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DeBruce buys AgriFarms grain elevators

By **DAVIE ANN BROWDER**
Managing Editor

Paul DeBruce, CEO of DeBruce Grain Inc., confirmed Monday that his company bought four grain elevators in Castro County and the land attached to them from AgriFarms for a price of \$600,000 to \$700,000.

DeBruce, speaking from his headquarters in Kansas City said that the company will run those elevators as "a compliment to our

existing facility."

The sale was made during an open auction on Friday. DeBruce said this purchase shows that his company believes in not only West Texas, but the Dimmitt Area.

"We have continued to invest in Dimmitt at our current operations center," he said. "We added a flaking unit there for the dairies coming into the community. And we've just doubled the capacity there."

DeBruce buys grain from local producers and sells it to feedlots, he said.

"We ship wheat to the Gulf for export or to California for flour mills," DeBruce said. "Some of it is shipped to Mexico to flour mills there."

DeBruce owns facilities throughout the Midwest and Mexico and has about 100-million bushels in elevator capacity. The company trades grain in all 48 continental states, plus Mexico and Canada and had

sales of \$2.2 billion last year.

The company will take ownership of the silos on or before Aug. 15, he said.

Initially, the public won't notice the change in ownership.

"We don't have time to do much before this corn harvest," DeBruce said. "Through the winter we'll analyze the facilities and determine where to do upgrades, all with improving service to the producer/customer as our goal."

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By **DAVIE A. BROWDER**
Managing Editor

MULESHOE - Putting my feet on the front page of a newspaper - any newspaper, but especially the newspaper where I work - is not my idea of fun. Maybe if I had prettier feet, we could talk about it.

However, when I heard about H2O Wonder, Inc., and talked to some friends who'd had Starla Ellis use her ionCleanse on them, I decided to uh take the plunge, so to speak.

"After I have a session, my back pain is gone for weeks at a time," said Leah Bell, who works for the *Muleshoe Journal* and calls the process quite aptly a "foot flush."

Another employee there swears to its efficacy in treating his bum knee and ankle.

"My right ankle had been operated on twice and I always had a little swelling around it; my right knee had three surgeries. This process has kept the swelling down and the soreness is negligible," said Larry Ayers. "It's really helped. Before this, I'd been treated for cancer twice and doctors had told me that poison from your bodies tends to go to your legs

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STARLA ELLIS TAKES the ionic unit out of the wash after a 20-minute treatment.

RV park on the road again

By **DAVIE BROWDER**
Managing Editor

The RV park envisioned by Frank and Jamie Mendoza remained without a home Monday night after the Dimmitt City Council voted 4-3 to refuse water and sewer service to the land Mendoza owns south of Ruskin Circle.

Voting to deny the service were council members Bob Murdock, Bill Potts and Roger Malone. On the other side were council members Gloria Hernandez, Paul Wayland and Roy Garcia, which threw the matter into a tie. Mayor Wayne Collins cast the deciding "no" vote, saying, "When a majority of residents in an area are opposed to a project, it's not practical to go ahead."

Twelve residents from that area were at the meeting and all who spoke opposed the idea of an RV park, claiming that when they purchased their homes they understood that the area was zoned in a way that would prohibit trailer houses. Although an RV has a slightly different definition from a trailer house, residents didn't see it that way.

After a heated exchange between Malone and Wayland over what precedent it would set to run the water and sewer lines to the property which is located in

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Under attack! The American family is beseiged on all sides

BY **CHRIS BRADFORD**

The American family is under attack. Not by terrorists or an enemy from OUTSIDE that would destroy our way of life, but those enemies must surely be watching with pleasure as America and all we stand for implodes due to our own actions, or inactions in this case. No, the problem is more insidious and much closer to home. We are under attack from WITHIN.

Some call it an "alternative lifestyle." To be blunt - it's the rampant spread of the homosexual

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lifestyle.

California and Massachusetts led the way relative to individual states accepting 'alternative lifestyles' as being legal. They are gaining inroads in our society at an alarming rate. There is Tolerance Day in our schools where we are correctly taught to be tolerate of those with different skin colors. Other states have begun to include those with different lifestyles than your own. So now our children will learn that homosexuality is OK.

Churches are allowing homosexuals into the pulpits and into leadership positions. What in the world are they using for a Bible? They must be leaving out the books of Titus, Hebrews, Timothy, among others. My Bible says "God hates homosexuality." He doesn't hate the person, just their ways. God loves everyone.

Many of our courts and politicians are catering to the gay coalition. Living here in Castro County, I think we miss just how powerful that coalition is. Ask Canada how powerful the gay

lobby is. Gay marriages are now legal there. The Catholic Church is very influential in Canada, but fell short of being able to halt approval of the measure.

We sat on our hands while Madalyn Murray O'Hair began the process of taking God out of the schools. We sat on our hands and lost the right to pray in school, in many cases just mentioning God will "offend" someone. They tried to take God out of our Pledge of Allegiance ... and don't think that fight is over yet. There has been a movement to take God off our

coinage and paper money. I am convinced that economics is the only reason this cause hasn't moved forward.

As Christians and as Americans, we can't afford to give up more ground without a fight. We all need to mobilize and let our leaders from the local school board member up to the President of our great country know that a line has been drawn in the sand. This country was founded with God as its head. And as long as God is in control, there is no room for the practice of homosexuality.

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NCC opposes administration's Step 2 cotton program proposal

The NCC is opposing a plan submitted to Congress by USDA that calls for immediate elimination of the Step 2 cotton program.

The proposed statutory changes announced by USDA are to comply with a recent WTO dispute decision.

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns said, "By implementing these proposed changes, we are being fully responsive to the WTO decision."

He said this step is essential for the United States "to continue to be a leader in the WTO Doha negotiations, which are crucial to U.S. market access and the long-term prosperity of U.S. farmers and ranchers."

In a letter to Sen. Harkin (D-IA) and Sen. Chambliss (R-GA), chairman and ranking member, respectively, of the Agriculture, Forestry and Nutrition Committee, NCC Chairman Woods Eastland said the Step 2 program is an integral part of the overall cotton title in the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and was constructed to work in conjunction with the other parts of the cotton program. "The approach suggested by the legislation would change the terms and conditions of the cotton program in the middle of the marketing season - something the National Cotton Council has always opposed.

Sales of the 2005 crop have already begun in earnest. Cotton will begin to be harvested across the Cotton Belt well

before this legislation is even considered by Congress.

The approach suggested by the Administration would alter a fundamental piece of the sales and marketing structure for cotton in the United States in mid-stream, harming many U.S. cotton producers, merchants and textile manufacturers."

Eastland urged in the letter that "Congress review options in this matter that are short of the immediate elimination of the Step 2 program.

"We further urge Congress to insist that it receive clear indications of Brazil's intentions before making drastic

changes to a U.S. commodity program.

"The National Cotton Council will continue to work with Congress and the Administration to construct a fair and appropriate response to this decision."

USDA's proposed statutory changes also would change the export credit guarantee programs by removing a one-percent cap on fees that can be charged under the export credit programs, and terminating the Intermediate Export Guarantee Program (GSM-103).

For more information, visit the newsroom area of USDA's website, <http://www.usda.gov>.

Public hearing set for Aug. 11 to get water plan comments

The Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group ("Region O") will conduct a public hearing, Thursday, Aug. 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Texas Tech University International Cultural Center, 601 N. Indiana Avenue, Lubbock. The public is invited to attend. (This hearing had previously been announced for July 28, 2005.)

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the Initially Prepared Llano Estacado Regional Water Plan, which includes the counties of Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Parmer, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum.

Copies of the Initially Prepared LERWPG plan are available for inspection at the County Attorney's offices and the public libraries in each county listed above as well as the High Plains Underground Water

Conservation District office in Lubbock. The initially prepared LERWPG plan is also available on-line at the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group's web site (www.llanoplan.org).

Additional information regarding the initially prepared plan and/or the public hearing is available by contacting H.P. Brown Jr., LERWPG Chairman, PO

Box 2426, Lubbock, TX, 79408-2426 or by calling (806) 765-8851.

Oral comments will be received at the public hearing.

Anyone wishing to make oral comments must pre-register on-site prior to the opening of the public hearing.

Each speaker will be limited to a period not to

exceed five (5) minutes.

Written comments will also be accepted at the public hearing or may be mailed through Oct. 10, 2005 to the attention of Chairman Brown in care of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79411-2499. The water district is the political subdivision administering the LERWPG.

We invite Letters to the Editor or commentary. The Castro County News, however, reserves the right to edit for length and style. If you'd like to express yourself, send your opinion to us at **The Castro County News**, P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt, TX 79027 or via e-mail at editor@castrocountynews.com. (Your name, phone number and address must be included for the letter to be considered for publication.)


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Don't try to put in eye drops while lying down. You may get a drop in, but more likely, you'll just miss the eye itself. It's easiest if you work in good light. First, pull down the lower eyelid with your index finger. This will create a small "pocket" in this lower part of the lid. With your other hand hold the bottle of eye drops and gently squeeze the drops into this pocket. Eye ointment also can be squeezed into the pocket. Do your best not to touch the tip of the bottle to the eye. The drop or ointment will then spread itself over the eye with you normal blinking.

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Letters to the Editor

We had a city hall meeting this Monday, July 18. I told an individual at the meeting there that I had lived in Dimmitt ever since Junior Coffee used to run up and down the streets in east Dimmitt.

I believe Junior Coffee was an All-Pro fullback for the Green Bay Packers under Vince Lombardi.

I believe I'm the youngest council member in the council and I don't think I'll run again. I will have been there 12 years.

I've lived in Dimmitt longer than "any" council member or the mayor and I believe I know the "karma" that surrounds this city.

Also, as a youngster, I did not know it was Junior Coffee running around the flats, had my older brothers not pointed him out.

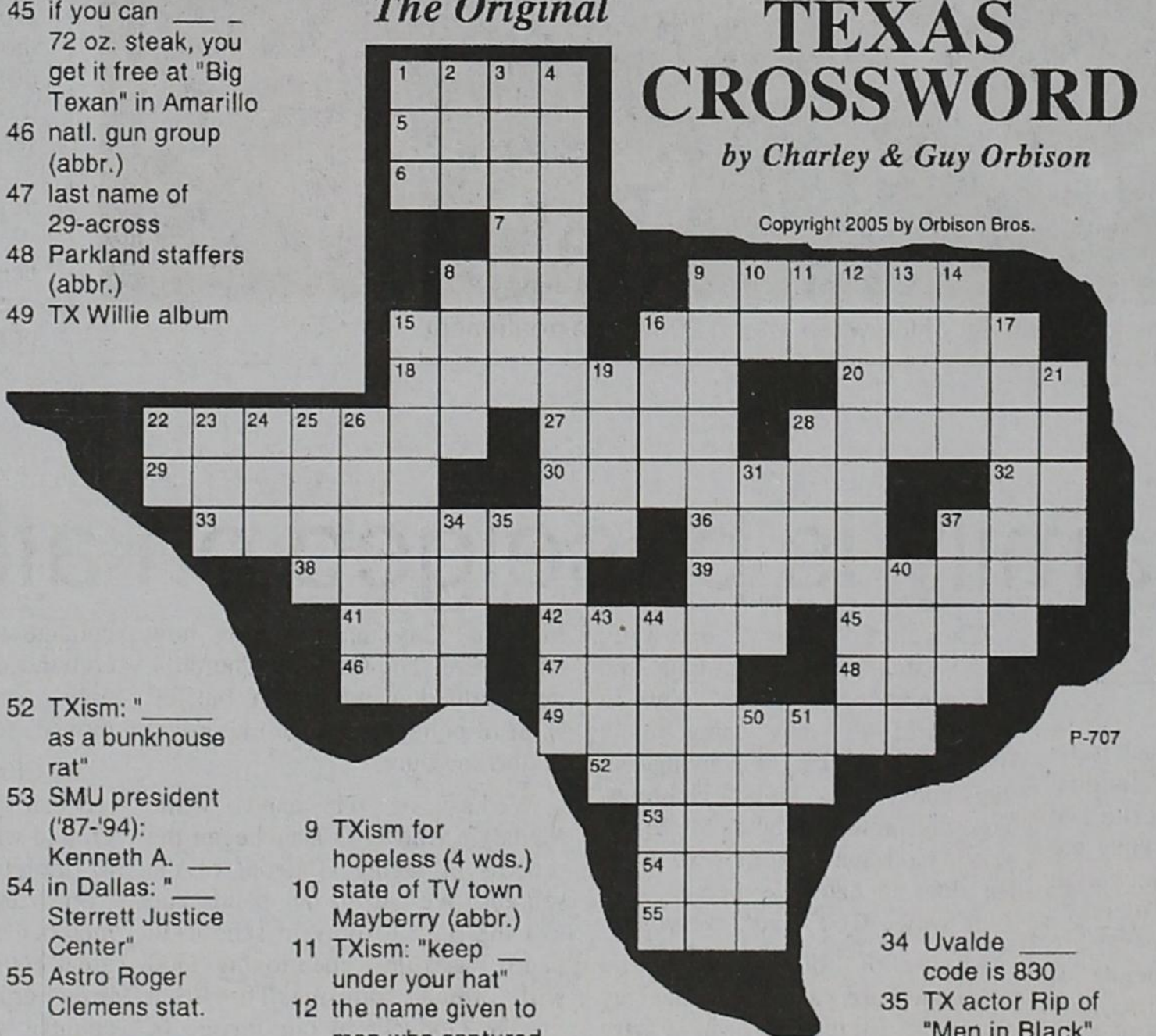
He'd always wave at us.

Roy Garza
Dimmitt City Councilman

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ACROSS

- 5-across tells how many TX chili cook- there are
- see 1-across (2 wds.)
- TX Hugh of "Sons of the Pioneers"
- TXism: " humid my upper lip is mildewing"
- some TX cities have a on smoking in restaurants
- TXism: "critter"
- Elgin, TX AM
- "You outta be in"
- TXism: "drawing it"
- Alamo general Anna
- San Antonio has an IMAX
- transmitted
- vessel 309 at TX Admiral Nimitz Museum
- a brother of Wyatt
- Gatlins have hosted TX "Golf"
- '92-'97 Houston mayor Lanier (init.)
- X-mas foliage acreage? (2 wds.)
- prophetic sign
- TX Jeannie C. hit: "Harper Valley"
- Belton Lake covered this town
- TXism: "knee high hopper" (small)
- wrath
- in Fisher Co. on hwy. 70
- if you can 72 oz. steak, you get it free at "Big Texan" in Amarillo
- natl. gun group (abbr.)
- last name of 29-across
- Parkland staffers (abbr.)
- TX Willie album
- TXism: " as a bunkhouse rat"
- SMU president ('87-'94); Kenneth A. in Dallas: " Sterrett Justice Center"
- Astro Roger Clemens stat.
- TXism for hopeless (4 wds.)
- state of TV town Mayberry (abbr.)
- TXism: "keep under your hat"
- the name given to men who captured wild horses in TX
- race horse breed
- "Tonight's" Jay brother of 6-across & also a "Pioneer"
- TXism: "big frog in the"
- a kickoff Cowbo game
- rattlesnake casas
- book containing TX roads
- TX Dan Rather's medium (abbr.)
- TXism: "whallop"
- "to is human" gets older
- something not needed with a cowboy bolo (2 wds.)
- declaring guilty or not guilty
- this Carter started the Fort Worth Star-Telegram
- Uvalde code is 830
- TX actor Rip of "Men in Black" (init.)
- "State Fair" Boone & UT actor Hingle
- " and rave"
- TXism: "you're buying you're for a dead horse"
- what a bull could do to a rodeo cowboy
- Alamo's Travis line in the dirt
- "Bevo's" school (abbr.)

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WEATHER	High Low Prec. Snow			
	Tuesday	91	56	
Wednesday	92	58	.07	
Thursday	95	58		
Friday	88	57		
Saturday	91	57		
Sunday	94	66		
Monday	92	65		
July Rainfall				1.34
2005 Rainfall				10.89
2005 Snow				3.90 inches

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

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On the Go

with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

Claudine Langford has taken a trip back in time. When Claudine and her sister were in their teens, her family found it necessary for the two girls to move to Oklahoma and live on a farm with an uncle and his family. While she lived there, she became best friends with Vondel Constant.

Vondel was a very mature young lady. Claudine related that while she and her sister were living there, her uncle bought a brand new tractor. He had only a book of instructions to tell him how to drive it. The book just didn't help that much. Claudine's friend, Vondel, only about 13 years old, knew how to drive a tractor. Vondel taught Claudine and Claudine taught her uncle how to drive the new contraption.

Vondel now lives in Phoenix, Ariz. Claudine, her sister and Vondel met in Oklahoma recently. They drove out to the old farm and spent several hours "working down memory lane."

Later, back in Oklahoma City, the two sisters toured the Cowboy Hall of Fame, an art gallery and a botanical garden.

There is a lot of activity going on at the First United Methodist Church these days. Some of the church members

have been sprucing up the landscape, washing windows and doing all sorts of things. They are getting ready for a three-day celebration for the 100th birthday of the Dimmitt church, July 22-24.

Joy Jones tells me that all current members and all out-of-town former members are invited to participate in lots of good preaching, singing, eating and rejoicing. We want to convey our congratulations to that faithful congregation.

Coming to Dimmitt to help celebrate the 80th birthday of Gertie Waggoner were her sons, Mickey and wife Darlene of Hamilton, Ohio; Jim and wife Judy of Lubbock; grandchildren Stacy Waggoner and wife Jessica and their two sons, Forest and Reven of Dumas. Jana Waggoner and Jonathan and also Jana's fiancée, Billy Tomilson; granddaughter, Kadi Waggoner and daughter Maci, all of Amarillo, were here to celebrate also.

Milton and Sandra Bagwell had their children and their families here for a big Fourth of July celebration. All of the families were there, except their daughter, Carol and her son, T.J. They had to be at home for her mother-in-law's 85th

birthday celebration.

Bill and Dee Brisco have just returned from a trip to Memphis, Tenn., with Brad and Melinda Yates, Ashleigh and Hunter. Hunter is their newest grandson and Dee said, "We spoiled him rotten!"

Jason Stone, First Baptist Church Youth Minister, Wayland Hazel, Elaine Heard, Don Bell and Wayne Mohon were the adult sponsors who accompanied a group of Dimmitt teens to Mexico on a mission trip.

The youth and sponsors gave reports of the trip at the Sunday night service at FBC. The groups played, sang, worked and shared the love of Jesus with those they were working with. The group helped to build a house near Juarez for a family of three. There was a mother, father and a 12-year-old daughter.

The youth who served there for almost a week were: Jared Bell, Sam Hazel, Brandy Smith, Casey Maurer, Jordan Bell, Marcus Perez (who worked and served as interpreter), Ashley Heard and Michael Cline.

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Hispanic Voice

with Angie Arguijo, 647-0106

Hola amigos. Hello friends. Gosh, is anything happening out there? I haven't gotten any news from the community these past few weeks. I guess everyone is just taking it easy for a while. I know we are. Sometimes it's just nice to sit back and relax. Here is this weeks news...

Feliz Cumpleaños a Lucy Sabedra. Lucy will be celebrating her birthday on July 21. Lucy usually keeps in touch through e-mails, but I haven't heard from her in a while. Lucy, if you're reading this, let me know how you are doing, I miss your e-mails. Your friends and family wish you a very Happy Birthday.

Well, once again, Santos G. Perez is recovering from a small injury.

I visited with her the other day and we both laughed and agreed that every time I see her she's either got, "una pata para arriba, o una mano para arriba (a foot in the air or a hand in the air)!!!"

In the past few months she's managed to hurt her knee, jam her toes and now she's

hurt her wrist. But, as anyone who knows her will tell you, there's nothing that can slow her down. She's already got plans to make tamales and is always out in her yard doing something. This past week, her son Elias and his wife stayed with her for a few days and helped her get her windows washed and her storage room cleaned out.

Her son Lino and her daughter Silvia are always over doing this and that for her, too. Santos says she is very thankful to all of her kids for helping her out and also to all of her friends who stop by to check up on her.

Congratulations to Larry and Suzie Gonzalez. Mr. and Mrs. Gonzalez celebrated their wedding anniversary on July 18. The Hispanic Voice wishes them many more years of happiness together.

Happy late birthday to my little brother-in-law Aaron Arguijo from your Dad, Robert Arguijo and all of your brothers and sisters and nieces and nephews. Aaron celebrated his birthday on July 12.

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Naz News

with Vergie Gerber, 945-2669

The descendants of Joe and Anna Albracht gathered this past weekend in Nazareth. There were more than 270 in attendance. Special guests were Christina Hoelting, the only living child of the original eight and Rosena Albracht of Amarillo, wife of Matt Albracht. The celebration began with a catered noon meal. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon catching up and exchanging stories. All attended Mass at 5 p.m. in Holy Family Catholic Church and enjoyed listening to the beautiful homily given by Father Ken Keller.

Following a visit to the cemetery all gathered back at the community hall for hamburgers, hot dogs and more visiting, singing and card playing. It was wonderful getting reacquainted with family from all over Texas, Iowa, Ohio, California, Colorado, Florida, New Mexico and

Arizona. The group decided to have another in five years.

On Friday evening, the family of Christina Hoelting gathered in her backyard for a pre-reunion meal hosted by Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker. They enjoyed having Judy and Paul Olson join them upon their arrival from California. Judy is Christina's niece and the daughter of Veronica Heiman, Christine's late sister.

Carroll and Denice Gerber

traveled to Columbia, S.C., on July 7 and 8 to attend Carson's Family Day and graduation ceremony from Basic Combat Training (BCT) at Fort Jackson. They played miniature golf, shopped at the PX Mall, napped at Twin Lakes and enjoyed dinner together at the NCO Club that evening. On Friday, they attended the graduation ceremony at Hilton Field. Following graduation, the families had 20 minutes to say good-bye to their soldiers before they had to leave for their

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Dimmitt Consumers

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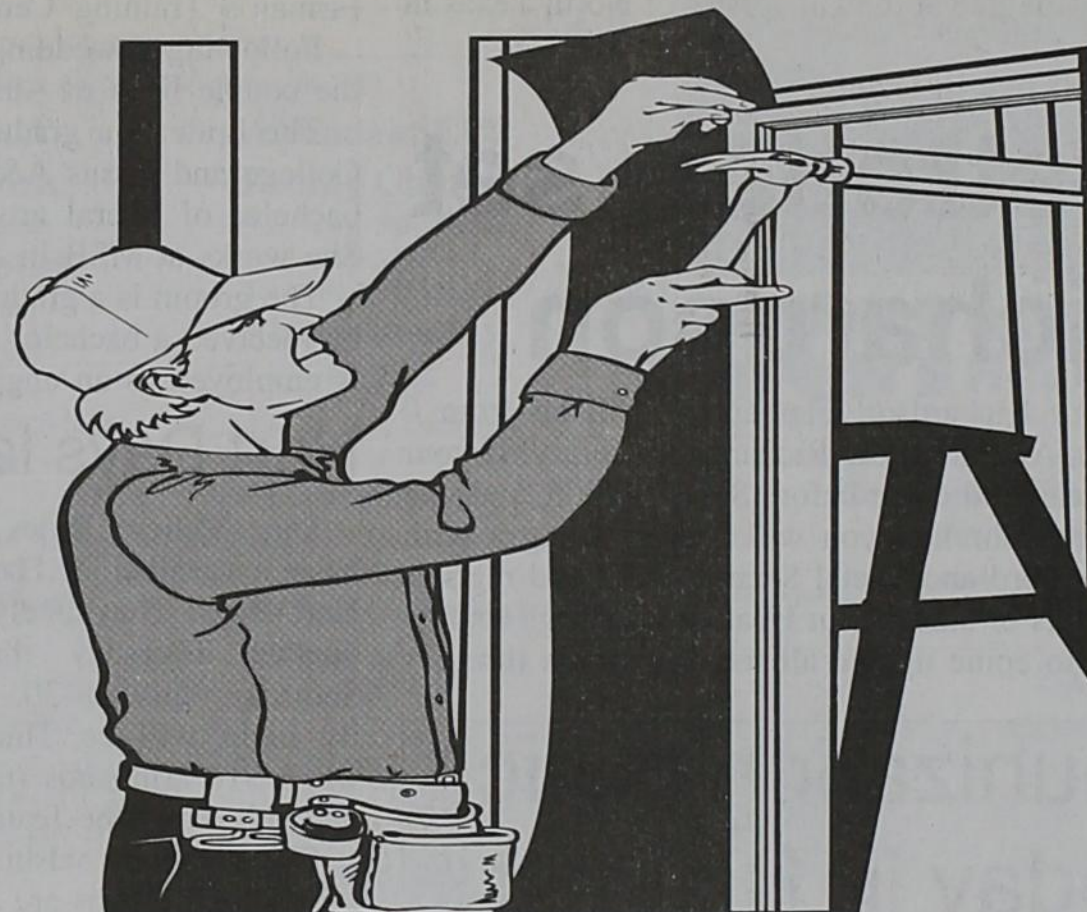
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People



Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Tyler McLain
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Mindi Lynn Ethridge and Cameron Tyler McLain were married June 18, 2005, at 5 p.m. with Rusty Gray officiating. The outdoor wedding was at a ranch in Satin, near Waco.

The bride is the daughter of Jackie and Tonya Ethridge of Earth. Her grandparents are Jeanette and Travis Hampton and Ray and Faye Ethridge, all of Dimmitt.

The groom is the son of Delynda Allison and Bud McLain of Nazareth. He is the grandson of Tommy Stanton of Dimmitt; Goldie Stanton of Shallowater; and Gladys and Wayne Gipson of Winnsboro.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a strapless, mock two-piece gown of deluxe satin with scalloped edges and a beaded lace overlay. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of pink and white roses. Matron of honor was Lisa Ramirez of College Station. Bridesmaids were Whitney Braddock of Nazareth, sister of the groom; and Sara McLain of Dallas, sister-in-law of the groom. The attendants wore black dresses and carried pink and white roses.

Best man was Matthew McLain of Dallas, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Brad Wethington and Justin McGuire, both of Dallas.

Ushers were Stanton Wethington of Canyon, Bryce Pohlmeier of College Station, Mitchell Brockman of Lubbock and Grant Weinheimer of Amarillo.

The reception was held afterward in a barn on the ranch. The bride is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree. She plans to attend law school and works for Miller, Keffer and Pedigo law firm.

The groom attended West Texas A&M University and plans to finish his degree at the University of North Texas in Denton.

The couple will live in Dallas.

Registration set at Richardson

Registration for Richardson Elementary will be from 0 a.m. until 3 p.m., Aug. 4, at the Richardson Library. If your child will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2005, and you have not registered him/her/ you will need to bring a birth certificate, shot record and Social Security card and register on this day. Parents of students in Headstart through fourth-grade are asked to come update all records at this time.

Immunization clinic is today in Dimmitt

The Department of State Health is holding an immunization clinic from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. today, Thursday, July 25. Anyone needing immunizing, especially with the coming of school, may go by the Dimmitt City Hall, 200 E. Jones to obtain the immunizations.



Mr. and Mrs. Darren Huckert

Huckert-Stegent

Brooke Stegent and Darren Huckert, both of Austin, were united in marriage at 4 p.m., April 2, 2005, in St. John's Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill. The Rev. Dr. Sue Beall performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Stegent of Brenham. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thieleman and the late Mr. and Mrs. Albin Stegent, all of Brenham.

The groom is the son of Rita Huckert of Nazareth and Joe Frank Huckert of Hereford. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Witkowski of Hereford and the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huckert.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore an ivory, strapless gown. The tiara bodice was embellished with beaded embroidery. From a dropped waist, the French tulle skirt flowed into a semi-cathedral train and was encircled by beaded, embroidered lace and hemmed in satin. The bride's illusion veil featured a floral design of beads, rhinestone and crystals.

Lindsey Johnson of Houston was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were: Leah Crowell of Cloverdale, Calif., sister of the groom; Kristi Stegent of Brenham, sister-in-law of the bride; Shea Thieleman of Brenham, cousin of the bride; and Sarah Scheffer of Houston, Lindsay Thaler and Lisa Thomas, both of College Station, Amanda Gurka of Brenham and Michele Mikeska of Austin.

Russell Huckert of Bethel, Alaska, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Ryan Stegent and Corey Stegent, both of Brenham and brothers of the bride; Brad Maples and Ben Gamme, both of Austin, Bill Canon and Jake Fears, both of Dallas; Kit Black and Jaret Schulte, both of Amarillo.

A barbecue dinner reception was held at Brenham Firman's Training Center.

Following a wedding trip to Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple lives in Austin.

The bride is a graduate of Brenham High School, Blinn College and Texas A&M University, where she received a bachelor of liberal arts degree in speech communications. She works at MSB in Austin.

The groom is a graduate of Texas A&M University where he received a bachelor of science degree in engineering. He is employed as an engineer at Bury & Partners in Austin.

Hart Days last weekend in July

Sun Valley Rides will have a carnival in Hart for Hart Days. They likely will operate Thursday through Saturday, July 28-30. Family night will be Thursday when \$10 armbands (unlimited rides) will be featured.

Organizations wishing to set up food booths are asked to contact Aaron Lee, Neoma Williams or Aurelia Perez. Vendors will be required to wear ID badges.

There will be arts and crafts booth spaces for \$25, to be set up at the new part of

the fire station on Saturday morning. Vendors will be required to leave by 5 p.m. (Tables will not be furnished to vendors.) Food vendors are asked to keep their food booths at the fire station until the evening activities, when they can be moved to the pavilion. Tents will be available for \$10; contact Lee by July 20 to reserve your tent.

Among the entertainment Saturday evening before the dance at the Pavilion will be Don Vaughan and friends. The variety show is expected to begin at 7 p.m. The dance will last until 1 a.m.

The Band Boosters will serve a meal Friday evening before the Miss Hart pageant. In conjunction with the meal, there will be a homemade ice cream contest, headed up by Rhonda Aven.

The parade, headed up by Lion Marty Gerber, will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning. Lineup will be in the pasture north of Hart.

FAMILY

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riage, put God in it. If you want a loving relationship, then seek God's council. Husbands, if you want a blessing that will last your life-time then, bring your families to church. Be a man and lead. God is waiting.

Brett Page is the preacher at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ, Dimmitt.

Who's New

Kevin and Krisse Bruton are the proud parents of a daughter, Klancy Klare Bruton, born at 7 p.m., June 15, 2005, at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

She weighed 7-pounds, 4-ounces and was 19½-inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Danny and Brenda Bruton of Dimmitt.

Maternal grandparents are



Klancy Klare Bruton
Clayton and Donna Pigg of Quitaque.

Castro County Relay For Life
August 13, 2005
D.H.S. Bobcat Stadium

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Please join us for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life Celebration for Survivors. If you wish to register for the survivor activities, please complete all the information below and provide your signature twice as described below. Thank you for your interest!

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CHURCH NEWS



Our family and home

It seems to me that the very moral fiber that holds us together has been trampled on and attacked from all sides. I am speaking of the family which makes up the home. I just read an article in the paper on how Canada has now legalized gay marriages and I have heard on the news how some religious organizations have called for tolerance and

acceptance of the gay lifestyle. Divorce is running rampant and domestic disturbances are on the rise. We are falling prey to the very things that we are called to despise.

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her" (Ephesians 5:25). Just how much should a husband love his wife?

Does he love her enough to die for her, enough to treat her like the gift from God she really is, enough to put her needs above his needs? I totally despise any man who would lay hands upon his wife. The Lord does not accept this and neither does the church. "In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself" (Ephesians 5:28).

Wives do you love your husbands? Paul writing instructions to Titus says, "Then they (older women) can train the younger women to love their husbands and children" (Titus 2:4). Wives are to love their husbands and children. Do we not under-

stand that in the garden, there was no creature created that could act as a companion to man? Therefore, God created woman from him so that he would have a companion. The man completes the woman.

Here we are many years later dividing our households over "alternate lifestyles" giving in to divorce and destroying fami-

lies, and our men have so hated themselves that they have turned on their wives. Let me assure you of one thing: A marriage is no marriage at all without God. If you want a better marriage
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Community Calendar

Museum meeting is today

A meeting for the Castro County Museum today, Thursday, July 21, at 7 p.m. at the museum, 404 W. Halsell St.

Relay for Life set for Aug. 13

The 2005 Castro County American Cancer Society Relay For Life has been moved from Friday, Aug. 5 to Saturday, Aug. 13 due to many scheduling conflicts, including the tax-free holiday weekend.

The theme for the upcoming event will be Survivor II, a follow-up of last year's canceled event, and will allow teams to use decorations left from last year. A costume and tent decorating contest will be held again this year with prizes being awarded to the winners. The featured entertainment for the event will be karaoke, with local performers as well. Many games are being planned for the event. Teams are still being sought. All team rosters are due by July 22. For more information on the relay, contact Camille Williams at 647-2974 or Karron Smith at 647-1066.

Third annual High Plains Vegetable Field Day and Farm Tour is July 28

LUBBOCK - Those interested in vegetable production should mark July 28 on their calendars. That's the date for the third Annual High Plains Vegetable Field Day and Farm Tour at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center here. The center is just north of the Lubbock airport. Take exit 11 off of Interstate Highway 27, turn east on Farm to Market road 1294 and travel approximately one-half mile. The center is on the south side of FM 1294. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Attendance is free, and participants will qualify to earn continuing education units approved by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"We will start off with a walking tour of field plots at the center," said Russ Wallace, Texas Cooperative Extension vegetable specialist headquartered at Lubbock.

"We will also look at a watermelon growth response trial, where watermelons are grown on a variety of colored plastic mulches. We will wrap up the morning by visiting the Texas Tech University crops research farm to view a pumpkin herbicide screening trial and watermelon/cantaloupe fertility trials." Lunch will be provided, but those who plan to attend should make reservations by contacting Wendy Durrett at (806) 746-6101 by July 20, Wallace said.

"After lunch, we will visit Sunburst Market, Apple Country and the South Plains Food Bank farm. This will give us a chance to discuss production practices with area growers," he added. For more information, call Wallace or Durrett at (806) 746-6101.

Annual Sandhills Parade is Aug. 6

The Olton Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture would like to invite you to participate in our 26th Annual Sandhills Parade. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 6.

Line up will begin on at 9:15 on Ave G and 2nd Street. For more information, please contact Kim DeBerry at 285-2292.

Multi-class DHS reunion set for Sept. 16-17

The multi-class reunion of former DHS students will be the weekend of Sept. 16 and 17 in Amarillo at the Fifth Seasons Inn. We have coordinators for the classes up through 1960. We need to contact people of the graduating classes of 1961 through 1965. If you know of someone who graduated from these classes, contact Lewis Martin at 4904 Harvard, Amarillo, TX 79109 or call at (806) 355-7977 or e-mail at lkmartin@cox.net. If you are from a younger class and you or your class might be interested in joining the fun and fellowship with the older graduates, please contact Marti for more information. All former students and/or guests are welcome.

Fund set up for Pena family

A fund has established for Sandy Pena and Madison

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designated base, where each one would receive advanced individual training (AIT). Carson left for Fort Bragg, N.C., for his AIT in civil affairs. Carson said the BCT was hard work and that AIT is even more demanding, but that he loves it and believes that he is living his dream He will finish AIR on Sept. 29.

A bridal shower honoring Amy Pohlmeier, bride-elect of Jeff McCallister, was held Saturday afternoon at the home of Nicole Schulte. Special guests were Amy's mother, Jocelyn Pohlmeier; her sister, Jill; Jeff's mother, Debra McCallister of Lubbock; his sister, Stephanie; and Amy's grandmother, Georgianne McCormick.

Charley and Bev Hill visited with his sister, Ruth, in McLean recently. It was a special time as Charley's niece Diane and husband John Hom from Hawaii were there visiting family.

Elmer and Anne Kleman of Amarillo; Carl and Mary Kleman; and Alfonse and Viola Kleman of Nazareth; and Esther Braddock of McKinney enjoyed a leisurely weekend in Ruidosa recently.

Gene and Susie Gerber of Keller; Gail and Marilyn Wilson of Olton; Francis and Connie Backus of Hereford; Hubert and Joan Backus and Floyd and Dorothy Schulte of Nazareth enjoyed their annual weekend in Ruidosa. They enjoyed horse races, casinos, golf, shopping and celebrate Joan and Hubert's 45th wedding anniversary and they did all survive a weekend with "Fritz Backus!"

Joel and Mary Beth Gerber and two of their children, Nick and Alex, went to visit their daughter, Stephanie and her husband Chris, who is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash. On the way, they traveled through the Grand Canyon and saw the Hoover Dam and Las Vegas. They spent four days in Washington, where they took a ferry to Seattle and toured the public market and other attractions, such as the Space Needle and aquarium. They also drove up Mount Ranier and spent a little time on the beach of the Pacific Ocean. It rained every day, but they still had a great time visiting and playing cards and games with Steph and Chris. They hated to leave, but still had a lone drive home, which included more sightseeing. On the way home, they drove through Yellowstone National Park and saw Old Faithful, then made a stop at Mount Rushmore. They saw some beautiful wheat fields between Nebraska and Texas. After traveling close to 5,000 miles through 14 states, they were very glad to be

Hill, who remain hospitalized in Lubbock following an accident several weeks ago. Anyone wishing to contribute may go by Hereford Federal Credit Union.

DHS Class of 65 reunion

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1965 is planning its 40th reunion Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2005 at the Marriott Quorum Hotel in Dallas.

Co-chairs Sue Hendrix Vaughan and Linda Schreck Ditto are coordinating arrangements and compiling a mailing list for all '65 graduates. Members of the class are asked to contact Sue at sue_vaughan@hotmail.com or (972) 234-0158 with their current addresses.

A letter detailing arrangements will be mailed shortly to all class members who can be located. "We are asking anyone who knows the current address for any of our classmates to let us know as soon as possible," Ms. Vaughan said.

Earth Amateur Rodeo July 22-23

The 61st annual Earth Amateur Rodeo will be held July 22 and 23 at the Earth Rodeo Arena.

Performances will begin at 8 p.m. each night. A 30X Dusty Rhodes felt hat will be given away nightly. Anyone purchasing a ticket is eligible to win. Admission is \$5 for adults; \$3 for school-aged children.

back home.

Russell and Susan Albracht and their 3-year-old daughter, Sophia, of Oakland, Calif., spent a week here with parents, Jerry and Judy Acker. Kevin Acker of Lubbock also enjoyed the days with his family as well as Judy's mother, Edith Irlbeck of Tulia and her niece, Tori Marnell of Tulia.

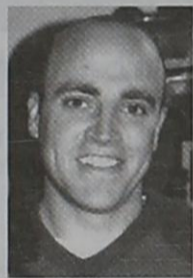
Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker drove to Olpe, Kan., over the July Fourth weekend to attend the wedding of Mark Hoelting, son of Galen Hoelting and grandson of Nub and Mary Hoelting. They enjoyed Henry Hoelting giving a tour of the countryside around Olpe. It was good to see where everyone lived. They especially enjoyed visiting with Nub and Mary.

On the way home, they stopped to visit the Oklahoma City Memorial and the Cross at Groom. Both are beautiful and very humbling. Oklahoma and Kansas were beautiful and green as they have had good rain.

Charley and Bev Hill drove to Lipscomb, Charley's old home place, on Friday, to attend the annual Lipscomb reunion. Some of Charley's family still live there and some also came from Dallas. They had a very enjoyable time.

Congratulations to Justin and Kandal Wethington of Nazareth on the birth of their son, Tanner Cole, June 17, 2005. Proud grandparents are Melvin and Joy Wethington of Nazareth and Ed and Trudy Derrick of Amarillo.

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ON THE GO

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Wayland Hazel, when sharing his experiences about the trip said, "I was so impressed with how well the youth worked under such adverse situations.

"The temperature was so hot! We know why they observe siesta every afternoon. It's too hot to work.

"Where we were, the terrain was ugly and blah.

"The kids never complained, they loved the people they met.

"As all Christians are building the Kingdom of God, these young people certainly did their part of His Kingdom's work."

The group told of one family in that neighborhood who killed its only hog so the Dimmitt missionaries could eat lunch that day. Another family killed a chicken and cooked it for them to eat. The kids said the food was good. They learned to appreciate their own homes and living conditions.

Don Bell said he went along to keep his boys working, but they kept him going.

Jason Stone said he was so tired he prayed for energy and referred to appreciating the sermon Bro. Howard Rhodes had used as a "send off" message for the missionaries. The message was entitled, "Finding Joy Where You Are."

At the Sunday night service, the Dimmitt crew presented Wayland with a certificate pronouncing him "Man of the Year!"

Mearle Morgan's sister, Hazel Hawkins of Crawford (Bush Country), spent a couple of weeks with her recently. Mearle and Hazel played dominoes twice with the Senior Citizens group. Randy and Renise had them for a steak dinner and they caught up on family news.

Mearle's granddaughter, Amy, and her husband, J., and their children are now living in Blanchard, Okla. J. is an intern pastor at the Bridge Creek Baptist Church. Randy, Mearle and Hazel drove there for the ordination service for J. They were guests of Mearle's daughter, Deanne and her family. Deanne is Amy's mother.

Hazel's two daughters met them at Deanne's house and they all went to church and then took Hazel home with the.

HISPANIC

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July is definitely a busy month for the Gil family. Julian Gil celebrated his birthday on July 4, Dorothy Gil celebrated her b-day on July 9, Andrew and Melissa Gil celebrated on July 10 and Daniel Gil celebrated his big day on July 14. I hope they were smart and bought one big birthday cake, cause that's a lot birthdays. Happy Birthday to all the Gils. Hope I didn't forget anyone.

Don't forget the ICC annual Jamaica is just around the corner.

This year the date was set for Sunday July 24. The Jamaica, which is one of ICC's biggest fundraisers of the year, is a guaranteed great time. People come from all over for the celebration.

There is sure to be great food and even better entertainment. So, get out your dancing shoes and lawn chairs and head out to the city park and enjoy a few hours of family fun. If you are interested in being a part of the celebration, contact the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church for more details.

Bueno, no tengo nada mas que contarles, asi que hasta la proxima. Well, I don't have much to share with everyone, so that's all until next week. Please keep the info coming to angie79027@hotmail.com 647-0106 or 346-3882. Have a great week.



Ribbon cutting held Tuesday

Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic changed hands on Tuesday as Dr. Zach and Sheri Smith purchased the business from long-time owner Dr. W.J. Hill. Pictured, left to right: Kate Sides; Jesslyn Smith, 11; Ann Widick; Roger Malone; Dr. Smith; Caitlin Smith, 9; Sheri Smith; Maddie Smith, 3; Jamie Mendoza, Jenny Schulte; Junior Quiroz; Chaun Gunstream; Dr. Hill, Sara Hill. Not pictured are Jody Huseman and Vickie Nelson. The business was started in 1967 and was bought by Hill in 1974. Both Smith and his wife, who've been married 12 years, are Dimmitt High School graduates. They have three children (pictured above). He attended Texas Tech for two years and then went to Texas A&M where he completed his veterinary degree. The Clinic offers services in the surgical and medical field on many types of animals.

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Dimmitt Babe Ruth would like to thank our entire community for all their support. Our baseball team has traveled to Hereford, Canyon, Amarillo, Friona, Nazareth and Snyder. Without the financial support of our community, this would not have been possible. Our kids compiled a 20-6 record, were District runner-up and advanced to the State tournament in Snyder. The team also won the Canyon Slugfest in May which had teams from all over the panhandle. So on behalf of all the players and coaches, THANKS AGAIN. A special thanks goes out to all our sponsors.

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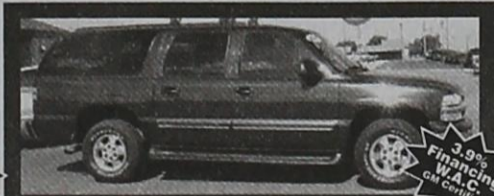
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LEGAL NOTICE
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Douglas Herman Schilling, President
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The Dimmitt ISD will receive bids for janitorial products. All proposals must be submitted to the attention of Vicki Eaton, Business Manager, 608 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027 no later than 3:00 p.m. on August 4, 2005. 17-2tc-38

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Public Notice

Notice to Bidders:
Notice is hereby given that the Castro/Swisher County Juvenile Board will receive bids for:
A. Secure residential services
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Bids will be received until 5 p.m., Aug. 20.

The bids will be presented to the Castro/Swisher Juvenile Board at its regular scheduled meeting to be held at the Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas.
Requirement may be obtained from Dena McCaslin, Director of Juvenile Probation, Swisher County Courthouse, Tulla, Texas 79088.
The Castro/Swisher Juvenile Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all formalities for the best interest of the Castro/Swisher Juvenile Probation Department

Dena McCaslin, Director
Juvenile Probation 17-2tc-118

No. PR-2667
IN THE ESTATE OF NANNIE L. ABLES, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of NANNIE L. ABLES, Deceased, were issued on July 19, 2005, in Cause No. PR-2667, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to: Milas L. Cline. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Milas Cline
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Dated the 19th day of July, 2005

MILAS L. CLINE,
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Obituaries

Eleuteria DeLaPaz

Services for Eleuteria DeLaPaz, 85, of Dimmitt, were Monday, July 18, 2005, at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home Ivey Chapel, Dimmitt, with the Rev. Maria Castaneda officiating, assisted by minister Johnny Villalovos. Burial was at Castro Memorial Gardens, Dimmitt.

Mrs. DeLaPaz died July 15, 2005, at her home. She was born Feb. 20, 1920, in Yorktown. She married Americo DeLaPaz in 1955 in Dimmitt.

Mrs. DeLaPaz moved to California in 1956 but returned to Castro County in 1967. She worked with her husband as a crew leader for several Castro County farmers. She was very active in the Rose of Sharon Pentecostal Church, where she was a member.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Americo DeLaPaz and one daughter, Narsisa Villalovos.

Survivors include six daughters, Maria Ellen Castro of Madera, Calif., Adela Velasquez of Morgan, Alicia Coronado of Hereford, Rosalinda Flores of Plainview, Elva Jiminez of Eastland and Maria Luz DeLaPaz of St. Paul, Minn.; two sons, Lazaro Villalovos of Morgan and Johnny Villalovos of Meridian; 42 grandchildren; 100 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Elia 'Delia' Ramos

Services for Elia "Delia" Ramos, 68, of Dimmitt, were Monday, July 18, 2005, at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home Ivey Chapel, Dimmitt, with the Rev. Tom Mullins, pastor of Abundant Life Family Church, Dimmitt, officiating. Burial was at Westlawn Memorial Park, Dimmitt.

Mrs. Ramos died July 15, 2005, at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. She was born May 18, 1937, in New Braunfels. She married Sotero Ramos on Feb. 8, 1958, in Dimmitt.

She was a homemaker and an active member of Abundant Life Family Church.

Survivors include her husband, Sotero Ramos of Dimmitt; six daughters, Anna Kinder, Irma Lucero, Irene Acevedo and Alice Perez, all of Amarillo, Linda Mendoza of Grand Prairie and Beatrice Ramos of Lubbock; five sons, David and Simon Ramos, both of Dimmitt and Sotero Junior, Richard and Danny Ramos, all of Amarillo; a brother, Armando Mochorro of Houston; one sister, Consuelo Gomez of Houston; 23 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

James Roland Ward

Services for James Roland Ward, 91, Funeral Services were at 9 a.m., Tuesday, July 12, 2005 at Sunset Funeral Home Chapel in San Antonio. Entombment followed at Sunset Mausoleum No. 2.

Mr. Ward died July 8, 2005. He was born Sept. 6, 1913, in Erick, Okla.

Mr. Ward received his BA degree from Southwestern University and his ME degree from the University of Oklahoma. He was a public school teacher and superintendent of schools in Olustee, Okla. He served as an officer in the U.S. Navy during WWII. In 1950, Mr. Ward became an ordained Deacon in the Baptist Church. He participated in the beginning of the Space Program at Amarillo AFB and retired from Lackland AFB in 1978.

Mr. Ward was preceded in death by his wife, Blon Thompson Ward. He is survived by his three children, Eddie J. Ward and wife Peggy, Thomas R. Ward and wife Myrteel and Sue Howell and husband Jimmie; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to your favorite charity.



James Roland Ward

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Obituaries are printed in the Castro County News free of charge and will contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren will be included); and where memorials may be directed.

We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Teodoro Tijerina

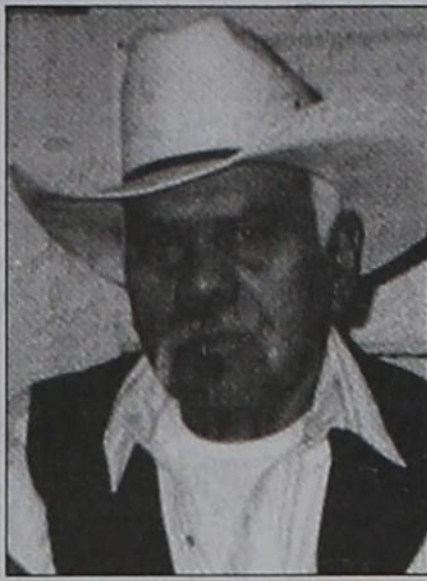
Services for Teodoro Tijerina, 78, of Dimmitt, were at 10 a.m., Monday, July 18, 2005, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Ken Keller officiating.

Burial was at Castro Memorial Garden Cemetery with arrangements by Colonial Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

A Rosary was said at 7 p.m., Sunday, July 17, 2004, at Colonial Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Tijerina died July 15, 2005. He was born Nov. 9, 1926, in Charlotte.

He was a long-time resident of Dimmitt. He married Erminia on Jan. 19, 1945. He worked many years as a farm laborer for Oscar Wylie and owned Estrellita Dance Hall for many years. He was known as "Wuelo" to many more than just family.



Teodoro Tijerina

Survivors include his wife, Erminia; three sons, Rogelio and Raul Tijerina of Dimmitt and Diego Garza of Pearsall; six daughters, Angelita Paiz of Earth, Beatris Torres of Dacula, Ga., Carmen Casas and Elsa Garcis of Dimmitt, Virginia Alonso of Amarillo and Andrea Hinojosa



Edith Potter Adams

Graveside services for Edith Potter Adams, 93, of Mangum, Okla., are at 1:30 p.m. today, Thursday, July 21, 2005, at Castro Memorial Cemetery in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Adams died July 18, 2005, at the Mangum City Hospital. She was born March 3, 1912, to Willis and Annie Belle Potter in Plainview.

She married R.C. Adams on Sept. 23, 1933 in Mangum. They made their home in Dimmitt, where they raised five children. After her husband's death, she moved back to Mangum to care for her mother. She worked as a nurse's aide at the Mangum Nursing Home.

Mrs. Adams was preceded in death by her parents; five brothers; three sisters; her husband; two children, Jack Adams and Georgia Derrick; and two grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter, Sandra Sims and husband Bill of Burkburnett; two sons, Snake Adams of Mangum, Okla., and C.D. Adams and wife Barbara of Amarillo; two sisters, Florence Aiman and husband Bob of Grants Pass, Ore., and Johnie Skalicky of Granite, Okla.; two brothers, Coy Potter and wife Syble of Yukon, Okla., and Mack Potter and wife Wanda of Fort Wroth; 19 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren;

Ten obstacles to meet playing the game of golf

By **DIGGER ELAM**
HISD Superintendent

This article is devoted to all men and women golfers who give up their weekends of rest to play a round of golf.

Here are 10 things that you will encounter as you play the wonderful game of golf.

- * You will spend at least 30 minutes during the day looking for lost golf balls
- * You will hit a shot that feels great but unfortunately slices far out into the rough
- * The water hazards have a magnetic force directed at your ball
- * You will spend a lot of time driving and walking in the rough
- * You need to wash your golf ball and the washer has no water
- * The group in front takes 30 minutes lining up perfect putts
- * You will miss at least 2 or 3 easy putts
- * You will hit a least one long putt
- * You will help the course by doing some tree pruning



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* Your partner or partners will give you corrective golf lessons

There you have you have it! While playing a round of golf these are the hidden pitfalls you will encounter.

Of course if you can play like Tiger Woods, please disregard this article.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Nazareth Independent School District of Nazareth, TX., will receive bids for Petroleum Products until 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 1, 2005.

The bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 1, 2005, in the office of Superintendent of Schools, Nazareth ISD.

Proposals may be mailed, faxed or returned in person:

Nazareth I.S.D.
Office of Superintendent
101 South First Avenue
P.O. Box 189
Nazareth, TX. 79063
806-945-2231
806-945-2431 (Fax)

Bids should be clearly marked "Petroleum Products Bid for Nazareth ISD."

The Nazareth ISD Board of Trustees will review bids on August 3, 2005, at 8:00 p.m.

The Nazareth Independent School District will reserve the right to reject any or all bids and to waive technicalities.

Vacation driving tips for the dog days of summer

Hot-weather driving tips

Summer is here and many drivers will be hitting the road for vacations and weekend get-a-ways.

"Hot weather brings unique challenges," said Ray Palermo, director of public relations for auto insurer, Response Insurance.

"It can present dangerous conditions for both the vehicle and its occupants." Each summer sees more than 7 million car breakdowns on the road and he suggests that most summer breakdowns can be easily avoided.

Before heading out be sure you check out the basics, including: oil, transmission fluid, windshield washer, battery level and strength, tire pressure (including the spare), cooling system (which should be flushed and refilled at least every two-years), belts and hoses and have a well equipped emergency kit and tool box in the trunk.

"Drivers need to stay cool as well," noted Palermo.

"Our studies have shown that 75 percent of drivers are fearful of encountering road rage and 37percent said they had personally experienced it in the previous 6-months."

* Don't escalate aggression on the road by responding to it.

* Stop periodically to refresh yourself, take along moist towelettes and water.

* When driving in hot weather it's particularly important to keep an eye on the lights and gauges.

If your temperature gauge moves up, turn off your air conditioner and turn on your vehicle's heater to its highest and hottest setting.

It will be uncomfortable, but it will help draw some of the heat away from the engine.

If you are stopped in traffic put the car in "park" and lightly step on the gas to help circulate coolant.

If the temperature light goes on or if the gauge enters the red zone, immediately pull off the road to a safe spot, well away from traffic.

Do not drive any further - not even to the next exit.

Driving with an overheated engine can cause serious damage to the engine.

* Do not attempt to remove the radiator cap itself.

The pressurized coolant is extremely hot and will spray out with great force. Do not pour water over the radiator or engine, since a dramatic change in temperature could cause damage.

After the engine cools a bit, add a 50-50 mix of coolant and water to the reservoir to bring it up to its proper level.

* Even when not stranded due to a breakdown, summer heat can pose dangers.

Never leave a child or pet in a parked car in summer heat. Even an outside temperature in the 80s can quickly bring a car interior to well over 140 degrees.

* Bring a cell phone for emergency calls, but don't use it while driving.

Response's studies have shown that driving distractions have become the number one fear on the road.

Two free brochures, *Driving Tips for Hot Weather and Hitting the Road Safely*, and other information are available at their website: www.response.com.

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- * General Liability
- * Educator's Legal Liability
- * Automobile Liability

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The Beginning

When you first immerse your feet into the bath, the water is clear, but not for long.

and feet, so I'd had this done in hospitals several times before. It works."

So, I thought, what the heck. I decided to splurge (actually I persuaded my boss to give me \$20 for the treatment) - all in the name of "scientific research" on my part. And off I went.

Before I talk about the results I had, let me clarify what ionCleanse is.

Ellis said she decided to get her machine after she saw what it can do.

"I had it done in Brownfield and liked the results," Ellis said. "It made me feel better. It detoxifies the body."

To use IonCleanse, her clients put their feet (usually the feet, although one person immersed her hands) in a footbath of warm water. The IonCleanse is put in, turned on and after that, you just watch as the clear water

What the colors mean	
Color of particle	Material being detoxified
Yellow-green	Kidneys, bladder, urinary tract, female prostate area
Orange	Joints
Brown	Liver, tobacco, cellular debris
Black	Liver
Dark green	Gallbladder
White cheese-like particles	Most likely yeast
White foam	Mucous from lymph system
Black fleck	Heavy metals
Red Flecks	Blood clot material

turns various colors depending on the toxins that are being washing out.

Ellis said she calls the IonCleanse her H2O Wonder because "everybody's wondering what color the water is going to be."

Colors range from yellow-green to black with white, black or red flecks floating around. Each color corresponds to certain toxins. For instance, I had a lot of white foam, which shows mucous from the lymph system, i.e. sinuses.

The beauty of this process, according to the literature is the IonCleanse "detoxifies the body more effectively and faster than any herbal or fasting protocols, with little or no stress to the patient."

Ellis started her business at her home, but it soon grew to the point where she moved it into the Honeycomb, a beauty shop owned by a friend. Her customers, strictly word-of-mouth, come from all over, including Dimmitt, Lamesa and Seagraves.

She's quick to tell her customers that it's not a cure for anything. But she said she's seen it alleviate pain

and asthma symptoms.

"I have one person who comes here with asthma who hasn't used an inhaler since March," she said.

The literature says that the results are brought about by the ionization of the water molecules. And the fat and mucous residue that shows up in the water reflects the wastes that leave the body during the session.

So there I was, my feet immersed in warm water with a little ionizing machine purring away.

And as I watched, it started. First with a few flecks of color, then the water started turning colors. In 20 minutes the water was dark brownish-orange with lots of foam floating on top.

After being told to drink plenty of water and take a vitamin, I left feeling great. My sinuses had opened up and for three days I didn't need an antihistamine. My right foot, which I broke in April had been swollen and painful when I got there, but the swelling and pain were gone.

So the trip wasn't a bust, I felt better and in the process found out what everyone's been talking about.

RV

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the county, the council voted.

Several weeks ago, the council had tabled a plan to annex the Ruskin Circle property into the city, which would have meant that water and sewer lines would be run there.

Last week, the council looked at a proposal to sell Mendoza land south of the new Pioneer Dairy Lab on highway 385 for the RV park, but the cost to run the sewer was prohibitive - \$58,000 excluding labor.

At that same meeting, the council did agree to sell the Mendozas two acres adjacent to Pioneer on highway 194, but since that time, opposition to that idea has materialized.

In addition, city officials found that sewer lines to that property weren't feasible, due to cost.

Frank Mendoza said he isn't sure what comes next, but is disappointed at the reaction to his proposed RV park.

"From as much opposition as I've had, you'd think I was trying to bring a brothel to Dimmitt," he said. "What we had in mind was putting four or five spaces south of the Ruskin Health Club. We wanted to do something esthetically pleasing. A lot of towns have public RV parks because they see the economic advantage."

Collins did offer the Mendozas a place by city lake south of town but Mendoza said the land was subject to flooding and mosquitos.

In other action, the city agreed to join with the city of Hart to hire a street sweeper at \$50 an hour for a minimum of 50 hours, divided between the two towns.

What's the Law?

You can marry at age 14, but only until September 1

Q. How old do you have to be to get married in Texas?

A. As of today, you may marry at age fourteen with parental consent. The age limit will be raised to 16 as of September 1st.

Q. I know that the bankruptcy law has been changed and that it is less friendly to consumers. When does the new law take effect?

A. You are correct that Congress enacted major reforms to the Bankruptcy Code. These reforms generally make bankruptcy a less friendly option for consumers. The changes will also probably make it much more expensive to file. The new law does not take effect, however, until October. I strongly suggest you immediately speak with an attorney if you are considering filing bankruptcy. Many attorneys are board certified in consumer bankruptcy.

Q. One of my brothers has lived with our mother for about a year. He pays her a small amount each month to help with expenses. Things are not working out, and my mother wants him out. Can she just throw him out?

A. In my opinion, your brother is a tenant, and your mother is his landlord. This means that she must give him proper notice to vacate, and has no legal right to just throw him out. I suggest she give him 30 days written notice to leave. If he still does not leave, she can file a forcible entry and detainer action in justice court to have him evicted.

Q. You recently wrote that it is legal to marry a cousin in Texas. I thought the law was changed to prohibit this.

A. You are correct. The law that allows a person in Texas to marry a first cousin has been changed. Under the new law, you are prohibited from marrying a first cousin. The new law does not take effect, however, until September 1st.

Q. I bought a car and could not afford the payments. I agreed to do a voluntary repossession. Now they are telling my father that he owes over \$3,000 as a co-signer. Is this legal?

A. If someone signs as a co-signer, he basically assumes the same responsibility as the person he signed for. In other words, if you owe the money, your father also owes the money. After a repossession, voluntary or involuntary, the car is sold and the amount obtained at the sale is applied to the debt. If there is still a balance remaining, called a deficiency, you still owe the creditor. For example, if you owed \$12,000 and the car was sold for \$9,000, you would still owe the \$3,000 deficiency. Because you owe the money, anyone who co-signed also owes it. I suggest you ask for an accounting of how much was owed and how much was obtained at the sale to determine if there is really a deficiency owed. If there is you and your father are both responsible.

Q. I want to lease some land. Can I tell the tenant I require a check and will not accept cash? The tenant keeps paying in cash and I do not like carrying around that much money.

A. As a general rule, you can satisfy your financial obligations by using cash or a check. Most people consider cash and checks as the same thing. They are, however, very different. Only cash is legal tender that may be freely exchanged. If a person wants to pay in cash, he or she has the right to do so.

In your situation, however, the lease determines the method of payment. If you want to be paid with a check, you should make this clear to the tenant before the lease is signed and make it a term of the lease. If you do not have a formal lease, you can give thirty-days notice and make it a requirement for the future.

Q. I owe a company money from about ten years ago. I have not heard anything for about five years, but now a debt collector is calling me day and night. He also is calling my sister. I tell him I don't have the money and can't afford to pay, but he will not stop harassing me. What can I do?

A. First, if the debt is that old, there may not be any legal action the debt collector can take. After four years, most debts are barred by what is called the "statute of limitations." This means if a lawsuit is filed, you could have it dismissed.

There is no law, however, that prevents a debt collector from asking you to pay a debt, even if legal collection of the debt is barred. You can stop the debt collector from continuing to harass you in several ways. First, under federal law, if you send the debt collector written notice demanding he stop all further communication with you, he must stop. He still has the right to sue, but in your case, that alternative is barred by the statute of limitations.

Another way to stop a debt collector is to make it clear that you do not intend to pay, and that his calls are just a waste of time. For example, if you get very upset every time a debt collector calls, the debt collector begins to think that you will pay, to avoid being harassed.

Your conduct almost encourages more bad conduct by the debt collector. On the other hand, if you are polite and calm, and slowly and carefully explain that you recognize that you owe the debt, but cannot afford to pay and believe that it is barred by limitations, the debt collector will soon realize calling is waste of time. Debt collectors make money by collecting money. A debt collector cannot afford to spend a lot of time on the phone with someone they know is no going to pay.

Finally, I should point out that under the law, a debt collector never has the right to harass, threaten, or otherwise abuse you.

If that happens, let the debt collector know you know your legal rights and you expect he will stop. If he does not, consider speaking with an attorney or a filing a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

Q. The other day, a friend came to see me at work. After he left, my employer asked how I knew him. I said he was an old friend. The next day I was fired. My employer told me he had "problems" in the past with my friend, and did not want me working in the store. Is this legal?

A. As far as the law is concerned, your employer doesn't even need a reason to fire you. Unless you have an employment contract for a set period of time, Texas law treats you as an employee at will. This basically means you may be fired, or quit, at any time, for any or no reason.

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