

All Around

The Town

BY MARY ANN SARCHET



Carrie Dickerson has planned a Memorial Day Program for 11:00 a.m. Monday, May 27, at the Silverton Cemetery.

Each year there are a good many visitors from out of town who come here to decorate the graves of their loved ones. It is hoped that a good group of local residents will attend to remember their own loved ones and to visit with those who will have come home for this occasion.

The program will open with the group singing of the national anthem. Those present will be welcomed by James Edwards, president of the Silverton Cemetery Association. There will be a prayer after which John and Maebelle Francis will present a narration and song.

Edwin Norris will be the Memorial speaker, and John and Maebelle Francis will conclude the program with a song. The playing of Taps will close the program.

Bradley Brunson received the award for Defensive Most Valuable Player at Eastern New Mexico University. This caps his collegiate career as he receives his diploma and remains in the athletic department as an assistant.

His wife, the former Julie Graham, is continuing to complete the requirements for her degree.

## Cloggers To Perform At Quitaque June 1

The Route 66 Cloggers will be performing in Quitaque June 1, helping celebrate National Trails Day.

Catch the Cloggers on Main Street. Shows will be at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

This is a free public presentation.

## Matt Cannon Returns To Tulia High School

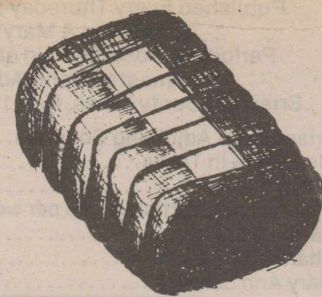
Matt Cannon, 15-year-old son of Monty and Kerri Cannon and grandson of Fred and Vivone Arnold, has returned to his studies at Tulia High School after suffering a fall from the roof of the Boy Scout Hut which almost cost him his life.

It has been a very stressful time for the entire family since Matt fell on April 6. His family stayed with him during the long days he spent in intensive care when doctors couldn't promise that Matt would survive the accident.

Matt can't do everything he could before the accident, but his teachers have worked to make his transition back into school as smooth as possible. He will be continuing to work toward a recovery that doctors expect to be 98% complete.



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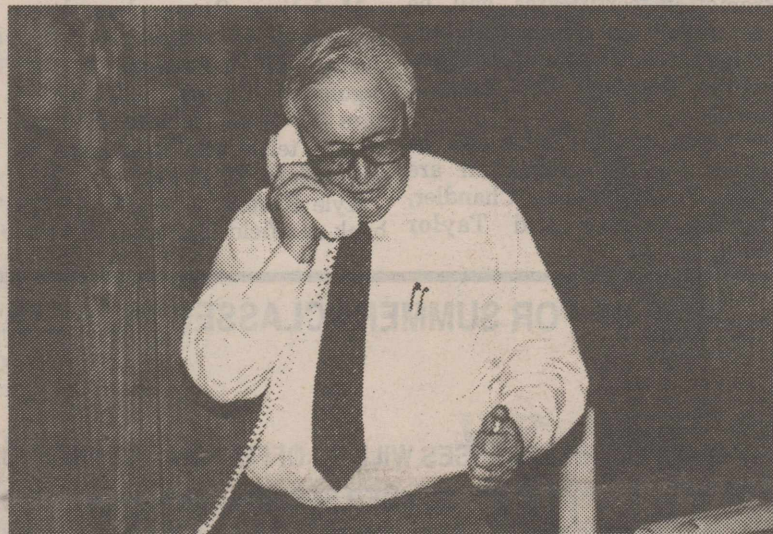


# Briscoe County News

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1996

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## Class of 1996 To Receive Diplomas



Jack Strange retired as the executive officer of First State Bank last week, but will continue to be on the bank's board of directors. He had completed 46 years of service at the bank.

## Bank Ownership Changed Here May 16

Ownership of First State Bank in Silverton changed on May 16 and some retirements have accompanied this.

The bank is now owned by West Texas National Bancshares, Inc., which also owns First National

Bank in Lockney. First State Bank will be left as an independent state-chartered bank.

Jack Strange, who had been the See **BANK OWNERSHIP** — Continued on Page Two



Madeline Stone, Morris Wilcox

Class of 1996 of Silverton High School will receive diplomas in commencement exercises beginning at 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 24, in the school auditorium.

Members of the class are Molly Dorn Bomar, Benjamin Heath Braddock, Lori Michelle Brannon, Jeremiah J. Brooks, Maria Jesusita Castillo, Cy Douglas Comer, John Louis Hall, Jonathan Zebediah Holt, Dedra Lynn Johnston, Kara Rane Kingery, Johnny Greg Leal, Vanessa LeAnn Martin, Patrick Joseph O'Neal, Lana Jo Patino, Phil Patino, Kristi Sue Smith, Christina Darlene Stephens and Shannon Lee Weaver. Misses Bomar, Martin and Weaver are members of the National Honor Society.

The processional and recessional marches will be played by Mary Ann Rauch. The invocation will be given by Perry Brunson, president of the board of trustees, and Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner will give the benediction. Mr. Kirchoffner will open the program with remarks and introduction of the speaker, Rev. Jess Little, pastor of First Baptist Church.

Salutatory address will be given by Shannon Weaver, and Vanessa Martin will present the valedictory.

Awards will be presented by Principal Sheryl Weaver, and diplomas will be awarded by Mr. Kirchoffner and Mr. Brunson.

The class song, "You Learn," will be sung by the graduates.

Class officers are Vanessa Martin, president; Molly Bomar, vice president; Lori Brannon, secretary; Shannon Weaver, treasurer. Patsy Towe has been the class sponsor.

Ushers from the junior class will be Kimmie Blazier, Isabel Patino, Lori Chandler, Heidi Tiffin, Brandon Sarchet, Billy Edwards, Arnold Garza and Jim Myers.

## Pool Membership Drive Underway Now

Anyone interested in joining the Silverton Pool this summer may pay \$150.00 for dues. Dues may be paid in full May 23 or in two payments of \$75.00 with the second payment due July 1.

If you have been a member in the past and want to become a member again, please contact Leigh Ann Dutton or Missy Forbes for more information.

It will be a great way to beat the heat!

The Silverton swimming pool will open Thursday, May 23, and the hours will be 2:00 until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

The pool is closed on Mondays.

## Helicopter Rides Coming To Quitaque

Have a thrilling experience viewing the beautiful, scenic Caprock Canyons on June 1, National Trails Day, in Quitaque.

The four-passenger helicopter will take you to experience a view of the area from the air.

## BCAA To Meet At Showbarn Tonight

Members of Briscoe County Activities Association will have their regular meeting tonight (Thursday) at 8:00 p.m. at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Everyone is invited to attend. New members are welcome at any meeting.

## Make Your County Librarian Happy!

Make your County Librarian happy by returning your overdue books. No fines, just thank yous.

Library hours are Tuesday mornings from 8:30 until 11:30; Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 until 5:00.

If you cannot come during library hours, books will be picked up by librarian. Call 847-2662.

Parents, remind your readers that Summer Reading Club starts June 4.

## Treasure Hunt Set at Quitaque Quail Lodge

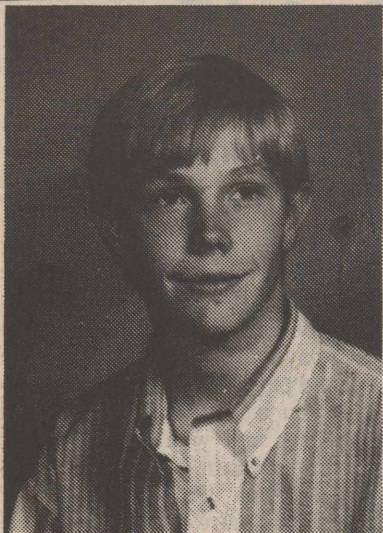
Wander through the treasures exhibited at the Quitaque Quail Lodge as you celebrate National Trails Day Saturday, June 1, in Quitaque.

Join The BCAA

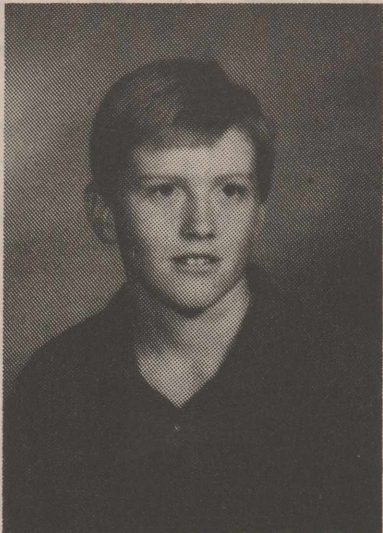


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Jordan Sarchet



Nathan Francis

## Eighth Grade Names Top Graduates Here

According to an announcement made last week, Jordan Sarchet and Nathan Francis are graduating from the eighth grade as the highest-ranking students this year.

Sarchet is the valedictorian with a scholastic average of 95.458. He is the son of Ken Sarchet and Jonann Sandvig.

Francis is the salutatorian with an average grade of 95.083. He is the son of Barry and Michelle Francis.

Lisa Comer, daughter of Larry and Cindy Comer, is the highest ranking girl in the class with an average of 91.700.

Daniel Reagan has posted a grade average of 91.583. He is the son of David and Sheila Reagan.

Sarchet enjoys UIL competition, won the junior high district boys singles in tennis, and plays football, basketball and track. He enjoys roller blading, camping and going to basketball camps. He is a member of the Silverton United Methodist Church.

Francis has been an outstanding baseball player and enjoys UIL competition, camping, football, track, swimming and basketball. He has attended singing schools and basketball camps. He is a member of Rock Creek Church of Christ, 4-H and Scouts.

There are 23 members of the eighth grade class who will be receiving their promotion certificates at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, in the school auditorium. They are Heather Bowling, Charlie Bomar, Lisa Comer, Vince Cruz, Kayla Davis, Lori Edwards, Nathan Francis, Maribel Garcia, Dara Johnston, Mickey Juarez, Sara Kirchoffner, Deysi Marquez, Sharel McMurtrey, Misti Mattheus, Ryan Minyard, Ana Pena, Daniel Reagan, Vanessa Reyna, Jordan Sarchet, Paul Segura, D. D. White, Kenda Wood and Tyra Younger.

Cy Comer, president of the Student Council, will be the graduation speaker. The

### The Congregation of the CHURCH OF CHRIST Meeting at Rock Creek

Extends a Gracious Welcome to All To Attend Any and All of Our Services.

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

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Evening ..... 8:00 p.m.

## Bank Ownership — Continued From Page One

president and chairman of the board of directors, has retired.

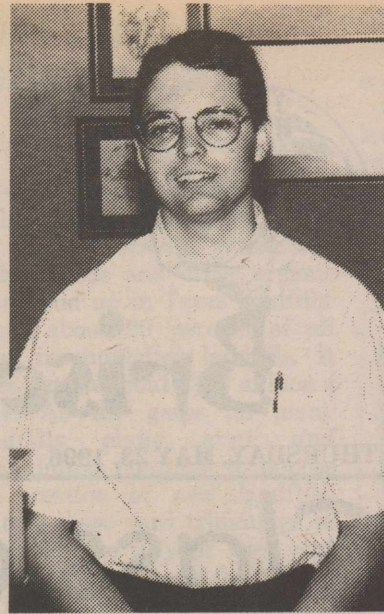
Earlier, the retirements of Lura Brown and Steve Jarnagin had been announced. Mrs. Brown had served as a teller and bookkeeper and Jarnagin had been the bank's cashier.

The next executive officer is Morris Wilcox who has been in banking since 1984. He was with Farmers State at Hart, was an examiner for Texas Department of Banking and was Branch Manager of the Dimmitt Branch of First Bank of Muleshoe. He is the executive vice president of

professional and recessional marches will be played by Lindsey Jennings.

The invocation will be given by Barry Francis, and Rick Minyard will give the benediction. Promotion certificates will be presented by Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner, and Principal Sheryl Weaver will present awards.

Seventh graders who will be ushers for the graduation are Tyler Young, Vance Chandler, Brooke Garvin and Taylor Griffin.



Kyle Fuston

First State Bank in Silverton and has been elected to the board of directors. He has bought a home and will be moving here soon.

Madeline Stone has been promoted to cashier and her duties will include filling out regulatory reports and making sure the books balance. She has been a teller and bookkeeper at the bank for 20 years.

Kyle Fuston is coming to the bank as a field representative and

will be helping with farm inspections. He will be a bookkeeper and teller. He is a young man from Turkey who has lived in Silverton for the past several years. He is married to the former Amy Ramsey and they have two children.

Ronnie Hardin is acting president of the bank, and Jim Doucette is chairman of the board. Directors are David Tipton, Morris Wilcox, Ronnie Hardin, Jim Doucette, Jack Strange, Mark Hodges and Robert Wilson.

"Change is inevitable, but we want to continue to provide fast, friendly service and will do our best to work with the farmers and small businesses," Wilcox said. "We want to encourage everyone to attend our Customer Appreciation Day on June 3."

## Tax Office To Be Closed On May 24

The office of Tax Assessor-Collector Betty Stephens will be closed at noon on Friday, May 24.

Please arrange your business so you will not be inconvenienced by this closing. 20-2tn

The Chamber Need You!

## SIGN UP FOR SUMMER I CLASSES WITH CLARENDON COLLEGE

THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED AT CLARENDON COLLEGE FOR THE FIRST

SUMMER SESSION MAY 28- JULY 5, 1996

1401	TTH 6-10 p.m.	CIS 205 01	<u>PRIN OF COMP INF SYS</u>	4 HRS	Ewing
2801	TBA 6-10 p.m.	DEV MOO 01	<u>SELF PACED MATH</u>		Noble
2802	TBA 6-10 p.m.	DEV ROO 01	<u>SELF PACED READING</u>		Noble
2803	TBA 6-10 p.m.	DEV WOO 01	<u>SELF PACED WRITING</u>		Noble
4000	MW 6-10 p.m.	GOV 213 01	<u>AMERICAN GOV</u>	4 HRS	Staff
5401	TTH 6-10 p.m.	HST 213 01	<u>AMER. HIS 1500-1865</u>	3 HRS	Williams
5500	M-TH 8-12 a.m.	MTH 113 01	<u>COLLEGE ALGEBRA</u>	3 HRS	Perryman

THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED IN CHILDRESS MAY 28- JULY 5, 1996

400	MW 6-10 p.m.	BIO 224 01	<u>GENERAL BOTANY</u>	4 HRS	Lowrie
	LAB TBA -		<u>GENERAL BOTANY LAB</u>		
1400	MW 6-10 p.m.	CIS 205 01	<u>PRIN. OF COMP. INF. SYS.</u>	4 HRS	Evans
	LAB TBA -		<u>PRIN. COMP. INF. SYS. LAB</u>		
7801	MW 6-10 p.m.	CRJ 113 01	<u>INTRO CRIMINAL JUSTICE</u>	3 HRS	Buckley
7802	TTH 6-10 p.m.	CRJ 223 01	<u>FUNDMTLS OF CRIM LAW</u>	3 HRS	Griffin
2900	TTH 6-10 p.m.	ECO 213 01	<u>PRINC OF ECONOMICS I</u>	3 HRS	Jones
3000	TTH 6-10 p.m.	ENG 113 01	<u>ENG COMP &amp; RHETOR I</u>	3 HRS	Sanders
3002	MW 6-10 p.m.	ENG 123 01	<u>ENG COMP &amp; RHETOR II</u>	3 HRS	Sanders
3901	TTH 6-10 p.m.	FAA 110 01	<u>INTRO TO FINE ARTS</u>	3 HRS	Anglin
4100	TTH 6-10 p.m.	GOV 213 01	<u>AMER NAT'L GOV</u>	3 HRS	Nippert
5600	TTH 6-10 p.m.	MTH 113 01	<u>COLLEGE ALGEBRA</u>	3 HRS	Anglin
6701	MW 6-10 p.m.	PSY 204 01	<u>CHILD PSYCHOLOGY</u>	3 HRS	Jones
7401	TTH 6-10 p.m.	SOC 243 01	<u>INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY</u>	3 HRS	Jones
7500	TTH 6-10 p.m.	SPEC 113 01	<u>PUBLIC SPEAKING</u>	3 HRS	Anglin

CLASSES OFFERED IN MEMPHIS INCLUDE:

1200	TTH 5:30-9:30p.m.	CHM 114 01	<u>GEN. CHEMISTRY I</u>	4 HRS	Wiginton
	LAB TBA		<u>GEN CHEMISTRY LAB</u>		

To register for one of the many summer classes offered by Clarendon College, you must have a copy of your high school or college transcript, GED certificate or a letter of permission from high school principal or counselor. Payment is expected at time of registration.

Registration will be held:  
 CLARENDON: Administration Bldg M-F, 8-12 a.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. for any summer courses  
 CHILDRESS: Childress High School - Thurs, May 23 at 5:30 p.m.  
 WELLINGTON: Wellington High School - Wed., May 22 at 5:30 p.m.  
 MEMPHIS: Night of first class.



THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1996  
**LOOKING BACK**

through the files of the  
 Briscoe County News

May 22, 1986--This year's valedictorian of the graduating class of Silverton High School is Donna Tomlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Tomlin, with a four-year average of 96.212. Salutatorian is Kristy Fogerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fogerson, with an average of 95.800 . . . Beneficial 1.68-inch rain falls on Silverton area . . . Texas Wagon Train to camp at Brice May 23 . . . John Bowman has been appointed to the Silverton City Council to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Riley Harris . . . Jimmy Burson, John Francis, Russell Bingham and Clifton Stodghill to present musical entertainment at the Texas Wagon Train camp . . . Mrs. Gary (Cathey) Weaks and Scott Bowman received degrees Saturday in commencement exercises at West Texas State University . . .

May 20, 1976--Senior weightman Marvin Self received the Tommy Bryant Memorial Award, symbolic of being West Texas State's outstanding trackman, Tuesday night at the squad's annual get-together in Palo Duro Canyon. Self is the defending Missouri Valley discus champion . . . Mrs. D. H. Davis wins quilt design contest . . . Mrs. Joyce Mercer received the master of education degree at West Texas State University's Spring Commencement Exercises May 15. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Thomas . . . Silverton Mayor Fred Mercer placed the first Direct Distance Dialing call after the cutover to the new equipment Friday of last week . . . Mrs. F. E. Hutsell, retiring president of Century of Progress Study Club, was presented an engraved silver tray in appreciation for her service during her two years as president of the club . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schott are parents of a daughter, Karen . . .

May 19, 1966--Eighth grade honor graduates are Jimmy McWilliams, with an average of 93.87, and Gary Martin, with a 93.17 average. Roy Dale Garrison was the third highest-ranking student with a grade average of 93. . . Larry Elms is a candidate for the bachelor of science degree in mathematics. He majored in both mathematics and government while a student at West Texas State University. After graduation, Elms plans to do graduate work at West Texas State in government. He has received an assistantship and will be teaching two courses in government there next year . . . Luncheon honors Mrs. O. C. Rampley, president of Century of Progress Study Club . . . Crockett Grabbe won fifth place in number sense at the Class A State Meet in Austin . . . L. O. A. Junior Study Club's pressbook won first place in the state in judging recently. The book was bound in an

attractive hand-tooled leather cover laced with brown which was made by Mrs. Katherine Stephens . . . "Pink Panther" is theme of Junior-Senior Banquet . . . Dick Bomar has been a patient at Swisher Memorial Hospital since suffering a heart attack on Wednesday evening of last week .

May 24, 1956--'Hoppers marching in Briscoe . . . Mrs. Merle Graham is hostess to 1925 Study Club in the home of Mrs. Alton Steele . . . Hank Brown arrived here several days ago to begin work in his crops . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Self are parents of a son, David Lee . . . Ben Bingham and Richard Wayne Toler are at Crowell this week working in the wheat harvest. Mrs. Bingham and Benny and Archie Ray Martin spent the weekend there . . . Mmes. H. C. Mercer and J. E. Minyard were in Plainview Monday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olive and sons spent the weekend here with his mother and sister, Mrs. T. G. Olive and Betty . . . Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt attended a Bankers' Convention in Dallas Sunday through Tuesday of last week . . . Milt Jasper and daughter, Mrs. Billy Gene Toler, were in Tulia Monday on business . . . Messrs. and Mmes. Dee McWilliams and C. L. McWilliams were in Amarillo Sunday . . . Mrs. Elmer Vaughan, Mrs. Veral Vaughan and Mrs. Mabel Welch were visitors with Mrs. John Vaughan last Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Perry Whittemore and W. P. left for Dallas Sunday morning to attend the State Democratic Convention . . . Mrs. Jim Clemmer and James were in Plainview Saturday . . .

June 6, 1946--George Long entered the service March 27, 1944 and saw service in Japan, and his brother, Minyard, served at Leyte and Manila after entering the Navy July 18, 1944 . . . Pvt. Wilbert J. Hyatt is at William Beaumont General Hospital, one of the Army's largest, at El Paso. At present he is completing his basic medical training at Fort Bliss . . . Lynden E. Stephens recently received his discharge from the Navy at the separation center at Terminal Island, San Francisco, California. When he enlisted in the Navy October 10, 1942, he was working as a mechanic for Consolidated . . . Harvest in Silverton area into full swing this week . . . Winona Francis is bride of Cecil Franks on May 31 . . . Mrs. Conrad Alexander was hostess Tuesday afternoon to members of the LTD Club. Guess whats were presented to Mrs. Johnnie Lanham and Mrs. T. T. Crass . . . Erma Lee May left Saturday for Lubbock to enter nurses training at Lubbock Memorial Hospital . . . Bonnie Dell Chappell was in Plainview last week to help teach in the Vacation Bible School at Wayland College . . . Gerald, Gene and John Arthur Arnold spent the weekend in Midland . . . Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rampley, who are attending West Texas State College, spent several days here this week visiting relatives . . .

May 21, 1936--F. A. Pietzsch of the northwest part of Briscoe

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County, passed away at the sanitarium in Little Rock, Arkansas May 19 after an operation for intestinal trouble from which he had been suffering for about six months. Mr. Pietzsch was an old timer in Briscoe County, having moved here in 1891 . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Sunday--Well it looks like it might rain, and good reason too. Finley White's straw hat seemed to have lost its influence

on the weather so I brought out the white shoes and had the car washed to boot . . . Joe Alexander is driving a new 1936 Chevrolet. Saw him go by a bit ago, and he looked real nice in it. Chin held a trifle high perhaps--sun was in his eyes I guess . . . Three storks were talking over their day's work. 'Well, I did a good day's work,' said the first. 'I took a pair of twins down to Mr. Smith's house.' 'I did better than that,' said the

second stork. 'I took a set of triplets over to Mr. Jones' house.' 'Well,' said the third stork, 'I didn't do much work but boy I had a lot of fun. I flew real low over the school house, and scared the teachers about half to death' . . . The fire boys headed by Chief Theron Crass attended a fire meeting. They heard a rumor that

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**CUSTOMER  
 APPRECIATION  
 DAY**

**First State Bank  
 Silverton**



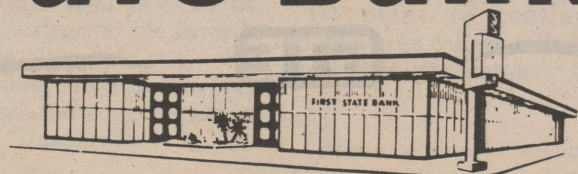
**Monday,  
 June 3**

**11:00 a.m.  
 to  
 2:00 p.m.**

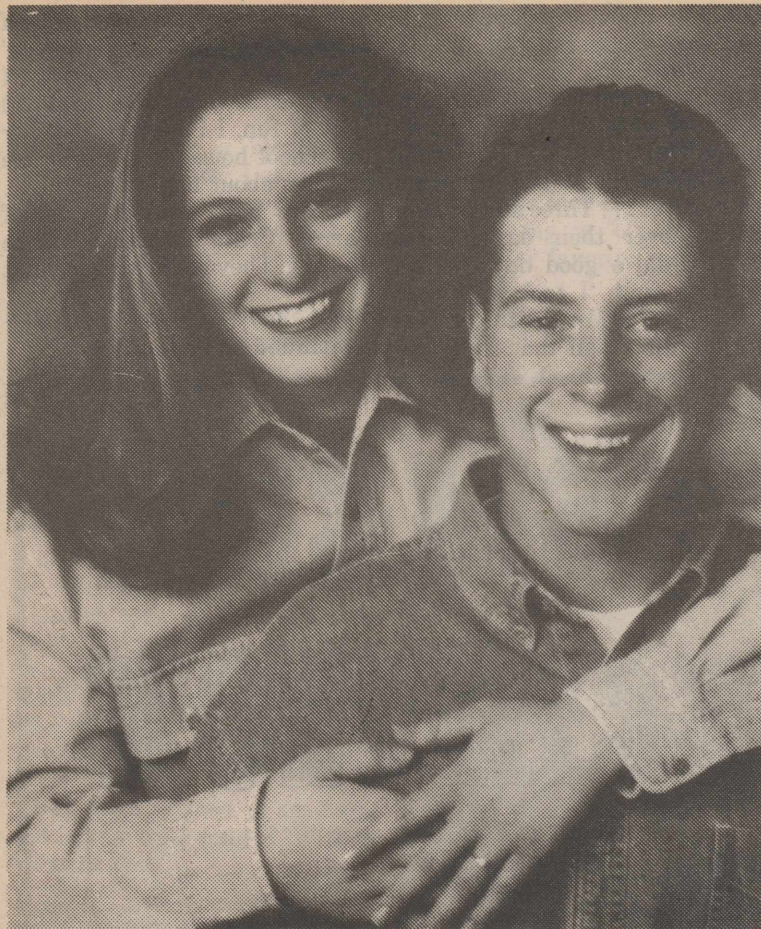
"SMALL TOWN FRIENDLY — SMALL TOWN PROUD"

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Mr. and Mrs. Gary N. House of Levelland announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Page Elaine, to John Robin Wylie-Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Glen Watkins of Lubbock and Cleon Wylie of Amarillo. The couple will marry June 22 at the Sixth and Gaines Church of Christ in Tulia. The bride-elect, a graduate of Levelland High School, will attend Texas Tech University in the fall. She is employed in the Micro-biology Department at Texas Tech. Her fiancé is a graduate of Muleshoe High School, attended South Plains College and will attend Texas Tech in the fall. He is employed by Builders Square in Lubbock. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Francis of Silverton.

### Girl Scout Day Camp Planned Here in June

A Girl Scout Day Camp program has been planned Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 17-19, at the Silverton United Methodist Church from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon each day.

Theme of the camp is "Special Effects". This is a program for all girls ages 5-12 who will be invited to experience three days of fun experimenting with cooking, arts and crafts, songs, games and much more. The cost of the program is \$20.00 per girl, which includes membership in the Girl Scout movement, all activities, a T-shirt and a patch.

To register for "Special Effects," complete a registration form and mail to Janice Sutton, Caprock Girl Scouts, 2567 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423, or call 800-530-4957.

Registration deadline is June 13, 1996.

### Chamber Welcomes New Residents Here

Silverton Chamber of Commerce is welcoming several new residents to Silverton.

These include Claude, Clay and Sharyl McMurtrey; Wendell, Gina and Curtis Reed, and Morris Wilcox.

The Chamber hopes you will be very happy in Silverton!

### Happy Birthday To . . .

- May 23--Lyndell Ivory
- May 24--Liz Griffin
- May 25--Curt Garrison, Jim Davis, Drew Reed
- May 26--Matt Whittington, Lori Brannon, Barry Francis, Donna Rowell, Gary Storie, Jeri Parker
- May 27--Joe Ted Edwards, Vance Farley, Vaughnell Brannon
- May 29--Neil Turner, Lottie Clemmer, Travis Sweet

### Happy Anniversary To . . .

- May 23--Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison
- May 24--Mr. and Mrs. Lance Stidham
- May 25--Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Burson, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Scott Cordell
- May 26--Mr. and Mrs. Ken Yates
- May 28--Mr. and Mrs. Brett Gill, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cogdell
- May 29--Mr. and Mrs. Monty Roehr, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Edwards



Calvin Shelton (left) and Elton Cantwell (right) discussed Silverton's telephone service with Danny Johnson, manager of Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, last week during the informational meetings that were held here.

## GTE Sells Silverton Exchange To Mid-Plains Rural Telephone

GTE is selling approximately 413 telephone lines in the Silverton telephone exchange to Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., effective May 31.

Under terms of the agreement, Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative will provide telephone service to customers in Silverton.

"We are working diligently with our counterparts at Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative to insure a smooth transition," said Kathy Harless, GTE regional president.

The property sale is part of GTE's previously announced strategic effort to trade or sell a small percentage of local exchange properties in markets that may be of greater long-term value to other telephone service providers.

Both GTE and Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative are keeping customers informed of the change by mail, advertisements and media releases.

All telephone services will continue without interruption. Current policies and procedures will remain in effect. Customers will no longer be able to use their GTE calling card after May 31.

Customers who pay their bill by check should make their check payable to Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative after May 31, instead of GTE.

The Silverton telephone exchange, originally a part of Panhandle Telephone Company,

was among the original properties of 10 telephone companies that joined to form State Telephone Company July 1, 1926. State Telephone became a part of Southwestern Associated Telephone Company on April 1, 1931. Southwestern Associated was changed to General Telephone Company of the Southwest (now GTE Southwest) in July 1952 to achieve closer identification with the General Telephone System, now GTE Corporation, with which it had been affiliated since 1935.

With revenues of \$20 billion in 1995, GTE is one of the largest publicly held telecommunications companies in the world. GTE is also the largest U. S.-based local telephone company and a leading cellular-service provider—with wireline and wireless operations that form a market area covering more than one third of the country's population.

### Letter to the Editor

Hi Folks!

Just a note with my renewal check to let you know that you do a great job with the paper. I really enjoy your "All Around the Town" column.

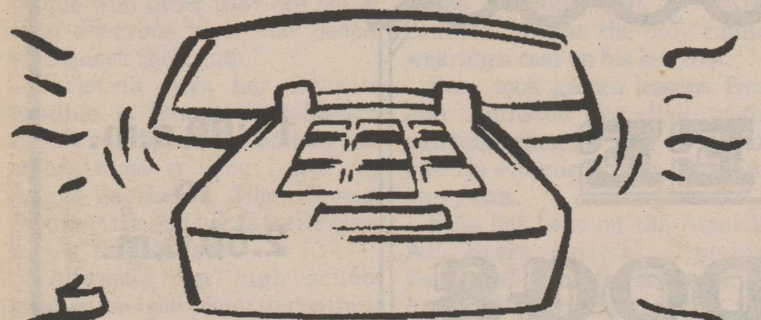
I look forward to seeing everyone in August; if the Lord's willing, I'll be home for our 50th year class reunion. (We're all so young for that!)

Love,  
Clenda



Approximately 75 percent of all Canadians live within 150 miles of the United States.

BEFORE WE SAY GOOD-BYE, WE'D LIKE YOU TO SAY HELLO TO SOME NEW FRIENDS.



After May 31, 1996, GTE will no longer be your telephone company. But don't worry, you'll be well taken care of. At that time, Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will purchase the Silverton exchange.

Watch your mail and check the news media to learn more about the change. We appreciate the opportunity we've had to serve you.



*Lisa Schott*

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Sat. by appointment  
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Home 823-2502  
Work 823-2555



## Accelerated Reader Program Has Been Very Successful

The Accelerated Reader program was very successful for the first year of implementation in the Silverton Public School Library. A total of 8,421 points were earned by the students. Points for each grade were as follows:

First Grade	359.7
(The first graders did not begin until second semester!)	
Second Grade	552.5
Third Grade	453.6
Fourth Grade	815.1
Fifth Grade	1436.2
Sixth Grade	1314.1
Seventh Grade	652.3
Eighth Grade	718.9
Ninth Grade	396.3
Tenth Grade	705.6
Eleventh Grade	506.9
Twelfth Grade	295.3

All the students did well in the program. High-point person in each class was:

1st-Vincent Martinez	47.1
2nd-Gid Mayfield	137.2
3rd-Josh Manning	109
4th-Daryl-Ann Reynolds	180.6
5th-Bryn Mayfield	309.8
6th-Jr. Gonzales	304.0
7th-Diana Garza	118.6
8th-Jordan Sarchet	138.2
9th-Destiny Ivory	181.7
10th-Irene Gonzales	2231.4
11th-Jim Myers	239.7
12th-Maria Castillo	77.8

All students earning 100 points were rewarded with "I am AR Star" T-shirts. Students scoring over 200 points received \$25 savings bonds at the awards assembly. These students were Kassie Strange, Lauren Van Horn, Irene Gonzales, Jim Myers, Jr. Gonzales, Bryn Mayfield.

Vincent Martinez received an "Accelerated Reader" soccer ball for the points he scored in one semester.

Amy Maciel and Danielle Netro were recognized as newest 100 point scorers.

We had a lot of fun with the Accelerated Reader this year, said Librarian Shelley Brock. I feel the motivation to read was extremely high. The students were rewarded with all types of prizes and the drawings we had were fun.

Plans are already being made for next fall's Accelerated Reader. New books will arrive this summer and we will be ready to begin next year's program the first full week of school. We are expecting an assortment of new titles. Complete book sets that have been ordered include Agatha Christie Mysteries for reading levels 6-8 and the Arch Bible Stories for reading levels 1-3, Mrs. Brock added.

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1	82	41	
2	74	45	
3	87	43	
4	97	52	
5	93	56	
6	76	54	
7	93	56	
8	98	66	
9	96	66	
10	95	66	
11	71	52	
12	76	48	
13	84	52	
14	73	60	
15	97	61	
16	101	64	
17	101	65	
18	99	68	
19	100	68	
20	103	68	
21	83	59	
Total May Precip. .00			
Normal May Precip. 3.11			
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Normal Precip. 6.78			
Year to Date 73°			
Soil Temperature 73°			

The term "karat" indicates the proportion of solid gold in an alloy based on a total of 24 parts. Therefore, 14-karat gold indicates a composition of 14 parts of gold and ten parts of other metals.

## LOOKING BACK—


Continued From Page Three sandwiches and beer were going to be served and lo, and behold! the attendance from Silverton was almost 100 percent-with the exception of the fire marshal... Ernest Davis purchased a new F-20 Farm-All from Tull Implement Company for use on his farm southeast of Silverton... Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele attended a family reunion in the John Lee Francis home Sunday...

February 11, 1926-- New contract with Denver is here for signing... E. L. Evans asks for Sheriff and Tax Collector office... R. E. Brookshier announces for re-election... Work progressing on Texas Utilities building here... Poultry Association recently organized here... At a meeting of merchants here recently an organization to be known as the Retail Merchants Association was formed. N. M. Lawler was elected president and H. M. Bowers, vice president, and Miss Iris Mae Fox, secretary. The following are on the board of directors: Roscoe Fort, R. E. Douglas, H. R. Brown, H. M. Bowers and N. M. Lawler... Grady Burson is putting in a modern confectionary in the building formerly occupied by the Style Shop... Jim Bomar took his brother-in-law, Frank Driver, and family to the train at Tulia Wednesday. The Drivers are returning home after a visit of several weeks... Several musicians met at Grover Harris' Saturday night and enjoyed some good music... R. E. Brookshier was in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday visiting his wife who is recovering from an operation at

the Northwest hospital... Kempas Thompson and Ronald Anderson have been neither tardy nor absent this school year... Students of the seventh grade

who were exempt on three or more mid-term examinations were Harry Bowers, William Kincannon, Daphene Crowe, Eugene Dickerson, Fadean Lee,

Fred Biffle, Elva Pyeatt, George Snapka, Lavaca Moore, Eural Vaughan, Jack Wright, Ivy Strange, Hazel Forte and Frankie Pearl Formby...

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## CONGRATULATION



Vanessa LeAnn Martin

Vanessa LeAnn Martin is the daughter of Gary and Ramona Martin. She has brown hair and eyes, and stands 5'6" tall. Her birthday is July 17.

She says that the person who has influenced her life most is "my Grandad, the kindest man I've ever known."

Ramona is graduating as the valedictorian of Silverton High School's Class of 1996. She has been on the honor roll all four years, and has been included in Who's Who Among American High School Students four years. She was a member of National Honor Society the last three years, during which she served as vice president this year and as treasurer last year.

She was chosen as Friendliest her sophomore year, and Most Dependable and Class Favorite her senior year. She was elected to Who's Who this year.

She is a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, which she served as secretary this year.

She has participated in UIL competition four years, qualifying for Regional in spelling/vocabulary three years. She was in the UIL One-Act Play this year.

Vanessa was in the Speech Club Play her sophomore year.

She has been in Pep Squad four years and participated in track and basketball her freshman year. She was manager her sophomore year.

Vanessa played Powder Puff Football this year.

She has served her class as president her freshman, junior and senior years.

Awards Vanessa has won include National English Merit Award, four years; Perfect Attendance, freshman, junior and senior years; All-American

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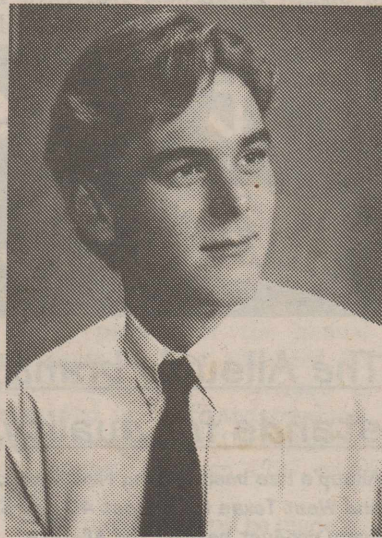
Shannon Weaver

Shannon Weaver is the daughter of Sheryl and Max Weaver and is graduating as the salutatorian of the Class of 1996. She has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 5'3" tall. Her birthday is February 9.

She was chosen as Most Likely to Succeed this year and was elected to Who's Who her freshman, sophomore and junior years. She was chosen for four years to be included in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Shannon has been a member of the Annual Staff the past three years, and has served as co-editor

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Cy Douglas Comer

Cy Douglas Comer is the son of Larry and Cindy Comer. He is graduating as the highest-ranking boy in the Class of 1996. His birthday is January 11. He has brown eyes and blonde hair, and stands 6'½" tall.

Cy has been chosen as Who's Who, Fall Festival King and Class Favorite this year. He has been a member of the Student Council his junior and senior years, and served as the Council President this year. He has worked on the Annual Staff this past two years.

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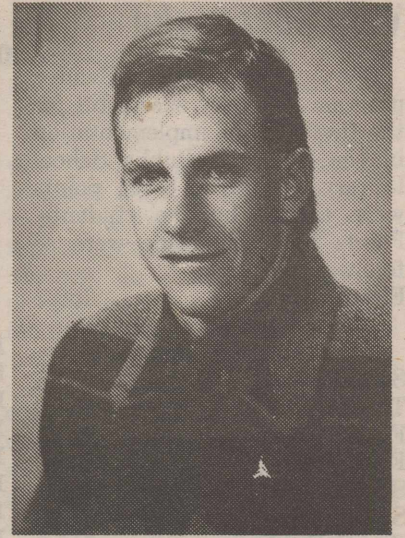


Molly Dorn Bomar

Molly Dorn Bomar is the daughter of Paula Birdwell and Terry Bomar and is the third-ranking student in the Class of 1996 of Silverton High School. She stands 5'8" tall, has hazel eyes and blonde hair. Her birthday is March 30.

Molly was chosen as Miss SHS, Most Popular and Most Beautiful earlier this year. She was designated as Best Dressed her sophomore and senior years. She was Class Favorite her freshman and junior years, and participated

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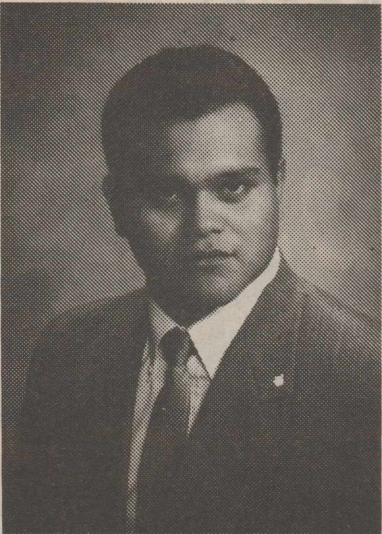
Jeremiah Brooks

Jeremiah Brooks is the son of Bill and Janinne Brooks. His birthday is September 7. He has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 5'11" tall.

He was chosen as Mr. SHS earlier this year, was elected to Who's Who his freshman year and was Class Favorite his junior year. He was a Student Council member his sophomore year.

A four-year member of Future Farmers of America, he served as president his junior and senior years, and as vice president his

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Phil Patino

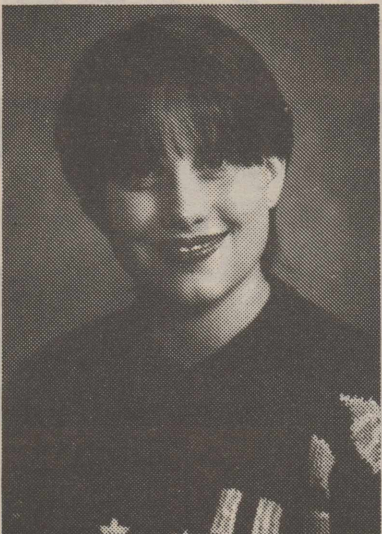
Phil Patino is the son of Olivia Martinez. He was born November 26, has brown eyes, black hair and stands 5'11" tall.

He was Class Favorite his freshman year and was a member of Student Council his junior year.

He was a member of Future Farmers of America his sophomore, junior and senior years, and played football his freshman, sophomore and junior years.

Phil was a member of Future Homemakers of America his

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Kara Kingery

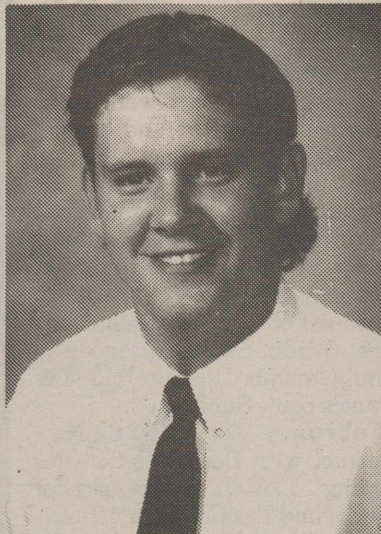
Kara Kingery is the daughter of Anthony and Kathy Kingery. She has blue eyes, brown hair, and stands 5'1" tall. Her birthday is June 2.

She was chosen as Most Dependable her junior year and was in Student Council, which she served as secretary-treasurer, that same year.

Kara served on the Annual Staff the last three years, and has been co-editor this year. She sang in the choir her junior year.

She is a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America,

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Heath Braddock

Heath Braddock is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Braddock. He was born August 30, has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 6'6" tall.

He says that his parents have been the greatest influence in his life.

Heath was a member of Future Farmers of America his sophomore year.

His favorite food is hamburgers and his favorite pastime is being with friends. His pet peeve is "people who gripe too much."

Heath's favorite subject has

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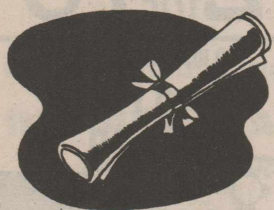
Christina Stephens

Christina Stephens is the daughter of Wayne and Betty Stephens. Her birthday is May 6. She has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 5'9" tall.

She played basketball her freshman year and sang in the choir her junior year.

She is a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, and has been a member of Future Business Leaders of America three years. She has been a member of Pep Squad four years, and was on the honor roll this year.

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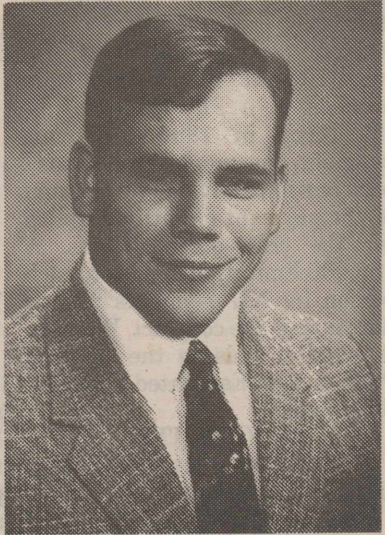
*Dedra Lynn Johnston*

Dedra Lynn Johnston is the daughter of David and Dianna Johnston, and says that her parents have been the greatest influence in her life. She has green eyes, brown hair and stands 5'5" tall. Her birthday is January 8.

She has been chosen as Friendliest her junior year and as Most Athletic this year. She was the Fall Festival Queen as a junior and has served in the Student Council this year.

She was a member of Future Farmers of America her sophomore year.

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*Zeb Holt*

Zeb Holt is the son of David and Debbie Holt. He has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 5'8" tall. His birthday is February 16.

Zeb was chosen as Friendliest, was elected to Who's Who and was chosen as Fall Festival King his junior year. He was a member of Student Council his freshman year.

He was a member of the Future Farmers of America his first two years in high school, and played football four years. He was named to the All-District team his senior year.

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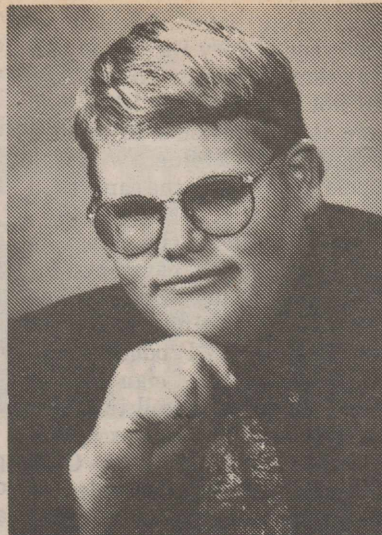
*Lori Michelle Brannon*

Lori Michelle Brannon was born May 26 to Mary Jo and Wade Brannon. She has blue eyes, brown hair and stands 5'6" tall. She really hates windy days.

She was a member of the Annual Staff her sophomore year and was in the choir as a junior. She is a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, which she has served as treasurer.

Lori has been a member of Future Business Leaders of America four years, and was a cheerleader her sophomore year.

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*Patrick O'Neal*

Patrick O'Neal is the son of Eldon and Lee O'Neal. He has blue eyes, blonde hair, and stands 5'8" tall. His birthday is December 15.

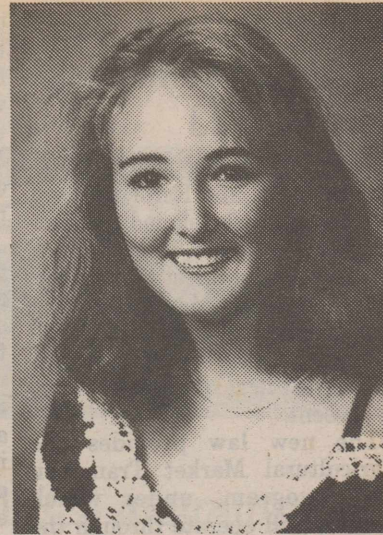
Pat was elected to Who's Who his sophomore year, and has worked on the Annual Staff his sophomore and junior years.

He has been a member of Future Homemakers of America and Future Business Leaders of America all four years of his high school career.

He participated in track three years, and was manager one year.

He was chosen for Who's Who Among American High School Students his sophomore year.

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*Kristi Smith*

Kristi Smith is the daughter of Lynn and Connie Smith. She has brown eyes, light brown hair and stands 5'8" tall. Her birthday is May 2.

She has been a member of Future Farmers of America four years and served as its secretary three years. She earned her Lone Star Degree as a junior. She was a member of the Dairy Cattle Team her junior and senior years, and was third-high individual in contest her junior year. She showed the Grand Champion beef heifer as a sophomore. She showed pigs all four years of her high school career.

Kristi has been published in the Anthology of Poetry of Young Americans.

She played golf four years and ran cross country two years. She was a Regional qualifier her sophomore year.

She participated in choir her junior year and was elected Fall Festival Queen her senior year.

She was a member of Future Homemakers of America three years.

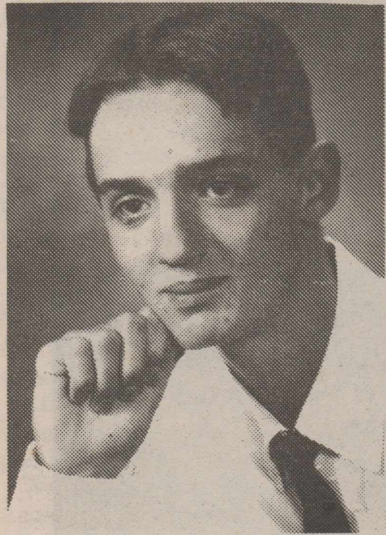
She took part in the UIL One-Act Play her senior year, and was a member of Future Business Leaders of America three years.

Kristi was a cheerleader her junior year and was a member of Pep Squad her freshman, sophomore and senior years.

She played basketball her first two years in high school, and played Powder Puff Football her junior year.

Kristi's pet peeve is "smacking". Her favorite pastime is "being with friends and family." Her favorite song is "WonderWall" and the class she has enjoyed most is Spanish. The food she likes best is spaghetti. She lists her parents as having had the most influence on her life.

Following her graduation from Silverton High School, Kristi plans to continue her education at Panhandle State University.



*John Hall*

John Hall is the son of Mike and Betty Hall. He was born June 28, has brown eyes, sandy-blonde hair and stands 6'2" tall.

He lists his parents as having had the most influence on his life.

His pet peeve is "talking trash behind people's back."

John's favorite food is burritos, and his favorite pastime is putting models together. The song he enjoys most is "Lightn Crashes". His favorite subject in SHS has been math.

Following his high school graduation, John plans to study auto mechanics.



*Lana Jo Patino*

Lana Jo Patino has brown eyes, brown hair and stands 5' tall. She is the daughter of Fidel Patino and lives with her grandmother, Minerva Patino. Her birthday is June 5.

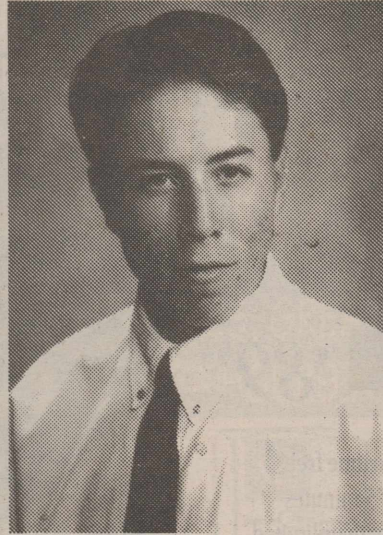
Lana lists her grandmother as the one who has influenced her life most.

She was a member of Future Homemakers of America all four years of her high school career.

Her pet peeve is windy days and "people who think they are better than others."

Lana enjoys pizza as her favorite food.

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*Johnny Leal*

Johnny Leal is the son of Juanita Pena Leal. He has hazel eyes, brown hair and stands 5'8" tall. His birthday is June 26.

He played tennis three years.

Johnny's pet peeve is "people who think they're better than others."

His favorite food is enchiladas and his favorite song is "Ironic".

The subject he has enjoyed most in high school has been art, and the people who have influenced his life most are his brothers.

His favorite pastime is being with friends, and following his graduation from SHS he plans to enter the Air Force.



*Maria Jesusita Castillo*

Maria Jesusita Castillo was born August 19 to Joe and Mary Castillo. She has dark brown eyes, dark brown hair and stands 5'4" tall. She lists her parents as having been the most important influence in her life.

Maria sang in the choir her junior year and participated in track her first two years in high school. She was a member of Pep Squad her freshman and sophomore years.

A four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, Maria went to Regional in speech her sophomore year.

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## Farm Program to Be Discussed at Meeting Here May 23

The Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (FAIR) was signed into law on April 4, 1996, and will be discussed at a meeting at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 23, in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton. Everyone who has an interest in farming is urged to be present.

The new law provides the Agricultural Market Transition ACT program, under which farmers will operate through the year 2002. This program calls for fixed, but declining annual payments regardless of market conditions. Target prices, deficiency payments and acreage reduction programs are no longer in effect.

Eligible acres of contract commodities (wheat, feed grains, upland cotton and rice) may be enrolled under a seven-year Production Flexibility Contract for the years 1996-2002. Farms eligible for the contract must have at least one Crop Acreage Base (CAB) on the farm. Contract acreage will be based on the CAB calculated for the 1996 crop year,

using the current rules which is a three-year history for cotton and five years for grains. These CABs will not change after 1996, and there is no provision to build a new CAB. Yields will be calculated and stay the same as in prior years.

Once enrolled, the farm is eligible to receive payments for seven years. This is a one-time sign-up beginning May 20 through July 12. Producers who miss this one-time sign-up will not be eligible to enroll the farm at a later date. The only exception is land expiring from CRP contracts that may be added to existing agreements or enrolled as new agreements as the CRP contracts expire. Annual revisions can be made on contracts for producers and / or shares.

### PRODUCTION FLEXIBILITY CONTRACTS

Farm Contract acres are determined by your Crop Acreage Bases (CABS)

You may go into contract under all or part of a CAB

On partial contract, owner consent is required.

Producers are paid on 85% of contract acres.

Contract acres may be hayed or grazed with no restrictions.

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Any crop can be planted on contract acres with the exception of fruits or vegetables.

Producers may reduce contract acres in the next seven years with no penalty, but owner consent is required.

Producers may NOT increase contract acres after the one-time sign-up.

### PAYMENTS

Payments will be made on 85% of your contract acres.

Payments will be made based on each crop separately.

Fifty percent of the annual payments may be advanced 30 days after PFC Contract is approved in 1996 and producer may choose either December 15 or January 15 from 1997 until 2002.

Final payments will be made by September 30 of each contract year.

National crop payment rates will be determined by dividing the national spending level for the fiscal year for the crop by the sum of the enrolled crop payment quantities.

A \$40,000 limitation applies to each person for SL payments.

Payment calculations for each crop are CAB x 85% x Yield x Payment Rate = Annual Payment.

For 1996 a separate NL (not limited) payment will be made for each crop. This payment will be the result of the 1995 crop deficiency refunds and offsets. All crop refunds will be redistributed to all producers enrolled in a PFC contract for that crop in 1996. For this payment, the sum of all refunds / offsets will be divided by the sum of the payment quantity enrolled for the crop on all farms. A \$50,000 limitation applies to each person for NL payments for the duration of the contract. We have referred to this as the "Refund Pool" in the Estimated Payment Rates table.

### ELIGIBILITY

The following are considered eligible to enter into a contract:

- An owner of eligible farmland who assumes all or part of the risk of producing a crop.

- A producer, with a share-rent lease of eligible cropland, regardless of the length of the lease, if the owner enters into the same contract.

- A producer on eligible farmland who cash rents the eligible cropland under a lease expiring on or after September 30, 2002, in which case the consent of the owner is not required.

### THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1996

- A producer on eligible farmland who cash rents the eligible cropland under a lease expiring prior to September 30, 2002, with signature of owner if the tenant receives 100% of the proceeds from the contract commodities.

- An owner of eligible farmland who cash rents the eligible cropland under a lease expiring before September 30, 2002, if the tenant declines to enter into a contract. In this case, contract payments will not begin until the tenant's lease expires.

- Contracts stay with the land. If an owner or operator is entitled to a PFC payment dies, becomes incompetent, or is unable to receive the contract payment, that person's payment shall be made to an approved successor. The successor also succeeds to the contract.

### CROP INSURANCE

Crop insurance of at least CAT level is required for economically significant crops, OR

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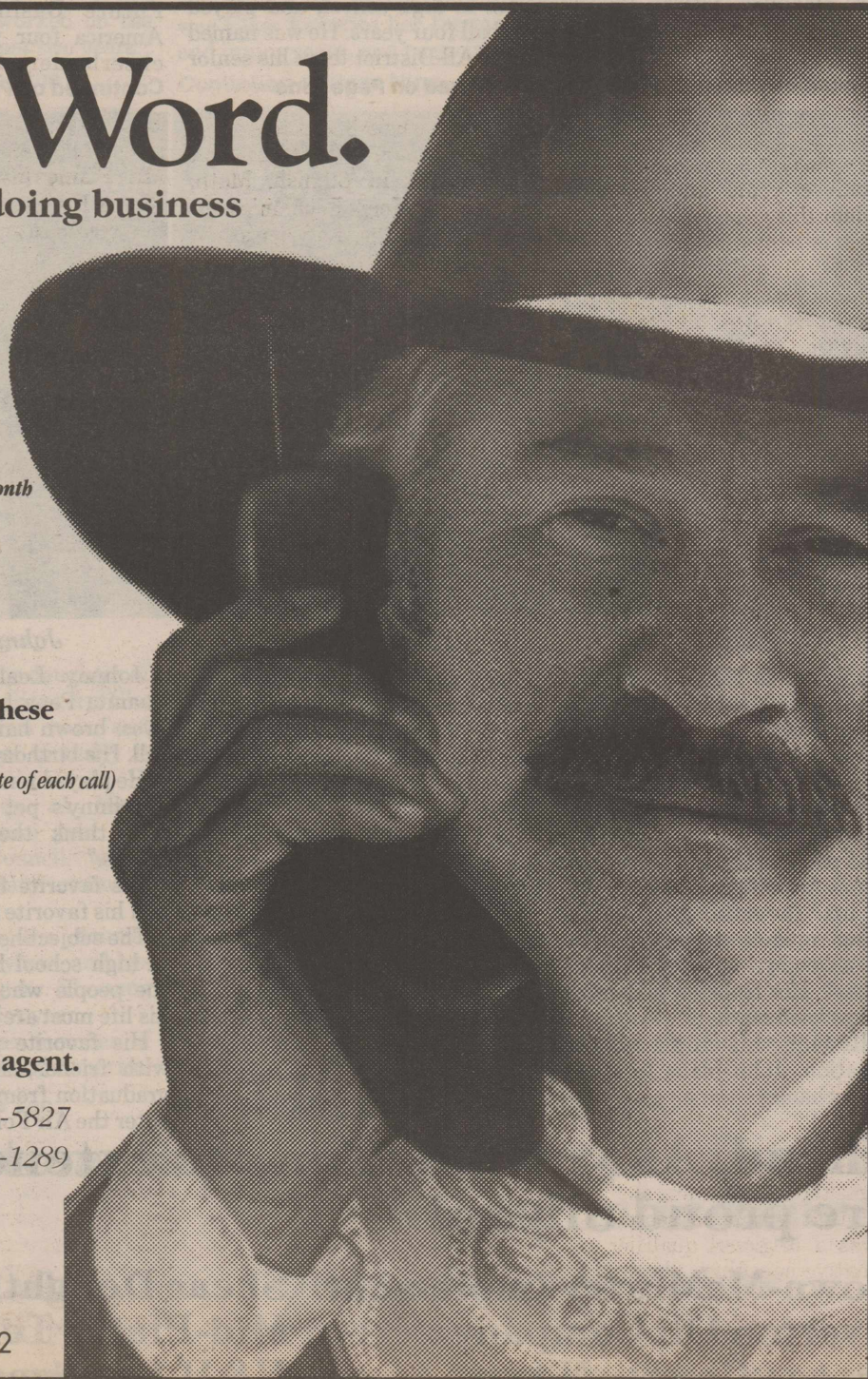
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in the choir as a junior.

She is a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, which she is serving as vice president this year. She has participated in UIL events her freshman, sophomore and senior years.

A four-year member of Future Business Leaders of America, she served as secretary this year and placed fourth in the State Contests as a sophomore.

She was a cheerleader her freshman, sophomore and senior years, serving as head cheerleader this year. She was a member of the Pep Squad as a junior.

An outstanding athlete, Molly was named Most Improved Player her sophomore year. She played basketball four years and was named to the All-District team her sophomore, junior and senior years. She was team captain this year.

She participated in track her first three years in high school and was a Regional qualifier her sophomore year.

Molly is a three-year member of the National Honor Society, which she has served this year as president. She has been on the honor roll all four years of her high school career.

She was presented as the Football Queen last fall.

Molly has served her class as treasurer her freshman and junior years; as president her sophomore year, and as vice president this year.

She was named as an alternate to the Six-Man Coaches All-Star Game this year, and played in the Golden Spread All-Star game.

Molly won the National English Merit Award all four years she has been in high school, and also was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students four years.

Molly lists her favorite pastime as "being with my brothers" and says her pet peeve is "when your car's in the shop." Her favorite food is steak and her favorite subject in SHS has been physics. She lists her grandfather, "E. A.," as the person who has influenced her life most.

Her favorite song is "Dawnbound Train" by Bruce Springsteen.

Following her graduation from SHS, Molly plans to continue her education at Texas Tech University.

**SHANNON WEAVER—  
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this year. She sang in the choir her junior year.

She was designated to the Academic All-District Football team all four years of her high school career.

A four-year member of Future Homemakers of America, she has served that group as secretary. She was a Regional qualifier in informative speaking. She was a member of Future Business Leaders of America four years, and has served as chapter reporter and vice president, and as district XVI and XVII

secretary.

Shannon has been a cheerleader for four years and in National Honor Society her sophomore, junior and senior years. She has served as the co-vice president of NHS. She has been on the honor roll all four years she has been in high school.

She ran track one year and was an outstanding basketball player, earning second team All-District honors this year. She served as team captain her senior year.

She won the 4-H Gold Star Award, highest given on the county level, this year, and also played Powder Puff Football. She has served her junior class as secretary and her senior class as treasurer.

She was named Most Outstanding Student her junior and senior years. She served 4-H as a District Council Delegate her junior and senior years.

Shannon's pet peeve is "people with no respect for others." Her favorite food is Mexican food, and her favorite pastime is watching movies.

The song she likes best is "Because You Loved Me." She has enjoyed working on the yearbook.

Following her graduation from Silverton High School, Shannon plans to continue her education at Texas Tech University.

**VANESSA LeANN MARTIN—  
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Scholar in English and Math her senior year; Outstanding Achievement in English, Math, Spanish and Home Economics.

She sang in the choir her junior year.

Vanessa says the wind is her pet peeve. Her favorite food is quesadilas, and being with friends and family is her favorite pastime. The song she likes best is "Marina Del Ray" and her favorite subject in SHS has been Spanish.

Following her graduation from high school, Vanessa plans to continue her education at West Texas A&M University.

**CY DOUGLAS COMER—  
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He was a member of Future Farmers of America his first two years in high school, and was manager of the football team his freshman year.

A four-year basketball player, he served as team captain this year.

He has been a member of Future Business Leaders of America for three years, and served as treasurer his junior and senior years. He was a member of the Pep Squad his freshman year.

Cy has been on the honor roll this year and participated in track his junior year.

He won the Sportsmanship Award his junior year and was chosen for Who's Who Among American High School Students this year.

Cy says that Mrs. Long "encouraged me in my career choices." Economics has been his favorite subject in SHS and his pet peeve is "people reading over

my shoulder."

His favorite foods are pizza and homemade wheat bread. His favorite pastime is listening to music and the song he enjoys most is "Ironic". Following his graduation from Silverton High School, he plans to enter the Marine Corps Reserve and continue his education in college.

**JEREMIAH BROOKS—  
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sophomore year.

He received the Most Improved Player award as a sophomore.

Jeremiah played basketball his freshman year and has been an outstanding football player for four years. He received the Football Award his junior year. He served as a team captain his junior and senior years, was named to the All-District team his senior year and received honorable mention his sophomore and junior years. He received honorable mention for the All-State team this year and was chosen to play in the All-Star game at the Six-Man Coaches Association meeting.

He has been an outstanding member of 4-H for many years and earned the Gold Star Award, highest given on the county level, his sophomore year. He received the Don Burson Memorial Herdsman Award this year at the County Stock Show.

He was a member of Future Homemakers of America his junior and senior years and was Mr. Flame his junior year. He served his class as vice president his freshman and junior years and received the "I Dare You" award his freshman year. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students his junior year.

Art has been Jeremiah's favorite subject in SHS, and steak is his favorite food. His pet peeve is "gripping" and showing steers is his favorite pastime. His favorite song is "This Time."

Following his graduation from high school, Jeremiah plans to continue his education in college.

**DEDRA LYNN JOHNSTON—  
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Farmers of America her sophomore year, and was on the Radio Broadcast Team.

Dedra was in the choir her junior year and in Future Homemakers of American this year. She served as the FHA president.

She participated in the UIL One-Act Play this year and was in Future Business Leaders of America this year.

An outstanding basketball player, she participated four years. She was named to the All-District team her sophomore, junior and senior years, and was named to the second team as a freshman. She served as team captain this year.

Dedra was a member of USAA this year, received the All-Tournament award at Cotton Center her sophomore year, received an All-Tournament award this year at the Plainview Queen's Classic, and was named

to the All-Region Six-Man Team this year. She was chosen for an All-Star game later this year. She was named to the Academic All-District team.

Dedra has qualified for the Regional Tennis Tournament four years. She was the Zone Champion her freshman and juniors years; District Champion her sophomore and junior years, and District Runner-up this year. She has been the MVP in tennis four years. She was a member of the Pep Squad four years and served as president this year.

She received the Sportsmanship Award her sophomore year. She participated in Cross Country four years, and was a Regional qualifier her freshman year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students.

She participated in track her first three years in high school, and was a Regional qualifier in the 400 meter relay and 3200. She received the Track Award her freshman, sophomore and junior years.

She has been on the honor roll this year and has received the Yearly A Honor Roll Award four years.

Dedra has enjoyed Spanish as her favorite subject in SHS. Her pet peeve is "when people accuse me of things that I didn't do (false accusation)." Her favorite pastime is being with family and friends, and her favorite food is pizza. Her favorite song is "Ironic" by Alanis Morsette.

Following her graduation from SHS, Dedra plans to pursue a degree at West Texas A&M University.

**ZEB HOLT—  
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year. He served as team captain his junior and senior years.

Zeb was presented as the Pep Squad Beau his senior year.

He was a member of Future Homemakers of America and Future Business Leaders of America all four years of his high school career. He received the award for Most Improved Player his sophomore year, and earned the Track Award his sophomore and junior years.

He participated in track four years and has been a Regional qualifier this year.

He played basketball three years.

Zeb was included in Who's Who Among American High School Students his junior and senior years.

He lists his father as having had the greatest influence on his life, and his pet peeve as "people who don't answer me."

His favorite food is a 16 oz. New York strip, and his favorite pastime is "hangin' out". His favorite subject in SHS has been science, and the song he enjoys most is "Desperado" by the Eagles.

Following high school, Zeb plans to "go to college, graduate, get rich."

**LORI MICHELLE BRANNON—  
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junior and senior years. She was a member of Pep Squad her freshman and junior years.

She received the Most Improved Player award her junior year.

Lori participated in track four years, and was a Regional qualifier her freshman and sophomore years.

She is a four-year member of the Lady Owl basketball team, having been a team captain this year, and was named to the All-District team her junior and senior years. She was an All-Regional player this year.

She played Powder Puff Football this year.

Lori has served her class as secretary, and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore and junior years.

She was chosen as Most Beautiful her freshman and junior years.

Lori says her mom has been the most influential person in her life. Art is her favorite subject, and "spending time with friends" is her favorite pastime.

Her favorite food is shrimp and the song she enjoys most is "Nobody In His Right Mind" by George Strait.

Following her graduation from high school, she plans to continue her education at West Texas A&M University.

**PATRICK O'NEAL—  
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Pat's pet peeve is "people who lie to me." His favorite food is pizza, and his favorite pastime is hunting. His favorite song is "Jesus Freak" by D C Talk. His favorite subject in SHS has been art.

Following his high school graduation, Pat plans to continue his education toward becoming a youth minister or possibly a missionary in his church.

**PHIL PATINO —  
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junior year and was in Future Business Leaders of America his freshman and sophomore years.

He received the award for Most Improved Player his sophomore year and ran track his freshman year. He played basketball his first three years in high school, and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students as a junior.

Phil says his pet peeve is "people who think they're cool, but really ain't." His favorite food is pizza and his favorite pastime is "dunking on Jack".

The song he likes best is "Closer" by 9-inch Nails, and the subject he has enjoyed most in Silverton High School is art.

He plans to continue his education in college following his high school graduation.

**When a man is wrapped up in himself he makes a pretty small package.**

**—John Ruskin**



**KARA KINGERY —  
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which she served as treasurer her junior year.

She has been a member of Future Business Leaders of America and Pep Squad all four years of her high school career.

She participated in track her freshman year, and in basketball her freshman and sophomore years. She has been team manager the last two years.

Kara served her class as secretary her sophomore year.

She has won awards in Journalism and for Good Citizenship.

She has been selected for Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Kara's pet peeve is "rude people". Her favorite pastime is being with friends and family.

The subject in SHS she has enjoyed most was art, and her favorite teacher has been Mrs. Long.

Her favorite food is spaghetti and her favorite song is "With or Without You."

**HEATH BRADDOCK —  
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been Spanish, and he enjoys listening to most all music.

His plans for the future are to attend college and become a correctional officer.

**CHRISTINA STEPHENS—  
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Christina won the "I Dare You" award in 4-H and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her junior and senior years. She competed in cross country her freshman and sophomore years.

She lists her parents as having had the most influence on her life.

Her pet peeves are "windy days, people who think they are better than everyone else, and people who smack their gum."

Christina says her favorite pastime is "being with Skyler, family and friends." The song she enjoys most is "You Learn" by Alanis Morissette. Her favorite food is pizza and her favorite class in SHS has been art.

Following her high school graduation, she plans to continue her education in college to pursue a degree and career in elementary education.

**LANA JO PATINO —  
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favorite food and "Anything" as her favorite song. Her favorite pastime is being with friends and family.

Art has been the class she enjoyed most in SHS.

Following her high school graduation, Lana plans to continue her education at Amarillo College.

**MARIA JESUSITA CASTILLO—  
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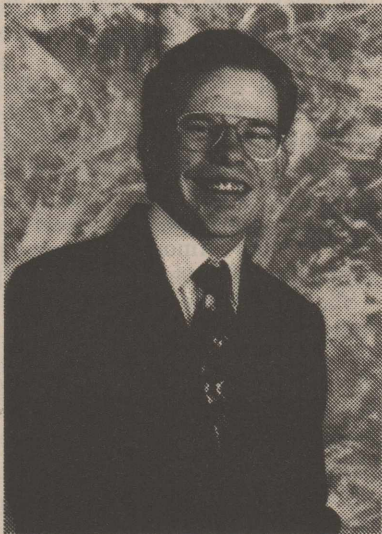
freshman, sophomore and junior years. She was a member of the UIL One-Act Play this year.

She played tennis her freshman

and sophomore years, and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her junior and senior years.

Maria's pet peeve is "windy days" and her favorite pastime is "being with friends and family". Her favorite food is pizza and her favorite song is "Un Milon De Rosas". Her favorite subject has been Spanish.

Following her graduation from high school, Maria plans to enter nursing school.



*Russell McLeland*

Russell McLeland was one of the top students from over 100 high schools to be honored on "Best of the Class" promos aired on KAMR-TV and was invited to a graduation party May 11 at Wonderland Park in Amarillo.

Russell is the son of Jeanne Davis McLeland and has a number of relatives in Silverton.

When he was about ten years old a neighborhood child called him "handicapped." He came home crying. His mom asked him if he knew what handicapped meant. He said, "Ya! It's when you have a cast on and I DON'T!"

When he was in the third grade at Sundown Lane he ran in his first track meet and won a third-place ribbon. Out of three runners, he was the only runner wearing a cast on his left foot.

Russ took guitar lessons from Joe Johnston for five years, starting when he was five years old. He attended Lions Camp for two years.

Russ has been on the Amarillo All Stars Special Olympics Basketball team for six years. He has four gold, eight silver, five bronze, one state competition medal and one trophy.

He began classes at ACS in the fifth grade. He played basketball and ran track every year except his senior year.

In the sixth grade at the River Road Track Tournament, he received a standing ovation from parents, runners and coaches for completing the 3/4 mile run.

In the seventh grade, Russ participated in basketball and track. He received a plaque for "champion" and a standing ovation at the awards ceremony. This was the first and only "champion" award ever to a student at ACS. After the Track Tourney in Lubbock, Russ said he had lost but that one boy quit running and left the track. His mom explained that Russ had

**Tay Cannon is  
Tulia Valedictorian**

Tay Cannon, daughter of Monty and Kerri Cannon and granddaughter of Fred and Vivone Arnold, is graduating as the valedictorian of Tulia High School this spring. Tay has posted a four-year average of 4.16.

Salutatorian is Steven Latham, son of Gene and Kathy Latham, with a grade point average of 3.90.

**Sophomore Attends  
Leadership Program**

Molly Brooks recently attended the High O'Brian Youth Foundation Texas Panhandle Leadership Seminar. Molly joined more than 100 other young leaders representing as many

come in fourth and that the other boy had lost for quitting.

In the eighth grade Russ took drama under Mrs. Morrow. She soon found that he was never at a loss for words. Russ was unable to attend his eighth grade graduation at ACS because he was at M. D. Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston. Even though hundreds of miles away on the night of graduation, his thoughts were ONLY of the graduation just as your prayers were with and for him.

Russ took summer classes at Amarillo College. He received credits for Reading, typing and Karate. In Karate he was an inspiration to his teachers and classmates for never giving up.

His freshman year he received a Participation Certificate for the Globe News Spelling Bee, Most Spirited ACHS Student Award, Most Improved Basketball Player Award, and participated in Track. Russell received an invitation to Washington D. C. by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council but was unable to attend. Russell was nominated for being an outstanding student to Who's Who Among American High School Students, but not included because of his Spanish grade. Russ took Typing I in summer school at ACS. Mrs. Burlingame said he was "refreshing".

His sophomore year he participated in basketball, received the Most Musical Boy of ACHS Award, Award of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in Choir and the Coaches Award for Basketball. Russ sang a solo at the Christmas program, at the 50's Concert, at the Sweetheart Banquet and at the Spring Concert.

Russ went to summer school at ACHS ALL SUMMER LONG to complete his junior year requirements.

His senior year, he was on the Annual Staff and received a certificate for his "Persistence in Graduating." Russ was selected as one of the top three students in his class which entitled him to be on Channel 4 with the top students from over 100 high schools in this area. Russ also has been working for Pizza Hut for two years.

high schools from throughout Texas on April 26, 1996 in Amarillo.

Representing Silverton High School, Molly is the daughter of Bill and Janinne Brooks.

HOBY Leadership Seminars being together a select group of high school sophomores so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues. The goal is to provide the youths a stimulating forum for learning about the American incentive system and democratic process and for broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self development.

"The seminar challenged me to think about the world around me and what we, as the future leaders, have to do to positively influence business, government and society," said Miss Brooks. "I also better understand that my goals and dreams are important and that the leaders have extreme responsibilities in whatever walk of life they pursue."

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation was established by the popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer.

"One of the things Schweitzer said to me was that the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves," O'Brian said. "From that inspiration, and with the support of others who believe in youth and the American dream, I started HOBY to seek out, recognize, and develop outstanding leadership potential among our nation's youth."

**Bradford Places Third  
In Golf Tournament**

Lance Bradford placed third Friday in the Panhandle Firemen & Fire Marshal's Golf Tournament at Ross Rogers Golf Course in Amarillo.

He also won the award for longest drive of 345 yards and is eligible to play in the State Firemen & Fire Marshal's Tournament in Amarillo in June.

**Eighth Grade Honor  
Grads Named at  
Valley School**

The Eighth Grade of Valley School will graduate tonight in the Valley Gym.

Valedictorian of the class is Jamie Taylor with a grade point average of 96.28. She is the daughter of Walter Wayne and Kathy Taylor.

Salutatorian is Jess Yeary with a grade point average of 96.21. He is the son of Rex and Brenda Yeary.

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**Mrs. Garrison Earns  
Degree in Oklahoma**

Jennifer Grimland Garrison received her B.B.A. degree in business administration, magna cum laude, at the spring convocation ceremony May 18 at Oklahoma's Panhandle State University.

Mrs. Garrison is the daughter of Terry and Sally Grimland, and is a graduate of Silverton High School. She is married to Walt Garrison, and the couple is planning to move to Tulia in June when he is transferred there by Cactus Feeders.

**Memorial Day is Time  
Of Great Get-away**

Memorial Day weekend is the gateway holiday to warm weather activities. There will be cookouts and campouts, swimming and fishing, hiking and biking. Nearly all of these will require traveling, whether it be a few blocks or several miles. The Texas Department of Public Safety urges motorists to take time to prepare for safe driving this holiday.

Trooper L. B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the DPS Amarillo District offers the following safe driving tips:

1. Have the vehicle properly tuned;
2. Driver should be rested and alert;
3. Use safety belts properly, with the lap belt low and across the hip bone and the shoulder belt OVER the shoulder for maximum protection, and have safety seats firmly secured;
4. Use headlights day and night; it is as important to be seen as to see;
5. Drive at a safe speed. The faster we drive, the greater the risk of serious injury or death from a wreck;
6. Develop a safety space zone, allowing two (2) seconds for the vehicle ahead to pass a certain place before you reach the same if you are in a car or pickup and four (4) or more seconds if in a larger vehicle;
7. Keep calm. Don't let careless drivers rattle your composure and wreck your travel plans.

Snider reminds motorists that DPS troopers along with officers from area agencies will be out this holiday weekend watching for errant drivers and motorists needing assistance. Snider adds that if a motorist needs assistance in a remote area and has access to a telephone that he may call toll free, 800-252-5555 for assistance.

When calling this number, please give as accurate location information as possible, such as road number or name, last town driven through, direction of travel and what assistance is needed. If it is an emergency, Snider recommends calling 911 with the same information.

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**LIGHTHOUSE  
ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Brad & Daneille Snowden, Pastors  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Ted Kingery, Minister  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Jess Craig Little, Pastor  
SUNDAY:  
Library Opens ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Bible Study/S.S. .... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS:  
Baptist Women ..... 9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Library Opens ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study/Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**  
Kevin Swanson, Pstor  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service .... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
SECOND SUNDAY:  
Praise & Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
TUESDAY:  
United Meth. Women 9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m.  
In-home Bible Study. 7:00 p.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP 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**  
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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The dreadful tragedy of war,  
Which often we could not avoid;  
And so our troops were then deployed.  
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We mustn't let ourselves forget  
The debt of gratitude we owe  
To those who fought our every foe,  
And gave their lives so gallantly  
To help preserve our liberty.  
So let's remember them with pride;  
We're free today because they died.  
For this, let's thank the Lord and pray  
That we will live to see the day  
When all is safe upon our shore,  
And freedom reigns forevermore.

— Gloria Nowak

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