and son go off to finish the gift-leaving rounds and learn to

bond better. And Allen being Allen, a lot of Christmas trees are knocked over in the process. We've already mentioned what's good. The reindeer look too fakey and assorted

"morphing" bits, like illustrations of how Santa gets into homes without fireplaces, often make you wonder if the film got crumpled up in the projector.

Birkenfeld joins staff at Hart Bank

Alan Birkenfeld of Nazareth has joined the staff of Hale County State Bank's Hart Banking Center, effective Nov. 1, as a banking officer with areas of responsibility in agricultural lending.

The announcement was made by Richard Kimbrough, executive vice president.

Birkenfeld, a native of Nazareth, holds a master of science degree in range

science from Utah State University. He holds a bachelor of science degree in agricultural economics and a bachelor of business administration degree in finance from Texas A&M University.

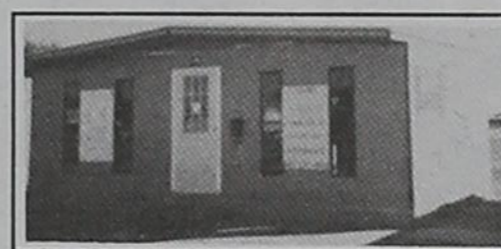
Nazareth organizations plan turkey dinner and craft show

The annual Nazareth holiday bazaar and Thanksgiving dinner are both slated for Sunday in Nazareth.

The Nazareth Art Club's arts and crafts show will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Nazareth school cafeteria. The building will be open for exhibitors to start setting

up their displays at 7:30 a.m.

The Nazareth Christian Mothers' Thanksgiving dinner, featuring turkey, dressing and all the trimmings, will be served in the Nazareth Community Hall beginning at 11:30 a.m. and serving until 2 p.m. Plates will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for 12 and under.



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Dorothy Brooke's legacy is far more than the faded photo of her in Sami's office. It's her unique way of delivering help to the needy, in a world where so much aid evades those who need it most.

The Brooke spirit and hands-on approach now reach to Jordan and the horses ferrying tourists into ancient Petra; to Pakistan and the pack ponies plying the Hindu Kush; to India and the tonga ponies working silica mines outside New Delhi.

More than a million people are said to depend on Brooke's help.

"When an animal suffers, it suffers silently, and for years," says Richard Searight, Mrs.

Brooke's grandson. "An animal has to work seven days a week."

Searight was in Egypt to attend the 60th anniversary observances. Like other family members, he has been involved with Brooke activities since childhood, often in raising donations. Most funding comes from Britain, sometimes family fortunes.

New Yorker Harriet Weed came to the rescue in 1972, during one of the hospital's worst financial crises, by leaving \$500,000 to Brooke in her will.

"We're like a garage service," Searight says. "Our aim is to keep animals healthy and working. Once Brooke enters an area, life expectancy

for a work animal can rise from a few years to 20 years."

Last year, clinics in Egypt treated 82,804 animals. In all, Brooke clinics treated 171,774 animals.

As Dorothy Brooke envisioned, animals are honored guests at her clinics. They're brought in voluntarily and treated free unless the owner can pay. Animals are never discharged unless they're fit to work. Blind animals are hand-fed until they know their way around. Old, hopelessly lame, injured or worn-out animals are given a period of rest and love before being humanely destroyed.

A poor owner is subsidized until his animal returns to work or is

given money toward a replacement if it dies or is put down. An owner who has treated his animal well gets more help.

Cairo is a much more dangerous place for animals today than in Mrs. Brooke's era. A megacity of 14 million people, Cairo depends on goods and services brought in by donkey cart or horse-drawn wagon.

As temperatures soar, work animals — worn-out, skeletal, continually whipped — collapse along roadsides or fall victim to motor vehicles.

On average, a horse hit in traffic stays 16 days in the hospital. Operations require longer convalescence, a catastrophe for a family living off the animal.

Brooke employs 30 veterinarians in all its clinics. In Egypt, doctors visit seven markets and treat animals in three squatter communities where residents haul and recycle garbage brought in by spindly donkeys pulling rickety carts.

Tuesday is market day at Al-Marg, a bustling vegetable and animal souk on Cairo's northern outskirts. Long before veterinarian Nagi Saleib arrives, rows of bare-boned donkeys and horses are lined up at Brooke's water trough.

Some animals bear scars from beatings with hot metal rods — mistakenly believed to cure illness.

Saleib, a Brooke vet

for 12 years, moves slowly through the crush. He stops to treat open sores, lift harnesses that have rubbed flesh raw, check for colic or tetanus. And to preach the benefits of animal care.

"The young are our hope," he says. "Our message is lost on the older generations. We don't blame them. It's their way of life."

Editors:
Information available from the charity's headquarters: Brooke Hospital for Animals, Dept. 060, Broadmead House, 21 Panton Street, London, England. SW1Y 4DR. Telephone: (071) 930-0210.

Fishing up to lukewarm after fall doldrums

AUSTIN — The following report on Texas fishing conditions was released last week by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear, 2 feet low, white bass fair, crappie good, beginning to move into shallows, catfish fair.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, 66 degrees, black bass fair, crappie fair, hybrid stripers fair, no report available for catfish.

GRANBURY: Water murky, normal, 74 degrees, black bass fair to 3 pounds on topwater lures, white bass good on silver spoons, schooling, crappie good at 14 feet on small minnows, cats good on cheese bait at 8 to 14 feet of water over baited holes.

MCCLELLAN: Water clear, 58 degrees, white bass good on slabs and minnows in 30 to 50 feet of water, walleye good on minnows from 30 to 50 feet.

MEREDITH: Water clear, 58 degrees, black bass poor, smallmouth bass are good on rocks in hot part of day, white bass and walleye good from 30 to 50 feet on medium minnows and big slabs.

OAK CREEK: Water clear, 8 feet low, black bass good to 10 pounds on plastic worms, crappie good off docks on minnows, catfish good

on chicken liver.

O.H.IVIE: Water clear, elevation 1549.49, 65 degrees, black bass fair on crank baits and shiners in 3 to 10 feet of water, also on plastic worms and jigging spoons around brush and points from 10 to 20 feet, smallmouth poor to fair on crank baits, jigs, and plastic worms around rocky shorelines, white bass fair at Observation Point Bluff in 10 to 20 feet of water, crappie good in 10 to 20 feet of water around brushy areas on jigs, catfish fair on trotlines, channel cats and blues best around mid-lake and up river, yellow cats best along rocky ledges and up river, walleye fair in 10 to 15 feet of water.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water stained, 67 degrees, black bass up early and working topwaters and some Crawworms, striped and white bass sporadic early and late in day, some schooling, some down to 50 feet of water on slabs, crappie fair toward Rock Creek, catfish good.

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SPENCE: Water clear, 30 feet low, 72 degrees, black bass good to 7.9 pounds, stripers good to 8 pounds, crappie fair on minnows around Wildcat Bridge, catfish

slow.

THEO: Water extremely low, no fishermen.

TWIN BUTTES: Water extremely low, hard to fish, very few fishermen out.

WHITE RIVER:

Water clear, 11 feet low, 68 degrees, black bass good on white topwater spinners, crappie fair on small minnows, walleye poor, fishing hanging deep, channel and yellow catfish good on large

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