

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Silverton Booster Club will serve a hamburger supper beginning at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, August 17, at the football field.

All junior high and high school parents and other Boosters are invited to attend and enjoy a hamburger and time of fellowship.

Travis Gilkeyson visited relatives and friends in Silverton recently. He and his wife, Vicki, own and operate the Asheville East KOA at Swannanoa, North Carolina. They also have several cabins, and he says a trout stream runs through the campground.

Perry Thomas is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery on his hand. This is the second time he has had this surgery.

Junis Hutsell has broken her leg in a fall, and she says with a grimace, "It was my good leg, too."

Your prayers are needed for two sets of parents who have had critically ill children.

Riley Joe and Lois Ziegler's daughter, Delinda, has been very ill in a Houston hospital.

David and Belinda Self's son, Allen, has been very ill in the hospital at Plainview.

Tammy Smith has been operating Garvin Oil Company for Peggy Garvin while Peggy recuperates from knee surgery.

Barbecue tickets are on sale for \$5.00 each at the City Hall. Be sure to pick up your tickets before barbecue time (5:00 p.m. Saturday). The barbecue will once again be served in the street between the City Hall and Courthouse.

A surprise 71st birthday party was held for Frances Edwards at the home of her daughter, Frances Gamble. Attending from Silverton were Stanley, Frances Ann and Jason Gamble, Anthony and Michelle Gamble, Terry, Barbara, Brittany, Baylee Deckard, Thomas Lee Perkins, Mark Eddleman, Zane and Tay Henderson, Lance, Letissa, Cord and Chase Stidham, Dorthy Hale.

Out-of-towners present were Odell Edwards, Tulia; James Edwards and Linda Pena, Plainview; Ronnie, Cindy, Amber, Ashleigh and Andrew Edwards, Lubock; Billy Edwards and Corey Payne, Lubbock; Danny Edwards, Amarillo; Misty and Braden Edwards, Bobby Edwards, jr., Amarillo; John and Donna Perkins, Childress; Adrian and Pam Gamble, Kress; Nikki and Samantha Gamble, Dalhart.



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## Rodeo, Celebration Homecoming Time in Silverton Again This Week

The time most Silverton residents look forward to is here once again! It's time for the celebration of Briscoe County's 108th birthday and the bi-annual Silverton School Homecoming.

Activities kick off Friday with the rodeo sponsored by the Briscoe County Activities Association at Wood Memorial Arena. Stock is furnished by McCloy Rodeo Company of Morse, Texas, and the events begin at 8:00 p.m.

Events include bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, women's breakaway roping, team roping, ladies barrel racing and steer wrestling. There also will be a kids calf scramble each night.

Rodeo admission is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 6-12.

Dances, with music by The Country Nites, will be held from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday nights at the County Show Barn in Silverton. The dances are sponsored by BCAA and the Silverton Fire Department, and proceeds are used to sponsor

community activities and purchase equipment and supplies needed by the fire department.

The school homecoming activities will begin with registration at 9:30 a.m. at the school, followed at 10:30 a.m. by a brunch in the school cafeteria and a meeting in the auditorium at 12:00 noon. Various class reunions will be held throughout the day.

Arts and crafts booths, food and games will be found all day Saturday on the Courthouse yard. Chairs will be placed in the shelter and musical entertainment by the Country Sounds and others will be featured beginning at 2:00 p.m.

A parade through downtown Silverton will begin at 3:30 p.m., followed by the serving of a barbecue meal in the street between the City Hall and Courthouse at 5:30 p.m.

A number of drawings will be held at the Saturday night performance of the rodeo. To be given away are a handmade quilt, handmade boots, gun, etc.

## Homecoming Committee Has Been Working Hard on This Year's Event

This year's Homecoming Committee has been working hard to provide an event which will be fun for all attending.

The 2000 homecoming activities will begin with registration at the school at 9:30 a.m. Brunch will be served from 10:30 until 11:30 in the school cafeteria, and this year's meal is being catered by members of the Homecoming Committee and others who are assisting them. The charge will be \$5.00 per plate. This money and

the registration fee will be used to help help help defray expenses of next the next homecoming.

The program begins at 12:00 noon in the school auditorium. The classes of 1949 and 1950 will be honored.

All Silverton residents who attended the Silverton Schools are encouraged to be present to greet classmates who will be attending from out of town. The out-of-towners expect to see you at homecoming. Please don't disappoint them!

## LaVerne Mercer, Aubrey Rowell Are Chosen As Co-Pioneers For the Day

LaVerne Mercer and Aubrey Rowell, daughter and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rowell, were chosen by the Silverton Chamber of Commerce as the Co-Pioneers For the Day, and will be honored at the Briscoe County Celebration Saturday.

The brother and sister were two of seven children born to their parents. After a difficult time trying to make a living in the central part of Texas, their father decided to move "Out West" for a new life in 1921. After traveling in a covered wagon about ten days and covering some 200 miles, they stopped in Munday, Texas in Knox County to pick cotton and make a little money to winter on. Their father rented some land to farm at Munday.

In 1924, former Munday residents brought their father and others to Silverton to sell them some land. The elder Mr. Rowell did not move to Briscoe County for about five years. He had to borrow quite a sum of money to purchase the land. He felt it was necessary to remain in Knox County and raise cotton to pay the debt. While staying in Knox County, he rented the Briscoe County land to three of his brothers, and his daughter and son-in-law, each of whom stayed there about a year.

After not having much luck making money in Knox County to pay for the land, their father made the decision to move to the Plains in 1929 to try to make a success of the farm, which had been rented by the year to the other family members.

Moving from Munday to

Silverton in 1929 was quite different to what it would be like now. There were not any trucks to move in. Their dad leased a box car, called an "immigrant car" from the railroad company. Furniture and household goods were loaded into one end of the boxcar. They disassembled the farm machinery and stacked it in the other end of the boxcar. Their dad built partitions to keep the horses and cows in the center of the car so they could get plenty of air and be unloaded for water if necessary. Their father rode the train with their things to protect them, as hobos were a nuisance on trains at that time.

The Rowell children rode with their mother in an old 1926 two-door Buick sedan. They reached their new home December 20, 1929. An uncle and his family were still living in the house when they arrived. Their father arrived several days later. This was the first place they could actually call their own even though they still owed a good sum of money on it. The M. C. Mercers were their nearest neighbors. Their land joined that of the Rowells on the west side.

The Rowells farmed the land with horses and mules the first years they were here. In 1932, their dad traded the work stock for a general purpose John Deere 2-row tractor which ran on kerosene or coal oil. They recall that their dad wished for the teams back many times before they learned to drive the tractor. Times were very hard. There weren't any irrigation wells on the farm and they seemed never

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Jason Miller was sworn in as Briscoe County Sheriff by County & District Clerk Bena Hester last week. Briscoe County News Photo

## Boling Resigns as Sheriff

Bill Boling, who has been in law enforcement on the city and county level here for approximately 22 years, resigned as the Briscoe County Sheriff last week.

Boling had served as sheriff since his appointment by the Commissioners Court in April to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Max Whitworth, who was leaving the county.

According to Briscoe County Judge Ted Kingery, Boling stepped down because of health problems.

"The doctor told him, 'You can live or you can be sheriff,'" Kingery said.

The judge lauded Boling for his service.

"He filled in for us when we were in a real bind," Kingery said. "He was very helpful with all his years of experience in law enforcement."

Briscoe County's chief deputy Jason Miller, sheriff-elect, was appointed by the Commissioners to fill the unexpired term.

Miller said he anticipated no big changes.

Miller said the sheriff's department has a full staff of two deputies.

"We have a reserve deputy moving up," he said.



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## SEALED BIDS

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. Tom Davey, Manager of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, will be received at the offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority until 6:00 p.m. September 19, 2000 for the painting of the tank interior and exterior of the approximately 550,000 gallon ground storage tank entitled:

### PAINTING OF TANK INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR COUNTY LINE GROUND STORAGE TANK

At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, Mackenzie Reservoir, Route 1, Box 14, Silverton, Texas 79257, telephone (806) 633-4326, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, Telephone (806) 353-7233. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Brandt Engineers, Inc. at the above address as follows:

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Tom Davey, Manager  
Mackenzie Municipal  
Water Authority 31-3tc

## CARDS OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, gifts and food that were given to me after my surgery. I appreciated it all so much. I especially want to thank Missy, Shandy and Liz for coming to see me in the hospital. They really cheered me up. Silverton is a wonderful place to live and I'm so glad my family is a part of this community.

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Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:  
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.  
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Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.  
Bible Study/S.S..... 9:30 a.m.  
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Ladies Group.....4:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

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RAs, GAs, Mission  
Friends.....3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY  
Mens Group.....6:30 a.m.

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TUESDAYS:**  
Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:  
Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.  
TeamKID.....7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY  
Ladies Prayer Group.....9:00 a.m.  
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Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY:  
Unit. Meth. Women..... 9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:  
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FRIDAY:  
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# Relaxation Is Good For You

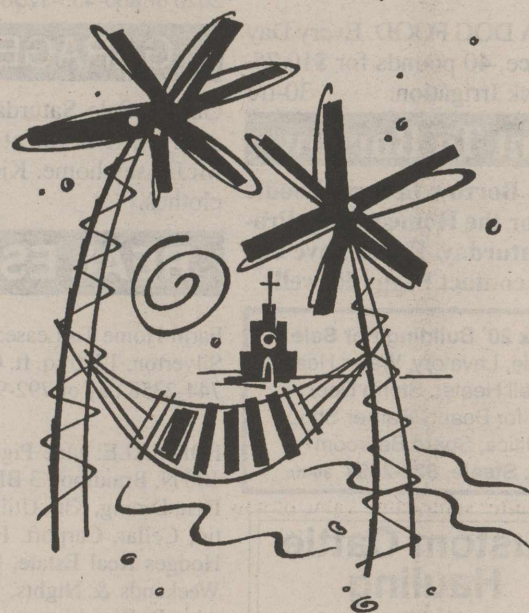
Whenever I feel full of energy and ambition, I think that I should be doing something more worthwhile than just relaxing or taking it easy. I realize that if one puts in a hard day's work, they should be entitled to relax and unwind a little, but it seems that there is always something that has to be done. In spite of this, everyone deserves and should have leisure time for rest and relaxation. Relaxation relieves stress and tension, and helps to refresh the soul. Many churches, synagogues and religious organizations have periodic "retreats" or "weekend advances" that help those who attend to rejuvenate themselves. Anything that draws a person closer to our Lord and helps to put our lives into proper perspective is worthwhile, and is helpful for maintaining good mental and physical health. Work and relaxation in balance along with our love, faith and trust in God are good values that help to establish our own self-worth.

# Praise the Lord

He makes me lie down in  
green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.

R.S.V. Psalm 23:2-3



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## LaVerne Mercer, Aubrey Rowell Selected As the Co-Pioneers For a Day

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to get rain when it was needed for the crops and grassland. They milked eight or ten cows and separated the cream from the milk for their own use as well as to sell it. They bought what groceries they used with the cream money. They also killed and cured their own pork, and during cold weather they butchered a cow or calf for beef. We had several chickens which furnished our eggs, and this was a must. Milk gravy and red beans were on the table almost every day.

The five younger children attended the Francis School (Lick Skillet) from January to May in 1930. In the fall Aubrey and a brother started to the Silverton

High School. The Rowell children who graduated from Silverton High School were Aubrey, 1932; Elios, 1933; Nettie V., 1936; Laverne, 1937, and A. J. in 1939. All were interested in school sports such as football and basketball. A. J. was an All-District center on the football team in 1939.

The people of the community furnished their own entertainment. The young people played party games, such as ring games, Old Joe Clark, Hot Times and Skip to My Lou. Their parents played 42 and dominoes in the kitchen to be handy if needed. Some Sunday afternoons were spent playing baseball. The radio was another amusement for our family at night after a long day's work. Most families only owned one automobile so the children went together on their dates. They were just one big family. Since money was not plentiful, the boys combined their money to buy gasoline or took turns using the family car. Times were hard for every family, but the Rowells enjoyed life together.

Their father operated the farm from 1930 until 1946, until failing health forced him to quit. He and their mother moved to Silverton to

be close to a doctor. They bought a house where they lived until their deaths. They were both members of the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

Their father passed away at the age of 66 on April 21, 1950. Their mother lived as a widow for about 22 years, in the same home. She passed away at the age of 87 August 8, 1972.

Aubrey Rowell purchased the farm in 1973 after the death of their mother.

Aubrey married Mae Pearl Jasper in a double ceremony with his brother, Lowell Rowell, and Hallie Bell Strange November 25, 1933. Their children are W. D. Rowell and Vaughnell Rowell Brannon, both of whom are graduates of Silverton High School. All of Aubrey's six grandchildren have finished school, and several of his twelve great-grandchildren reside in Silverton.

LaVerne Rowell married Frank Mercer in Briscoe County June 30, 1937. Loading all of their possessions in the back of a 1936 Willis car, they moved to California for a year. They moved back to Briscoe County in 1938. They began farming eight miles southwest of Silverton, where they resided for a number of years.

Crops were primarily wheat and cotton. Because of the long wait between good rains on the plains, irrigation was a welcome sight. Some of the better wells were developed in the year of 1943. The water would be run into ditches, then siphoned into the rows. This would be a family project at times. You haven't lived until you have had a cool drink straight from a high plains irrigation well, or stepped into a ditch barefoot and let the cool water run over your feet.

Frank and LaVerne Mercer had four children, Gail Arnold, John Mercer, Sandra Barrantine and Peggy Chase. They have thirteen grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Give a cheer when these Co-Pioneers of the Day ride past in the wagon which is being furnished by First State Bank.

## Several Events To Hold Interest All Day Saturday

Several events have been announced for the County Birthday Celebration and Silverton School Homecoming Saturday, which should provide items of interest for those of all ages.

Nance's Food Store will sponsor a Frog Jumping Contest on the east side of the courthouse beginning at 5:00 p.m.

More information on this event is available at Nance's Food Store. Be the first to find your frog, practice his jumping techniques and be ready for the contest.

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Tricycle Races for those two to seven years of age will begin at 3:00 p.m. in front of First State Bank. This event will be sponsored by the Silverton United Methodist Church. Be sure to bring your favorite tricycle.

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The Plum Thicket will sponsor the Bicycle Decoration Contest in the parade Saturday afternoon. For more information, go by The Plum Thicket.

This is for boys and girls ages seven through thirteen.

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Cow Pattie Bingo will be played on the vacant lot west of Lavy's Pump Service. This is sponsored by Briscoe County Activities Association, and should get underway about 9:00 a.m. The cow decides the time of conclusion of this event.

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

First Baptist Church of Silverton is taking sealed bids until August 16, 2000 on a 1981 Ford Van, 70,302 miles, 14 passenger. Can be seen at the church, 8:30 - 3:30 M-F. Send bids to Van Bid, c/o First Baptist Church, P. O. 600, Silverton, Texas 79257. Reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

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## Two Classes To Celebrate With Reunion Friday

The Class of 1949 will be celebrating its 51-year anniversary and the Class of 1950 will be observing its 50-year reunion in the Silverton School Cafeteria Friday night, August 11, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All classes are invited to attend.

The Senior Citizens will have homemade ice cream for sale on the courthouse lawn all day Saturday. Also, if any of you haven't gotten a chance to win the Christmas Quilt made by the Friendship Quilters, be sure to do so. The money will be used for the upkeep of the Senior Citizens Center.

The Classes of 1949 and 1950 will be meeting in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank Saturday afternoon. Please feel free to come by for a visit.

Both classes will have floats in the parade.

## Class of 1960 To Have 40-Year Reunion

The Class of 1960 will be having its 40-year reunion beginning at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, August 12, in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church.

All friends, former students and teachers of the class are invited to come by for a visit.

ment of \$10 per person is required for reservation in the course. park admission, normally \$2 per person, will be waived for class participants. Hunting licenses also are available at the park during regular office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

For more information on Copper Breaks State Park programs of facilities, or to sign up for the hunter safety course call (940) 839-4331 weekdays during business hours.

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*A good name is more desirable than great riches;*

*to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.*

*Rich and poor have this in common; The*

*Lord is the maker of them all.*

**Rock Creek Church of Christ**

## Copper Breaks State Park Sets Hunter Safety Course August 12-13

In response to a continuing public demand, Copper Breaks State Park will offer the state-approved hunter safety course on Saturday, August 12, and Sunday, August 13, 2000, according to Fred Woerndell, lead ranger at the park.

The 12-hour course is required by law for all hunters born after September 2, 1971. Proof of course completion must accompany hunting licenses. Course hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday with a half hour lunch. The class continues from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday. It is suggested that participants bring a lunch for Saturday.

Enrollment is limited, with participation by reservation only. Participants must be 12 years old to receive certification. Younger hunters may attend the course if accompanied by an adult, but they cannot be certified.

Ranger Woerndell will teach the course. He has been a certified hunter safety instructor for six years and has served as a park ranger for 22 years. Mr. Woerndell will be assisted by park ranger Bob Hopkins and Mr. Gary Glover, both of whom are also certified hunter safety instructors.

A non-refundable advance pay-



**Happy Birthday August 14!**

Love, Mother & Daddy



## LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**August 9, 1990**--Girls competing for Rodeo Queen are Christa Tucker and Monica Arnold. Those who are vying for Junior Rodeo Queen are Kimberly Blazier and Carrie Baird . . . Class of 1940 to have fiftieth-year reunion with the group being taken by chartered bus on a tour of Lake Mackenzie and Caprock Canyons State Park. Dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall of the Silverton United Methodist Church . . . Ashel McDaniel has returned home and is continuing to recuperate following open heart surgery in Houston . . . Roland and Angie Asebedo were guests of honor at a miscellaneous wedding shower Saturday in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank . . . Brown Sisters have reunion at Dell City . . . Montague Reunion held at Mackenzie Lake Group Shelter . . .

**August 7, 1980**--Girls competing for Rodeo Queen are Shelly Harris, Dani Whitfill, Missy Brown, Kim Fitzgerald and Cynthia Edwards . . . Rev. Leon Anderson to begin revival Monday at The New Fellowship Baptist Church . . . Koshia could have a place in the livestock grazing program in Briscoe County, believes Earnest Kiker, Briscoe County Extension Agent . . . Miss Anna Lee Anderson is chosen as "Pioneer For a Day" . . . Becky Francis to marry Robert Kevin Drew October 3 . . . A Montague get-together was held July 26 in the home of Nina Martin . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Vaughan are parents of a son, Justin Blake, born July 29 . . . Crystal Miller underwent a tonsillectomy early last week . . . Bill Boling has been employed as Silverton City Marshall . . . Wayne and Elliott Hutsell returned to their home in Reseda, California after visiting their brothers and sisters, Ricky Hutsell of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Vaughan and Ellen Hutsell, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Weast and Nathan, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Grimland and family, Silverton, and Miss Claudia Hutsell of Houston. Elliott will be a sophomore at California State University-Northridge and Wayne, after a six-weeks cruise working aboard the Princess Cruise Ship Sun Princess between Canada and Alaska, will be a junior at the University of Southern California . . .

**July 23, 1970**--Briscoe County 4-H members who are spending this week at 4-H Electric Camp are Mickey Smith, Bill Strange, Ken Wood, Derrel Martin, Stanley Martin, Kaedean Bomar, Amy Birdwell, Rhonda Sutton, Sharon Jarrett and the Extension Agents, Ken Cook and Naomi Hunt . . . Mike Tate is in critical condition at John Sealy Hospital in

Galveston after he received an electrical burn when he came into contact with a 7,200 volt line while working for Lighthouse Electric Cooperative . . . Nine youth from Briscoe County competed in the District II 4-H Horse Show, and one of those, Brenda Payne, qualified for the State Horse Show. Her sister, Susan, also accumulated enough points to qualify for the State Horse Show . . . Rhonda Sutton and Debbie Boling were winners in the Briscoe County 4-H Dress Revue held here last week . . . Jerry Patton, Charles and Ken Sarchet, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Jones and Cathy Jones attended the stock car races in Plainview Saturday night. As Floyd County Fair Queen, Miss Jones presented the trophies to the winning drivers . . .

**August 4, 1960**--Gene Morris was the holder of the winning ticket when a dashing red go-cart was given away for the benefit of the Little League last week. Morris and his son, Joel, are enjoying the go-cart tremendously . . . Jay and Greg Towe and Larry McWilliams were among seven bus loads of Scouts from the South Plains Council which left Lubbock Monday, July 18 . . . Raymond McJimsey, counselor, and Butch Maples, Cliff Walker, Jimmy Burson, Tommy Edwards, Weldon Tipton, Jimmy Polsey, Gary Crow and Bailey Loyd attended the Plains Baptist Camp at Floydada last week . . . Mrs. Lem Weaver, Tina and Max spent last Thursday night in Amarillo with relatives, and Tina and Max remained there until Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Andrews brought them home and spent the day in the Weaver home . . . The pretty home of Mrs. Glenn McWilliams was the scene for a miscellaneous bridal shower given Saturday honoring Mrs. J. E. Patton . . . K. M. Fleming and Shellie Tomlin have been spending considerable time in Byers, where they are building a cotton gin . . .

**August 3, 1950**--Joy Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown, and Clayton Woods, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Woods, exchanged wedding vows Saturday afternoon in the Fred Mercer home. Earl Cantwell directed the double-ring ceremony . . . Joe Vardell, patrol leader of Troop 62, Silverton Boy Scouts, will return August 4 from two weeks of scouting at Philmount Boy Scout Camp at Cimarron, New Mexico . . . Baptist Church revival to start Sunday with the Rev. Franklin E. Swanner bringing the messages . . . Thirty-six more area men to get draft call . . . Faye Burke, age 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burke, believed to be stricken with polio, was moved by Watson Douglas from

the Briscoe County Clinic Hospital Monday night and admitted to Plainview Hospital for treatment . . . July in Silverton and Briscoe County was an unusually wet month. A total of 7.82 inches of precipitation was received. This exceeded by about six inches the average rainfall for July . . .

**September 12, 1946**--Good general rains fell over Briscoe County and Silverton early today when a total of 1.61 inches of moisture was recorded by Raymond C. Bonmar . . . Schools opened Monday with enrollment of 376 students . . . Mother Hardin has been confined to her bed for several days and isn't doing so well . . . Mrs. Leslie Turner and Mrs. Anna Swann were business visitors in Amarillo last week . . . Mmes. Fred

Lemons, Avis Cowart, O. L. Bundy and Virgil Ballard spent Thursday in Lubbock . . . Gene Dickenson will leave for Dallas Sunday. He will enter college there . . . Engagement and approaching marriage of Betty Rose Howard and James Cannon is announced . . . Misses Gean Mercer and Mickey Carruth entertained 21 guests at a party given in the home of Miss Mercer Saturday night. Both indoor and outdoor games were played by the group, records were played and everyone joined together in singing popular songs. Attending were Misses Betty Burson, Clenda Arnold, Betty Arnold, Juanita Edwards, Joye Brown, Joye Davenport, Jeanne Dudley, Frances Tennison and the hostesses, and Messrs. Odie

Carruth, Bill Hall, John Arnold, Gene Dickenson, Clyde Mercer, Carl Tidwell, L. B. Garvin, Jack Teague, Jack Strange, Fred Strange, Billy Self and Jimmy Price . . .

### Happy Anniversary--

August 12--Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burson

August 13--Mr. and Mrs. Michael Williams

August 14--Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stephens

August 15--Mr. and Mrs. Toby Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carthel

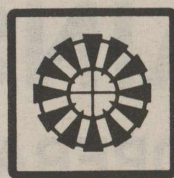
August 16--Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Whitfill

# Presenting . . .



LaVerne Rowell Mercer and Aubrey Rowell  
have been chosen by the  
Silverton Chamber of Commerce as  
Co-Pioneers For the Day

*First State Bank is pleased to be providing the  
wagon in which the Co-Pioneers For the Day  
will be presented in the parade.*



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**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NON-DISCRIMINATION IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

Silverton ISD offers vocational programs in Homemaking and Agriculture. It is the policy of Silverton ISD not to discriminate on the basis of sex, handicap, race, color, and national origin in its educational and vocational programs, activities, or employment as required by Title XI, Section 504 and Title VI.

Silverton ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all

educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title XI Coordinator, Sheryl Weaver, at Silverton High School, 806-823-2476, or the Section 504 Coordinator, Frank Kirchoffner, at Silverton ISD, 806-823-2476.

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Silverton ISD is presently accepting bids in three areas for the 2000-2001 school year.

1. Bus maintenance, tires and fuel
2. Groceries for cafeteria
3. Milk for cafeteria

If you are interested in submitting a bid for any of these areas, send your bid to Frank Kirchoffner, Superintendent, Silverton ISD, Box 608, Silverton, Texas 79257.

Be sure your bid is in by August 10, 2000. Write "BID ENCLOSED" on the outside of your envelope.

Bids will be opened at the regularly-scheduled board meeting August 10, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

*Prior to becoming President of the Confederacy during the Civil War, Jefferson Davis served as Secretary of War under President Franklin Pierce.*

**Library Notes**

The Children's Program on the theme INVENT THE FUTURE! READ is near its end because of the beginning of school today. Several children have found interest in this and some have advanced from picture books to chapter books.

Many publications are received by the Library from Texas State Agencies as well as from publishers touting their wares for sale. These State Agencies' articles are sent in the hope that Texas citizens will read these and become informed on many topics. The latest packet is from the Texas Department on Aging. These are written in English and in Spanish. Return telephone numbers (toll free) are printed on these brochures.

Many of you have been so very generous to give books to the Library!! This loving gesture is a big help in gaining our requirements for becoming certified and for becoming

a member of the Library System. There are many "perks" connected with being a member--a library may have many new books given to the shelves and a monetary plus is NO small matter. This is determined by the wishes and demands of the library's community and the actual users--based on the population. Books have been shipped/mailed from five different states; two different schools; countless local generous people; all the libraries in the Panhandle Library System; and area people who have read the Briscoe County News or have heard by word of mouth. Some books have been given by libraries in the neighboring Lubbock Library System. I take particular pleasure in seeing their facial expressions when they learn that the Silverton Library has been in service since the 1930's.

The Silverton Library continues to be open from 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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**LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:**

Last year's operating taxes	\$	475,503
Last year's debt taxes	\$	-0-
Last year's total taxes	\$	475,503
Last year's tax base	\$	74,320,568
Last year's total tax rate	\$	0.6398/\$100

**THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:**

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	475,503
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$	74,342,373
= This year's effective tax rate	\$	0.6396/\$100

**THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK RATE:**

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	475,503
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$	74,342,373
= This year's effective operating rate	\$	0.6396/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$	0.6907/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$	-0-/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$	0.6907/\$100

**STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE**

If Briscoe County adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.6396 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease 0.002 cents for \$1,000 of taxable value.

**SCHEDULE A**

**UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES:**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Administration and Road & Bridge Fund	\$585,775.00

**SCHEDULE C**

**STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANDATE:**

The Briscoe County Auditor certifies that Briscoe County has spent \$0.00 in the previous 12 months beginning May 1, 1999, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Briscoe County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Briscoe County Tax Appraisal District, 415 Main (Courthouse), Silverton, Texas.

The person providing the above information is:  
 Carlye Fleming Chief Appraiser July 28, 2000  
 Signature Position Date

**JV FOOTBALL 2000 SCHEDULE**

Aug. 31--Amarillo	H	6:00
Sept. 7--Cotton Center	T	7:00
Sept. 16--Miami	H	1:00
Sept. 21--Valley	H	7:00
Sept. 28--Open		
Oct. 5--Amherst	T	7:00
Oct. 12--Open		
Oct. 19--Open		
Oct. 26--Open		
Nov. 2--Happy	H	7:00
Nov. 9--Valley	T	7:00

**Junior High Football Schedule**

Sept. 7--Cotton Center	T	5:00
Sept. 16--Miami	H	1:00
Sept. 21--McLean	T	5:00
Sept. 28--Open		
Oct. 5--Amherst	T	5:00
Oct. 12--Samnorwood	H	5:00
Oct. 19--Groom	H	5:00
Oct. 26--Hedley	T	5:00
Nov. 2--Happy	H	5:00
Nov. 9--Valley	T	5:00

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Silverton, Texas



**Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration**



Clayton & Joy Wood are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday August 13, 2000 at the Silverton Church of Christ Annex from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.



Their children Jan, John, Tracy and Kelli are hosting a come and go reception and invite every one to join their family as they celebrate this momentous occasion.

# TELCOT<sup>®</sup> Report

## A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

U. S. agriculture is struggling and the quest to find a magic mix of old policy and new ideas has begun in Washington and in coffee shops across the nation.

No matter where you go it appears growers have a remarkably similar take on current farm programs: Flexibility - good; Safety Net - bad.

The challenge for all commodities is trying to find the right mix to balance the equation and improve the downside protection available to growers.

Into that void have come several ideas that deserve more thought and careful consideration. none are necessarily new by strict definition, but instead rely on a few new wrinkles that make them much more feasible than they might have been in the past.

The political reality is that any change, be it raising loan rates outright or through a mechanism such as "Flexible Fallow" that raises a grower's loan rate based on the voluntary idling of a percentage of their acreage, will have to both gain approval in Congress and be paid for by initiating new federal spending or reallocating existing budget resources.

Increasing loan rates for all commodities and providing a higher price floor for growers is one idea receiving a lot of attention from growers nationwide.

Plains Cotton Growers supports increasing loan rates as a viable alternative for strengthening the

safety net as long as such a change is enacted under a "marketing loan" structure that provides reasonable down-side protection and a method of marketing the crop in a timely, efficient manner.

The good news is that the Freedom to Farm bill's "marketing loan" structure makes higher loan rates a potentially useful tool for producers. This structure provides growers the ability to capture a reasonable minimum price and sell their crops without fear of losing valuable markets to other countries.

With a marketing loan there is no incentive to forfeit a commodity to the government to receive the intended benefit and therefore create a long-term supply problem. Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP) bridge the gap between the base loan rate and a market price below that level to keep crops moving into market.

Cotton is a perfect example of how efficient this system can be. Recent experience in corn and other grain crops shows the same balance between protection and marketing that has made the marketing loan structure so beneficial to the cotton industry.

With that in mind the recent action by two members of the House of Representatives can be taken a lot more seriously. A bill offered by Congressmen Earl Pomeroy (D-North Dakota) and David Minge (D-Minnesota) would raise loan rates across the board for all cur-

rent program commodities.

Under the proposal cotton would go from the current rate of \$51.92 cents up to \$61 cents per bushel, corn would go from \$1.98 to \$243 per bushel, soybeans would go from \$5.26 to \$5.50 per bushel, and wheat would go from \$2.58 to \$3.40 a bushel. Other commodities would see similar increases. So far the idea of raising loan rates has not been a partisan issue with everyone looking at its feasibility. Although some appear to have difficulty grasping the basic difference between a marketing loan and the loan structure that was in place 25 or 30 years ago, others are seriously studying the possibil-

ity as well as any side effects that might come with such a policy change.

### NEW EQUIPMENT BOOSTS ITC TEXTILE RESEARCH

Researchers at the International Textile Center (ITC) at Texas Tech University are busy putting the final touches on a handful of equipment upgrades that will further boost the facility's research capabilities.

At the top of the list are new ring spinning frames that will yield better results and allow further investigation into the use of short staple cottons in ring-spun textile products.

The new frames will complement state of the art open-end spinning equipment already in place at the ITC. Other pieces of equipment installed included new carding machines and draw-frames that will increase efficiency and speed up the turn-around times at the facility.

Also new to the ICT is:

A new miniature spinning system and miniature loom will allow testing of small fiber samples to determine fiber performance from field to fabric. The system is expected to be used primarily to evaluate potential end-use performance of new cotton varieties.

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### LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:

Last year's operating taxes	\$	60,652
Last year's debt taxes	\$	-0-
Last year's total taxes	\$	60,652
Last year's tax base	\$	13,778,280
Last year's total tax rate	\$	0.4402/\$100

### THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	60,652
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$	14,019,997
= This year's effective tax rate	\$	0.4326/\$100

### THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK RATE:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$	60,652
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$	14,019,997
= This year's effective operating rate	\$	0.4326/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$	0.4672/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$	-0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$	0.4672/\$100

### STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If the City of Silverton adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.4326 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease 7.6 cents for \$1,000 of taxable value.

### SCHEDULE A

#### UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES:

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Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
All funds	\$ - 0 -

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The person providing the above information is:

Carlye Fleming	Chief Appraiser	July 28, 2000
Signature	Position	Date



### Lisa Comer Awarded Scholarship By Texas Interscholastic League Foundation

Lisa Kay Comer, a graduate of Silverton High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Miss Comer received a Red

Oak Foundation Scholarship in the amount of \$4,800, payable \$600 each semester for four years. This year the Red Oak Foundation awarded four grants to students who have participated in the Uni-

versity Interscholastic League Academic State Meet and who intend to teach in the public school system.

This year the TILF awarded 422 new awards and will renew approximately 208 awards for a total of 630 scholarships for 2000-2001 with an approximate value of \$1,082,000. Recipients may attend

any approved college or university in Texas.

Miss Comer participated in Prose Interpretation at the 1999 UIL Academic State Meet. She also participated in UIL Headline Writing, One Act Play, Basketball, Cross Country, and Track throughout her high school career. She was Student Council President, National Honor

Society Secretary, FHA Vice-President, Future Business Leaders of America President, Yearbook Co-Editor, and a member of the cheerleading squad. She was Salutatorian of her graduating class and was active in the community through choir and volunteer efforts.

Miss Comer plans to attend Texas Tech University to major in Theatre-Acting-directing.

### Amarillo Area Foundation Renews Scholarships

The Amarillo Area Foundation has announced the renewal of a number of scholarships for students who are presently attending colleges and universities in this area.

Michelle Warren. Gamble previously was awarded the Sen. Grady and Andrine Hazlewood Scholarship to attend Amarillo College, and has been approved to receive renewal.

### Fashion Hints For Full-Sized Women

**Target Area: Waistline**  
•*Tips:* Solid, monochromatic colors can make the waistline appear smaller; tailored separates can enhance the overall silhouette and stretch skirts compliment the waistline.

•*Options:* Frame jackets; sweetheart necklines; tailored suits; extra-long jackets over leggings.

**Target Area: Lower Body**  
•*Tips:* Fluid fabrics fall more flatteringly against the curves of the body; long, wrapped and A-line cuts flatter fuller hips and small shoulder pads can balance the figure.

•*Options:* Long crepe skirts; column dresses; shaped jackets with shoulder pads.

**Target Area: Legs**  
•*Tips:* Cuffless pants that hit the top of the shoe visually lengthens legs; heeled shoes elongate the legs and help make the ankles appear slender.

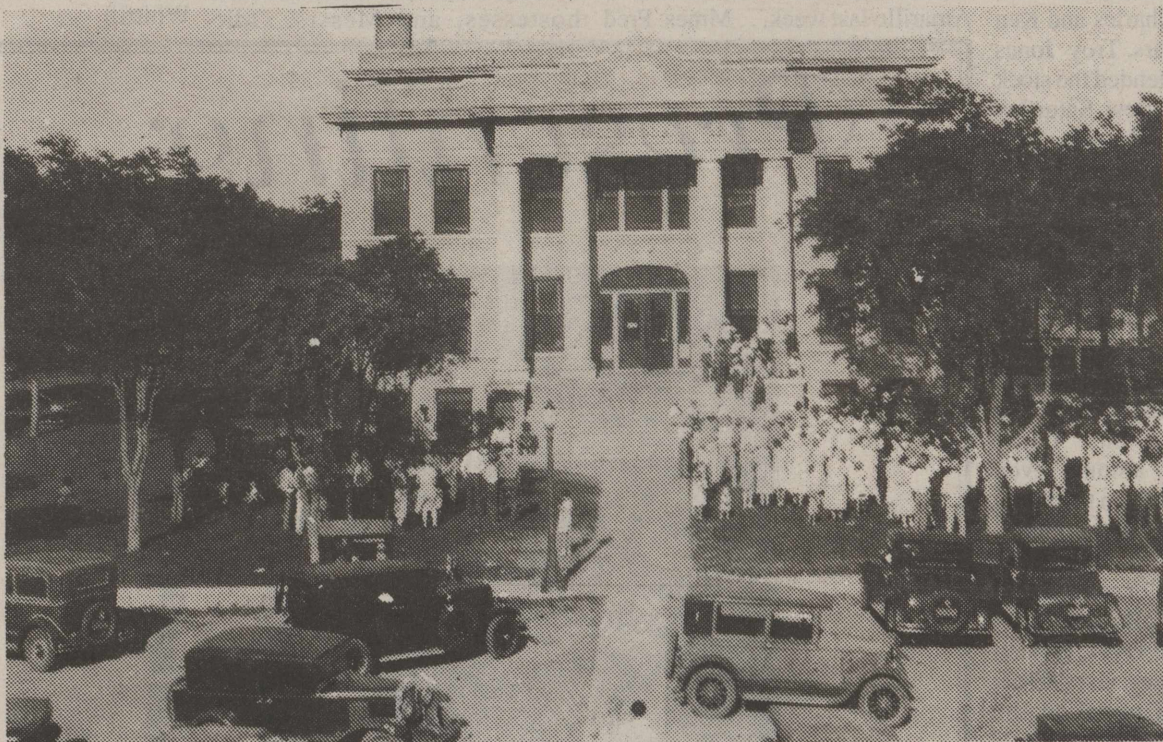
•*Options:* Fluid, elastic-waist pants; high heeled shoes and boots; lightweight stretch pants.

These tips come from Stephanie Sobel, general merchandising manager for Roaman's plus size catalog. For a free catalog, you can call toll-free 1-800-677-0201.

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SILVERTON TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Silverton is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$250,000 for sewer system improvements in the City of Silverton. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

## A Warm Welcome To BRISCOE COUNTY



Early-day picnics and celebrations were held at the Briscoe County courthouse in days gone by, just as they are today.

WE ARE PROUD TO SERVE THE RURAL AREAS OF BRISCOE COUNTY WITH THE FINEST AND MOST MODERN TELEPHONE SERVICE POSSIBLE.

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## Silverton School Activities

Thursday, August 10--First day of classes

Saturday, August 12--Silverton School Homecoming: Registration, 9:30; Brunch, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; Program, 12:00 noon

Monday, August 17--Booster Club hamburger supper, 7:00 p.m., football field

Saturday, August 19--Lazbuddie/Melrose Scrimmage at Lazbuddie, 10:00 a.m.

Friday, August 25--Follett Scrimmage at Lefors, 5:00 p.m.

## Silverton Owls 2000 Football Schedule

Sept. 8--Cotton Center	H	7:30
Sept. 15--Miami	T	7:30
Sept. 22--McLean	T	7:30
Sept. 29--Lefors*	H	7:30
Oct. 6--Amherst	H	7:30
Oct. 13--Samnorwood**	T	7:30
Oct. 20--Groom**	T	7:30
Oct. 27--Hedley**	H	7:30
Nov. 3--Happy**	T	7:30
Nov. 10--Valley**	H	7:30

\*Homecoming  
\*\*District

*Hermit crabs generally live alone, in the shells of sea snails. A hermit crab may pull out the live snail, getting a new house and a feast as well!*

*It is normal for rats to sneeze frequently.*

**CAPROCK SWCD #126**  
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Silverton, Texas 79257  
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Caprock SWCD is now taking orders for the trees listed below. The trees will arrive the first week in September.

Price per Tree

**CONIFERS: (containerized)**

**1 GALLON**

Afghanistan Pine.....	\$ 9.00
Monterey Pine.....	\$ 9.00
Slash Pine.....	\$ 9.00

**5 GALLON**

Afghanistan Pine.....	\$15.00
Slash Pine.....	\$15.00

**HARDWOOD: (containerized)**

**1 GALLON**

Cottonless Cottonwood.....	\$ 9.00
Live Oak.....	\$ 9.00
Southern Red Oak.....	\$ 9.00
Shumard Red Oak.....	\$ 9.00

**5 GALLON**

Cottonless Cottonwood.....	\$15.00
Live Oak.....	\$15.00

**10' to 12' TALL**

Bur Oak.....	\$50.00
Live Oak.....	\$50.00
Shumard Oak.....	\$50.00

You are not required to purchase a minimum number and are only limited by what is available.

Please purchase orders early for these trees.

### SILVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT/CHARTER SCHOOL LETTER TO HOUSEHOLDS (Multi-Child) NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH/BREAKFAST PROGRAM SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Silverton School offers a choice of healthy meals each school day. Children may buy lunch for \$1.00, breakfast for 35c. Children who qualify under U. S. Department of Agriculture guidelines may get meals free or at a reduced-price of 40c for lunch, 30c for breakfast. All meals served must meet nutrition standards established by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. If a child has a disability, as determined by a doctor, and the disability prevents the child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make substitutions prescribed by the doctor. If a substitution is needed there will be no extra charge for the meal. Please note, however, that the school is not required to make a substitution for a food allergy, unless it meets the definition of disability. Please call the school for further information: telephone number 823-2476.

Your children can get free school meals if you get food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Depending on your income, your children may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

How do I get free or reduced-price school meals for my children? You must complete the Application for Free and Reduced-Price Meals Form and return it to the school.

•Households getting food stamps or TANF. You only have to include your children's names and case numbers, and an adult household member must sign the form.

•Households that do not get food stamps or TANF. If you do not have a case number, you must include the names of all household members, the amount of income each person received last month and where the income came from. An adult household member must sign the form and include his or her social security number, or indicate that he or she has no social security number.

•Households with foster children. You must include the children's names and the amount of "personal use" income the children received last month, and an adult must sign the form.

Will the form be verified? Your eligibility may be checked at any time during the school year. School officials may ask you to send written evidence that shows that your children should get free or reduced-price school meals.

Can I appeal the school's decision? You can talk to school officials if you do not agree with the school's decision on your form. You also may ask for a fair hearing by calling or writing to: Frank Kirchoffner, Phone: 823-2476, Mailing Address: P. O. Box 608, Silverton, Texas 79257.

Must I report changes? If your children get free or reduced-price meals because of your income, you must tell us if your household size decreases, or if your income increases by more than \$50 per month or \$600 per year. If your children get free meals because your household gets food stamps or TANF, you must tell us when you no longer get these benefits.

Will information on my form be kept confidential? We will use the information on your form to decide if your children should get free or reduced-price meals. We may inform officials with other child nutrition, health and education programs of the information on your form to determine benefits for those programs or by funding and/or evaluation purposes.

Can I apply for free and reduced-price meals later? You may apply for free and reduced-price meals at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a change, like a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, become unemployed or get food stamps or TANF, complete another form then.

We will let you know if you are approved or denied. Sincerely, /s/ Frank Kirchoffner

Complete, sign and return the form to Frank Kirchoffner, P. O. Box 608, Silverton, Texas 79257, or take to the school office. Please read the instructions. If you need help completing this form, call Frank Kirchoffner, Phone: 823-2476.

(a) Child's Name	Last	First	M.I.
Child's Grade	Name of School (or site number)	SS#/Student ID (optional)	
(b) Child's Name	Last	First	M.I.
Child's Grade	Name of School (or site number)	SS#/Student ID (optional)	
(c) Child's Name	Last	First	M.I.
Child's Grade	Name of School (or site number)	SS#/Student ID (optional)	
(d) Child's Name	Last	First	M.I.
Child's Grade	Name of School (or site number)	SS#/Student ID (optional)	
(e) Child's Name	Last	First	M.I.
Child's Grade	Name of School (or site number)	SS#/Student ID (optional)	

Is this a FOSTER CHILD? (See the instructions). If this is a foster child, check here [ ] and write the child's monthly personal use income here: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Go to section #5.

Are you getting FOOD STAMPS or TANF benefits for your child? List the CASE number. DO NOT complete section #4. Go to section #5. Food stamp case number: \_\_\_\_\_ TANF case number: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS: (Complete this part only if you did not complete sections #2 or #3). List all household members, including the children listed above. List all income. Go to section #5.

NAMES	CURRENT MONTHLY INCOME				
	Names of Household Members (include the children listed above) If you need more spaces, attach separate sheet:	Monthly Earnings from Work (before deductions) Job 1	Monthly Welfare, Child Support, Alimony	Monthly Payments from Pensions, Retirement, Social Security	Monthly Earnings from Job 2 or Any Other Monthly Income
1.		\$	\$	\$	\$
2.		\$	\$	\$	\$
3.		\$	\$	\$	\$
4.		\$	\$	\$	\$
5.		\$	\$	\$	\$
6.		\$	\$	\$	\$
7.		\$	\$	\$	\$
8.		\$	\$	\$	\$
9.		\$	\$	\$	\$
10.		\$	\$	\$	\$

SIGNATURE AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: **PENALTIES FOR MISREPRESENTATION:** I certify that all of the above information is true and correct and that this food stamp or TANF case number is current, correct or that all income is reported. I understand that this information is being given for the receipt of federal funds; that institution officials may verify the information on the Application for Free and Reduced-Price Meals and that the deliberate misrepresentation of the information may subject me to prosecution under application State and Federal laws.

Signature of Adult: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUALLY		MONTHLY		WEEKLY	
	FREE	REDUCED PRICES	FREE	REDUCED PRICES	FREE	REDUCED PRICES
1	\$10,855	\$15,448	\$ 905	\$1,288	\$ 209	\$ 298
2	\$14,625	\$20,813	\$1,219	\$1,735	\$ 282	\$ 401
3	\$18,395	\$26,178	\$1,533	\$2,182	\$ 354	\$ 504
4	\$22,165	\$31,543	\$1,848	\$2,629	\$ 427	\$ 607
	\$25,935	\$36,908	\$2,162	\$3,076	\$ 499	\$ 710
Each Additional Add.	\$ 3,770	\$ 5,365	\$ 115	\$ 148	\$ 73	\$ 104





This picture was made in 1907 or 1908 in the Jeff Burson Grocery & Hardware. Jeff Burson is the man standing and Mrs. T.D. Wallace is the woman. The other man is not identified.

### Swaying Skylines?

(NAPS)—Did you know it is normal for the world's tallest buildings to sway as much as three feet when there are strong winds?

It's true. According to the American Society of Civil Engineers, buildings are allowed to sway as much as 1/500th of their height. The Empire State Building, which is 1,250 feet tall, may sway up to 2.5 feet.

The world's tallest building is the 88-story Petronas Towers in Malaysia, which is 1,483 feet, including its architectural spire. The 110-story Sears Tower is the sec-

ond tallest at 1,454 feet.

Early skyscrapers were heavy masonry and steel structures. But after the 1960s, skyscrapers got taller and lighter, as designers used less masonry and more glass exteriors and lighter interior components. But with lower mass, skyscrapers were more easily moved by strong winds, causing top floor occupants to become nervous or motion sick.

Engineers now build scale models of buildings and test them in wind tunnels and use computer modeling to determine how a building could be designed to

avoid excessive movement. If changing the design is not enough, they may also use special devices, including huge sliding weights like the one used in New York's Citicorp building, and small shock absorbers like those used in the World Trade Center Towers.

*Short height and speeches on behalf of the Democratic party earned President James Polk the nickname "Napoleon of the Stump."*

*A female rabbit is called a doe.*

### Queen of Silverton Participates in Event

by Art Ainsworth

Art and Bonnie May Ainsworth left Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Daytona Beach, Florida July 12, 2000. The entire trip there and back was without incident. Bonnie visited her sister, Phillis (Cloe) in Denison, Texas on the way.

Art and Bonnie arrived in Daytona on July 16, 2000. The next day friends and Corvairs began to arrive. Soon the numbers started to increase until there were Corvairs and people everywhere you looked at the Plaza Resort Hotel and/or The Daytona Speedway. I know a lot of "Corvair People," since I have been a member of "Corsa" since 1980 and highly competitive since 1986.

July 18 arrived and the adrenalin was beginning to flow. We were lined up at the gas pump to fill the tanks with the last drop of fuel that we could get into them. We were about to depart on a Fuel Economy Run (Best Fuel Mileage) over an 85-mile prepared route. The route took us over some of the most scenic parts of Daytona, including the high arch bridges over The International Waterway. Bonnie served as my navigator, reading out all the instructions explicitly so I stayed on the course. This was her first experience in this type of "Car Game" so she was very apprehensive. She did well and in doing so, she was instrumental in our winning second place in our horsepower and transmission class. Remember we are in national competition against many cars and skilled drivers.

Then comes July 22 when "The Rubber Meets the Road"—we hope. Art is in competition against some good drivers and fast cars. He will be racing in The Auto Cross. The track was a well planned Mini Gran Prix Track. The track was very challenging and was loaded with corners and serpentines (like a snake walking). We got three runs (each car ran individually under a timing light device.) I am sorry to report, just enough of those young "Whipper-Snappers" out-ran and/or out-drove me that I did not win a trophy. I did get honorable mention at the Banquet/Trophy Presentation, along with another "Youngster" who is 89 years old. I have the distinction of being 84 years old—and proud to be competing.

Our next Annual Corvair Convention will be in Chicago in July, 2001. Bonnie and I plan to be competing in it at that time. Wish us luck—we may need it.

We visited Bonnie's granddaughter, Carol (and Brent) in their beautiful new home in Atlanta, Georgia on our return to Jones, Oklahoma.

### Change in Final Hay Planting Date

The final planting date for haygrazer and sweet sorghum has been changed from August 1 (as previously announced) to August 15. This change was mandated by the Texas State FSA Office.

Producers are reminded that if you planted hay crops after the final reporting date of July 17, 2000, those crops should be certified in the county office no later than 15 days after the crop is planted. If hay crops were planted before July 17, 2000, they should have been reported by July 17, 2000, and to certify them now will require a late filed certification and fee.

### County Approved To Hay CRP

Briscoe County has been approved for emergency haying of CRP acres. The authorization will expire August 31, 2000.

Following are some provisions of the program:

1. Request approval in the office and obtain a modified CRP from NRCS before you begin any haying activity.
2. Leave at least 50 percent of each field or contiguous field unhayed for wildlife.
3. Remove all hay from CRP fields by October 1, 2000.
4. Not hay and graze the same acres.

The payment reduction is 25 percent of the annual rental rate per acre times the number of acres hayed. Producers who do not own their own livestock may rent or lease the haying privilege.

#### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT

PERMIT NO. 10803-001

**APPLICATION.** City of Silverton, P. O. Box 250, Silverton, Texas 79257, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to renew Texas Land Application (TLAP) Permit No. 10803-001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average of 90,000 gallons per day via irrigation and evaporation. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located 3/4 mile west of State Highway 207 and 1 mile south of State Highway 86 in Briscoe County. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on June 7, 2000. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at City Hall, 409 Broadway Street, Silverton, Texas.

The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TNRCC will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

**MAILING LISTS.** You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below. You may also ask to be on a county-wide mailing list to receive public notices for TNRCC permits in the county.

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.**

**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.** After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **The TNRCC may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**INFORMATION.** If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at [www.tnrcc.state.tx.us](http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us)

Further information may also be obtained from City of Silverton at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Jerry Patton, City Administrator, at (806) 823-2125.



108th  
BIRTHDAY

# CELEBRATION

## 11-12, 2000

Arena, Silverton, Texas

by Rodeo Company of Morse, Texas

Rodeo Begins at 8:00 p.m.

2, \$5 Rodeo Sponsored by BCAA

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10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

PAY IN CASH ONE HOUR PRIOR TO SHOW

Performance or 8:00 a.m. Saturday, If Needed

### ART PERFORMANCE

Art, Quilt To Be Given Away

### 3 SATURDAY NIGHTS

ent & Briscoe County Activities Association

Nites, 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

### SILVERTON • AUGUST 12

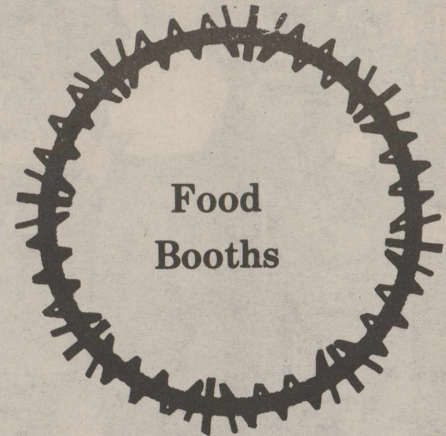
is Beginning 9:00 a.m., Cow Pattie Bingo

t Under the Shelter

• Barbecue, 5:30 p.m.

Briscoe County News  
Malt Shop  
Lavy's Pump Service

Lighthouse Rural Electric  
Brown Hardware  
Fleming Well Service  
Johnson's Gin Company





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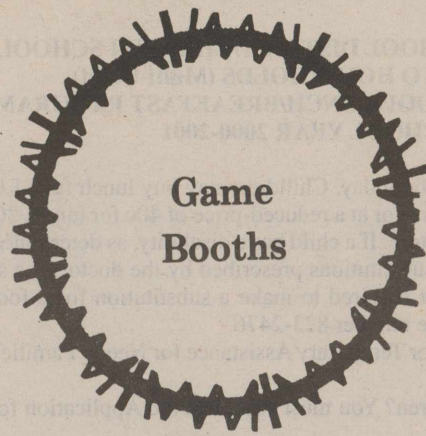
# CELEBRATION

## August 11-12, 2000

Wood Memorial Arena, Silverton, Texas

Stock Furnished by McCloy Rodeo Company of Morse, Texas  
**Open TCRA Rodeo Begins at 8:00 p.m.**

Admission: Adults, \$7 - Children 6-12, \$5 Rodeo Sponsored by BCAA



Game Booths



Arts & Crafts Booths



Silverton School Homecoming Saturday

### Entries August 7 • (806) 733-2073

Phone Entry 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

NON-TCRA MEMBERS MUST BE PAID IN CASH ONE HOUR PRIOR TO SHOW

Slack Will Run After Friday Night Performance or 8:00 a.m. Saturday, If Needed

## SATURDAY NIGHT PERFORMANCE

Handmade Boots, Gun, Quilt To Be Given Away

## DANCES FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS

Sponsored by Silverton Fire Department & Briscoe County Activities Association

Music By The Country Nites, 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

## DOWNTOWN SILVERTON • AUGUST 12

Arts & Crafts, Food & Games Booths Beginning 9:00 a.m., Cow Pattie Bingo

Entertainment Under the Shelter

Parade, 3:30 p.m. • Barbecue, 5:30 p.m.



First State Bank

Brown-McMurtry Implement

Mid-Plains Telephone

Nance's Food Store

Grabbe-Simpson Motors

Briscoe Implement

Silverton Oil Company

Briscoe County News

Malt Shop

Lavy's Pump Service