Pool Cleanup Set Saturday

Pool cleanup day at the Silverton Swimming Pool will be Saturday, May 17, and all members are asked to be at the pool at 8:00 a.m. to help with this work in order to be able to open the pool

Families who come help with the cleanup will receive \$20.00 off the cost of their swimming pool dues.

If there is not a good enough turnout of members to help with this work, the pool will not open this year.

Students to **Present Recital Here Tonight**

Piano students of Mary Ann Rauch and Robin Boedeker will present a recital beginning at 7:00 p.m. tonight (Thursday, May 15) at the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

Family and friends are invited to attend. The students will be honored at a reception following the recital

Senior Citizens To Have Luncheon Friday

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly luncheon and business meeting Friday at noon at the Center.

Members of the Assembly of God will be hosts for the lun-

Sixth Graders Are Growing!

The Sixth Graders are growing, not only academically but also physically.

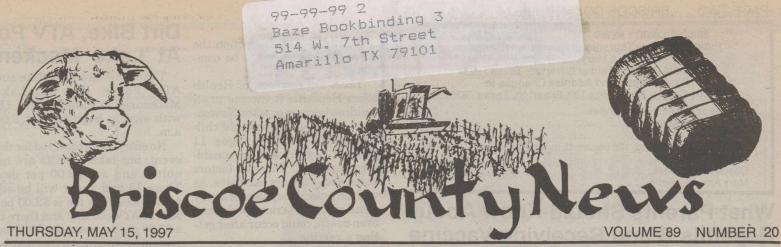
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One boy has grown 6 1/2 inches and one girl in the class has grown 6 1/4 inches.

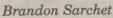
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Kimmie Blazier

1997 Honor Graduates Are **Named By Silverton School**

Brandon Sarchet and Kimmie Blazier have been named as the honor graduates in the Class of 1997 of Silverton High School.

Sarchet, son of Ken Sarchet and Jonann Sandvig, is the valedictorian with an average grade of 95.385. He attended the Farm Bureau leadership seminar in San Angelo last summer and has served as a member of the junior board of First State Bank in Silverton this school year.

He is a scholar athlete and has completed courses for college credit while in high school. He has attended state conventions of the Future Business Leaders of America in Fort Worth and Houston, and has participated in basketball camps at Wayland Baptist University and Texas Tech University. He played in the summer basketball league, as well as playing tennis, basketball and golf. He was a regional qualifier in math and tennis this year.

He has served as editor of the school yearbook and was chosen as the Student Most Likely to Succeed and Most Outstanding Student this year.

Miss Blazier is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rhoderick, and has posted a 92.146 average

She has competed in a number of UIL academic contests on the district level and has served as a class officer each year of her high school career. She has been a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, National Honor Society and Future Business Leaders of America.

She has represented the Owl spirit this year, and has brought an outstanding personality to accomplishment.

the Owl. She has received the sportsmanship award, is a scholar athlete, and is a Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation ambassador. She has received merit awards from the United States Achievement Academy.

She has played basketball four years, has run track and has been a member of the Pep Squad.

The other members of the class are Carrie DeLyn Baird, Norbert Coty Braddock, Lori Ann Chandler, Terri Faye Chitwood, Billy Wayne Edwards, Anthony Edward Gamble, Arnold Garza, Michael Shane Hill, Jonathan Theo Ivory, Jimmy Wade Myers,

Project Graduation Meeting to be Held Friday in Board Room

meeting will be Friday, May 16, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Silverton High School. Time is growing short for planning this drug-free, alcohol-free event, and all interested parents are needed to insure the party's success. If you have not attended a Project needed.

All senior parents are especially encouraged to attend to help prepare the special gifts for the Class of '97, and to choose a work assignment you would be willing to help with.

Project Graduation party night will be Friday, May 23, following graduation. The doors of the Showbarn will open at 10:30 p.m. to begin the night's activities. Students will be "locked in" until 5:00 a.m. Saturday. Any gifts or prizes won during the night will be forfeited if a student leaves the party early, and the student will be escorted home by a volunteer chaperone.

with activities ranging from Ca-

Isabel Patino, Heidi Ann Tiffin, Jose Guadalupe Vargas, Jr., all of whom will be featured in the next issue of Briscoe County

Graduation exercises for the Class of 1997 will be held Friday, May 23 in the school auditorium.

The next Project Graduation sino-type games to "Plinko", to eeting will be Friday, May 16, food and drinks. The games allow the students to win "money" with which to buy prizes at the auctions held throughout the

Food and drinks are donated by various churches, businesses and individuals for the enjoy-Graduation planning meeting, ment of the students. Donations your presence and input are of money and prizes are given by generous supporters, which help defray the cost of supplies and prizes for the evening.

Donations continue to be sought, and anyone who would like to contribute is asked to have it to Kathy Kingery, P. O. Box 360, Silverton, TX by Friday, May 16, so that final plans can be made. Donations may be sent to Project Graduation, c/o Silverton High School, P. O. Box 608, Silverton, TX 79257. The help, support and encouragement of everyone is welcome and greatly

Doughnuts For Volunteer chaperone. The party is a fun-filled night Dad To Be Friday Feature

Students in Pre-K through fifth grade are asked to bring their dad, granddad or a friend with them to school for Doughnuts For Dads Friday.

The event will be held in the school cafeteria from 7:30 until



Regional Stock Market Challenge winners from Silverton were announced at the UIL awards assembly Wednesday of last week. They are Lauren Van Horn, team captain, (left) and John Arnold (right), West Texas Middle | Elementary School Region winners; and Shauna Kingery (team captain) and Misty Wilkinson (center left and right), West Texas Northwest High School Region winners. The students received certificates, T-shirts and plaques in recognition of their Briscoe County News Photo

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What Parents Should Know About **Hepatitis B and Receiving Vaccine**

Silverton School is offering the opportunity for you to have your children vaccinated for Hepatitis B. The three-shot series will be given May 19, after school starts next fall and the last in November. This will be done at school for convenience and to assure that the three doses are administered in a timely manner as noted below. To provide full protection, the series must be com-

Hepatitis B is one of the viruses that attacks the liver. It can cause permanent liver damage and scarring, severe illness and,

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in some cases even death. It is the number one cause of liver cancer in the world. Hepatitis B infects one out of every 20 Americans at some times during their lives. One (1) out of 100 people will die from the virus, and 9-10 of these will become carriers (infected with the virus, able to transmit the disease to others). Every week hundreds of teenagers get Hepatitis B. Like most viral illnesses, once Hepatitis B virus is contracted, there is no

The Hepatitis B vaccine is not required, but is recommended by the Texas Department of Health.

Hepatitis B virus is transmitted by blood and body fluids. This may include having sex with someone of unknown Hepatitis B status; sharing needles, toothbrushes, or razors with classmates or roommates; coming in contact with someone's blood; sports; and/or tattoos or body piercing with unsterile equip-ment. You DO NOT get Hepatitis B from sneezing, coughing, or holding hands. But with all the ways someone could contract the virus, it's scary. As parents, you can do something to protect your child from this potentially-fatal disease, by getting them immunized with the Hepatitis B vac-

If you need work done on your vehicle, just call 995-3565 during the day or call 823-2498 (Dale) after 7:00 p.m. They will pick up your vehicle in the morning, drive it to Tulia, make the repairs needed, and return it to you in the evening Remember, we're just a phone call away! GRABBE-SIMPSON Motors, Inc.

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This is the same vaccine required for all medical and dental interns and residents, nurses and other health care workers prior to the start of direct patient care or anyone with possible exposure to blood or body fluids.

With parental consent, the 11ear-old population at school will be given the vaccine as TDH has recommended.

After reading this information and the folders that are being sent home with students, if you feel that your children should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B, please sign the forms sent home with your children in grades five through twelve. Please contact School Nurse Lana Burson at school with any questions you lem

Dirt Bike, ATV Poker Run Planned At Lake Mackenzie on May 18

ATV Poker Run at Lake Mackenzie on Sunday, May 18, with sign-in beginning at 8:00

No entry fee is required for the event, but lake permits are required and are \$2.00 per day. Those 13 and under will be admitted free. The fee is \$2.00 per M/C or ATV per day and there is a \$3.00 per day camping fee if you remain overnight. All fees may be paid at the Cactus Cove Store.

A release form must be signed by parents for all minors. Helmets are required.

A riders' meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the beginners' class starts at 9:30, including 1-2 miles on roads.

The novice class starts at 10:15 a.m. and will include six miles and two loops.

Expert class begins at 11:30 a.m. and will cover 10-20 miles. Information may be had from

may have.

The immunizations will be \$10 each, and will need to be paid at the time of services. Please notify the school if the fee is a prob-

There will be a Dirt Bike and Dan Hooks, 806-293-1420, at the Hooks Cycle Sales in Plainview.

Plan now to enjoy a fun day of racing 12 miles northwest of Silverton just off Highway 207.

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the **Briscoe County News**

May 14, 1987-Winning trophies in a karate tournament at Lubbock Saturday were Patrick O'Neal, Trey Wyatt, Casey Frizzell and Brian Martin . . Fishing continuing to improve at Lake Mackenzie . . . 4-H members who earned trips to the State Roundup by taking top honors at the District Roundup Saturday were Jamie Frizzell and Keeley Burson, first, mechanical skills; Clay Schott and Robbie McWaters, first, farm and ranch management; Penni Fogerson and Julie Towe, second, foods and nutrition; Celeste Sperry, second, promote 4-H, and Kim Burson and Shannon Bingham, focus on health . . Bryan and Lana Burson are parents of a son, Zackary John . . . Stan Martin and Tina Nance were winners of the cow chip throwing contest held at the Little Wranglers Rodeo . .

May 19, 1977-Funeral services conducted for Mrs. LaDora Lucille Rowell, 35 . . . Jimmy Dewayne Stone has been a patient at Highland Hospital in Lubbock and is being treated for a back injury . . . Cheerleaders for the next school term are Lydia Younger, Rebecca Reid, Karen Ziegler, Traci Mayfield, Kim Fitzgerald and Susie Tipton . . Tornadoes dance over Silverton, Briscoe County . . . Dayne Mayfield, in his third trip to the State Track Meet, threw the discus far enough to break the State Class B record of 163-2 in competition last Thursday in Austin, but Jim Verden of Wheeler also shattered the Class B record and won first place in the meet .

. . Thomas Perkins was exhibitor of the Grand Champion of the Junior Show and Champion of the Old English Games at the Lubbock Bantam Show. Carman Rhode received a broken ankle in a fall at a supermarket in Lubbock Saturday night.

May 18, 1967-Connie Dudley is valedictorian with an average of 95.1, and Randy Hughes is salutatorian with a grade average of 94.6... Honor graduates of the eighth grade are Alvin May, with an average grade of 92.4, and Evelyn Wood, whose grade average is 92.4... District 4-H Tractor Operator Contest winner Larry Comer will be competing June 6-7 at Texas A&M University during the State 4-H Roundup. He has been practicing almost daily in an attempt to win the state title and a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress . . . Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Cornett are parents of a son, John Todd Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dale Kitchens are parents of a daughter, Meredith Ann Ronald M. Ledbetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ledbetter, will be among Wayland College graduates receiving degrees in graduation ceremonies May 27...Miss Juanita Ivory became the bride of Rev. Leon Anderson in a double-ring ceremony performed

at 3:00 p.m. May 7 at the New Fellowship Baptist Mission in

May 23, 1957--21 die in Silverton tornado last Wednesday night; many are seriously injured Stunned residents of Silverton, still reeling from the impact of a shrieking tornado that snuffed out 21 lives Wednesday night, May 15, have started a determined struggle to build back their homes and businesses. In addition to the 20 persons killed in the Silverton tornado, another was killed in the Lone Star community near Lockney. A report shows that at least 32 persons were hospitalized following the tornado here. Some estimates of the total number injured by the howling twister run as high as 80, but many are not hospitalized. Although none were without shelter, many families were separated--their homes destroyed, their possessions scattered to the four winds. Silverton officials estimated that the damage will amount to around one million dollars. An official count listed 27 homes destroyed, 18 more with major damage and another 15 with minor damage. The tornado struck without warning at 10:35 p.m. Wednesday, roaring out of the night to kill people who never knew what hit them. As the twister left, there was a stillness, the wails of the dying, the moans of the injured. And blackness--the town was without light, without power. For a time Silverton was cut off from the world as its people died, as those left alive stumbled through the wreckage hopelessly searching for loved ones and friends. Then radios brought connections with the outside world.

Eighth Grade Graduation exercises are to be held here tonight, with Dale Francis as valedictorian and Doris Estes as salutatorian

May 15, 1947-Moisture totals 4.47 due to flash floods . . . Co-op Elevator taking shape fast; another raise made ... Miss Thelma Gean Mercer, student at WTSC, spent last weekend here as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mercer, and brother, Jim . . . Haskell Jackson was a business visitor in Cheyenne Wells, Colorado this week . . Helping Hand Club holds meeting Thursday in J. E. Jowell home . . . Rock Creek Club has meeting Tuesday with Mrs. Durward Brown as hostess Roma Lee Clemmer, T/Sgt. Bill Swindle marry in Plainview . . . Anne Brown and Faith Smithee spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Self . .



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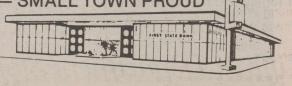
Silverton School Cafeteria

Dads, Granddads, Friends are invited to accompany children in Pre-K through Grade 5 to School For This Special Event.

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First, second and third grade students who received physical fitness awards at the UIL assembly last week included (first row, left to right) Kassi Jasper, Abigail Reyna, Anjelica Pena, Shandy Forbes, Davin Fabela, Sebastian Martinez, Cooper Cogdell; (back row) Silvia Baeza, E. J. Ivory, Vincent Martinez; Y ance Forbes, Jeronimo Garcia, Gid Mayfield, Thor Matt Martin, Dara Ramsey, Patton, Jesse Reynolds. Briscoe County News Photo



Fourth and fifth grade students who received physical fitness awards this spring included (front row, left to right) Lauren Crabb, Kelsie Estes, Brittany Perkins, Zackkary Burson, Max Comer, Humberto Vasquez, Monica Garcia, Lori Griffin, Danielle Netro; (back row) Daryl-Ann Reynolds, Kelcy Simpson, Crystal Walls, Brandon Stephens, Susan Netro, Krista Hale, Caleb Francis and Trace Mattheus. Briscoe County News Photo

Physical Fitness Awards Presented During UIL Awards Assembly

awards were presented by Coaches Ronnie Miller, Clyde Parham, Donnie Dutton and Joe Crabb during the annual UIL awards ceremony in the school auditorium Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Receiving the coveted super elite Presidential Fitness Awards were Susan Netro, Krista Hale, fourth grade; Caleb Francis and Trace Mattheus, fifth grade.

Receiving National Fitness Lori Griffin, Danielle Netro,

A number of physical fitness Awards were Kassi Jasper, Abigail Reyna, Anjelica Pena, Shandy Forbes, Davin Fabela, Sebastian Martinez, Jaime Garza, Cooper Cogdell, first grade; Silvia Baeza, E. J. Ivory, Vincent Martinez, second grade; Yance Forbes, Jeronimo Garcia, Gid Mayfield, Thor Patton, Jesse Reynolds, third grade; Lauren Crabb, Kelsie Estes, Brittany Perkins, Zack Burson, Max Comer, Humberto Vasquez, fourth grade; Monica Garcia,

Daryl-Ann Reynolds, Kelcy Simpson, Crystal Walls, Brandon Stephens, fifth grade.

Silverton School **Activities**

Thursday, May 15--Music Program, 9:45; Robyn & Mary Ann's Recital, 7:00

Friday, May 16--Early Out,

Monday, May 19--Catholic Senior Luncheon

Tuesday, May 20--Semester Tests (even periods)

Wednesday, May 21--Semester Tests (odd periods); Moving Up, Kindergarten Graduation, 2:15; Last Day of School

Thursday, May 22--Eighth Grade Graduation, 7:00

Friday, May 23--High School Graduation, 8:00

Silverton School **Lunch Menu**

Monday, May 19 -- Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Syrup, Butter, Milk

Outstanding Athletes Recognized At Annual All - Sports Banquet

sented at the annual All-Sports banquet held Saturday night in Wilkinson, basketball and track, the Silverton School Cafeteria. The meal was catered by River Smith's of Lubbock.

National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Scholar Athlete Awards were presented to Andrew Francis, Amanda Estes, Junior Gonzalez, Kurby Garvin, Matt Strange, Molly Sarchet, Brandi Rice, Amy Maciel, seventh grade;

Brooke Garvin, Taylor Griffin, Isaiah Ivory, Elisabeth Thomas, Julie Weaver, Tyler Young, eighth grade;

Heather Bowling, Lisa Comer, Nathan Francis, Dara Johnston, Sara Kirchoffner, Jordan Sarchet, ninth grade;

Jay Arnold, Lindsey Jennings, Weaks, Wilkinson, tenth grade;

Shauna Kingery, Michelle Warren, Molly Brooks, eleventh grade;

Brandon Sarchet, Kimmie Blazier, Heidi Tiffin, Billy Edwards, twelfth grade.

Jack Cherry was named Most Valuable Player in boys basketball, and Lacy Brunson received the award for Most Valuable Player in girls basketball. Lindsey Weaks and Jay Arnold received 6th Man awards.

Arnold Garza was named the outstanding offensive player and Trey Wyatt was chosen as the outstanding defensive player in football, and Garza received the award for Most Valuable Player.

Trey Wyatt received the Most Valuable Player award for golf.

Brandon Sarchet and Terri Chitwood received the Most Valuable Player awards for ten-

Sara Kirchoffner and Jon Ivory received the track Most Valuable Player awards.

Michelle Warren and Trey Wyatt received the Most Improved Athlete awards.

Sara Kirchoffner and Jeremy Holt received the Sportsmanship awards

Varsity letter winners in all sports were freshmen, Lisa Comer and Heather Bowling, track; Dara Johnston, tennis; Sara Kirchoffner, basketball and track: Misti Mattheus, track and golf; Max Whitworth, golf; sophomores, Jay Arnold, Jared Holt, Dara Ramsey, basketball two years; Lorn Estes, football; Leslie Burkart, Destiny Ivory, track two years; Jeremy Holt, football, bas-

Tuesday, May 20--Cheeseburger, Salad, French Fries, Cookie,

Sandwiches with Cheese, Salad, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk

BREAKFAST

Monday--Biscuit with Sausage and Gravy, Juice, Milk

Tuesday--Buttered Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk

Wednesday --- Sweet Roll, Juice, Milk

A number of awards were pre- ketball, track, two years each; Lindsey Jennings, golf; Misty two years, tennis; Lindsey Weaks, track two years, basket-

> Juniors, Andy Bullock, football three years, track two years; Lacy Brunson, basketball three years, track two years; Jack Cherry, football, basketball and track, three years each; Miles Comer, golf; Kenzie Burson, basketball three years; Jared Francis, football three years; Shauna Kingery, basketball and track, three years each; Will Hester, basketball three years; Chris Justice, football three years; Michelle Warren, basketball three years, golf; Leland Wood, football three years, basketball and track two years each; Trey Wyatt, football and basketball three years each, golf two years; Michael Reagan,

Seniors, Terri Chitwood, basketball and tennis; Lori Chandler, golf; Arnold Garza, football and basketball four years each; Jon Ivory, football four years, basketball and track three years each; Billy Edwards, football two yeas; Heidi Tiffin, golf; Brandon Sarchet, basketball and tennis three years each, golf.

Students Take Top Honors in Stock Market Challenge

Students from Silverton have taken top honors in the Spring 1997 Stock Market Game sponsored by the College of Business Administration and Economics at New Mexico State University. The top award in the West Texas Middle/Elementary School Region went to Silverton Elementary School teacher, Michelle Francis, and students Lauren Van Horn (team captain) and John Arnold. They received plaques, T-shirts and certificates.

Michelle Francis and Silverton students also took top honors in the West Texas Northwest High School Region. The students are Shauna Kingery (team captain) and Misty Wilkinson. These girls also received plaques, T-shirts and certificates.

An innovative method for teaching economics to students, the Stock Market Game is a computer simulated competition played this spring by over 5,600 high school, middle school, and elementary students throughout New Mexico and West Texas. According to Dorothy Hughes, Stock Market Game Coordinator at NMSU, "The game this spring has proved especially educa-Wednesday, May 21--Assorted tional due to the wild swings in stock prices and watching how Federal Reserve Board decisions affect the markets.'

Each team begins with an imaginary \$100,000 and during a ten-week period each semester plays the market, making transactions based on the daily clos-.gniblomnu ing prices from all three stock



Congratulations 1997 Seniors!

There will be a gift book for each Senior for family and friends who wish to apply a dollar amount toward a purchase.

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Awards Presented at Annual **FFA Parent-Member Banquet**

A number of awards were presented at the annual Future Farmers of America Parent-Member Banquet held in the school cafeteria May 6.

Jordan Sarchet received the scholarship award for the high grade point average overall. He was the highest-ranking freshman. Others who were the highest in their class were Matt Martin, sophomore; Michelle Warren, junior; Billy Edwards, senior.

The ag mechanics award for overall excellence in mechanics went to Anthony Gamble, senior. Others who were the best in their class in this category were Nathan Francis, freshman; Matt Martin, sophomore; Leland Wood, junior.

The award for the Most Artistic table decoration went to Leland Wood.

exchanges. Players may buy, sell, short sell, and short cover, and all transactions are charged a 2% broker fee. Teams may also buy on margin, says Hughes, but are charged interest at 7%. The goal is to make as much money as possible during the ten-week period. Transactions are recorded on scan sheet that are mailed to NMSU, read by an optical scanner, then fed into a computer. Once a week a summar report, showing the updated value of each portfolio and overall ranking of teams, is printed and mailed to all participants. Last fall, SMG2000, the Internet version of the game, was introduced across the country. Over 200 teams with almost 900 students participated in the NMSU SMG2000 this spring. The game rules are the same as the "paper" version, but students are able to conduct their transactions on line, receive dividends and interest on cash balances, and see the results of their trades the next

Game has been in operation for 21 years; over 600,000 people participated last year in 49 states. It is sponsored by the Securities Industry Foundation for Economic Education and receives financial support and the donation of teaching materials from many major corporations, brokerage firms, and the three stock exchanges.

Among West Texas High Schools, Shauna and Misty won the Northwest Region with \$106,249. The Southwest Region winner was from Bel Air High School in El Paso with an earning of \$103,136.

In the West Texas Middle/Elementary School division, Lauren and John earned \$108,509 to win top honors.

The New Mexico Elementary winner earned \$104,894.

In the NM-TX Adult division, the winner amassed \$101,558.

The Innovative Teacher Contest was won by Kathy Gillespie of Motley County ISD in Matador. Texas.

Heidi Tiffin received the Salesmanship award.

Judging teams recognized were Ryan Minyard, Heidi Tiffin, Nathan Francis, Charlie Bomar, fifth in District in dairy cattle; Matt Martin, Anthony Gamble, David Gamble, Jay Arnold, third in District, fifth in Area and qualified for State competition in

Greenhand Degrees were presented to Nathan Francis, Jordan Sarchet, Sara Kirchoffner, Charlie Bomar, Max Whitworth, Ryan Minyard and Tyra Younger. Charlie Bomar is the Star Greenhand.

Chapter Farmer Degrees were given to Charlie Bomar, Nathan Francis and Ryan Minyard. Anthony Gamble is the Star Chapter Farmer.

Members of the Greenhand Chapter Conducting Team that won second at District and qualified for Area competition were Nathan Francis, Jordan Sarchet, Sara Kirchoffner, Charlie Bomar, Ryan Minyard, Heidi Tiffin and Max Whitworth.

Winners of the adult judging contest were 1. Pat Arnold; 2. Deb Burson; 3. Carol Braddock; 4. Bill Brooks; 5. Laura Long; 6. Trish Davis; 7. Guinn Fitzgerald; 8. Calley Payne; 9. Pat Braddock;

10. Frances Gamble.
The FFA would like to thank the following for donating prizes to be given away at the banquet: Johnson's Gin, Mary John's, First State Bank, John White, The Plum Thicket, Caprock Floral, Briscoe County News, Hutsell Insurance, Briscoe Implement, Brown-McMurtry Implement, D & K Manufacturing, Malt Shop, Wade Brannon, Nance's Food Store, Silverton Oil Co., Amy's, Caprock SWCD, Rick's Muffler, Garvin Trucking, Lavy's Pump Service and Fleming Well Ser-

Nationally, the Stock Market have been Anthony Gamble, president; Billy Edwards, vice president; Molly Brooks, secretary; Michelle Warren, treasurer; Jon Ivory, reporter; Heidi Tiffin, sentinel.

Chapter members are Charlie Bomar, Nathan Francis, Sara Kirchoffner, Ryan Minyard, Jordan Sarchet, Max Whitworth, Tyra Younger, Jay Arnold, Donny Burson, Junior Castillo, Jared Francis, David Gamble, Casey Beck, Jeremy Holt, Amanda Kernell, Matt Martin, Jay Hicks, Trey Ziegler, Coty Braddock, James Cowdrey, Arnold Garza, Michael Hill, Jimmy Myers, Lupe Vargas, Leland Wood, J. D.

Junior members are Tyler Young, Jenny Young, Tanner Young, John Arnold, Andrew Francis, Caleb Francis and Jacob Francis.

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by Vicky Vaughan Kelley

I am looking through the fragile, yellowed newspaper clippings of May 15, 1957: the Briscoe County News, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal. I am remembering that night in Silverton as families watch Dan True, Amarillo weatherman, on the ten o'clock news warning of a tornado heading toward town. I am, again, seven years old.

My young mother, Bessie, is getting me out of bed to keep her company as she paces, smokes and listens to weather reports on our little black-and-white television. Together we watch the dark, forbidding sky. Suddenly Mother is throwing open windows, telling me to get the babies to the backdoor, that we are going to the cellar. It is quiet and still when she begins carrying the sleepy little ones, Rod (almost 5) and Pam (3) out, but by the time she carries fifteen-monthold Randy wrapped in blankets, the wind is so high I can hardly hold open the screen door for her. I remember her struggle with the wooden door on the concrete fruit cellar, fighting the wind and the

My father, Rex, left about sundown to take his favorite mare, Bluegrass, to the vet in Tulia, so he isn't with us. Bluegrass foaled that morning--Daddy filmed it with the movie camera--and he had given her a shot of some kind, but the needle had broken off in her and he is taking her and the colt away.

My memories move back to the middle of the day when Daddy picks me up from school. He is angry at Mother because she has insisted he make the difficult drive into town and bring me home even though it is Wednesday, a mid-week school day and not time for school to be out (early afternoon); even though I have been staying in town with my grandparents because the roads are too muddy for the bus to come for me; even though she rarely insists my father do anything; even though the horses need him.

The sky is spooky, dark and heavy, like you can reach up and touch it if you are just a little taller. As Daddy drives down the lane with the horse-trailer behind his red and white pickup, the sun is setting, shining underneath the cloud canopy, but the air is yellow and doesn't "feel right."

Mother and her four babies cellar surrounded by beautiful jars of vegetables and fruit she and Grandmother and Aunt Mildred put away last Fall. The lightening is terrifying, close and constant, and the thunder so loud we can feel it as we huddle beneath the ground. I look at my brave, young Mother by the bolts



above us. There are tears on her cheeks. I ask what is wrong and she pats me and says: "I'm just worried about Grandmother and Granddaddy." Years later she tells me that somehow she knew then that they were already gone, that something bad had happened. It is 30 years before I realize that this same intuition had saved my life that day.

I don't remember the ending of that night, when Mother brings us out of our little cave, or when she cleans up the rain from the windows she's thrown open so that the pressure of the tornado winds won't blow our home to bits. I don't remember sleeping or waking, but I remember my father arriving with Johnnie Burson in a big pickup that can handle the treacherous mud of the roads to our home. The phones are out and there is no way for us to know that Daddy is safe, until Johnnie Burson brings him home to us. Brings him home with news. Dread-full

a terrible tornado in Silverton, and that it has blown away the are curled in a corner of the fruit homes of his parents and his into me like the words on the little sister who lived next door stone tablets of Moses. I close my to them with her husband and eyes and remember the first futhree small children. He tells us neral I ever attended. I rememanymore, but he doesn't tell us side of the church to the other, had passed, when the electrical my aunt and her family hapof lightening shining through the lines were down and still alive pened separately from the one for less. Sometimes it becomes a ter-

small, ground-level windows and deadly, when the ruin of our village was turning to shock and despair. He doesn't tell us about searching all night for family, about identifying their remains, about finding Allan in his pajamas. I hear these stories over the years from others, but I never hear any more than this first news from my young Father.

Grandmother had given me a birthday party in the park in Silverton two days before. On May 13th I turned seven. My birthday presents were still Grandmother's: my first stationery for writing letters, a red kitchen set complete with a little red drainboard. These things were taken instead of me. Over the years I learn to think of them as surrogate pieces of myself, bits of my existence that were blasted and destroyed that terrible night, along with Grandmother, Granddaddy, Aunt Mildred, Uncle Rance, Bruce, Allan and Rhonda Kay.

Adults are mistaken when they say children don't understand the things that happen He tells us that there has been around them or the words that people say. Most of this I remember, or misremember. It is burned

my grandparents, in my heart they are blurred into one long line of caskets. I am walking by, looking at these people I love and lived with. I understand in my child-like way that I am saying goodbye to people I will never see again. I am hearing the adults around me say, as they pat me gently on the head, "You should have been with them." I am closing the door on my childhood.

Thirty years later a terrible thing happens to one of my sons, something I am powerless against. I am thrown with the violence of those dark storm winds into the shadows of my soul, into a depression so deep that the world calls it a "nervous breakdown." For me, it is too much to handle, this attack upon my innocent child, and I am back again at the age of my life when the other thing that was "too big" had happened.

At times I become seven years old again. My language skills are those of a 7-year-old, my coping skills those of a vulnerable young child. Like hollow echoes l awaken in the hospital hearing grownups from my past say, "You should have been with them." The psychiatrists in the hospital demand that I be rational and "stop playing at being a little girl," but I have to turn away fromt he psychiatrists and their brand of healing, telling me I have to stop feeling this terrible grief and just think about it instead. I hear the adult inside of me saying, "You should have been with him," the me who keeps blaming me for what is happening to my family, my little sons, in 1987.

My healing journey carries me back to that little first-grader Vicky Vaughan who hears the adults say the words, but who misinterprets the meaning. When they are communicating, "Thank God you are safe. You should have been in the tornado, too, but you weren't. You are still alive," what the child of me is hearing is "You cheated. Why are you still here? Why didn't you go with them? You belonged with them." I realize that my life has been run by the guilt I feel because I didn't die with them that terrible night. I remember dreams that haunted me for years after the winds had long died down, dreams of Grandaddy and the others coming for me in a covered wagon pulled by a team of horses. Dreams of him reaching down, laughing as he pulls me up into the wagon beside him: You thought we forgot you, didn't you?" Dreams of hugging them all again and setting off on a new adventure. Dreams of being where I am supposed to be.

Healing is a fascinating but terrifying journey. To look into the shadow, the darkness of your own soul, the pain of your hidden, secret world, and to bring that we won't be seeing them ber the caskets lined up from one those rips in the fabric of the universe out into the Light--this how he's spent the night. He each one a little smaller than the is the Great Mystery. Sometimes doesn't tell us that he arrived in one before. Even though the we don't make it. Sometimes we Silverton just after the tornado newspapers say the ceremony for stuff it away and live our lives like wooden dolls, empty and life-

rible, destructive rage that we turn on those we love, and even turn loose on strangers. Sometimes we take our own lives, preferring to close the chapter rather than finish writing the

For me the seduction of spending the rest of my life in the back halls of a mental hospital, never having to deal with the pain of living and healing were overwhelming. In the silence of catatonic withdrawal there is a safety and an emptiness that holds you in the inner mists like a newborn in a soft blanket. I didn't have to answer questions there. I didn't have to be grown-up or responsible for my children. I didn't have to make a living or look at my reflection in the mirror. I just had to sit quietly and hum small

Through dreams and guided imagery, through drumming and journey work, through working with clay and seeing the images that came through my hands from my primitive inner core, through walking and driving meditations, and through prayer and discovery of First Mother, Ancient Mother and Her boundless love and nurture, I have walked a healing path that led me from the darkness into the light. The last ten years have been simultaneously teacherous and holy. I have learned that public silence and family avoidance are not healing, but self indulgent. I have learned that we heal through sharing our personal stories with others, that what I experience is only my own perspective on a series of events, that others have wholly different responses to the same circumstances and that through hearing their stories I find new meaning and depth in my own.

On Thursday, May 15, 1997, I will be in Silverton on what was once my family's land. It will be a personal ceremony of healing and thanksgiving, of renewal and mending the rip in the heart of me, symbolically of my extended family, and perhaps of Silverton and the plot of gound where nothing beautiful has come into being in forty years. Please join me and tell me stories about these people that I lost at such an early age. We have nothing to lose and

Life to gain.

I honor the memory of: Lemuel Veral Vaughan (4-27-01 - 5-15-57)

Emma Earl Yancey Vaughan (3-19-05 - 5-15-57)

Rance William Stephens (12-5-29 - 5-15-57)

Mildred Joyce Vaughan Stephens (6-24-31 - 5-15-57) Bruce William Stephens (5-18-

51 - 5-15-57) Barney Allan Stephens (2-23-

53 - 5-15-57) Rhonda Kay Stephens (3-17-

55 - 5-15-57)

and their survivors: Waldene Vaughan Henson Nettie Mae Vaughan Adams Clement

Rex B. Vaughan

My apologies to Uncle Rance's family--I don't know who is still alive. Please tell me.













Silverton Tornado May 15, 1957 Photos by Hop Graham



Barnyard Tumbleweeds--Students qualifying at the recent meet are Kristie Miller (back row, left) Brock Wall, Whitney Bain, Brant Wall, Ory Johnson, Shawn Johnson and Gentry Stacy (front row, left) Keisha Mansell, Kendra Stacy, Lauren Hill Plainview Daily Herald Photo

Tumbleweeds Qualify For Championship Meet

Academy in Plainview, the Tum- Hobbs, New Mexico. bleweeds, qualified April 12 in

Students of the Barnyard Championship to be held in

Jason Miller and Kristie Brownfield for the Southwest Miller took first places in both

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trampoline and tumbling, with Whitney Bain of Silverton earning first in trampoline.

Participants are listed along with results in trampoline and tumbling, respectively:

Ory Johnson, Silverton, first, third; Shawn Johnson, Silverton, fifth, third; Whitney Bain, Silverton, first, fifth; Brant Wall, second, third; Brock Wall, fourth, third; Keisha Mansell, sixth, third; Lauren Hill, fourth, sixth; Gentry Stacy, sixth, fourth; Kendra Stacy, fourth, second; Kristie Miller, first, first; Jason Miller, first, first.

Lauren Hill qualified in trampoline and Gentry and Kendra Stacy qualified in tumbling. Head coach for the Tumbleweeds is Jessie Carmargo



Stacie Kay Chappell George Locario Cuellar III

G. W. and Veneta Chappell of Canyon announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Stacie Kay Chappell, to George Locario Cuellar III.

The bride-elect was graduated from Silverton High School and South Plains College in Levelland. She currently is a full-time student at West Texas A&M University.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of George and Linda Cuellar, jr. of Canyon. He was graduated from Canyon High School and currently is attending West Texas A&M University. He is employed at Fore Seasons Golf Club in Amarillo.

The couple plan to marry on July 12, 1997.

Silverton Library **News Notes**

New in the library are two books by D. P. Meredith, Amarillo

"Murder By Masquerade" tells of serial killer striking victims on Amarillo Boulevard. With two women slaughtered, all the po-

LEGAL NOTICE

and Ken Wood, Secretary-Treasurer, have applied with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for renewal of a private club permit and beverage cartage on DJ's, 515 Commerce Street, Silverton, Briscoe County, Texas.

and Terry Huggins of Dallas are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Dawn Huggins, to Doug Gene Atkins, son of Gary and Kay Atkins of Shamrock. Grandparents of the bride-elect are Richard and Joan Roehr of Silverton, and Billie Huggins of Palo Pinto, Texas. Grandparents of her fiance are Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Atkins of Shamrock and Rosalee Admire of Texola. The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, June 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Chapel in Memphis,

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED--Debra Turner of Memphis

lice have to go on is a taunting and find out what happens. letter from the maniac and a missing witness--who finally turns up as corpse number three. But one of the victims had the good sense to be a client of Texas lawyer John Lloyd Branson of Canadian.

Texas.

The other book by Meredith is "Murder by Deception." The victim is much-hated Charlton Price-Leigh III, the Department of Energy agent who came to the Texas panhandle to win approval for a potentially life-threatening nuclear waste dump. The suspect is a farmer. He didn't kill him. Luckily his lawyer is John Lloyd Branson.

New books for children include When Chickens Grow Teeth" by Wendy Anderson Halperin. The author lives with her three children, Joel, Kab and Lane on a sand dune overlooking Lake Michigan with eleven chickens clucking and laying eggs in the background.

The plot: imagine a man--a Notice is hereby given that jolly, fat man-being forced by his James R. Edwards, President, wife to hatch chickens' eggs under his arms

That is Toine's situation. "You cannot mean this, woman!" he bellows to the narrow, cranky Madam Collete. "Now take those eggs and make your poor husband an omelette for breakfast.

Read the book to your child

Library hours are Tuesday mornings, 8:30 until 11:30 a.m., and Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday--

May 15 -- Sharrel Bridges, Kayla Beth Bounds

May 16--Devona Smith, Berton Hughes

May 17--Reba Tipton, Mike

May 18--Cameron Reece Baird, Kyler Wayne Stephens, Junis Hutsell, Ted Kingery, Albert DeLeon

May 19--Doris Baker, Vicki

May 20--Pat Braddock, Sonny Thomas, Jackie Tate, Chad Perry May 21--Russ Baird, Sonya

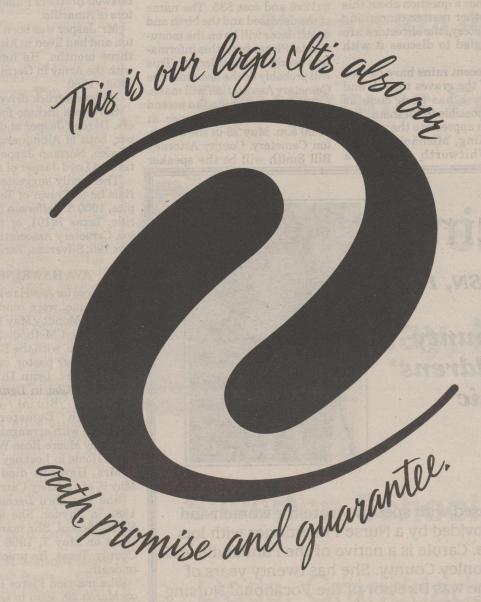
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Cemetery Group Has Annual Meeting Here

The Silverton Cemetery Association met Thursday, May 8, to prepare their annual mailout and to elect three board members. J. D. Nance and Carolyn Lowrey were re-elected and Buck Hardin was elected as a new member to the board of directors. During the board meeting following the annual meeting, Clifton Stodghill was elected president; John Francis, vicepresident; and Carolyn Lowrey was re-elected secretary. Other members of the board of directors are Carrie Dickerson and Bryan Burson.

Appreciation is expressed to all who came to help with the mailout and to participate in the Annual Meeting. Due to lower interest rates the past few years

and a decrease in memorial contributions, the directors reported that they had increased the amount requested for the annual donation from \$10 to \$15. It is realized that this may not be possible for some association members to pay. As always a memorial or donation in any amount is sincerely appreciated. Comments about the care and appearance of the Silverton Cemetery are received frequently and indicate that the expense of maintenance is appreciated. If anyone has a question about this or any other matter concerning the cemetery, the directors are always glad to discuss it with

The recent rains have caused many of the graves to sink and much work has been done as soon as possible to fill them. The directors appreciate the work of Oford King, Michael Reagan, Max Whitworth and Sara

Vangraefschepe as well as Clifton Stodghill and John Francis. Gordon Lowrey and six men from the prison in Tulia also spent one day moving dirt and filling the graves.

Orders will soon be sent for more of the small monuments that have been placed in the cemetery to permanently mark those graves with only a metal marker. If anyone is interested in purchasing one or more of these, please contact Carolyn Lowrey by May 30. They will measure 8x12x6 and cost \$35. The name of the deceased and the birth and death dates will be on the monuments. Please have this information ready when ordering. This will probably be the last order the Cemetery Association will make.

Everyone is invited to attend the Memorial Day Service at 11:00 a.m. May 26 in the Silverton Cemetery. County Attorney Bill Smith will be the speaker and music will be by John and Maebelle Francis.

Obituaries

EDDIE B. JASPER

Eddie B. Jasper, 61, died in Amarillo Thursday, May 8.

Graveside services were conducted at 4:00 p.m. Monday in the Silverton Cemetery with the Rev. Edwin Noris officiating. Arrangements were made by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mr. Jasper was born in Silverton and had lived in Amarillo for three months. He had served with the Army in Germany from 1958 - 1960.

He was a truck driver.

Survivors include four brothers, Darden Jasper and Joe Jasper, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Norman Jasper of Austin and Loyd Jasper of Amarillo.

The family suggested memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson St., Amarillo, Texas 79101, or to Silverton Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 795, Silverton, Texas 79257.

AVA HAWKINS

Services for Ava Hawkins, 107, of Quitaque, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday,May 12, at the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque, with the Rev. Steve Ulrey, former pastor, officiating and the Rev. Lynn Dill of the Church of God in Denver City, assisting. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery at Quitaque with arrangements directed by Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Lockney.

Mrs. Hawkins died Friday, May 9, at Lockney Care Center.

She was born December 31, 1889 in Snyder. She attended Elkins School. She married Bill Ware on May 7, 1906 in Kent County, Texas. He preceded her in death.

She married Pierce Hawkins on March 29, 1936 in Quitaque. He preceded her in death on August 24, 1962.

She worked as a clerk at Patterson Dry Good Store in Quitaque for many years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque.

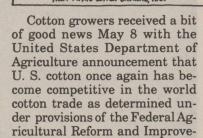
She was preceded in death by one son, Oliver Keith Ware, and one daughter, Iva Earnestine Ware.

She is survived by a nephew, Sid McFall, of Quitaque and one niece, Ava Gay Dill of Brownfield.

The family suggested that memorials be made to a charity of choice.



Portuguese sea captain Vasco Da Gama commanded the first fleet to reach India from Europe in the late 1490s.



According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers this means that no new import quotas will be announced unless U. S. cotton prices return to an uncompetitive state and remain there for 10 consecutive weeks.

ment Act of 1996.

U. S. price quotations for the week ending May 8, 1997 averaged 79.81 cents compared to the 78.85 cent average price of the five cheapest world growths, a difference of 0.96 cents.

Upland cotton import quotas are triggered under Step 3 Competitiveness Provisions of the 1996 FAIR Act when the average U.S. price quotation exceeds the average of the five cheapest world growths by 1.25 cents per pound for 10 consecutive weeks.

"This announcement brings to a close 80 straight weeks of cotton import quotas," said PCG Executive Vice President Donald A. Johnson. "Hopefully, we can now move forward to develop some sort of alternative to the current system, but still provide the protection necessary to both producers and textile manufacturers."

Johnson notes that of the 80 previously announced import quotas, less than 3,000 bales have been imported to date.

A total of 764,608 bales were imported under the 43 quotas that have already expired.

The 26 currently open import quotas will expire at a rate of two per week. The 11 quotas will expire at a rate of two per week. The 11 quotas that have not been opened will do so during the next six weeks. The last date for purchasing cotton under these quotas will be September 13, 1997.

"The past 15 months have been a particularly trying time for U. S. producers struggling to find a solution to the unforseen consequences of the current Step 3 provisions," explains Johnson. "Hopefully, now that we have a reprieve from the prospect of new import quotas, we can develop some sort of consensus and avoid another overly long import quota window."

Several proposals have been put forth for consideration to alleviate the current situation. They include administrative adjustments such as making the West Texas 31-35 quote eligible for one of the five lowest priced quotes for Northern Europe quotations or the implementation of a supplemental stocks/use ratio import quota.

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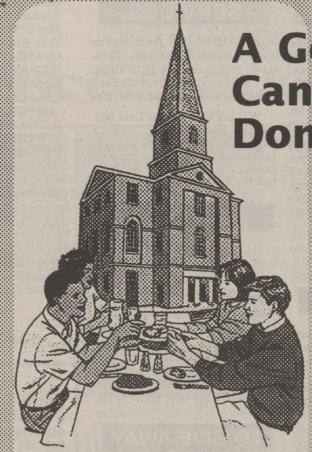
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James 4:17

A Good Thing Can Never Be Done Too Often

> Recently, my wife and I met a friend several times in one day. I mentioned how this was the third time that we met and greeted each other that day. Our triend, being Norwegian, remarked that it was an old Norwegian saying that a good thing can never be done too often. This was such a nice thought; whether visiting with good friends, eating good food, or reading the Bible, good things can never be done too often. The Bible tells us to hate evil and cling to that which is good. Although being good to our neighbors and friends is something that we can never overdo, we sometimes formet about our families and may not treat them as well as we should.

> Unfortunately, sometimes those closest to us may be taken for granted and we fail to be as good to them as we should. Treating everyone as our Lord would went is a good thing that can never be done too often.

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LOCAL LET **MAINTENANCE** CONTRACT

County: Briscoe

Highway: FM 2464 Length: 0.000 KM Control Number: 6013-98-001 DBE/HUB Goal: 0.0% Project Number: RMC-601398001

Type: Removal of Dirt Highway Right-of-Way

Time for Completion: 35 Working Days

Guaranty: 800.00 Bids Received Until: 3:30 p.m. May 29, 1997

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TO CONTRACTORS NON-MANDATORY PREBID CONFERENCE

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that a Prebid Conference is optional and prospective bidders do not have to attend in order to bid. The Prebid Conference will be held on Thursday, May 22, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. at the North Area Office in Wellington, Texas, one-eighth mile east of US 83 on FM 338.

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Counties: Childress, Collingsworth, Donley, Briscoe Highway: US 0083 Length: 0.000 KM Control Number: 6014-59-001 DBE/HUB Goal: 0.0% Project Number: RMC-601459001

Type: Sign Installation Time for Completion: 40 Working Days

Guaranty: 600.00 Bids Received Until: 3:00 p.m. May 29, 1997

Bids Will Be Opened: 3:00 p.m.

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