

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



The following song was submitted in 1957 by Mrs. H. P. Howard. It is an adaptation of "The Sherman Cyclone." The Sherman storm occurred on May 15, the same day that a similar storm ripped through Silverton in 1957 killing 20 and injuring 80 others. Another tornado hit Amarillo on May 15 in 1949 and killed six and injured 83. Though the Sherman tornado preceded the one in Silverton by a good many years, the reaction of the people involved was understandably quite similar to that of our own.

Kind friends, if you will listen,
A story I will tell.
It's of a great Tornado,
You all remember well.
It reached the town of Silverton
On the fifteenth day of May
And a portion of our City
Was completely swept away.
The people, gay and happy,
In their cozy settled homes--
They little thought so shortly
They'd be forced to meet their doom.
But at last their days were ended
Their lives were snatched away.
Now beneath the sod they are sleeping
Until the final judgment day.
We saw the storm approaching,
The clouds looked dreadful black,
And through our little city
It make its dreadful track.
We saw the lightning flashing
And heard the thunder roll.
And in the fewest moments
The story soon was told.
We heard the crash of timber
And buildings tumbling down,
The distressing screams of victims
Oh! what a dreadful sound--
It would melt the hardest hearted
To hear them loudly cry
"Oh! God have mercy on me
Is this the time to die."
Some fought for homes and refuge
Their lives to rescue there,
While some were dashed asunder,
And many in despair.
The rain fell in great torrents,
The storm was quickly o'er,
And in the fewest moments
The story soon was told.
The loss of lives and ruin
Was hard to estimate.
The happiest of families
They had to separate.
God help the broken hearted
The cyclone left behind
To make their preparations
For soon may be their time.

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August 9-10, 2002
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August 10, 2002**

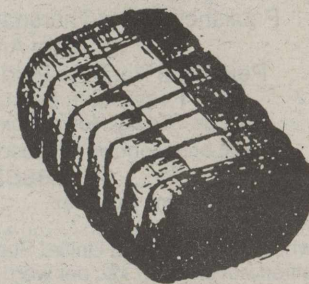
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Luminarias Now Being Sold For Relay For Life

The American Cancer Society's national signature event, Relay for Life, will take place at Valley School on June 7th beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7.

As a part of the event, luminarias are being sold in honor of someone who has had cancer or in memory of those who have lost their battle. A luminaria ceremony will begin at 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7, when all of the lights will be turned off and luminarias lit. The only light will be from the glow of the luminarias.

"This is our way of honoring the very reason for this event," stated Delene Tyler, Luminaria Chairman, "the people who have had to face this disease."

Anyone interested in memorializing or honoring a friend or loved one can call the American Cancer Society and purchase a luminaria for \$5.00 at the event.

Funds raised from the sale of luminarias will benefit cancer research and the local programs of the American Cancer Society. For more information on Relay for Life or to purchase a luminaria, please contact Kyle Fuston, 806-823-2426 pr 923-2289.

Blood Drive is Tuesday, May 14

Silverton's next blood drive will be Tuesday, May 14, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the City Hall.

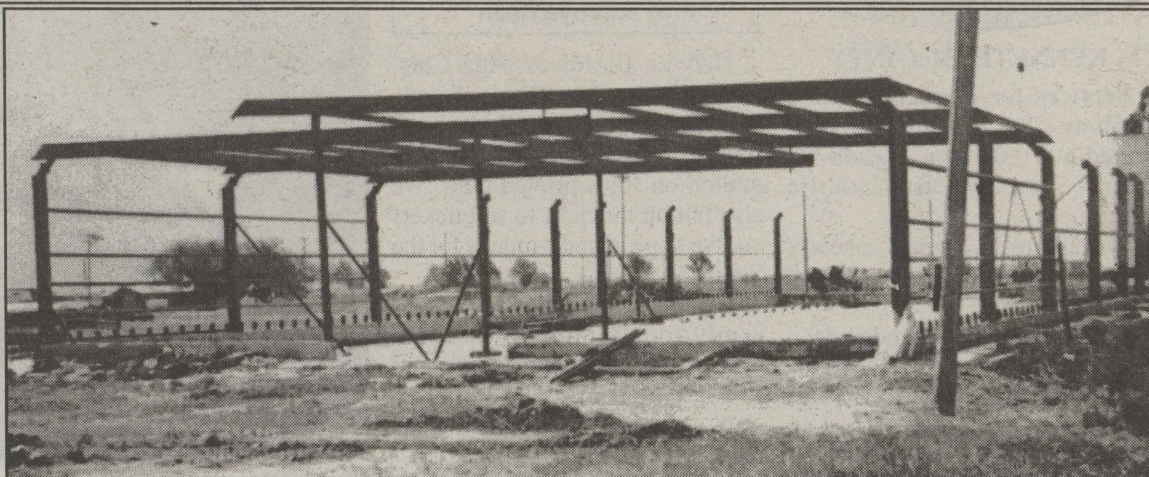
Coffee Memorial Blood Center will have its Bloodmobile here to collect the donations of blood.

Annual Meeting Of Cemetery Association Set

Silverton Cemetery Association has planned its Annual Meeting for Thursday, May 9, in First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Preparation of the mail-out will begin at 7:00 p.m. and the business meeting will follow at 8:00 p.m.

The terms of board members Carrie Dickerson and Bryan Schott are expiring. Everyone interested in the Silverton Cemetery is encouraged to attend.



The building that this floor and foundation were built for was destroyed by the killer tornado in 1957. They had lain under grass, leaves and dust until recently when Rex Johnson, operator of Johnson's Gin, decided to rebuild the building to use as a cotton seed warehouse. Rebuilding of the sheet iron structure is well underway.

Briscoe County News Photo

Bluegrass Music To Ring Out Over Flomot This Weekend

Flomot will be alive with the sound of bluegrass music on May 10-11-12, 2002. The third annual Washington Cattle Company Bluegrass Festival will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, and the stage music will play until 11:00 p.m. Friday.

On Saturday, the music begins at 11:00 a.m. and continues until

11:00 p.m. The Sunday morning devotional will start at 9:30 a.m. followed by gospel music until 12:00 noon.

The festival will take place on the grounds of the Flomot Community Center. In event of bad weather, the festival will move into the gym. Spectators are asked to bring their lawn chairs for the most comfortable seating.

Bands from Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico will be on hand to entertain the crowd. Eight bands will play during the festival; but, the official bands are just half of the fun. All over the festival grounds will be groups playing and jamming at all hours. Everyone who plays an instrument is welcome to come and join in the music. If you don't play you are welcome to wander the grounds and listen to the various groups.

Immunization Clinic is May 20

An Immunization Clinic will be held Monday, May 20, at the School Nurse's Office from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

For eligible children who are four years of age or older, this clinic will be available to complete your immunizations before school starts next year.

For those who will turn four at a later date, the Tulia Health Department is available all summer to update your child's immunizations before school starts.

The Health Department is located at 219 S. E. 2nd in Tulia. Call 995-4122 for an appointment.

Project Graduation Meeting is Today

There will be a Project Graduation meeting Thursday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m. in the Silverton High School Library.

All donations will need to be turned in at this meeting.

Anyone planning to attend the graduation night party will need to sign up. Dates and times for final meetings will also be set.

Pool Cleanup Day is May 18

Cleanup day at the Silverton Pool will be Saturday, May 18, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Everyone needs to be there prepared to work in order that the pool may open when school is out.

Pool Manager Applications Needed

Anyone interested in being the pool manager for this summer needs to send a letter of application to Missy Forbes or Kyle Fuston. Applicants need to be 18 years of age or older and willing to work from June to August. Please have your letter in May 15.

Memorial Scholarship

A memorial scholarship fund has been established in memory of Kristy Fogerson Dorman at City Bank in Silverton.

The scholarship will be awarded annually to a deserving Silverton High School graduate.

Bake Sale To Raise Money To Fight Cancer

The Silverton Exercise Club will be having a bake sale Friday, May 10, starting at 10:00 a.m. at the "Roots, Chutes, Buckets & Boots" store, which is the old Tiffin Department Store building.

If you need something for Mother's Day, come early and support the Cure for Cancer Bake Sale.

All the money raised will go to the American Cancer Society.

Athletic Banquet Will Be May 17

The Athletic Banquet sponsored by the Silverton Booster Club has been scheduled for May 17. All family and friends are invited.

The cost is \$7.50 per person for the meal. You must sign up at the school and pay this fee by Thursday, May 9. The High School and Junior High Athletes' meals will be paid for by the Booster Club.

It is hoped that all can attend to help honor the athletes for their accomplishments.

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Thank-you notes at the Briscoe County News office. 37-tfnc

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SERVICES

SILVERTON AA and Al-Anon Meetings. Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. Call 806-823-2020 or 806-455-1258. 23-tfnc

I will still be baking cakes but will have them at my house. If you need a cake or to place an order, please call and leave a message and your phone number and I will return your call. Juannah, 823-2370.

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New shipment of sympathy cards has arrived at the Briscoe County News. 9-tfnc

GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale Saturday, May 11, 8:00 a.m. until noon only. Bill & DeLane Smith's house, 105 North Main in Silverton. 19-1tc

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Card of Thanks

To the Century of Progress Study Club: We thank you for sharing the Greeting Page donations with us. We always appreciate your concern in our behalf. Thank you to each one who donated to the page.

Sincerely,
Silverton Volunteer
Fire Department

We would like to thank the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department and the Vigo Volunteer Fire Department for coming to our fire on the Eugene Malone place.

Kent and Penny Carpenter

We want to say thank you to each one who had a part in making our loss of Aunt Johnie easier. Many of you did many things for her and for us. For that we say thank you and may God bless each of you.

The family of Mary J. Askey

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Authorized in the
Briscoe County News
For County Judge, Briscoe
County, Texas:

TED KINGERY

Re-election

WAYNE NANCE

For County & District Clerk,
Briscoe County, Texas:

BENA HESTER

Re-election

For County Sheriff, Briscoe
County, Texas:

JEFF FUSTON

Re-election

LANCE STIDHAM

For County Treasurer, Briscoe
County, Texas:

MARY JO BRANNON

Re-election

For Justice of the Peace, Briscoe
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Thanks for your prayers, cards, visits and every act of concern for me when I fell and injured my shoulder. A special thanks to the Silverton Ambulance Service and to Dale, JoDee, Frosty and Jay for getting me to Plainview to the emergency room and to my family for their TLC.

Lola Mae

Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service would like to thank the Century of Progress Study Club for their generous donation which was generated by the public's donations to the Christmas Greeting Page. Donations help our ambulance service to provide quality care to the citizens of Silverton and the surrounding area.

Thank you again,
Silverton Volunteer
Ambulance Service

bit of flag waving--and you can do so in your own words. Computer Software called Your Bumper Sticker Maker makes it easy to design and print personalized messages on quality bumper stickers.

One of America's best-loved poets for children is being honored with special anniversary editions of two of his treasured works. Shel Silverstein touched the hearts of millions with his gentle, caring stories and whimsical verse, *A Light in the Attic* (HarperCollins Children's Books, \$22.95) and *The Missing Piece Meets the Big O* (HarperCollins Children's Books, \$15.95) are both celebrating their 20th anniversary. The former now features a separate CD of 11 poems, performed by Silverstein himself.

An iguana can stay under water for 28 minutes.

Ants stretch when they wake up. They also appear to yawn in a very human manner before taking up the tasks of the day.

Did You Know?

A bumper sticker can be a great way to give the driver in your rear view mirror a chuckle, offer an opinion, state your cause or do a

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Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Tom Craiker, Minister

SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Randy G. Mullin, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
Bible Study/S.S..... 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Ladies Group.....4:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

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

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

SECOND & FOURTH
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.,
Weigh Down Workshop.....7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Tony Boyd, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.
Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY:
In-home Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY:
Unit. Meth. Men..... 6:30 a.m.

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BAPTIST MISSION**

SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF LORETO
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Father Ed Graff, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Mass.....9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.
Junior & Senior
High.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

**ROCK CREEK
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

SUNDAY:
Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

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Armando Davalia, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening..... 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Worship Service..... 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY-SATURDAY:
Prayer Meeting..... 9:00 a.m.

Mother's Special Love

A mother's love and devotion to her child is a God-given gift that is special and unique. When young children fall or get hurt, or when they recite their nightly prayers, or when they just need a hug, it seems that Mother is always there. A mother's role of teaching a child right from wrong, and how to be a good citizen, are valuable lessons that are carried throughout life. No matter how old we get, our mother will always hold a special place in our hearts.

When Christ was scourged and crucified, His mother Mary was at His side. Mary's love and devotion to our Lord is a good example of Motherhood. When Jesus was suffering on the cross, He instructed His disciple, John, to take care of His mother, which demonstrated His deep love and concern for her. By this our Lord has set an example of how we should love and care for our mothers.



Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene..

K.J.V. John 19:25

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Obituary

KENNETH MCGINTY

Services for Kenneth Elwood McGinty, 58, of Plains were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at Plains Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Mr. McGinty died Sunday, May 5, 2002.

He was born May 3, 1944 in Yoakum County. He married Ann Lupton January 21, 1967, in Lubbock. He was graduated from Plains High School and from West Texas State University in 1967. He taught school in Raton, New Mexico and McLean prior to returning to Plains, where he was a farmer and rancher.

He was a member of Plains Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Plains Masonic Lodge and was a former member of the Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Nikki Lynn Raff of Wichita Falls, Kelly Renee Estrada of Littlefield and Ragan Leigh McGinty of Plains; a son, Brandon McGinty of Silverton; two sisters, Sylvia Cayce of Van Alstyne and Kathleen Reynolds of Shamrock; a brother, Alton McGinty of Plains; and one granddaughter.

Don't be afraid of opposition. Remember, a kite rises against, not with, the wind.

--Hamilton Wright Mabie

Work while you have the light. You are responsible for the talent that has been entrusted to you.

--Henri F. Amiel

A strong foe is better than a weak friend. --Edward Dahlberg

Friendship Quilters News & Notes by Bobbye Bean

Nadyne Childress, Ada Clay, Oleta Warren, Ann Norris, Wanda Strange, Joy Stodghill, Bobbye Bean, Sybil King and Nina Martin quilted on Joy's printed quilt. We also put up the quilt to sell tickets on. We hope to make money for the Senior Citizens.

Loyd and Laverne Stephens recently took a ten-day vacation/cruise with their son, Ricky and family.

It is good to have Ada and Oleta back home.

Heifer Age at Puberty Affects Performance

Provided by Brandon McGinty Briscoe County CEA-Ag

How does age at puberty affect performance and economics? Up to a point, not much, according to Montana researchers. They used a dynamic computer simulation and found little effect of increased age at puberty (AP) in heifers on either lifetime weaning weight per cow exposed or herd gross financial margin, as long AP occurred by about 16 months.

Beyond that, performance and economics suffered. Later puberty required saving more heifers over time at AP of 14 months, sustaining cow numbers required a heifer replacement rate of 14% at 16 months AP, the required replacement rate was 24%. Over 16 months AP, cow numbers could not be sustained.

Why didn't earlier AP improve gross margin? Because higher income from having more calves to



Mr. and Mrs. Hurl McCoy will be celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a reception at the Floyd County Unity Center at Muncy June 1, 2002 from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. McCoy and the former Florine Archer were married May 31, 1952 in Silverton, Texas. Their children and spouses are Mike and Patricia Mullin of El Paso, Texas, David and Valerie McCoy of Forney, Texas, Randall and Virginia Stapp of Lockney, Texas. They are blessed with eight granddaughters, one grandson, four great-grandsons and one great granddaughter. Family and friends are invited to attend the reception.

sell was essentially offset by lower income from having fewer open yearling heifers to sell; at 14

Turkey Foundation Presents Terry Smith

From Nashville, Tennessee, Terry Smith was voted by the Traditional Music Association as its Songwriter of the Year in both 1995 and 1996. He wrote "Far Side Banks of Jordan," featured in Robert Duvall's movie. A traditional singer, he has released five albums of original material to date. He writes gospel, ballads, novelty, story songs, honky-tonk and western swing.

Opening act will feature Pat Seigler from Matador. The event will take place Saturday, May 11, at the Gem Theatre in Turkey. Admission is \$8.00. For information, call 806-423-1273.

WEATHER

May Readings at 6:00 a.m.

	Daily		
	High	Low	Precip.
1	93	59	
2	87	43	
3	61	37	
4	83	36	
5	87	50	
6	80	62	
7	95	58	

Total May Precip.	.00
Average April Precip.	3.11
Normal Precip. to Date	6.78
Total 2002 Precip.	3.23
Soil Temperature	57°

Gem, Fossil Mineral Show Is May 18-19

The Golden Spread Gem & Mineral Society will present its annual Fossil, Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show and Sale May 18-19 at the Amarillo Civic Center. There will be jewelry manufacturers and dealers from across America exhibiting minerals, jewelry, wirewrapping, faceting, fossils and gem stone.

There will be working demonstrations. There also will be a Wheel of Fortune where the kids can win fun prizes. Local enthusiasts will be exhibiting interesting displays. Door prizes will be given away hourly.

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Silverton will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on May 13th at City Hall, Silverton, Texas, in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizens participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views and proposals to Lane Garvin, Mayor, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Bluegrass Festival

Flomot, Texas

May 10-11-12, 2002

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Micah 6:8

He has showed you, O man,
 what is good.
 And what does the Lord
 require of you?
 To act justly and to love mercy
 and to walk humbly
 with your God.

Rock Creek Church of Christ

LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

March 26, 1992--Kyle Bean is 2A Girls Basketball Coach of the Year... Creative Playground to be built at Tulia... Owlettes place third at Matador Track Meet... Danny Perkins now involved with Tarrant County 4-H... Kristi Smith's Duroc wins ninth place at Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo, and was purchased by the Ladies' Go Texan Committee. Nancy Edens Grogan purchased the animal on behalf of her organization, and it turns out that she is the daughter of Wanda King Edens, who was valedictorian of Silverton High School's Class of 1931...

April 29, 1982--Running is a family affair for Jeni Denton, regional gold medalist in the metric two-mile event. Five mornings a week she and her father, Rev. Royce Denton, run 2.7 miles before Jeni returns to deliver papers for the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal... Mrs. Dwain Henderson was at the hospital Tuesday morning when her sister, Janie, underwent gall bladder surgery... Winners in a Hot Shot Tournament held last week were Lori Stubblefield, Genie Lavy and Tracy Tomlin, Pee Wee girls; Edward Moreno, Kendal Minyard, Brad Brunson, Wayne Henderson, Bryan Ramsey and Teddy Hubbard, Pee Wee boys; DeLyn Patton, Julia Couch, Mindy Arnold, Wendi Stubblefield, Tonia Perkins, girls; Mitchell Clardy, Jamie Frizzell and Neal Edwards, boys... Shane Reagan was high individual in dairy judging and received the honor of being able to attend the 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M in June. DeLyn Patton was second high individual in junior dairy judging. Todd Reagan was high individual in halter and horse judging and third high individual overall in horse judging. The junior dairy team, Kristy Fogerson, DeLyn Patton, Jamie Frizzell and Suzann Settle, placed second. The senior dairy team, Jim Forbes, Shane Reagan, Tammi Edwards and Alesha Patton, placed third... Mrs. Jim Brooks has been a patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo...

March 23, 1972--Marvin Self earned two more blue ribbons at the Hereford Relays Saturday and broke two discus records. Throwing the discus 166'7 3/4", Self got his best distance so far this season and broke the meet record that had stood since 1969. The throw also broke the Division II record. Self still holds first place on the area track honor roll among the discus throwers from all of the area schools... Eastern Star hosts Masonic Night here Friday... Colene Culwell to marry Gary Layne Williamson... Jena McFall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack

McFall, underwent a tonsillectomy Monday... Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fleming and Wes Fleming spent from Thursday until Sunday visiting Mrs. Josie Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Fleming and boys in Byers...

March 22, 1962--Fire of unknown origin swept the back yard at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Self Friday afternoon and did considerable damage to their redwood fence... L. B. Loudermilk, USN, having distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious performance of duty while serving with JUSMAG Thailand, has been awarded the Army Commendation Medal... Jimmy Don Marshall, junior industrial arts major at West Texas State College, was one of the 48 men who pledged the four national social fraternities on campus during the formal rush week... Ty McMurtry celebrated his sixth birthday Monday afternoon. A group of children enjoyed cake and ice cream, and then were taken to Amarillo to appear on the Kaptain Kidd show on Channel 4. Attending were Mark and Scott Hutsell, Kent Mercer, Butch Brannon, Mikel Griffin, Wendell and Ann Hardin, John Sharp, Ty and Lee Ann McMurtry, Mrs. Jim Mercer and Mrs. Wayne McMurtry... Joel Morris celebrated his fifth birthday Monday... Marsha Iwana Monroe weds David Marshall Miller in pretty home ceremony... Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hardin are parents of a daughter, Marilyn Elaine... Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wayne Mayfield are parents of a daughter, Traci Jeanne...

March 27, 1952--Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hardin announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joyce, to Arlas Cavett, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Cavett of Olton... Olive M. Thornton dies from injuries received in car-truck collision... Mrs. Clarence Anderson hosts March of Time Study Club... Buford Clemmer, who is attending WTSC in Canyon, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clemmer, and attended the funeral of his uncle, Olive Thornton... Mr. and Mrs. Roy Henderson have traded their Locker System in Silverton for an eleven-unit tourist court in Gainesville. Mr. Stinson of Gainesville will be the new owner of the business here... Silverton and Quitaque schools to exchange plays... Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McJimsey were business visitors in Plainview Wednesday... Mr. and Mrs. Wade Welch and Mary were business visitors in Amarillo Tuesday... Mr. and Mrs. Esdell Hutsell and daughter, Janet, visited Sunday in Plainview with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Buchanan... Mrs. Joe Mercer

visited her daughter and baby, Mrs. R. G. Fulton, in Canyon Saturday... Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Chappell and children of Amarillo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chappell, over the weekend... Mrs. A. D. Arnold and Mrs. Carroll Garrison made a business trip to Tulia Monday...

March 19, 1942--The local rationing board this week again joined with the OPM in urging that all excess sugar be returned to local stores before the issuing of the rationing books on R-Day which will be announced soon... Miss Dell Dee McKenney and Arthur H. Phillips were married Sunday, March 15... Miss Petty and Gerald Arnold were married Friday, March 13... Juanita Edwards spent the weekend in Lubbock

Happy Anniversary-

May 10--Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hill

May 12--Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Doug McJimsey

with her father, Andy Edwards... Miss Bess Garner and Mr. and Mrs. Hadaway were in Amarillo Sunday to see Mrs. Tommy Garner... Teresa Crass spent Sunday night with Betty Dickerson... Don, son of Mr. and Mrs. Printz Brown, had his tonsils removed at the Plainview Sanitarium Saturday... Troy West is visiting his brother, Loyd West and family, this week... Roy McMurtry attended the Cattleman's Convention Thursday in Amarillo... Mrs. Arnold Brown and son and Mrs. H. Roy Brown were in Tulia Friday afternoon...

May 13--Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mercer

May 14--Mr. and Mrs. Carl Minyard

Happy Birthday-

May 9--Russell Kennedy, Elzora Gallington, Mitchell Roehr
May 10--Donna Hutsell, Darrell Reynolds, Frank Lowrey, Melissa Estes, Kimberly Oldham, Kina Garrison

May 11--Joni Mayfield, Chance Rhoderick

May 12--Sarah Henderson, Lyndall Couch, Kirk Durham, Derik Roys, Cody Garrison, Bryan Burson

May 13--Floyd Perkins, Lee Ann Todd, Martha Greeson, Mary Ann Rowell, Brianna West

May 14--Michael S. Hill, J. W. Reid, Patricia Lavy, Charlie Parker, LaVerne Mercer, David Self

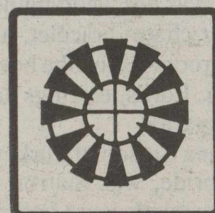
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Letter to the Editor

I don't really know how to start this, but I was very disheartened to find out that two of my uncles that fought for this country didn't know that a person had to serve in the military to be respectful or patriotic enough to fly the flag. Also I had several school teachers who didn't know this either.

When I was in the first grade my teacher would lead us in a salute to the flag and then start our school day with a prayer.

When these two uncles came home on furlough, they always came to our house first. We would spend the night listening to their stories. They would make us stand at attention and salute.

When they would leave, every time our national anthem came on the radio we five children would jump to our feet and salute in respect for those serving and our country. I was only six years old and I don't think I qualified age wise to be in the military.

We have failed somewhere along the line to teach our younger generations to respect their flag, country, soldiers, parents, etc. There are a lot of good youngsters out there who do have and show respect, and I thank God for them.

None of my immediate family is in the military at the present, but I would fly the flag if I had one. Some people may think that I am not patriotic because I don't fly a flag. Believe you me, that is not the reason.

At least four of my great- and great-great-grandfathers fought in wars. Then there were four of my uncles who fought in wars. I have had three nephews, one great-nephew and three nieces who have been in the military, and some still are.

Some of these lost some of their health for you and me, and out of ignorance we say that we had to have served to be entitled to fly a flag. They fought for freedoms, including the freedom to make ignorant statements about flying the flag.

Thank God most of my military family came home to us alive, but many men gave their lives, and for this we should all show respect. They fought for our rights, whether to be respectful or disrespectful, but I know it makes them feel good to see a flag flying out of respect for what they did and were willing to do.

I know some of them felt so bad when they returned from Vietnam and Korea because they were disrespected by those who said it was a police action and not a war. I would like to apologize to them because they were all willing to give their lives for my freedoms and privileges.

Keep flying your flags until someone can show you a law that says you can't.

Sincerely, Joan Roehr



Cotton Market weekly
A Service Provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures on the New York Cotton Exchange settled near a six-month low Thursday after small speculative buyers became a mixed bag of sellers as soon as news that the farm bill had passed the House of Representatives trickled into the marketplace.

Overall, farmers who wanted more income protection from low crop prices welcomed the news; however, the legislation was perceived as bearish by the cotton market this week as U. S. cotton production likely will not shrink under the latest farm bill provisions. Industry observers claim preserving and even expanding the amount of the bill's crop supports for cotton farmers will keep intact a glut in supplies, and prices may have to track lower to force a reduction in plantings.

"This bill will only have a minimal effect on U. S. cotton plantings," one analyst said, adding that crops of 18 to 20 million bales will become the norm over the six-year life of the farm bill.

The problem of ample cotton supplies and sinking demand will be an ongoing concern for the American cotton farmer. Using data from the U. S. Census Bureau, the National Cotton Council projected annualized U. S. cotton consumption at 7.65 million bales during March. A few years ago, U. S. cotton consumption stood at 11 million bales.

"I don't think we're going to get back to that level of consumption," said a cotton broker. "The excess capacity has moved from the U. S. to other countries where costs are much lower."

Most in the industry agree the issue of excess cotton supply will not go away. "That issue has not been addressed by the farm bill," a market watcher said. "That leaves the market to do the job for us."

In other news, worldwide 2002-03 cotton production is projected at 88.9 million bales, compared with the record high of 97.1 million bales estimated for the 2001-02 season, according to the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC).

An ICAC representative said the fall of cotton prices to 29-year lows has reduced planting intentions in the Northern Hemisphere; however, the world cotton area is expected to decline by only four percent due to the sustaining effect of government measures. The committee's report also said the textile industry will be affected positively by better world economic prospects.

"Polyester fiber prices are rising, improving the competitiveness of cotton fiber, and cotton yarn prices are also on the rise, improving the profitability of the spinning industry," ICAC said.

Meanwhile, U. S. export sales continue to be strong. In its weekly report, USDA said net export sales of U. S. cotton for the week ended April 25 totaled 174,000 bales, 70 percent more than the previous week and 77 percent above the four-week average. Major buyers included Turkey, China, Mexico and India. New crop sales of 76,700 bales for delivery in 2002-03 were primarily to Mexico, Indonesia, Hong Kong and Canada.

Export shipments for the same week totaled 186,600 bales, 20 percent below the prior week and 22 percent lower than the four-week average. Primary destinations for delivery were Turkey, Indonesia, Mexico and Taiwan.

Sales also were higher on the spot cotton scene as online sales by Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas

Tanning Health Issues

Provided by Cory Edwards
County Extension Agent-FCS
Texas Cooperative Extension

Summer's almost here and the dangers of tanning are a major concern. Sunshine, the natural source of tanning radiation, has long been known to cause skin damage. But, overexposure to ultraviolet, or UV rays from the sun and tanning bed lamps have been linked to skin cancer. UV rays are just as damaging to the skin, whether they come from natural or man-made sources.

According to the American Cancer Society, melanoma and non-melanoma are the most common forms of skin cancer caused by the UV rays. Figures show melanoma accounts for only four percent of skin cancer cases, but about 79 percent of skin cancer deaths. An estimated 2,200 people will die of non-melanoma skin cancer this year, and 7,400 will die of melanoma. To protect the skin from damage caused by UV rays, stay indoors during the middle of the

producers received a boost in the week ended May 2. The week's 4,427 bales sold were considerably higher than the previous week's sales of 1,623 bales. Prices received by growers selling their cotton online ranged from 25.14 to 32.28 cents per pound compared to a range of 23.25 to 29.30 cents per pound the prior week.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

- Monday, May 13--Pizza, Salad, Bread, Milk, Fruit
- Tuesday, May 14--Burrito, Hot Sauce, Salad, Corn, Milk, Fruit
- Wednesday, May 15--Ham Slice, Macaroni & Cheese, Broccoli, Black-eyed Peas, Hot Roll, Milk, Fruit Cup
- Thursday, May 16--Chicken Fajita, Hot Sauce, Salad, Chips, Milk, Pudding with Fruit
- Friday, May 17--Chili Dog, French Fries, Pickle, Milk, Fruit & Jello

Silverton School Activities

- Thursday, May 9--School Board Meeting, 8:00; Church of Christ Senior Luncheon
 - Friday, May 10--Early Out
 - Monday, May 13--FFA Banquet
 - Tuesday, May 14--Methodist Senior Luncheon, EOC test-Alg. I day--10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- If staying indoors isn't possible, keep in the shade. Wear clothing that covers the body and protect the eyes. Use sunscreen with a SPF of at least 15, and don't use tanning beds or tanning lamps. For more information visit Extension's family and consumer science web site at <http://lcs.tamu.edu> and then click on the link to health and safety.

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Briscoe County News

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Dedication Pays Off for Megan Welch



Meaga Welch, a senior at Amarillo High School, attended a volleyball camp in the fifth grade and became the only little girl who was not given a Future Star Award.

"I'll show them," she said. Meagan began playing volleyball at St. Andrew's Episcopal School as a child. During her years at St. Andrew's she played a variety of sports: basketball, tennis, golf, soccer and volleyball. When she began her freshman year at AHS her competitive spirit grew stronger. She was elected to AHS Student Council, tried out for the volleyball team and became a mem-

ber of BPA (The Business Professionals of America). Meagan dedicated herself to improvement, and with the help of AHS volleyball coach Jan Barker and marillo JOVA Club coach Tony Greystone, she exploded on the court during her junior year. She was awarded the MVP award at the State Tournament, the MVP award for District 5A, and several All-State awards. Things were looking up and scholarship opportunities appeared from all over the South: SMU, TCU, Auburn, Colorado State, Tech and OU (just to name a few).

Meagan's parents, Debbie and John Welch, are both Texas Tech Alumni. They were so proud when

she signed an early commitment to Tech, but they also wanted their daughter to make the best decision for herself. Meagan decided to visit the campus at The University of Georgia in Atlanta, and the rest was history.

"It's perfect. Not too far North, warm and farther from Amarillo than Lubbock," she said. Meagan is excited about her future and is contemplating a Sports Business Management degree at The University of Georgia.

She is the granddaughter of Carrie Dickerson and is the niece of Clinton Dickerson, both of Silverton.

Tulia to Have City Wide Garage Sale

There will be a City Wide Garage Sale in Tulia on Saturday, May 11, in conjunction with the mnthly Tulia Market Square arts and crafts show. There will be City of Tulia maps with the garage sale listings handed out at the Tulia Market Square at 101 E. Broadway (north of the courthouse).

Other festivities include a 10:00 a.m. movie at the Royal Theatre, and a Kids' Pedal Tractor Pull (ages 4-12) at 1:00 p.m. with registration from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.



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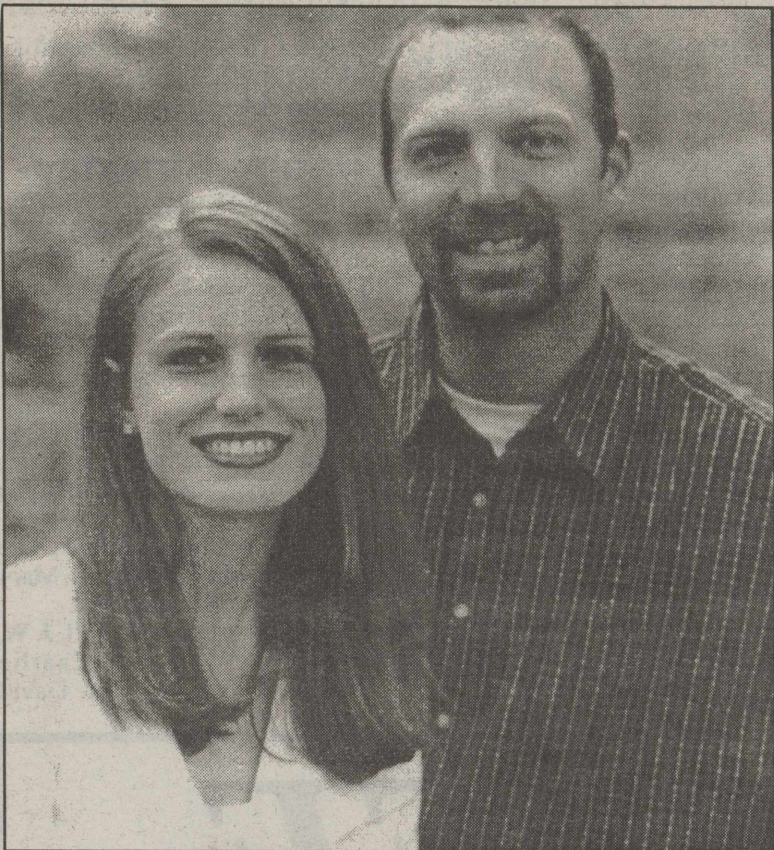
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Mr. and Mrs. Mike Guinn of Lake Charles, Louisiana, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tiffany Michelle, to Jason Scott Dunham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Dunham of Marlin, Texas. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ramie of Mansfield, Louisiana and Mrs. Evie Guinn of Lake Charles. She is a 1998 graduate of A. M. Barbe High School in Lake Charles. She is currently a junior at McNeese University in Lake Charles. Her fiancé is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lanham and the late Mrs. Maxine Morris. He is a 1987 graduate of Marlin High School and is also a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Seminary. He is currently the Minister to Students at Sale Street Baptist Church in Lake Charles. The wedding is planned May 18, 2002 at Sale Street Baptist Church in Lake Charles.

American Cancer Society Organizes Relay For Life

Walkers and runners will go around the clock in the battle against cancer during the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life June 7-8.

Teams of walking or running enthusiasts from all walks of life will gather at the Valley School to show their support in the fight against cancer. Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's community-oriented team event where participants walk or run around a track relay style. When they aren't taking their turn walking, team members camp out and take part in a variety of fun activities.

The first uniforms for letter carriers were authorized by Congress on July 27, 1868.

An advance man who works one day ahead of a circus is called a

If you or your group is interested in performing during the Relay for Life, or if you would like to register a team, participate as a cancer survivor or recognize someone during the evening luminaria ceremony, contact Kyle Fuston, 823-2426 or 823-2289.

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Clay-Edwards Vows Exchanged in Turkey Church Ceremony March 16

Julie Ann Clay and Neal Edwards were united in marriage Saturday, March 16, at the Methodist Church in Turkey, Texas. Rev. Nathan Mulder, pastor of Flomot Baptist Church, performed the double-ring service.

The bride is the daughter of Joe Ike and Anna Beth Clay of Flomot. Edwards is the son of Fred Edwards of Amarillo and Pat and Tommie Rice of Crosbyton. Grandmother of the groom is Mrs. Wileta Ritter of Dalhart.

Prelude and wedding selections were performed by Anita Baldwin of Santa Fe, New Mexico. Kathy Shorter of Flomot was the vocalist, singing "In This Very Room" as the grandmother and parents were seated and "I'll be Here" during the lighting of the unity candle.

Bouquets of fresh multicolored flowers topped white pillars draped with periwinkle and ivory tulle, accented with asparagus fern and flanked by ivory pillar candles, decorated the altar. Escorted by her father, the bride wore a two-piece ivory satin dress with a fitted, bead-encrusted bodice featuring spaghetti straps and a ballroom-style skirt flowing into a semi-cathedral-length train.

She carried a bouquet of periwinkle blue hyacinths and ivory tulips with her Grandmother Clay's handkerchief as the traditional something old. Something new was her wedding dress and a silver charm bracelet, a gift from the groom's son. She borrowed her sister, Lori's, earrings and wore a blue garter.

Tina Carson of Turkey, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were her sister, Lori Kleibrink of Clifton, Starla Lumpkin of Longview, and junior bridesmaid was Kelsey Clay, niece of the bride. They were attired in

two-piece floor-length dresses of periwinkle blue with a lace overlay bodice, and carried multicolored arm bouquets.

The flower girls were Sarah Clay, Karlee Kleibrink and Ryleigh Carson, nieces of the bride. Sarah and Karlee wore identical periwinkle blue dresses. Ryleigh wore an ivory miniature bridal dress and veil. They carried satin and tulle-covered flower baskets made by the bride. Walker Carson, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer, and carried a pillow also made by the bride.

Best man was Brad Wilson of Lubbock and the groom's son, Caden Edwards, was junior best man. Groomsman were Brandon Eddleman of Austin and Burr Barton of Lubbock. Ushers were Connor Stafford, nephew of the groom, of Sweetwater, Tanner Clay of Turkey and Kyler Kleibrink of Clifton, nephews of the bride.

A reception was held at the historical Gem Theatre in Turkey. It was beautifully decorated with greenery, tulle, white lights, candles and flowers. Both the bride and groom's cakes were made by the bride's sister, Lori. The bride's cake was a white triple-tiered cake decorated with a cornelli lace design and accented with fresh flowers. The groom's cake was a two-tiered German chocolate cake, also with cornelli lace design and chocolate dipped strawberries. Tammi Stafford, sister of the groom, Cindy Calvert, Christi Milam and Keri Sehon, cousins of the bride, were servers.

Serving at the food tables were Peggy, Tiffany, Kim and Emily Woods.

Fred Edwards, Tommie and Pat Rice, parents of the groom, hosted a rehearsal dinner Friday, March

15, at the Methodist Church in Turkey. The Sportsman Cafe catered the chicken and fajita dinner. Tables were decorated with white candles and streamers. The head table was decorated with a floral arrangement with floating candles, candles and streamers.

After a honeymoon cruise to Cozamel and Grand Cayman, they will make their home in Lubbock.

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