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By Don Nelson

During the Dimmitt-Sudan boys' practice game here Saturday night, the DHS Band Parents served a multi-cultural treat at the concession stand that should make any true Texan stop and salivate in his tracks:

Polish sausage wrapped in a flour tortilla and garnished with your choice of sauerkraut, mustard or melted cheese.

Is this a great state or what?

Texas Tech's Lady Raiders have clinched at least a tie for the South-west Conference championship, and will win it outright again if they win just one of their three remaining conference games.

As the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* pointed out Monday, senior guards Noel Johnson of Nazareth and Nikki Heath of Sweetwater have become the only players in the history of the Tech women's basketball program to play on four consecutive SWC championship teams.

And those two didn't just ride along. They helped make it happen. Noel was a sophomore starter on

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Grand jury hands up 15 indictments

Castro County grand jurors handed up 15 indictments against 14 persons in a recent session at the courthouse in Dimmitt.

One man, Raymond Castillo Ramirez, was indicted for aggravated assault in connection with the Jan. 7 stabbing of a Dimmitt man. Ramirez is alleged to have stabbed the man three times in the abdomen with a knife.

Grand jurors also indicted a Dimmitt man on illicit sex charges involving two Dimmitt boys. Jose Luis Granado Balderrama was indicted for indecency with a child concerning a July 4, 1994 incident with a Dimmitt boy. He was also indicted for attempted sexual assault in connection with a June 12, 1994 incident with another youth.

Orlando Danilo Rodriguez was indicted for indecency with a child. He is alleged to have fondled a Dimmitt girl on Nov. 17.

Two Hart men, Anthony Lynn Washington and Erasmo Gabriel Castillo, were indicted for burglary of a habitation. They are alleged to have committed the burglary on Feb. 3 at a house south of Hart.

Others indicted by the grand jury include:

- Arnold Gonzales, injury to an elderly person for allegedly striking an elderly man on Jan. 29.
- Johnny Flores, attempted kidnapping, for allegedly restricting the movements of a woman on Jan. 20.
- Warren Seelye, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in a Jan. 2 incident involving a Dimmitt man's pickup.
- Randy Juarez Medellin, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, over the alleged theft of a Nazareth man's pickup on Jan. 28.
- Renda Gay Bailey, forgery by passing, for allegedly forging the name of a Dimmitt man on five checks totalling \$760.
- Ronald Edgar Clements, theft of firearms, for allegedly taking firearms from a Nazareth man's house.
- Jessie Perez Jr., criminal mischief, in the Jan. 6 vandalism spree where Perez is alleged to have used a B-B gun to destroy over \$11,000 worth of property.
- Pedro Castillo Nunez, felony driving while intoxicated, Jan. 16.
- Joel Saldana Madrigal, felony driving while intoxicated, Jan. 15.

Boys begin playoff chases tonight

As far as the Dimmitt Bobcats are concerned, it's been entirely too long since a gold basketball has been added to a trophy case around here.

The Bobcats will try to add one today (Thursday) when they face Childress in a 7:30 p.m. game at The Box at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Also tonight, the Nazareth Swifts start down the road that ended last year in the state finals as the Swifts take on Amherst in a bi-district game at 7 p.m. at Abernathy High School.

Dimmitt fans will be the visitors and will occupy the same side as they did Friday when the Bobbies lost to the Childress girls, 60-53. The Bobcats want to turn the tables tonight, but it's a tall order.

A really tall order, like 6-9 David Seal.

"Their best two players are Seal and James Sparkman," said Dimmitt coach Alan Steinle. "They are really good basketball players and, like the whole team, can shoot the ball really well."

Steinle and assistant coach Gus Ortiz saw Childress shoot five-of-16 from the field in the first quarter of a practice game Thursday against Shamrock at Wellington.

"Then they came out and made 11 of 15 shots in the second quarter," Steinle said. "They were behind Shamrock 20-11 after the first quarter, then outscored them 67-38 in the last three quarters. They can really light it up."

Jason Keys, a senior six footer, plays on the wing and nailed five

treys against Shamrock. The top unit for Childress is rounded out by 6-3 junior post James Foster and point guard Kevin Hodges, a 5-7 senior.

"Foster does a good job around the basket, and Lametrius Turner comes off the bench and does a good job for them," Steinle said. "They have size, quickness, they shoot well, they rebound well and play good defense. We will have our hands full, but any team that is playing now is bound to be pretty good."

Steinle is pumped up about how well the Bobcats have played in their last two games, handling Shallowater and Sudan.

"We are playing well right now because we are confident and that helps so much in basketball," Steinle said. "We are doing a good job on defense, and have played especially good defense in the last two games."

"I think defense by Dimmitt teams has been underrated year in and year

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AIRBORNE DEFENSE—Hart's Sheila Aalbers (10) leaps in front of Idalou's Julie Heinrich during the second half of the Class AA bi-district playoff Friday at Plainview. The Hart girls held off the Lady Wildcats, 53-43, to advance to Tuesday's area round.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

Nazareth, Lady 'Horns get berths at regionals

How would you feel if someone tied a rope on your heart and slung it around and around?

That's how Hart felt Tuesday night as the Lady 'Horns came back from a six-point deficit to tie their area championship game with Gruver at the Tascosa Activity Center, then went ahead in overtime by a point in the last minute.

Gruver's Molly McLain missed a late shot, a shot that went around the rim twice before falling out. That's how close Hart came to ending its season, for the second consecutive year, as one of the best 32 teams in the state.

Instead, Hart has now made the Sweet 16. The Lady 'Horns will face Ozona (30-1) in the Region 1-AA tournament Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Moody Coliseum on the campus of Abilene Christian University, on Abilene's northeast side.

Also in action Friday will be Nazareth, a 74-31 winner over Hedley in their area championship game at the WTAMU Fieldhouse in Canyon. Nazareth will face Claude at 3 p.m. at the Texan Dome in Levelland. It's Nazareth's 21st

The Playoff Path

Class AAA Boys' Bi-District
Bobcats vs. Childress, 7:30 p.m., Tonight (Thursday)
WT Fieldhouse, Canyon

Class A Boys' Bi-District
Swifts vs. Amherst, 7 p.m., Tonight (Thursday), Abernathy

Class A Girls' Regional
Swiftettes vs. Claude, 3 p.m., Friday, Texan Dome, Levelland

Class AA Girls' Regional
Lady Horns vs. Ozona, 7:30 p.m., Friday, Moody Coliseum
Abilene Christian University

consecutive appearance in the Region 1-A tourney.

Unlike Hart's overtime thriller, the Swiftettes put the game away early. Naz (21-11) ran off to a 9-0 lead and pummeled the Lady Owls. Melinda

Schmucker had the hot hand for Nazareth, scoring 33 points (all in the first three quarters).

Friday's regional quarterfinal

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Grant helps new reading goals at RES

Dimmitt school children are a little richer today, thanks to a grant from Reading Is Fundamental.

Richardson Elementary School has received a grant for \$2,584 from RIF to buy books for every student at the school. With the money, RES was able to buy over 2,000 books to give to the approximately 500 students at the school. The books are for the kids to keep. Later in the year, students will get at least one more book to add to their permanent collection.

Some of the books are worth points in the school's Accelerated Reader program. That program (profiled in the *News* five weeks ago) rewards students with points

and prizes for reading and answering questions about books.

Last week, the RIF giveaway began with third graders getting to choose from boxes of books. Second graders, first graders and kindergartners are now having their chance. There will be enough so kids at RES will have a chance to go through the books at least once more this spring.

RIF was started in 1965 by a group of women in Washington, DC including the wife of then-Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara. Their goal was to encourage children to read by showing them reading is fun.

Their method was to give children a chance to choose, and to keep, books that interest them.



READING IS FUNDAMENTAL AT RICHARDSON—Richardson Elementary School teachers Cheryl Glidewell and Diane Axtell help students go through books the school purchased with a grant from Reading

Is Fundamental. Students going through the 2,500 selections are (from left) Joel Puente, Eva Paiz, Lori Sifuentez and Joe Lule.

Photo by John Brooks

Sales remain steady for '94

Castro County's three cities received tax rebates for 1994 that were just under the totals rebated for 1993. Final rebates received this month totaled \$292,544.34 for Dimmitt; \$15,977.46 for Hart; and \$9,713.29 for Nazareth.

Those figures are slightly lower than the rebates for 1993, which were \$293,662.70 for Dimmitt; \$16,652.86 for Hart; and \$9,832 for Nazareth.

Those figures ran contrary to rebates across the state, according to State Comptroller John Sharp. Cities across the state averaged 7.7% higher for 1994 than the 1993 rebates.

"The adjusted local sales tax revenue among the more than 1,000 cities that charge a local sales tax was \$1.5 billion for 1994, while the adjusted revenue for 1993 was \$1.4 billion, once the non-economic factors were deleted," Sharp said.

Sales tax revenues are one of the best barometers of sales across the state, and Sharp says the statewide increase in 1994 is "proof that the Texas economy continues to strengthen."

Castro County sales tax rebates, 1993-1994

City	1993	1994
Dimmitt	\$293,662	\$292,544
Hart	\$16,652	\$15,977
Nazareth	\$9,832	\$9,713

Meeting set for parents on DHS schedules

Parents will have an opportunity to learn about the nuances of block scheduling at a March 2 meeting at Dimmitt High School.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the DHS Resource Center (library). Parents and other interested community members are urged to attend the meeting.

A committee of faculty members and students is currently meeting to decide between three possible block scheduling plans. DHS Principal R.L. Stockstill said the committee will decide on a recommended scheduling plan before March 2.

"We want to lay it out for the community for input and suggestions (Continued on Page 14)

Plenty warm!

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

Thursday	48	26
Friday	48	14
Saturday	60	16
Sunday	69	27
Monday	62	28
Tuesday	71	34
Wednesday	72	36
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Recipe for fiscal disaster

Social Security and a balanced budget

By **MARTHA A. McSTEEN**
Some members of Congress are acting like mad scientists. They're trying to mix two incompatible issues, knowing full well the results could be explosive.

I'm referring, of course, to a proposal now before the Senate to include Social Security in a constitutional amendment to balance the federal budget. On their own, Social Security, which keeps millions of Americans young and old out of poverty, and a balanced budget are great ideas. But, together, in a constitutional amendment, they're a recipe for fiscal disaster.

Despite all the campaign promises to leave Social Security alone, proponents of the balanced budget constitutional amendment are steamrolling toward a major and dangerous change to Social Security.

Don't misunderstand — America's senior citizens strongly support the idea of a balanced budget. But any constitutional amendment which includes the Social Security program is the wrong way to go.

The proposed constitutional amendment would rely heavily on the annual surpluses of the Social Security trust funds—payroll taxes paid by working Americans—to offset the huge deficit in the general revenue fund.

In fact, if this amendment were passed, the Social Security trust fund, in effect, would cease to exist. All the monies that have been earmarked specifically for beneficiaries both young and old no longer would be separated from the rest of the budget. There would be no trust funds—only revenues and outlays. There would be no distinction made for monies taken in by

the government for a specific purpose.

The problem is the entire federal government does not operate at a deficit. Only the spending programs financed by general revenues are running a deficit. Social Security and many other trust fund programs are running substantial surpluses, which then are being taken to mask the true size of the deficit.

The Social Security program is soundly financed. In fact, the Social Security trust fund is estimated to run a surplus upwards of \$60 billion this year. This money was collected for Social Security benefits and administrative expenses only and should not be used for deficit reduction. The Social Security program should be protected from the general budget process, not just for today's seniors, but for future beneficiaries who are counting on the program when they retire.

Controlling government spending and getting the federal budget in order is part of the job of every lawmaker elected to Congress. Of course we need to control a deficit that runs in the hundreds of billions of dollars. But why unnecessarily destroy a successful program to accomplish that?

The 1994 elections should not be construed as authorizing Congress to divert Social Security revenues to a federal deficit slush fund. But that is precisely what the balanced budget amendment would do. If members of Congress cannot do their jobs without raiding the Social Security trust funds, then it's time to find leaders who can.

Despite all the campaign rhetoric and promises to leave Social Security alone, proponents of the balanced budget amendment are moving toward a fundamental change to Social Security. They need to be told to keep their fingers out of the Social Security cookie jar.

Please call your senators either at their state offices or by going through the Capital switchboard in Washington at (202)224-3121. Tell them that Social Security didn't create the deficit, in fact, hasn't contributed one thin dime to it, and that it shouldn't be raided to fix it. Also, tell them to reject any balanced budget amendment that includes Social Security.

It's the fair and right thing to do.

Martha McSteen is president of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare and is former acting commissioner of the Social Security Administration, 1983-86.



Austin Notebook

By **SEN. TOM HAYWOOD**
State Dist. 30

Texans can celebrate another milestone this week, as the Texas Senate finally passed legislation putting reasonable limits on the amount of "punitive" damages a jury can award against a defendant in a lawsuit. This legislation, which is the first major reform of our civil justice system to pass the Senate this session, is a crucial step in fixing a system that is not just slightly off of kilter, but rather is in need of a major overhaul. The next step for this legislation is passage by the Texas House. I am confident that the House will preserve the language passed by the Senate, which will allow Governor Bush to sign the bill into law within a few weeks.

The woman could sue the business if the toaster did not work and the appliance store refused to replace it. While suits under DTPA laws usually only include damages up to the amount of the purchase, the original Texas DTPA law provided for such damages to be tripled.

The DTPA reform legislation being considered by the Legislature would bring the DTPA back to a reasonable level, as described above. It has become a "playground" for lawyers, who see the DTPA as an easy way to collect outrageous damage awards. It is also abused by corporations, who see the DTPA as a way to sue each other and drive their competition out of business. Such abuse of our system was never intended. I fully support the DTPA reform.

Tort reform is a major priority for me during this legislative session. I feel strongly about reforming our civil justice system.

I believe that our civil justice system is designed to allow persons or businesses who have been damaged by another person or business to recover their losses, whether it be compensation for medical damages, compensation for lost wages, or payment for damaged property. Over the years, however, Texas has become a "litigation-happy state," where certain people view the courts as a way to "hit the jackpot."

The changes we are making in our lawsuit system will allow you to take back your primary right as a citizen of the country — that of individual freedom to earn a day's pay for a day's work without fear of losing it all to greedy individuals who would simply want to strike it rich at your expense.

I encourage you to let me know your thoughts on the issues I have discussed in this column, or any other issues being considered by the Legislature. Call me in Austin, (512)463-0130 or my District office, 1-800-866-7330; or write P.O. Box 12068, Austin, 78701.

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State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — State Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, filed legislation last week which would allow local school districts to buy whatever textbooks they please with state money.

Ratliff, who chairs the Senate Education Committee, said elimination of the state textbook adoption process is part of his 1,088-page proposal to overhaul the Texas Education Code.

"I think there are about four or five textbook companies in the world large enough to go through the long, arduous expensive process of being approved for a textbook," Ratliff said.

"There's millions of dollars spent in that process, and small publishing houses can't afford to try to get a textbook approved," he said.

But Jack Christie, chairman of the State Board of Education, voiced concern about doing away with the present method of adopting textbooks.

Under the current system, school districts can use state funds to buy books approved by the state. They can use local funds to buy other books if they choose.

"My basic feeling is textbook selection still should be a statewide function because half the districts don't have the experts to peruse those books and choose what's best for the kids," Christie said.

Ratliff said that under his proposal, regional education service

centers would be given authority to create panels of educators to review available textbooks and make recommendations.

Education Commissioner Lionel "Skip" Meno said shifting textbook adoption to local districts would cut 46 members of the TEA's staff, out of a total 1,133 employees. He said about 30 states have local textbook adoption.

Ratliff's bill is considered a starting point for senators and House members, who are drafting their own proposal to make schools more accountable to local communities.

Other provisions of the education reform bill include:

- Teacher's minimum pay scale would be increased and tied to growth in per-pupil spending;
- A new State Board for Certification would give educators the same right of self-regulation that most other professions have;
- School district superintendents rather than school boards would develop district budgets, which then would be approved by the boards; and
- Limit school superintendents to 12 months of severance pay.

"Sen. Ratliff's proposals show a clear movement toward innovation and expanded local control of our Texas schools," said Gov. George W. Bush.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock concurred: "I support the entire bill as he has introduced it."

On another subject, Sen. Ratliff said he has pledged of 11 "hard no votes" against casino gambling, the exact number needed to defeat the proposal. He also vowed to filibuster a casino bill if it reaches the Senate floor.

Richards Joins Law Firm
Former Gov. Ann Richards last week became the senior advisor to the Washington-based law firm of Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand in its newly opened Austin office.

Rosemary Freeman, director of the firm's public affairs, said Richards, who is not a lawyer, would advise both public and

private clients with the firm in areas of public policy and comprehensive business strategy.

The firm recently hired former U.S. Sens. Lloyd Bentsen and George Mitchell.

Lottery Funds to Schools
A major portion of lottery revenues would be dedicated to public education under a bill proposed by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio.

Under the measure, 80 percent of lottery revenues would go toward funding public education and the remainder to the state's General Revenue Fund.

Wentworth said the bill would do "what most voters believed more than three years ago would happen when they voted in favor of a lottery."

Bill Limits Side Jobs
State legislators would be prohibited from representing paying clients before state agencies under an ethics reform bill approved last week by a Senate committee.

The measure, approved by the Senate State Affairs Committee on a 7-4 vote, would halt legal activities that earned certain lawmakers \$680,000 in fees during a recent three-year period.

"I think there is a widespread perception that state legislators represent clients before state agencies for pay and have undue influence on those agencies," said Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, author of the bill.

Other Highlights

- State Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, is proposing a constitutional amendment that would give Texas voters the power to approve measures by petition. Under the proposed amendment, voters also could petition to repeal laws passed by the Legislature. "The power of the people should not be limited to the name they check at the ballot box," Nelson said.
- Gov. Bush nominated Houston businesswoman Brenda Arnett to be executive director of the Texas Department of Commerce. He announced the nomination after Deborah Kastrian, an appointee of former-Gov. Richards, resigned.

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- TXism: "the fat" (talk)
- Texas Stadium has one in its roof
- TX Tanya's "Cowboy-Lovin' Night"
- Jerry Jones' jet
- Paso
- drunk driving violation (abbr.)
- TXism: "noisy as crying for mama"
- Lone Star rodeo finals are in Ft. Worth
- TXism: "a dead snake can still bite"
- TX Nolan gave up a lot of bases
- TXism: "scrubber" (tooth brush)
- TX "Robin Hood" school judge Scott
- TXism: "warm your gullet" (nice)
- UT library has rare Bible printed with moveable
- TX-company Inc. grows insects that kill grain pests
- TXism: "spittin' of" (identical)
- Spain's Queen visited '92 Houston International Fest.
- TXism: "pan" (one time)
- Permian Basin
- Museum
- "Desert Storm" TX POW Melissa
- TX or Nevada town top poker pair
- Fiesta Texas German dish: schnitzel
- TX Bush's party (abbr.)
- TXism: "up" (anger)
- "home, home on the"
- TX eatery: Steak &
- TX Neiman et al.
- TXism: "in the bud"
- LBJ took ___ of office on Air Force One
- Dallas-based ___ Friday's ___gallon hat
- lottery has toll-number for winners
- Astro or Ranger stat.
- TXism: "could outrun a six-legged bob"
- Chico
- this Brando heads for Texas in "The Chase" (init.)
- Dallas pastor who compiled "The Scofield Reference Bible" (init.)
- chickens' home
- TX Charley's "All I Have To ___ You"
- TXism: "biscuit dealer"
- San Antonio Adams who received Medal of Honor in WWII
- TXism: "parental plagues"
- Conway Twitty's "As Soon as I ___ Up the Phone"
- Gen. Robert ___
- TX V.T. Hamlin's comic: "Alley ___"
- yearling age (abbr.)
- leakage
- violent anger
- TXism: "you can write ___ ink" (positive)

DOWN

- "bowl of fire"
- TXism: "doing better than a ___ boomtown"
- west of Harlingen on hwy. 107
- El Paso is SW capital of western
- TXism: "as week old soda pop"
- star of "The Fabulous Texan" (47)
- TXism: "Katy bar the door"
- "Honest ___ wasn't on TX ballot in 1860"
- TX celebrated its ___ in 1936
- TXism: "salt some ___ (save)"
- Marshall puts X-mas lights on ___posts

On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

PFC Scott Atchley of Fort Bragg, N.C. was recently home to visit his family including his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Atchley; his brother, Mikel; his sister, Mekesha; and another sister and her family, Julie and Roger Gauna and their daughter, Maegan.

While Scott was home, family members and friends from Dimmitt visited with him. Among those he visited with were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Crosthwait of Olney, Mrs. Patty Atchley of Summerfield, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dickens and Becki of Lubbock, and Jim C. Dickens of Hobbs, N.M.

Scott will continue to be stationed at Fort Bragg. I visited with Scott at church when he was home and he is a good looking kid!

The brotherhood of Lee Street Baptist church took their wives and friends out to eat at Sirlain Stockade in Hereford recently. They enjoyed the food and fellowship.

Brian Stewart, son of Pete and Darla Stewart of Dimmitt, is band director at Petersburg High School. The Texas Tech Band Alumni is planning a wonderful spring break vacation to Dublin, Ireland, and Brian is planning to attend. We hope he will give us a report of the trip when he returns.

The Methodist Men's Sweetheart Banquet was held last Thursday evening and a large crowd attended. The fellowship hall was pretty with tables decorated with fresh pink roses and carnations. The food included delicious steaks, baked potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls and ice cream, all prepared by the Methodist Men.

Cliff Hargrove, pastor of First Baptist Church of Sudan, was the guest speaker. He attended school in Dimmitt, graduating from here in

1968. He gave a very interesting program on his life and recounted a few humorous stories from the Bible including Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, Lot and his wife, who turned to a pillar of salt, and Sarah and Abraham, who had children late in life.

The Thursday Bridge Club met at the Senior Citizens Center for lunch and a day of bridge with Susie Reeves as hostess. She served a delicious German chocolate cake for dessert, and had candy and brownies for snacks. Lorann Hamilton finished with the high score and Susie was second. Others playing were Alma Kenmore, Elizabeth Huckabay, Dugan Butler, Louise Mears, Fern Dickey, Virginia Crider, Johnnie Vannoy, Dude McLauren, Bernice Hill, Helen Braafladt, Edith Graef, Ina Rae Cates, Neva Hickey and Cleo Forson.

Phil Watson, executive director of the Drug Prevention Resources, brought the morning message at First Baptist Church on Sunday morning. He is a dynamic speaker and we hope he can accomplish much by preventing the youth from using drugs.

Darla Rice of Amarillo surprised her grandparents, Hubert and Willa Mae Edwards, on Sunday morning by meeting them at church for the morning services at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

Our sympathy to the families of William Bellinghausen and Mary Acker, whose funerals were held earlier this week.

The youth from First United Methodist Church and First Baptist Church are planning to hold a joint service with Justin Shultz as the youth director.

I waited 30 minutes at the high school on Monday and it was interesting to watch the students as they were going from one class to another. It is quite different from the years I was in high school—many, many years ago. The way students dress is especially different.

I attended the Dimmitt boys' practice game with Sudan Saturday night, and it was an exciting game.

Joanne Snider and Sue Summers attended a "School-to-Work" conference in Dallas Feb. 12-14. This is a federal initiative program sponsored by the Dept. of Education and the Dept. of Labor, and its objective is to better prepare students for the work force upon graduation.

Snider attended a grant writing workshop in Austin Feb. 7-9.

On Feb. 21, the parenting classes

Sunnyside WITH TEENY BOWDEN

The Sunnyside Volunteer Fire Dept. recently fought a grass fire east of Sunnyside on the Silverthorn place. The firefighters were able to save the house. They also have assisted the Earth Fire Dept. with a fire in a farm shop, but it burned to the ground before help could arrive. It was located near Dodd. The fire department is available day or night by dialing 9-1-1.

Fertilizer season has started and the Byerses and Lee Bradley have been busy.

David and Gay Sadler met Melody Roye and children of Hobbs in Lubbock last Sunday and brought the grandchildren, Shaina, Samuel and Spencer, home with them for a few days. Gay took them back to Hobbs Wednesday and spent the night with them, Melody and Walter Roye. She also visited with Karla Sadler before returning home Thursday.

Dorothy Gilbreath was hostess to her bridge club in her home Thursday afternoon. Those attending were Jo Eddy Riley, Ruth Jackson, Shirley Wise, Doris Lust, Carolyn Jones, Nancy Ross, Patsy Rogers, Carmaleta Burnett, Polly Simpson and Bonnie George.

Lillian Carson left Friday morning for Dodge City, Kan., to spend a few days with her son, Gene, and his wife, Bonnie, and their family.

Brandy and Brett Sutton and Brandy's fiancée, all of El Paso, came Friday night and stayed through Sunday with Billie and Emma Jean King.

Bess and R.V. Bills were back in the church services Sunday morning.

Strauss Atkinson of Plainview visited with Teeny Bowden Saturday afternoon.

There has been a lot of illness in the community over the past couple of weeks.

A computer expert from Amarillo delivered Teeny Bowden's computer on Friday and spent seven hours showing her the many features she wasn't using and cleaning up the files. He has been in the business for 30 years.

Dimmitt FFA fares well in El Paso Show

Tucker Schumacher of Dimmitt exhibited the Reserve Champion Yorkshire barrow at the El Paso Southwest Livestock Exposition recently.

Schumacher's barrow won the mediumweight division, then was named reserve champ for Yorks.

Jill Gfeller showed the first-place lightweight Yorkshire in the show.

Jay McCormick had a busy day, placing with several barrows, including a second-place heavyweight Cross, third-place heavyweight Hampshire, seventh-place lightweight Hampshire and ninth-place lightweight Cross. He also showed a 121-lb. finewool Cross lamb, which finished ninth in its class.

Mandi Moore also competed in the show, exhibiting Duroc and Yorkshire barrows.

hosted the annual FHA Teacher Appreciation Coffee during second period. Teachers and administrative staff members enjoyed food and visiting in the home economics department during that hour while junior and senior FHA members taught classes.

The Future Homemakers of America will celebrate its 50th anniversary this school year, and the Dimmitt Chapter plans to attend the Region I conference in Amarillo on March 3-4.

Rachel Goldsmith of Dimmitt, a junior, will participate in this year's conference. She is vice president of public relations and will be taking part in running the conference.

Chapter members attending will be among 1,300 delegates taking part in this year's conference, which will follow the theme "Rewind to '45—Fast Forward to '95 with FHA HERO." The theme will be carried out through workshops and general sessions where members will discover ways to become actively involved in issues facing today's youth. Among the issues which will be addressed are dating, gang violence, drunk driving, teen parents and more.

STAR (Students Taking Action for Recognition) events are competitive events in which members will participate at the regional meeting. These events will allow members to showcase their life skills in different areas.

New officers for the 1995-96 year will be elected at the conference.

There will be three STAR Event teams from Dimmitt, including two senior-level teams and one junior-level team.

Members of the Chapter Service Project Senior Level team are Tawnee Matthews, Tracy Grand and Jon Scarborough.

The Chapter Service Project Junior Level team includes Kaci Schulte and Vanessa Sanchez.

The other senior level team will be Focus on Children, and team members are Angie Mendoza and Sarah Goldsmith.

The Dimmitt FHA chapter has been very active recently. Here are some of the things the group has been doing:

Tots, Teens and Safety: FHA members presented programs to Pybus Christian Pre-School on Halloween, bicycle and kitchen safety. A puppet show was given to reinforce Halloween safety tips. A presentation was given by DARE Officer Richard Spears and FHA members highlighting bicycle safety. An obstacle course designed for the children was set up and the youngsters were able to use what they had learned. The FHA members performed a skit to teach kitchen safety.

Teens Aging With Elderly: This chapter repainted two rooms at the nursing home. One wall of the physical therapist's office was sponge painted blue and the other walls were painted white. New curtains were made from a sunflower print fabric. The walls in one resident's room were painted white. While some members were painting, others cleaned up around the outside and some played games and visited with the Senior Citizens. Recently members made Valentine cookies and cards for each resident at the nursing home.

Children-Coins-Christmas. Three weeks before Christmas, Angie Mendoza and Sarah Goldsmith presented five lessons about money to the children of Pybus Christian Pre-School. They taught the children about the value of money through games, flash cards

and plastic coins. To evaluate their learning, members conducted a Christmas Store and children were able to purchase a present for their mothers using skills they had learned. The children bought the presents, wrapped the presents, ate and played games.

All the teams have designed a display showing all of their activities to compete at the regional conference.



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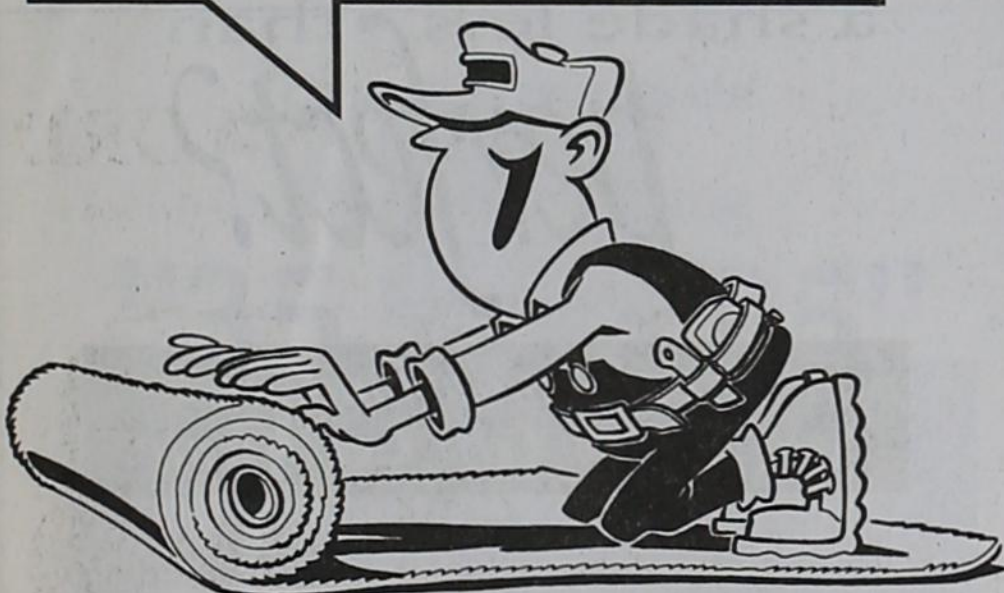
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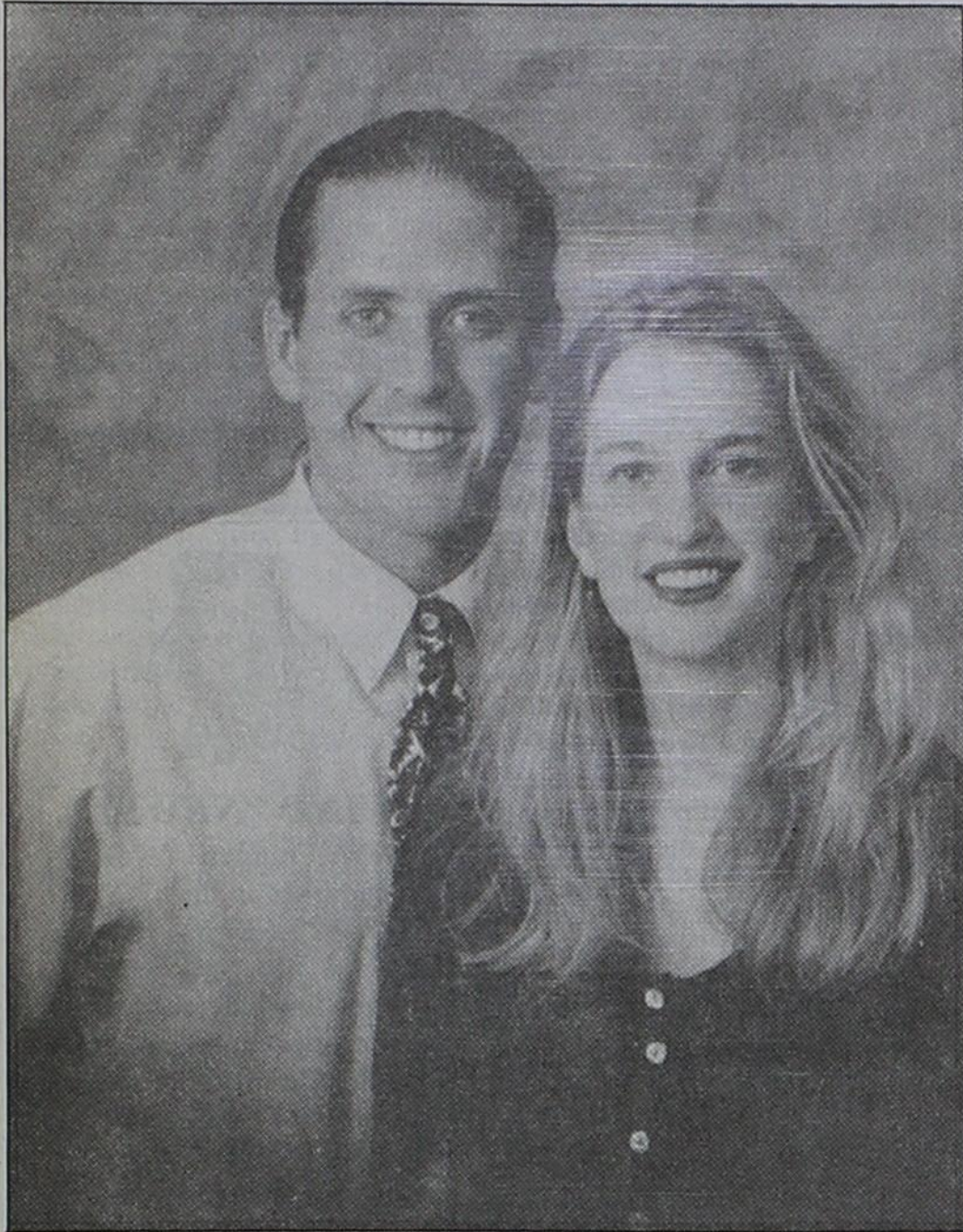
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People



Jeffrey William Bale and Tiffany Michelle Braafladt

June wedding planned

Chuck and Patricia Braafladt of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tiffany Michelle Braafladt, to Jeffrey William Bale, son of Richard and Carol Bale of Portland, Ore.

The couple plans to marry in June in the Caribbean. The bride-elect graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1987. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1991 with a bachelor of science degree in human sciences. She is working on her master's degree in professional counseling at West Texas A&M University in Canyon and she expects to graduate this spring. She is employed by Cal Farley's Boys Ranch/Girlstown USA.

The prospective groom is a 1986 graduate of Beaverton High School. In 1989 he studied in Uxbridge, England at Brunel University. He graduated from Claremont Colleges in California in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in environmental studies and political science. He is employed as an environmental scientist with Jacobs Engineering in Albuquerque, N.M.

After the wedding, the couple plans to live in Albuquerque and Amarillo.

Nazareth recognizes honor roll students

Honor rolls have been released for the fourth six weeks by the Nazareth Independent School District. The honor rolls include:

FIRST GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Dawn Cameron, Alan Gerber, Jake Hoelting, Kendra Huseman, J'Lae Merritt and Kasey Wood.

"B" Honor Roll

Skyler Birkenfeld, Dusty Braddock, Nathan Huseman and Lacey Sanders.

SECOND GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Jenna Acker, Jamie Lynn Birkenfeld, Ross Birkenfeld, Jordan Hampton, Michael Horn, Garrett Kleman, Keli Schulte and Orin Schulte.

"B" Honor Roll

Jeremy Acker, Jamie Black, Melina Braddock, Kelcee Kleman, Tyson Schulte, Jason Wilhelm and Shay Wilhelm.

THIRD GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Brock Birkenfeld, Kimberly Brockman, Tanya Herring, Brett Hoelting and Trey Robb.

"B" Honor Roll

Andrew Brockman, Misty Burton, Sarah Ellison, Monty Hoelting, Adam Hunter and Cassie Price.

FOURTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Zac Morris and Ross Schulte.

"B" Honor Roll

Adam Acker, Nicole Acker, Rey Bermea, Craig Birkenfeld, Karen Birkenfeld, Jenna Braddock, Tyler Ehly, Carson Gerber, Erica Gerber, Reece Hales, Evan Huseman, Koty Huseman, Justin Kleman, Shane Kleman, Laci McLaurin, Justin Myers, Kristi Ramaekers, Eric Schilling, Chase Schulte, Megan Schulte, Lance Scott, Rose Wilhelm and Shelby Wilhelm.

FIFTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Blake Birkenfeld, Laura Gerber, Mandy Hoelting and Susan Kern.

"B" Honor Roll

Lesley Brockman, Miranda

Burton, Megan Hoelting, Shana Huseman, Jase Merritt, Elizabeth Olvera, Daryl Pohlmeier, Danette Ramaekers, Trinity Robb, Kyla Schacher, Ky Wilcox and Jennifer Wilhelm.

SIXTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Mark Birkenfeld, Lindsey K. Gerber, Lindsie M. Gerber, Whitney Hoelting, Tara Kleman, Brooke Moyers and Holly Myers.

"B" Honor Roll

Sage Annen, Jaci Birkenfeld, Shawna Gerber, Jason Huseman, Mark Lange, Matty McLain, Bryce Pohlmeier, Wade Price and Adam Schulte.

SEVENTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Mindi Ethridge, Lisa McLaurin and Sara Schulte.

"B" Honor Roll

Melanie Book, Bo Hunter, Cameron McLain, Jill Schulte and Karen Wilhelm.

EIGHTH GRADE

"A" Honor Roll

Susan Jones and Jessica Kern.

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Mandy Birkenfeld, Laura Birkenfeld, Susan Book, Mitchell Brockman, Stephanie Gerber, Kristin Hales, Matthew Kern, Susan Lange, Lori Maurer, Jayme Schmucker, Tiffany Schmucker and Ann Wilhelm.

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JUNIORS

"A" Honor Roll

Jaimye Bingham, Allyn Garza and Robin Schulte.

"B" Honor Roll

Casey Hoelting, Courtney

Hoelting, Melinda Schmucker and Carie Wethington.

SENIORS

"A" Honor Roll

Scott Brockman, Judith Nieves, Colby Pohlmeier, Karmen Pohlmeier and Jaret Schulte.

"B" Honor Roll

Ron Backus, Denia Durbin, Alston Farris, Tara Johnson and Rhonda Maurer.



TOP CITIZENS—The top elementary citizens have been named for the fourth six weeks at Nazareth. Top citizens include (seated, from left) Dusty Braddock, first grade; Kaytlin Huseman, kindergarten; Chase Black, kindergarten; Jenna Acker, second grade; (standing, from left) Rey Bermea, fourth grade; Shane Kleman, fourth grade; Brett Hoelting, third grade; and Mandy Hoelting, fifth grade.

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Simpson earns \$6,000 with hog

Jeremy Simpson of Dimmitt stole the spotlight at the San Antonio Livestock Show over the weekend when his barrow was the third highest-selling animal in the swine auction.

Simpson and other Dimmitt FFA members fared well at the show and sale.

Simpson's 257-lb. reserve champion OPB sold for \$6,000, third only to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals, which sold for \$31,000 and \$13,000, respectively.

Jay McCormick's red limousin steer placed seventh and the 1,190-lb. animal sold for \$1.85 per pound in the steer auction.

Wesley Mays exhibited a heavy-

weight Yorkshire barrow which finished third, and it sold for \$900.

Tucker Schumacher drove his 257-lb. Cross barrow to a fifth-place finish in the heavyweight class, and it sold for \$850 in the swine auction.

Jana Nelson showed a 10th-place mediumweight Chester barrow and Shantell Self placed ninth with a heavyweight Chester.

GOP Women learn about inaugurals

Castro County Republican Women learned about the swearing in of the 104th Congress and the inauguration of Gov. George W. Bush at their recent meeting at K-Bob's Steak House in Dimmitt.

Charlotte and Hollis Cain of Springlake were guests of US Rep. Joe Barton at the kickoff of the Contract with America where they met many legislators, attended a legislative session and heard speakers at many luncheons.

The Cains were treated royally and were impressed with the spirit of faith and a return to the founding fathers' original intentions for America.

The Cains had seen US Rep. Mac Thornberry's office on the previous Saturday and found him in his new office greeting people on a Tuesday after driving to Washington and moving into a new home.

The Cains also attended the Texas inauguration. Although they did not get to visit personally with many legislators they attended several balls and heard the speech made by Gov. Bush.

The group voted to help Arlene Wohlgenuth in the legal challenge to her election to the Texas House of Representatives. Tonya Linskyi thanked the group for their letter on behalf of a visa extension for her family. Cards and letters were also sent to the State Board of Education regarding TAAS testing and the preservation of history, and to the Food and Drug Administration urging approval of the home health AIDS tests.

Eighteen members and six guests attended the meeting.

Blood drive set Monday

The Nazareth High School Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive Monday from 3 to 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

The drive will be conducted by Coffee Memorial Blood Center.

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By request, Pybus Preschool is starting another 18-month to 2-year-old class beginning March 1. Classes will be on Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and will cost \$52 a month. Marlene Martinez will be the teacher. She will be introducing colors, shapes, numbers, hands on work with puzzles, play dough, puppets, and work to develop small and large muscles.

Daycare is available Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. for 16-months to 5-year-olds. The cost is \$10 a day or \$6 for a half day. Lunch and two snacks are provided. Afternoon school pickup charge is \$4 an afternoon.

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THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO — The First Christian Church of Dimmitt started out with this "temporary" building obtained from the air base at Clovis. It now houses the fellowship hall and classrooms. The congregation will observe its 35th anniversary Sunday and the public is invited.

Christian Church sets anniversary celebration

Dimmitt's First Christian Church will hold its 35th anniversary observance, "35 in '95," Sunday at the church at 600 Western Circle Drive, and the public is invited to attend.

Bro. Roy Barringer, former minister of the congregation, will bring the message at the morning worship service at 10:45. Other former ministers and members will have an opportunity to bring greetings and give updates on their current activities.

Several are scheduled to bring special music, and following the worship service there will be a fellowship meal of barbecued brisket, potato salad, coleslaw, tossed salad, ranch-style beans, green beans, hot rolls, and a variety of cobbler and pies.

"We want to invite everyone to come out and join in this celebration with us and join us in worship and fellowship," said Jim Hardwick, present minister of the congregation.

The first services for the congregation were held Feb. 28, 1960, with 31 in attendance. Of those, 16 answered the invitation to become members, including four who were immersed.

Early charter members included Dwayne Brown, Marilyn Brown, Thelma Brown, Clinton Fry, Ethel Fry, Othele Fry, Anna Gabel, Clay Gabel, Doris Gabel, George Gabel, Kent Gabel, Tony Gabel, Loranel Hamilton, Bill Kellar, Earlene Kellar, Sandy Parsons, Mildred Sheffy, Bedford Smith and Elsie Smith. The number had increased to 32 resident and three non-resident charter members by the time of the congregation's first anniversary. Charter members still remaining with the congregation include Ethel Fry and Loranel Hamilton.

Two acres of land were purchased and Bedford Smith of Bucklin, Kan. was called to be the small

Museum group plans meeting

The Castro County Museum Association will hold its regular monthly meeting tonight (Thursday) at 5 p.m. at the museum in Dimmitt.

All members and guests are invited to attend.

group's first minister. A temporary building was obtained from the air base at Clovis, and worship services were held in it for 14 years. It now functions as the fellowship hall and classrooms since the completion of a large new structure in late 1975.

By the end of the second year, the congregation was entirely self-supporting and had added a parsonage. The property, including street paving, was dedicated free of indebtedness in 1963, with the aid of a grant from the Mary Bivins Foundation of Amarillo.

Groundbreaking for the new auditorium and classrooms was held in 1975, and the dedication of the building was held on Feb. 8, 1976. A church office and hallway connecting the old and new buildings were added in 1978. The debt on the auditorium was retired with a note-burning ceremony on the congregation's twentieth anniversary in 1980.

After Bedford Smith and his wife moved on to Bridge City in 1963, Loren Dickey and his wife and two sons moved here from Albuquerque, N.M., serving for two and a half years. Then the Smiths returned to serve until Bedford's retirement in 1971.

Beginning Jan. 10, 1971, Roy L. Barringer was called to serve, along with his wife and three sons, moving here from Albuquerque. They served for 13 years, resigning in 1984.

Terry Griffith was the next to serve, along with his wife, Melissa, and two daughters. A son was born while they were living here.

David Keller and wife and three children came to the congregation in 1986 and served until his resignation in the spring of 1992 to go into the teaching profession.

Bud Corless and his wife and son came to the congregation in October of 1992, staying through August of 1993.

Bro. Barringer served as interim minister for several months.

The present minister, Jim Hardwick, and his wife, Tresa, came to Dimmitt in August of 1994. They have a son, Joshua, and a daughter, Jaci. They moved here from Dewey, Okla.

Information for this story was obtained in part from the *Castro County History, Vol. 1.*



Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Feb. 23 through March 3.



Presbyterian Church

Sunday Church School classes meet at 10 a.m.

"Moses Veils His Face" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the 11 a.m. worship service. There will also be a speaker from The Gideons.

Presbyterians will also worship Sunday with New Hope Baptist Church at 1 p.m. for "A Celebration of Culture."

Presbyterians will also take part in the praise service at First Baptist Church at 6 p.m.

There will be a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper at 6 p.m. at the church.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, and we shall celebrate with the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance

Castro County Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a praise service Sunday at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church. Each church is to furnish three special numbers. There will be a time of fellowship following the service and each church is to bring snacks.

Johnny Robertson will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Romans 4:1-25 on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

DIMITT

THURSDAY: No school.
FRIDAY: No School.

MONDAY: Choices of taco salad, *soft beef taco or turkey fajitas; *refried beans, Mexicali corn or *Spanish rice; tossed salad with dressing, *garden relish or fruited gelatin; *hot rolls, cornmeal twist rolls or crackers; apple, banana or orange; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of *hot dog on a bun with chili, pepperoni pizza or chili Fritos with picante; *seasoned green beans, broccoli, cheese and rice or mixed vegetables; tossed salad with dressing, *coleslaw or fresh fruit salad; hot wheat rolls, cornbread or flour tortillas; *apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choices of *meat loaf with creole sauce, roast turkey with gravy or chicken fried steak; *mashed potatoes, candied sweet potatoes or peas and carrots; tossed salad with dressing, *hamburger salad or cucumber and tomato salad; hot rolls, cornmeal rolls or white bread; apple, plum or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choices of Italian spaghetti, *grilled cheese with chili or oven fried chicken; *potato rounds, broccoli with cheese sauce or baked potato wedges; tossed salad with dressing, *carrot raisin salad or *fresh fruit slices; hot rolls, crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *cheeseburger on a roll, chicken filet on a bun or Chinese plate; *French fries, pork fried rice or Chinese style vegetables; tossed salad with dressing, *hamburger salad or coleslaw; *cornbread, whole wheat rolls or crackers-flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

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

Nominations accepted for top service awards

Nominations are being accepted by the Amarillo Women's Forum for its annual Distinguished Service Awards.

The award honors outstanding women in the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Persons who have been entered before but have not won may be entered again.

Winners are chosen on the basis of their significant impact on the Texas Panhandle through their local communities. The award recognizes visible examples of women. Since 1975 award winners have been selected from the arts, business, finance, education, health care, law, science, volunteerism and other fields.

Deadline for entries is March 6. Nomination forms are available from Millie Bingham at (806) 378-3162.

HART

THURSDAY: Tacos (elementary) or burritos, salad, corn, pears and milk.

FRIDAY: Nachos with meat (elementary), burrito, pickles, crackers, pinto beans, peanut butter bars and milk.

MONDAY: Enchilada casserole (elementary) or enchiladas, salad, corn, tortillas, pineapple pudding and milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken nuggets (elementary) or turkey steak, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, green peas, variety of cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chalupa (elementary) or soft burrito with meat, salad, corn on the cob, pears and milk.

THURSDAY: Cheeseburgers (elementary) or sloppy Joes, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fresh fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Baked fish (elementary), burrito or stew, macaroni and cheese, broccoli and carrot sticks, cornbread, chocolate chip bars and milk.

Hart menus are subject to change without notice.)

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: Corn dogs, corn, applesauce and milk.

FRIDAY: Roast potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls, pudding and milk.

MONDAY: Tacos, lettuce, cheese, pork and beans, rolls, pineapple and milk.

TUESDAY: Turkey and dressing, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread, peaches and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Fish, macaroni and cheese, corn, cornbread, fruit salad and milk.

THURSDAY: No School!

FRIDAY: No School!

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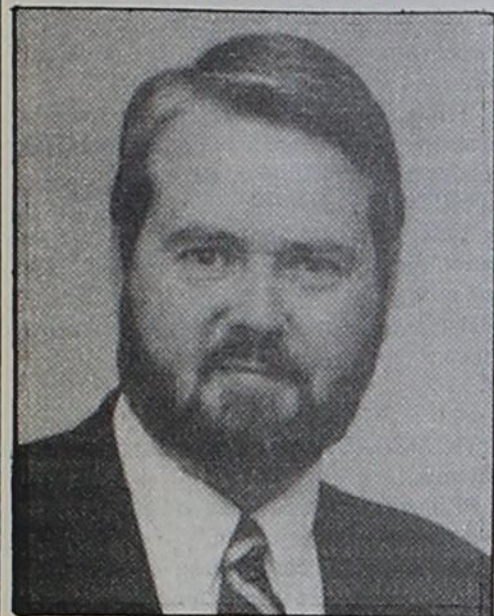
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By DON TAYLOR

The activity trap

I'm often asked to speak to this group or that on the topic of time management. I feel like a recovering alcoholic who has been asked to speak to a Sunday school class on temperance. I'm not sure I qualify to lecture others in this area.

My wife would agree. Last week she asked what plans I had for the weekend. I rattled off the list of columns to write, meetings to plan, seminars to organize, tax information to gather and a speech on time management to write. "When is the time management speech?" she asked. "Next week," I replied. "Well, that's a subject I'd like to hear you try to handle," she said with a knowing look.

I'll admit that I've still got a lot to learn in this area. Time slips away from me. I often find myself at the end of the day with more tasks than time.

Manage or control

Perhaps the real question is, "Do we manage time or control events?" Frankly,

I've heard some pretty interesting arguments on both sides. The "manage" advocates tell us to analyze our time wasters, plan and schedule carefully, and prioritize our activities into descending importance. Then we are to tackle the highest priority items when our energy level is at its peak. Simple, sound advice.

The "control" experts guide us toward taking control of activities that consume our time. They suggest that we find out what events eat up our days and eliminate those that burn up valuable hours. This, too, makes sense and sounds good.

Unfortunately, both of these approaches can lead us into the activity trap. I've watched hundreds of busy people get caught in this trap because they haven't learned it's not what you do that's important, it's what you get done. Results are more important than activity.

Making your time count

To avoid the activity trap (being busy, but not productive) try these tips:

- Begin by defining the result(s) you wish to achieve. Remember that

success is not what you start, but what you finish.

- Monitor, record and examine how you spend your time. You may find some bad habits you can correct. You may uncover some activities that aren't taking you where you want to go. Eliminate them.
- Develop a plan for scheduling and prioritizing your activities. Stay focused on the results you desire. Skip low priority items even if they are fun. Remember, time management is self-management.
- Don't procrastinate. Procrastination is opportunity's natural enemy. Typically, procrastination causes you to consider projects or events again and again. Your mind picks up the project, turns it over and over, only to put it down again. You consume time and energy and often the opportunity just goes away.
- Focus on one activity at a time, and whenever possible stay with it until you complete it. Do whatever you

can to keep your focus. Clear your work area, wear headphones to block out unwanted noise or isolate yourself completely. Keep your focus and you'll get more done.

- Don't pile it, file it. I know my piles pretty well now, but even without external disturbances I still lose or misplace important items. The message is: if it is important enough to pile, it ought to be in a file.
- Don't confuse urgent with important. Balancing your checkbook is important. A ringing phone is urgent. If your banker is on the phone to let you know you're overdrawn, it's both urgent and important.

Tomorrow you'll get 86,400 seconds to use. Use each one carefully to avoid the activity trap.

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Conservation tillage presents new challenges

The change from conventional to conservation tillage cropping systems presents new challenges in managing irrigation and nitrogen fertilizer application, caution scientists with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Board honored during February

Members of the Dimmitt school board have received certificates recognizing their efforts during School Board Recognition Month during February.

The month has been proclaimed by Gov. George W. Bush to help build awareness and understanding in their communities of the important function an elected board plays in communities and schools.

Members of the Dimmitt board are Steve Buckley, John Nino, Frank Welch, Paul Garcia, Debbie Annen and Earl Behrends.

"As citizen advocates, individual board members face a complex and demanding job; yet few people fully understand the scope and far-reaching implications of board members' responsibilities," said Billy Walker, executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards.

"School board members work with community leaders, families and educators to develop sound educational policies in their districts," said Gov. Bush. "They help us to set high standards in the educational system and encourage us to strive to reach those goals. The results of this cooperative effort are reflected in a generation of Texas children who are more prepared to be our nation's leaders. They carry with them the proper tools with which to forge their bright futures."

To answer these challenges, experimental plots were established at the Agricultural Complex for Advanced Research and Extension Systems, or "AG-CARES." AG-CARES was formed by the Lamesa Cotton Growers with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service. This 160-acre farm at the northern edge of Lamesa allows the Texas A&M University System scientists and specialists to apply small plot research to full-sized fields under exact conditions confronting area producers.

Four cropping systems that show increased profitability for cotton production are being evaluated at AG-CARES. These systems were compared to conventional tillage cotton production in terms of cotton yield, fiber quality and net returns per acre. The cropping systems are: minimum tillage continuous cotton, terminated wheat-cotton, sorghum-cotton conservation till rotation and wheat-cotton conservation till rotation. These cropping systems, along with irrigation levels and nitrogen fertilizer, have a significant effect on cotton yields and net returns, the scientists said.

Nitrogen fertilizer rates were applied at 70%, 85%, 100% and 115% of nitrogen requirement. Based on yield potential the nitrogen requirement was calculated to be at 140 pounds per acre. The calculated nitrogen requirement was based on research data from cotton produced under conventional irrigation scheduling and a single split for nitrogen application, noted Dr. Arthur Onken, Experiment Station professor of soil fertility.

The highest cotton yield was with the wheat-cotton rotation system. But low wheat yields made the wheat enterprise unprofitable, which offset the increased returns from the cotton. The wheat-cotton and sorghum-cotton conservation tillage rotations were about equal in net returns with the conventional tillage systems, said Dr. Wayne Keeling, Experiment Station systems agronomist.

Net returns more than tripled with minimum tillage and terminated wheat systems compared to conventional tillage. Significant lint

yield increases occurred with the first increment of nitrogen applied to the terminated wheat system and to the second increment applied to the minimum till system, added Onken. Also, within the terminated wheat system, a significant interaction on lint yield was found between nitrogen fertilizer rate and amount of irrigation water applied.

The application method and amount of irrigation water had greater effects on lint yield than nitrogen fertilizer rate in the conventional cotton system. The yield of conventional cotton irrigated with low energy precision application (LEPA) sprinkler systems was not significantly affected by nitrogen fertilizer rate, where spray irrigated cotton lint yields decreased at the two highest nitrogen application rates. At the lowest irrigation application rate, nitrogen fertilizer had no significant effect on lint yield.

These data indicate that nitrogen fertilizer is more efficiently utilized under high frequency irrigation coupled with incremental nitrogen applications, based on crop uptake, when compared to conventional systems of irrigation and fertilizer application, said Onken. It indicates that less nitrogen fertilizer will be required using the combination of management techniques, the scientists said.

4-H'ers show livestock at San Antonio

Tye Baca and Chad Rogers, both members of the Castro County 4-H, placed with steers they exhibited in the San Antonio Livestock Show Feb. 13-18.

Baca's mediumweight Maine-Anjou placed third in its class. Rogers' mediumweight Chianina finished sixth in its class.

Other 4-H'ers showing animals in San Antonio were Aaron Hart, Caitlin Buckley, Wesley Wright, Jason Wooten, Carla Petty, Julia McDonald, Dagon Newton and Colby McDaniel.

Cotton Talks

During the past 31 years, the Plains Cotton Growers Boll Weevil Suppression Program has successfully kept the boll weevil from infesting High Plains cotton.

The program is operated by Lubbock's Plains Cotton Growers and is overseen by a steering committee made up entirely of cotton producers from across the High Plains.

PCG Boll Weevil Steering Committee Chairman Wayne Huffaker of Tahoka notes that throughout the program's 31-year life it has been able to keep the boll weevil from moving onto the High Plains using a "control zone" which delineates the program's operational boundaries.

Huffaker explains that the control zone roughly follows the contours of the Caprock on the eastern edge of the High Plains creating a buffer

Applications accepted for emergency loans

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by hail and rain are still being accepted at the former Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) office at SW Second and Belsher in Dimmitt.

FmHA County Supervisor Sheila Osbourne said Castro County was one of seven Texas counties named by former Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from rain and hail.

Osbourne said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 4.5%.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30% loss of production to be eligible for an FmHA emergency loan," said Osbourne. Farmers participating in PIK or Federal Crop Insurance programs will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until June 25, but farmers should apply as soon as possible," Osbourne said. "Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season."

zone between infested areas of the Rolling Plains and the High Plains. He notes that inside the program's area of operation boll weevils have been kept at levels below which they could successfully advance onto the High Plains.

The PCG program uses a strategy of fall diapause treatments within its operational boundaries that, with the help of cold winter temperatures, reduces the number of boll weevils able to successfully survive until a new cotton crop is planted the following spring.

Huffaker warns that in 1995 the boll weevil has a new chance to move into even more High Plains cotton as the area experiences what is shaping up to be the mildest winter yet. Mild winter temperatures the past four years allowed record numbers of boll weevils to survive and infest High Plains cotton fields outside the program's normal control zone.

"The boll weevil has essentially executed a flanking maneuver and moved into previously uninfested areas at a tremendous pace," said Huffaker. "In just four years, boll weevils have taken advantage of two things in mounting this attack: mild winter temperatures and grassland in the Conservation Reserve Program."

In the past, CRP grasses were not considered protective enough to allow significant boll weevil survival during "normal" winter conditions on the High Plains. Recent winter temperatures, however, are proving that CRP grass is an excellent habitat for the boll weevil in these mild winters.

PCG is ready to step up its efforts to stop the boll weevil. Under the authority of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, PCG is in the process of putting the future of High Plains cotton in the hands of the very people who have the most to lose from the boll weevil: the cotton producers.

Huffaker said PCG is in the process of putting together an Enhanced Suppression Program which will increase the current program's operational area and pave the way for full eradication of the boll weevil in 1998 and 1999. Getting the job done will require the unified efforts of the cotton growers, Huffaker added.

The key to implementation of the Enhanced Suppression Program will be a positive vote in a referendum tentatively scheduled for the first two weeks of April. Producers will be able to get more information in the weeks leading up to the April referendum on a number of educational meetings across the area.

Swisher Electric schedules contest

Entries are being accepted through March 21 for the Government in Action Youth Tour speech contest sponsored by Swisher Electric Cooperative.

Any student from Nazareth, Hart, Happy, Canyon, Kress, Tulia, Silverton or Olton is eligible to enter the contest, which will be held March 28 at Swisher Electric in Tulia.

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Ministers of the mass in Holy Family Church Sunday morning were all members of our parish youth group under the direction of Mary Beth Gerber. The choir also were members of the youth group under the direction of Greg Birkenfeld.

Daniel Kern, infant son of Jerry and Carol Kern, was baptized Sunday morning during mass in Holy Family Church with Rev. Neal Dee officiating. Godparents for Daniel were Jessica and B.J. Kern. Breakfast was later enjoyed at the Kern home for the family and grandparents Bud and Rita Kern, and Junior and Catherine Hochstein.

The Knights of Columbus free throw contest was held at the Nazareth School gym Sunday afternoon with 34 contestants ages 10 through 14 competing. Winners were Aaron Kern and Kyla Schacher, 10-year-old; Daryl Pohlmeier and Whitney Hoelting, 11-year-old; Jason Huseman and Lisa McLaurin, 12-

year-old; Matthew Kern and Vanessa Wilhelm, age 13; and Barry Hoelting and Stephanie Gerber, 14-year-old.

The district contest followed at 3 p.m. with the Nazareth winners also winning district, except for the 14-year-olds, which was won by Al Correa of Canyon. Barry Hoelting was second. The winners will advance to regional on March 11 at St. Mary's Gym in Amarillo.

The Catholic Life Nazareth Branch 59 held its annual branch meeting and social hour in the Nazareth Community Hall Sunday evening with a large attendance of members and their families.

Prayers are asked for good health for Angela Acker, who is home after being a patient in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Prayers are asked for Leola Ramaekers who is home to recuperate from surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo last week.

Our sympathy to the family of Mary Acker, 72, who died Friday at St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo. Mass was celebrated Monday morning in Holy Family Church and burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery where her husband, Lawrence Acker, was buried in 1993. Survivors include a son, Francis of Dimmitt, and two daughters, Shirley Schacher of Dimmitt and Diana Adams of Breckenridge.

Our sympathy to the family of William Bellinghausen, 81, who died Saturday in St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo. Burial was in Nazareth at Holy Family Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Rosetta of Dimmitt, a son, David of Ovilla, and two grandchildren.

Billie Schacher of Amarillo and Mary Helen Demel of Pep spent a few days here with Evelyn Backus.

Gary Albus of Lubbock visited here with his mother, Evelyn Backus. He left on Sunday for Austin, where he will be teaching young recruits for the Dept. of Public Safety. He will be in Austin for six months.

Betty Wilhelm recently went on a cruise with her son, Gordon. They sailed from Miami, Fla. to Cozumel, Mexico with a stop in Key West, where they took a glass-bottom boat to see the coral reefs. It was something to see!

Before arriving at Cozumel they visited the Mayan Indian ruins in Playa del Carmen on the Yucatan Peninsula. The ruins are interesting and unbelievable that buildings are still standing that were built in the 7th Century. Cozumel is a beautiful Mexican Island, the water is all shades of blue and the beaches have very white sand. They left Cozumel and sailed to Miami, a 32-hour trip, but so much was happening on the ship they didn't realize they were actually moving. The trip was smooth most of the time.

From Miami they flew to Houston where Betty spent several days with her daughter, Barbara, and her family. Betty also spent time with her son, Craig. On the way home she stopped in Bryan to visit with her son, Gordon, and his family, then went on to visit with children and grandchildren in Wichita Falls before returning home.

Leonard Gerber is home to recuperate after having knee surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Band will hold March fundraiser

Dimmitt High School's band will hold a fundraising sale March 8-15. The band will be selling snack cheeses and summer sausages. Items may be ordered from any member of the Bobcat Band.

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There are some exceptions to this rule. For example if you have "substantial" earnings in a job where you paid Social Security taxes, the 90% factor may not be reduced as much—to somewhere between 40% and 85%—depending on the number of years of substantial earnings. The modified formula also does not apply to survivors benefits and in certain other cases. In any case, a guarantee is provided to protect workers with relatively low pensions. It provides that the reduction in the Social Security benefit under the modified formula cannot be more than one-half of the part of the pension attributable to earnings after 1956 not covered by Social Security.

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Students winning in the school's big spelling bee were Matthew Sanders, Kami Sanders, Shayla Kenworthy, Angelica Lara, Kris Lindsey, Katy Loudder, Denise Perez, Amy McGowne, Heather Hargrove, Valentina Lugo, Christina Campos, Nicky Gauna, Tyler Myatt, Todd Jansa, Sheena Ehly, Maggie Lopez, Erica Abrego, Jimmy Armstrong, Larry Adams and Cinnamon Trotter.

Other students were recognized for achievements during the six weeks and they are:

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HONOR ROLL: Cavazos, Matthew Sanders, Heard, Kami Sanders and Kenworthy.

NUTT'S ROOM
SPELLING: Junior Cuevas, Susie Limas and Lizbeth Gonzales.

BEST CITIZEN: Delia Arredondo.

HARDEST WORKER: Maria Reyes.

HONOR ROLL: Arredondo, Cuevas and Nancy Paz.

BAIN'S ROOM
SPELLING: Angelica Lara, Kris Lindsey, Katy Loudder, Denise Perez, Amy McGowne, Heather Hargrove, Valentina Lugo and

Christina Campos.

BEST CITIZENS: Campos, Perez, Lara, Lugo and Anthony Zambrano.

HARDEST WORKERS: Lara and Campos.

HONOR ROLL: Loudder and Lara.

MERRITT'S ROOM
SPELLING: Nicky Gauna and Tyler Myatt.

BEST CITIZENS: Erika Mendoza, Lisa Sears, Marcela Salinas and John Lucio.

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SPELLING: Todd Jansa, Sheena Ehly and Maggie Lopez.

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SPELLING: Erica Abrego, Jimmy Armstrong, Michelle Barrera, Larry Adams and Cinnamon Trotter.

BEST CITIZEN: Patricia Maruffo.

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If you have earned both Social Security and a military pension, your Social Security benefits are not affected. You should call Social Security and ask for the factsheet, *Military Service and Social Security*. However, if you are entitled to both Social Security and a government pension based on a civilian job not covered under Social Security, your Social Security benefit may be reduced.

There are two rules that may reduce your benefits. One, called "government pension offset" applies only if you receive a government pension and are eligible for Social Security benefits as a spouse or widow(er). This affects relatively few people and is explained in our factsheet, *Government Pension Offset*.

The other, sometimes called the "windfall elimination provision," affects the way your retirement or disability benefits are figured if you receive a pension from work not covered by Social Security. This rule affects the person who spent most of his/her career working for a government agency but who also worked at other jobs where they paid Social Security taxes long enough to qualify for retirement or disability benefits. People who worked in job where they didn't pay Social Security taxes, such as in a foreign country, may also be affected.

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Sports



Class AA area championship

Lady 'Horns top Gruver 50-49 in OT

By DON NELSON
For Hart forward Sandra Lopez, Tuesday night's Class AA area championship game in Amarillo was a substitute's dream. Starting in place of the ailing Brandi Key, Lopez rang up 17 points to help spark the Lady 'Horns to a thrilling 50-49 overtime victory over Gruver.

Senior forward Shea Bennett sank a clutch free throw with 14 seconds left in overtime to give the Lady 'Horns their one-point edge, then the two teams staged a final, furious battle in the paint as three Gruver shots either rimmed out or were blocked before the buzzer. "Oh, my gosh! I just feel like I'm dead. I don't even feel alive. Oh,

my gosh!" Hart Coach Rachelle Wilcox exclaimed after the ragged, emotionally draining contest.

The win propels the Lady 'Horns (25-8) to the Region I-AA Tournament in Abilene, where they'll meet Ozona (30-1) at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum. The re-

gional championship game will be played at noon Saturday.

This will be the second regional trip in a row for the Lady 'Horns. Last year they advanced to the Class A regional classic; this time they're in the Final Four of Region I-AA.

The Lady Greyhounds, coached by former Dimmitt all-stater Steve

Myatt, finished their season at 24-7 and two games short of the regional finals they reached last year.

Bennett and Lopez accounted for the bulk of Hart's points with 18 and 17, respectively. Traci Knox added 8, Kim Grossman 3, Jodi Card 2 and Trinette Finch 2.

Defense dominated the game as both teams combined full-court

trapping presses with quick-handed man-to-man coverage that led to 16 turnovers—eight by each team—in the first quarter alone.

In all, Hart had 21 turnovers and Gruver 15.

"I knew they would press us, but I didn't know they'd be that tough," Coach Wilcox commented.

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FLOOR MAGIC — Hindered by Childress' Jennifer Neal (13), Dimmitt's Kim Thomas starts a pivot move after stealing the ball from the Lady Bobcats and driving for the basket late in Friday night's bi-district championship game in Canyon. At this point, the Bobbies were trailing by 46-57 with 1:55 remaining. Thomas—who led all scorers with 21 points, including 11 of 11 free throws—sank Dimmitt's final three points with 20 seconds left to cut Childress' victory margin to 60-53.

Photo by Don Nelson

Thomas, Bobbies lose heartbreaker

By DON NELSON
Kim Thomas fought to keep this from being her final game.

She was the only holdover from the 1993 state championship team, on which she had been a sophomore starter. Now she was one of only three seniors on the Bobbies squad, playing her heart out against Childress Friday night in the bi-district game at Canyon, trying to get to the next level.

She was awarded 11 free throws and made all 11 of them. She jumped and drove and spun for five hard-earned field goals to finish as the game's high scorer with 21 points.

Still, she felt that she didn't do enough in the Bobbies' heartbreaking 60-53 loss.

"We could have won," she said. "We've beaten a lot better teams this year."

Dimmitt's tallest starter was 5-8. Childress' shortest was 5-9, with others going 5-10 and 6-0.

The shorter Bobbies used their speed and quickness in the first half, breaking Childress' half-court press for driving layups and open jumpers. With juniors Cara Josselet and Amy Ethridge directing the attack from out front, they grabbed the lead and hung on. At halftime it was 31-28.

Childress Coach Thel Shelby pulled his girls out of their half-court press the last two minutes of the first half and instructed them to get back quickly and set up in a 1-3-1 zone.

The strategy worked. The towering Lady Bobcats jammed the middle, forcing Dimmitt's long-shot artists — Ethridge, Josselet and Carrie Bradley—to shoot from the perimeter. And they had a terrible time getting off a shot that the taller Childress girls didn't block or tip.

"That's when they killed us—when they went into the 1-3," said senior post Tiffany Wilcox, who spent the game battling fever, the effects of nausea and 6-0 Childress post Molly Seal.

"We do better when we're in motion against the zone," senior forward Dolores Dimas said. "But they took that away from us."

Childress point guard Cara Steed, especially, was a one-girl gang in the second half. She netted back-to-back three-pointers to put Childress in the lead, 40-37, with 2:00 remaining in the third. And in the fourth she used her quickness to score a couple of steal-and-drive layups, helped break Dimmitt's full-court press, and managed to intercept several passes while harassing the Bobbies' outside shooters.

Meanwhile, the Bobbies were running out of steam. They had been fighting bronchitis, nausea and strep throat for two weeks, and were still weak.

"I was upset because I was still sick and couldn't go as hard as I usually can," Wilcox said.

Childress outscored Dimmitt 15-7 in the fateful third quarter to build a 43-38 lead.

Trying to adjust their arc over the tall Childress guards, the frustrated Bobbies saw shot after shot fall short in the fourth as the Lady Bobcats extended their lead to 12 points with 3:40 remaining.

With 20 seconds left and the Bobbies hopelessly behind, 60-50, Thomas scored Dimmitt's final three points of the season—a short jumper on an inbounds play, followed by her 11th free throw—to cut Childress' final victory margin to 60-53.

"The girls had a good year. They played hard and did a good job...I think the sickness we had probably cost us the district championship—we just never did get over it. We had key players out during key games. Every year, we've always gone down and gotten flu shots. We told them to this year, but some of the players—and some of the coaches—just didn't do it. I'll promise you, we're all gonna get 'em next year."—Dimmitt coach Richard Wood

"Our shots just didn't fall in the second half," Coach Richard Wood said. "We just went cold. I think the sickness got to us again. It was a

very physical game, and our girls just couldn't run anymore. We started coming back (in the fourth), but I think we just ran out of gas."

Although Thomas sank 11 freebies, "I felt she should have gotten 20 more free throws, the way they were punishing her inside," Wood said.

In the Bobbies' dressing room after the game, "We hurt bad," Thomas said, "because we knew it was our last game and we could have gone on. We could have won."

"Depressing" was the way Dimas described it, "knowing that we didn't play like we're capable of playing."

The Bobbies had a good year, beating some quality teams along the way. Do the seniors have any regrets about their final season?

"Yeah, that it's over," Thomas said.

"And we weren't ready for it to be over," Wilcox added.

"We weren't expected to get this far, so I think we accomplished something, at least," Dimas said.

"The girls had a good year," Coach Wood said. "They played hard and did a good job. The kids had the spunk; we just needed some height."

He added: "I think the sickness we had probably cost us the district championship—we just never did get over it. We had key players out during key games."

"Every year, we've always gone down and gotten flu shots," he said. "We told them to this year, but some of the players—and some of us coaches—just didn't do it. I'll promise you, we're all gonna get 'em next year."

Schmucker scores 33 as Naz rolls over Hedley

By ANNE ACKER
It didn't take long for the Hedley girls to figure out they were outmatched in Tuesday night's Class A Area game with Nazareth.

Just a minute into the game they were down 7-0. It was 9-0 20 seconds later and Nazareth hadn't missed a shot. That's when Hedley called its first time out.

The Lady Owls scored their first basket after that, but it was the first of very few they would make in the game as the Swiftettes breezed into the regional tourney with a 74-31 victory at The Box (West Texas A&M University Fieldhouse) in Canyon.

The Swiftettes showed no mercy, applying a swarming full-court press in the first half to take a commanding 37-15 halftime lead behind Melinda Schmucker's 21 points. The junior forward added 12 points in five minutes in the third quarter to finish with a game-high 33 points. She also recorded 10 steals, blocked two shots and pulled down five rebounds. She had an almost perfect shooting performance, too, hitting 13-of-15 from the field, including 4-of-4 from three-point range. She was 3-of-4 from the charity stripe, too.

Hedley's lone bright spot was Rachel Woodard, who pulled down

eight rebounds and scored 18 of her team's 31 points.

Hedley came out in a sagging defense, and left Nazareth's outside shooters wide open. That was Hedley's first mistake.

Carie Wethington took advantage of that early, hitting the game's first basket, a three-pointer, 12 seconds into the game.

"Carie's three got us going in the right direction," said Nazareth Coach Johnny Hampton. "We didn't really know what to expect from Hedley (on defense). They had played man all year. They came out and collapsed inside and allowed us to shoot outside. We did and the shots went in."

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Hanna-Holcomb win tournament

Rick Hanna and Brad Holcomb teamed to shoot 130 over two days and win a playoff to capture the championship flight of the annual Eskimo Open last weekend at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

Hanna-Holcomb tied with Mickey Bishop and Jerry Heller of Dimmitt with 130 over two days in the two-man scramble. Hanna-Holcomb then won the playoff to claim the title.

The team of Fuji Ortiz-Larry Sutton finished third in the top flight.

In the first flight, Rick Roden and Brent Loflin teamed to shoot a 139 and claim the title after winning a playoff over Larry Barker-Don Lewis. The team of Cliff and John Cook was third in the first flight with 142.

Bill and Jim Glenn won the second flight with a two-day score of 143. Walter Denzer-Gordon Davis finished second, while John and Grant Lantz were third at 146.

The third flight was won by Joel Sinclair-Joe Gutierrez with 156. Charles and Shari Langen were second with 157, while Don and Shirley Cornett were third at 162.



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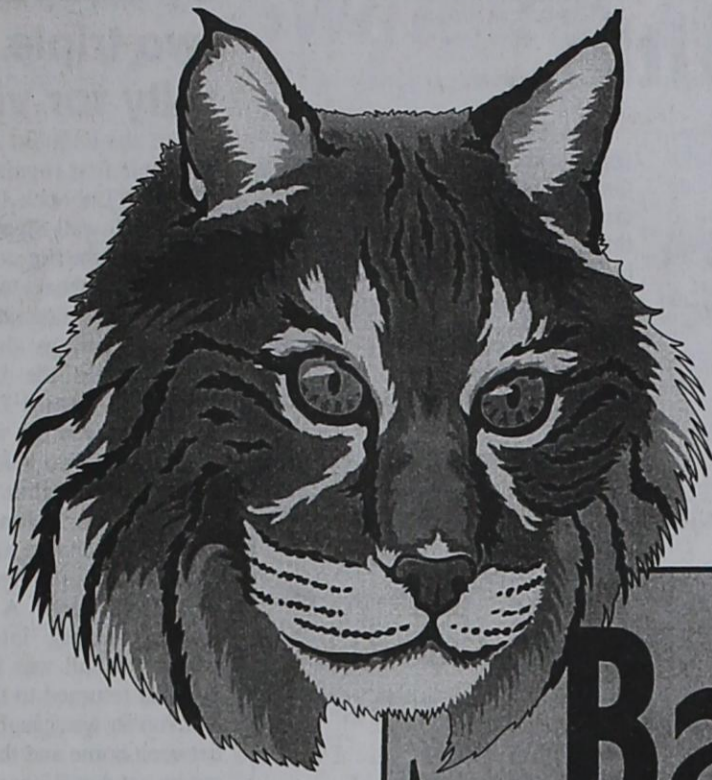
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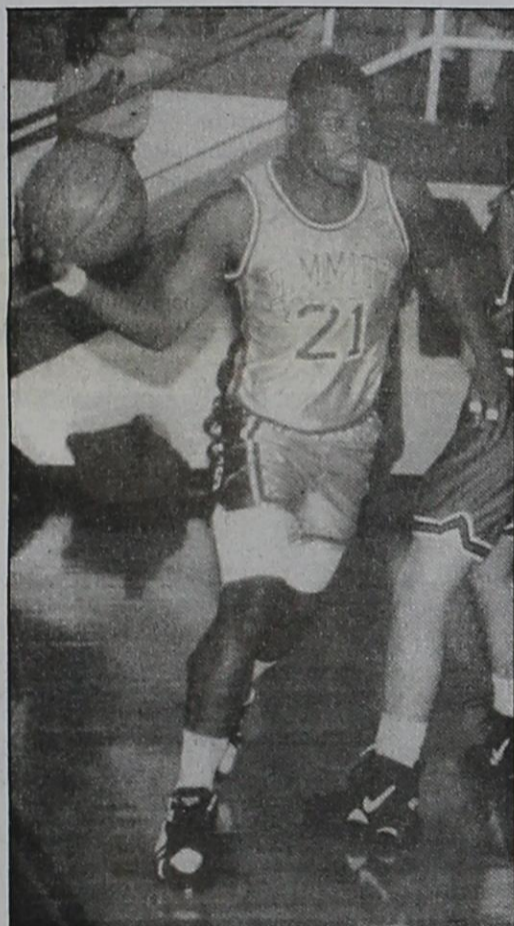
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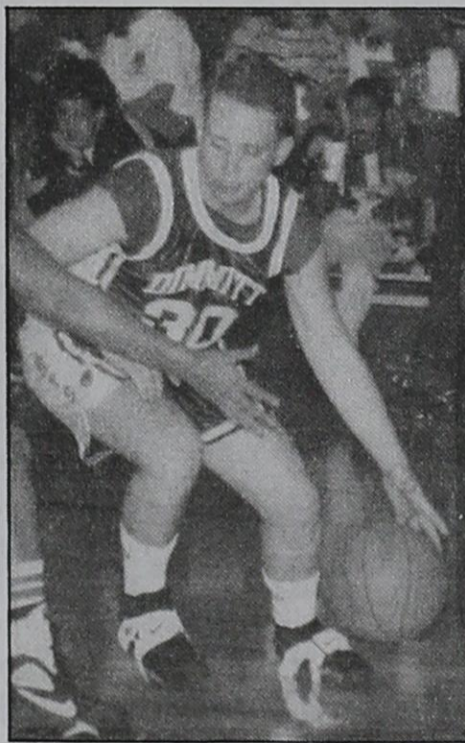


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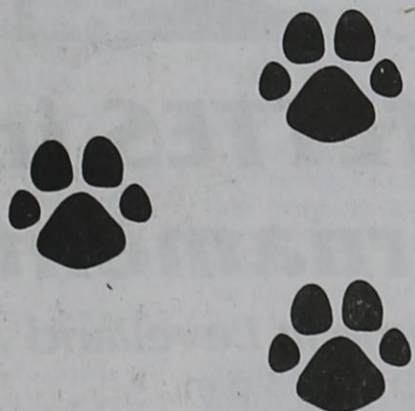
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Lady 'Horns top Gruver for area title...

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Maybe it was prophetic that Bennett would close out the scoring from the free-throw line when she opened it with a pair of freebies 20 seconds into the game. Except for a fast-break basket by Finch, Lopez

did the rest of Hart's scoring in the opening period, sinking two short jumpers and a pair of free throws to stake the Lady 'Horns to a 10-8 lead.

If Lopez kept Hart in the game in the first quarter, Gruver sharpshoo-

ter Julie Meyer kept the Lady Greyhounds in it in the second, sinking eight points from all angles. She scored 12 in the first half and finished with a game-high 20.

The two well-matched teams were never more than four points

apart during most of the contest. Hart led for all but 46 seconds until the final 1:30 of the third, when Gruver made a rapid-fire 9-0 run to take a 39-33 lead into the final period.

But Hart struck back quickly as Grossman and Lopez opened the fourth with back-to-back treys, Card sank a driving layup and Knox hit a turnaround jumper to put the Lady 'Horns out front again, 43-41.

Gruver fought back to a 47-47 tie on a driving layup by Meyer with 17 seconds left.

The noisy crowd in the Tascosa Activity Center went ballistic when Hart's inbound pass with 16 seconds remaining sailed out of bounds, giving Gruver another chance.

But Hart's stifling defense came through again, forcing an off-balance shot, and Lopez grabbed the rebound just before the buzzer to send the game into overtime.

Lopez sank Hart's only field goal in overtime—an 18-footer, 30 seconds into the extra period. Gruver's Molly McLain tied it at 49-all with a basket from the lane at 1:50.

With 43 seconds remaining, Knox missed a layup and Gruver rebounded, but Card tied up the ball on a diving play to give the Lady 'Horns possession again at 0:29.

Bennett drove for the basket with 14 seconds left, and Meyer fouled her on the shot. She sank the first one to make it 50-49, then the second one rimmed out and Gruver got the rebound and another final chance.

But the Hart defense again fought like alley cats, denying Gruver a decent shot. The big crowd held its collective breath as three desperation shots fell short before Hart got the final rebound just before the buzzer.

"Oh, my gosh! I just feel like I'm dead. I don't even feel alive. Oh, my gosh! ...I just cannot believe it worked out this way. I never gave up on 'em. ...The kids went out and did a good job."-Hart coach Rachelle Wilcox

"We work a two-minute defense all the time," Coach Wilcox said. "We told them right before the end of regulation and again before the end of overtime, 'Hey, this is just like our workout,' and the kids went out and did a good job."

Emotionally wiped out after the victory, Wilcox added, "I just cannot believe it worked out this way. I never gave up on 'em, but we were making so many unnecessary mistakes. Oh, my gosh!"



THAT CHAMPIONSHIP MOMENT—The Hart Lady 'Horns celebrate their area championship moments after nipping Gruver in overtime, 50-49, Tuesday at Amarillo Tascosa. Joining in the celebration are (from left) Trinette Finch, Gayla Reyna, Sheila Aalbers, Sandra Lopez, Kim Grossman, Shea Bennett and Jodi Card. The area trophy was Hart's second ever.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

JV Bobcats turn two triple plays, rally for victory

Yes, the Dimmitt JV Bobcats did win their first regular-season game 8-7 over Lubbock Cooper's JV at George Howell Memorial Park, but that wasn't the big story of the night.

The JV Bobcats turned two triple plays to kill Pirate rallies in the fifth and sixth innings, then rallied with four runs in the bottom of the seventh to erase a 7-3 deficit. The Bobcats scored the winning run on two hits and two wild pitches in the bottom of the eighth.

In the fifth, behind 4-3, Cooper had runners on first and second with no outs and in danger of breaking the game open. A Pirate batter singled sharply into right field, where the ball was fielded on one hop and returned to the infield. The lead runner was caught in a rundown between home and third and tagged out by catcher Richard Carpio.

The runner starting on first base was caught between second and third and tagged out by third baseman Shaun Furr. The batter was nearing second and Furr threw toward the bag, but the throw was too high. It was quickly returned to the infield, though, and second baseman Luis Nino tagged the third Cooper runner to complete the triple play.

In the sixth, Cooper scored three more and again had runners at first and second with no one out. Dimmitt first baseman Daniel Maxwell turned an unassisted double play, then got an assist for the third out and second-straight triple play.

A Cooper batter lined a pitch down the first base line which Maxwell gloved for the first out. He then took two steps to double the runner off first, then tossed the ball to second baseman Conrado Saucedo. He doubled the man off second to complete the all-of-a-sudden commonplace triple play.

The JV Bobcats will play again Monday at 6 p.m., hosting Boys Ranch.

The Bobcat varsity will get its first action of the year Saturday in a doubleheader at Sanford-Fritch beginning at 1 p.m.

The Bobcats will make their home debut Tuesday, hosting Boys Ranch at 6 p.m. unless there is a conflict with the basketball playoffs.

More about

Swiftettes paste Owls in area game...

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After Wethington's three-pointer, Nazareth hit its next three baskets before finally missing one midway through the first quarter.

The Swiftettes, who nailed six treys in the game, hit three of those in the opening stanza to go up 21-7.

Two others were canned by Schmucker within a span of 33 seconds in the second quarter to put

the Swiftettes up 29-8. By the end of the first half, Schmucker had 21 points and Nazareth had a huge lead.

"We shot the ball really well," said Hampton, whose team qualified for regional for the 21st year in a row. "Our zone press played well, also."

Hedley couldn't get the ball downcourt against Nazareth's press in the first half, turning the ball over 18 times. The Lady Owls gave it up

33 times during the game.

Nazareth started the second half the way it started the first—with a three, this time by Schmucker. She went on a rampage after that, stealing pass after pass from Hedley, and driving the length of the court to turn each steal into a layup before retiring with 3:20 left in the third quarter. She hit the opening three, a free throw, then turned three steals

into layups to give Naz 51-17 lead with five minutes left in the quarter.

Kelley Boyd, who was Nazareth's second-leading scorer with eight points, connected on an offensive put-back, then Schmucker got another steal and fed Amy Pohlmeier downcourt for a layup with 4:06 left.

Another Schmucker steal and layup made it 57-17 with 3:20 left

before Hedley called time.

Nazareth's second string took over down the stretch, and put Nazareth up 63-20 after three, then matched Hedley point-for-point (11-11) in the final eight minutes.

Nazareth got good production from its bench, which scored a combined 22 points, with Courtney Hoelting and Denia Durbin adding 7 each.



I WANT THAT BALL! Nazareth's Carie Wethington battles Amherst's Christie Smith (22) and Jamie Mills (33) for a rebound, but Smith comes away with the ball last Thursday in a Class A bi-district playoff at Abernathy. The Swiftettes advanced to the area round with a 67-42 victory in the game.

Photo by Anne Acker

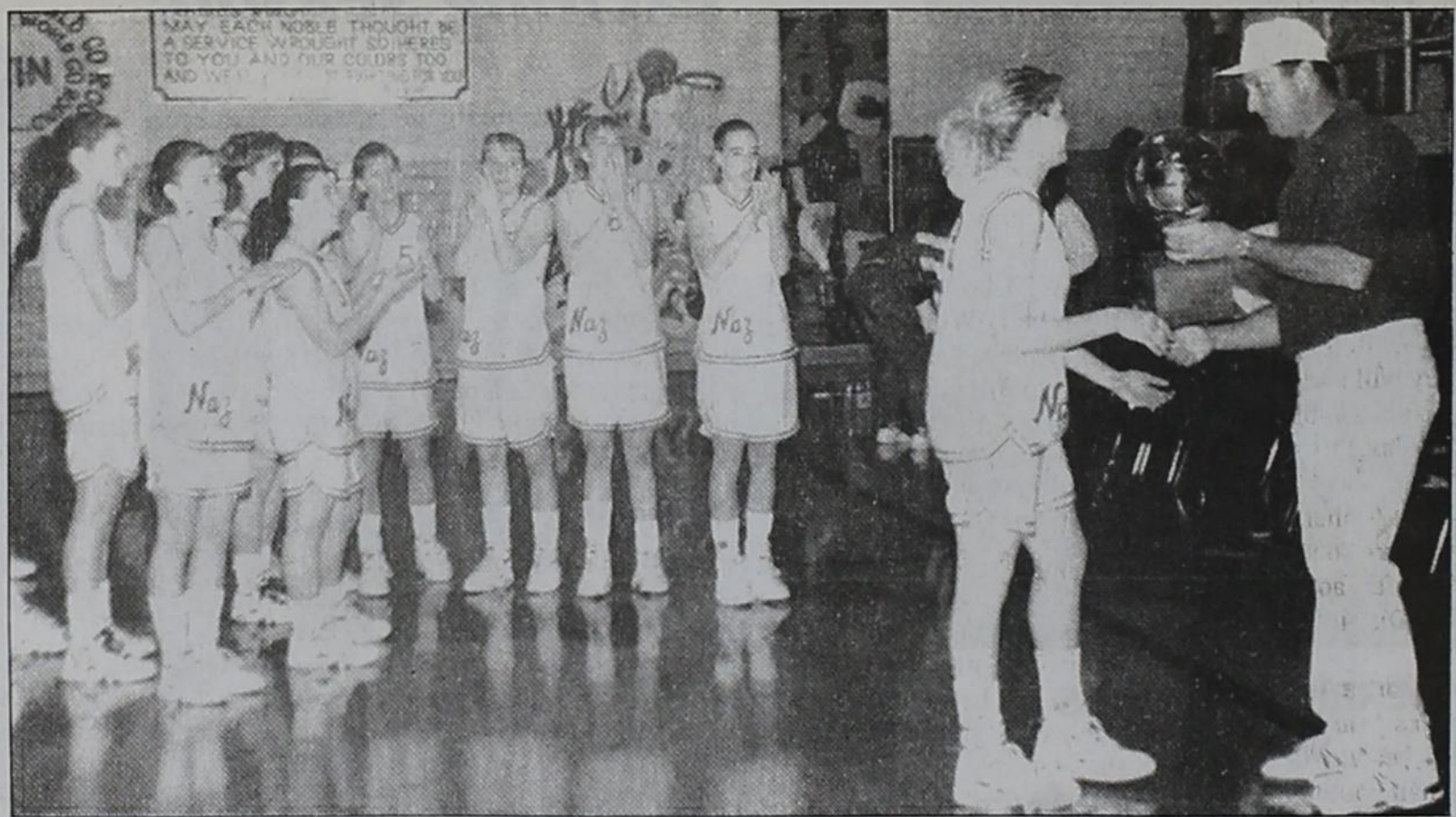
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Bobcats bop Hornets by 3

Class A king of the hill Sudan got another dent in its crown Saturday as the Bobcats beat the Hornets 60-57 in a practice game at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium at Dimmitt Middle School.

The warmup game was Dimmitt's last tuneup before tonight's (Thursday) bi-district game vs. Childress at The Box in Canyon.

Sudan came out looking like one of the best teams around, rolling to an eight point lead in the first quarter before settling for an 18-11 edge after eight minutes.

Dimmitt stormed back in the second quarter, cutting the score to 18-15. Sudan pulled back out to a six-point cushion, 23-17, before Derrick Thomas hit a jumper and Joey Martinez nailed a trey to make it 23-22. Sudan answered with another trey and scored again with nine seconds left in the half, but Justin Newman sandwiched two baskets around a Brandon Smith 17-footer to tie the score at 28 at halftime.

Dimmitt took the lead for good on a three-pointer by Joe Larra from the left wing with 6:49 to play in the third for a 33-30 lead. The Bobcats extended their lead to as many as seven points before Sudan came back within one, 41-40, with 1:26 to go in the third. Dimmitt led by three, 43-40, at quarter's end.

Dimmitt quickly went up by six points, then lengthened its lead to eight midway through the fourth period after Martinez and Thomas both sneaked in for offensive rebounds and follow shots. Chad Ellis gave Dimmitt its biggest lead of the night, 56-46, with 2:27 to play.

The Bobcats ran a little clock, but Sudan may have run even more trying to set up errant treys. The Hornets' Jerimi Bourland hit a couple three pointers in the last minute, but they weren't enough.

Newman led all scorers with 18 points. Thomas had 11 and Ellis added 10 for the Bobcats.

Bourland led Sudan with 17.

More about Swifts...

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out. People think we score lots of points but we score lots of points because we play great defense. We are playing good half-court defense and getting lots of steals and rebounds.

"If we can continue to play good defense, even step it up a notch, we'll be in good shape. We have gotten some teams frustrated because we are playing hardnosed defense. If we can do that the offense will take care of itself."

If the Bobcats win, they will likely meet Graham, ranked first in the state, on Monday or Tuesday.

The athleticism of the Amherst Bulldogs is a concern for coach Mark Makeever as the Swifts face a tough challenge from the District 8-A winner.

Amherst might have won a few more basketball games this year but didn't get started until late because of a run through the six-man football playoffs. The Bulldogs went all the way to capture the state title.

"Any team that can win a state championship in six-man football has got to have some athletes, and they have to be quick and strong," Makeever said.

Makeever wasn't particularly worried about the Swifts' loss to Knox City in a practice game ("It's hard to get fired up for a practice game") but hopes the Swifts can maintain their sharpness in the first playoff round.

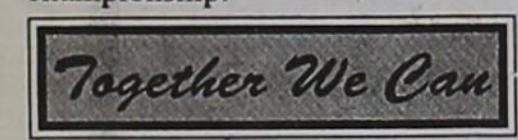
A win tonight would put the Swifts into the area game on Monday or Tuesday.

Amherst (18-3) is coached by Ray Reynolds, who also coaches the girls team.

The Bulldogs have three all-district players back from last season's 21-10 team that went to the area round.

Back from last year's squad is 6-2 junior forward Dewayne Miles, who averaged 12 points and 12 rebounds a game last year; Chris Bishop, a 6-4 senior post who had 12 points and six caroms a contest in 1994; and senior guard Jackie Moore, a six-footer who averaged 14 points per game a year ago.

Amherst is likely to try to press the Swifts and have played tenacious defense in rolling to the District 8-A championship.



Swiftettes dominate Amherst to claim bi-district

By ANNE ACKER

The Amherst Lady Bulldogs started their playoff journey with high hopes and a very talented guard in Jamie Mills, but those hopes were flattened by swarming Nazareth full-court zone and man defenses last Thursday night in a Class A bi-district playoff at Abernathy.

Nazareth's defense forced 30 Amherst turnovers enroute to a 67-42 victory before 300 fans.

Mills has been Amherst's bread-and-butter player all season long and the senior averages 20 points per game. But the Swiftettes virtually shut down Mills in the first half, allowing her just six points. She finished with 24 in the game, and she was it for Amherst's offensive attack. The next highest scorer for the Lady Bulldogs was Sundi Pointer with 5 points.

Defense kept Nazareth in control in the first half. The Swiftettes' 1-2-1-1 press forced 18 first-half turnovers by the Lady Bulldogs. Amherst had problems getting the ball past the time line all night.

"I think the 1-2-1-1 did real well," said Nazareth Coach Johnny Hampton. "We haven't worked on it all that much. We wanted to show them something a little bit different. I wished I would have changed to a man press a little sooner in the second half, because they finally adjusted to what we were doing."

Nazareth jumped ahead 19-10 after the first quarter and held a 31-15 lead at halftime. The Swiftettes didn't shoot very well in the first half, but they made up for it in the second half, hitting their first seven shots in the third quarter and their first six in the final stanza. Overall, Nazareth was 13-of-28 in the first half and 16-of-24 in the second half.

"I think both teams were nervous at the beginning," said Hampton. "We played good defense, but not very good offense. Our offenses just weren't working. We made an adjustment in the second half and got some open shots."

One of those adjustments was posting up junior guard Melinda Schmucker, who led the Swiftettes with 25 points.

Then Amy Pohlmeier and Jill Ramaekers got hot in the second half and combined for 16 points. Pohlmeier finished the game with 14, Ramaekers had 8 and senior post Kelley Boyd added 11 points.

"In the first half the post opportunities were there. We just weren't shooting or moving the ball well," Hampton said. "In the second half it was just the opposite."

"Amherst is a young team. I just think we are a better team at this point. The press certainly helped us in the first half and the adjustments on offense made a difference in the second half."



WHERE'S THE BALL? An Amherst ballhandler fights to regain control of the ball after it's knocked away by Nazareth's Melinda Schmucker (12) and K'Lynn Gerber during action last Thursday in Abernathy. The Swiftettes used a full-court press to

knock off the Lady Bulldogs, 67-42, for the bi-district championship. Also pictured are Nazareth's Misti Ball (30) and Courtney Hoelting (in background); and Amherst's Christie Smith (22).

Photo by Anne Acker

Lady 'Horns live through big scare, defeat Idalou girls

By JOHN BROOKS

There was a blip on the basketball radar scope Friday night when Hart standout Shea Bennett fouled out of the Class 2A bi-district game against Idalou with 5:35 to go in the fourth quarter.

The blip was the roar from the Lady Wildcat fans on the south side of Hutcherson Center at Plainview when they realized that the Idalou girls just might have a chance against the Lady 'Horns.

After all, Hart had never been able to pull away to a big lead, and Idalou had just closed the score to 43-41. So Idalou had a chance, right?

No, said the Hart girls, no chance at all. In fact, Idalou scored just two points after Bennett fouled out to lose, 53-43.

"All of our girls rose to the occasion in the fourth quarter when they had to pick it up a little," said Hart coach Rachelle Wilcox. "Traci Knox especially played just a fantastic game in the fourth quarter."

Bennett retired with 19 points on the night, but Idalou had limited the Hart star to just a basket and a free throw in the third period after she scored eight points in each of the first two quarters.

"They came out and changed their defense on us a little bit in the second half and that helped them get back into the game," Wilcox said.

Hart threatened to make a mockery of the first round of the playoffs as the Lady 'Horns leaped to a 13-4 advantage in the first quarter. Bennett scored the game's first four points, then scored two more baskets to supplement a trey by Kim Grossman and a bucket by Sandra Lopez. Julie Heinrich scored all four of Idalou's points, on two free throws early in the quarter and a basket with 1:40 left in the quarter.

Hart scored early in the second quarter for a 15-4 lead before Idalou scored the next six points to make it 15-10 with 5:45 left in the half. Heather Stephens came off the bench to key the run as she had eight points in the second quarter (her only scoring on the night). By halftime Hart had recovered a little and led 27-20.

The Lady 'Horns increased their lead to 32-21 before Idalou inched back into the game, closing to within 32-27 with 3:41 to go in the third. That's when Knox started to heat up, getting six points in the late going to boost Hart to a 41-32 lead after three periods.

Idalou started hitting the basket again early in the fourth while continuing to hold Bennett. Bennett picked up two fouls in less than 30 seconds in the fourth period, with the last coming at the 5:35 mark. Benita Soto hit both ends of the free throw opportunity to make it a two-point game, but Idalou could draw no closer, scoring only two more points the rest of the game.

Knox hit a basket, then Hart stopped an Idalou possession, came down the court and ran clock. And ran clock. The Hart girls were able to run over three minutes off the clock in two possessions before Knox was fouled with 1:41 left. She missed the front end of the one-and-one, but teammate Trinetta Finch rebounded the miss and scored to put Hart up 45-41.

Finch and Brandi Key each hit the front ends of one-and-one chances in the last minute, then Jodi Card hit four straight free throws in the last 30 seconds to secure the bi-district trophy for the second year in a row for the Hart girls.



TWO FOR TRACI—Hart's Traci Knox(center) scores over Idalou's Jennifer Kristinek (53) during the second half of the Class AA bi-district championship

game Friday at Hutcherson Center in Plainview. Knox scored 12 points, including 10 in the second half, to help lead Hart to a 53-43 victory. Photo by Shawn Thomas

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Tech's national championship team two years ago.

In Saturday's outing against SMU, Noel helped ignite Tech's final, game-clinching run with a pair of her patented three-pointers. And she sank some crucial baskets last week to ward off an upset bid by the University of Houston.

In the past six years, Noel has played on two state championship teams at Nazareth, four SWC championship teams and one national championship team.

Obviously, no other collegiate player in Texas has that kind of record. And probably, no more than a small handful of players across the entire nation can match that mark.

It's fun to keep up with the local girls who go on to play college ball. Right now, we have Noel at Tech, Halley Bradley of Dimmitt at Baylor, April Bennett of Hart at Wayland, Renee Josselot of Dimmitt at Midwestern State, and wendu Enridge of Dimmitt at Texas A&M-Kingsville.

(Speaking of Wendi: For a fundraiser several months ago, I pledged a dollar for every consecu-

tive free throw she could make. She nearly broke me.)

Given the quality of players and girls' basketball programs at Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth, Castro Countians should continue to enjoy a local connection with a lot of college teams for years to come.

March 20 is the first day of spring.

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(This joke courtesy of Ray Swirczynski, via our Nazareth correspondent, Virgie Gerber.)



SHEA BENNETT scores a basket for Hart over Idalou's Amber Hammond in the first half of the Class AA bi-district game Friday at Plainview. Bennett scored 19 points (16 in the first half) as the Lady 'Horns trimmed Idalou, 53-43.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

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18- Services

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25- Legal Notices

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24- Card of Thanks

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A copy of all materials in the public file is available for inspection and reproduction at the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, Air Program, located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109-4996, telephone 806/353-9251, and at the TNRCC Central Office, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone 512/239-1000. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the regional office of the TNRCC. Inquiries about the permit application and any information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing Eric S. Chasteen, TNRCC Office of Air Quality New Source Review Program, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office.

You may submit written comments concerning the permit application to the Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Program in Austin. All written comments received within 30 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the Executive Director in determining whether to issue or not issue the permit. All written comments will be made available for public inspection at the TNRCC Central Office in Austin. This notice is to be published on Feb. 16, 1995, and Feb. 23, 1995.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the proposed facility may request the Commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit application pursuant to Section 382.056(d) of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Commission is not required to hold a contested case hearing if the basis of a request is determined to be unreasonable. All requests for a contested case hearing must be received in writing within the 30-day comment period regardless of whether an informal public meeting has been held or scheduled on this matter. If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for hearing. Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Office of the Chief Clerk, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, telephone 512/239-3300.

Before a permit can be issued for this facility, the applicant must demonstrate that all emission sources are in compliance with all TNRCC air quality Rules and Regulations and all applicable Federal Regulations. This includes the application of "best available control technology" to each new or modified emission source and compliance with all ambient air quality standards.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO RECEIVE BIDS ON COUNTY DEPOSITORY
Notice is hereby given as provided in Article 2544 and 1664f (V.T.C.S.) that the Castro County Commissioners Court at its regular meeting on Feb. 27, 1995, will receive bids from banking institutions in Castro County that may desire to be selected as the depository of the County funds. Bids will be received until 10 a.m. on Feb. 24, 1995. Bidders should indicate specifically the method and frequency of calculation of interest rates payable on County accounts and investments during the term of the contract. The bid must detail all proposed costs for printed checks and deposit slips, service charges, stop payment charges and any other contemplated charges. Bidders are notified that most County funds are in the form of trust accounts with service charges prohibited. Release of government securities during the term of contract will be transacted as formal agenda items in regular meetings of the Commissioners Court. Successful bidder will be required to enter into a written contract with Castro County and approved by the Commissioners Court within 15 days of the date of the award of the contract. All bids must state the amount of the bank's paid-up capital stock and permanent surplus and must include a statement of financial condition of the bank on the date of application together with a certified check for \$10,000 to guarantee that if accepted as county depository it will execute the required bond. Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

IRENE MILLER
Castro County Judge
25-45-2tc

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT
GENE BRADLEY, P.O. Box 49, Dimmitt, Texas 79027 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (Commission) for a permit (Proposed Permit No. 03778) to authorize disposal of waste and wastewater from a cattle feedlot. The feedlot will consist of a maximum of 4,000 head of cattle. Stormwater will be retained in one storage pond. Wastewater from the pond is to be disposed of by evaporation and/or irrigation on 260 acres of agricultural land. Manure/solids will be disposed of as fertilizer on agricultural land by contract manure haulers. No discharge of pollutants into the waters of the State is authorized by this permit.

The cattle feedlot is on the east side of Farm-to-Market Road 1055 approximately four and one-half miles south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1055 and State Highway 86 and four miles southwest of the City of Dimmitt in Castro County, Texas. The feedlot is in the drainage area of the White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

The Executive Director of the Commission has prepared a draft permit based on the application submitted by the applicant and other information presently available.

Legal Authority: Section 26.028 of the Texas Water Code and 30 TAC Chapter 305 of the Rules of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

This application is subject to a Commission resolution adopted Aug. 18, 1993, which directs the Commission's Executive Director to act on behalf of the Commission and issue final approval of certain permit matters. The Executive Director will issue this permit unless one or more persons file written protests and/or a request for a hearing within 30 days after publication of this notice.

If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for a hearing. If one or more protests and/or requests for hearing are filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application to the Office of Hearings Examiners where a hearing may be held. Commission public hearings are evidentiary legal proceedings similar to civil court non-jury trials. Although general comments from the public may be submitted either in writing prior to the hearing, or orally at the start of the hearing, the law requires that the Commission's decision about whether to approve or deny the application be based on evidence and testimony submitted during the public hearing, presented under oath and subject to cross-examination by the other parties. Public comments are not evidence and cannot be the basis for the Commission's ultimate decision. In the event a hearing is held, the Office of Hearings Examiners will submit a recommendation to the Commission for final decision.

If no protests or requests for hearing are filed, the Executive Director will sign the permit 30 days after publication of this notice or thereafter. If you wish to appeal a permit issued by the Executive Director, you may do so by filing a written Motion for Reconsideration with the Chief Clerk of the Commission no later than 20 days after the date the Executive Director signs the permit.

Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted, in writing, to Chief Clerk's Office, Mail Code 105, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711, telephone 512/239-3307. Information regarding hearing procedures may be obtained by contacting Kerry D. Sullivan, Assistant Chief Hearings Examiner, Mail Code 102, at the same address or by telephone at 512/239-4100. Information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing Desiderio Mora, R.S., Agriculture Permits Section, Mail Code 158, at the same address with or by telephone at 512/239-4433.

Issued this 15th day of February, 1995.
GLORIA A. VASQUEZ
Chief Clerk
Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission
25-46-1tc

Chamber board ponders Dimmitt Dollar changes

The board of directors of Dimmitt's Chamber of Commerce will vote on proposed policy changes for the Dimmitt Dollars program during the next board meeting on March 9.

At a recent meeting, the board discussed several changes to the program and is asking for public input about the proposed changes.

Anyone who wishes to express an opinion about the changes should contact Delores Heller, Chamber executive director, at 647-2524.

Dimmitt Dollars currently may be redeemed at any business willing to honor them and may be redeemed at the Chamber office, dollar for dollar.

If the proposed changes are approved, Dimmitt Dollars would be exclusively redeemed for businesses and individuals belonging to the Chamber.

Those purchasing the Dimmitt Dollars from the Chamber of Commerce will only pay 91¢ for each

dollar purchased if the changes are accepted. Businesses accepting Dimmitt Dollars would have two choices: either spend the Dimmitt Dollars with another participating business or cashing in the bills at the Chamber of Commerce office. If a participating business elects to cash in the Dimmitt Dollars, a check will be made out to that business for 90% of the total value of the Dollars.

Under the new proposal, cash will not be given for Dimmitt Dollars. For example, if you purchase something for \$24.50, you can pay with \$25.00 in Dimmitt Dollars or you could pay \$20 in Dimmitt Dollars and \$4.50 in cash. You would receive no change from Dimmitt Dollars.

If the changes are adopted, non-chamber members will be allowed a grace period during which they may redeem any Dimmitt Dollars they have accepted.

City council calls election

Five spots on the Dimmitt city council and the mayor's seat will be up for election in the municipal elections called for May 6.

The election was officially called Monday by the Dimmitt City Council, which held a brief session. The unexpired terms of Place 2 Councilman Larry Gonzales and Place 3 Councilman Wayne Proffitt are on the ballot. The winners in those races would serve one year to fill out the terms of the two councilmen who resigned in December.

Also up for election this year are the at-large seats currently held by Carole Dyer, Don Sheffy and Johnny Ethridge. The winners for those seats would serve two-year terms.

Filing is open through March 22 at Dimmitt City Hall.

School board and hospital board seats will also be decided on May 6.

The city council also heard a presentation on the WIC program and awarded the contract for painting water storage tanks to a Muleshoe company which had the low bid.

Police Calls

A 36-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed after an assault early Saturday morning in Dimmitt.

A 19-year-old man was grabbed around the neck and scratched, according to police. The 36-year-old was alleged to have injured the man in a fight in his west Dimmitt home.

Other reports in the city include a man arrested on a driving while intoxicated warrant; disorderly conduct by students fighting at Dimmitt High School; a man arrested for parole violation Wednesday night in the 300 block of S. Broadway; and criminal mischief to a vehicle near Dimmitt High School on Thursday.

Sheriff's deputies were busy with traffic at the rest area at US 385 and SH 194 on Friday and wrote several alcohol-related citations. Deputies in the past week also investigated criminal trespassing near Hart.

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Classifieds gets results

Eastern Star holds annual 'friendship' night

The Dimmitt Chapter 819 of the Order of the Eastern Star held its annual 'friendship' night Saturday with a potluck supper and interesting program honoring all Master Masons and their guests.

Hosts for the evening were Wannie Stevens, Worthy Matron; and Charles Vaughan, Worthy Patron.

Approximately 38 guests attended the banquet, including a member of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Richard Ochs, and his wife. Ochs is the Grand Chaplain and the local chapter was honored to have him among the guests.

Chapters represented at the banquet were from Panhandle, Amarillo, Canyon, Olton, Muleshoe and Happy.

The duet of Tammy Griffitt and Wayne Proffitt presented a musical program.


Bob Phillips from the Muleshoe chapter spoke about Masonic history. Of the 51 men that prepared and signed the Declaration of Independence, 39 were Masons, according to Phillips.

After a period of fellowship, Ochs gave the benediction.

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about the schedule," Stockstill said. "We will present schedules, possible calendars to show the differences, and sample four-year plans to show the choices students will have to make under the block scheduling."

"We will also be happy to field questions from anyone at the meeting."

Block scheduling has been discussed for a couple of years before administrators and teachers began a hard study last fall. Several teachers and administrators took a two-day trip to Colorado to get a first-hand look at several schools which use a variety of schedules.

In a report to the Dimmitt school board, the teachers said they were going to study several prospective plans. They interviewed teachers, administrators, parents and students during their stay in Colorado to find out pros and cons about each possible schedule.

Hart High School has gone to a block schedule this year with good results. A handful of schools in the region use a block schedule.

OM teams will perform Sunday

Three Odyssey of the Mind teams will show off their skills in public performances Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School auditorium.

One DHS structure team, a structure team from Dimmitt Middle School and a "classics" from DMS will display their talent at the public performance. The public display will help the teams prepare for the regional tournament March 4 at Amarillo High School.

The structure teams will perform variations of the theme "A New Twist." DHS team coaches are Pat Keith and Wayne Proffitt; members are Jeremy Matthews, Jason Hargrove, Jason Hall, Jeremy Hall, Tim Proffitt and Joel Townsend.

The DMS structure team is coached by Wayne and Paula Proffitt. Team members are Lori Schulte, Alexis Proffitt, Kylie Webb, Joshua Hardwick and Daniel Proffitt. The DMS classics team is coached by Reta Welch. Team members are Christie Bryan, Kristin Doss, Jessica Flores, Taryn Hays, Julie Merritt, Emily Robertson and Lindsey Welch.

More about

Regional . . .

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opponent for Naz is coming off a 75-56 whipping of Follett in the area game to earn its way to Levelland. Claude was shaken in the past month by the death of seven high school students, including a member of the girls' team. The Lady Mustangs socked Textline in the bi-district round, 63-45.

Claude is quick and likes to press. The Lady Mustangs are led by Stephanie Pratt (5-7 senior guard), Missy Skiles (5-6 sophomore guard), Erin Skelton and Laci Crowell. Claude is 22-7.

The rest of the regional tournament field:

- Meadow (23-8) vs. Sands (23-5), 1:30 p.m.
- Whitharral (29-1) vs. Loop (23-3), 7 p.m.
- Groom (29-1) vs. Sudan (33-0), 8:30 p.m.

If Naz wins Friday it will face the Meadow-Sands winner at 9:30 a.m. Saturday. The other semifinal is at 11 a.m., with the championship at 7 p.m. Saturday.

If Hart dumps Ozona, the Lady 'Horns could face district rival Abernathy in the regional championship. The Lady Lopes (27-9) shocked No. 1 Panhandle, 59-42, Tuesday at The Box in Canyon to advance to Abilene. The Abernathy girls will face Albany (28-3) in the semifinals. Albany beat Winters, 68-48.



DRIVING THE BASELINE—Dimmitt's Carrie Bradley drives past Childress' Jody Lindley and looks for a teammate in the third quarter of Friday night's Class AAA bi-district championship game in Canyon. Although the Bobbies built a 31-28 halftime lead, the towering Lady Bobcats came back in the second half to take a 60-53 victory. Photo by Don Nelson

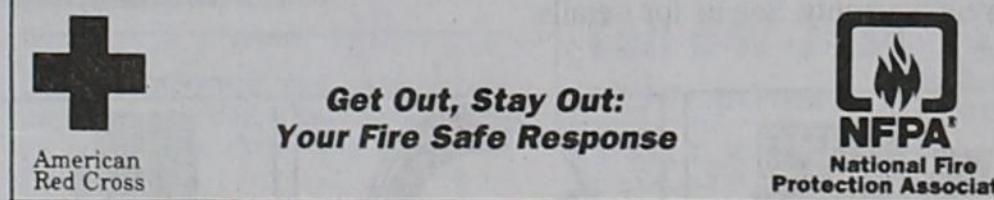
SCOREBOARD

Thursday Class A Bi-district game at Abernathy		Saturday Practice Games Bobcats 60, Sudan 57	
Swiftettes 67, Amherst 42	Amherst—10 5 10 17—42	Sudan—18 10 15 14—57	Dimmitt—11 17 12 20—60
Nazareth—19 12 19 17—67	Nazareth: Carrie Wethington 0-0-0; Melinda Schmucker 10-4-25; Amy Pohlmeier 6-2-14; Jill Ramaekers 4-0-8; Kelley Boyd 5-1-11; Robin Schulte 0-0-0; Courtney Hoelting 0-1-1; Tanya Wethington 0-0-0; K'Lynn Gerber 2-0-4; Mistl Ball 2-0-4; Denia Durbin 0-0-0; Lynsey Hoelting 0-0-0. TOTALS: 29-8-67. 3-pt FG: Amherst 3 (Mills 2, Pointer), Nazareth 1 (Schmucker). FT: Amherst 9/15, 60%; Nazareth 8/13, 61%. Total fouls: Amherst 13, Nazareth 16. Fouled out: none.	Dimmitt: Justin Newman 18, Derrick Thomas 11, Chad Ellis 10.	At Idalou Knox City 70, Swifts 64
			Nazareth—14 13 19 18—64
			Knox City—9 20 20 21—70
			Nazareth: Scott Brockman 21, Coby Schacher 15, Colby Pohlmeier 10, Gaylon Schilling 10.
			Tuesday Class A Area game at WTAMU Fieldhouse, Canyon
			Swiftettes 74, Hedley 31
			Nazareth—21 16 26 11—74
			Hedley—7 8 5 11—31
			Nazareth: Carrie Wethington 1-0-3; Melinda Schmucker 13-3-33; Robin Schulte 1-0-2; Courtney Hoelting 3-0-7; Tanya Wethington 0-0-0; K'Lynn Gerber 2-0-4; Mistl Ball 2-0-4; Denia Durbin 3-1-7; Amy Pohlmeier 2-0-4; Jill Ramaekers 1-0-2; Kelley Boyd 3-2-8; Lynsey Hoelting 0-0-0. TOTALS: 31-6-74. FG: Nazareth 31/60, 52%; Hedley 11/34, 32%; 3-pt FG: Nazareth 6/10 (Wethington 1, Schmucker 4, Hoelting 1), Hedley 2/11 (Rachel Woodard 2). FT: Nazareth 7/12, 58%; Hedley 6/8, 75%. Total fouls: Nazareth 14, Hedley 5. Rebounds: Nazareth 27, Hedley 29. Turnovers: Nazareth 10, Hedley 33. Assists: Nazareth 17, Hedley 4. Blocks: Nazareth 5, Hedley 1. Steals: Nazareth 20, Hedley 4.
			Friday Class 2A Bi-district game at Plainview
			Lady 'Horns 53, Idalou 43
			Idalou—4 16 12 11—43
			Hart—13 14 14 12—53
			Hart: Shea Bennett 8-3-19; Traci Knox 6-0-12; Jodi Card 1-4-6; Sandra Lopez 1-0-2; Kim Grossman 2-0-6; Sheila Aalbers 1-0-2; Trinetta Finch 2-1-5; Brandi Key 0-1-1. TOTALS: 21-9-53. FT: Idalou 8/14, 57%; 9/15, 60%. 3-pt FG: Idalou 1 (Heinrich), Hart 2 (Grossman 2). Total fouls: Idalou 16, Hart 14. Fouled out: Cooke, Hammond, Idalou; Bennett, Hart.
			Class 3A Bi-district game at WTAMU Fieldhouse, Canyon
			Childress 60, Bobbies 53
			Dimmitt—19 12 7 15—53
			Childress—16 12 15 17—60
			Dimmitt: Randa Wood 0-0-0; Jennifer Vick 0-0-0; Kara Josselet 1-0-2; Carrie Bradley 4-2-10; Kim Thomas 5-11-21; Amy Ethridge 6-0-14; Dolores Dimas 0-2-2; Amber Langford 0-0-0; Tiffany Wilcox 2-0-4. TOTALS: 18-15-53. FT: Dimmitt 15-17, 88%; Childress 13-19, 68%. 3-pt FG: Dimmitt 2 (Ethridge 2), Childress 5 (Steed 3, Moore 2). Fouled out: None.
			Class 2A Area game at Amarillo Tascosa
			Lady 'Horns 50, Gruver 49 (OT)
			Hart—10 13 10 14 3—50
			Gruver—8 12 19 8 2—49
			Hart: Shea Bennett 6-6-18; Sandra Lopez 7-2-17; Traci Knox 4-0-8; Jodi Card 1-0-2; Kim Grossman 1-0-3; Trinetta Finch 1-0-2. TOTALS: 20-8-50. 3-point FG: Hart 2 (Lopez, Grossman), Gruver 3 (Shapley, Rodriguez 2). FT: Hart 8/13, 61%; Gruver 6/11, 55%. Total fouls: Hart 12, Gruver 14. Fouled out: None.

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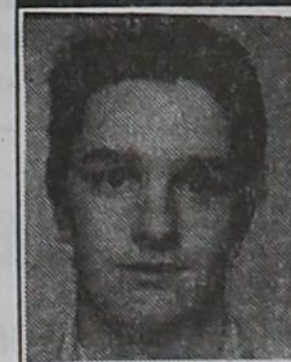
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Obituaries

Mary Acker

Mary Ann Acker, 72, of Nazareth died Friday.

Services were Monday at Holy Family Church in Nazareth with the Rev. Neal Dee, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery by Foskey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Acker was born July 21, 1922 in McAdoo. She moved to Nazareth on Happy in 1940. She married Lawrence H. Acker on April 23, 1946 in Nazareth. He died March 1, 1993.

She was a housewife and a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, Nazareth Senior Citizens, Christian Mothers, and the Catholic Order of The Forresters.

Survivors include a son, Francis Acker of Dimmitt; two daughters, Shirley Schacher of Dimmitt and Diana Adams of Breckenridge; a sister, Margaret Braddock of Nazareth; a brother, Leo Szydloski of Happy; four grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Scott Acker, Heath Acker, Wayne Schacher, J.C. Pohlmeier, Bill Ward and Gene Greenwalt. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Nazareth Senior Citizens.

The family requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, PO Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79105-0001, or Nazareth Senior Citizens, PO Box 241, Nazareth, TX 79063.

James W. Bradley

James W. "Fuzzy" Bradley, 67, of Plainview, died Sunday.

Services were Tuesday in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Glen Clark, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park.

Mr. Bradley was born March 23, 1927 in Paris, Texas. He was raised in Paris and Erick, Okla., and moved to Dimmitt in 1958 from Erick. He owned and operated James Wrecker Service from 1983 until his retirement in 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Virgie; two daughters, Margaret Roberson of Plainview and Connie McCauley of Malvern, Ark.; six sons, Freddie Bradley, Joe Bradley, Richard Bradley and Roy Bradley, all of Plainview, Jimmy Bradley of Hale Center and Ray Bradley of Lawton, Okla.; four brothers, Charlie Bradley of Stringer, Miss., Johnny Bradley of Ukiah, Calif., William Bradley of McLean and Gene Bradley of Texola, Okla.; six sisters, Dovie Aaron of Fallon, Nev., Josie Bennett of Elizabethtown, Ky., Betty Isbell of Russellville, Ala., Carolyn Estes of Fritch, Faye Sweet of Conroe and Mary Vines of Erick; 13 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Margarita Ochoa

Margarita Ochoa, 68, of Amarillo, died Thursday.

Mass was Monday at St. Laurence Cathedral with the Rev. Pat Hoffman officiating.

Mrs. Ochoa was born in Artesia, N.M. She married Balerio Ochoa in 1941 at Levelland. He died in 1980. She moved from Dimmitt to Amarillo eight years ago. She was a homemaker and a Catholic.

Survivors include nine daughters, Angelita Roblez, Lily Cordova, Elma Olivarez, Sylvia Deleon and Debbie Rodriguez, all of Amarillo, Manuela Burciaga of Cleburne, Frances Oroscio of Fresno, Calif., Esperanza Ochoa of Lubbock and Maria Elena Guerrero of Snyder; two sons, Israel Ochoa of Three Rivers and Santos Ochoa of Amarillo; her mother, Maria Vasquez of Amarillo; three sisters; four brothers; 41 grandchildren; and 35 great-grandchildren.

Betty Gunn-O'Dell

Betty Gunn-O'Dell, 56, of Stratford died Monday in Amarillo.

Services were Wednesday in the Sudan Church of Christ with Terry Wilson and James Withrow officiating. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery by Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born March 29, 1938 in Sudan. She was a 1956 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She moved from Dimmitt to Stratford in 1976. She married Frank O'Dell on Jan. 24, 1975 in Clovis, N.M. She was a deputy jailer and dispatcher for Sherman County for 13 years. She was a member of the Church of Christ at Stratford.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Craig Turner of Sydney, Australia and John O'Dell of Kansas City, Mo.; four daughters, Carolyn Clark of Sudan, Kathy Catlin of Collinsville, Sandy Jerdon of Kansas City, Kan., and Reva Britt of Amarillo; her mother, Flora Gunn of Sudan; a brother, Leon Gunn of Dimmitt; a sister, Roxanne Pollard of Levelland; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were members of the Sherman County Sheriff's Department.

The family suggests memorials be to the Sudan Ambulance Fund or the American Cancer Society.

Raymond Christian

Raymond B. Christian, 76, of Amarillo, died Friday.

Services were Tuesday at N.S. Griggs Pioneer Chapel with Roy S. Wheeler of Paramount Terrace Christian Church officiating. Burial will be at Oakhill Cemetery in Taylorville, Ill.

Mr. Christian was born in Taylorville. He received degrees in history and secondary education from Texas Christian University in 1943 and a master's degree in education from West Texas State College in 1951. He taught school in Canadian, Clarendon, Kress, Nazareth, and retired from McLean. He had lived in Amarillo for the past 12 years.

Survivors include a sister, Sylvia Hubber of Taylorville; a brother, Delmar Christian of Orient, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.



William H. Bellinghausen

William H. Bellinghausen, 81, of Dimmitt, died Saturday.

Services were Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church with the Rev. Neal Dee, pastor, and the Rev. Guillermo Morales, pastor of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt, and the Rev. David Bellinghausen of Muenster officiating. Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery by Foskey Funeral Home.

Mr. Bellinghausen was born in Rhineland and graduated from Nazareth High School. He was a US Army veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific. He married Rosetta Donnarumma in 1948 at Nazareth. He was a Catholic and a member of Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 8056 in Dimmitt.

Survivors include his wife; a son, David Bellinghausen of Ovilla; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Holy Family Cemetery or St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, PO Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79105-0001.

Pallbearers were Arnold Acker, Robert Ebbers, Thomas Ebbert, Alvin Bellinghausen, Charles Richard and David Brandt.

Honorary pallbearers were Ralph Lambright, Joe Ortega, Emilio Nino, Donald Schilling, L.E. Green and Lou Maidhof.

Vera Endebruck

Vera Endebruck, 84, of Hamilton, died Tuesday.

Services will be today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church in Hamilton with the Rev. Michael Buchhorn, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Lone Wolf Cemetery.

Mrs. Endebruck was born Oct. 30, 1910 in Washington County. She married Alvin Herman Endebruck on Oct. 20, 1929. He died on Oct. 22, 1991. She was a homemaker and had worked for Patties of Texas. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers.

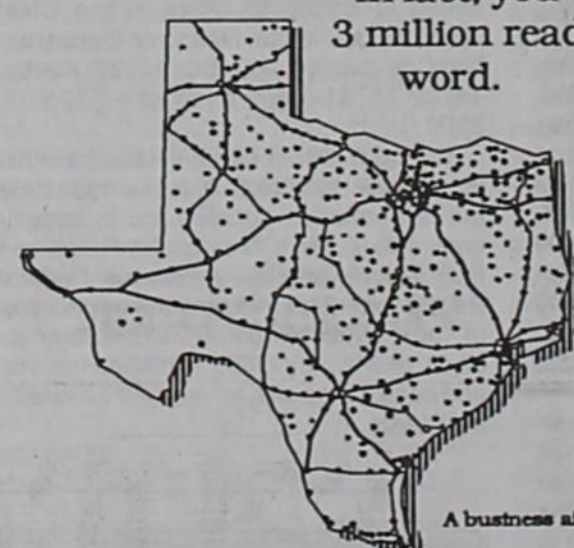
Survivors include four daughters, Dorothy Lilljedahl of Brownsville, Joann Snider and Dawn Goolsby, both of Dimmitt, and Sharon Young of Harker Heights; a son, Elton Endebruck of Los Alamos, N.M.; two sisters, Cora Terry of Fort Worth and Oleta Klatt of Houston; and eight grandchildren.

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