

Jimmy Burson told us last week that he wasn't taking the Double Diamond Ranch chuckwagon to Clarendon for the competition, but that Aaron Younger would take the wagon to the big cookoff.

Jimmy Burson and Texas in the Swing are scheduled for three shows a day at the American Music Festival in State Capitol Silver Dollar City at Branson, Missouri September 24-28. The group is made up of Burson; Lucy Dean Record of Lockney; Cecil White of Lubbock; Dr. Ricky Cross of Plainview; O. B. Barnes of Tulia; Kirby Clark of Mis-

Kimberly Blazier and Stephanie Watson both received degrees at West Texas A&M University during summer commencement exercises August 16 at the WTAMU Events Center. The University awarded 175 baccalaureate and 86 master's degrees.

Kim Blazier received the bachelor's degree in general studies.

Stephanie Watson was a cum laude graduate, who also received her bachelor's degree in general studies.

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Gary and Theresa Clinton are announcing the arrival of granddaughters, twin Arianna and Brianna Slankard, born August 26, 2003. Arianna, the eldest, weighed five pounds and was 18 3/4 inches. Brianna arrived 17 minutes later weighing four pounds and eleven ounces and measuring 18 1/4 inches.

The proud parents are Jessica (Carter) and Mark Slankard of San Antonio, where Jessica is serving in the Air Force.

The girls have an older brother, Matthew Cade Lockhart. He loves them, but asks to borrow money once in

Sue Slankard of Tuscon, Arizona, Libby and Charlie Abraham of Phoenix, Arizona. Krystle Clinton of Clarendon Silverton resident, is the new College is an aunt. Greatgrandparents are Melvin and Guyretta Clinton, Bill and Silverton.

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## **Local Delegation** Makes Trek to

Concerned that projects approved for Caprock Canyons State Park might be delayed or even eliminated, a group of concerned citizens from Briscoe County made the trip to Austin to find out the status of the projects. It was feared that the state budget deficit, coupled with a slow economy, might take its toll on work planned for the park. It was also a concern that the Texas State Bison Herd was not available for public view-

Representative Warren Chisum's office arranged for local citizens to meet with officials of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as well as with aides from the offices of Senator Robert Duncan and Representative Pete Laney. Those making the trip to Austin were Bill Smith, president of Caprock Partners Foundation; Roland Hamilton, Quitaque mayor; Phil Barefield, president of Quitaque Chamber of Commerce; Wayne Nance, Briscoe County Judge; Jack Johnson, See Local Delegation

Continued on Page Four Tommie Goodson, all of Turkey, and Doris Slankard of Department recently. To cut Tuscon, Arizona.

Lubbock are parents of a daughter, Bentley Ashton, born August 27, in Lubbock. She weighed seven pounds and four ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long.

She has a brother, Braxton, who is 3 1/2 years old.

Grandparents are Juannah Grandparents, in addition Jennings of Silverton; Rick to the Clintons, are Jim and Jennings of Friona, and John and Janie Irwin of Amarillo.

> Harold Edwards, a former manager of the Attebury Grain Elevator branch in



Haylee Simpson was escorted by Brock Darling when she was presented as the Homecoming Queen Friday night during halftime of the football game between the Owls and Fort Elliott.

## **Briscoe 4-H Club Trap Shoot Slated**

A Trap Shoot, sponsored by Briscoe County 4-H Clubs and Adult Leaders will be held Sept. 27, Oct. 25 and Nov. 22, two miles west of Silverton on

#### **Trevor Barker Finishes Lubbock Firefighter Class**

Trevor Barker of Silverton graduated from the final recruit class of the Lubbock Fire costs the department no longer will train its own re-Jase and Lindsey Irwin of cruits in a 15-week academy. Future applicants must first earn certification as basic firefighters and emergency medical technicians from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.

Barker, 23, followed his mother into the fire service. Lt. Sharon Moore, an investigator in the Lubbock Fire Marshal's Office, pinned on her son's badge at the ceremony's close.

"He's wanted to get on the Fire Department his whole life," Moore said. "He's excited, but I think I'm more excited than he is.'

Briscoe County News Photo

Hwy. 86, south side of the road. Begins at 2:00 p.m.

The cost will be \$5.00 per round per person, with a 50% payback. 4-H shooting rules will be followed. The youth division will be for those 18 and under, and the adult division will be for those 19 and over.

For more information, contact Brandon McGinty, 823-2522, or Shawn Barbour, 847- being in the right.

## **Tax Statements** To Be Mailed Soon

The 2003 tax statements for Briscoe County, City of Silverton, City of Quitaque and Mackenzie Water Authority will be mailed out by October 1.

The Silverton ISD tax statements will be mailed out after the November 4, 2003. Roll-Back Tax Election.

## **Chamber Needs More Recipes** For Cookbook

Silverton Chamber of Commerce isn't receiving as many recipes as it needs for the cookbook it has been planning to publish, and therefore the book won't be coming out before Christmas.

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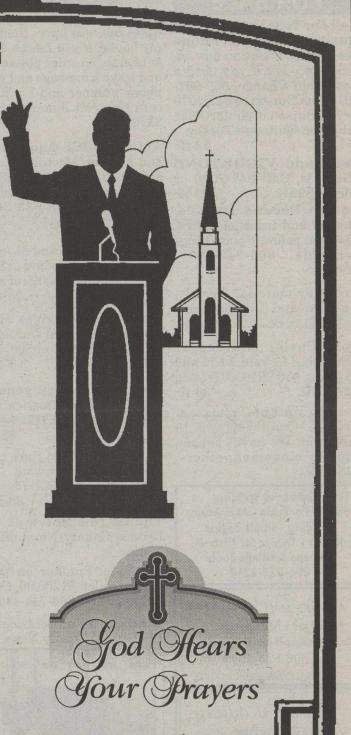
Integrity is learned and earned by being righteous, and a person's firmness of character is more valuable than wealth. Everyone feels more comfortable, and enjoys dealing with an honest and upright person who knows that the end does not always justify the means. Lying, cheating, or defrauding should never be rationalized to achieve one's goals.

Unfortunately, too often in our society we hear of those who have been taken advantage of by organizations and people with no principles. It does not matter if we are talking about a few dollars or many hundreds of dollars, to a person of integrity, honesty is important and they will always try to deal fairly in every situation. We can all recall someone whom we admire and look up to because of their integrity and character, and we are always blessed because of our association with them. The Bible tells us that we are being tested by God to see if we are good, because God enjoys good people.

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## **Obituary**

#### **JUANITA STEPHENS**

Funeral services for Juanita Sue Woodfin Stephens, 87, were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 20, 2003, at the First Baptist Church in Silverton, with Pastor Jess Little of the First Baptist Church in Claude officiating.

Mrs. Stephens lay in state in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church until time of the

Silverton Cemetery, under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home in Tulia.

Mrs. Stephens passed away September 17,2003, at her home in Silverton. She was born January 31, 1916 to Harriet and John N. Woodfin in Seymour, Texas. She married Elbert S. Stephens April 1, 1932 in Portales, New Mexico. She was a resident of Briscoe County for more than fifty years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

Mrs. Stephens was preceded in death by her husband Burial followed in the of 62 years; her parents; three

#### **JUDY WELCH**

Funeral services for Judy Welch, 62, of Kress were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 23, at First Baptist Church in Kress with Rev. Jay Simpson officiating. Graveside services followed at 2:00 p.m. in the Silverton Cemetery.
Mrs. Welch died at 11:28

p.m. Friday, September 19, 2003, at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia.

She was born September 24, 1940, in Tulia and attended schools in Silverton. She married Carroll Welch September 7, 1956, in Fort Sumner, New Mexico. They lived in Swisher County since 1961. She taught school in Tulia for several years. She served on the board of directors of MH/MR in Plainview and on the board of Center (Satellite House). She served as secretary of the Plains Cutting Association for several years and was an active member of the National Cutting Horse Association. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Kress where she taught Sunday School, worked in the kitchen, and did volunteer work.

Survivors include her husband, Carroll Welch of Kress; two daughers, Donna Welch of Spokane, Washington and Kathy Welch of Kress; her parents, Johnnie and Dean Burson of Silverton; two brothers, John Howard Burson of Roswell, New Mexico and Jimmy Burson of Silverton; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and adopted grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to

sisters, Nona Jones, Sally Woodfin and Tinnie Woodfin; six brothers, Frank Woodfin, Paul Woodfin, Edward Woodfin, Verl Woodfin, Neal Woodfin and E. T. (Jimmy) Woodfin.

She is survived by a daughter, Margaret Thornton of Corpus Christi; a son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Betty Stephens of Silverton; a son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Phyllis Stephens of Bunch, Oklahoma; a sister, Minnie Edwards of Abilene; two brothers, John Woodfin of Gardendale and Foch Woodfin of San Angelo. She also is survived by 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggested memorials be to Hospice Hands of West Texas, 305 N. Main Street, Lockney, Texas 79241.

#### **GENE STEPHENS**

Funeral services for Gene Stephens, 62, of Pilot Point, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday, September 22, 2003, at Wallace Funeral Home Chapel in Tulia with the Rev. Rob Lindley of the First United Methodist Church in Tulia officiating. Burial followed in Rose Hill Cemetery, under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

Mr. Stephens passed away Thursday, September 18, 2003, at Crown of Texas Hospice in Amarillo. He was born July 18, 1941 in Clayton, New Mexico to Marvin and Katherine Stephens. He grew up in West Texas and was graduated from Silverton High School in 1959.

He went into construction directors of the Tulia Work in Amarillo for 21 years. He served in the Army National Guard for six years in Tulia. He moved to Pilot Point in 1995. He was a member of the American Legion Post in Tulia and in Pilot Point. He was a member of The Range to be present. Riders in Amarillo. He was a Baptist.

> He is survived by a daughter and her husband, Jamie and Allan Monson of Amarillo; five sons and two daughters-in-law, Hal Burns of

> the Silverton Cemetery, BSA Hospice of Amarillo, First Baptist Church of Kress or Ceta Canyon Camp.

Rollinsville, Colorado, Clay Wheeler of Quincy, Missouri, Will and Jody Wheeler of Quincy, Missouri, Cody and Tina Stephens of Amarillo and Rhett Stephens of Amarillo; a sister and brother-in-law, Virginia and Dyrle Maples of Canyon; his mother, Katherine Stephens of Tulia; and nine grandchildren, Jordan Burns, Riley Wheeler, Sammy Wheeler, Katee Stephens, Cody Joe Stephens, Seth Wheeler, Alexis Stephens, Tyler Monson and Summer Monson.

The family suggests memorials may be offered to a favorite charity.

#### **BCAA** to Meet

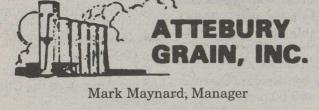
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through the files of the **Briscoe County News** 

2,000 acres of crops received acres...Pascal and Donaleta Montague reunion was held as the Pioneers of the Day by the Briscoe County Historical honored Saturday by the L.O.

been selected as Pioneer For ing. Her enlistment time is Day and will be recognized three years, with the first during the Briscoe County eight weeks assignment to be born on a ranch west of gia, where all military police Stone, Shavonne Lowrey, Jeannita Stephens, Angie Jim Forbes, Warren Jarrett, Silverton FFA chapter at-Cary Fleming, Monroe Hill, tended a Farm Electrification Max Davis, David Schott, Conference for FFA members odist Encampment last week Shafe, June 11, 1943"...Mr. Scotty Harris, Todd Reagan, Russell Simpson, Joe Ted Edwards, Cory Robertson and Sloan Grabbe have begun working out for six-man football, according to Head Coach Marvin Self... Scotty Harris received a broken collarbone in a three-wheeler accident Tuesday . . . J. H. Wesley is a patient this week at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview . Miss Stacy Robertson weds Hugh Mac Bain . . . Miss Connie Rowell became the bride of Mitchell Dean Simpson Saturday evening . . Miss Missy Brown and Cam Forbes were united in marriage in a double-ring cer-

emony Friday, August 5... August 9, 1973--Birthday celebration opens here today ... Girls in Rodeo Queen contest are Lori Francis, Peggy Kitchens, Kerri Arnold, Louise Kitchens, Sharon Storie and Reba Chappell . . Over two inches of rain fell in Silverton Tuesday evening, with some hail mostly in the rural area . . . Rhonda Sutton Sunderwent an emergency ap-

August 12, 1993--Over pendectomy at Central Plains Hospital two weeks ago ... Mr. damage from hail in a storm and Mrs. Troy Jones were in that moved across Silverton Lubbock Friday when Marge's last Thursday. Only a few hail- mother underwent surgery to stones fell on the City, but relieve pressure on a nerve Alton Riddell received 100% which had been causing padamage on 60 acres of cotton ralysis since she was injured and some damage on other in an auto accident . . . The Garrison have been selected August 3-4 at the Boat and Ski Clubhouse in Amarillo . . . Sheila Ann Payne, 23, has en-Committee, and they will be listed in the U.S. Army and will serve in the military po-A. Junior Study Club . . . The lice program. She was sworn Brown Sisters met last week into the service and after a few at "Roy's Place" in Ruidoso, days at home with her par-New Mexico, for a reunion . . . ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Payne August 11, 1983--Mrs. in Quitaque, she departed for Charlsie Bomar Arnold has her first eight weeks of train-Birthday Celebration. She is in Fort McClellan, Alabama, a true pioneer, having been and then in Fort Gordon, Geor-Silverton and having spent of the U.S. Army are trained. most of her 91 years in She is the first woman to refor Rodeo Queen are Melissa the Lubbock recruiting area.

in Amarillo . . . Student Coun- while she was there as council members Martha Mills, selor for a group of girls from Eddleman, Susie Hill and Wayne Nance and their spon- cal fire chief and fire marshall, sor, Mrs. Alvin Redin, will at- are attending a school for firetend a Student Council Workshop in Nacogdoches from this week. noon Sunday through Friday at noon...Robert Hughes was listed with the cum laude ampla et magna group on the honor roll for the spring semester at The University of Texas in Austin . . . The annual McWilliams reunion was held in Childress Saturday and Sunday . . . A Hamilton reunion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hill Sunday . . . Charles Edwin Cowart and Freddie Minyard went to Durant over the weekend and visited relatives of Freddie . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weatherly and Kevin of Turkey, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCutchen and Richard were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Couch and Russell in standing social event of the Amarillo . . . Relatives of Mrs. Watson Douglas arrived via a huge hay float for a family reunion. The men wore straw hats of various colors and hostess. The guests were in-Silverton . . . Girls competing ceive such an assignment in styles and the women and vited into the dining room and Mrs. Gabe Garrison and children were decked out in where the meal was served July 25, 1963--Guinn elaborate setting for the re- with China in pastel shades. Lowrey and Suzann Settle . . . Turner and Jim Myers of the union was a western scene . . . Heart-shaped place cards in Mrs. Bern May suffered a bro- blue and white cleverly con-

Rhode, Jealeta the local church... Billy Ray Ford and Vance Childress, lomen at Texas A&M College

> July 2, 1953--The 1952 Silverton High School seniors held their first annual reunion Sunday at Burson Lake. Bonnie Watters and Melvin Hamilton were appointed to have charge of the 1954 reunion . . . Mrs. John Gill left by plane from Amarillo Thursday to join her husband, Pvt. Gill, in Anchorage, Alaska, where he is stationed in the Army . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cagle and Patricia have returned from a vacation trip to Creede, Colorado . . . Norman Chitty, who has been working with his uncle, Steve Morgan at Kress, returned home Sat-

June 10, 1943--The outseason was the breakfast given Saturday morning at the home of Mrs. Clifford Allard with Mrs. Roy Allard as gaily colored mu-mus. The from a table beautifully laid ken foot at Ceta Canyon Meth- cealed the words "Jonnie and

## Happy Birthday-

Sept. 25--Doyle Stephens, Jim Estes, Amanda Harris

Sept. 26--Brooke Garvin, Matthew Davis, Cortney Michelle Gragson, Aimee Fields

Sept. 27--Leslie Polley, Maebelle Francis

Sept. 28--Ada Clay, John Schott, Brian Strickland, Jason Bailey
Sept. 29--Rex Johnson,

George Long

Sept. 30--Rank Cogdell, Mary Lee Watters, Wesley Stafford

Oct. 1--Cary Fleming, Chad Greeson, Whitney Perkins

#### Happy Anniversary-

Sept. 26--Mr. and Mrs. Warren Reid

Sept. 27--Mr. and Mrs. David Holt

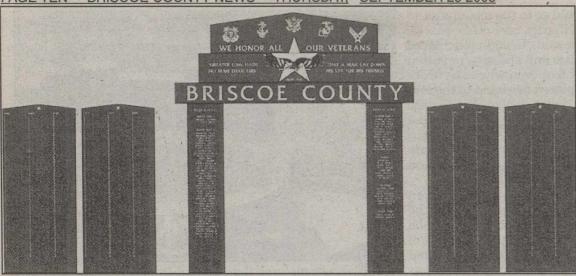
Sept. 28--Mr. and Mrs. Leon

A little learning is a dangerous thing, but a lot of ignorance is just as bad.

**Bob Edwards** 

Mr. and Mrs. Don Garrison were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Garrison Sunday . Mrs. Jim Bomar, Roma Lee Clemmer and Rev. Arvil Richardson took six boys to camp at Ceta Glen Monday.





Pictured is the Veterans' Memorial that it is hoped will be finished before next summer. This will honor veterans of all wars who have lived in Briscoe County.

## **Donations Being Sought For Veterans' Memorial**

Just a brief update on the cember 31, 2003. Veterans' Memorial. At the present time, we have received City Bank in Silverton, or the miss any veteran's name on \$4,950.00. This is just 10% of what we will need to get this Quitaque. memorial monument built.

First National Bank in this memorial monument.

If you know of someone who If you have not donated to was in the Armed Forces that this worthy project, please used to live in Briscoe County, don't wait until the last month and you know where they live to send in your money. Re- now, please let them know member, the deadline is De- about this monument, or let

me know, and I will mail them Just take your donation to a pamphlet. We don't want to

Thanks to all of you who have donated!

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## Bill Mayfield Speaks to Senior Citizens

provided by Lataine Dillard

Interim Superintendent Bill Mayfield spoke to the Silverton Senior Citizens Friday about the school situation.

It is not something that anyone has done wrong. It is that we have not generated enough money from taxes. When we pay more in taxes, the state pays us more money. We have not raised taxes and have been operating off the fund balance. By raising taxes to \$1.30 per \$100 valuation, we will survive. School finance works a year behind so the next two years will be a lean time. We have no option; we must have more money."

He continued, "We have one of the lowest tax rates in the State of Texas. Tulia is \$1.50; Kress is \$1.40. We have cut \$80,000 out of our budget. We have cut supplies and the employees and faculty have cut out the things they can. The staff is fine to work with. The kids seem to identify with the situation and are acting real good. Everyone has cut back. This is the smoothest job I've been involved with.

'No one wants to see our school close. You have an excellent school and we don't There were not. He asked if want to lose it. The rollback there were other questions.



Joseph Baeza brings the Owl mascot to life during ballgames and pep rallies. He works very hard to make the Owl a spirited symbol of Silverton High School.

Harbin Elected Chairman of Board Billy C. Harbin, executive membership meeting in Ausvice president and general tin. "I am honored that my manager of Lighthouse Elec-

tric Cooperative, Inc. in Floydada, has been elected chairman of the board of directors of Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (TEC). The statewide organization serves 75 electric cooperatives in Texas. The election was held August 7 at TEC's 63rd annual

we go back, we may have to close the school. If you vote for the tax raise on November 4, we think we can survive the next two years. We are going to have our school here. We are going to have to raise taxes. Auditors have come and checked. The books are okay. We didn't do a good job raising taxes to keep it where it needs to be. We must have the tax raise to survive.

Mr. Mayfield lauded the volunteers who come and help out at school. "We need the volunteers to help the children read and get involved in the programs. We may not get to do everything we've been do-ing. We may have to scale back, but we will make it. We have a good school situation here. Let's keep our Silverton school.

Mr. Mayfield went on to say "It's good to be here. I'm enjoying it. If you have a queston, don't let it fester and fret about it. Come and talk."

He asked if there were any questions about the subject. would take us to \$1.12, but if Someone asked why the south keep our school!

peers have asked me to be chairman of the TEC board," Harbin said. "I will make every effort to help TEC maintain its good working relationship with its member cooperatives. The goal of both Lighthouse Electric Cooperative and TEC is to serve our members to the best of our ability."

Harbin grew up on a dairy farm in Bailey County and attended Muleshoe High School. He has a degree in agricultural engineering from Texas Tech University.

He and his wife, Linda, have been married for 36 years. They have one son, one daughter, and three grandsons.

Lighthouse Electric Cooperative owns 4,000 miles of line and serves approximately 8,000 meters in the Panhandle and South Plains. The counties served are Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Donley, Floyd, Hale, Hall, Motley and Swisher.

gate at the football field had been closed. Many folks enter through it to come and walk on the track. It was a question of safety, he said. Lots of folks were using it for a fast drive

Fred Strange asked him if the Silverton Owls were going to win the Homecoming game. YES," Mr. Mayfield replied.

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Elton Cantwell and I attended the Cantwell Cousins reunion at Cisco, Texas. The Jimmie Cantwell family was host. Vivone and Fred Arnold of Silverton and Worthy (Shorty) and Bonnie Cantwell of Plainview attended from this area.

The quilters were Oleta Warren, Sybil King, Ada Clay, Wanda Strange, Joy Stodghill, Bobbye Bean, Nadyne Childress, Christene King, Ann Norris, Rose Mary Perkins, Diane Norris and Nina Martin.

Sybil and Neil King and their friends, John and Thetha Vaughn of Plainview, drove to Laughlin, Nevada on Thursday to attend the bull riding. They returned Mon-

Evelyn Smith was called to California to be with her mother who is ill at this time. We have missed her at the quilting.

Bonnie Johnson and Janet Noel of Rockport and Sue Williams of Port Aransas have been visiting Mike and Diane Norris. Bonnie and Sue worked with Mike at Port Aransas. Janet helped us quilt. All three said they met a lot of nice people during their visit.

Recipe-

Zucchini Squash Cake

3 cups grated zucchini 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder

3 cups flour

1 1/2 cups cooking oil

1 tsp. nutmeg

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1 cup chopped pecans 1/2 tsp. cinnamon

## Bits & Pieces of News

contributed by Lataine Dillard

We are saddened by the passing of Juanita Stephens and Judy Burson Welch. Our control came in! Grandma love and prayers go out to their families.

Juanita's family had a eulogy for her on Friday night at First Baptist Church. It was a time of remembrance of this lady as a mother, wife and grandmother. There were times of laughter and tears. The most touching part was that of a great-grandson who said, "Grandma never got mad at you." A great-grandson told about how his grandmother always believed in him and loved him.

Her children, Jerry, Margaret Ellen and Wayne spoke fondly of her; however, they do remember their mom getting mad at one when they hurt each other or an animal. Jerry told of the time when he got a new bow and arrow. He saw a rabbit and told his mom to watch. He shot the arrow, not thinking that it would kill it. Needless to say, he caught it from his mother.

The children and grandchildren remember taking trips with their grandmother and grandfather, Elbert. They

4 eggs

3 cups sugar

1 tsp. soda

Mix squash, sugar, oil and eggs. Combine dry ingredients and mix with squash mixture. Stir in nuts. Pour in greased and floured tube pan. Bake 300° for approximately 1 1/2 hours. Cool before turning out.

would go to the mountains, to California and other places. One said, "Grandmother loved music and she always patted her foot even when she drove or patted her hand to the music. I was so glad when cruise loved country western music. It's a long way to California with the Statler Brothers on an eight track!"

They remembered when their Mrs. Stephens drove the grain truck for Grandpa. She did it for many years. Most of all, the relatives remembered erybody and welcomed them into her home like family, even those not born to her.

We were so happy to have the Singing Women of Texas, Panhandle Chapter, singing at day night. We are sorry if you missed it. There was a good crowd, but if they come again, you won't want to miss it! songs like Battle Hymn of the Republic, National Anthem and Statue of Liberty. The Hospitality Committee, Burson and Ada Clay, hosted meal. An offering was taken at the event which is not used by the ladies personally. Each person pays her own way when they travel and buy their own dresses and accessories. The offering is used for printed music and CDs or taped music.

Glenda Couch and her cousin, Pam Neese, traveled to Colleyville, Texas last Friday. They attended a surprise party for their Aunt Pat who turned 85. She was surprised and that made for a great

Shirlieann Chalmers has enjoyed having her sister here from Scotland with her two daughters.

Bobbye Bean found out the hard way that ammonia will eat up the gold on your rings. When she was cleaning recently, the whole setting fell out of her wedding rings. Watch out what you clean with or remove them while you are immersing them in a caustic liquid

Doyce and Kent Cooper, ing Women. cousins of Lataine and Jack Dillard, visited here on Sun- Didn't I tell you? Don't be day. After their Sunday School afraid, for the Lord your God was over in Levelland, they is with you wherever you go! came over to visit and hear the Have a great week!



that their Grandma loved ev- J. T. West was pictured with several trophies he and others in his family won at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. J. T. won Grand Champion of the Junior Bantam Show, Grand Champion Duck and Best 4-H Exhibitor. His father, Brad, and grandfather, Terry West, won Grand Champion of the Open Show.

Briscoe County News Photo

## First Baptist Church on Sun- 4-H Youth Excel at Tri-State Fair

Provided by Cory Edwards and Brandon McGinty Briscoe County Texas Cooperative Extension

They have added patriotic youth participated in contests and activities at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo over the last week. Ty Reed and Zack Burson were honored to be Loretta Hardin, Ramona Mar-selected as Junior Board tin, Donna Estes, Rhenda Members for the Tri-State Fair to assist with the youth a wonderful meal for them. shows and help in the main The ladies said it was a great office at the fair. They also had to attend one board meeting prior to the fair and help superintendents with their youth activity.

> Thor and Tory Patton exhibited their sheep at the fair with Tory placing third with a Southdown, second and fourth in the medium wool division. Thor placed first, second, second and sixth with his medium wool, and placed first

Singing Ladies. It's good for family to get together.

My sister, Virginia, (we call her Gin) informs us the Confederate Air Show weekend will be next weekend in Midland. You are all invited to come! They have a concession stand where they sell curly fries, hamburgers, etc. They contribute the profits to the Midland Girls Fast Pitch ball teams. Gin's husband, Burr, was a coach for them for many years. Look for the Blue Diamond Concession if you go!

Thanks to Rance Young for postponing his Bible Study for his folks to listen to the Sing-

Remember Joshua 1:0.

Several Briscoe County 4-H with winning Breed Champion in the fine wool cross division.

In the market goat show, four 4-H youth competed with six goats. Youth exhibiting market goats were Callie Helms, fourth place in class 6 and first in class 8; Sunny Helms, fourth place in class 5 and fifth in class 9; Colleen Hancock, eighth place in class 2; and Jacob Hancock, sixth place in class 4.

Additionally, Jacob and Colleen Hancock submitted entries in the Amateur Photography contest, where Colleen placed third in the sub-junior (8 & under) division. Colleen also entered a blouse in the youth textiles contest and was awarded 4-H Best of Show in her division.

Congratulations to all of the youth who participated in the Tri-State Fair and good luck in the future.

Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.

Dionysius the Elder

Legendary pitcher Cy Young holds the major league records for career wins (511) and losses (316).

Three-time world welterweight champion Jack Britton competed in a record 37 title bouts.

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## **Owls Celebrate Homecoming By Taking a Big 68-37 Victory Over Fort Elliott Cougars**

began Friday night with the lighting of the spirit flame at the south end of the football field by Mr. and Miss Flame, Eric Minyard and Daryl-Ann Reynolds.

When Fort Elliott kicked off short to open the game, the ball was fielded by Jacob Francis. Beau Brock ran the first offensive play by picking up 10 yards. Chance Rhoderick added a first down, after which Yance Forbes and Estes moved the Owls for another first down. Brock recovered an Owl miscue, after which Estes scored with 7:47 remaining in the first quarter. The PAT kick failed, and the Owls held a 6-0 lead.

When Max Comer kicked 19. off deep and made the tackle, the Cougars came back to score with 5:49 still on the first-quarter clock. Their kick failed, and the score was knotted at 6-6.

When Fort Elliott kicked off, Colt Smith picked it up off the grass and made a short return. Brock took a pitchout and ran for a first down, after which Estes scored around the right end while Rhoderick made an excellent fake through the line on the right side, fooling most of the Cougars.

Caleb Francis held and Comer kicked the PAT, to give the Owls a 14-6 lead with 5:23 still remaining in the opening stanza.

Caleb Francis executed the onside kick, which was recovered by Gid Mayfield. Forbes and for another first down, after which the Owls lost the ball via the fumble route.

The Cougars passed complete for another touchdown with 2:28 still on the firstquarter clock, but their pass for PAT failed and the score stood at 14-12, favoring the Owls.

Fort Elliott kicked off and Smith fielded the ball and ran. Brock and Estes combined for another first down, and Forbes scored with 51 seconds still to be played in the first quarter. Comer kicked the PAT, to move the Owls into a 22-12 lead.

Fort Elliott took control of the six minutes remaining in the ball on their 34. The second third quarter. Comer kicked quarter of play began as Forbes the PAT, to move the Owls into knocked down a pass on the 40. Fort Elliott scored with 9:38 remaining before halftime, passed kick again, and the Owls refor the PAT, and trailed 22-19.

Owls took the ball deep. Brock and Estes carried the touchcarried to the 20, after which runs by Rhoderick and Forbes made a first down. A pass from the PAT, to move the Owls Smith to Jacob Francis moved the ball nearer the goal, and a pass from Smith to James Tiffin picked up a first down on the Cougar 11. Rhoderick picked up four yards and Brock went into the endzone for the Owls with 6:50 remaining in the second period. The PAT failed, and the yard line. Owls extended their lead to 28-

Comer kicked off and Brock brought down the return on the Fort Elliott 20. The Cougars made a first down near midfield, after which they scored on a pass play with 6:23 remaining in the quarter. The PAT failed, due to the efforts of Estes and Mayfield, and the Owls continued to lead

When Fort Elliott kicked off, near midfield. the Owls returned the ball to the Cougar 30, after which Brock picked up 11 yards. The Owls fumbled and recovered, losing yards, and the fourth-down run failed to get enough yardage for a first down.

Fort Elliott came back with runs and passes, and Estes and Brock led the defense against them. The Cougars passed for a touchdown with 2:01 remaining in the second quarter, failed to make their PAT, and moved into a 31-28 lead over the Owls--their Rhoderick combined to run only brief lead of the game.

> It only took the Owls about a minute and a half to score again on a run by Smith after Caleb Francis took the snap. Comer kicked the PAT, and the Owls regained their lead, 36-31,

> During halftime, Haylee Simpson was crowned as the Homecoming Queen and Kelsie Estes was presented as the Football Sweetheart.

When Caleb Francis kicked off to open the second half, the Owls recovered the onside and went back on offense. Runs by Brock and Rhoderick picked up a first down, after which runs by Estes, RHoderick and Brock moved the ball nearer the goal. Estes got a first down on the Caleb Francis once again Fort Elliott three, and Brock

Homecoming activities executed the onside kick, and scored on the next play with a 44-31 lead.

Caleb executed the onside covered again. Brock, Estes When the Fort kicked off, the and Forbes picked up yardage down with 4:41 remaining in the third frame. Comer kicked ahead 52-31.

> Caleb kicked off again and Fort Elliott returned the ball to the 35, stopped by Brock and Caleb Francis. The Owls held the Cougars to no gain on the next series, and they punted to the Silverton five-

> Brock, Estes and Rhoderick moved the ball for the Owls, and Brock took it into the endzone with 1:21 still on the third-quarter clock. Comer kicked the PAT, to move the Owls into a 60-31 lead.

Comer kicked off and stopped the runback where the Cougars took the ball. Once again the Owls held and the ball went over on downs

As the fourth quarter began, runs by Forbes and Estes moved the ball into scoring position, and Forbes carried the touchdown with 8:43 remaining in the game. Eric Minyard booted the PAT, to give the Owls a 68-31 lead.

When Caleb Francis kicked off again, Brock stopped the runback. A penalty against the Owls gave Fort Elliott a first down, after which the Cougars passed for a touchdown with 8:12 remaining in the game. There was no PAT, and the score stood at 68-37.

Silverton's coaches substituted liberally in the remaining minutes of the game. Drew Reed was at quarterback and several nice runs were made by E. J. Ivory. Fort Elliott fumbled near midfield and Mayfield recovered for the Owls. Ernesto Ferrusca, Thor Patton and Ivory picked up



Skyler Beesinger was the 'couch potato" at the game Friday night, having won the honor for himself and two friends in a raffle.



Audra Smith and Sara Martin

Meet a New Business in Silverton

## **Braidfoot Boutique Has Grand Opening Specials Until Oct. 3**

Hair! Nails! Anything to do tique at 904 Braidfoot Street. They opened their shop August 1, 2003.

Both ladies are certified nails best, and also does hair. Audra likes to do hair, and also does nails. This partnership works out very well for them. Their husbands are cousins and work together, so that gives them even more in

Sara is the daughter of Juanita and James Ober of Tulia. She is married to Dusty Martin, son of Ramona and Gary Martin of Silverton. Dusty is with Barbour Welding in Silverton. Sara has a sister, Robin Holland of Tulia, who is a nail technician like Robbie Carmichel of Sioux prices. Falls, South Dakota.

Audra is the daughter of Mike and Susie House of Turkey. She is married to Ryan Smith, son of Kathy Lust. They have a six-year-old son, Colton. Ryan also works for Barbour Welding. Audra has a brother, Shane House, who lives in Amarillo.

yardage for the Owls before the game ended.

Friday night the Owls travel to Kress for kickoff at 7:30 p.m. The Junior High will be at home with Kress and the Junior Varsity will host Spade this afternoon at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m. Try to be there for all the given us," the girls said. excitement!

Both Sara and Audra liked with beauty! That's what Sara to do nails and hair when they Martin and Audra Smith have were in school. "My grandto offer at the Braidfoot Bou- mother was a hairdresses and so are my sister and two aunts, so I just came into it naturally, Sara said. Audra had planned to be a nurse, but after workbeauticians. Sara likes to do ing for home health care, she changed her mind. "It was so hard to work with them and sometimes see them die. It was like losing grandparents. So I 🦈 decided to become a hairdresser," she said.

School for Audra was at South Plains College in Levelland. Sara attEnded Amarillo School of Hairdress-

The Braidfoot Boutique is still having its Grand Opening specials until October 3. If you did not catch the coupon in the Briscoe County News on July 31, stop by or call Audra and Sara. She has a brother, Sara today for valuable special

> They cut hair, wax eyebrows, do French nails, hair color, perms, nail art, highlights and regular manicures. Both men and women are welcome. They are closed on Mondays, and take appointments for Tuesdays and Wednesdays. They are always at the shop on Thursdays and Fridays. Call them at the shop, 823-2308, or at home. Sara's number is 823-2558. Audra's number is 823-2331.

"We welcome you to come by as we look forward to meeting and serving the folks in Silverton. Thank you for the support you have already

provided by Lataine Dillard

## Best Wishes to the Silverton Owls During Football Season!



Chance Rhoderick picking up yardage.



Beau Brock and Chance Rhoderick making tackle, with Yance Forbes coming in to help.



Ernesto Ferrusca running with the ball.



Mr. and Miss Flame, Eric Minyard and Daryl-Ann Reynolds, lighted the spirit flame which burns during the Homecoming game.





Yance Forbes returning a kick for the Owls.

## Silverton vs. Kress September 26, There, 7:30

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#### **Texas Cooperative Extension** Free Food to be Distributed

Cory Edwards, Briscoe County Extension Agent-FCS

Free food will be distributed berries, peaches, pizza crusts on Friday, September 26, 2003, and pie shells. under the awning at the Courthouse in Silverton from to use to carry home your food. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and at the Bob Wills Center Cafete- by and pick up the food. ria in Turkey from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m.

by the High Plains Food Bank Cooperative and will include frozen blue- Briscoe County.

Please bring boxes or bags Anyone is welcome to come

00 p.m. Panhandle Community Ser-The food has been donated vices of Clarendon and Texas



Colleen Hancock won 4-H Best of Show in the youth textiles division of the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

The Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority is soliciting bids for the purchase of a new 50 horsepower, 4-wheel-drive tractor and accessories.

Bids will be received by the Authority until 5:00 p.m. local time on October 14, 2003.

Bids may be delivered to the attention of Emmett Tomlin at the following addresses:

IF BY USPS: Route 1, Box 14 Silverton, TX 79257 IF BY OVERNIGHT OR PERSONAL DELIVERY:

Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, Administrative

South Side-Lake Mackenzie West side of Highway 207 Briscoe County, Texas

Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud on October 14, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. at the offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, South side of Lake Mackenzie, Briscoe County, Texas. The Board of Directors may award the bid in their regular meeting, October 21, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at the same location.

### INVITATION FOR BIDS Beef Industry Sees **Record Prices**

Beef experts have said all aspects of the beef cattle industry are experiencing fall is when cattle prices soften; however, this season may see the highest prices ever. Producers, hurting just one year ago, are now benefiting from a lack of supply. Feedlots are operating with five percent less cattle than they had last year. Increased consumer demand is also helping are expected to remain near \$80 per hundredweight.

The Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding process.

encouraged to contact Emmett Tomlin at 806/633-4318 with stunting. questions or to request a bid package. All bidders must use the bid package as prepared thought of before, but the probby the Mackenzie Municipal lem is to think of it again. Water Authority. 39-2tc

## **Turkey Shoot**

Hale County 4-H Shooting Sports in sponsoring a Turkey Shoot at the trap field located 1/4 mile west of Excel on County Road 50 and 1/4 mile south on turnrow on Sunday, September 26, 2003, starting at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, call This event is sponsored by Pete Chambliss at 296-9277.

### **Hot Peppers Could** Extension, Save Strawberries

Cayenne peppers could be used to battle molds in strawberries. CAY-1 is a USDAdevelopd fungicide derived from cayenne peppers. Researchers have finished a year of promising laboratory tests, and are now conducting greenhouse studies.

These tests could pave the way to commercial availability. CAY-1's potential doesn't just stop at crops. It could also be used to control mosquito lavae or as a mildew-fighting product.

#### NICOLE APRICOT-**NEW FRUIT FROM** ARS

The USDA has developed a tasty new apricot named Nicole. This gourmet fruit is meant for jams, marmalade, or fillings in baked goods.

It keeps is fragrance, color and sweet taste longer than regular apricots.

Nicole trees require pollen from other species of apricot trees. This is important to keep in mind when planting Nicole. They should flourish in record-high prices. Typically, any area where commercial apricots are currently grown.

#### **NEW CLOVER HELPS INCREASE CATTLE AVERAGE DAILY GAINS**

A new variety of clover can increase cattle daily gains by almost three pounds. While studying Apache, an arrowleaf to support the market. Prices clover, scientists found when an average of two head or less wEre grazed on one acre, gains as high as 3.5 pounds per day were reported. When more than two head were grazed, the daily gains lowered. Apache clover is also resistant to the bean yellow All prospective bidders are mosiac virus, which causes wilting, leaf discoloration and

Johann W. von Goethe

## Collagen Based **Wound Sealant**

Provided by Brandon McGinty Briscoe County CEA-Ag Texas Cooperative Extension

Scientists at Texas A&M recently developed a collagenbased wound sealant. It could be an alternative for human and animal wound care treatment. Poured or injected into the wound, the material helps

Wounds treated with the sealant healed in three days. Untreated wounds took about six days to heal.

Collagen has been considered a good material for wound treatment because it is inexpensive, easily prepared, and can be readily shaped to fit the wound site. As a naturally-occurring substance in the body, it also causes few allergic reactions.

#### **COTTON IN TEXAS**

Cotton harvest has begun in most areas of the state and vields are mixed. Cotton in the Brazos River Bottom and South Texas is doing exceptionally well. Producers in these areas expect to get two to three bales per acre, which is very rare.

Market prices for cotton also have increased since last year, and are expected to continue to increase as harvest

Cotton in the Rolling Plains and Southern High Plains, however, is not doing as well. It was devastated by hail, high winds and heavy rains. More than one million acres was destroyed shortly after plant-

#### **COLORED MULCH**

The USDA says colored mulch can have a positive effect on food plants. The colored mulch alters the amount of blue and red light plants receive. Recent work with cotton has focused on how the colored mulch affects the roots, leaves, seeds and fruit of the plant.

This research shows cotton fibers grew longer in bolls which were exposed to increased red light ratios. Past Everything has been research also shows that red mulch produces larger tomatoes and sweeter smelling strawberries.

#### **IMAGING SYSTEM DETECTS POULTRY CONTAMINANTS**

Food supply safety is a huge issue in the war against terrorism. This has led the USDA to develop a system that can quickly detect contaminants on food surfaces. The system uses imaging to scan the surface of a poultry carcass, locating small particles in hard-tofind or shadowed areas.

This system has only been speed closure by about 50 per- tested on poultry carcasses but is currently 100% accurate. It could reduce processing delays and help save money. It is expected to be used on a wide range of poultry and meat products in the near future.

#### ANIMAL PRECAUTIONS AGAINST WEST NILE

As you protect yourself from West Nile, don't forget about your horses and pets. Entomologist Jim Olson says animals are extremely susceptible and can be severely affected by West Nile virus.

Horses should be vaccinated immediately. They can also be protected by blankets in the early-morning and evening hours when mosquitoes are most active. During these times, pets should be kept indoors as much as possible.

Owners can also check with a veterinarian for approved animal repellents. The symptoms of West Nile are listlessness, high fever, and a decrease in appetite.

#### DON'T LOSE SLEEP **OVER IT**

Whoever said sleep is overrated was wrong. The National Sleep Foundation says sleep is as essential to health and performance as exercise and nutrition. But getting enough sleep isn't always easy. About 100 million people in the U.S. don't get enough sleep on a regular basis, and 33 million people don't sleep well occasionally.

To ensure a good night's rest, Extension health specialist Carol Rice suggests restricting caffeine within six hours of bedtime. Drinking alcohol can cause interrupted sleep and snoring. She also suggests not to go to bed on a full stomach, because that can cause heartburn and interrupted sleep.

#### New Snack Bar Prices as of Oct. 1

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Cookies50
Nachos (chips, cheese)\$1.2
Chips30
Beef Jerky50
Beef Sticks50
Apple or Cherry Pies\$1.00

ices as of oct.	
Peanuts, Smoked	
Almonds, Hot Peanuts.	50c
Hot Pockets:	
Ham & Cheese,	
Cheeseburger,	
Pepperoni	.\$1.25
Sandwich on a Bun:	
Roast Beef & Cheese,	
Ham & Cheese,	
Barbecue	
Pizza	\$1.50

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2003 BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS PAGE SEVEN Salads.....\$1.75 New Lunch & Breakfast Prices as of 10-1-03

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New Reduced Price Lunch & Breakfast as of 10-1-03

### **Study Shows Cattle Eat Less, Gain Less**

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## **Addition Planned** At the Post Office

Hoot Barker, Silverton Postmaster, said last week that he is working on a new project for the Post Office. He explained, "I kinda borrowed an idea when we were talking about what was going to happen to the boards that bear Briscoe County brands in the store-front of Wayne Nance's old building west of the square." This building eventually will become a grocery store owned and operated by Rick Hutsell. He said that he "thought it a new board trim on the upper walls of the box section

## Silverton School **Activities**

Thursday, Sept. 25--JH and JV vs. Spade and Kress, here, 4:00 p.m.

Friday, Sept.26--Owls vs. Kress, there, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27--ACT test, here

Wednesday, Oct. 1--Plan test for sophomores; 8:00 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 2-- JV at

Amherst, 5:00; JH at Patton Springs, 5:30

Friday, Oct. 3--Owls vs. Amherst, here, 7:30

Monday, Oct. 6--No School would be a good idea to put in that would have the brands burned in."

Barker is currently working

September Readings at 6:00 a.m. Daily

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22	79	53	
23	87	52	

September Precip. .48 Normal Sept. Precip. 2.49 Total Precip. in 2003 9.73 Normal Annual Precip. 18.08

towards getting the lumber and pre-cutting it to fit so that when the project gets off the ground everything will go pretty quick.

Barker plans to start burning the brands about the first week of October. "I would like to have everything completed by mid-October.'

He's asking everyone interested to bring their branding irons to the Silverton Post Office beginning October 1. He'll be set up to burn the brands and can return the branding irons at once.

## **Cross Country Team Goes to** Friona Saturday

The Lady Owls will go to Friona on October 4. On U.S. 60 turn north on FM 214 by the Town and Country and proceed north about 1/4 mile and turn left.

The JV girls will compete at 9:45 a.m., and the Varsity girls will run at 10:40 a.m.

The girls will go to Canyon October 25, and compete at 9:00 a.m. (JV) and 9:55 a.m. (Varsity). As you leave Canyon south towards Tulia, the course will be on the left across from the rest stop. Drive down Pondeseta to the Coach Dallas or Coach Dykes. completed before that date.

## Silverton School **Lunch Menu**

Monday, Sept. 29--Pizza, Salad, Jello, Milk

Tuesday, Sept. 30--Spa-Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Oct. 1--Chicken Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Fruit, Milk

Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, Oct. 3--Sloppy Joe, Fries, Cheese, Fruit, Milk

#### Local Delegation-

**Continued From Page One** Quitaque Economic Development Board.

Areas of discussion centered on three concerns:

1. Completion of the park visitor center 2. Completion of the Bison

Interpretive Pavilion 3. Completion of the water

project at the park

Considerable time and money has been expended to build a visitor center at the park that would also serve to highlight the state bison herd. The visitor center is budgeted at \$2.8 million for the structure, paving, parking area, furniture, equipment and displays. Approximately \$1.4 million in state funding has been earmarked for the project. The remaining \$1.4 million will need to be gathered through private funding sources. This will take considerable time and effort. Texas Parks and Wildlife Director Bob Cook assured the group that the funds already designated for the project will remain available. Cook also encouraged the group to seek out any funding source that might provide the remaining assistance.

The Bison Interpretive Pavilion, started in 1998, is located on the south rim of the park. Additions to the pavilion include interpretive panels, a bronze bison, and topographic map. While these additions were scheduled for completion in August 2003, a new completion date was set for Thanksgiving of this year.

Caprock Canyons State Park has been transporting water by truck from Quitaque to the park since June of 2002. Completion of a water pipeline from the City of Quitaque to the park is scheduled for no later than August 2004. It is park. For information, contact hoped that the project will be

Parks and Wildlife Department officials clarified details of park project plans and timelines as well as funding requirements. They acknowledged the desire of the public to view the bison and outlined ghetti, Corn, Garlic Bread, ongoing efforts to remedy that situation. Currently, a fenced area is being constructed to allow viewing of the bison from an observation deck fur-Thursday, Oct. 2--Steak, nished with telescopes.

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#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN GAS RATES

Atmos Energy hereby gives notice of its intent to implement new gas rates for Residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial and Air Conditioning customers. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days. The Cities may suspend the proposed effective date for an additional 90 days. The company may implement a different rate design than proposed provided the increase to revenue does not exceed that specified herein. It is anticipated the new rates will increase the revenues of the company by approximately \$ 7.7 million or 7.32 percent and therefore constitutes a "major change"

Abernathy	Lamesa	Ransom Canyon
Amherst	Levelland	Ropesville
Anton	Littlefield	Seagraves
Big Spring	Lockney	Seminole
Bovina	Lorenzo	Shallowater
Brownfield	Los Ybanez	Silverton
Buffalo Springs	Meadow	Slaton
Lake	Midland	Smyer
Canyon	Muleshoe	Springlake
Coahoma	Nazareth	Stanton
Crosbyton	New Deal	Sudan
Dimmitt	New Home	Tahoka
Earth	Odessa	Timbercreek Canyon
Edmonson	O'Donnell	Tulia
Floydada	Olton	Turkey
Forsan	Opdyke West	Vega
Friona	Palisades	Wellman
Hale Center	Pampa	Wilson
Нарру	Panhandle	Wolfforth
Hart	Petersburg	
Hereford	Plainview	
Idalou	Post	
Kress	Ouitaque	

\*unincorporated - Southland, Welch, Whitharrall

Ralls

Lake Tanglewood

Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121 or a local Atmos Energy Office nearest you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, within 30 days following the proposed effective date.

