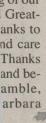
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By Mary Ann Sarchet Menus for Tri-County Meals next week are:

All Around

The Town

Monday, February 28-Chicken Ravioli, Tossed Salad, Mixed Vegetables, Jello

Wednesday, March 2-Meat Loaf, Macaroni & Tomatoes, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit

Friday, March 4-Chicken Salad, Bread, Crackers, Fresh Vegetable Sticks, Soup, Pudding

Menu subject to change.

be sent to Box 421, Quitaque, TX

Briscoe County Activities Association will sponsor a Domino 4:00 p.m. at the Quitaque Commu-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.

second and consolation.

Note from Fred Strange:

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

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.

Donations toward the cost of the memorial are still being accepted.

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

Dick, Cooper and Blaze Cogdell participated in the National Cutting Horse World Finals in Amarillo last week. Dick came in second in the first round of the non-pro. He was riding Amanda Fletch. He finished the competition in tenth place.

Cooper and Blaze also earned high placings in the junior division of the event.

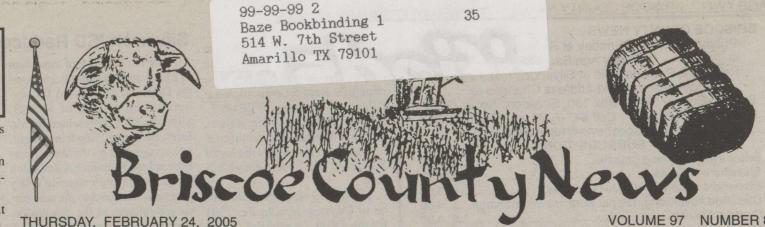
I'm not a real movie star. I've still got the same wife I started out with twenty-eight years ago.

Will Rogers

# **Senior Parents** To Meet Today

in the board room at Silverton High guidelines set by TxDOT. After the Showbarn in Silverton. School Thursday, February 24 (to-reviewing cases, each member is day) at 5:00 p.m.

will begin at 6:00 p.m.



# **Hunter Safety Classes Are** Scheduled In Quitaque March 4-5

Gifts to Tri-County Meals can has scheduled hunter education cation is 12 years of age. classes Friday, March 4, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 5, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., and from 1:00 until Meeting Hall, 310 West Broadway nity Center.

Every hunter born after September 2, 1971 must successfully complete a hunter education training

# Student Council Trophies will be given for first, To Sponsor Next **Blood Drive**

The next blood drive will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Silverton High School under the sponsorship of the Student

Every donor will receive a T-

Coffee Memorial Blood Center's bloodmobile will be here to take the blood donations.

To schedule an appointment, call Lou Younger, 823-2254. 8-2tnc

# **EMS** Coordinator **Reviews Runs**

Silverton EMS met Tuesday, February 15, 2005, and members present were Connie Smith, Kristi Wadlow, James Smith, Tammy Smith, Jeannine West, Fay Perkins, Vicky Tiffin and Ruby Lee. Guests were David Hughes of Plainview and his son, Tracy.

of Tuesday, February 22, for the CPR class to update CPR status. Also, the date for the annual EMS Appreciation Banquet was discussed.

This was the bi-monthly peer review meeting. David Hughes, EMS Coordinator, came to review runs made by the service. This is to ensure the standard of care is subjected to testing for continuous A Project Graduation meeting training. This month's test was on way of travel--not a destination. Patient Assessment.

Texas Game Warden Clint Hunt course. Minimum age for certifi-

Cost of the course is \$10.00.

Another course will be held at the Texas Cooperative Extension in Tulia, Monday, March 21, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 22, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 24, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

All planning to attend one of the courses must call Hunt at 806-847-2571 before 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, cluded: March 1, to pre-register.

of class and pass a written exam to receive certification.

# 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 holidays include Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Briscoe County Celebration, Labor Day and Veterans'

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 JoDee Robison, Dale McWaters, will be used for all troop activities, including summer camp, purchasing merit badges earned by the boys, camping supplies, and any Business discussed was the date supplies needed for merit badge projects. The continued overwhelming support of the commuity with this project is greatly appreciated by the troop, and makes Scouting possible for the boys in-

# **BCAA Meets Tonight**

Briscoe County Activities Association will meet tonight (Thurs-Senior parents are asked to meet where it is supposed to be within day, February 24) at 7:00 p.m. at

# **Commissioners Have Regular Business Meeting February 14**

Present at the regular meeting of the Briscoe County Commissioners' Court on Monday, February 14, 2005, were Wayne Nance, with the Texas Building and Projudge; Terry Grimland, commissioner, precinct #1; Larry Comer, commissioner, precinct #3; Gary Weaks, commissioner, precinct #4; Bena Hester, county clerk. Absent from the meeting was Danny Maynard, commissioner, precinct

•Upon motion duly made by Students must attend every day Commissioner Comer to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2005 meeting as read, seconded by Commissioner Weaks and passed with a 3-0 vote.

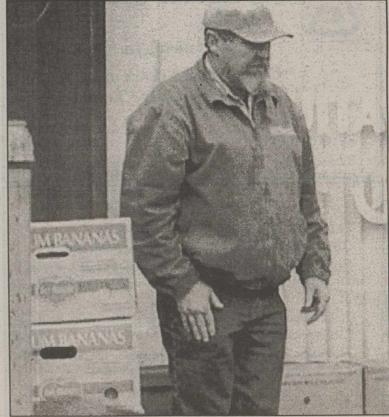
•Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Comer to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to create an official county road map, seconded by Commisbusiness on seven holidays. These sioner Grimland, and passed with a 3-0 vote

•Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Grimland to pay \$100 for the yearly membership curement Commission, seconded by Commissioner Weaks, and passed with a 3-0 vote.

•Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Weaks to sign the contract with Texas Parks and Wildlife to allow the County Clerk to sell hunting and fishing licenses Items of business conducted in- through the PC located in her office. Monthly rental fee for the TPWD printer will be \$8 monthly. Seconded by Commissioner Grimland, it passed with a 3-0 vote.

•After review of the tally lists from the February 5, 2005 Local Option Liquor Election, motion was duly made by Commissioner Grimland to declare the official canvass correct and to have the County Clerk certify the results. Seconded by Commissioner

See Commissioners-**Continued on Page Three** 



Remember that happiness is a John Burson is shown picking up commodities for the food giveaway in Silverton from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 2. See related Photo by Laura Taylor Roy M. Goodman story on Page Four.

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# **Obituaries**

### **MARY KATHERINE** RACE MATHIS

Services for Mary Katherine Race Mathis were conducted Thursday, February 10, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Lockney Mary and Joe Jones of Amarillo; February 19. with Rev. Danny Lucas, officiating, and Dr. Carl Moman assisting. Burial followed in the Lockney Cemetery

Mrs. Mathis was born July 5, 1921 to the late William Thomas Allen, 69, were conducted at 10:00 Arney and Io Alzeria Sims in a.m. Tuesday, February 22, 2005, Bonham, Texas. She married John in Resthaven Cemetery at Arthur Race in 1937 in Lockney and he preceded her in death on May 8, 1963. She married Elton Hartley officiating. Arrangements dent of the Chamber of Commerce. Ford Mathis in 1965 in Lockney and he preceded her in death on May 31, 1986. She moved from Lockney to Amarillo in 1978. She was a homemaker and enjoyed being around her grandchildren and served his country in Vietnam and tired in Trinidad. playing cards. She was a member Korea.

of the Lighthouse Baptist Church in Amarillo.

Race of Lockney, James and daughters and sons-in-law, Stacie and Patrick Layton of Irving and ten grandchildren, including Jason Jones of Silverton; and nine greatgrandchildren.

### **DUANE A. ALLEN**

Graveside services for Duane A. Quitaque with the Rev. C. D. Lawhon and the Rev. Dennis were by Myers-Chancellor Funeral He and his family were active

Mr. Allen died Saturday, February 19, in Amarillo.

A veteran of the Navy, Mr. Allen

Survivors include his wife, Billie L. Allen; two sons, Willman (Gene) Allen of North Carolina and Rocco Allen of Amarillo; a daughter, Renee Lewis of Amarillo; two brothers, William L. Allen and James L. Allen; a sister, law, Mildred (Granny) Hawley of Silverton; and seven grandchil-

be to Odyssey Healthcare, 7201 Evans Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

#### THOMAS O. SIMPSON

Services for Thomas O. Survivors include three sons and Simpson, 74, of Amarillo were daughters-in-law, Bill and Ann conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday, February 21, 2005, at Boxwell Sherry Race of Plainview, Shelby Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy and Janet Race of Fairfield, two Chapel. Burial was in Mason Cemetery in Trinidad, Colorado.

Mr. Simpson died Saturday,

On September 23, 1930 in Lockney twin sons were born to Charles and Norma Thomas Simpson. Thomas O. was born 30 minutes before Charles I.

Simpson served four years in the Air Force. He owned Simpson Jewelry and Floral in Lockney for 12 years. While in Lockney, he was Scoutmaster and served as presimembers of the Methodist Church. He had owned floral shops in Green River and Rock Springs, Wyoming for several years. He re-

He was preceded in death by his parents; his beloved wife, Ardury, of 43 years; a son, Blane; and a sister, Bettie Emmitt.

Survivors include his wife of eight years, Orlie; a son, Keith of Sapulpa, Oklahoma; two stepsons; one stepdaughter; a brother, Charles and wife, Mildred; a sister, Iwana Monroe of Tulia; six stepgrandchildren; five stepgreatgrandchildren; and numerous nieces, including Carlye Fleming of Silverton, Mary Strange of Kress and Marsha Miller of Roscoe, and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the V. A. Hospital, 6010 W. Amarillo Boulevard, Amarillo, TX 79106; BSA Hospice, P. O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176, or Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Boulevard, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Happiness is an imaginary condition, formerly attributed by the living to the dead, now usually attributed by adults to children, and by children to adults.

Thomas Szasz

Marriage is the only adventure open to the cowardly.

Voltaire

## Silverton ISD Reduced Employee Injuries

472 participating schools, received schools. the Diamond Star Award for savings to the district of \$8,043. was recognized by the West Texas The family suggests memorials programs designed to prevent employee injuries in the workplace. The workers' compensation program has assisted Texas Schools in avoiding over 15,542 employee injuries since 1991. Plus, districts have saved over \$184 million dol-

Silverton School

Lunch Menu

Taco, Hot Sauce, Chips, Brownie,

Fruit Milk

Beans, Fruit, Milk

Monday, February 28-Chicken

Tuesday, March 1-Beef-Cheese

Thursday, March 3-Steak,

Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green

Beans, Hot Roll, Butter, Jelly, Milk

Silverton ISD, one of more than lars through lower costs to the

Mr. Wesley Slade, CEO of CAS, explained, "Our insurance pro-Silverton ISD, represented by Mr. grams were created to offer the saf-Virginia Shields; his mother-in- Jerry Birdsong, Superintendent, est working conditions and the lowest cost for Texas school dis-Educational Insurance Association tricts, creating savings of tax dolfor success in implementing safety lars while providing safer work environments for employees. Fourteen years of success for this program is proof of the district's and CAS' commitment to providing Texas Schools with the safest working environment for school employees and the lowest cost to the district."

> At CAS, the number one priority is providing the safest possible workplace for district employees while keeping costs at a minimum.

Happiness is always a by-prod-Nachos, Salad, Pepper Slices, uct. It is probably a matter of temperament, and for anything I know Wednesday, March 2-Pig-in-a- it may be glandular. But it is not

Blanket, Macaroni & Cheese, something that can be demanded from life, and if you are not happy you had better stop worrying about it and see what treasures you can pluck from your own brand of un-

Friday, March 4-Hamburger, happiness. Cheese, Fries, Salad, Brownie,

Robertson Davies

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## Media Influence?

(continued from last week)

The 8th Step in Alice's plan to stamp out Christianity is:

"Use the media to influence mass opinion. Create mass opinion that is receptive to these values by using TV, film, the press,

If we spend more time in these activities than we do studying our Bibles, which will we be influenced by?

God says, "in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons."

Next week: "Debasing the arts"

Attend worship Sunday

**Rock Creek Church of Christ** 

# LOOKING BACK

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

Memorial Herdsman Award given to Jeremiah Brooks . . . Gerald Smith named to Wayland Baptist installed as Rainbow Worthy Ad-Advisory Council . . . Twins Bernice and Eunice May to be honored at a birthday reception in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton. They were born in Briscoe County February 9, 1906 ... Texas Tech University scholarship given to Holly Nance . . Owls take first steps toward District crowns by beating Hedley teams . . . Owls split three games at Valley ... Chestina Kitchens and Ray Tiner were inviting the public to a dance and party at the Showbarn in Silverton to celebrate their reuniting in marriage . . .

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January 30, 1986-Julie Towe is Briscoe County Spelling Champion. Runner-up is Penni Fogerson. Champions of the junior division are Jennifer Grimland and Melissa Woods . . . A certificate of appreciation has been presented to Wayland Fitzgerald in recognition of his voluntary service on the Panhandle Community Services board of directors from 1981 to 1986 . . . Miss Laura Estela Bauer became the bride of Michael Darwin Long in a double-ring ceremony performed in front of a Christmas tree decorated with red and silver ornaments and red satin bows in the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Long, at four o'clock in the afternoon on December 21. Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer of Fairfax, Virginia are parents of the

January 29, 1976-Funeral services conducted for Mrs. Eva Lee (Curtis) McWilliams, 53... Albert Swisher Memorial Hospital to Central Plains Hospital in Plainview Thursday and remains in intensive care . . . Ricky Hutsell returned to Lubbock Tuesday afand Mrs. Riddell C. Hutsell, Hutsell, made the Dean's Honor ern Oklahoma State College . . tient at St. Anthony's Hospital in . announced that they are candidates and Mrs. Wade Welch attended the

February 1, 1996-Don Burson for commissioner of Briscoe County Precinct Three

February 3, 1966-Kay Strange goiter operation. visor...Tony Allison, a student at LCC, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Allison . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jaye Turner and daughters of Dallas spent a long weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner . . . Elaine Boyles and Margaret Minyard mailed a box of Valentines for Heroes on behalf of the Silverton chapter of Future Homemakers of America . . . Richard McCutchen, Monty Smith and Lynn Edwards built a 10-foot tall snowman at the Smith home . . . Bud McMinn, Travis McMinn and Dudley McMinn were honored with a birthday dinner Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn . . . Patients in Swisher Memorial Hospital early this week included D. G. Shelton, Mrs. James Rhoderick, Mrs. Norman Strange, Mrs. Roy Francis and Wayne McCutchen. Jarnagin-Reid vows exchanged Saturday in candlelight ceremony

Hardin-Simmons University, spent the between-semester holiday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carman Rhode . . . Mrs. Clyde Cain, Mrs. Tommy Baird and James, Mrs. Jim Clemmer, Mrs. day . . . Rex Holt and Mrs. Don Garrison attended a quarterly Caprock Association WMU meeting in Floydada Thursday

February 2, 1956-Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Durham and family have moved to the D. N. McGavock farm home southeast of Silverton. The local FFA Grass Team brought home a nice first-place Mallow was transferred from banner from the Amarillo Fat Stock Show. Richard Jarnagin won the blue ribbon as high individual in the entire contest. McWilliams placed seventh and Royce Thornton eighth with Tom Thompter a two-week visit in Reseda, son alternate . . . Don Alexander California with his parents, Mr. selected by school board as asses-. Betty McCaslin weds Pvt. Wayne, Ellen and Elliott . . . Mrs. Ray Hyatt . . . Miss Frances Tunnell Ronny Vaughan, the former Pam on Dean's honor roll at Southwest-

Roll with a 4.0 grade point aver- Mrs. Annie Norris and Mr. David age at Texas Tech last semester . . Williams were married Wednesday Mrs. Beryl Long has been a pa- of last week in Clovis, New Mexico . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Teeple and Amarillo since Monday . . . Miss children visited Mr. and Mrs. Ken-Laquita Bomar, bride-elect of Jack neth Bean and children at South Fields, was honored at a miscella- Plains Sunday evening . . . Mr. and neous shower Saturday in the Mrs. Will Smithee and grandson, new directions to grow in, and new home of Mrs. Rex Holt . . . W. H. Ted Hancock, visited relatives in Fitzgerald and Beryl Long have Turkey Sunday afternoon . . . Mr.

rodeo in Amarillo last Thursday afternoon . . . Wiley V. Bomar III, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley V. Bomar, jr., underwent surgery in the Tulia hospital Monday morning . . . Mrs. Glenn Smith of Quitaque was in Lubbock Monday for a checkup following a recent

January 30, 1936-The Quitaque basketball team defeated Silverton in a fast-moving game at the high school gym. The score was 21 to 24 in favor of the visitors. Starting lineup for the Owls was G. Martin, McDaniel, Burson, Gregg and D. Martin. Burson was the high man for Silverton . . . J. E. Wheelock elected president of High Plains Turkey Raisers Association . . . Mr. and Mrs. True Burson and children and Mrs. Jno. Burson and Mrs. Minor Crawford were in Lubbock Monday and Tuesday. While there Betty and Don underwent tonsil operations . . . M. L. Durham who has been ill with pneumonia for some time is improving slowly . . Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Puckett are parents of a daughter in Trinidad . . Weta Haley spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Buster Wilson, at Lockney . . . Last Sunday Mrs. Mollie Bomar was given a surprise birthday dinner at her home when the children and a number of Sandi Rhode, a student at, friends came in for a big surprise.

Charles Eddleman from Quitaque was attending court Thursday ... Myrtle Shaw who has been visiting in Marlin and Fort Worth returned to her home Sun-

# **Happy Birthday-**

February 24-Kassi Yancey, Lance Holt, Shanique Hutsell, James Dunn, Lance Stidham

February 25-Waynelle Couch, Leah Whitfill, Kyle Couch, Langdon Reagan, Pascal Garrison February 26-Jennifer Miller

February 27-D'anna Russell, Joshua James Bomar, Kelsie Estes February 28-Lydia Couch, Lisa Schott, Jimmy Stone, Roy Reed

March 1-Lois Walker, Anthony Minyard, Mary Garcia, Stacy Minyard

March 2-Mark Patton, Ryan Minyard, Mollie Cleveland

# Happy Anniversary-

February 27-Mr. and Mrs. Jay

February 28-Mr. and Mrs. Eloy

It is confidence in our bodies, minds and spirits that allows us to keep looking for new adventures, lessons to learn--which is what life is all about.

Oprah Winfrey

## Commissioners-**Continued From Page One**

Comer, it passed by a 3-0 vote.

As a result of the election held February 5, 2005, motion was duly made by Commissioner Comer to order Briscoe County Justice of the Peace Precinct #1, a wet territory for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption. Seconded by Commissioner Grimland, motion carried.

·Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Comer for Briscoe County to levy and collect a fee equal to one-half of the State fee for each permit issued for alcoholic beverage sales located within the county, seconded by Commissioner Grimland, it passed by a 4-

amendments, •Budget treasurer's officeholder affidavit, monthly bills, salaries, line items and monthly reports were ap-

# No Age Limit On Depression

Life's challenges can become harder to face as a person ages. This can lead to depression. While there is no single cause for the illness, a sense of loss is considered the greatest contributor. Depression can also be caused by chemical imbalances in the brain. Almost 26% of people over age 65 have one or more depression symptoms. These include lack of energy, social isolation, changes in appetite or sleeping pattern, and thoughts

## **Texas Agriculture** Adds \$73 Billion To Economy

The food and fiber system in Texas added about \$73 billion to the state's economy in 2001, the last year with complete data. The state's food and fiber system includes production, processing, and marketing. The state agriculture commissioner, Susan Combs, says the agricultural industry accounts for 10% of the gross state product today. It also provides jobs for about one out of every seven Texans. Nationwide production agriculture in the Lone Star State is ranked second only to California. Beef cattle and calves lead agricultural commodities bringing \$4.9 billion. Cotton contributes about \$1.3 billion, and the greenhouse and nursery industry add about \$1.2 billion. The entire report can be found on-line at tcebookstore.org

of death or suicide.

Whatever the cause of symptoms, depression can be treated by therapy and medication. Experts recommend staving off depression by staying active. For more information, contact an Extension

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

## We're Online!

The Silverton church of Christ is excited to unveil our new website.

Please check us out at: www.silvertonchurchofchrist.com

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April 8 - April 10 entitled Why and How did Jesus Die?

More information will be released in the following weeks and be available on our website.

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From the Bird's Nest

by Jerry Birdsong Silverton ISD

We are officially on the downhill side for the 2004-05 school year. We are through four sixweeks periods with two left. Time flies when you are having fun!

The legislative session in Austin is going full speed. Both the House and Senate have presented plans to address school finance. Both plans have a great deal of committee work to be processed before anything can be finalized. Both seem to focus on property tax relief and broadening the tax base. Among the important things for Silverton ISD will be the small school adjustment and an increase in the basic allotment. With or without loss of enrollment, those two items are vital for SISD to provide quality services for our young people. It will be interesting to see what is produced.

Believe it or not, it is time to start thinking about next year's school calendar. By law, we cannot start school before August 22 without a waiver from the state. Our Site-Based Decision Making (SBDM) committee is serving as the calendar committee and has recommended August 18, 2005 to be our first day of instruction. As part of the waiver process, we held a public hearing at February's board meeting and are now waiting 60 days prior to adopting the calendar. Hopefully by the April board meeting, we will have a calendar ready for approval.

There isn't a perfect calendar. The state says we will have 180 student days and seven staff development/workdays. Opinions vary on when we should take spring break, Christmas holiday, etc. Our SBDM has a difficult chore, but I know that they will see the calendar as a tool to enhance student achievement.

The board acted on ordering a school board election on May 7, 2005 in the February board meeting. The terms of Jim Estes and

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Penny Carpenter are expiring. be candidates for re-election. Residents of the district have until March 7 to file for a position on

Good news from TEA-The district received Gold Performance acknowledgements in six different areas from the Spring 2004 test performance. Silverton ISD was commended in the following areas: Recommended High School Program, SAT/ACT, TAAS/TASP, Writing, Science, and Social Studies. Congratulations to the staff and students for a job well done.

By the time you read this we will have completed the language arts/reading TAKS exams for 2004-05. The other subjects will be tested in April. Our teachers and students have worked hard in the preparation for these state-mandated tests. The district is looking forward to seeing great performances from our kids on these asessments.

The seasons are changing. . .basketball ends and track begins. But we have more than athletics happening at Silverton ISD.

The Silverton High School One-Act Play and UIL Academic participants are gearing up for their competitions scheduled for March. The county stock show has passed and our kids are participating in the major shows-San Antonio and Houston. We had a good group of kids participating. FFA has a lot to offer our kids. Win or lose in the show, our kids get the opportunity to learn life-long lessons of responsibility and work ethic. Without their commitment to the animals, the animals would have a hard time surviving. It takes sacrifice from their own schedules to care for the animals. FFA builds kids in the area of leadership skills generated. in the chapter's contests. Public speaking is something we all use daily. Many great lessons are learned during the participation in extracurricular activities.

Recently, the school board extended my contract through June 2007. It is an honor to serve the

# Both have indicated that they will High Plains Food Bank Donates To Local Food Pantry Give-Away

the ballot. Early voting begins non-profit organization that colers, grocery stores and restaurants. 2003 it distributed 5.2 million people in this area live near or below the poverty level; as much as 70% of their income goes toward housing expenses and prescriptions for the elderly, leaving them short of food, and hungry.

The Food Bank serves as a central clearinghouse for efficient hancollects, sorts and distributes available food to agencies that then provide food to individuals, children. elderly, and handicapped in need. It is distributed to churches, daycare centers, children's homes, senior citizens centers, halfway houses, soup kitchens, missions, and various other non-profit organizations that assist needy people in the Texas and Oklahoma panbenefit from the food bank.

The food is donated by local and

# VEATHER

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

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14	67	34	
15	73	34	
16	75	35	
17	49	29	1,41,419
18	46	29	
19	42	35	.11
20	65	40	.07
21	70	37	
22	69	35	
February Precipitation			.67
Normal Feb Precin			60

Normal Feb. Precip. Total Precip. in 2005 1.85 Normal Precip. to Date community as the school superin-

tendent. I feel very fortunate to be surrounded by a quality staff from administration to our teaching staff to our auxiliary employees. We have many outstanding things occurring in Silverton which make it easy to proclaim. .

Everyday is a great day at Silverton schools!

The High Plains Food Bank is a national manufacturers, wholesallects and distributes donated sur- This is food that can't be sold. A plus food to agencies in the Texas can may be dented, one egg of a and Oklahoma panhandles. In dozen is broken, expiration date is close or the food has been prepared pounds of food. Over 70,000 and unserved; yet it is still wholesome food when properly handled, along with donations from local ranchers and feedlot operators.

An average of 5,400 families are provided with 10 days of meals each month through their pantry agencies. The Food Bank is under the direction of a volunteer Board dling of available surplus food. It of Directors (17 members), 14 paid staff, and numerous other community volunteers. John Burson was in Quitaque Friday morning to load Silverton's portion for the give-

All of this is made possible by private contributions, along with shared maintenance of \$.14 per ange Belt. pound from agencies that draw food from the Food Bank makes up 45% of the budget. Also there handles. Currently there are over can be no charge to the client re-170 non-profit organizations that ceiving the food. The Food Bank is part of America's Second Harvest, a national network comprised of 217 food banks across the na-

Every week a food list is sent out to all 170 agencies. For agencies out of town, there is a rural delivery service that goes once a month to Hereford, Bovina, Dalhart, Friona, Paducah, Quanah, Skellytown, Hedley, Wellington and Childress, twice a month to Borger and weekly to Pampa, and now will soon be coming to Silverton, Quitaque, Turkey and Flomot as part of Tri-County

Food Pantry Give-Away will be pants for future give-aways.



Brewster Garcia recently participated in a karate tournament in Happy and successfully passed his belt test advancing him to the Or-

# Silverton School **Activities**

Saturday, February 26-Prom Tuesday, March 1-ASVAB test or Juniors and Seniors

March Wednesday, Cheerleading Try-Outs

Friday, March 4-Wellington JH & HS track meet

Saturday, March 5-Wellington JH & HS track meet

held simultaneously in Silverton, Quitaque, Turkey and Flomot on Wednesday, March 2, from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. Everyone is eligible to participate, and there is no financial restrictions. The only requirement is that you sign the register to verify your participation and allow Tri-County Meals to The first Tri-County Meals have an accurate count of partici-



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Silverton Volunteer Firemen are shown seasoning the steaks for the dinner held at the Showbarn in Silverton Saturday night. They are (left to right) JoDee Robison, Richard Howell, Calvin Shelton, Jerry Patton and Harvey McJimsey. Briscoe County News Photos

## Silverton Firemen Host Annual Ball

Silverton, Quitaque, Tulia, received door prizes. Plainview, Kress, Amarillo, and iced tea and cobbler, they enjoyed Denim & Lace Band and visiting.

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Scott Garvin from Kuwait and Silverton won the gun that was the fire meetings.

A large number of people from given away, and numerous citizens

Several awards were presented, other places, along with volunteer including recognition for four firemen and their wives attended years of service as president of the the annual Silverton Firemen's Fire Department to Jay Long; rec-Ball Saturday night at the ognition to Harlen (Frosty) Vernon Showbarn. After enjoying a sump- as Fireman of the Year, and to tuous meal of grilled ribeye steak, Alton (Tobe) Riddell who was baked potatoes, salad, hot rolls, made an Honorary Member. Since Riddell doesn't live in town, he listening to the music of the isn't eligible to be a member of the fire department, but he helps with its projects and regularly attends

# Silverton Youth Basketball To Begin Here on March 1

ketball program will begin funda- lecting these donations at her mental skills at the school prac- beauty salon located at 202 tice gym for students in grades 1- Braidfoot Street. Your generosity 6 Tuesday, March 1, and end with and parental involvement with the a day-long tournament on Satur- Youth Basketball program will not

grades 4-6 will practice from 4:30 students. - 5:30 p.m. Parents who can stay during their child's practice time preciated. Some of the children, especially the younger group, need extra help learning their

child this year, donations will be accepted to ensure that the Youth with a signed parent/guardian note

day, April 2. (See schedule below.) go unnoticed, and learning funda-Grades 1-3 will practice after mental skills at an early age will school from 3:15 - 4:15 p.m., and be beneficial and rewarding to the

If you have a child participating, you will be required to help to assist with the fundamental with the tournament duties such as skills are greatly needed and ap- running the game clock, keeping record books, and taking care of the concession stand. In order for a child to play in the tournament, he/she may only miss two excused Instead of charging a fee per practices out of the eight. A child may be excused from practices

The 2005 Silverton Youth Bas- in the future. Amy Otis wil be col-

Basketball program may continue stating the reason for their ab-

## Burson were all livestock exhibitors in the show 4-H and FFA took two steers and

The Cross class count of 1090 hogs

sence. This ensures fairness for all of the basketball players.

Schedule of the fundamental skills practices:

Tues., Mar. 8.....Thurs., Mar. 10 \*SPRING BREAK\*

Tues., Mar. 29.....Fri., Apr. 1 All-Day Tournament April 2

Youth Basketball Program!





Alton (Tobe) Riddell

## San Antonio Livestock Show Results

County 4-H youth put a mark on the Dusty Burson placed sixth with his San Antonio Livestock Show last

Jay Long

True Burson, Drew Reed, Dusty Burson, Tanner Young, Jacob Francis, Beau Brock and Zack

nine hogs for the week-long show. There were 1400 steers brought to this year's show. Silverton FFA was well represented by Beau and Brooks Brock. Beau placed second with his AOB Steer while Brooks did a great job showing his Chiana

This year's show brought over 3,000 hogs to the city on the river. made for stiff competition. Nichole Schott had an impressive second place with her medium weight hog, while Tanner Schott placed third with his heavy weight cross. Zack Burson came in seventh with his light weight cross. The numbers of Yorks showing tallied at over 450 head. Jacob Francis placed fifth with his light weight York and Tanner Young placed eighth with his light weight York. Lee True Burson placed second in the light weight Berkshire class competing against over 180 Berks. The Duroc breed

Tues., Mar. 1.....Thurs., Mar. 3

Tues., Mar. 22...Thurs., Mar. 24

If you have any questions regarding this year's program, feel free to contact Pam Cogdell at 633-4382. Thank you so much for your help and support of the 2005 Silverton

Silverton FFA and Briscoe brought over 640 hogs to the show. medium weight Duroc.

The Hampshire breed count Bryce Patton, Tanner Schott, came to 673 head. Drew Reed rep-Brooks Brock, Nichole Schott, Lee resented Silverton FFA with his Hampshire and Bryce Patton did a great job with his heavy weight

Beau Brock, Nichole Schott, Tanner Schott and Lee True Burson earned a place to sell their animals through the San Antonio Livestock

Earlier in the month Zack Burson traveled to San Antonio to compete in the San Antonio Gilt Show. This is a Scholarship Show awarding each Breed Champion a \$6,000 Scholarship.

Zack competed well with a light weight Poland hog placing sev-

Beau and Brooks Brock traveled to Fort Worth Livestock Show to compete in the most competitive Steer Show in the State. Beau placed sixth with his crossbred steer and Brooks placed seventh with his crossbred steer.

The Houston Livestock Show is coming up in March. There will be more Briscoe County youth competing and watching many months of hard work pay off.

## PROTECTED SEED REQUIRES LABELING

The Plant Variety Protection Act is being enforced. This is making producers and ginners more careful about the way they deal with protected varieties of seeds. Saved seed that's under protection can not be sold to anyone without permission of the variety owner. If a protected variety is illegally sold, the buyer, seller, and seed conditioners could be charged and have to pay a fine; however, protected seed can be sold as animal feed. Developing a new crop variety costs about one million dollars and takes 10 to 14 years. This law helps protect their hard work. To find out what seeds are protected, call 979-845-1461.

## **ForImpact Workshop** To Be Offered in Area

The Suddes Group will present the ForImpact Workshop in the Amarillo area Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. Sponsored by the American Red Cross, the threehour workshop is free of charge and open to nonprofit staff, leadership and volunteers. It will be held at the Virgil Henson Activities Center, Room 211, on the West Texas A&M University campus in

To register or for more information, contact Tom Pierce, 1-800-786-1113.

The workshop teaches the Suddes Group's highly successful fund-raising approach, which is based on "The Nine Guiding Principles of ForImpact Organizations." Authored by Suddes Group founder Tom Suddes, who has worked with nonprofits for over 30 years, the "Nine Guiding Principles" is a learning framework that challenges organizations to make radical changes in the way they think, operate and fund their vision.

Fund-raising frameworks to be introduced at the workshop include message building, the relationshipbased ForImpact development office, the leadership society, and the major gift process. Attendance as a team is encouraged, including representation from the development staff, senior staff and board members. The workshop is one of many being offered across the country through the Suddes Group's ForImpact open source initiative, and through the sponsorship of local ForImpact leaders.

'What always strikes me when we do ForImpact workshops," says Suddes, "is the almost unanimous head-nodding, eye-opening response from people when they understand our message. Board members and volunteer business leaders get particularly excited about the ForImpact philosophy, because they see these principles being used in most successful for-profit organizations.

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positions into forward months on Thursday at the New York Board of Trade (NYBOT) while USDA's export report showed strong sales despite a drop from marketing year

high and 32% from the four-week average. Major buyers included China, Pakistan, Turkey and cents per pound. Mexico. Sales of 6,500 bales for Meanwhile, in for Indonesia.

"Many market sources had anticislightly surprised when the number came in larger," he concluded.

Export shipments of 283,700 bales were 17% more than the previous week and the four-week av- establishing a good stand," he exerage. Primary destinations were plained. "Some producers are re-Turkey, China, Mexico and Indo-

Cotton futures continued to be the spread between cotton futures dominated by the rolling of March on the NYBOT and the Adjusted World Price (AWP) widened making prices more attractive to producers. Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers sold 95,445 bales online in the week ended Feb. 17 compared to the previous Net export sales of U. S. cotton week when 51,297 bales were totaled 233,100 bales in the week traded. Prices received by producended Feb. 10, slipping 44% from ers selling their cotton online the previos week's marketing year ranged from 33.99 to 34.71 cents per pound versus the previous week's range of 33.70 to 35.03

Meanwhile, inclement weather delivery in 2005-06 were mainly conditions that began in late 2004 and slowed the completion of har-"Export business was slower vest on the Texas High Plains also last week due to the Chinese New could affect the 2005 crop as well. Year celebration," an analyst said. A Lubbock-based Texas Cooperative Extension cotton agronomist pated export sales of only 100,000 said this week that cotton producbales for the week and were ers who caught their own seed from the 2004 crop for planting in 2005 should pay particular attention to seed quality.

"High quality seed is crucial for ducing seeding rates due to seed costs and new precision planters On the spot cotton scene, sales which makes seed quality even

still opt to plant conventional varieties using delinted, treated and for beauty, thou bindest thyself all bagged seed from the previous thy life for that which perchance crop," he said.

mature cotton was harvested. Both when it is satisfied. can be detrimental to seed quality.

"If High Plains cotton producers plan on reducing seeding rates in 2005 or planting saved seed from conventional varieties, they should take extra steps to ensure seed quality and have representative samples tested by a reputable seed testing lab," the extension agent advised.

In South Texas, record-setting daytime highs were established this week in the Rio Grande Valley, cur.

Remember, that if thou marry will neither last nor please thee Seed quality on the High Plains one year; and when thou hast it, it was reduced due to several factors. will be to thee of no price at all; The area experienced cool, wet fall for the desire dieth when it is atconditions in 2004, and some im- tained, and the affection perisheth

Sir Walter Raleigh

boosting soil temperatures. However, topsoil moisture evaporation rates have increased, and a slowsoaking, pre-planting rain would need to irrigate prior to planting. Widespread planting of the 2005 as soon as optimal conditions oc-

## 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 larger trees from New Mexico as well. Caprock SWCD also sells drip supplies for optimum care for the trees.

A minimum order may be required be welcome soon to reduce the on the seedling orders. There is no minimum on the larger trees. The earlier you order, the better chance you cotton crop will commence there have of getting the varieties you want. Many of the trees will be sold out in a

# Silverton Owls And **Lady Owls Track Meets**

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March 22, Motley County J. H.

March 24, Motley County H. S.

March 31 District (Silverton) J.H.

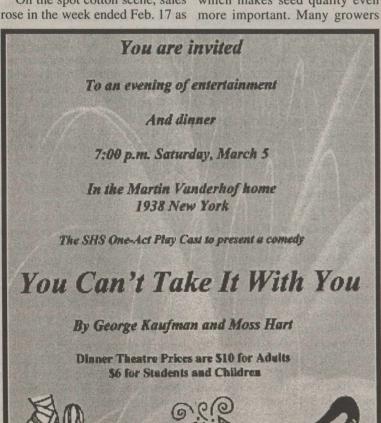
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that our Lord may want us to pray silently for someone. Also, sometimes just talking to a person next to us makes waiting easier and helps to pass the time. A few silent prayers, a pleasant word spoken to someone, or just relaxing can make any waiting 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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No card was sent with the flower but I say thank you for your prayers. May God richly bless you. Love, Mrs. Loyd

The Senior class and Patsy Towe would like to thank everyone who helped with the postage for the packages sent to Iraq. Students from all classes and the school staff donated more than 200 pounds of food and supplies. The response was so great, Brandon and Mickey will be able to share these care packages with others in their platoons. In addition to members of the staff at school who donated money for postage for the packages we would like to thank Silverton Fire Department, Donna and Danny Francis, Leon Lavy, Silverton Church of Christ, Grey Mule Fairmont Church of Christ.

Thanks to every one for the prayers, food, cards and your words of love at the passing of our Mother, Grandmother, and Great-Grandmother. A special thanks to Tommy for the comfort and care he gave his Grandmother. Thanks to our cousins for coming and being with us: Frances Gamble, Juanita Howard and Barbara Deckard.

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