

♥ Notes

By Neoma Williams

For several years, I've pondered what to do with this newspaper when I no longer publish it. I tried selling it, and have not pursued that anymore because I figure prospective buyers think they will just start their own paper. The postal permit is the thing that keeps serious buyers from doing this. Remember, in 2008, I sold the paper (really the permit was what the buyers wanted) and thus the name change. Those buyers do not publish a paper for Hart, but a specialty paper for San Antonio.

But, I am giving up that permit this year because I will only print four papers next year, and the post office won't allow a permit for this. The cost to subscribe to these four papers is \$10. I urge you to learn how to use the website. I will post to it randomly to keep you apprised

of news. This will cost \$30 a year. Contact me at 647-7419 or 938-2429 or email me at hbeat@amaonline.com for more information.

There is a possibility that I will print a one-page newsletter if something I deem very newsworthy happens. I will place these at a newsstands at Fast Stop and Food Jet, as long as that is feasible.

It would probably be easier to sell the paper if there were more advertisers. This year, Cargill is no longer a presence in Hart and the Gin is closed. I have reached out to get information about these business events, with no results. I don't have the desire that I used to have to keep hounding people to get the information I need. For one reason, some businesses just don't have a presence as far as the press is concerned. I think much of this is because the managers/owners don't live in small towns

like Hart, as used to be the case most often.

I've told you before that not nearly enough people subscribe to newspapers. I have subscribed to the *Plainview Herald* for more than 40 years, because I lived in Plainview for a few years, because my parents read newspapers, and because I want to know what is going on in Plainview. I also subscribe to other newspapers.

On occasion, I will be in Plainview and talking to someone about something that I read in the Plainview paper. Sometimes, this person will tell me he/she doesn't read the paper. I tell them they should read it and support it. *Really!*

And, small towns like Hart have too many residents that weren't "raised" to read newspapers. And, too many of the town's perceived leaders don't see the importance of this. Too often, people make their living here, but don't live here. Or, some people may live here, but work out of town and just don't get involved in their hometown. There isn't much loyalty anymore.

I appreciate all who have stuck with me since 1983 when I became the publisher of *The Hart Beat* and *The Kress Chronicle*. (Kress no longer has a paper.)

Thank you!

CASTRO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORTS

Persons Arrested & Booked into Jail, December 8 to 14, 2015

All information of persons arrested and booked into the Castro County Jail is Open Records.

12/09- Joseph Eric Tannehill, 29, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Dimmitt Police on a Castro County warrant for Theft over \$100-under \$750-Failure to Appear.

12/10- Ronnie Garcia, 33, of

Dimmitt was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a Castro County warrant for Possession of Marijuana, under 2 ounces, - Failure to Appear.

12/11- Serena Sifuentez, 28, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Dimmitt Police for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

12/11- Drake Reyes, 20, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Dimmitt Police for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

12/11- Jose Ramirez, 27, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Dimmitt Police for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

12/11- Oscar Juarez, 30, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Dimmitt Police for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Prohibited Substance in a Correctional Facility.

12/12- Christopher Allen Bachicha, 28, of Bovina was arrested by the Sheriff's Office for Driving While Intoxicated, 1st Offense, with Open Container.

12/13- Christian Regalado, 24, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Dimmitt Police for Driving While Intoxicated and Unlawfully Carrying a Weapon.

CASTRO COUNTY COURT

Carroll Gerber,
presiding judge

Judgments for Dec. 8, 2015

Jessie Rodriguez, 52, of Dimmitt pled guilty to the charges of Assault/causes Bodily Injury and Evading Arrest or Detention. He was sentenced on the assault case to 120 days in jail, \$750 fine and \$267 court costs. He was sentenced on the evading case to 120 days in jail, \$500 and \$217 court costs. He was also charged attorney fees on both cases totaling \$500.

Herman Henry Luna, 41, of Dimmitt pled true to violations of his probation on the original charge of Fail to Identify-Fugitive From Justice. His probation was revoked and was ordered to serve his original sentence.

Judgments for Dec. 9, 2015:

Enrique Flores, 45, of Lubbock pled guilty to the charge of Prohibited Weapon-Knuckles. He was sentenced to a \$750 fine and \$232 court costs.

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