

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



President's List students at Texas Tech University for the spring semester included:

Andrew Boone Francis, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, son of Barry and Michelle Francis.

Jenny Lynn Yong, a freshman majoring in human development and family st, daughter of Rance and Nancy Young.

The Turkey Jamboree will be July 3, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Bob Wills Gymnasium.

Entertainment will be provided by Jimmy Burson, vocal, violin and other instruments, D. C. Barlow of Amarillo, saxophone; Cory Multer and Cade Halsman, violinists from Garden City; The Turkey Gems, which consist of Pat Seigler, Matador; Oleta and Louis Randell, Turkey; Joy and Cliff Stodghill, Silverton; Jimmy Adams, Clarendon; Lucy Dean Record, Lockney; Bobby Wynne, Amarillo; Tom McCartie, Plainview, and Bennie Brown of Quitaque.

There are door prizes after each performance, including \$25.00 donated by J. and Martha Bradshaw of Windmill Collectiques. Janet Denton received the most votes in June and was awarded \$50.00 donated by Carson Insurance Co. Winners are determined by the audience votes.

The Quitaque Lions Club will be serving hamburgers, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Music begins at 7:00.

Anthony May is listed on the President's List for earning a 4.0 GPA during the 2004 spring semester at West Texas A&M University and received the John Ayres Memorial Scholarship for character and leadership on the WTAMU football team. Anthony is a senior engineering technology major and works for the USDA Experiment Station at Bushland. He will play his last season of football this fall and begin graduate school at WTAMU in the spring of 2005.

Preston May is on the Dean's List for earning a 3.83 GPA during the 2004 spring semester at WTAMU. Preston will transfer to Texas Tech University this fall to major



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Tips Given For Fireworks Safety

The Fourth of July holiday season not only means fireworks and celebrations, but also typically is hot, dry summer weather in Texas. While much of the state has seen above-average rainfall this year, summer heat will quickly take its toll on vegetation.

Texas Forest Service chief of fire operations, Mark Stanford, encouraged Texans to safely celebrate Independence Day.

"Recent rains across Central and East Texas have greatly reduced the risk of wildfire ignitions due to fireworks," Stanford said. "Even though the fire danger is low across much of the state, people should still exercise caution and common sense."

Stanford said parts of the Trans-Pecos region and far West Texas are still very dry, so residents or visitors to the Guadalupe or Davis Mountains in particular need to be wary of the high fire danger.

Stanford offered the following tips to safely celebrate July Fourth:

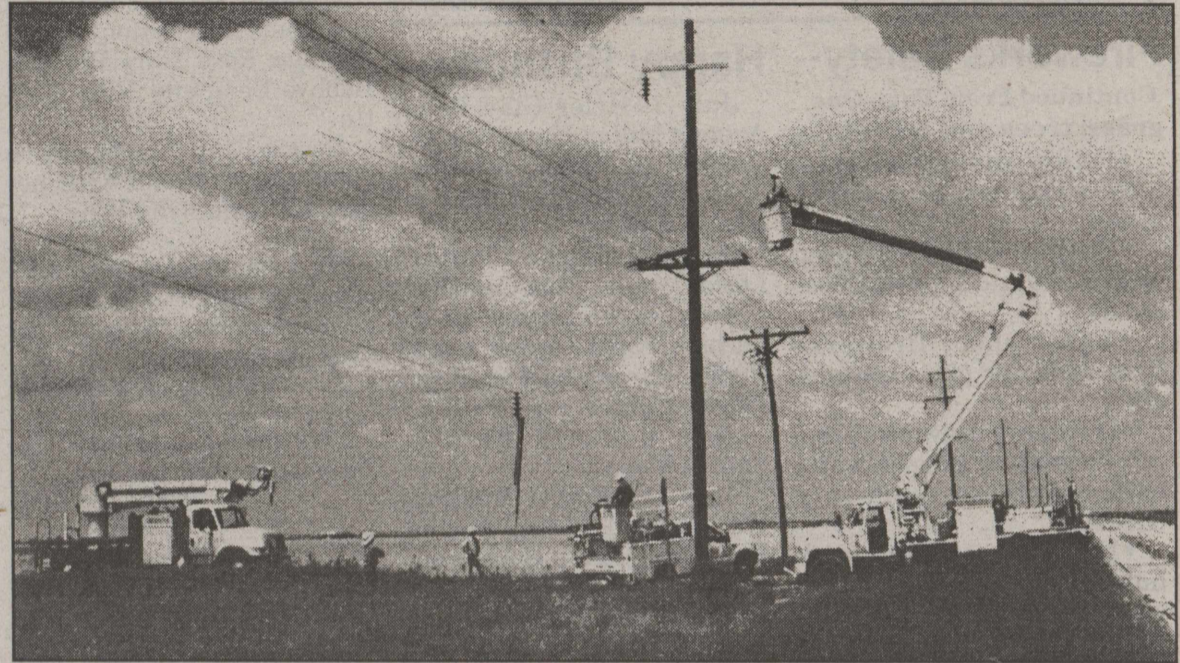
- Adhere to all county and city fireworks laws

- Use fireworks outdoors, in a safe area away from dry

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in nutrition. Kymberli May graduated as salutatorian of the Canyon High School Class of 2004 with a 101.62 GPA. She received the TTU Honors Endowed Scholarship as well as the Sybil B. Harrington Scholarship. Kymberli will begin college this fall at Texas Tech University, majoring in mass communications.

Anthony, Preston and Kymberli are the children of Thurman and Glenda May of Canyon and are the grandchildren of Edwin and Claudine May of Silverton, John Lee and Jo Ann Carthel of Lockney.



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Briscoe County News Photo

Weather Continues to be Unkind to Cotton Farmers

Don Curry watched months of hard work turn into devastation within a matter of minutes on June 21. A producer who farms 4,500 acres of semi-irrigated cotton, lost all but about 245 acres to a storm that included powerful winds and large hail, along with heavy rain.

"We had a beautiful crop," Curry said, motioning to a field where nothing remained but mere toothpicks protruding from the soaked ground.

"We were off to a good start

and everything was looking good..." Curry added.

For those who still had cotton standing after the Monday night storm, there are many things about this scenario that make cotton farming impossible. Several fronts have crossed this area, lowering the temperatures, and cotton needs hot days and nights.

Static electricity from the lightning isn't good for cotton.

Neither is a constantly soaked soil around the plants.

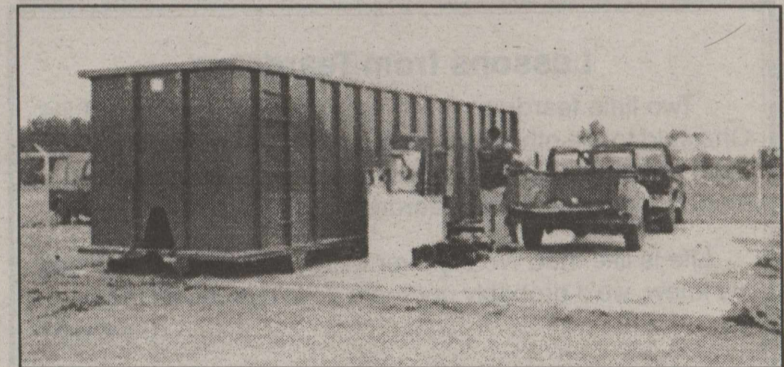
At Alton Riddell's place southeast of Silverton, 4.10 inches of rain has fallen early this week. He has had a total 15.08 inches of rain during the month of June.

In Silverton, 11.37 inches of precipitation has fallen during June, bringing the 2004 total to 21.14, which is just about the annual normal for this area.

Lake Mackenzie Reopens For Waterskiing

Just in time for the holiday weekend, Lake Mackenzie has reopened to all water-related activities, including waterskiing, jet skis and other related boating activities.

The lake level has risen ten feet as a result of recent heavy rains, has continued to rise and rain remains in the forecast.



Silverton's new Solid Waste Recycling Project to reduce solid waste taken to the landfill is complete. It has been built with grant money at Second and Goodnight streets. The gates will be locked, and you must contact City Hall for the key to unload items between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. This beautification project will be used to dispose of water heaters, old appliances, lawnmowers, scrap metals, etc.

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Fireworks Safety--
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grass, trees and buildings

- Follow directions carefully--with close adult supervision
- Keep a bucket of water, wet towels and a garden hose handy
- Never shoot fireworks from metal or glass containers
- Dispose of fireworks properly by soaking them in water before putting them in a trashcan
- Never experiment with homemade or altered fireworks

Mark Your Calendar!

**SILVERTON SCHOOL
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**All Class Reunion
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**School Homecoming
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 Silverton School
 Saturday, August 14**

**Veterans Monument
 Dedication
 4:00 p.m. Saturday,
 August 14**

Lessons from Teardrops

Two little teardrops were floating down the river of life. One said to the other, "Who are you?" "I am a teardrop from a girl who loved a man and lost him. Who are you?" The first responded, "Well, I am a teardrop from the girl who got him."

Life is like that. We cry over things we can't have. If only we knew, we'd probably cry more if we'd received them.
 (Borrowed)

Paul had the right idea when he said, "I have learned to be content in whatever state (condition) I'm in."

Phil. 4:11

Rock Creek Church of Christ

From the Patio
 by Nina Martin

Next weekend will be a first for my brother, Elton Cantwell, and I. We're having a reunion of our families at my house. We each have four children. They all have families.

The Friendship Quilters on June 24 were Sybil King, Oleta Warren, Christine King, Nadyne Childress, Linda Bearden, Lallie Patton, Wanda Strange, Rose Mary Perkins, Bobbye Bean and Nina Martin.

Beckie King from Santa Fe spent the weekend with her dad, Neil and Sybil King.

And those who were seen dancing were thought to be insane by those who could not hear the music.

Friedrich Nietzsche

One that would have the fruit must climb the tree.

Thomas Fuller

Brannon

July 6--Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Douglas Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Brian West

July 7--Mr. and Mrs. John McCammon

WEATHER

Readings Taken at 6:00 a.m. Daily in June

	High	Low	Precip.
1	86	56	
2	93	58	
3	93	57	2.01
4	70	57	
5	88	58	.69
6	84	56	2.38
7	87	59	
8	90	65	
9	83	65	
10	80	65	.15
11	94	65	
12	93	63	
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18	87	62	1.98
19	86	60	1.08
20	76	61	
21	85	67	
22	81	58	.82
23	73	57	
24	80	57	
25	86	58	1.01
26	75	59	
27	80	62	
28	79	62	.23
29	79	62	1.02
June Precip.			11.37
Normal June Precip.			3.78
Total Precip. in 2004			21.14
Normal Precip. to Date 10.56			



Lou Younger, Cortney Gragson and Katy Bomar

Cortney Gragson Donates Her Hair

Monday was a big day for Cortney Gragson!

A sixth grade student at Rison, Arkansas, Cortney wanted to have her long hair cut so it could be donated to Locks of Love to be used to make a wig for someone who needs it. To do this, a donor

has to have at least 10 inches cut.

Hairdresser Katy Bomar cut 14 inches off Cortney's hair Monday afternoon, as Cortney's grandmother, Lou Younger watched.

Cortney is the daughter of Robert and Lisa Gragson.

Cantaloupe Harvest Is Disappointing

South Texas cantaloupe harvest has come to a close with disappointing yields. Normal cantaloupe yields are 450 boxes per acre. This year most producers got about 350 boxes per acre. Many cantaloupes began rotting, because it was too wet for harvest. Due to competition from other states, prices have decreased from approximately \$11 a box

New Protection For Peanuts

USDA researchers developed a biological pesticide for peanut aflatoxin protection. This pesticide will be produced in 2004 under the name Afla-Guard. Before this development, peanut farmers had no way to protect their crops from aflatoxin. The ideal time to inoculate peanut fields is late June or early July. to around \$8.

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

May 26, 1994--Twenty seniors to graduate here Friday . . . Recognized and presented their "A Team" shirts, in recognition of their having a 90 or above average for the school year, were Matt Francis, Vanessa Martin, Ashleigh Wyatt, Molly Bomar, Shannon Weaver, Julie Wilson, Kayla Ramsey, Kimmie Blazier, Brandi Brunson, Hilda Garcia, Brandon Sarchet, Kami Martin, Holly Nance, Christa Tucker, Angie Castillo, Rosie Segura, Josie Vargas and Valerie Juarez . . . Eighth Grade valedictorian is Shauna Kingery, who has a scholastic average of 95.75, and Michelle Warren is salutatorian with an average of 95.50. The other honor graduates are Molly Brooks, Michael Reagan and Kenzie Burson . . . Darrell Glenn Couch, son of Bud and Glenda Couch, received the bachelor of science degree in physical education at the Wayland Baptist University convocation ceremony Saturday . . . Penni Fogerson, daughter of Stan and Lynda Fogerson, received the bachelor of science degree in recreation, parks and tourism sciences at Texas A&M University May 13 . . . Lallie Patton was surprised with a birthday dinner at the Golden Corral in Plainview . . . Tule Ranch places second in the Cowboy Roundup, USA, the Coors Ranch Rodeo in Amarillo last weekend . . . Linda O'Neal Moore received the associate degree in nursing and will be taking her state board examination soon to become a registered nurse . . . Alison Grimland Tipton was among those who received degrees from the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas Tech University at the spring convocation ceremony . . . A wedding shower honored Carrie Ann and Doug McJimsey in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank . . . Elton and Lanita Cantwell spent several days last week with Debbie, Mark, Cally and Cameron Burk near Raton, New Mexico . . . Joan Clemmer Suter taken by death . . .

May 31, 1984--Second-grade awards presented during an assembly program Wednesday included Diana

Araujo, most attentive; Kristi Bean, arithmetic basic facts; Peter Trevino, most helpful; Kami Martin, most friendly and considerate. Third-grade awards went to Frank Ramirez, best penmanship; Stan Gamble, most improved overall; Christi McWaters, best attitude; William Malone, most considerate . . . Rev. John Bailey is new pastor of Assembly of God . . . A Texas Historical Medallion will be placed on the Bill Durham home Sunday, June 10. The home has been kept in good repair without destroying its historical significance, and it will be the first home in the county to be so designated . . . Mrs. Carolyn Montague Luckenbach recently was awarded a Certificate of Merit for her outstanding performance as a field enumerator with the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service . . . Melinda Kay Sutton compiled a 3.64 grade point average at Lubbock Christian College for the spring semester, and has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll . . . Iwana Marceen Miller and Jeffrey Jacobus Rademaekers united in marriage at Roscoe . . . Mrs. Dee Whittington was honored with a layette shower Saturday in the home of Mrs. Charlie Parker . . .

May 30, 1974--Century of Progress Study Club to build new backstops for the tennis courts in City Park . . . Bertha Pavlicek fell at her home Monday and suffered a broken leg. She underwent surgery Tuesday morning and is a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo . . . Carl Wayne Woods entered Caprock Hospital at Floydada Wednesday and was treated for severe strep throat . . . Billy Settle injured his left hand last week when his wedding ring caught a rivet as he jumped off a truck. The wound required 19 stitches . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Gill, Eber and Traci enjoyed fishing and boating at Lake Meredith over the weekend . . .

Jimmy Myers had the misfortune of almost getting a finger cut off in an accident at the rodeo pens Thursday . . . Julia Juarez has completed her requirements for high school graduation at Floydada . . .

Vaughan Reunion held last Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clay, Randy and Ramona spent last week visiting in California with Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Clay . . . Dickerson-Hunter vows exchanged in Saturday evening ceremony . . . Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jowell are parents of a daughter, Marla Michelle . . . Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sculley are parents of a daughter, Amy Leeanna . . . Mrs. Warren Taylor honored at layette shower in the home of Mrs. J. D. Nance . . .

May 28, 1964--Lester Grabbe is valedictorian and Jerry Lynn Garrison is salutatorian of the Class of 1964 . . . General rain finally dampens area . . . Margaret Thornton has been chosen as Outstanding Woman Physical Education Major of the Year at Texas Tech . . . Johan Bull-Njaa of Stavanger, Norway will be Silverton High School's first male exchange student . . . Milton F. Clemmer will assume his duties as head of Kaiser Industries in Ghana, West Africa on June 1 . . . Casey Bean, six-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bean, was a patient at Swisher Memorial Hospital most of last week. He was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo for further examination and tests by a specialist . . . D. T. Northcutt has received a certificate of appreciation signed by President John F. Kennedy on behalf of his service to the Selective Service System . . . Rev. and Mrs. Carlos McLeod are parents of a daughter, Amy Nanette . . . Jimmie Nell Reynolds is bride of Billy Ray Ford . . . Coach and Mrs. Ben Lesley are parents of a son, Bruce Darrell . . . Lem Weaver was injured last Wednesday while working with a power saw . . . Patricia Grabbe is valedictorian and Deborah Dickerson is salutatorian of the Eighth Grade Class . . .

June 3, 1954--Rainfall and hail widely scattered here Tuesday . . . Word received that contracts for the unfinished portions of State Highways 256 and 70 will be let in July . . . Miss Donna Mayfield to marry Joe Wayne Brooks . . . Robert Hill and John Schott to attend State 4-H Roundup . . . Helping Hand Club celebrates 25th anniversary . . . Miss Mary Lou Bellinger, a student at Tech, is spending the between-semester holidays here with her mother,

Mrs. E. A. Bellinger . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and children spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanford and daughter . . . Mrs. P. H.

McKenney and Mrs. Mildred Reid attended the high school graduation exercises in Lock-
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Looking Back--

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 ney Friday night . . . Pvt. Raymond Reeves left Wednesday for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, where he expects to be stationed for some time . . . Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hill are parents of a son, Freddie Woodston . . . Miss Virginia May is on vacation from Badgett's Pharmacy . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Payne are moving from Nara Visa, New Mexico to Canyon, where he will attend WTSC next semester . . . Mrs. Joe Montague and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bryan of Plainview spent the weekend in Durango, Colorado . . .

May 25, 1944--Capt. Clinton Crass is recuperating in a jungle hospital after being severely wounded. He is the son of T. J. Crass of the Francis community . . . Don Chitty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aud Chitty, has a foot badly bruised and mangled after catching it in the power lift on a tractor Monday . . . Wheat harvest prospects are very poor . . . Mrs. Gene Long returned Tuesday from Louisiana where she has been the past two weeks visiting relatives . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mayfield were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clayton in Tulia Sunday . . . Helping Hand Club meets

Council Holds Budget Meeting, Conducts Regular Business

Silverton City Council members reviewed the annual budget at 6:00 p.m. June 14, with Mayor Lane Garvin, Council Members Dwain Henderson, Wayne Reed, Charles Sarchet, Dwain Tipton, Secretary Jerry Patton, Kyle Fuston and Delane Smith present.

In the following regular meeting of the City Council, attended by Mayor Garvin, Council Members Henderson, Hutsell, Reed, Sarchet, Tipton, Secretary Patton, Fuston, Smith and City Clerk Trena Burson, the budget was approved with an amendment to increase the salary expense by \$2,500.

with Mrs. F. A. Fisch . . . Rowell reunion held in honor of Pvt. Rex D. Voyles of Camp Roberts, California and T-Sgt. J. C. Rowell of Blytheville, Arkansas . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel spent Sunday in the Billie McDaniel home . . . Betty Ruth Arnold spent Saturday night and Sunday with Linda Beth McDaniel . . . Shirley Fitzgerald spent Saturday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Montague.

Mayor Garvin administered the oath of office to newly-elected Council Members Dwain Henderson, Kyle Fuston and Delane Smith.

Appreciation plaques were presented by Mayor Garvin to Charles Sarchet for 30 years of service to the City as Mayor and Councilman and to F. E. Hutsell for 16 years of service as Councilman.

Mrs. Smith made the motion to employ Gordon Maddox, CPA, to conduct the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004. Motion was seconded by Tipton, and passed.

Reed made the motion to lease airport property for one year to Carol Davis for \$100. Seconded by Mrs. Smith, the motion passed.

The City's investment policy was presented and reviewed.

The Secretary reported on the progress of the TCEQ scrap metal recycling project, the monthly water use report, monthly tax collection report, TCDP water well project. A special meeting will be called to consider the well project and the City Park TxDOT project.

Relay For Life Raises \$17,750.76

Walkers from Turkey, Flomot, Silverton and Quitaque met at the Valley School Friday, June 4, to eat hamburgers cooked by the Briscoe County Activities Association from Silverton.

The first event was the Cancer Survivors Walk and reception. Team members were ready to begin the relay walking, but because the weather was threatening, the auction was started. The team members of First National Bank in Quitaque had purchased items that were auctioned by Kenneth Helms. Joe Davis of KLSR in Memphis had his mobile unit set up and had prepared to emcee for the evening. The relay was called because of the weather about 10:00 p.m. There were 17 teams participating. Sheriff Jeff Fuston held a Jail & Bail on the football field, which provided a lot of fun for those attending.

Participating in this year's Relay For Life were: Cash Masters, Kyle Fuston; Audra Smith and Sara Martin; Silverton School; Valley Teachers; Valley Junior High; Wilda Fuston and Sandy Fuston; Don Turner; Maurice Fuston; Kathy Shorter; Jeannine Brooks; We The Women; Homemakers; Jean Mullin; Bro. Bernal and Bro. Addison; Greg and Susan Ramsey; Money Changers, First National Bank; Jail & Bail, Jeff Fuston, and Marjorie Bell.

Trophy for most laps went to the Survivors, as they were the only group to walk.

First place trophy went to the Valley Junior High team, which raised \$1,522.38.

Taylor Griffin Earns Trainer Award

Nine student trainers from Angelo State University, including Taylor Griffin of Silverton, have been honored by the Lone Star Conference as Student Academic Award winners for 2004.

To earn the award, the trainers must maintain at least a 3.20 cumulative grade point average, be of sophomore status and serve on the student training staff at their institution.

The award mirrors the same requirements for academic all-LSC honors for student athletes. Each award winner will receive a certificate from the Lone Star Conference for their achievement.

Angelo State featured a league-best nine honorees, edging out Southwestern Oklahoma (8) and Tarleton State (6), for the honor.

Rainfall Compared To 2003 Precipitation

For those who like to read the weather records, you will recall that in 2003 the annual precipitation amounted to 10.53 inches.

So far in June 2004, a total of 11.37 has been measured in the gauge of the National Weather Service in Silverton.

Rainfall through the first six months of 2004, with rain remaining in the forecast, is 21.22, which is very near the 12-month total.

Second place went to the FNB team, which raised \$1,324.00.

Third place went to the Valley Teachers team, which raised \$1,150.24.

Fourth place went to Jail & Bail for raising \$1,065.00

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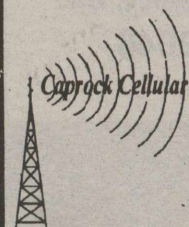
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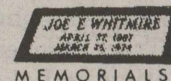
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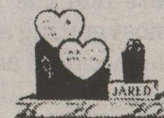
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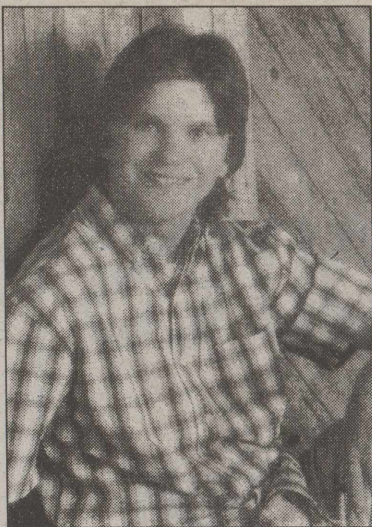
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Korey Layne Kennedy

Kennedy is May 29 Graduate of Abilene Cooper

Korey Layne Kennedy graduated from Abilene Cooper High School May 29 at the Taylor County Expo Center. He is the son of Rodger and Nanette Kennedy, the grandson of Guinn and Pat Fitzgerald of Silverton and Ruby Kennedy of Brownfield.

During his years at Cooper, he was a member of the Cooper band drumline, where he was a section leader, and was co-president of the National Honor Society. He was a mem-

Senior Citizens Couple Celebrates To Have Birthday Party July 6 70th Anniversary

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly birthday party at the Center Tuesday, July 6.

Activities begin at 7:00 p.m.

Know people for who they are rather than for what they are.

Anthony J. D'Angelo

ber of the 1200 Club because of his SAT scores, Chess Club, and a Peer Assistance group called PALS.

Korey had the honor of being voted "most likely to succeed." He is a member of the youth group at Wyulie Baptist Church where he is part of a Praise Band. He has been very active in Boy Scouts and received his Eagle Scout rank last fall.

Korey graduated fourth in his class and was very honored to be the first recipient of the W. H. "Blue" Denim Scholarship. He plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall to major in mathematics and become the servant God wants him to be.

All Swisher Electric Customers Have Had Service Restored

All Swisher Electric customers who incurred outages from last week's wind, rain and hail storm are back on. The storm downed 25 transmission and 58 distribution poles of Swisher Electric, knocking off power to cooperative members living around Silverton and west toward Claytonville.

According to SEC operations superintendent Kenny McCaslin, the last two cooperative members without power had their power restored between 5-6 p.m. Saturday, June 26. The cooperative was able to restore power to all but about 95 co-op members by Tuesday, June 22, by back-feeding and looping power around to get as many members back on as quickly as possible. Of these 95, 91 from around Silverton had their power restored by Thursday evening, June 24, as the co-op got the transmission poles back up. The remaining four or five customers were connected Friday and Saturday. According to McCaslin, all that's remain-

ing is four or five irrigation wells and a couple of meter poles.

Cooperative general manager Charles Castleberry estimates the damage costing about \$200,000. The cooperative brought in a contractor with four trucks, plus Tri-County Electric Cooperative in Hooker, Oklahoma supplied two crews to help out, and Lamb County Electric Cooperative in Littlefield sent one crew to help SEC crews restore power and get poles back up. Castleberry said, "I want to thank all our members for their patience, particularly those who were out the longest. We did our best to get the greatest number of people back on in the shortest time possible, but conditions prevented us from getting back on as quickly as we and they would have preferred." Castleberry added, "Everything now is pretty much back to normal, with the exception of a few areas with standing water and muddy conditions."

Couple Celebrates 70th Anniversary

J. D. and Hazel Strickland celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary June 10, 2004 at Sears Retirement Center.

Family and friends enjoyed sharing memories of their 70 years of devotion to each other.

Hazel and J. D. met 78 years ago on a farm near Silverton. They spent all of their professional lives as educators. They continue to share their love and devotion daily and are an inspiration to all who come in contact with them.

Their two loving daughters are Erlene Dye of Possum Kingdom Lake and Jean Watson of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

July 4 is Deadliest Day To Travel By Car

More traffic fatalities occur on July 4 than any other day of the year. July 3 is the second worst day for crash deaths. This year, July 3 and 4 fall on Saturday and Sunday, making it a hazardous weekend for motorists.

"The mix of summer travel, the weekend, a holiday and alcohol makes for a deadly combination," said Mark Hanna, a spokesman for the Insurance Council of Texas, an Austin-based insurance trade organization representing property and casualty insurers. "With alcohol responsible for 40% of these traffic fatalities, we would urge those who must be on the road this weekend to drive defensively and responsibly."

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) has analyzed data over a 17-year span from 1986 to 2002. The data shows July 4 is the deadliest day to travel, while six of the 10 days with the most deaths were holidays or near holidays.

Complicating the July 4 weekend is the fact that more traffic fatalities occur on Saturday than any other day of the week. Also, more motorcyclists are killed on July 4 than any other day.

Tela Mange of the Texas Department of Public Safety says July 3, 1994 remains the deadliest day on Texas roadways in the state's history. Forty-six people lost their lives that day including 14 people who died when their van collided with an 18-wheeler in Parker County. Mange says



Mr. and Mrs. Marshall McCammon

Couple Marries June 12 in Tennessee

Tiffany Ann Wyatt and John Marshall McCammon, a former Silverton resident, were married June 12, 2004, in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. The intimate ceremony was held in a quaint mountain chapel with the Reverend Travis Tatum performing the service.

Eight Gables Inn in the Great Smokey Mountains was the setting for a dinner recep-

tion. The bride is the daughter of Kathy and Andy Anderson of Barnardsville, North Carolina, and the late Jeff Wyatt. The groom is the son of Darrah and John McCammon of Boerne, Texas.

Following their honeymoon, the couple is at home in Asheville, North Carolina.

every available state trooper will be monitoring traffic this holiday weekend.

Alan Williams, the Institute's chief scientist, said 117 people lose their lives every day on the nation's highways. "The number of daily traffic fatalities is the equivalent of a major commercial airline disaster every day," Williams said. "When a plane goes down, it's big news and there's a concentrated effort to find ways to prevent future crashes. Unfortunately, the toll of highway deaths doesn't attract the same attention."

According to the IIHS more than 3,000 people may die on the nation's highways during the two-day period.

Exercise Can Be a Lifesaver

Exercise cannot only help you lose weight and fit into jeans, but it can save your life. It also plays a major role in reducing cancer risk. A person's diet, tobacco use, and use of sun protection also plays a role in reducing cancer risk.

Extension health expert Courtney Schoessow says increasing physical activities is one of the most important changes a person can make. A regular exercise regimen can help lower the risk of breast cancer and colon cancer.

Traffic fatalities and serious injuries are a major factor in the determination of a territory's auto insurance rates.

Final Reminder

Please be reminded that the Taxing Entities of Briscoe County, Silverton ISD, City of Silverton, City of Quitaque, and Mackenzie Water Authority have authorized the Briscoe County Appraisal District to publish a list of Delinquent accounts in the Briscoe County News and Valley Tribune. Please come in and pay your taxes or come in and make arrangements to pay your taxes. The list will be published July 8, 2004.

God's LOVE Inspires

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Minister

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

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

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Jerry Becknal, Interim Pastor

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

MONDAY:
Ladies Bible Study.....8:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Ladies Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
Rock Salt Youth Group.....7:00 p.m.
Bible Study, Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs

SECOND WEDNESDAY:
Fellowship Meal.....6:30 p.m.
Ladies Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
Business Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
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RAs, Rock Salt Youth.....7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY
Men's Group.....6:30 a.m.

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Rance Young, Pastor

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

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

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

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

NEW FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST MISSION

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

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

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Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.



Being Helpful vs. Complaining

It is a wise person who knows when and how to tactfully speak up about a situation that may need correcting. When a person is critical of almost everything, they may be looked upon by others as being a "complainer." There is a significant difference between grumbling and honestly trying to be helpful. Most businesses have a customer service department to handle problems and complaints. They usually do not call them "complaint departments" because they know that correcting problems and providing good service are beneficial to good business, whereas complaining denotes a negative tone. In addition, no one likes to listen to someone who is always complaining. The Bible tells us in Colossians 3:13, "Be tolerant with one another and forgive one another whenever any of you has a complaint against someone else. You must forgive one another just as the Lord has forgiven you." We should try to be more positive to reduce the stress in our lives; God wants us to work and live in harmony with those around us.

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Monument Update

Provided by Fred A. Strange

Here's an update on the Veterans Monument. They have poured the concrete slabs that the tablets with the names will be placed on.

Once they bring them over and place them on the slabs, they will pour the rest of the concrete. Everything will be completed by August 14.

I want to thank everyone who has given money or who has helped in any way to get this monument built. Without your support, this could not have been done. At the present time we have \$40,000.00 collected. The cost will be around \$50,000.00. If you have not donated, please do so by August 14.

I have listed all of the names of those who have donated money. These names were taken from the deposit slips.

I also want to thank all of those who have bought quilt and afghan chances. Thanks to the Friendship Quilters for donating the quilt and to Faye Childers for donating the afghan.

A special thanks to the Briscoe County News and the Valley Tribune for all they have done during this past year.

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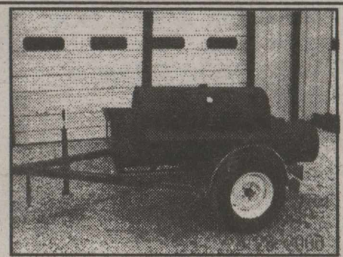
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