

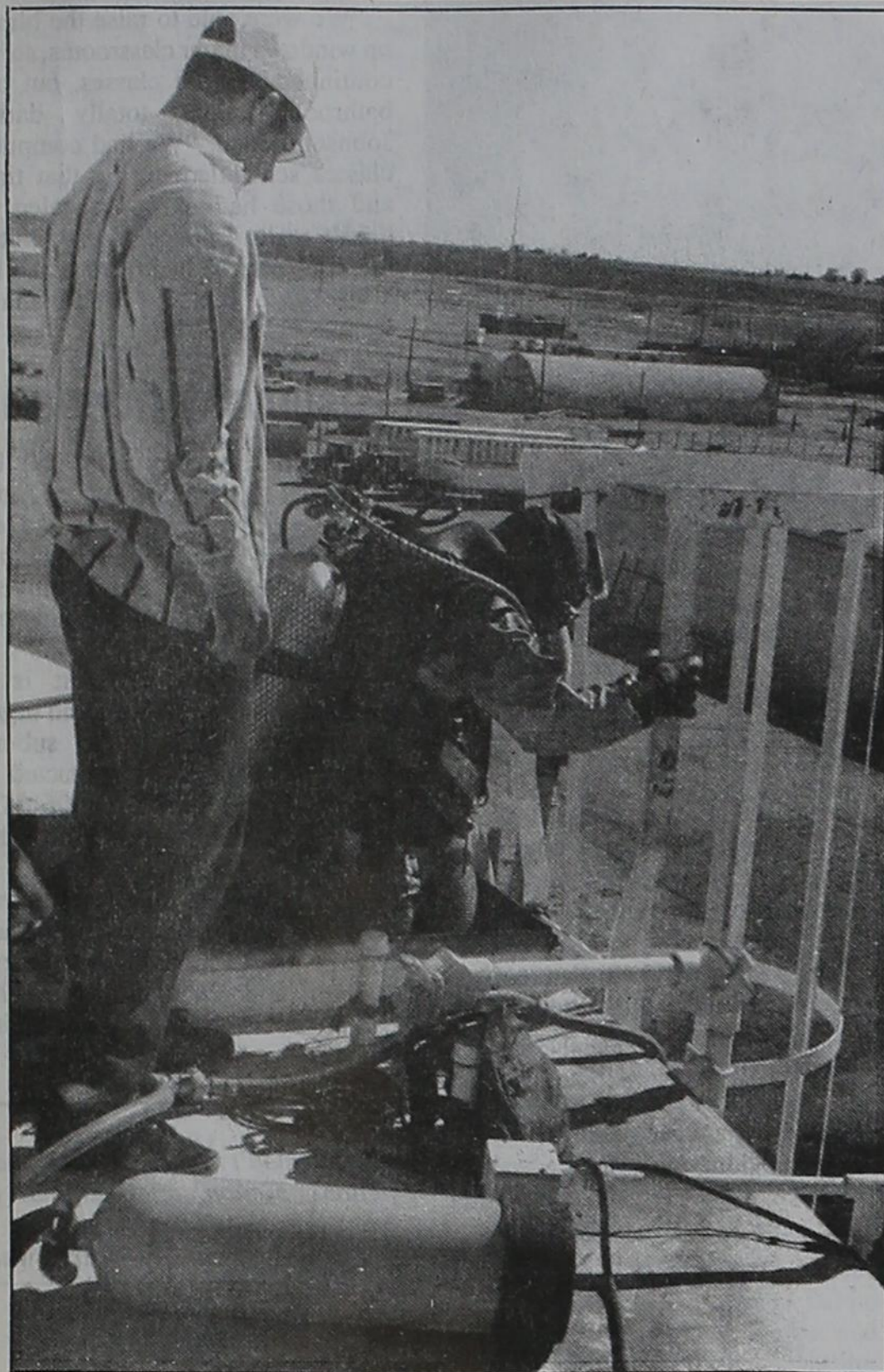
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A STRANGE PLACE FOR SCUBA GEAR—Going without rain for such a long time doesn't seem to make Dimmitt a very likely place for scuba divers to get much action, but these men are cleaning out the million-gallon water storage tank on the east side of Dimmitt near the Expo building. Jason Smith (left) stands ready as David Holmes comes out of the tank. The two work for Underwater Services out of Fort Worth, which was hired by the city council to clean and inspect the tank. Also working with the men was Adam Crawford, who said the water in the tank was very clean, "clear enough to see across the width of the tank." The men said sand had built up on the bottom of the tank at a depth ranging from four to eight inches.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

95 tornado becoming most studied

Fascinating footage and slides about last June's tornadoes in Castro County highlighted a severe weather seminar held Saturday at Dimmitt High School.

Over 50 persons attended the day-long meeting, in addition to representatives of the National Weather Service offices in Lubbock and Amarillo and most area television weathermen.

A large chunk of the afternoon

session dealt with the tornadoes which struck Dimmitt and Friona last June. Footage shot by storm chasers, radar pictures and other images showcased lectures by a couple of weather experts.

"The Dimmitt tornado will surpass the Lubbock tornado of 1970 as the most studied tornado in history," said Justin Weaver, a meteorologist with the NWS office in Lubbock.

The Dimmitt tornado will be examined thanks to a special study

team that was in the right place at the right time last June—in Dimmitt and Friona.

The VORTEX study, a two-year plan which ended last year, had equipment set up around Dimmitt last June 2. The devices included a portable Doppler radar that produced amazing images as it aimed its beam into the tornadic cloud from less than five miles away.

The Doppler image, taken at the storm's height at 8:08 p.m., showed the tornado, at close range, looks just like an image you see of a hurricane. There was a well-defined eye in the middle of the tornado, with feeder bands of clouds and precipitation around the twister.

Tim Tinsley, of the Lubbock NWS office, reviewed radar images from Doppler radars around the region.

At 7:37 p.m., weathermen became alarmed with three severe storms in the immediate area. All three were "supercell" thunderstorms, with hook echoes on each.

At 7:47 p.m., there were strong hook echoes on the storm south of Dimmitt and another 10 miles north. The strongest inflow was into the storm south of town, which eventually spawned the more famous tornado. The storm north of town also had a tornado, but it did no damage.

At 7:57, the Dimmitt tornado was on its way out of the clouds, with a very strong hook feature and cyclonic wind action shown clearly by the radar.

At 8:07, the hook was still well defined, and weathermen from Lub-

bock and Amarillo NWS offices were able to see from their vantage points that the tornado was virtually stationary.

Tinsley said the tornadoes here and in Friona were rare.

"Almost 70% of all tornadoes are F1 or F0," Tinsley told the group. "F2 and F3, strong, tornadoes, account for about 29% of all tornadoes. F4 and F5 are violent storms and account for about 2% of all tornadoes."

The only F5 tornadoes in these parts in modern times were the Lubbock storm of 1970 and the Wichita Falls storm of 1979. The strongest tornado in US history was in 1991 at Red Rock, Okla., with winds estimated at least 287 mph. The storm here had winds of about 200 mph.

Another tornado in Castro County, in a storm more infamous for its destructive hail than a cyclone.

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Pray for rain

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	86	46	
Friday	82	39	
Saturday	69	37	
Sunday	77	39	
Monday	55	29	
Tuesday	68	29	
Wednesday	77	34	

April Moisture05
1996 Moisture05

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

Panhandle power outage bypasses Dimmitt, Hart

When the lights flickered across Castro County Tuesday morning, everyone grumbled. But the inconvenience was minor to residents and businesses in Dimmitt and Hart.

Nazareth was without power for two hours. The south and southwestern portions of Amarillo suffered a black-out until after 1 p.m. The entire city of Lubbock was paralyzed without power until almost 5 p.m. The outage was a massive one. Dimmitt and Hart were lucky. After the brief flickers, their power returned.

The lights blinked around 10:20 a.m. Tuesday, signaling the beginning of the worst power outage in recent memory. More than a million people were affected by the outage, which covered almost the entire Panhandle-South Plains region and areas in eastern New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.

According to reports in the *Amarillo Daily News*, the problem started at SPS's Tolk Station near Muleshoe. An electrical fault in the substation, where the power leaves the plant, automatically caused the shutdown of the two Tolk generators. When that happened it was lights out across the area. Bill Crenshaw, SPS public information representative, said the electrical fault is basically a short which occurred at the power plant. He said protective devices then kicked in, shutting down the Tolk Station.

But while many were waiting for power to be restored, Dimmitt and Hart were only affected for a few seconds.

"We were very fortunate," said Calvin Marsh, manager of Dimmitt's Southwestern Public Service Co. "We didn't lose a customer. We feed off of a line that stayed on."

Marsh said he had one complaint from a customer who was upset because all the digital clocks would have to be reset again. That was a minor inconvenience compared with what other people experienced. Nazareth wasn't so lucky. When the power faltered at 10:20 a.m., it didn't come back on, and that left the school without computers, lights and a

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Farm bill includes one-time enrollment

By ANNE ACKER

If you expect to operate your farm or ranch under the new farm program within the next seven years, you'll have to sign up between May 20 and July 12 or you'll be out of luck.

There are only two ways a producer may enter the program after the initial sign-up has passed.

Producers will be allowed to come into the program after the initial sign-up if they purchase a new farm which is already under the program. Those whose Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts expire may place that land in the program if they break out that land into farm land.

Producers who miss the one-time sign-up, which will cover crop years

1996 through 2002, will not be eligible to enroll at a later date.

The one-time sign-up is one of several new features added to the farm bill, which was finally approved by Congress and signed by President Clinton after a lengthy, heated debate.

Another big change comes in the Federal Crop Insurance Program. Beginning with spring-planted 1996 crops, producers will not be required to obtain catastrophic risk protection insurance coverage. Producers who do not carry the coverage will still be eligible to receive US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) commodity, conservation and credit programs.

However, if farmers do not carry the insurance, they must agree, in

writing, to waive eligibility for emergency crop disaster assistance. The waiver doesn't preclude a producer from obtaining an emergency loan or a payment under the non-insured assistance program.

The legislation replaces traditional government subsidies based on fluctuations in crop prices with fixed annual payments that will gradually decline over seven years. It also frees farmers from federal planting requirements and allows them to plant in response to market conditions.

Sign-up

While the specific details of the new bill are still being ironed out, USDA does plan to begin signing

farmers up under the new seven-year contract program on May 20. Producers will be allowed to enroll farms and sign Production Flexibility Contracts at that time.

Eligible contract acreage must have been included in the annual acreage reduction program for at least one out of the last five crops, or have been "considered planted."

The definition of "considered planted" has been expanded to include "acreage which may not have participated, but which was reported to the local FSA office." Eligible contract acreage also includes cropland subject to a CRP contract whose term expired, was voluntarily terminated after Jan. 1, 1995, or is re-

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DISCUSSING THE WEATHER at the Severe Weather Seminar held in Dimmitt Saturday are Larry Schilling (left) of the Rhea Community in Parmer County and Douglas J. Crowley of the National Weather Service office in Amarillo. About 50 attended the day-long seminar, which included showing of videos of the Dimmitt and Friona tornadoes from last summer.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Natural Milling adding value to county agriculture

A first-of-its-kind cottonseed mill just north of Nazareth is doing its part to add value to the region's agriculture.

Natural Milling has been running since Sept. 15 at the old Star Grain elevator two miles north of Nazareth. It takes cottonseed, breaks it down into useable parts and makes money for manufacturers and producers.

The process is the only plant of its type in the United States, according to Brian Ramaekers. He and his brothers, Glenn, Larry and Rex, and their dad, Edd, and Mike Rickert of Watonga, Okla., own the operation and the ancillary services needed to market the products.

"We're making about 70,000 lbs. of meal a day, about 1 1/2 to 2 truckloads a day," Brian Ramaekers said. "We also produce 1,500 gallons of oil a day." Ramaekers said there are about 240 lbs. of oil in a ton of cottonseed, and eight pounds of oil per gallon.

The oil, which looks like Pennzoil when it comes through the process, is sold to Archer Daniels Midland's Levelland plant. It is processed there into food-grade oil.

Lint pulled from the cottonseed is sold to a broker from South Carolina, Ramaekers said. From there it is used in a variety of products, includ-

ing paper filters and as the cellulose fiber in bologna.

Ramaekers said the clan got the idea for the plant from their uncle, Laverne Kleman, who is a sales rep for Instapro and Triple F Feeds from Iowa.

"They have been extruding soybeans and other products since the late 60s and early 70s, but they had only done cottonseed on a small scale in their research and development department," Ramaekers said. "We are the first people anywhere to run cottonseed through an extruder on a large scale."

"Everything is working really well after we got the bugs out of it. The seed quality hasn't been the best in the world because of the dry conditions all over the state last year. When it's droughty the seed is not real mature and doesn't fill out like it does in a more normal year. When moisture is normal the seed will fill out with more oil. It's also harder for the gins to gin it, so this seed has a lot of fuzz on it."

Natural Milling buys its seed from brokers. Most of the early seed came from College Station, and most of the seed being processed now came from Lamesa and Patricia on the South Plains. Some of the seed to come will be from around here, Ramaekers said.

When the seed is processed, it first goes through a shaker cleaner, then a large delinting unit, and then into the extruder. The extrusion unit will heat the cottonseed to 300 degrees, the heat required to burst the oil cells open.

The seeds are then pressed, with the oil going through one side and the meal going through the other side of the press. The meal is then cooled before it is stored for loading.

"We use Glenn's trucks (Canyon Creek Trucking Co.) to transport the meal," Ramaekers said. "Most of the meal goes to dairies, for the most part in eastern New Mexico around Clovis, Portales, Roswell and Artesia. Cecil Braddock uses some of it around here, and there's a feed lot around Canyon using some."

The meal has a content of 27% protein and 8% fat, Ramaekers said. The company is proud of its all-natural operation. Everything that comes in is marketed, so there is no waste.

"There are some other places around, like the mill in Lubbock, that use chemical processes and such," Ramaekers said.

The plant has drawn a lot of attention from the industry, and others are likely to spring up in cotton-producing areas.

"The guys at Instapro are watching things carefully," Ramaekers said. "Since we are the first to do this, we don't have anywhere to go

with questions. They ran their process for maybe 30 minutes at a time, so we can't go to them with anything much."



FEEDING THE FEED—Brian Ramaekers checks the progress of cottonseed through a processor at Natural Milling, north of Nazareth. The mill uses natural means to separate oil and lint from cottonseed, then crushes the seed for use as cattle feed.

Photo by John Brooks

Instapro had an open house at the facility in late March to show the industry what the Ramaekers are doing at Natural Milling. Many people were impressed.

"I think there are going to be some other plants like ours built," Ramaekers said. "We think there might be one in the Panhandle, in the South Plains and in New Mexico."

The plant is not labor-intensive, Ramaekers explained, with just five people on the payroll despite running 24 hours a day from Monday morning through Saturday morning. The plant does not open or run on Sunday.

"This has been an experience—mostly a good experience," Ramaekers said. "This is another way to produce value from a product we always have in abundance. Value-added agriculture is the only way to go to see communities like Nazareth survive."

"Plus, if we have a bad cotton year, we can make very minor changes and use soybeans or sunflowers. It is something we're proud of and think is going to be here for a long time."

Obituaries

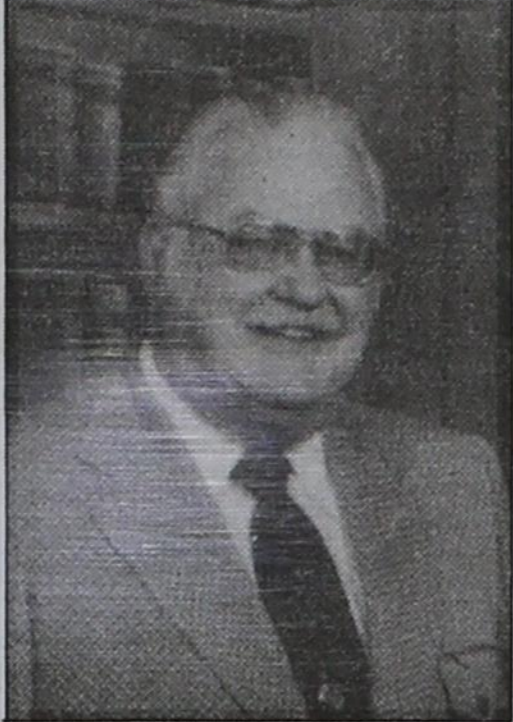
Thomas J. Baker

Thomas J. Baker, 72, father of James Baker of Dimmitt, died Saturday at his home in Birmingham, Ala., after a lengthy illness.

He was born July 13, 1923, in Dayton, Ohio, and he lived there until he enlisted for duty in the Army during World War II. Upon his return, he lived most of his life in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Birmingham, Ala., where he began his 45-year career as an air conditioning and heating engineer. He retired in 1995.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn Jean Baker, in 1959. He was a Mason and a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Alberta Baker of Birmingham; two sons, James Baker of Dimmitt and Scott Baker of Birmingham; a daughter, Barbara of Birmingham; a sister, Maxine Dorrough of Danville, Calif.; and four grandchildren, including Jamie Mendoza of Lubbock, Tori Baker of Dimmitt, Brandon and Mark, both of Birmingham.



from Plainview in 1977. He married Maria Zamudio in February 1957 in Plainview.

He was a farmer and a Catholic. Survivors include his wife; five sons, Robert Perez of Dimmitt, Richard Perez and Rick Perez of Olton, Rudy Perez of Garland and Ralph Perez of Kress; a daughter, Gloria Hernandez of Dimmitt; three brothers, Ted Perez of Edcouch, and Vidal Perez and Jesus Perez, Jr., both of Dimmitt; a sister, Juanita Amaya of Plainview; and 11 grandchildren.

Dollie Newberry

Dollie Mae Cruce Newberry, 96, grandmother of Elsie Black of Hart, died April 10 in Hereford.

Services were Saturday at the Baum-Carlock-Bumgardner Chapel with the Rev. G.W. West officiating. Burial was in Rock Creek Cemetery in Parker County.

Mrs. Newberry was born March 6, 1900 in Palo Pinto County. She married William Franklin Cruce on Nov. 10, 1921, at Mineral Wells. He died on April 5, 1964. She married Turner O. Newberry in 1968. He died in October 1990.

Mrs. Newberry lived most of her life in the Mineral Wells area until moving to Hereford two years ago. She was a homemaker and member of First Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by two daughters, LaVerne Cruce and Patsy Bartlett.

Survivors include two sons, William Clarence Cruce of Mineral Wells and Donald Britton Cruce of El Paso; a daughter, Larrayne Harrison of Floydada; a sister, Marie Cotton of Mineral Wells; 14 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Salvatore DiCuffa

Services for Salvatore DiCuffa, 79, of Dimmitt, longtime civic leader, were held April 8 in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home in Dimmitt with Rev. Edward Freeman, retired pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Dimmitt, and Rev. Janell Blair, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mr. DiCuffa died at 11:41 p.m. on April 4, at Lubbock Methodist Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born Dec. 22, 1916, in New York, N.Y. He lived there until he moved to Dimmitt in 1945.

He retired from the First State Bank of Dimmitt in 1978. He was Post Commander for the American Legion in 1962 and 1963 and was president of the Castro County Senior Citizens Association for several years. He served on the board of adjustments for the City of Dimmitt for several years.

He married Carmelle Newton on Nov. 9, 1990, in Dimmitt. He was a Presbyterian and was a deacon and treasurer for the Presbyterian Church for many years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Alice DiCuffa on Nov. 16, 1982.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Wilson DiCuffa of Bryan and Jimmie DiCuffa of Taylor; two daughters, Ruthella Esche of San Angelo and Joanna Moss of Dallas; three step-daughters, Doris Jenkins, Barbara Howell and Billie Everman; a foster son, Harley Daniel of Hereford; a sister, Nancy Decostanza of Bronx, N.Y.; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Mark Esche, Steven Esche, Tony DiCuffa, Casey Daniel, Mark Daniel and Mike Daniel.

Honorary pallbearers were Ben Hill, J.R. Brown, Garnett Holland, Jack Flynt, Jarrel Sewell, Luke McGuire, Ralph Lambright and Andy Schumacher.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Arnold Brockman

Arnold Brockman, 76, of Nazareth, died Saturday in Amarillo.

Services were Tuesday at Holy Family Church in Nazareth, with the Rev. John Salazar, pastor of Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia, officiating. Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery by Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Brockman was born May 3, 1919 in Nazareth. He married Katie Schmucker on Feb. 11, 1941 in Nazareth. He was a member of Holy Family Church, Knights of Columbus Council No. 2654, Catholic Order of Foresters, and was president of the Nazareth Senior Citizens.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Ralph Brockman, Art Brockman and Dale Brockman, all of Nazareth, and Virgil Brockman of Dimmitt; three daughters, Naomi McGrath of Kansas City, Kan., Monica Mote of Tulia and Joyce Brockman of New Fairfield, Conn.; three brothers, Vic Brockman of Midland, Ernie Brockman of Nazareth, and George Brockman of Canyon; three sisters, Martha Woods of Easton, Md., Mattie Swirczynski of Muenster and Sister Jane Francis Brockman of Fort Smith, Ark.; and 15 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Nazareth Senior Citizens Center, PO Box 241, Nazareth, TX 79063.

Pallbearers were Arnold Huseman, Dan Schmucker, Francis Gerber, Dick Endres, Robert Brockman and Gerald Brockman.

Velma Crump

Velma Freeman Crump, 73, of Dimmitt, died April 9.

Services were held Friday at Eldorado Cemetery at Eldorado, Okla., with the Rev. Arthur Tigert, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Arrangements were by Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Crump was born April 26, 1922 in String Town, Okla. She moved to Dimmitt from Canton in 1991. She was a Baptist and a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Phil Hughes of Olton, Emery Hughes of Canton and Clinton Hughes of Dumas; two daughters, Avis Ritchie of LaPlata, Maryland, and Jeanne King of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Irene West of Altus, Okla.; 14 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Castro County EMS, PO Box 278, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

Quilters Guild plans workshop, service project

The Friendship Quilters' Guild of Dimmitt will have a "Love Quilt Connection" workshop April 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt.

There is no charge for participating and materials will be provided. Servers will be provided by the Amarillo New Home dealer. Participants in the workshop will work on lap quilts and children's quilts. Items made during the workshop will be donated to Canterbury Villa and the Child Protective Services Dept.

"Come on out and join us. You can sew for an hour, or stay all day," said Jan Duke, secretary-treasurer of the Guild. For more information, call Duke at 647-4483, or call Joyce Davis at 647-5362.



CLEAN-UP DAY at the 4-H center on the north edge of Dimmitt was held Saturday, and several youth and sponsors turned out to help clean the pens and building. Taking down some of the fencing are Lori Schulte (left) and Carol Summers. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Bobcats pummel Muleshoe, 14-4

Jason Nino scattered four hits over five innings, and Dimmitt's first six batters reached base on consecutive hits to pave the way to an easy 14-4 win Tuesday over Muleshoe at George Howell Park.

The win improved Dimmitt's record to 11-9, 2-2 in District 2-AAA. Muleshoe is now 10-9, 3-1.

Muleshoe notched two runs in the first off Nino (4-0) after a walk and a big home run by Jarrod Redwine. Nino ended up striking out the side in the inning, but those were his only three strikeouts of the game.

Nino masterfully induced 10 ground ball outs over the last four innings (that's 10 of 12 outs), including five one-bounce comebackers to the mound for easy outs. The other two were easy fly balls to right fielder Manuel Velasquez.

Dimmitt struck for seven runs in the first inning. The first three batters singled before Zeke Nino launched a grand slam home run, his fourth long fly of the year. Two more men were on base when the inning's ninth batter, Ramiro Gauna, slammed his first home run of the season to extend the lead to 7-2.

In the second, Zac Mathews doubled to lead off the frame, advanced to third on a ground out and scored on a wild pitch. Then, with two outs, Richard Carpio and Jason Wooten scored on a Jason Nino single to make it 10-2 after two.

Redwine's second homer made it 10-3 after three. In the bottom of the

fourth, Dimmitt answered another single run by the Mules with runs by Luis Nino, Zeke Nino and Carpio. Carpio scored to make it 13-3 on a perfectly executed suicide squeeze bunt by Jason Nino. As Carpio raced home from third, Nino dropped the bunt down the first base line.

In the fifth, Muleshoe scored on a home run by Edward Olivas, but Matthews slammed the first pitch by Alfredo Gonzales over the wall to end the game early on the 10-run rule.

More about Outage . . .

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dishwasher for more than two hours. "It was close to lunchtime, and while the stoves and everything were still working, we lost our dishwasher," said Nazareth Supt. N. Dean Johnson. The school solved that minor inconvenience by serving lunch on paper plates.

"We were able to raise the blinds on windows in our classrooms, so we continued to hold classes, but our bathrooms were totally dark," Johnson added. "We had computer classes scheduled during that time and those had to be canceled. It didn't really impact us that much, but if it (power) hadn't returned by 1:30 or 2 p.m., I would have dismissed school."

Testimony needed

Written testimony may still be submitted to the US Dept. of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Agricultural Concentration before the next meeting of the committee, set for April 29-30 in Washington, D.C.

Lois Wales of Dimmitt is a member of the committee and urges all interested persons to submit testimony. She can be contacted at 806-647-5643, or FAX 806-647-2935, or mail to Rt. 4 Box 109, Dimmitt, 79027.

She explained that "concentration" is when only a few companies control 40% or more of an industry. A main concern explored by the committee is the beef packing industry.

Why shouldn't truth be stranger than fiction? Fiction, after all, has to make sense. —Mark Twain

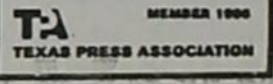
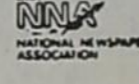
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Alyssa Nunez

Alyssa Nicole Nunez, 17 months, died Saturday in Dallas.

Services will be held today (Thursday) at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

She was born Nov. 8, 1994 in Dimmitt.

Survivors include her parents, Hector and Dianna Nunez of Dallas; and her grandparents, Jessie and Mary Perez of Dimmitt and Hector and Virginia Nunez of Dallas.

Pallbearers will be Fernando Perez, Jessie Perez, John Paul Nunez and Joe Angelo Nunez.



Last Puzzle Solution

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Kiwanis planning May kite festival

A planning meeting for the first Kiwanis Club of Dimmitt Kite Festival will be held Tuesday at 6 p.m. at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

The club is inviting anyone interested in volunteering to attend the meeting. Volunteers are needed who are interested in kite flying, community service and working with children.

Domingo V. Perez

Domingo V. Perez, 59, of Dimmitt, died Friday.

Services were Monday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Burial followed in Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Perez was born April 4, 1937 in Stockdale. He moved to Dimmitt

ACROSS

- TXism: "if he's ___ he'll bark"
- TX Keys film: "___ With the Wind"
- former Cowboy FB Tommie
- TXism: "feel like ___ chewed up and spit out"
- laid-off workers in a govt. shut down
- TXism: "___ buster" (farmer)
- TX Gail Borden invented process for ___ milk
- Cowboy Dorsett (init.)
- TXism: "playing with a ___ deck" (unlucky)
- TXism: "chief cook and bottle washer"
- LBJ was 1st U.S. Rep. to ___ after Pearl Harbor attack
- Lady ___ Johnson
- dinosaur tracks are found in ___ Rose
- Stephen F. Austin's home state (abbr.)
- TXism: "smart as ___ rat"
- pigeon-___
- TXism: "___ wit"
- TXism: "___ wolvas clothes"
- wedding cake layer
- Gulf steering wheel coyote cry
- in Gray Co. on 273
- cracker craver
- *Texas ___ (oil)
- NAFTA is a free ___ agreement

DOWN

- driving without a seat belt is ___ in Texas
- in Palestine: ___ Trails Festival
- flag pledge: "...TX, ___ indivisible"
- TX Gambill Goose Refuge guests
- in Super Bowl XXX it was 27-17
- TXism: "___ me a bill of goods"
- TXism: "blister ___" (handle)
- "Fighting Irish" school (abbr.)
- honor. TX Ranger: Dr. Edward ___
- TXism: "___ that like a duck needs an umbrella"
- many TX roads were early stagecoach ___
- ex-Cowboy White (init.)
- TX Robby Benson film: "___ to Billie Joe"
- pilgrimage goal
- town on Trinity Bay
- Dallas actress Harper
- TX Bush: "The liberation of Kuwait ___ begun"
- TXism: "call ___ day"
- U.S. Rep. Sam Johnson was a POW here
- TXism: "mean ___ old range cow"
- slang for a Stetson
- actor Brand who was TX Ranger Reese Bennett on "Laredo"
- TX Rogar Miller awards
- TX Henry in the Clinton administration
- this Ames was Daniel Boone (init.)
- Spurs, Mavericks & Rockets org.
- TXism: "quick to pull a cork"
- TXism: "___ water" (trouble)
- shish kebab prong
- pickup rubber
- between Lamar & Hopkins Counties
- TXism: "he'd walk himself ___ a revolving door"
- Cowboys offensive coach Hudson
- TX Buddy/Holly hit: "Not ___ Away"
- Mexican "little"
- antique autos
- historic ___ Houston House
- TXism: "couldn't ___ drum" (loser)

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G.T. and Lequetta West rode into Davidson, Okla., on March 20 to visit with family and friends and wait for their oldest son, John, and wife Darlene to bring grandsons John Paul and Bradley down from Broken Arrow, Okla., for their spring break. The Wests have been taking them fishing on break for the last three years.

They arrived on March 23 for the big fishing expedition, but it wasn't to happen. They rode to Lake Tom Steed and the wind was up a little, so they pulled into a cove. By the time John and Darlene had to leave for home the wind was really blowing. They caught a few fish, but no keepers.

The water was white capping so bad they had to tie the boat up on the bank in the cove. The wind blew so hard that night, it would have turned their fold-out camp trailer over if it hadn't been hooked onto the car.

On March 25, the wind was still strong, so they went to the creek and fished off the bank, but still no keepers. The next day they awakened and the minnows were frozen in the bucket. They decided to try something different. After several tries, they got the boat loaded and headed back to Davidson. The next morning there was some snow cover, then it turned to rain.

G.T. and the boys went on to Lake Kemp, near Seymour, and fished all night on his cousin's boat house. They finally caught a big mess of crappie. They had a big fish fry and put several bags in the freezer. John and Darlene came back March 28 and took the boys back home March 30.

March 31, G.T. left to come back to Dimmitt while Lequetta journeyed on to Fort Worth to visit with her sisters, Lori Sullivan and Jan Culwell. She told them she needed a lot of rest after the fishing trip. They enjoyed hot tubbing, visiting, shopping and relaxing, and took in a movie. Laquetta got back home after a three-week trek and she's ready to stay home a while.

Frank and Shirley Wise visited

with their children, Kyle and Robin Wise, Evan, Camille and Ryan, in Aspermont over the Easter weekend. Linda Welch of Friona and her four children, Kelsey, Katy, Dillon and Duncan accompanied them. Kevin Welch stayed home with his pre-plant watering.

Heavy snow in the Abilene area detained Susan and Ed Cerday of Wimberley and their children, Courtney, Clayton and Caroline, until Saturday morning. Kyle had about four inches of snow and .60 inch of moisture in Aspermont.

A birthday party for Evan was enjoyed in addition to the traditional egg hunts for 10 of the Wise's grandchildren. Gary and Ronda Wise and their family remained in Dimmitt because Ronda plays the organ at First Baptist Church.

Kyle had three services Sunday. Easter was Methodist Church day at the Gibson Nursing Home, so Kyle had that service as well as his church services at Jayton and Aspermont.

Last Friday and Saturday, Tex and Norma Conard stretched their tent and strengthened cords by inviting "cousins" on the Conard side of the family.

Breakfast was served at 8 a.m. Saturday by Jack and Barbara Godfrey. Dinner was supplied by all attending at 1 p.m. Saturday, and supper was served Saturday at 6 p.m.

Highlights came when each shared in answer to the question, "What trait of character did you learn from your parents that has meant a lot to you through the years?" Laughter, tears and joy were shared.

Childhood stories, pictures and confessions strengthened the cords.

Those attending were Birdie Godfrey of Hart; Lovita Fielder and Larry Woodward of Amarillo; Darrel and Fay Dirks of Lake Whitney; Tommy and Delsa Burrows; Darla, Amanda, Alicia Russell and Pete Schauf of Liberal, Kan.; David and Val Polston of Bloomfield, N.M.; Bob and Beverly Lyttaker of Mesquite; Jack and Barbara Godfrey of Plainview; Frank Ray Conard of

San Antonio; Stacy, Jeremy and Joshua Norman of Muleshoe;

Also, Pat Rowland of Nocona; Bill Burrows and Juanelle Winsor of Fort Worth; Ange Coleman, Irving; Bertha Mitchell, Arlington; Sam, Phillis, Brayne and Grant Coleman, Olton; Carolyn Coffman and Opal McCarther, Pampa; Larry, Sharon, Laura, Matthew and Kristen Sadler, Sunnyside; and De Ann Morgan, Victor, Susie, Daphne and Stephanie Burrows and Jefforie Frazier of Dimmitt.

Several of the nieces went out to sing *Happy Birthday* to Aunt Ella Higdon, who celebrated her 80th birthday.

Virginia McAllister spent many hours making napkins and decorative books of memories for all the first cousins.

Tex and Norma realize this is a once in a lifetime occasion and treasure every minute spent with their nieces and nephews.

Three former Dimmitt residents, Jo Beecher Prather, Johnnie Holcomb and her sister, Carolyn Holcomb Pittman, met in Little Rock, Ark., recently. They had a ball reminiscing and catching up on all the years since their school days in Dimmitt.

Jo is an employee of the state of Mississippi, and was in Little Rock for a Southern Early Childhood Development regional conference. Johnnie is vice president of Stephen Inc., product and financial development in Little Rock, and is listed in *The Top 100 Women in Arkansas*, the special supplement to Arkansas business recognizing outstanding achievement.

Carolyn works for the Arkansas Dept. of Education in implementing Arkansas' curriculum and assessment laws. Carolyn was elected state president of Delta Kappa Gamma; Jo is a member of the same sorority.

The Hospital Auxiliary met last Wednesday morning with Mattie Seale presiding over the business meeting. Gerald Hensley gave an interesting and informative program on "Laboratory X-Ray."

Reports were given by Barbara Sava, Florene Leinen, Gertie Waggoner, Lucille Drerup and Edna Reinart, who reported on the special favors she had made for the hospital trays.

Other members present were Irene Carpenter, Betty Freeman, Lequetta West, Lois Waggoner, Ethel Fry, Irene Blanton, and Mary Edna Hendrix.

The Dimmitt Book Club met Wednesday afternoon at Rhoads Memorial Library with Barbara Bain presiding over the meeting and Cindy Adams reading the minutes.

Shirley Wise reviewed *The Moral Compass* by William J. Bennett. The book is filled with stories, poems and essays.

Myrtle Lois Moran and Mildred Bradford were hostesses for the social hour. They served sandwiches, macaroons and lime punch to members and guests. The serving table held a beautiful vase of colorful tulips grown in Susie Bradford's yard.

Rosetta Bellinghausen spent the Easter holidays in Ovilla with her son, David, and family, Melody, Jordan and Canaan.

April 4, they attended a Passover seder at the Trinity Church of Cedar Hills. This event is sponsored by the

Jewish Studies Sunday School Class of Dr. Randy Weiss.

On Easter Sunday, Rosetta and her family enjoyed dinner at Lowry's Restaurant and later they enjoyed listening to Jordan and Canaan playing the piano, and that was very relaxing for Rosetta.

Emily Ramey came by the museum and showed the diploma her granddaughter, Lenora Ramey, had received for her bachelor of science degree from Quincy University.

Sherry Schaeffer gave the devotional at Canterbury Villa on Thursday morning; her topic was "Gardens." God is our gardener, plants his seeds in our hearts, nourishes, watches us grow, prunes, and reaps the fruit of His labor.

Irene Carpenter gave the thought of the day on being angry. If you are angry, count to 10; if you are really angry, count to 100. Renise Blair sang *He Hideth My Soul*.

April birthdays at Canterbury Villa are Ella Higdon, Annie Hargrove, Ruby Sims, Rose Hindman, Mommie Olson and Lometa Jordan.

I attended the severe weather seminar on Saturday at Dimmitt High School. This was very informative and interesting. It was sponsored by the National Weather Service and Castro County Emergency Management Office. Some of the guests were "Doppler Dave" and "Big John" of Channel 10 in Amarillo.

I entertained part of my family on Sunday for a belated Easter dinner. My daughter Mary Lynn Lankford and her son and family, Kevin, Neely, Adria, Matt and David, all of Amarillo, and my sister and husband, Lynna and Troy Cloer of Tulia, were here. Wanda Murdock and her daughter and granddaughter, Debbie and Alyson Smith of Amarillo, visited in the afternoon.

The Hereford Chamber Singers will present their annual spring concert, "With Our Voices Praising God," Sunday at 3 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Hereford.



CANTERBURY COOKOUT—Ben Aleman and Marshall Young prepare hamburgers for a cookout held April 10 at Canterbury Villa in Dimmitt. Residents and staffers enjoyed burgers and the trimmings, held to celebrate a nice (non-windy) weather day. Also helping were Max Ellison and Jimmy Schmucker, who hauled tables and chairs, and several staff members who saw that all residents had a plate. The staff plans to hold more cookouts in the future. *Courtesyphoto*

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Our sympathy to the family of Arnold Brockman, 76, who died Saturday morning at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo after having had a successful triple bypass heart surgery last Wednesday.

Vigil services were held Monday evening at the CCD Building and funeral mass was held Tuesday morning in Holy Family Church with Father John Salazar-Jimenez, pastor of Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia, officiating, assisted by Deacon Jerome Brockman and Deacon Al Maurer. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Katie; four sons, Art, Dale, Ralph and Virgil; three daughters, Naomi, Monica and Joyce; 15 grandchildren; two sisters, Mattie Swirczynski of Muenster and Sister Jane Frances Brockman of Arkansas; three brothers, George of Canyon, Vic of Midland and Ernie Brockman of Nazareth.

He will be missed by the Nazareth Senior Citizens, as he has always worked for the betterment of the organization and was vice president of the group in the past year.

Catherine Hochstein is doing well after undergoing several days of tests and treatment at Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Alvina and Matilda Anderle enjoyed several days of visiting with Alvin's brother and sister-in-law, Anton and Evelyn Anderle of Rosebud. They enjoyed eating dinner with the Nazareth Senior Citizens on Sunday.

Betty and Francis Wilhelm and Fritz and Julene Gerber went to Wichita Falls last weekend to Neal and Colleen Wilhelm's home to watch their grandson, Seth, make his First Communion. Seth attends Notra Dame Parochial School. While there, they watched Seth play soccer on Saturday and Danielle, his sister, play one soccer game and pitch two fast-ball softball games.

They enjoyed a birthday party for Betty on Saturday evening at Gaylene Wilhelm's home. It was hosted by Betty's children who live in Wichita Falls, including Gaylene, Michelle Schmucker, Becky Hooper and Neal Wilhelm, and their families. Gordon and Craig Wilhelm also were there. Sunday evening all enjoyed dinner at Neal and Colleen's before returning home.

Prayers are asked for Bud Kern, who is recuperating at home after having surgery at Methodist Hospital in Plainview; and for Vincent Guggemos and Leonard Schulte.

Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Sharon and Larry Sadler attended the Conard Reunion at Tex and Norma Conard's home over the weekend. Stacy Norman attended on Friday night. Laura Sadler was there Saturday night. About 45 attended the reunion.

Those attending who are former Sunnyside residents were La Vel Conard Polston of Farmington, N.M., Faye Dirks and Ray Conard, all children of Roy and Ruth Conard, who ran the grocery store at one time; Jack Godfrey of Plainview, who lived with his parents, Birdie and Carl Godfrey, who farmed for Sam Gilbreath; and Larry Woodburn of Amarillo, who lived with his parents, Orvil and Venie Woodburn, who worked for Punk Gilbreath.

Teeny Bowden talked with Lori Sisemore Tuesday morning. She almost has the history copied for the 75th anniversary celebration. She said to tell everyone hello.

The anniversary committee met at Teeny Bowden's home Friday evening, but the only members present were Rev. Benny Wright, Lillian Carson and Verba Sadler.

Verba and Ezell Sadler came home from the lake Monday.

James Norrell stayed with his mother for six days while she was in the hospital undergoing chemotherapy treatments. She had a lot of trou-

ble with her heart, but not the chemo. She is home now, resting. James and Joan have been checking on her and Joan's mother at night.

Kelby Bradley of Lubbock has moved back to the community to work at the Sunnyside Farm Store as a mechanic. He lived here as a child.

Mark and Martha Tunnerville and Rev. Vergil Ichtetz of Calvary Baptist Church of Friona visited with Hershel and Retha Wilson Friday morning to make plans for the mission trip to the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico on June 15-22. Debbie Elder is still with the Wilsons following her heart attack.

Hershel and Retha Wilson had dinner Sunday with Tommie and Donna Clayton in Muleshoe. While there they also visited with Ron and Janet Morgan, formerly of Dimmitt.

Marshall King, Lance and Lincoln of Earth, spent Easter Sunday with Billie and Emma Jean King. Kaye was visiting her parents.

On Friday night and Saturday Ashlee and Alysa Duke of Lubbock visited with their grandparents, Robert and Frances Duke.

Sandra Duke of Canyon came Saturday afternoon and took them back Saturday evening.

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Rosalez to perform

Ramiro Rosalez of Dimmitt will perform as part of "PIZZAZZ," in an annual spring concert at Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Okla., on April 30.

The concert will be held in the PSU Student Union Ballroom and is slated to begin at 8 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Rosalez is a member of the percussion section.

The University Concert Choir's repertoire is drawn from the Baroque period through the 20th century and also includes music from other cultures. Music majors are represented in the choir, as well as students from other academic disciplines.

Also performing will be the Madrigal Singers, a select ensemble performing Renaissance and contemporary literature. During the latter portion of the concert, PIZZAZZ will present its program consisting of a variety of contemporary selections.

SPS schedules cooking school

Southwestern Public Service Co. will sponsor a spring cooking school on Tuesday at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

The school, dubbed "Affairs to Remember," will focus on an assortment of entertaining ideas and recipes. Kay Davis will create several tasty dishes and will offer many ideas for spring meals.

The class will serve as a project activity for the 4-H Foods and Nutrition project.

The class will begin at 6 p.m. at the library.

Those planning to attend are asked to call the Extension office for reservations.



Brian Wade Stewart and Jill Renee Wagner

Stewart and Wagner to wed

Charles and Margaret Wagner of Lake Jackson announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jill Renee, to Brian Wade Stewart, son of Pete and Darla Stewart of Dimmitt.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows June 22 at St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Freepert.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Brazosport High School. She holds a bachelor of music degree in performance from Texas Tech University and she is employed as a band director at Lubbock Coronado High School.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School. He holds a bachelor of music degree from Texas Tech and he is employed as a band director with the Floydada Independent School District.

Aggie Muster planned in Tulia Sunday

Former students of Texas A&M University will gather in Tulia on Sunday for the annual Texas Aggie Muster.

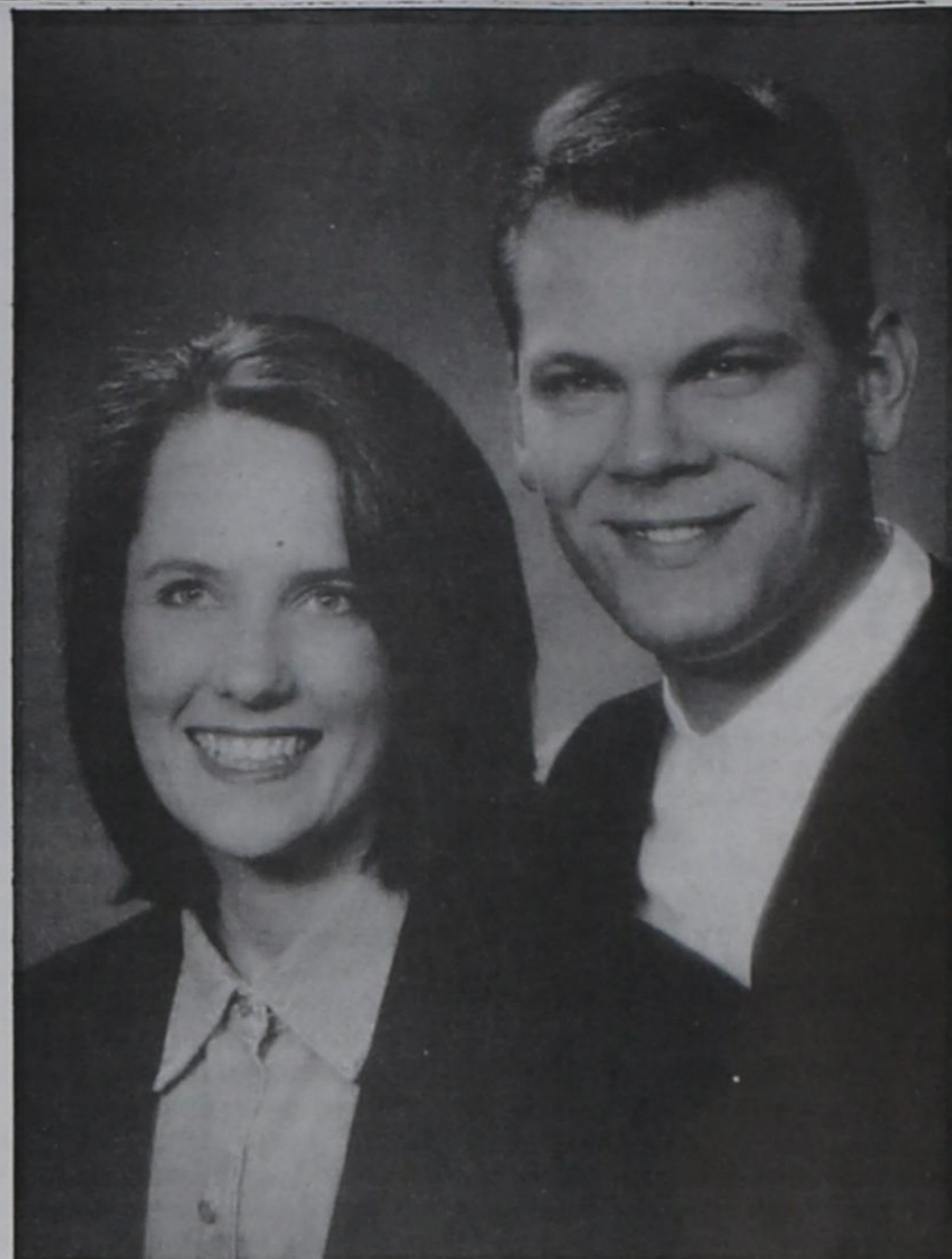
Activities include time for fellowship, a catered dinner and the Muster ceremony, which will begin at 7 p.m. at the Swisher County Memorial Building in Tulia, according to Swisher County A&M Club Muster Chair John W. Vaughn.

The Muster is open to all former A&M students and their families, parents of students and friends of Texas A&M.

The Muster tradition is more than 100 years old. More than 400 events will be held around the world this year.

During wars, Aggies mustered in foxholes, on the battlefield, aboard ships, in airplanes and in medical hospitals. In World War II a muster was held on Corregidor Island shortly before the Japanese captured it in 1942.

Every Muster ceremony is the same, Vaughn said. Texas Aggies pay their respects to all those who are absent because of death since the last Muster. When the names of the honored dead are called from the "Muster Roll," a friend of the deceased answers, "Here."



Shalea Elizabeth Smith and Ty O'Kelly

Couple plan May wedding

Shalea Elizabeth Smith and Ty O'Kelly will exchange wedding vows May 18 at Galbraith House in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Ed and Judy Smith of Amarillo. She graduated from Amarillo High School in 1988. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Midwestern State University and a bachelor's degree in nursing from West Texas A&M University. She is employed as a registered nurse at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is the son of Vernon and Jane O'Kelly of Pampa, formerly of Dimmitt. He graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1988. He holds a bachelor of science degree in biology from West Texas A&M University and is currently pursuing a degree in computer science at the university. He is employed as a computer operator at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

After the wedding, the couple will live in Amarillo.

Breast cancer screening set May 2 at MCD

A special breast cancer screening clinic will be held May 2 at the Medical Center of Dimmitt.

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct the clinic.

Each participant will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction on breast self-examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection. There will also be a mammogram done by a mammography technician. The program is certified by FDA, American College of Radiology and the state health departments of Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

The total cost of the screening is \$70. Financial aid is available for breast screening and mammograms to individuals who qualify.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call the Women's Center at Harrington Cancer Center at 1-800-377-4673.

Spanish students earn SPC honors

Several Dimmitt High School students were awarded honors at the annual South Plains College Foreign Language Contest on March 29 in Levelland.

The students showed their mastery of the Spanish language through poetry, prose, sight reading, oral proficiency, pinatas, drawings and written tests.

The team was sponsored by Susie Gonzales, DHS Spanish teacher.

Students winning blue ribbons were Gracie Corrales, Juanita Ornelas, Maria Gonzales, Enedina Ramos, Lisa Velo and Sam Everett. Those claiming red ribbons were Yvonne Ellis, Sabrina Olvera, Wanda Finke, David Medrano, Claudia Medrano and Larry Garcia.

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Amber Langford is named 1996 DAR 'Good Citizen'

Amber Kay Langford, a senior at Dimmitt High School, has been named the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen of the Year for 1996.

Langford was the Dimmitt award winner while Aimee Alley, a Hereford High School senior, claimed her school's honor.

The annual award is presented by the Los Ciboleros Chapter of the DAR.

The two will be honored Sunday during a reception at the Hereford Community Center.

Langford is the daughter of Gary and Linda Langford of Dimmitt.

She has been secretary of the Student Council for two years and is secretary of the DHS Key Club. She is a member of PALS (Peer Assistant Leadership), the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact Club and the United Methodist Youth Fellowship.

She ran cross country her freshman and sophomore years and has been active in basketball and tennis. She is a varsity cheerleader and has been named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was voted "Most Likely to Succeed" in her sophomore year. She was a



member of the homecoming court last year and was a homecoming queen candidate this year. She was named "Best All-Around student in her junior class. She is in the National Honor Society and was voted Miss DHS.

After she graduates, Langford plans to major in either counseling or religious education at college. Her hobbies include playing the piano.

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Canterbury Villa to observe national nursing home week

Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt has planned several events the week of May 12-18 in observance of National Nursing Home Week.

Corsages will be made for all the ladies residing at the home in honor of Mother's Day.

On Thursday, May 16, an open house will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and all friends and relatives are invited to stop by and visit with the residents and see the improvements which have been made in the home.

Special musical programs are being planned that week, also.

"Our residents are really enthused when out-of-the-ordinary events are planned," said a spokesperson for the home.

Extra snacks will be served during the week and residents will be able to enjoy some time outdoors as the spring flowers begin to bloom.



Kourtney Robertson is semifinalist in modeling

Kourtney Robertson, daughter of Jeff and Karen Robertson of Dimmitt, has been chosen as one of 10 semifinalists from Amarillo's J.C. Penney Co. for the *Seventeen* Cover Model Contest.

Robertson, a sophomore at Nazareth High School, is active in basketball, tennis and cross country. She is an FHA officer and is secretary of the sophomore class.

She was recently inducted into the National Honor Society at Nazareth High School.

She is a graduate of the Diane Dick School of Modeling, where she has modeled for local stores and has appeared in several commercials for Blackburns of Amarillo.

The competition consisted of four photographs, two head shots and two full length shots, which judges thought best exemplified the visual attributes of a *Seventeen* cover model.

Photographs of the national semifinalists in San Antonio will be sent to New York. The winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to New York, a photo shoot, and will appear in the pages of *Seventeen*. One out of the eight finalists will grace the magazine's October 1996 issue and will win a \$1,000 wardrobe provided by J.C. Penney Co.



Rachal Harman earns USAA award

Rachel Harman, daughter of Billy and Carolyn Harman of Dimmitt, has been named a United States National Award Winner in science.

Harman, a Dimmitt Middle School student, was nominated for the award by Rose Ball, science teacher at the school.

Harman's picture and biography will appear in the United States Achievement Academy's official yearbook.

Harman is a member of the Dimmitt cross country and track teams. She plays the clarinet in the junior high band and was a member of the all-region band. She was named to the all-star cast in One-Act Play competition.

Her hobbies include playing tennis, reading, basketball and drawing.

She is the granddaughter of Bill and Paula Harman of Dimmitt and Everett and Bea Cole of Hart.

Shot clinic set Tuesday

An immunization clinic will be held in Hart Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hart school.

Vaccines offering protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB will be offered.

The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

We are wide-eyed when contemplating the possibility that life may exist elsewhere in the universe, but we wear blinders when contemplating the possibilities of life on earth.

—Norman Cousins

What's cooking?

In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of April 18-26.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY: Choices of *beef and bean burrito with chili, chicken and dumplings or corn dogs; *Arroz Mexicano, pork and beans or potato salad; *frUITed gelatin, tossed salad with dressing or orange wedges; homemade biscuits, cornbread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *fish nuggets, Monterey casserole or beans and rice with sausage; Fideo Mexicano, whole new potatoes or baked beans; *haystack finger salad, tossed salad with dressing or cantaloupe; *hot wheat rolls; cornbread or saltine crackers; apple, orange or bananas; and *milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choices of *chicken or beef stir fry, beef shepherd's pie or arroz con queso; *baked potatoes, herb broccoli and cauliflower or corn; *tossed salad with dressing, cantaloupe or chilled fruit cocktail; *white bread, homemade biscuits or cornbread; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of *hot dog on a bun with cheese, pizza supreme or Chili Fritos with picante sauce; *savory green beans, pasta salad or mixed vegetables; *tossed salad with dressing, coleslaw or fruit fantasy; *hot cheese rolls, cornbread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choices of *roast beef with gravy, meat loaf with creole sauce or chicken fried steak on a bun; *mashed potatoes and gravy, candied sweet potatoes or peas and carrots; *tossed salad with dressing, hamburger salad or cucumber and tomato salad; *hot rolls, cornbread or white bread; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choices of *barbecued sandwich on a bun, beef enchiladas or chicken fillet strips; *potato rounds, refried beans or Mexicali corn; tossed salad with dressing, macaroni salad or *raw spinach salad; hot cheese rolls, cornbread or cowboy bread; apple, orange or watermelon; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *golden fried cod fillets, pigs in a blanket or pimento cheese sandwich; *baked potatoes, potato rounds or pasta salad; *haystack finger salad, tossed salad with dressing or honeydew melon; *cornmeal twist bread sticks, hot wheat rolls or saltine crackers; apple, orange or banana; *milk, punch or tea.

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

HART

MONDAY: Steak fingers (elementary) or chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, rolls, variety of cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Cheeseburgers (elementary) or pork rib pattie on a hoagie bun, lettuce, tomatoes, French fries, fresh fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Pizza (elementary) or lasagna, sliced bread, salad, peaches and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken fajitas (elementary) or beef fajitas, salad, Spanish rice, Jell-O with fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Ham and cheese sandwich, tomato, lettuce, pickles, potato chips, peanut butter bar and milk.

NAZARETH

MONDAY: Tacos, lettuce, cheese, cauliflower, rolls, peaches and milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken pot pie, carrots, rolls, applesauce and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Barbecue on a bun, corn, apple crisp and milk.

THURSDAY: Enchiladas, tossed salad, rolls, pears and milk.

FRIDAY: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls, Jell-O and milk.

All-school reunion set for Hart Days

Hart graduates from 1920 through 1995 are invited to have a class representative attend a meeting Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. to discuss plans for an all-school reunion, to be held during the Hart Days celebration on July 27.

The meeting will be held at the Hart Golden Group Building.

Each class representative will be able to take copies of plans for the reunion and notify other Hart exes.

Representatives from the following classes have agreed to attend the planning meeting: 1935 to 1942, 1944 to 1951, 1955, 1958 to 1961, 1963 to 1968, 1971, 1973, 1981 and 1985.

If your class is not on this list and you would like to help plan the reunion by contacting your former classmates, you are invited to attend the Wednesday meeting or call Marguerite McLain at (806) 938-2210 or Polly Simpson at (806) 647-5572 for more information.

Olsen will celebrate 100th April 24th

Mamie Matilda Bailey Olsen will celebrate her 100th birthday with a private celebration April 24 at Canterbury Villa in Dimmitt.

Olsen, the aunt of Betty Jones of Dimmitt, was born April 24, 1896 in Rush Springs, Indian Territory (now Oklahoma). She was the second youngest of six children. Her father, a carpenter, died when Mamie was three years old. Her mother, who immigrated from England at age 6, supported the family by running a bakery. Mamie remembers the family selling six loaves of bread for a quarter to Indians.

Mamie had two daughters, and worked in a clothing factory in California during World War II.

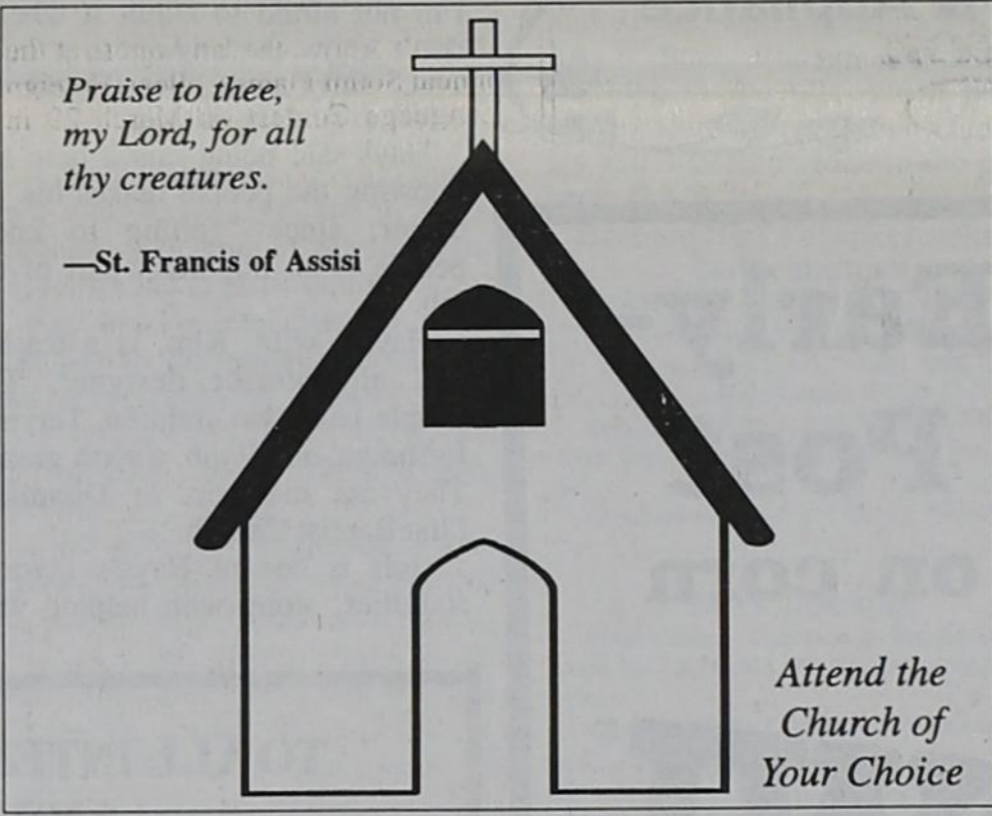


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New options announced for producers with CRP

The US Dept. of Agriculture has announced several new options which CRP producers may take advantage of now.

Producers whose CRP contracts will expire on Sept. 30 have been notified that they can request early release on all or part of their CRP acreage. These requests must be filed with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Dimmitt by April 26, according to Trish Elliott, county executive director.

Those producers whose CRP contracts will expire on Sept. 30 also may elect to extend their contracts for one year, Elliott said, and they have until May 31 to apply for the extension with FSA.

The one-year extension will be granted at the same rate as the original CRP contract. Elliott said about

80 of the CRP contracts in Castro County are eligible for the extension.

CRP contracts on less environmentally sensitive lands which have been in effect for at least five years will be eligible for early termination, Elliott said.

"Approved contract terminations on eligible land will become effective 60 days after the producer's request is received in our office," Elliott said. "Prorated CRP annual rental payments will be paid through the effective termination date."

Producers who wish to make their CRP acreage eligible for 1996 market transition payments created by the 1996 Farm Bill must file the request to terminate the CRP contract by May 31 in order for the contract to terminate before the Aug. 1 statutory deadline for entering into production flexibility contracts.



CELEBRATING HIS FIRST YEAR AS AN AGENT for Castro County Farm Bureau is Norman Hays of Dimmitt. Congratulating him on the observance is Paula Stiles, agency manager.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Hays is honored by Farm Bureau

Norman Hays, a native of Dimmitt, was honored last week for completing a year of service with Castro County Farm Bureau.

Hays started with Farm Bureau in April 1995, after passing the two tests required for certification through the State Board of Insurance. Over a 10-month span, he attended four schools in Waco, sponsored by Farm Bureau, for additional training.

Hays said every day on the job is still a teaching process, too.

"I learn from my customers, and I'm not afraid to admit it when I don't know the answer to a question," Hays said. "But I make the effort to find the answer."

Hays said being raised here and knowing the people makes his job easier, since "getting to know people is an important part of the job."

Hays' wife, Kim, is a teacher and an interior designer. The couple have two children, Taryn, a freshman, and Ryan, a sixth grader. They are members of Dimmitt's First Baptist Church.

Golf is one of Hays' favorite activities, along with helping with

the youth sports programs in Dimmitt.

"The spirit of Farm Bureau is people like Norman," said Paula Stiles, agency manager of the Castro County Farm Bureau. "We are real fortunate to have him with us, and we look forward to many more years with him as an agent."

Duckwall-Alco earnings rise in fiscal 1996

Duckwall-Alco stores reported an increase in both sales and earnings for the fourth quarter of the 1996 fiscal year and for the year which ended Jan. 28.

The chain announced a \$4.6 million increase in fourth quarter sales to \$78.1 million. Net earnings for the quarter were up \$52,000 to \$2.9 million.

For the year ended Jan. 28, sales were up \$14.4 million to \$256.5 million. Net earnings for the fiscal year were up \$1 million to \$5.1 million.

Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

An Extra Value Deal



If we could make our world a better place in which to live and save money at the same time we'd do it, right? Of course, we would. We would be foolish not to take advantage of an extra value deal like that.

Most days we have opportunities to protect our environment, our quality of life and reduce expenses at the same time. This week we celebrate Earth Day and promote the general awareness of environmentally friendly programs. I'd like to suggest that many of these programs are not only beneficial for the environment but are good business builders as well.

I am aware that not all environmental issues are reality based. Some are asinine and completely unachievable. I do not support these programs, nor would I encourage anyone else to support them. However, we should not let the far-out minority detract from the validity of the message.

Common Sense Programs

There are many environmental programs based on good, common sense. Conservation programs are excellent examples. The dictionary defines conservation as "careful preservation" or "planned management."

In business, energy conservation is an extra value deal. Not only do you save money when you lower utility and fuel bills, but you also benefit the environment. Many utility companies offer free energy audits to help business owners identify areas of waste or inefficiency.

For example, replacing an older heating or cooling unit with a high-efficiency model can cut utility bills by as much as 30%. A good move for the environment and a bottom-line bonus for you.

For those of you who use vehicles in your business, careful selection of models and engine types can also offer double-barreled savings. According to Blaine Roberts, president of Roberts Truck Center in Amarillo, electronically controlled truck engines can reduce fuel consumption by as much as 15%. That equates to 15¢ of every fuel dollar in your pocket plus the advantage of 15% less carbon monoxide, reactive carbons and nitrogen oxides.

Other areas where conservation pays big dividends include soil, water, paper, all types of packaging and the use of many toxic chemicals. Remember that conservation means careful preservation and planned use or management of scarce resources.

Take a Personal Approach

While no person can make a huge impact individually, together we can make great progress. For example, we can be more environmentally responsible by installing water-conserving shower heads, taking shorter showers, lowering water levels in toilets and fixing dripping faucets. In addition we can become conscientious in turning off unused lights, televisions and appliances.

In our office we recycle paper, plastic and aluminum. We try to conserve paper by making fewer copies, using both sides of paper and returning out-of-date phone books. Little things, to be sure, but they do add up. We also reuse cardboard boxes and plastic bags.

My experience indicates that buying premium quality products is environmentally friendly. Buying top quality tires, shoes, tools, clothes and equipment is also good business practice. A good set of tires, for example, may out-wear a cheaper set by a factor of 2 to 1. However, they require only a little more rubber and energy to produce.

I'm also a believer in the philosophy of "Use it up, wear it out, make do, do without." I think we often throw away useful items just because we're tired of them or we want a new look. Weigh the costs of the "throw-away mentality" carefully. Remember, this kind of thinking carries a double-whammy price tag.

We all have a role to play in taking care of our resources. Let's work a little harder to make the world a better place in which to live. You might find that it's not only fun, but profitable as well.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

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The Farm Service Agency (FSA) will sell 567 acres of farm real estate at a trustee's foreclosure sale to the highest bidder or bidders, for cash, at the foyer of the Castro County Courthouse located in the City of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, on Tuesday, May 7, 1996. The FSA will conduct two (2) separate sales. One sale will contain 333 acres (minimum FSA bid is \$66,159.00) and the other sale contains 234 acres (minimum FSA bid is \$37,709.00). For specific information, contact Richard A. Hayter, Loan Resolution Specialist, 4412 74th St., Suite E-100, Lubbock, Texas, (806) 792-0070 or Edward C. Luebken, Ag Credit Manager, 114 W. Belcher, Dimmitt, Texas, (806) 647-5141.

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CEU training planned Tuesday

A Roadside CEU Training Program will be held Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:20 p.m. at the Castro County Assembly Room in the courthouse basement in Dimmitt.

The training will be conducted by the Castro County Extension Service. Lunch will not be provided.

The training is available for private, commercial and non-commercial applicators and is good for five CEU credits.

Persons planning to attend are asked to RSVP by calling the Extension office at 647-4115 by 5 p.m. Friday.

Jones earns Honor Ring from Allstate

Betty Jones of Dimmitt has achieved the Honor Ring Award from Allstate Insurance Company.

Jones, who has an office in Hereford, was honored for her performance over past years. The company recognizes agents with the Honor Ring for customer satisfaction, retention and profitability, in addition to being a community leader and top premium producer in auto, property, business and life insurance.

Betty will be recognized by local and regional management at a banquet in her honor.

Farm Bureau plans farm bill meetings

Texas Farm Bureau county offices around the state will be the site for a special briefing on the 1996 farm bill next month.

The briefing will be conducted May 6 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at county Farm Bureau offices, and at many Extension Service district offices. Details on viewing sites and meeting arrangements may be made by calling the local Farm Bureau office.

The program will be aired via satellite on Telstar 401 (KU-Band), Transponder 11.

TFB will provide experts including USDA personnel who are writing the implementing rules to appear on the program to answer specific questions about the legislation. The new law is called the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act (FAIR).

Questions from producers will be taken via a toll-free telephone number. The show will originate from KWTX-TV in Waco.

"This legislation is a watershed event in the history of federal farm programs," said Bob Stallman, president of TFB. "Farmers have a lot of questions about the details of the new farm program, and the broadcast will try to answer as many of those questions as possible."

FAIR replaces current farm programs with a system of declining market transition payments to participating producers over seven years. It also gives farmers more flexibility to plant crops so they are better able to respond to market forces.

The new law contains a number of environmental measures, including the conservation reserve program, wetlands reserve program and the environmental quality incentives program.



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Livestock producers may qualify for feed assistance due to drought

Texas farmers and ranchers have been approved for livestock feed assistance under several programs, and the aid is designed to help producers who have suffered severe losses due to drought.

Castro County producers interested in obtaining assistance should contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office in Dimmitt before May 6.

"We will be able to offer assistance to producers from the time they sign up through May 31," said Trish Elliott, county executive director of the FSA.

The US Dept. of Agriculture hopes the temporary assistance will help ensure the future of the livestock industry in Texas.

USDA has attempted to provide assistance as early as possible. Most Texas counties were ineligible for emergency livestock assistance until after March 1 due to the normal

grazing dates for pasture land. Since March 1, however, the Texas State FSA Committee has taken action which resulted in 218 Texas counties being eligible for emergency livestock assistance through May 31.

"Texas farmers and ranchers are receiving the earliest assistance ever provided by USDA," said Hart native Harold Bob Bennett, state executive director of the Farm Service Agency. "The Farm Service Agency is committed to ensuring that Texas producers receive every possible benefit available to assist them in overcoming the emergency that has been created by the severe drought."

The Texas State FSA Office began obtaining USDA approval of livestock assistance in January. Since then 53 counties have been approved for emergency grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage to provide feed for

livestock.

"Emergency grazing will continue in these counties until Sept. 30 unless there is substantial improvement in pasture conditions," said Ray Joe Riley of Hart, chairman of the Texas State FSA Committee. Riley also indicated that special consideration was made to ensure that there were no adverse environmental impacts of continued grazing of the CRP acreage.

Then on Feb. 23, President Bill Clinton declared an emergency in the State of Texas based on damage and losses caused by extreme fire hazards. As a result of the emergency declaration, 115 Texas counties were declared eligible for FSA emergency loan assistance. In addition, those 115 counties received special USDA assistance for fighting fires and ensuring the safety of threatened communities.



LET'S ROAD-E-O—Dimmitt bus drivers (from left) Ruby Gowdy, Larry Gilliam and Andrea de la Cruz participated in the annual Bus Road-E-O last weekend.

Photo by John Brooks

DISD drivers compete in school bus 'road-e-o'

Larry Gilliam was the top scorer among Dimmitt bus drivers in the area's second annual School Bus Road-e-o, which was held Saturday at Randall High School Transportation Center in Canyon.

The event included a written exam, pre-trip inspections and driving tests in which each driver took his or her bus through a specific course.

In addition to Gilliam, other Dimmitt drivers competing were Ruby Gowdy, second among the DISD crew; and Andrea De La Cruz, third.

There were drivers from nine school districts competing and overall winner was Fleeta Litterell of Borger.

After the winners were recognized, a lunch was served and door prizes were awarded. Each Dimmitt bus driver and the Dimmitt ISD Transportation Director each won a nice door prize.

Wheat producers may still certify yields for crop insurance coverage

Producers may still have time to certify last year's wheat yields for crop insurance under a "little-known provision" in crop insurance laws.

Predicted wheat crop losses which occurred due to the severe Texas drought should spur farmers to record their wheat yield history with insurance agents to protect themselves against similar disasters.

According to Dr. Ken Stokes, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Dallas, farmers may upgrade their coverage up to 45 days after the deadline to buy crop insurance has already passed.

"It's not too late to report the yields that can improve your coverage if you record higher yields than you now carry in your policy," said Stokes. "For instance, if the closing date was March 15, a farmer still has until the end of April to certify yields

for last year, or even several previous years. The bleak outlook for wheat is a reminder to producers to take advantage of this provision."

Stokes cautioned producers that they won't receive disaster payments for crops covered by insurance.

"There's still time to certify your yields," Stokes said. "Either calculate your own yields or get help from your local FSA office or private insurance agent."

For catastrophic (CAT) policyholders, coverage levels could increase without a premium increase. In a buy-up situation, the premium may increase slightly, depending upon reported yields.

"In many cases, taking the time to calculate and report historical yields may greatly increase coverage compared with producers who don't report their yields," Stokes said.

"Most areas of Texas still have time to provide records," said Benny James of Southwest Crop Insurance in Honey Grove. "The 45-day period just isn't well known. Producers may also certify yields from previous years and replace transitional or determined yields as long as they are for consecutive years."

"An entire community suffers significant economic impact when crop disasters hit an area where farmers haven't certified their yields under CAT," said Stokes. "As we've seen in recent weeks with drought and fire, until we can control the elements, going without adequate crop insurance is too big a risk to take, especially when there's an extra 45 days to turn in those records."

Local FSA offices or private insurance agent can check on individual special provisions for each insured crop.



FIGHTING GRASS FIRES—Dimmitt volunteer firefighters Danny Heard and John Kovacs and farmer Donald Gilreath use shovels to help fight one of several grass fires which broke out last Wednesday in Southwest Castro County and

southeast Parmer County off of Farm Road 145. Burning hay blew off a passing trailer, setting several fires. Firefighters from Dimmitt and Lazbuddie and volunteers helped put out the fires. The case is under investigation.

Photo by John Brooks

PCG countering claims on boll weevil program

One of the most successful programs in the history of the US Dept. of Agriculture has come under fire by some producers who want to eliminate assessments for the boll weevil eradication program.

The program began again in earnest in the Texas High Plains last year after weevils were found in 1992 in Lubbock, Lynn, Dawson and Gaines counties. A referendum passed to begin assessments for the program, but some producers were dissatisfied with how the program was operated and how assessments were made.

Changes have been made in the assessment program for this year, according to Wayne Huffaker, board chairman of the Boll Weevil Steering Committee.

"What we have done is develop a range of choices so producers can make the best management decision

for their farm," Huffaker, a Lynn County farmer, said. "Specifics about the new collection policy are still being worked on, but what is known is good news for producers."

Assessments in this region are due by July 15. Producers may pay in full or make arrangements for delayed payments by July 15. Producers who pay a month or more before the due date will receive a discount.

Producers who sign a Payment Extension Agreement will not be assessed any penalties for later payment, but will be subject to a finance charge of 1 1/2% per month on the unpaid balance. A 10% down payment will be payable at the time the agreement is executed.

Producers also will not be assessed for failed acreage. Persons who do not make a crop will not be assessed, and persons who don't plant a crop will also not be assessed.

"Our record speaks for itself. In the states where we have eradicated the boll weevil, the use of pesticides is down by as much as 90%, and cotton acreage has increased more than 500%," said Gary Cunningham, national program coordinator with the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. "This increased acreage has created many new jobs, and the ability to grow weevil-free cotton has stabilized the industry in these areas of the country."

"We are disappointed with the recent decision in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and east Mississippi to stop the program, but it is a growers' program, and we respect that. We just want to reassure growers who are currently involved in eradication efforts that the benefits far

outweigh any risks associated with the program."

PCG has been running a diapause program since 1964, after weevils had spread to Garza, Crosby, Floyd, Briscoe, Lubbock and Lynn counties. The program became enhanced after the new weevil sightings.

If the program remains intact, it will evolve into an eradication program by 1998.

"The goal is to get the job done as quickly and economically as possible," Huffaker said. "The assessment will be reduced and then eliminated as soon as feasible. The best guarantee is that the people who provide oversight of the program are cotton producers. They receive no pay for their work and have to pay an assessment each year just like everyone else."

Hart netters head to regional

The Hart tennis team took home three seconds and a first and will send six players to the Region 1-AA tennis tournament in Odessa.

Advancing to regional will be Brandi Key in girls' singles; Jared Aven in boys' singles; Sergio Martinez and Raynea Garcia in boys' doubles; and Jennifer Martinez and Gayla Reyna in girls' doubles.

Key was the lone Hart ace to win the district championship, and she did so in convincing fashion, 6-2, 6-0, over Christina Ramon of Morton in the girls' singles championship match.

Aven advanced to the title match against Jeff Walker, but had to settle for second after dropping the match, 1-6, 2-6. Aven, who had been seeded third in the tournament, had to knock off the No. 2 seed, Michael Tuman, in the semifinals, and that's just what he did in a split set thriller, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Martinez and Garcia earned a trip to regional even though the doubles team lost to Rodrick Hawkins and Jackie Cheek of Morton in the championship, 3-6, 6-7.

Also advancing to regional will be the girls' doubles team of Martinez and Reyna, who suffered a 4-6, 5-7 loss to Stacy Bigham and Chelsea Patridge in the title match before beating teammates Veronica Gonzales and Ysa Rodriguez in the play-back, 6-3, 6-4.

Here are Hart's district results:

BOYS' SINGLES

First Round: Aven and J.R. Lee drew byes.
Quarterfinals: Aven beat Nathan Trager of Morton, 6-5, 6-1; Lee beat Chris Dominguez of Hale Center, 6-0, 6-1.
Semifinals: Lee lost to Walker, 2-6, 1-6; Aven beat Michael Tuman of New Deal, 6-1, 6-0.
Championship: Aven lost to Walker, 1-6, 2-6.

BOYS' DOUBLES

First round: Garcia and Martinez and Lupe De La Fuente and Brandon Irons drew byes.
Quarterfinals: Garcia and Martinez beat Reiken and Crawford of New Deal, 6-2, 6-2; DeLa Fuente and Irons beat Bigham and Winn of New Deal, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Semifinals: Garcia and Martinez beat Marr and Perales of Lockney, 6-3, 6-3; De La Fuente and Irons lost to Hawkins and Cheek, 4-6, 0-6.

Championship: Hawkins and Cheek beat Garcia and Martinez, 3-6, 6-7.

GIRLS' SINGLES

First Round: Brandi Key of Hart drew a bye; Raquel Garcia beat Tikka Smith of Lockney, 6-2, 6-1.
Quarterfinals: Garcia lost to Tiffany Tiffin of Springlake-Earth, 3-6, 3-6; Key beat Chanda Steinel of Morton, 6-0, 7-6.
Semifinals: Key beat Darlyn Matsuaka of New Deal, 6-0, 6-1.
Championship: Key beat Christina Ramon of Morton, 6-2, 6-0.

GIRLS' DOUBLES

First Round: Reyna and Martinez and Rodriguez and Gonzales drew byes.
Quarterfinals: Rodriguez and Gonzales beat Jones and Haberer of Springlake-Earth, 7-6, 6-3; Reyna and Martinez beat Hernandez and Soliz of Morton, 5-7, 7-5, 6-3.
Semifinals: Reyna and Martinez beat Wood and Lyn of Lockney, 6-3, 6-0; Rodriguez and Gonzales lost to Bigham and Patridge, 6-7, 4-6.
Championship: Bigham and Patridge beat Martinez and Reyna, 4-6, 5-7.
Playback: Reyna and Martinez beat Rodriguez and Gonzales, 6-3, 6-4.



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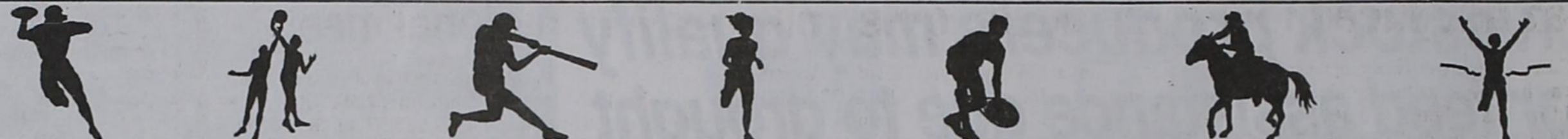
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Sports



DHS boys take crown; both mile relays win

Dimmitt's boys pounded the field for the championship in the District 2-3A Track Meet held Saturday in Friona.

On the girls' side, Dimmitt's small contingent finished a strong second behind champion Friona and well ahead of third place Muleshoe.

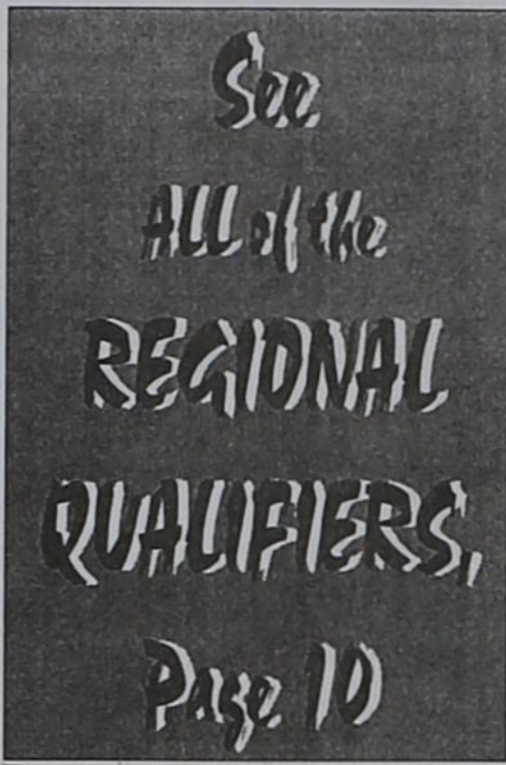
Dimmitt's boys won the mile relay by almost six seconds, earned second in the 400 relay, and picked up five other first place medals. The Bobcats also earned second in three other events.

First and second place finishers advance to the Region I-3A Track Meet next weekend at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

The Bobbies also won the mile relay and finished second in the sprint relay. Dimmitt also earned four first place individual gold medals, and one second place finish.

"I think we did really well and represented Dimmitt High School extremely well," said girls' coach Jan Newland. "Friday was a good day but Saturday was a horrible day. We competed well, and I'm just very proud of our girls."

"It was a hurricane," boys' coach Lanny Crow said of Saturday's weather in Friona. The finals did not start until 1 p.m., when the wind



really started to blow. By the time the mile relay was over, "You couldn't see much except dirt," Crow said.

The region's top mile relay team of Joey Flores, D.J. Fleeks, Albert Ewing and Brandon Smith was five seconds off its best time of the year, but still won handily in 3:26.74. Friona was a very distant second in 3:32.58.

The relay was one of three events in which Flores qualified for the regional meet. The junior, who won the state 800 title as a freshman, won the half-mile Saturday in 2:02.48. Teammate Fleeks was close behind in 2:02.73, outpacing Mario Pina of Friona, who was nipped at the tape in 2:02.75.

Flores also won the 400 with a 52.31 time, almost a second ahead of teammate Ewing. Pina was again a close third, finishing .12 second behind Ewing.

Jerome Larra was also a dual qualifier for the Bobcats, winning the 1600 and 3200 meter races. Larra ran in Friday's much better conditions in the two-mile race and almost lapped the entire field in winning in 10:27.73. That was five seconds faster than second-best Ryan Cruz of Shallowater.

Larra came back Saturday afternoon in the hurricane, and his title in the mile handed the team title to the Bobcats. Larra won the 1600 in 4:51.73, three seconds better than Omar Eguia of Floydada.

Also earning regional berths were Richard Ewing, long jump gold medalist, and Smith, second in the high jump.

Ewing was two inches better than Jason Wright of Littlefield with a leap of 21 feet, 11 inches. Smith was second in a big log jam in the high jump, one of several tying at 6-0. Smith notched second because of fewer overall misses.

The girls were paced by Amy Ethridge, who won her third-straight 800 meter race at the district meet, and Jennifer Vick, who won the gold in the long jump and the 300 meter low hurdles.

Ethridge took the half-mile in 2:29.88, eight seconds better than teammate Jessica Vasquez.

Vick won the long jump with a leap of 15-10 1/4, five inches farther than Carol Highley of Shallowater. Vick also took the long hurdle race in 49.85, a half-second ahead of Jo Beth Gilleland of Muleshoe.

"I was really proud of Jennifer's work in the hurdles," Newland said. "She ran all that way against the wind and just ran a tough, tough race. To break 50 seconds in conditions like that was phenomenal."



BEAU GOES SOARING—Beau Hill of Dimmitt clears 11-6 in last Friday's pole vault at the District 2-AAA Track Meet at Friona High School. Hill finished fourth in the contest, clearing 12 feet, six inches.

Photo by John Brooks

The mile relay crew of Vasquez, Amy Matthews, Vick and Ethridge took a very easy win with a time of 4:19.59. That was seven seconds ahead of Friona.

"That was a great job considering the wind and dirt," Newland said. "They will drop their time tremendously in good weather."

The other gold medal went to Kami Jo Hand, who ran into the wind and took the 200 meters in

26.57 seconds. She was .60 second better than the second place girl, winning going away.

Matthews also took second in the 400 to qualify for regional, finishing in 64.82 seconds. The 400 relay squad also qualified, going second in 53.48 seconds, edging Shallowater by a tenth of a second.

Other medals went to Sandra Torres, third in the 3,200, and Vasquez, third in the triple jump.

Beck & Bryan, Hand & Doss, Langford advance to regional

Dimmitt doubles teams claim gold

The District 2-AAA boys' and girls' doubles titles were claimed by Dimmitt netters last week while girls' singles player Amber Langford clinched a regional berth with a second place finish.

The district meet was held last Wednesday and Thursday at the Lubbock Memorial Tennis Center and Dimmitt's Brad Beck and Jimmy Bryan captured the boys' doubles crown while Kami Hand and Kristin Doss won the girls' doubles title.

The five will compete at the regional meet in Odessa Tuesday and Wednesday.

Claiming third-place honors in the district meet were Brent Portwood and Bryan Portwood in boys' doubles, Kara Josselet and Carrie Bradley in girls' doubles, and

Monica Ortiz in girls' singles.

Beck and Bryan were seeded No. 1 entering the tournament, while the Portwoods were third. Cody Latham and Miramontes from Muleshoe were seeded second. That's how the teams finished the district meet.

Beck and Bryan didn't lose a game until the championship match with Miramontes and Latham, and then they only lost three. The Dimmitt duo won their first two matches by perfect 6-0, 6-0 counts, beating Guzman and Fortcamp of Shallowater and Lee and Shelburne of Muleshoe. Then Beck and Bryan topped Latham and Miramontes, 6-0, 6-3, to win district.

Dimmitt's other district champions—Hand and Doss—had a battle royal in the championship match, but

came out on top in the end. In the first round they upended Norton and Stone of Shallowater, 6-0, 6-0; then beat Blackburn and Campbell of Friona, 6-1, 6-0 in the semis. Their toughest challenge came in the final game against McElroy and Morales of Muleshoe. Doss and Hand took the first marathon set, 7-5, but lost the second, 5-7. The pair managed to hold on in the third set, 6-4, to claim the district gold.

Amber Langford beat Dawdy of Floydada, 6-1, 6-0, in her first-round match, then topped Huval of Shallowater, 6-2, 6-3, to reach the finals against Julie Goddard of Friona. Goddard claimed the first set with ease, 6-0, but Langford got three games in the second before bowing to Goddard for the championship.

That loss forced Langford into a playback with teammate Monica Ortiz, who managed to win her third place match after losing to Goddard in the finals. Langford took the playback match in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3, to earn a trip to regional.

Ortiz beat Jensen of Shallowater, 6-1, 6-1, in the first round, then beat Cleavinger of Muleshoe, 6-2, 6-1, before bowing to Goddard. She came back to beat Huval of Shallowater, 6-2, 3-6, 6-0.

The Portwoods breezed through their first-round match, beating Proctor and Aronce of Friona, 6-0, 6-2, but then ran into a roadblock in the semifinals—Latham and Miramontes. The Muleshoe duo took the first set, 6-2. The Portwoods battled back to tie the second set at 6, but then lost the tiebreaker, 4-7. The Dimmitt team beat Lee and Shelburne, 6-1, 6-2, to finish third.

In boys' singles, Dimmitt's Joel Townsend beat Espinosa of Friona in the first round, 7-6, 6-1, but lost to Warren of Floydada, 1-6, 0-6, in the quarterfinals. Wesley Mays dropped his first match to Faver of Muleshoe in a tough split-set decision, 6-4, 2-6, 2-6.

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Naz advances four individuals, girls' mile relay, to regional meet

Casey Hoelting of Nazareth wasn't even challenged as he captured the gold medals in both the 3,200- and 1,600-meter runs at the District 2-A track meet Friday at Sudan.

Hoelting won the 3,200-meter event by almost a minute, while he was more than 16 seconds faster than the second-place finisher in the mile.

Meanwhile, the Swiftettes' mile relay, which includes Melinda

Schmucker, Tanya Wethington, Misti Ball and Trina Johnson, captured the gold in the girls' meet. Also finishing first and earning trips to regional were Schmucker in the 400 and Jayson Burnam in the triple jump. Ball advanced with a second-place effort in the 3,200.

Hoelting's effort in the two-mile event wasn't his best of the year, but it was a lot better than the rest of the

field. He won the race with a time of 10:34.32, while the second place runner, Logan Nichols of Farwell, was clocked at 11:31.03. In the 1,600, Hoelting broke the tape in 4:45.48, several steps ahead of Ralph Ramirez of Plains, who finished the race in 5:02.92, for second.

The Swiftettes' mile relay, which won state last year, finished the district race in 4:17.94.

Burnam captured first place in the triple jump with a leap of 40 1/2 and was second in the 110 hurdles with a time of 16.61. He also finished third in the long jump. Schmucker won

the 400-meter run in 60.28 and Johnson was third in 62.59. Ball was clocked at 13:23.97 in the 3,200, good enough for second.

Other girls placing were:
800: 5. Kira Ball, 6. Sara Birkenfeld.
100 Hurdles: 6. K'Lynn Gerber.
100: 6. Johnson.
400: 4. Misti Ball.
300 Hurdles: 6. Gerber.

Other boys making the top six in their respective events were:
400 Relay: 5. Nazareth (Matthew Kern, Jerad Birkenfeld, Burnam and Coby Schacher).



ERIC AIRS IT OUR—Dimmitt's Eric Soldevilla heads toward the sand pit in the triple jump on Friday at the District 2-AAA Track Meet at Friona High School. Soldevilla did not advance to next week's regional meet in Odessa.

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Hart sees record day at 3-AA meet

Hart's girls set nine new school records last Thursday and Friday to take an easy win in the District 3-2A Track Meet at Springlake-Earth High School.

Hart finished with 157 points, 31 better than second place New Deal.

Hart qualified 10 individuals for next week's Region I-AA Meet in Abilene in the girls' division, and will send J.R. Lee in the 110 meter high hurdles and Armando Minjarez in the discus.

Lee and Minjarez paced the Hart boys, who finished third with 65 points. Also placing for the boys were Jeremy Card, third in the 100 meters in 11.6 seconds; Dusty Ortiz, third in the shot with a heave of 47-9 1/4; Brandon Irons, fourth in the high jump and fifth in both the 110 and 300 meter hurdle races; T.R. George, fourth in the pole vault; Gerardo Dozal, sixth in the discus; and Lupe De La Fuente, sixth in the 110 meter high hurdles.

Hart's girls won both short relays the 400 and 800 meter events. The team of Tiffany Bradford, Charbra Lee, Tylene Garcia and Ysa Rodriguez won the sprint relay in 51.89 seconds, and the same team won the

half-mile relay in 1:49.92. Both times were new school records.

Also earning regional berths were Rodriguez, first in the 100 in 12.69; Garcia, first in the 200 in 27.68; and Lee, second in the 100 meter hurdles in 17.3 seconds.

Isela Minjarez will go back to the regional meet with a couple gold medals. She won the 800 easily in 2:31.46, eight seconds ahead of the second place runner. Minjarez also took the 1600 in 5:57.6. She'll be joined by Lisa Rincon, who was second in the mile in 6:01.8.

Rincon won a gold medal of her own, taking the gold in the 3,200 in 13:52.

Taking bronze medals were Lee, third in the triple jump with a leap of 33-3 1/2; and Tiffany Bradford, third in the 100 in 13.4.

Also placing at the district meet were Teresa Menchca, fifth in the 3200 in 14:54; Veronica Garcia, fourth in the 100 meter hurdles; Garcia, fourth in the high jump at 4-6; Nikki Lee, fifth in the discus at 89-6 and sixth in the shot at 30-3 1/4; Charbra Lee, sixth in the long jump at 15-1 1/2; and Rodriguez and Bradford, fourth and fifth in the triple jump.

Weather shortens top two flights in weekend scramble

Strong winds and blowing dirt played havoc with the Don Cornett Three-Person Scramble Saturday and Sunday at Country Club of Dimmitt, forcing golfers in the championship and first flights to play just nine holes on Sunday.

Those playing in the second and third flights were able to play 18 holes each day.

Winning the shortened 27-hole Championship Flight were Marvin Dick, Brian Bim and Phil Giglio, with a 101. Second place honors went to Jim Bradford, Stan Byrnes and Mickey Bishop, who shot a 104.

A 105-shot tie for third place was reached by the teams of Wayne Richardson, Arnold Galbraith and Barbara Scott, and Jim Long, Zac Zaccardo and Steve Williams.

In the First Flight, Ned Kygar, Kenny Smith and Roger Thompson

shot a 106 to win first place while three teams finished with 108 to tie for second. Those teams were Cliff Cook, Jerry Lou Cook and Clay Davis; Kevin Cooper, Steven Tindall and Lance Simpson; and Dan Luther, Richard McFarland and Ken Warren.

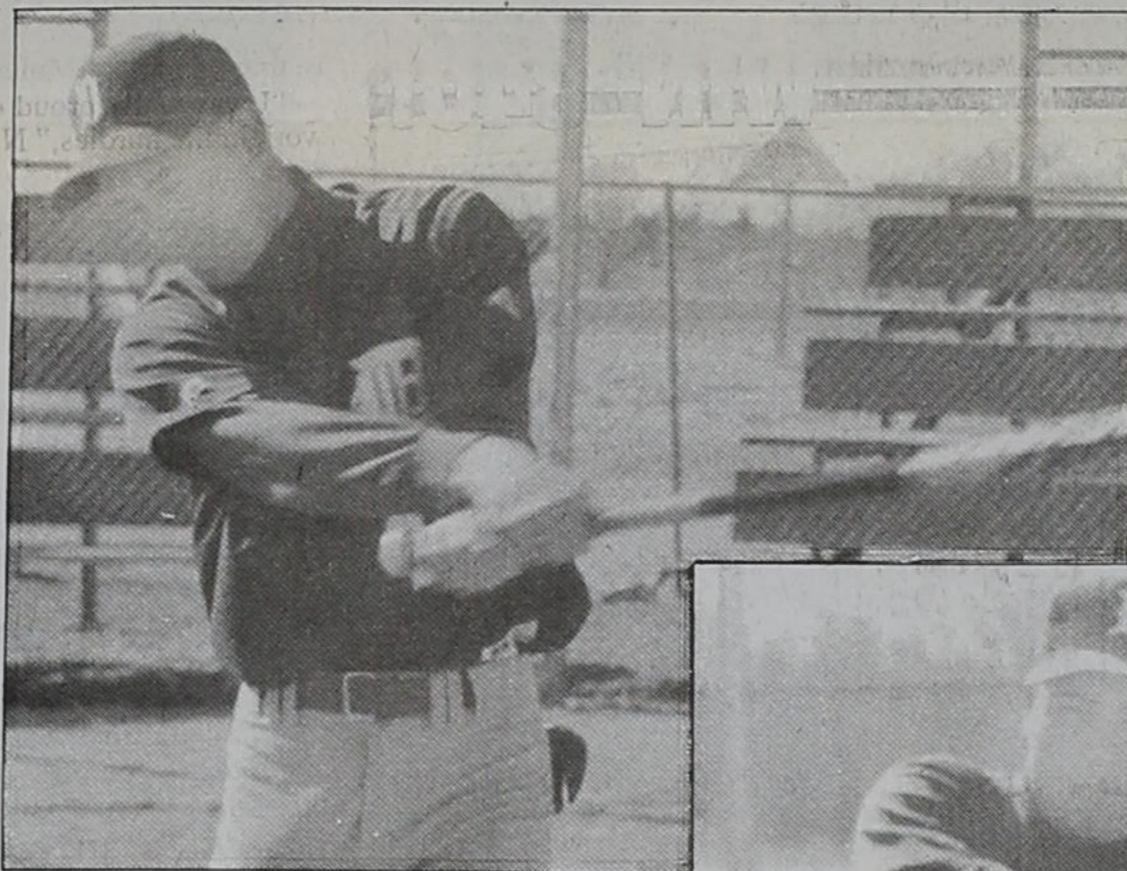
Winning the Second Flight with a score of 145 were Bret Bryant, Doug Reinbold and Craig Nunn. Second place went to Tad Cornett, Cindy Cornett and Mozelle Lilley, who finished with 148. Donny Carpenter, Charles McLean and Darrell Buckley shot a 149 to take third.

In the Third Flight, Carlos Mendez, Gerald Gamboa and Bobby Valdez were first with 151. The Thrashers, Avery, Chip and Phil, were second with 155. Finishing third was the team of Joe Saucedo, Richard Saucedo and Marin Rivas, with 156.

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REGIONAL QUALIFIERS



CASEY COPS CROWNS—Nazareth long distance ace Casey Hoelting will try to duplicate his district double at next week's Region I-A Track Meet in Levelland. Hoelting won both the 1600 and 3200 meter runs last weekend in the district meet, tremendously dominating the field in both races to add to his medal collection. *Photo by John Brooks*



MISTI MAKES IT BACK—Nazareth's Misti Ball will be competing in two events in next week's Region I-A Track Meet in Levelland. She will be challenging in her specialty, the 800 meters, and will also be a key member of the Swiftettes' mile relay squad. *Photo by John Brooks*



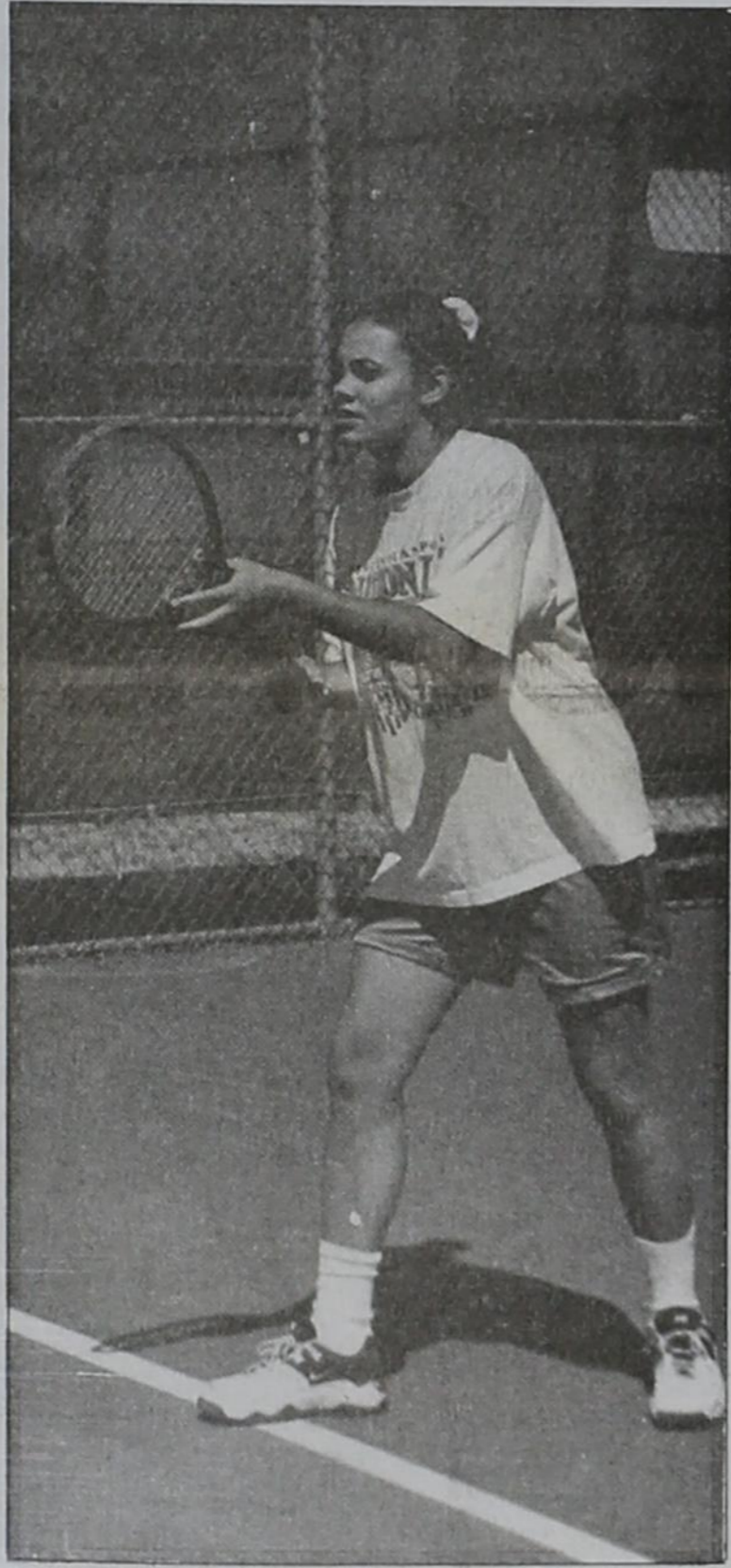
TOP CATS IN TENNIS—Dimmitt will send five players to the Region I-AAA Tennis Meet next week in Odessa. Qualifying for the regional meet were (from left) the girls doubles team of Kami Jo Hand and Kristen Doss, the boys doubles duo of

Jimmy Bryan and Brad Beck, and Amber Langford in girls singles. Langford was runner-up in girls singles at the District 2-AAA Meet. Hand and Doss, and Bryan and Beck, were district champions.

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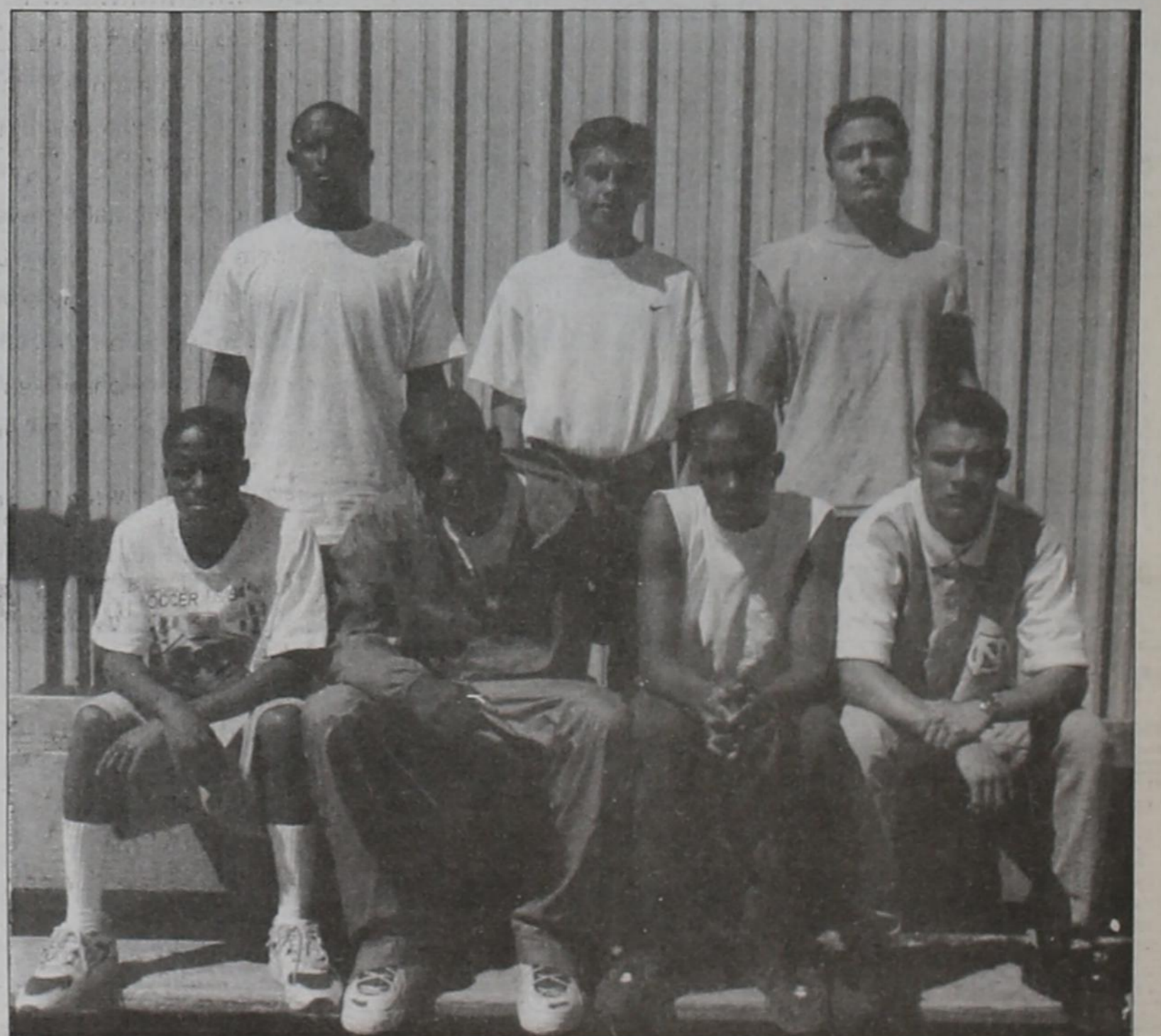
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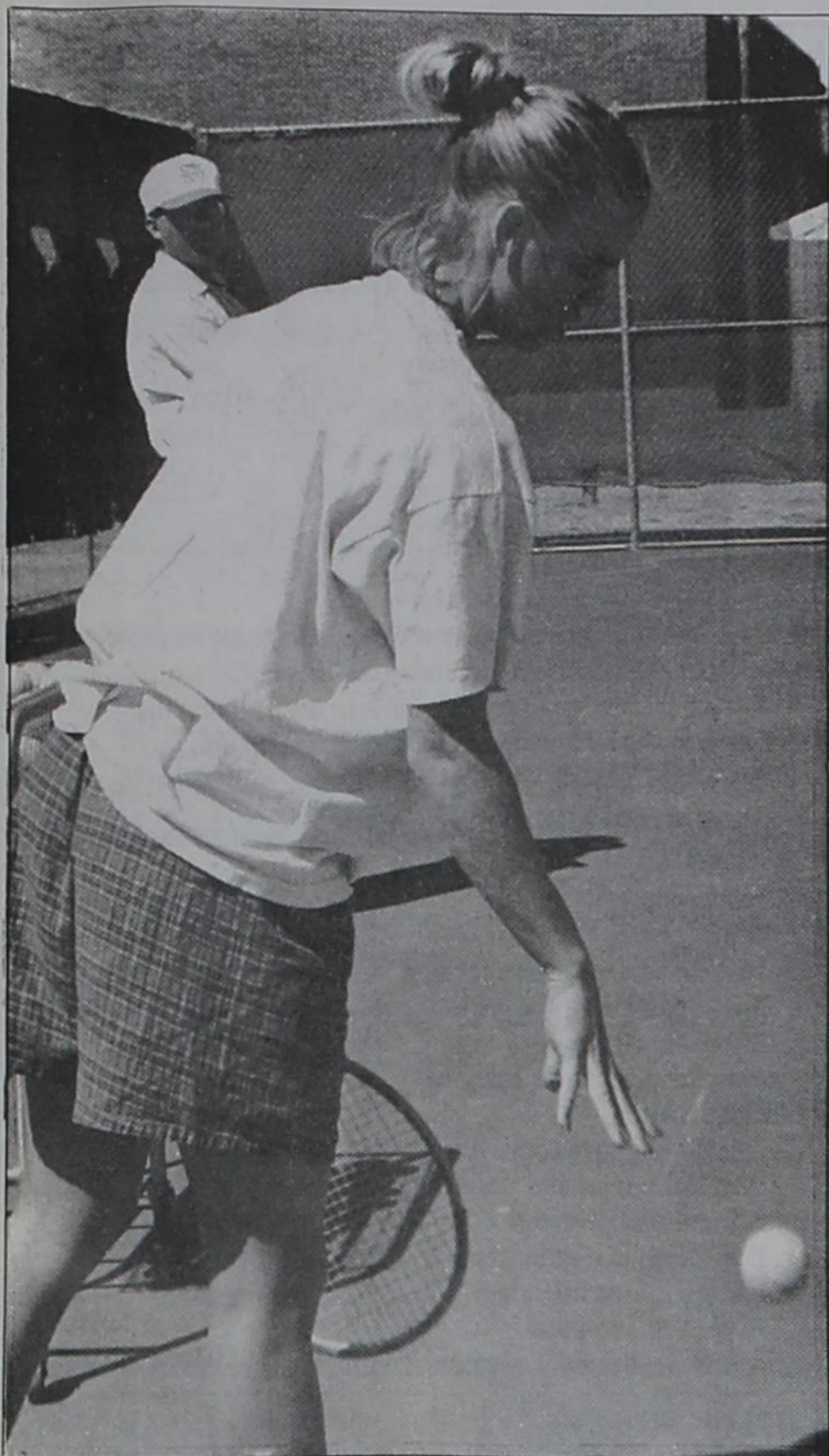
DIMMITT TRACK QUALIFIERS—Dimmitt will send a strong contingent to next weekend's Region I-AAA Track Meet in Odessa. Qualifying the girls meet are (above, from left) Jennifer Vick, 300 hurdles, long jump and relays; Amy Ethridge, 800 meters and relays; Jessica Vasquez, 800 meters and relays; Jacy Buckley, relays; Amy Matthews, 400 meters and relays; and Stephanie Hinojosa, relays. Boys

qualifiers (at right, top row from left) were Richard Ewing, long jump and relays; Jerome Larra, 1600 and 3200 meters, and Oscar Rueda, relays; (bottom row, from left) D. J. Fleeks, 800 meters and relays; Albert Ewing, 400 meters and relays; Brandon Smith, high jump, 200 meters and relays; and Joey Flores, 400 meters, 800 meters and relays.

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Together We Can



ANOTHER BUSY WEEK—A busy week at regionals is nothing new for Nazareth senior Melinda Schmucker. She'll be in next week's Region I-A Tennis Tournament, then will run in the 400 meters and mile relay for the Nazareth Swiftettes next week.
Photo by Kelly Jones



STELLAR SENIOR SEASON—It's been a busy time—and a busy year—for Hart senior J.R. Lee. Lee, who was recently named the Most Valuable Player at the Golden Spread All-Star Games, qualified for the Region I-AA Track Meet in the 110 hurdles.
Photo by Neoma Williams



HART GIRLS QUALIFIERS—Several members of the Hart girls track team qualified for next week's Region I-AA Track Meet in Abilene. Qualifying were (top row, from left) Valerie Key, Tiffany Bradford, Tylene Garcia and Charbra Lee; (bottom, from left) Ysa Rodriguez, Lisa Rincon, Selina Carrasco and Ysela Minjarez.
Photo by Neoma Williams



ON TO REGIONAL!—Several Hart tennis players will compete in the Region I-A tournament in Odessa next week after placing either first or second in district. They include (from left) Jared Aven in boys' singles; Gayla Reyna and Jennifer Martinez in girls' doubles; Brandi Key in girls' singles; and Sergio Martinez in boys' doubles. Not pictured is Martinez' partner, Raynea Garcia.
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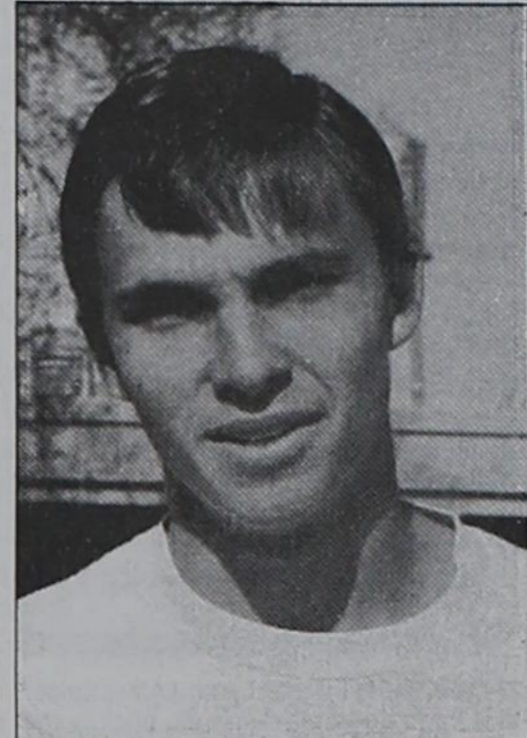
MILE RELAY UNIT—Nazareth's girls mile relay team will be one of the favorites at next weekend's Region I-A Track Meet in Levelland. Team members are (from left) Trina Johnson, Tanya Wethington, Melinda Schmucker and Misti Ball.
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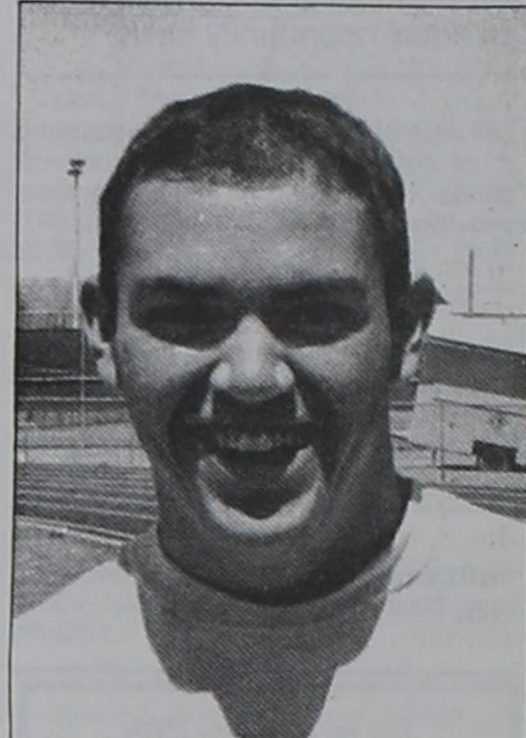
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FOR SALE: Classic 4D 66 blue Chevy. Was Ocle Bolton's car. Less than 48,000 miles. Registered, inspected, new tires, air conditioner and heater. For sale to highest cash bidder over \$500. Mail bids to R. Barrows, 707 W. Etter, Dimmitt. Postmarked by Monday, April 22. Buyer will be called by Attorney James Horton on Wednesday, April 24. 14-2-1tp

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 - Help wanted
 - Notices
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 - Cards of thanks
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20 - Help Wanted

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21-Wanted, Misc.

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22-Notices

WEIGHT WATCHERS is now meeting every Thursday in Dimmitt. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131. 22-33-tfc

LONELY? AFRAID? DEPRESSED? Call CONTACT: 1-800-886-4351. Free, confidential, anonymous. 24 hours per day. 22-52-6tp(e)

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24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to say how grateful we are for all the good deeds done for us during our time of sorrow. Thank you all so very much for the floral offerings, the food, the cards and most of all your prayers. Thanks to the women at the First Baptist Church for the meal the day of the service. Thank you to Bro. Paul Kenley for conducting the service and the singing. We are very grateful to all of you.

**GARNER BALL & FAMILY
GERTIE WAGGONER & FAMILY
MIKE McMILLEN & FAMILY
GARY McMILLEN & FAMILY**
24-2-11c

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you so much for all the nice ways you showed my Dad how much you care for him. Your sincerity has been very uplifting to him during this time, and your love and support have been greatly appreciated by myself and my family.

A special thanks goes to the kids of Dimmitt. At one time or another the majority of the kids have had him as their Physical Education teacher, and they have always been his inspiration throughout the years. Now, during his illness, to receive their encouragement and to see the smiles on their faces has been the best therapy for him. Thank you to the employees of the school, friends and neighbors for bringing the food and gifts, and for all your support. I am very proud of the community of Dimmitt and you will always be a part of our family. May God bless you all.
LUCYDNE LYNN
24-2-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

The DiCuffa Family would like to express our sincere appreciation to the many friends and loved ones for the support provided to us during the recent death of our beloved Sal. The thoughts, prayers and assistance bestowed upon us has made this difficult time so much easier. May God bless each and every one of you.

NELLE DICUFFA
24-2-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept., for fighting our fire south of Flagg last week. Your quick action kept the blaze from destroying more of our pasture land. Thank you very much for the assistance.

DONALD & JEAN GILREATH
24-2-11c

25-Legal Notices

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF DIMMITT, TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, 1996, for voting in a City Election to elect one (1) council member at large, one (1) council member for District 1, one (1) council member for District 2, one (1) council member for District 3 and one (1) council member for District 4.

Location of Polling Place: City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., beginning Monday, April 15, 1996, and ending Tuesday, April 30, 1996.

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: N/A.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to Dolores Baldrige, Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Friday, April 26, 1996.

Issued this 11th day of April, 1996.
WAYNE COLLINS
Mayor, City of Dimmitt
25-1-2tc

25-Legal Notices

AVISO DE ELECCION CIUDAD A LOS VOTANTES REGISTRADOS DEL DIMMITT, TEXAS:

Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7 p.m. el 4 de mayo de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para elect. one (1) council member at large, one (1) council member for District 1, one (1) council member for District 2, one (1) council member for District 3 and one (1) council member for District 4.

Direccion(es) de las casillas electorales: City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas.

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas, entre las 8 de la manana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el lunes, 15 de abril 1996 y terminando el martes, 30 de abril 1996.

La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera: N/A.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Dolores Baldrige, Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada, P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el viernes, 26 de abril 1996. Emitada este dia 11 de abril 1996.

WAYNE COLLINS
Mayor, City of Dimmitt
25-1-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

You are hereby notified that **EASTER GRAIN, INC.** has applied for renewal of Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Air Quality Permit NO. 5160 to continue the operation of a Grain Elevator in Hereford, Castro County, Texas. The location of the facility is at the southeast corner of the FM 1055 and FM 2397 intersection, 12 miles south of Hereford. This facility will emit the following air contaminant: particulate matter.

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, Office of Air Quality, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building C, 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 Mr. Thomas Weinhelmer, TNRCC Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Division (MC-162), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office.

You may submit written comments concerning the permit renewal to the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Division in Austin. All written comments received within 15 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the TNRCC Executive Director in determining whether to renew 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 April 11, 1996 and April 18, 1996.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from this facility may request the Commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit renewal 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 15-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 (MC-105), Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, telephone (512) 239-3300.

Before a permit can be renewed 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.

More about

Farm bill...

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leased by the Secretary of Agriculture between Jan. 1, 1995 and Aug. 1, 1996.

A producer may enroll all or a portion of the eligible cropland on the farm as contract acreage. An owner or producer who enters into a contract may subsequently reduce, but not add to, the quantity of contract acreage covered by the contract.

Thirty days after the Farm Service Agency (FSA) approves contracts, advance 1996 deficiency payments will be made.

Producers who sign Production Flexibility Contracts must comply with the conservation and wetland protection requirements on the farm, must comply with the planting flexibility requirements and use the contract acreage for an agricultural or related activity.

At the beginning of each fiscal year, land from expiring CRP contracts may be added to existing agreements or enrolled as new agreements or enrolled as the CRP contract expires. For the fiscal year in which the CRP contract ends, the owner or producer has an option to choose between either the contract payments or a prorated payment under the CRP contract.

Payments

Annual payments will be made no later than Sept. 30 in each fiscal year between 1996 and 2002. In FY 1997-2002, a 50% advance deficiency payment will be made at the option of the owner or producer on Dec. 15 or Jan. 15 of the fiscal year.

Owners and producers must give advance notice as to which date they prefer, and the date may change from year to year.

For 1996, the advance payment will be made no later than 30 days after the date on which an owner's or producer's contract is approved.

For each contract, the payment quantity of a contract commodity for each fiscal year equals 85% of the contract acreage multiplied by the farm program payment yield.

Payment limitations

The total amount of contract payments made to a person under one or more production flexibility contracts during any fiscal year may not exceed \$40,000, down from the current \$50,000.

Marketing loan gains and loan deficiency payments are limited to \$75,000 per person. The three entity

rule is retained under the new program.

Planting flexibility

With the exception of fruits and vegetables, any commodity or crop may be planted on a farm's contract acreage.

Planting of fruits and vegetables (other than lentils, mung beans and dry peas) for harvest will be prohibited on contract acreage, except in the following situations:

Harvesting double-cropped and vegetables on contract acreage will be permitted, without loss of payments, in any region which has a history of contract commodities with fruits and vegetables. An individual farm does not have to have a double-cropping history, only the region.

Harvesting of fruits or vegetables on contract acreage is permitted, with an acre-for-acre loss of contract payments for each contract acre planted to fruits or vegetables, if the secretary determines that there is a history of planting fruits and vegetables on the farm, or if the Secretary determines that a producer has an established planting history of the specific fruit or vegetable. In this case, the quantity harvested cannot exceed the producer's average annual planting history of the specific fruit or vegetable during the 1991-95 crop years (excluding any crop year in which no acres were planted).

Haying and grazing restrictions have been limited, except for CRP acres. There are no minimum planting requirements for contract commodities. There are no restrictions as to what a producer can plant on non-contract acres.

More about

Tornado study...

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clone, was one of the widest recorded around here. A tornado on May 28, 1980, was about 2,000 yards wide. The tornado was believed to have passed just over the top of Dimmitt and set down east of town. It skipped directly over Nazareth, then struck and destroyed the Lakeview Gin and a few other buildings.

Weaver said the worst ever tornado outbreak was April 9, 1947, in the eastern Texas Panhandle. In Texas, the storm killed 68 and injured 272, destroying the towns of Glazier and Higgins. Glazier, where 27 people were killed, was never rebuilt. There were 51 killed in Higgins, which has been rebuilt.

The tornado also destroyed Woodward, Okla., killing over 100 people and injuring over 700 there.

Weaver, who collaborated in an exhaustive research project reviewing tornadoes over the past 105 years, said the historically worst time for tornadoes in these parts is from 7 p.m. to midnight, Standard time (8

p.m.-1 a.m. Daylight Savings Time). Most tornadoes occur in April, May and June.

"The place where you are now standing has the greatest chance of a tornado of anywhere in the world," Weaver said. "No place in the world has weather like this. We have as many tornadoes here as any place on earth."

The TV weathermen reviewed their procedures about weather warnings, and said there would be no difference in warnings issued in Castro County.

The county, along with others in the same row of the Panhandle, were recently switched from the Amarillo NWS office to the Lubbock center.

The weathermen explained that their equipment is designed to pick up a unique county code and would get it with the same speed from any office.

"We all have a common goal to save lives," said Jason Laney of KVII-TV.

"This area is the best laboratory for weather in the country," said Steve McCaulley of KAMR-TV.

All of the weathermen said they were fortunate to be able to issue warnings as easily as they do. They said some stations in other parts of "Tornado Alley" do not allow weathermen to interrupt some shows or commercials.

All of the weathercasters touted their new equipment and other projects.

The seminar also included spotter training, an overview of NWS operations, and a short course on the WSR-88D Doppler radar system.

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Notice of Open House and Public Meeting

TxDOT Route Study—Lubbock to I-10 and Amarillo North

The Texas Department of Transportation is hosting an open house and public meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 1996, at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Sixth Street, Lubbock, Texas. The open house will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., and the public meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

The purpose of this open house and public meeting is to discuss the TxDOT Route Study to connect Interstate 27 in Lubbock, Texas to Interstate 10, and also to connect Interstate 27 in Amarillo with the Texas state line to the north.

The public is invited to attend the open house and meeting. Verbal comments made at the formal public meeting will be limited to three minutes each. Written comments may be submitted at the open house and public meeting, or mailed to the District Engineer at the local Texas Department of Transportation district office by May 25, 1996. Submit comments to Carl R. Utley, P.E., District Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 771, Lubbock, Texas, 79408. Comments will also be accepted on the Route Study Telephone Hotline by calling 1-800-661-3234.

Workshop to educate May voters

Information on where to vote, when early ballots may be cast and how to register for the May 4 city, school and hospital elections will be offered at a special voter's workshop Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. at Dimmitt City Hall. The meeting is being sponsored by LULAC and the public is invited to attend.

Police Calls

A Hart girl, 11, was reported as a runaway on April 10. She was located by Sheriff's Deputies. After evaluation, she was placed in a protective shelter. Investigation is continuing.

Chad Okimodo and Samuel Sanchez, who live in the west part of the county, told deputies that someone broke into their residence and took some clothing and other items. The burglary was reported Saturday.

Leonel Salazar of Dimmitt told police that during the night last Thursday night someone removed \$899.85-worth of electronics from his pickup while it was parked at his residence. Items included a Pioneer AM/FM cassette player valued at \$350, two Pioneer 10-inch speakers valued at a total of \$159, an amplifier valued at \$200, a Fultron equalizer valued at \$109.95, and a Whistler radar detector valued at \$80.

Stephen Lynn Adams of Lubbock, a handler for the drug dog team that visits the Dimmitt schools, reported to police that someone apparently attempted to start a fire on the bedliner of his pickup while it was parked at Dimmitt High School. Damage to the bedliner was estimated at \$100.

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