

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Menus for Tri-County Meals next week are:

Monday, February 21-Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Sweet Peas, Cake or Brownies

Wednesday, February 23-Baked Ham, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Fruit

Friday, February 25-Barbecue on a Bun, Coleslaw, Beans, Cobbler

Menu subject to change.

Gifts to Tri-County Meals can be sent to Box 421, Quitaque, TX 79255.

Briscoe County Activities Association will sponsor a Domino Tournament Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

The charge will be \$15 per person, which includes lunch.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and playing begins at 9:00.

Trophies will be given for first, second and consolation.

The annual Fireman's Ball will be held at the Showbarn in Silverton beginning at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19.

There will be a ribeye dinner and music provided by the Denim & Lace band.

Note from Fred Strange:

I will be taking more names of veterans over to Clarendon April 1, for them to put on the monument.

If you know of some veteran whose name wasn't on the monument, please send me his name and the years he was in the service before April 1.

Fred's address is Box 774, Silverton, TX 79257.

Jerry Patton says that his mother, Lallie Patton, is doing very well since her back surgery.

Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2005.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with planting instructions enclosed. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the



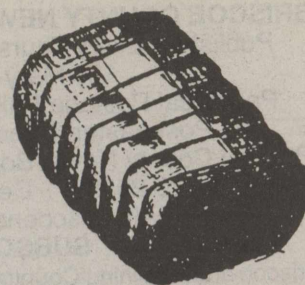
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BSA Re-Charter Time is Here Again

Re-Charter time is here once again for Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262. Any young man between the ages of 11 and 18 is invited to join the troop for a learning experience that will last a lifetime. If you are interested in Scouting or know of someone who is, please see Larry Comer or Rick Minyard. It is the beginning of a new year with new programs being planned and summer camp just around the corner, and new boys are welcome to visit the troop, which meets every Thursday from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. at the Scout Hut east of the old John Deere building.

Purpose of the Boy Scouts of America is to promote, through cooperation with other agencies, the ability of youth to do things for themselves and others, and to teach youth patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues in achieving this purpose. Emphasis

Senior Citizens To Have Luncheon

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly luncheon and business meeting at the center at 12:00 noon Friday, Feb. 18.

Hosts for the luncheon will be members of the Silverton United Methodist Church.

You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty.

Mahatma Gandhi

Laughing is the sensation of feeling good all over and showing it principally in one spot.

Josh Billings

Man is the only animal that laughs and has a state legislature.

Samuel Butler

Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by February 28, 2005, or go online to arborday.org.

is placed upon the Boy Scouts' educational program and its oaths, promises, and codes for character development, citizenship training, and mental and physical fitness.

Leaders for the troop are always being sought and anyone interested in being a leader is urged to do so. Boy Scout leaders are committed to serve others by helping to instill values in young people, and prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetime in achieving their full potential. The values they strive to instill are based on those found in the Scout Oath and Law.

SCOUT OATH

On my honor I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;

To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

SCOUT LAW

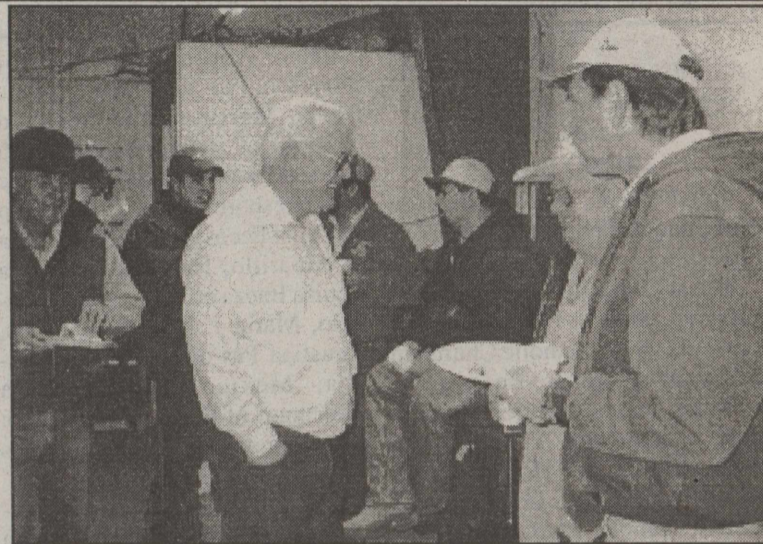
A Scout is: Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, Reverent.

Time To Renew BSA Flag Service

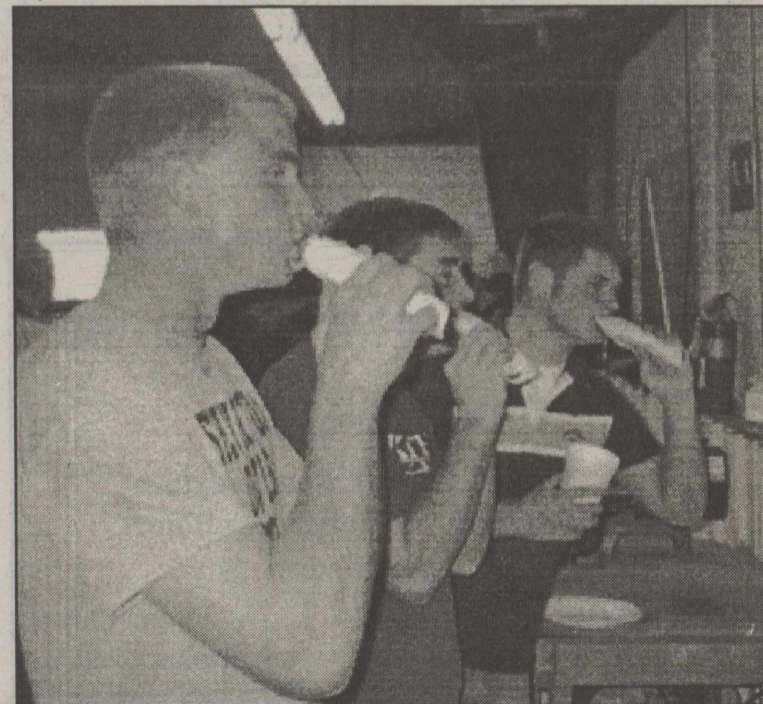
Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262 is once again selling their flag service. For \$25 per year the troop will place a flag at your home or business on seven holidays. These holidays include Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Briscoe County Celebration, Labor Day and Veterans' Day.

Anyone who would like to receive this service should call Larry Comer, Scoutmaster, 823-2190, or Rick Minyard, Assistant Scoutmaster, 823-2108.

Proceeds from the flag service will be used for all troop activities, including summer camp, purchasing merit badges earned by the boys, camping supplies, and any supplies needed for merit badge projects. The continued overwhelming support of the community with this project is greatly appreciated by the troop, and makes Scouting possible for the boys involved.



Pictured at the CarQuest meal at Brown-McMurtry Implement last Friday were (left to right) Don Brown, JoDee Robison, Steve Brown, Bryan Breedlove, Dwain Henderson and Perry Brunson.



Chance Rhoderick, Max Comer and Beau Brock were pictured as they chowed down on sausages, tortillas and iced tea at the CarQuest open house held at Brown-McMurtry last Friday.

Briscoe Declared a Wet County

At the meeting of the Briscoe County Commissioners Court Monday, February 14, 2005, the following order was passed and signed by Commissioners Terry Grimland, Precinct #1; Larry Comer, Precinct #3; Gary Weeks, Precinct #4, and Judge Wayne Nance:

"As result of election held on February 5, 2005 to legalize the sale of all alcoholic beverages for

off premises consumption in Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 of Briscoe County, the Commissioners Court declares that upon certification of the election, we the Briscoe County Commissioners Court do hereby declare Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 a wet territory for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption."

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Looking for a break from college studies? Looking for a job that offers the opportunity to interact with young people, ages 8-18, on a daily basis? Would you like that job that is rewarding, fun and short term?

The Texas 4-H Center, located at Lake Brownwood, is accepting applications for Summer Staff employment. Qualified applicants must have successfully completed one year of college and be at least 18 years of age. In addition, applicants must be enthusiastic, possess a positive attitude, be hard working, exhibit creativity and be dependable. Previous membership in a 4-H program is not required, but may prove useful. Texas 4-H Center Summer Staff work long hours, but the rewards are immeasurable! You will have the opportunity to make a difference in the life of many young people as well as develop your own personal leadership skills.

Previous summer staff have commented that working at the 4-H Center is the best hands-on work experience they have ever had. If your future career is in education, sports and recreation or other related fields, working at the 4-H Center provides opportunities to develop communication skills, classroom management techniques, time management and team building skills.

Positions are available for an Assistant Program Director, Aquatics Supervisor, Program Assistants, and Lifeguards for the period of May 19 through August 6, 2005. Counselor positions are available for the period of June 30 through August 6, 2005. Interviews for these positions will be held March 11-13, 2005 at the Texas 4-H Center. All Summer Staff must participate in training May 19-28, 2005 at the Texas 4-H Center.

Each position provides a weekly salary, meals and lodging. Salary rates begin at \$180 per week and are based on experience and expertise.

Application packets may be obtained from the Briscoe County Extension Office or from the Texas 4-H Center website, <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>. Applications must be received by March 1, 2005 at the Texas 4-H Center, 5600 FM 3021, Brownwood, TX 76801. For additional information, please contact B. Darlene Locke, Program Director, 325/784-5482 or dlocke@tamu.edu.

Charity begins at home.

Terence

Hidden Food Allergies
 (NAPSA)-Low carb, high carb, no carb-perhaps the real secret to dieting success is checking food allergies.

For six years, Dr. Fred Pescatore, former medical director of the Atkins Center, has used the Alcat test to check for hidden food allergies. "No other test is as accurate or useful."



Hidden food allergies may be sabotaging your diet.

The success of the test for dieting is described in the book, "Your Hidden Food Allergies Are Making You Fat," by Roger Davis Deutsch and coauthor Rudy Rivera, MD. Studies show that following the Alcat test eating plan can mean weight loss success and a reduced craving for sweets. A Baylor Sports Medicine and Performance Institute study found that 98 percent of the subjects following the plan either lost weight or improved body composition.

Indications that food allergies may exist include fatigue, skin rashes, sugar craving, migraine, joint pain and Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

The book is available at bookstores. For information about the test, visit www.alcat.com or call 1 (800) 872-5228.

Caprock SWCD is Taking Orders For Windbreak Trees

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District is currently taking orders for windbreak trees. Tree seedlings will be offered from Texas and Colorado Forest Service. Orders will be taken for large trees from New Mexico as well. Caprock SWCD also sells drip supplies for optimum care for the trees.

A minimum order may be required on the seedling orders. There is no minimum on the larger trees. The earlier you order, the better chance you have of getting the varieties you want. Many of the trees will be sold out in a short time.

For more information, call 806-823-2341, Extension 101, or go by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office in Silverton located at 410 Lone Star.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Feb. 21-Mexican Casserole, Salad, Chips, Hot Sauce, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 22-Spaghetti, Corn, Garlic Bread, Jello, Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 23-Chili Con Carne, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Feb. 24-Steak Fingers, Gravy, Potatoes, auGratin, Baked Beans, Hot Roll, Jelly, Butter, Milk

Friday, Feb. 25-Sack Lunch, Sandwich, Chips, Fruit Roll-up, Milk

Years ago fairy tales all began with "Once upon a time..."--now we know they all begin with, "If I am elected..."

Carolyn Warner

Obituary

IRENO BAEZA

Ireno Baeza, 66, of Silverton died Sunday, February 13, 2005, in Amarillo.

Rosary was cited Tuesday, February 15, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church in Silverton by Amparo Becerra.

Mass was scheduled at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 16, 2005, with Father Hector Madrigal officiating at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church.

Burial was to be in the Silverton Cemetery by Myers-Chancellor Funeral Home.

Mr. Baeza was a Catholic and a member of Sagrado Corazon and Curcillista.

He is survived by his wife, Ana Baeza, of the home; three sons, Carlos O. Baeza and wife Melisa of Floydada, Joseph Baeza and

Carlos Anthony Baeza of Silverton; two daughters, Lorena Baeza-Martinez and husband Gerardo of Arlington and Anita Baeza-Morales and husband Jorge of Whitesboro; two brothers, Palbo Baeza of Pecos and Teodoro Baeza of Amarillo; four sisters, Maria Louisa Baeza of Burlington, Colorado, Maria J. Payden of Pecos, Agustina Pas of Meoqui Chihuahua, Mexico, and Manuela Rodriguez of Elida, New Mexico; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggested memorials be to Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center.

A bone to the dog is not charity. Charity is the home shared with the dog, when you are just as hungry as the dog.

Jack London

Life's greatest happiness is to be convinced we are loved.

Victor Hugo

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Christ the Only Way?

(continued from last week)

The 7th Step in Alice Baily's plan to stamp out Christianity:

"Defuse religious radicalism. Christianity says Jesus is the only way. Defuse this by: a) silencing Christianity; and b) promoting other faiths (the creation of inter-faith harmony.)"

Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father, except through ME." John 14:6

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

January 25, 1996-Bradley Brunson was named to the President's List at Eastern New Mexico University for the fall semester . . . Betty Ann Stephens, Briscoe County Tax Assessor-Collector, says that she is seeking reelection this year . . . Students from Silverton on the Dean's List for the fall semester include Aimee J. Francis, a senior general special education major, and Christa L. Tucker, a sophomore pre-vet medicine major . . . Owl teams win four games at Patton Springs . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rick Fudge are parents of a son, Derek Travis . . . Wynter Smith and Kenda Wood will be competing in the 1996 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo calf scramble . . . Teams win four games at Cotton Center . . . Junior High Owls and Lady Owls win a pair of games from Lakeview . . .

January 23, 1986-Silverton Senior citizens will have a Pioneer Program Thursday at the Center. Refreshments will include Vinegar Pie, Pioneer Cobbler and Bread Puddings . . . Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jarrett have moved to Lubbock, where he is doing substitute teaching and she is employed by Rhode Pipe Company . . . Vernon Garrison buried at Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bean and Kristi have moved to Lubbock where he is employed by the City of Lubbock . . . Mrs. Flute Hutsell was listed as a patient in an Amarillo hospital last week . . . A reception was to be held for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert A. Elms in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary . . . Mrs. Ollie McMinn underwent surgery on her leg at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Monday . . . Joe Brannon made an unusual find near Briscoe Cooperatives recently. It was a string of balloons, some of various colors and some white ones with "T.G.I. Fridays" and "Twentieth Anniversary" on some of them . . . Owls win first district game at Lakeview . . .

January 22, 1976-Owlettes move up in standings with pair of district wins . . . Family histories need to be turned in for book . . . First State Bank will be 30 years old Friday . . . Vinson Smith withdraws from sheriff's race . . . Bill Boling enters sheriff's race . . . Clyde Bramlet buried here Friday . . . Grady Burson to be inducted into Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame . . . Sandra Rampley of Roswell, Becky Brown of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dudley of League City visited Mr. and

Mrs. Milton Dudley over the holidays . . . Written about community volunteers in the ambulance and fire services: They want to help you if you need them. They are all trained in first aid and most of them in fire fighting. They stay pretty anonymous until you need them, but they form a network that is ready to help provide for the security of the community . . . Service Elevator approved by CCC . . . Mrs. Ora Lovett buried at Plainview . . . Becky Woods and Betty Olive brought Mrs. Belle Olive home from the Lockney Hospital last Thursday . . .

January 27, 1966-A target date has been set for the start of construction on the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority reservoir on Tule Creek northwest of here . . . The Briscoe County Museum had its formal opening on Sunday. Mrs. C. O. Allard, chairman of the Briscoe County Historical Society, greeted guests and presided at the guest registry . . . Eight inches of snow blankets local area . . . Funeral services for Stephen Craig Forbes were conducted Tuesday at the First Methodist Church. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Forbes . . . Ann and Kena Rucker of Quitaque were recent visitors with their aunt, Mrs. Glenn Jones, and with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Verden, Debbie and Paula . . . Johnnie Lanham returned home from Swisher Memorial Hospital Monday afternoon. He is recuperating from an emergency appendectomy . . . D. T. Northcutt recently attended the Fat Stock Show in Denver, Colorado. He was met there by his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kellam of Torrington, Wyoming . . .

January 26, 1956-Mrs. W. H. Graham, sr. and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham, jr. and sons of Farwell visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dudley last Thursday. Little Hal Graham remained with his grandparents, while his parents and grandmother went to Austin . . . Lem and Shafe Weaver went to Memphis Sunday to bring their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Weaver, home . . . The Silverton Cafe was opened Wednesday morning under the new management of Mrs. Edwin Crass, assisted by Mrs. Jay Jones . . . W. A. Amburn, former owner of the Briscoe County News, left Monday afternoon for Lovington, New Mexico where he has become partner in the Lovington Press, a weekly newspaper . . . Mrs. Larkin Vardell and children of Slaton returned home

on Wednesday after having spent several days here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sweek . . . Blanton Garrison of Denver, Colorado was an overnight guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Garrison, last Thursday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Odell Johnson and son of Quitaque were Sunday afternoon visitors with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Thomas . . . Mrs. Roy McMurtry and Mrs. J. E. Newman visited Mrs. Dean Allard at the Tulia hospital Monday . . .

January 23, 1936-Champ Blackwell accompanied his daughter, Delise, to Weatherford, Oklahoma Sunday where she will enter college . . . Mrs. R. M. Hill and Mrs. Bob Dickerson were joint hostesses for the January meeting of the Silverton Floral Club, of which Mrs. T. L. Anderson is president . . . Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Baird Saturday, February 18, a fine girl . . . Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Edwards and daughter, Juanita, and Mr. Wilbur Garvin visited in the M. M. Edwards home Sunday . . . Friends of Mr. Dave Graves will be interested to know of his removal to the government hospital at Albuquerque . . . Editor Boyle write: "When Miss Kate was questioning a social relief seeker the other day she asked the prospect if he owed any back house rent. He replied, 'We ain't got a back house, we have modern plumbing'." . . .

Happy Birthday-

February 17-Riley Ziegler, Vanessa Reyna, Patti Lowrance
February 18-Craig Patton, Bill Boling, Amy Jackson
February 19-Tyler Keith Ellison, Glenn Smith, David Kellum, Amy Jasper, Cathey Weeks, Carlye Fleming
February 20-Anne McJimsey, Korey Kennedy, Iwana Monroe, Kaitlin McWaters
February 21-Melissa Ortiz, Tyra Page, Mary Martin
February 22-David Schott
February 23-Karen Hill, Kenda Wood, Molly Sarchet, Brittney Grabbe

Happy Anniversary-

February 17-Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt
February 20-Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Smith

Be sure that it is not you that is mortal, but only your body. For that man whom your outward form reveals is not yourself; the spirit is the true self, not that physical figure which can be pointed out by your finger.

Cicero

All we actually have is our body and its muscles that allow us to be under our own power.

Allegra Kent



Dora and Gail Bullock observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary Monday, February 14, with a cookout prepared and served by their children. The couple was married in Amarillo in 1955. They moved to Silverton in October 1956, and Mrs. Bullock was employed by Caprock Food from 1974 until 1987. She went to work for the Silverton School in 1987 and retired after 11 years there. Mr. Bullock was employed by the Texas Highway Department in 1956 and retired as foreman after 27 years. He was a member of the Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Services. The Bullocks have six children, ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Cold Can Kill

Cold weather brings more hazards than icy roads and broken water pipes. It can kill. Nearly 600 Americans die each year from hypothermia. Half of those are older than 65. Hypothermia is an abnormally low body temperature that affects the brain, making the victim unable to think clearly or move

well. This occurs when the body's temperature drops to 95° F. Becoming chilled from rain, sweat, submersion in cold water, arthritis, and some over-the-counter cold remedies can diminish the body's response to cold. If a suspected victim's temperature is below 96° F, call 9-1-1 immediately.

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Red Owls, Lady Owls Lose Pair of Games to Green Owls From Hedley

Silverton's Lady Owls dropped their last game to Hedley, 74-47, here Tuesday, Feb. 8, while the Owls lost their match 72-62 to the Green Owls. Both the Hedley teams were district winners, followed by the Valley Patriots.

Sasha Wood was the highest scoring player with 16 points. Others adding to the score were Haylee Simpson, nine; Kelsie Estes, eight; Danielle Ramirez and Krista Hale, four points each; Kelsi Birdsong and Shandy Forbes, three points each.

Lady Owls	12	25	36	47
Hedley	10	32	55	74

Gid Mayfield had the hot hands for the Owls and tossed 26 points, including six shots from downtown, into the baskets as his team dropped a 72-62 decision to Hedley. Also scoring were James Tiffinn, eight; E. J. Ivory, Tanner Young and Yance Forbes, six points each; Ory Johnson, four; Jacob Francis and Jesse Reynolds, three points each.

Others hitting three-point shots were Young (2), Reynolds and Francis, one each.

Owls	11	27	45	62
Hedley	20	35	53	72

Panhandle - Plains Land Bank Announces Patronage Payments

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association, FLCA (FLBA). CEO Robert R. Williams, jr. announced recently that the board of directors approved a patronage payment and additional interest rate buy-down for 2005.

The Association board met January 20 in Amarillo to review performance goals from 2004 and approve the 2005 business plan that includes these payments. Association Board Chairman Larry Fairchild further explained, "This patronage, which will amount to over \$1.4 million, will effectively be a 3/4 point return of interest paid by customers during 2004. We will have checks in our customer's hands this spring," said Fairchild. Since 1997, Panhandle-Plains FLBA has a history of stock reduction, patronage payments, and interest rate buy-downs all of which reduce the cost of credit for rural real estate.

CEO Williams elaborated on the state reduction, "This Association adopted the theme, 'Providing Value to Membership' in 1997, and to accomplish this we want to be the low-cost lender of choice. We were able to offset increases in the market by reducing our rates during the third and fourth quarters of

2004, and will attempt to continue to do so this spring," said Williams. This aggressive pricing mechanism will place the variable rate at Panhandle-Plains FLBA a full point under the prime rate when enacted.

"Panhandle-Plains is committed to providing superior service at the lowest possible cost," explained Williams, "our primary customer base remains mortgage loans for production agriculture, but we have products and services to meet the needs of the recreational tract buyer too."

Panhandle-Plains FLBA provides long-term credit to farmers, ranchers and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton and Plainview. It is under the direction of a stockholder-elected board of directors. Members include Larry E. Fairchild of Adrian; Dennis Babcock of Groom; Randy Darnell of Amarillo; Ronnie N. Hopper of Petersburg; Don James of Plainview; Rusty Henson of Quitaque; Daniel Krienke of Perryton; Wayne Garrett of Gruver; Steve Rader of Canadian; and Steve Brown of Floydada.

WEATHER

Readings Taken at 6:00 a.m. during February

	High	Low	Precip.
1	38	28	
2	32	29	.03
3	44	22	
4	56	22	
5	57	24	
6	47	33	.46
7	51	29	
8	52	29	
9	59	25	
10	47	24	
11	54	26	
12	56	40	
13	53	41	
14	67	34	
15	73	34	

February Precipitation	.49
Normal Feb. Precip.	.60
Total Precip. in 2005	1.67
Normal Precip. to Date	1.25

Helping Heel Health

(NAPSA)-Most Americans walk over 100,000 miles in their lifetimes, so it may not be surprising to learn that 75 percent of people in the U.S. will have some type of foot problem in their lives.

One of the most common foot problems involves heel pain. The pain is generally caused by overstretching or stressing the muscle on the bottom of the foot. However, heel pain can also result from skin irritation. The skin on heels frequently becomes dry or cracked, causing foot pain and leaving people vulnerable to infections.

Irritated heels are sometimes treated using a foot sleeve such as Visco-Gel Heel-So-Smooth. The sleeve is lined with a vitamin-enriched gel that releases mineral oil to soothe skin. The product is made by PediFix. The company, which has been in operation since 1885, works with doctors and consumers to develop an extensive line of foot care products for medical and cosmetic purposes. For more information or coupons, call 1-800-PediFix or visit pedifix.com. Products can also be purchased in drug-stores or at amazon.com.

Slow down and enjoy life. It's not only the scenery you miss by going too fast--you also miss the sense of where you are going and why.

Eddie Cantor

The world is my country, all mankind are my brethren, and to do good is my religion.

Thomas Paine

I define joy as a sustained sense of well-being and internal peace--a connection to what matters.

Oprah Winfrey

Wet and Wild

Texas is wet. Unusually heavy rain has left most of the state saturated. Many fields are waterlogged and useless to farmers. While it is still several months before spring planting, preparation time is quickly slipping away. In some areas, there has been no field work in months. Weeds are taking over, and fertilizer hasn't been applied. If this continues, many producers will kill weeds with herbicides and apply fertilizer while planting. Planting dates vary across the state, but Coast Bend cotton farmers hope to start first, around mid-March.

Extension Develops Business

Extension is helping foster business development in West Texas. It is partnering with Howard College at Big Spring to provide area-wide assistance in the pilot project. The development program will service surrounding counties by offering advice and information to area residents. David Bradford, a Howard College staff member, will work with Extension agents through August 2005 and consult with entrepreneurs.

Buckle Up Your Kids

Sharing candy, flowers and hearts is how most Americans celebrated Valentine's Day. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration decided to celebrate this loving holiday in a different way. Valentine's Day began National Child Passenger Safety Week. There's no better way for parents to show how much they love their kids than to buckle them up when traveling. This year the focus was on increasing the use of booster seats. Injury from vehicle accidents is the number one killer of children ages two-to-fourteen. Children ages four-to-eight who use booster seats and safety belts are 59 percent less likely to be injured.

Making Meat More Tender

Consistently tender steaks may be more readily available in the future, thanks to USDA research. Scientists have recently made several discoveries. They noticed that meat is tender after slaughter, and the toughens before it gets tender again. Because of this observation, it's recommended not to sell steaks less than 14 days old to ensure tenderness. A majority of beef processors are already following their advice. Scientists also discovered that injecting calcium into meat tenderizes it. Additionally, they are studying genetics so producers can use the best animals for breeding.

Provided by David Hawkins Texas Cooperative Extension Briscoe County CEA-Ag

Silverton School Activities

February 17-19-San Antonio Stock Show continues

Tuesday, February 22-TAKS & SDAA 4 & 7 Writing, TAKS 9 Reading, TAKS 10 & 11 ELA

Wednesday, February 23-TAKS 3 & 5 Reading, SDAA 9 Reading, SDAA 10 ELA

Saturday, February 26-Prom

Administration Budget Proposal Sparks Unified Industry Reaction

As should be expected, there was a strong reaction by farmers to the Bush Administration's FY06 Budget proposal that included some very specific and, some might contend, unprecedented legislative changes to the current Farm Bill in order to achieve a target savings of \$587 million per year and \$5.7 billion over the next ten years.

Fortunately the Bush Administration's Ag spending proposal is just that--a proposal. Congress will ultimately decide when, why and how deep to cut FY06 spending to deal with the climbing budget deficit.

Plains Cotton Growers and the National Cotton Council are prepared for the task at hand and are already working at the Congressional level to tell cotton and agriculture's story and to prevent alteration of the current farm program in mid-stream and outside of a formal Farm Bill debate process.

Where the Administration proposal goes from here will be up to Congress to decide. Budget Committees from the House and Senate have until April 15 to develop the FY06 Budget Resolution that will provide the structure for development of future FY06 spending measures.

If the House and Senate do not agree on a joint budget resolution by April 15 the responsibility for finding and implementing cuts shifts to the specific authorizing committees who will have the ability to seek the necessary spending reductions without specific instructions detailing how the savings will be achieved.

Short-term goals for the industry during this process will be to ensure that agriculture is asked to do nothing more than its fair share in the budget reconciliation process.

The industry will also, to the maximum extent possible, work to ensure the House and Senate Agriculture Committees, who are in the best position to develop fair and reasonable spending recommendations, are not shackled by an overly restrictive set of budget instructions.

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From the Patio

by Nina Martin

February 14 - Happy Valentine's Day, everyone.

I ate Sunday lunch with Dana and Dorothy Martin. Their children, Brian and Mayson, Kami and Kamron have been visiting.

The quilters last Thursday were Ann Norris, Nadyne Childress, Wanda Strange, Laverne Stephens, Rose Mary Perkins, Christene King, Joy Stodghill, Sybil King and Nina Martin.

We finished Sybil's and Joy's quilts. Laverne brought "Star of Stars" whole cloth quilt to put in the frames.

Mary Jane Patton says Lallie Patton is doing great after her back surgery.

Coal Powers America

(NAPSA)-The nation's abundant coal supplies provide the fuel for over half of the country's electricity generation, according to the Edison Electric Institute. Because of coal, America enjoys some of the most reliable and affordable electricity in the world.



Coal plants reducing their emissions are one reason the air nationwide is healthier today.

Importantly, even though the country is using three times as much coal today as it did in 1970, emissions from coal plants are down. Since 1980, for example, coal plants have cut sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions by 40 percent. As a side benefit of reducing these emissions, coal plants have lowered mercury emissions by 40 percent as well. New regulations by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and further efforts by electric utilities will lead to much greater emission reductions.

Fewer utility emissions are one reason why overall air emissions in the country have been cut in half since the Clean Air Act was adopted in 1970. To learn more about electric utilities and the nation's improving air quality, visit www.eei.org/air-quality.

It has been said that man is a rational animal. All my life I have been searching for evidence which could support this.

Bertrand Russell

A good marriage is one which allows for change and growth in the individuals and in the way they express their love.

Pearl Buck

Cotton News



from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Second 2004 CC Payment Announced

Questions about the timing of the next 2004 Advance Counter-cyclical (CC) payment were answered today with the announcement of payment rates for the second partial 2004 CC payment by the USDA Farm Service Agency.

For cotton the announcement confirmed speculation that the 2004 Counter-cyclical payment rate estimate would remain at the maximum 13.73-cent rate allowed by the 2002 Farm Bill.

Based on that determination cotton producers requesting the second partial payment will be eligible

to receive 70 percent of the estimated 2004 payment rate, or 9.61 cents per pound, if they did not request the first partial CC payment in October 2004.

Producers who received the first partial CC payment of 4.81 cents will be eligible for an additional 4.8 cents through the second partial payment.

The following table provides the second partial Counter-cyclical payment rates for eligible program crops as announced by the Farm Service Agency.

Crop	Target Price	2 nd Advance Payment Rate	Payment Rate Less 1 st Advance
Upland Cotton (lb)	\$0.724	\$0.0961	\$0.0480
Corn (bu)	\$2.63	\$0.2800	\$0.1400
Grain Sorghum (bu)	\$2.57	\$0.1890	\$0.0945
Peanuts (lb)	\$0.2475	\$0.020650	\$0.007875
Wheat (bu)	\$3.92	\$0.0140	N/A
Soybeans (bu)	\$5.80	\$0.1820	\$0.0910
Rice (lb)	\$0.1050	\$0.00525	\$0.00210
Barley (bu)	\$2.24	\$0.1050	\$0.0525
Oats (bu)	\$1.44	\$0.0112	\$0.0056

Source: USDA Farm Service Agency

Neugebauer Making Second Run at Crop Insurance Reform Measure

After running out of time during the last session of Congress, Lubbock Congressman Randy Neugebauer promised that his first attempt to increase the scope, availability and effectiveness of the risk management products available to growers through the Federal Crop Insurance Program would not be his last.

Making good on that promise this week, Neugebauer reintroduced the legislation, entitled the Risk Management Enhancement Act, and says he has been encouraged by the positive response the bill has received among growers in his district and among fellow members of Congress.

Neugebauer's bill would expand the ability of the Federal Crop Insurance Program to offer additional risk protection to growers by allowing them to stack a Group Risk Protection policy on top of an Actual Production History (APH)-based insurance product.

The stacked GRP coverage would function the same as a stand-alone GRP insurance policy, but only provide coverage equal to the percentage of the producers APH yield that was not covered by the underlying APH policy.

Premiums for the supplemental GRP policy would be calculated using the same percentage used to determine the coverage.

For example, under Neugebauer's proposal a producer who buys a 65 percent coverage level Multi-Peril Crop Insurance (MPCI) policy could select to buy an additional GRP policy that would provide coverage equal to 35 percent (the difference between 100 percent of the producer APH yield and the 65 percent coverage level they purchased) of the total coverage provided through a stand-alone GRP policy.

Plains Cotton Growers officials note that cotton producers are supportive of Congressman Neugebauer's efforts to develop new and innovative crop insurance alternatives.

"We support Mr. Neugebauer's first attempt to get this idea passed during the last Congress," said PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett. "We will continue to support this legislation and look forward to it being the first step toward expanding the range of risk management options available to the cotton producers on the Texas High Plains."

Strong export sales of U. S. cotton sparked buying at the New York Board of Trade that led cotton futures to settle higher on Thursday.

USDA reported net export sales of U. S. cotton reached a marketing year high for a second consecutive week. Sales of 417,200 bales in the week ended Dec. 3 were 12 percent more than the previous week and 39 percent better than the four-week average. Major buyers were China, with purchases of 159,000, followed by Turkey and Pakistan with acquisitions of 69,300 and 47,000 bales, respectively. Sales of 17,300 bales for delivery in 2005-06 were mainly for Mexico.

"We enjoyed a season's record of export sales, and yet prices still traded higher," said one analyst. "That's a very rare achievement for this market."

Export shipments of 243,300 bales were two percent less than the previous week and four percent less than the four-week average. Primary destinations were Turkey, Mexico and Thailand.

"Export sales were strong this week, and the active trade buying suggests that export sales are continuing at a strong pace," said a cotton market observer. "It was also China's biggest bite for the season, binging them up to a shade over 300,000 bales for the two-week period and 1.3 million for the season-to-date," he added.

In spot cotton news, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers sold 51,297 bales online in the week ended Feb. 10 compared to the previous week when 22,673 bales were traded. Prices received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 33.70 to 35.03 cents per pound versus the previous week's range of 32.31 to 34.62 cents per pound.

In other news, the market was buoyed by USDA's monthly cotton supply/demand report released on Feb. 9. The department cut its estimate of world ending stocks to 46.74 million bales from 47.12 million last month, raised its estimate of U. S. cotton exports to 13.0 million, and boosted estimated imports by China, the world's top cotton consumer, to 9.0 million bales versus 8.75 million projected in January.

"The report was friendly," said one analyst. "The figures were encouraging, especially after a string of bearish USDA production reports over the past few months."

The figures were in line with market expectations, but some in the industry considered it to be a significant report.

"USDA's report was significant in that it produced the first projected reduction in world ending stocks since its July report," an analyst noted. "It kept two other streaks alive, increasing both world production and mill use as it has since the beginning of the reports for this season," he added.

An analyst also said USDA has a record of continuing to cut the American cotton carryover following the February supply/demand figure. "Only twice in the last 10 years, in 1999 and 2001, did ending stocks grow from this time forward," the analyst noted. "The most prominent change was only four years ago when ending stocks increased by 1.5 million as both U. S. exports and consumption collapsed in the second half of the season."

2005 EQIP Sign-up Period Ends Mar. 18

Texas USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service official are reminding farmers and ranchers that the 2005 Environmental Quality Incentives Program sign-up period will end March 18, 2005.

Anyone interested in submitting an application for EQIP cost-share benefits on eligible agricultural land are encouraged to make sure their request is submitted by the close of business March 18.

The EQIP program provides technical and financial assistance to farmers and ranchers who wish to install or implement structural or management practices that solve local and/or statewide concerns in the area of water and air quality, wildlife habitat, and treatment of invasive species.

Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith, let us, to the end, dare to do our duty as we understand it.

Abraham Lincoln

Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory.

Albert Schweitzer



Mr. and Mrs. Mike Poulton

Couple Married on the Beach in Montserrat, British West Indies

Miss Jennifer Azzolina, given in marriage by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Azzolina of Sterling, Virginia, became the bride of Mr. Mike Poulton Saturday, February 5, 2005. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Poulton of Guillsford, Surrey, United Kingdom (England).

There were no ties, no tuxes and no shoes. The bride was lovely in her traditional wedding gown of peau de soie with hand-sewn lace. The groom was elegant in his white plantation suit.

They were married on Olde Road Beach on the island of Montserrat, British West Indies. A rock lined aisle led to a sandy beach where the groom and the Foote young men helped build a 10-foot wide heart outlined with rocks. Beautiful red island flowers were scattered on the sand. Rhonda McGoodwin of Leesburg, Virginia was matron of honor.

An African tradition called the Sabrage was given to the couple by Kurt Foote. With his German sword, he whacked the top off a bottle of champagne and then it was served to guests. He and his wife Tammy helped give an engagement party for the couple at Torquil House.

The reception was held at Vue Pointe Resort outdoors overlooking the majestic Soufriere Hills Volcano.

The Poultons will make their home in England where they are employed in the field of computer technology.

Attending from Silverton was the grandmother of the bride, Lataine Dillard.

All That Sparkles

(NAPSA)-If you want your look to come alive throughout the year, sparkle inside and out. That's the advice from fashion guru Phillip Bloch, stylist to celebrities. He offers these tips to give you the style and confidence to help you shine from parties to prom to graduation.

- Make hair and nail appointments in advance.
- Stretch it out. Do yoga or low-impact stretching to get energized for a night of dancing.
- Moisturize for radiant, silky-soft skin.
- Accessorize, girl! Faux is fabulous, so wear plenty of bling.
- Honor your inner diva. Wear a tiara or fresh flower in your hair.
- Be yourself! Confidence is the best party accessory.
- Listen to the experts-Chic,

sleek and classic is always best. Bloch also recommends wearing fun fragrances from the Secret Body Spray Collection so you smell delicious all night. He says a scent is your signature, they'll remember you long after you've left the room. Bloch partnered with Secret to give teen girls a chance to sparkle on prom night. The "Sparkle All Night" Prom Sweepstakes will award one Grand prize winner an ultimate prom package including, a one-of-a-kind, custom-designed dress, hair and make-up styling, limousine and corsage (valued at \$6,500). Other prizes include Apple(r) iPODs(r) and sparkling handbags perfect for the prom, or any night out on the town.

Deadline for entry is February 22. To enter, visit the Web site www.secretsparkle.com.

Greenpeace Blames People For Natural Events

by Dennis T. Avery
(NAPSA)-After the recent horrifying tsunami wave hit the Indian Ocean, a colleague warned me that environmental activists would move quickly to blame it on global warming.

I laughed. "How could they blame an earthquake event that hits a region about once every 200 years on modern CO2 emissions," I asked?

I didn't have long to wonder. The very next day, Stephen Tindale, executive director of Greenpeace in the United Kingdom, told an interviewer, "No one can ignore the relentless increase in extreme weather events and so-called natural disasters, which in reality are no more natural than a plastic Christmas tree."

The last transoceanic tsunami in Southeast Asia occurred in 1883. In that event, an Indonesian volcano called Krakatoa blew up. The resulting killer wave drowned 36,000 people, while darkened skies lowered world temperatures for five years. But no one blamed the eruption of Krakatoa on humans burning coal oil lamps.

Greenpeace's "relentless increase in extreme weather events" has never happened.

"Storminess" in North America has been declining for the past 50 years-not despite warmer temperatures, but because of them. The number of hurricanes, "thunder days," hailstorms, East Coast storms, and Canadian blizzards have all been dropping.

Storms get their power from the temperature differential between the poles and the equator. Global warming raises temperatures at the poles much more than at the equator. That narrows the polar-equator temperature differential, so we get fewer, milder storms.

Four hurricanes hit America this fall, but NASA reports a decline in land-falling Atlantic hurricanes during the past 50 years. Four in a year was just our annual roll of the dice.

What we've had, instead, is a relentless increase in extreme weather claims, driven by Greenpeace and their Blame People First campaign.

The physical evidence of past climate changes reassures us that these claims are bogus. Ice cores, cave stalagmites and seabed sediments say we've had about 600 natural, moderate, solar-driven warmings in the last million years.

The warmings, and the coolings that follow, come in 1500-year cycles. Satellites now monitor the mild variation in the sun's irradiance.

Temperatures were higher than today during the Medieval Warming of the 10th to 13th centuries-and the weather was the best in history. There were fewer and weaker storms during that period.

Greenpeace doesn't want us to realize that the Medieval Warming and the Little Ice Age were the two halves of the world's most recent, natural 1500-year climate cycle.

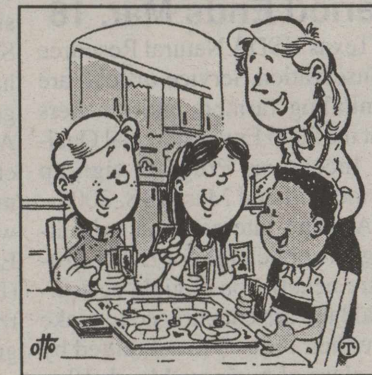


Dennis T. Avery

Active, Positive Play

(NAPSA)-When it comes to getting children to learn, teachers and parenting experts agree that, when the lessons are fun, kids get more out of them. That's the object of a new board game, designed to help children ages 5 to 8 develop their personal and emotional skills.

The Oikos Game was created by a psychiatrist and a pediatrician to help children learn positive strategies to handle common emotional situations. It provides a venue for families to talk about sensitive issues relating to school, community and family in a safe and secure environment.



A fun new game can help parents teach their children some important life lessons.

The game promotes coping skills for children, teaching them how to deal with bullies, show empathy, be assertive, solve problems, face fears and deal with strangers. It also encourages reading and mathematical ability, as well as good manners, during play.

The Oikos Game encourages children to have fun as they learn important life lessons. Through laughter and family interaction, children are eased into the challenge of personal and emotional development. Advanced levels of

The earthquake that caused the giant tsunami is the epitome of a natural disaster.

The world should focus on 1) how to help the affected countries and how to stop the spread of contaminated water diseases and 2) improving the earthquake warning system, even though it may well be another 150 years before the ocean floor starts another killer chain of events.

Dennis T. Avery is a former State Department agriculture analyst and a Senior Fellow at The Hudson Institute in the nation's capital.

Get Fit in Two Weeks

(NAPSA)-According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, backpack-related injuries are the cause of more than 6,500 emergency room visits each year. Pendaflex, a leading global office-supplies brand, recommends organizing backpacks to dramatically cut the weight. Try sorting assignments with a portable filing system, such as the Vertical File. This colorful, portable filing system (with eight removable color-coded folders) easily replaces bulky folders, binders and notebooks. For more information on organization, log on to www.ihatefilingclub.com.

While most people 65 years of age and older enjoy good mental health, many experience problems such as anxiety and depression. These problems are often mistaken as a normal part of aging and therefore are overlooked and untreated. This is unfortunate because mental health problems in older adults can be treated just as effectively as mental health problems in younger adults. Psychologists can help these older adults and their families through psychological assessment and treatments, such as psychotherapy, cognitive training and behavioral and environmental modifications. To receive a free brochure, "Psychologists Make a Significant Contribution: Psychology and Aging," write to the American Psychological Association, Office on Aging, 750 1st Street, NW Washington, DC 20042-4242 or e-mail wfranklin@apa.org. To find a psychologist, call 1-800-964-2000. A public health program called WISEWOMAN, aimed at addressing chronic diseases among women ages 40 to 64, is showing that screenings plus health-promoting lifestyle interventions are a promising combination.

the game will be released soon. For more information, visit the Web site at www.oikosglobal.com.

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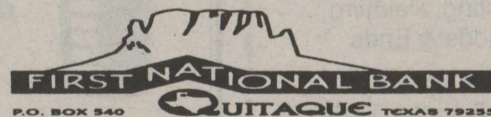


In today's world, it seems we are all so busy that we don't want to wait even a few minutes for anything. We become impatient on checkout lines, at automatic teller machines, in the doctor's office, and so on. Perhaps, we should just try to understand that there will always be situations in our daily lives that will require some waiting. During a waiting situation, possibly we should just try to relax and tell ourselves that our Lord may want us to pray silently for someone. Also, sometimes just talking to a person next to us makes waiting easier and helps to pass the time. A few silent prayers, a pleasant word spoken to someone, or just relaxing can make any waiting situation better. God wants us to demonstrate His love by being tolerant and patient with each other. Patience is a virtue and a gift from God.

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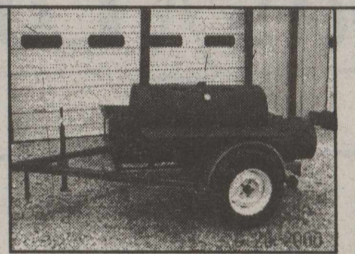
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We would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during our time of grief. Also thanks to those who called, brought food, and sent gifts. A special thank you to the First United Methodist Church of Nocona and the First Baptist Church of Silverton: your ministry to our family was a comfort during the loss of our "Darlin".

The family of Chestina Tiner Ray Tiner

The Sam & Lou Brown family

The LaQuita Jones family

The Peggy Bach family

The J. D. Kitchens family

Thanks so much for all the expressions of sympathy in the death of our sister. We appreciate all the phone calls, cards, food and flowers and the kind and loving words. This is a great home town!

Mary Martin

Doris Brown

Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, food and, most of all for your prayers. Thanks to Mr. Reynolds and Brother Chad King for being with my family during surgery, and to my family for always taking care of me.

I am doing fine. May God bless you as he has blessed me.

Lallie

We are grateful to the Silverton community for the prayers, cards, food and many other acts of kindness during Mom's illness and funeral. Mom was baptized, married and had her funeral in the church and community that meant so much to her. Our family is grateful for our West Texas roots and appreciates your support and concern.

The family of
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