

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet

The menu for Tri-County Meals for next week includes:

Monday, September 19-Steak Fingers, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Creamed Potatoes, Chocolate Pudding/Diabetic Chocolate Pudding, Roll, Milk

Wednesday, September 21-Barbecued Chicken, Mixed Greens, Navy Beans, Jello Salad/Diabetic Jello Salad, Cornbread, Milk

Friday, September 23-Catfish, Tartar Sauce, Seasoned Potato Wedges, Cauliflower and Tomatoes, Lemon Pound Cake/Diabetic Cake, Roll, Milk

Menu subject to change without notice.

The telephone number for Tri-County Meals at the Hope Center is 455-1053.

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

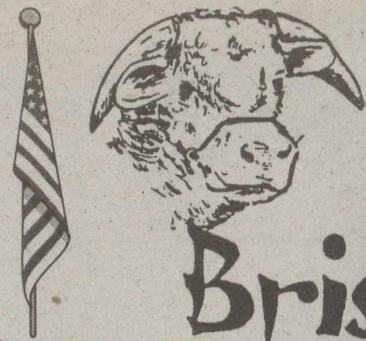
The News Office almost always is open on Mondays but Labor Day was an exception to the rule. We spent the long weekend in Andrews with our eldest grandson, Brandon and his wife Meredith. Others there for the weekend were his brother and sister, Jordan and Molly of Lubbock, and their mother, Jonann Sandvig of Rowlett.

It was the first time Charlie and I had visited in Meredith and Brandon's new home. The boys and Charlie played golf one afternoon, and Brandon took us on a tour of the city another day.

Missy Forbes became ill while sitting in the stands with her mother, Mary Brown, at Amherst Friday night. She was taken to the hospital in Littlefield and then transferred to University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Marsha Miller, sister of Mary Strange of Kress and Carlye Fleming, has been moved to Baylor Institute of Rehabilitation in Dallas. Baylor is one of the top rehabilitation hospitals in the country for stroke rehabilitation, and her family and friends are hoping that she will make steady progress. Her daughter, Iwana, says "Your cards and notes have been a huge source of encouragement throughout this process, and she appreciates them more than you can know!" Write her at:

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Four volunteers from Lighthouse Electric Cooperative in Floydada are on the Gulf Coast to help rebuild power lines downed by Hurricane Katrina. They are Foreman Johnny Gourdon, Todd Williams, Tate Glasscock and Brad Jackson. They left Wednesday, August 31, to drive the 831 miles to Houma, Louisiana.

Lighthouse Electric Co-op Sends Help to Louisiana

Four employees of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative are on the Gulf Coast to help rebuild power lines downed in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, a Category 4 hurricane that struck the coast of Louisiana and Mississippi early Monday of last week.

The volunteers include Foreman Johnny Gourdon, Todd Williams, Tate Glasscock and Brad Jackson. The crew left Wednesday, August 31, to drive the 831 miles to Houma, Louisiana, just southwest of New Orleans. They were to meet up with other crews to receive instructions and begin their restoration and repair work.

A former resident, David Strange, has accepted employment with Amarillo National Bank.

Jimmy Burson and "Texas In The Swing" will present a concert on the first night of Cowboy Days at the historic Fair Theatre, 717 Broadway in Plainview at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 16. Tickets at the door will be \$7.50 for adults and \$5.50 for children under 12. Jimmy and his group have been playing cowboy and western swing music for over 30 years.

The Louisiana Statewide Association requested 300 Texas cooperative workers be available beginning as early as Tuesday morning, said Tiffin Wortham, vice president of member services/loss control for Texas Electric Cooperatives, the statewide cooperative association.

"If I were facing the situation they are facing, with power lines down and practically all my members out of power, the best thing I could hope to see would be Johnny Gourdon and his crew arriving to help," noted Lighthouse General Manager Bill Harbin. "It's something we do as co-op people. We help each other."

Some of his performances have been at Silver Dollar City, Branson, Missouri, National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration, San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo, Western Heritage Classic, numerous performances with The Texas Playboys, and gospel music in area churches.

It was good to see J. E. Patton with his wife, Mary Jane, at the football games here Thursday afternoon of last week. I understand the doctor has released him.

Even before Hurricane Katrina pounded the Gulf Coast, Texas' electric cooperatives geared up for deployment to assist linemen in storm-damaged areas.

"We're hoping to secure commitments from the Texas Electric Cooperative membership to supply 90-100 men and the associated equipment," Wortham said. "The greatest need will be for construction crews immediately after the storm's passing and will begin to shift to service crews within a couple of weeks."

Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, based in Floydada, serves over 8000 members in 12 counties, including Briscoe County.

Sandra Peugh called me Monday to say that the Chamber of Commerce's project of welcoming newcomers to Silverton is working! She said that she and Ken would like to thank everyone who has welcomed them to the community with visits, food and gifts since they moved here. "Everyone has been so nice to us and we appreciate it very much," she said.

Car sickness is the feeling you get when the monthly payment is due.
Author Unknown

Francis Named Player of Week

It was quite a debut carrying the football for Jacob Francis. A center last year, Francis was moved to the backfield and showed Motley County not much adjustment was needed. He rushed for 299 yards on eight carries and scored six touchdowns in a 90-42 victory in the Owls' season opener.

In recognition of this, Francis was named Six-Man Player of the Week by the sportswriters of the Amarillo Globe-News.

"He had a great offensive game. He just hit the hole, nobody was around, and he kept scoring," Coach Mike Bigham said. "So far, through off-season practice and the first game, he showed he can play the position. He's very physical, fast and strong. And he's a great lead blocker when we need it."

Yance Forbes received honorable mention as Player of the Week. He rushed for four touchdowns, threw a touchdown pass and returned a kickoff for a score in the 90-42 win against Motley County.

Immunization Clinic is Sept. 23

An immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases is scheduled September 23, 2005, at the Silverton School from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

Catholic Church To Have Jamaica

The annual fundraiser of Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church will be held beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 18, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

There will be booths selling various food items. The main dish will be enchilada plates. There will be games, cake walks, music, rides, food. You are invited to join the members for this festive occasion.

If you lend someone \$20, and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

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Texas Cooperative EXTENSION

David Hawkins, CEA-Ag
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The state's peanut crop is stockpiled from last year, and there's more to come. With harvest just around the corner, peanut growers are concerned about market price.

It's too early to predict how the price will change, but production remains strong. Average yield should jump an estimated 17.6% from last year. Experts predict quality will be excellent as well. This year's crops experienced ideal weather. Light rain in July has increased growth potential by providing cool, moist conditions.

Should You . . .

Should you find it hard to get to sleep tonight, just remember the homeless family who has no bed to lie in.

Should you find yourself stuck in traffic, don't despair; there are people in this world for whom driving is an unheard-of privilege.

Should you have a bad day at work, think of the man who has been out of work for the last three months.

Should you despair over a relationship gone wrong, think of the person who has never known what it's like to love and be loved in return.

Should you grieve the passing of another weekend, think of the woman in dire straits, working twelve hours a day, seven days week, for money to feed her family.

Should your car break down, leaving you miles away from assistance, think of the paraplegic who would love the opportunity to take that walk.

Should you notice a new grey hair in the mirror, think of the cancer patient in chemotherapy who wishes she had hair to examine.

Should you find yourself at a loss and pondering what life is all about, asking, "What is my purpose?" Be thankful: there are those who didn't live long enough to get the opportunity.

Should you find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, ignorance, smallness or insecurities: remember, things could be worse. You could be them!

Read Phil. 4:11-13.

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Michael and Catrina Reagan

Taylor-Reagan Vows Exchanged At Events Unlimited in Amarillo Aug. 6

Catrina Jean Taylor and Michael David Reagan, both of Canyon, were married Saturday, August 6, at Events Unlimited in Amarillo. The Rev. Max Brown officiated at the nuptials.

The bride is the daughter of Rich and Sherry Hoff of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Eichmann of Dumas.

Groom's parents are Sheila Reagan of Silverton and David Reagan of Memphis.

Bridesmaids wre Dedra Miller, Erica Bural and Tiffany Green.

Groomsmen were Daniel Reagan, Lane Greene and Mark Reagan.

Flower girl and ringbearer were Tea and Traketon Taylor, children of the bride.

Ushers wre Jason Avent and Matt Lauterbach.

A wedding reception followed at Events Unlimited.

The bride attends Amarillo College School of Nursing. The groom is employed at the Information Technology Service Center at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

From the Patio

by Nina Martin

September 8--Folks, I told you about loving Sundays and Thursday, but that leaves five days. I am stymied about specifics to love about them. I think I could love Monday if I became more diligent about going to sing at the Lockney Care Center at 11:00. It is always fun, and I love eating lunch at the Dairy Queen with the Rock Creek singers afterward.

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

Sybil brought fabric that one of her Plainview friends donated. We all got some pretty pieces to put in our stashes.

Laverne put up a nine-patch quilt last week.

Cooking Ideas

(NAPS)-Baking is seeing a rise in popularity, says baking and entertainment guru Nancy Siler of Wilton Enterprises. For baking, decorating ideas and products, visit www.wilton.com.



After honeymooning in Las Vegas, the couple is residing in Canyon.

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Upcoming Meetings

Second Monday of each month-County Commissioners meet at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom; City Council meets at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Second Tuesday of each month-Silverton Chamber of Commerce, 7:00 p.m., Pioneer Room at City Bank-Silverton; Silverton School Board, boardroom, 8:00 p.m.

First and third Thursdays of each month-Silverton Fire Department, 7:00 p.m., City Hall

Fourth Thursday of each month-Briscoe County Activities Association, 7:00 p.m., Showbarn in Silverton

LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

August 22, 1996-Ronnie Miller is recognized for 20 years of Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas service . . . Cheerleaders to have Day Camp August 24 . . . Mary Kay Consultant Christene King celebrated her 25th year in the business in July with the receipt of a diamond Mary Kay pin . . . Beryl and Dottie Long recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at a dinner party at the Elks Club in Plainview. Hosting the event were the couple's children, Mike and Laura Long of Silverton and Jay Long of Hilo, Hawaii. The couple have two grandchildren, Ethan and Emily Long . . . Shane and Tracy Reagan of Booker are parents of a son, Jared Grant, born August 10 in Woodward, Oklahoma. He has two brothers, Chase and Brandon . . . The children and grandchildren of Dora Belle Perkins hosted a three-day celebration to honor her on her 78th birthday August 10 . . .

September 11, 1986-School enrollment down again this year. Total enrollment is 233, with 59 students in high school . . . Neal Edwards and Jamie Frizzell receive honorable mention as backs of the week. Edwards had 22 tackles, 126 yards rushing on 20 carries and two touchdowns. Frizzell had 14 tackles from his outside linebacker slot, in addition to some good kick returns . . . Progressive Homemakers have meeting in the home of Gail Wyatt . . . Nice fish being taken at Lake Mackenzie . . .

September 9, 1976-Mr. and Mrs. Larry Comer, who have lived since their marriage in Lima, Peru, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Comer and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lee, other relatives and friends in this area. Larry has been employed for some time by Parker Drilling Company in South America . . . R. C. Hutsell continues to receive treatment at Nichols Hospital in Plainview . . . Rainfall totals near two inches . . . Pivot system irrigation to be discussed at meeting of Young Farmers . . . Barrett-Lahoud vows exchanged in double-ring ceremony in Fort Worth . . . Mrs. Buck Wesley was in Lubbock Friday to see her doctor. He removed the large brace and she got a neck brace . . .

September 8, 1966-Mrs. Joe H. Smith buried here . . . Lynn Welch delivers first load of milo . . . Funeral services conducted for William Bovee Hughes, 85 . . . Brent Bean celebrates seventh birthday . . . Mrs. E. E. Tomlin fell at her

home here Saturday afternoon and was taken to Swisher Memorial Hospital for treatment of a sprained and bruised knee . . . Dee Garvin has been a patient in Northwest Texas Hospital since early last week . . . Kathy Hughes visited Tina Weaver and other friends here Wednesday of last week . . . Briscoe Co-op Gin ready for grain . . . Service Elevator leases additional storage facilities . . . Walter Bean, Silverton's Star Young Farmer last year, will be entered in Area I competition Saturday at Tulia . . . Homer Gilkeyson and two Boy Scouts of Dallas spent a long weekend as guests of Mrs. L. K. Gilkeyson . . . Richard Jarnagin has won an award for being friendliest, most helpful salesperson in Tulia businesses . . . Mrs. Rusty Arnold, Mrs. Wayne Roberts, Judy Yancey and Ian Lanham were in Tulia Saturday . . . Eugene Long and J. T. Gilkeyson visited Henry Long at Nichols Manor in Lockney Friday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Glen Grosdidier are parents of a daughter, Rhonda Sue . . . Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Towe, Jay and Greg returned home last week after a visit in Downey, California with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Markes and family . . . Sarah Jane Cline left Wednesday of last week for Clarendon, where she is librarian at Clarendon College . . .

September 15, 1966-Report outlines plan for Mackenzie Reservoir . . . School enrollment is up this year. The total school enrollment at the present is 565 as compared with 552 last year. There are 155 students in high school this year as compared with 145 at this time last year . . . Jord Hollingsworth, Mrs. Jerry Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rowell, Mrs. Rusty Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts, Scotty, Terry, Ronnie and Judy attended the funeral of Don Blivens at the Church of Christ in Plainview Saturday . . . Norman Strange to head Quarterback Club . . . Owls down Hart Longhorns here 14-8 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eddleman spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Payne and sons near Ozark, Arkansas . . . Miss Billie Haynes of California has been a visitor with Mrs. Mary Daniel at Tulia and Mrs. C. E. Anderson . . . Norman Strange took Mr. and Mrs. Bill Durham and Trevor to Dallas Tuesday afternoon. Trevor had an appointment with a specialist Wednesday afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Lowrey were business visitors in

Amorillo Monday . . . Alvie Mayfield was taken to the Medical Center in Plainview last Thursday . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Minyard and Ruth Ann were in Amarillo last Thursday . . . Rev. and Mrs. Jimmie Jenkins have recently returned to their home in New Orleans, Louisiana, after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carman Rhode, Robert and Sandi . . . Candidates for Pep Squad Beau are Steve Brown, Donald Weast, Van May and Tommy Edwards . . .

September 13, 1956-Several bales of new-crop cotton have been ginned locally . . . Pvt. James H. Butcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Butcher, has completed eight weeks of advanced individual training in the operation of the Army's NIKE surface to air guided missile at Fort Bliss, Texas . . . Jord Hollingsworth, who received injuries on his head while working on an elevator at South Plains about two weeks ago, has been a patient in the Lockney Hospital several days and later in the Plainview hospital where he was under the care of a specialist . . . R. E. Brookshier is attending the State Democratic Convention in Fort Worth . . . Silverton Owls win first game of season from Dimmitt team . . . Grundy's Grocery to have open house and fifth anniversary sale . . . Construction work on a new home for the Harvest-Queen Elevator is making progress this week. The house is located at Braidfoot and Second Street and will be occupied by Tuck Turner and family . . . Red Gilkeyson was brought to his home Monday evening from the Lockney hospital where he had been a patient for some time . . . Jamie Allison, Betty Fitzgerald, Bob Baird, Harold Edwards, Glen Watters, Stevie Jarnagin, Sid Marshall, Norvell Breedlove and Buzz Bailey are attending Clarendon Junior College . . . Gene Minter, Keith Whitfield and W. D. Rowell have gone to Texas A&M to attend school . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wayne Mayfield are the parents of a son, Zane Douglas . . . Van Martin of Flomot visited his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Martin and children, last week . . . Mrs. J. H. May has been ill and under a doctor's care for some time . . .

September 10, 1936-Curtis King wrecked his car at the Rock Creek bridge Friday evening. Slick roads were the cause of the accident . . . Daphne Ferne Blackwell is unable to be about this week because of an infected foot . . . Mrs. Dick Cowart entertained in honor of Mrs. W. E. Schott, jr. on Wednesday, September 2 . . . Bill Bingham was out on a big horse trade Tuesday, but didn't do any trading . . .

Happy Birthday-


September 15-Kaylee Self, Cody Craig Patton
September 16 - Charla Rhoderick, Arnold Garza, Gary Kyle Brannon Stewart, Nickalyn McGinty
September 17-Bud Vaughan, Bill Brooks, Jared Wood Holt, Judy Gill, Melinda Stockton, Polly Jarrett
September 18-L. B. Ivory, Anthony Gamble
September 19-David Reagan, Erlene Barbour, Walter Hill, Bailey Loyd, Kenzie Whittington, Lynda Fogerson
September 20-Doc Simpson, Connie Smith, Guy Breedlove, Billy Don Stevenson, Brittany Perkins
September 21 - Rodger Kennedy, Danna Coleman, Eric Patton, Donald Fleming, Kerry Copeland
Happy Anniversary-
September 16-Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Todd
September 21-Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Oldham
Money is to my social existence what health is to my body.
Mason Cooley

Silverton School Lunch Menu


September 19-Pig-in-a-Blanket, Potato Salad, Pork 'n Beans, Fruit Roll-up, Milk
September 20-Pinto Beans, Chicken, Corn, Bread, Fruit, Butter, Honey, Milk
September 21-Chili Con Carne, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Jello with Fruit, Milk
September 22-Steak Fingers, Baked Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Sour Cream, Roll, Butter, Honey/Jelly, Milk
September 23-Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Salad, Chips, Fruit, Milk

Silverton School Activities


Thursday, September 15-JH & JV at Wheeler, 5:00
Friday, September 16-Owls vs. Wheeler, here, 7:30
Saturday, September 17-FFA Livestock Judging Contest
Thursday, September 22-JH & JV at Valley, 5:00
Friday, September 23-Owls vs. Valley, here, 7:30
Saturday, September 24-FFA Plant Identification Contest



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Mrs. Russell Patrick

Carthel-Patrick Vows Exchanged At Ranch House Weddings Sept. 17

Ranch House Weddings was the scene of the marriage of Miss Joni Carthel and Russell Patrick on Saturday, September 17, 2005. Officiating at the service was Robert Bauman.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Janie Carthel of Wildorado.

Scott and Marilyn Cordell of Amarillo and Dave Patrick of Perrysburg, Ohio are parents of the bridegroom. He is the grandson of Buck and Loretta Hardin and Marvin and Ann Carlisle, all of Silverton, and Arthur and Jo Patrick of Farwell.

Guests were seated by Ronnie Hall, Duncan Vernon and Dustin Redus.

Soloists were Debbie Lindsey and Jody Wilson. They were accompanied by Jody Wilson, guitarist.

Selections presented were "How Great is Our God" by Chris Tomlin; "I Enter In," by Josh Franklin, and "Blessing Song" by Dennis Jernigan.

Serving her sister as matron of honor was Jennifer Irish of Lubbock. The maid of honor was

Annie Mayhew of Amarillo, a college friend of the bride. Other bridesmaids were Hannah McWhorter of Canyon and Noelle Kelley of Birmingham, Alabama, high school friends of the bride, and Brandi Taylor of Hereford, a college friend of the bride.

They wore apple tea-length dresses designed with empire waists accented with satin belts.

Serving his high school friend as best man was Nathan Smith of Canyon. Groomsmen were Chance Patrick of College Station, brother of the groom; Kaleb McCarrell of Amarillo and Kody McCarrell of Canyon, high school friends of the groom, and Cale Burke of Canyon, a college friend of the groom.

Flower girl was Lauren Irish of Lubbock, niece of the bride. Ringbearer was Patrick Irish of Lubbock, nephew of the bride.

The flower girl wore an ivory gown accented with rum-pink satin.

Escorted and presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a signature Oleg Cassini satin A-line ball gown adorned with

Twenty-eight Attend Holt Family Reunion

A good time with lots of family fellowship and good food was had by the Holt family in Silverton on Sunday. And something very special was added this year. The family got to attend the dedication of the Historical Marker for the Holt School. All these are descendants of those who started the Holt School in Briscoe County. The school was located on Highway 378 south of Highway 86 at County road A2.

A family member and president of the Briscoe County Historical Commission, Carrie Dickerson, helped to get the marker for the school. Assisting in securing the marker was Judge Wayne Nance. He spoke a few words and read the marker. TxDOT employee Darrell Reynolds was responsible for putting up the marker and was on hand to help unveil the beautiful memorial marker.

The marker reads: "Site of the Holt School (two miles east): In 1913 G. C. Holt moved his wife and eight children to the Briscoe-Floyd County line. Because of the distance to the nearest school, Holt and neighbor E. M. Lawson organized the Holt School District, commissioned on September 7, 1920, with two acres of land. In 1921 trustees built a one-room schoolhouse and it opened with one teacher and courses for grades one through seven. Over the years, teachers often boarded with local

families. The school closed in 1933 during the great depression and the building stood vacant until 1944 when it was dismantled. Later an irrigation well for area farms was located on the former site."

Those present at the dedication were Rex and Theta Holt; Karen, Doug, Neil and Dee Turner of Lubbock; David, Debbie, Cade, Zeb, Lance and Jeremy Holt; Louise and Randa McDaniel from Plainview; Christine Donnell Carthel of Hereford; Peggy Garvin, Dara Ware and Reba Garvin; Sandra and Jerry Frizzell and granddaughter, Alexia; Jerry and Jealeta Baird; Dan Holt of Plainview; Margaret Kitchens of South Plains; Clinton Dickerson; Delton and Clydene Jack of Lockney; J. D. and Vernell Nance; Teresa Sutton, Tina Nance, Michael, Jan, Mitchell Marchell and Tricia Curry; Doris Dudley of Tulia; Gail James of Spring.

Others attending the reunion were Cammie Frizzell and her children, Camisha and Joel.

Karen Turner and Sandra Frizzell organized the reunion.

The bride is a graduate of Canyon High School and a 2000 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a degree in psychology. She was a member of the CHS Show Choir, and is employed by the Bair Foundation.

The groom is a graduate of Trinity Fellowship High School in 1999 and graduated from West Texas A&M University in 2004. He was active in sports at Trinity, and is employed by Pritchard & Abbot.

A reception was held at Ranch House Weddings. Assisting with the reception were Jenny Leach, Jessica Mitchell, Elizabeth Williams, Jaylene Clark, Nashee Patrick and Danielle Patrick.



Carrie Dickerson traveled to Lubbock Friday to watch her granddaughter, Meagan, daughter of Debbie and John Welch, play volleyball. Meagan is a senior at the University of Georgia at Athens, Georgia. Rhonda Hunter, Carrie's daughter from Midland, also was there with her husband, David.

Attending the guest registry were Ashley Hill, Kristen Holmes, Ashleigh Langen, Chelsie Kinsey and Emily Nickson.

Following their wedding trip to Key West, Florida, the couple is at home in Amarillo.

Hurricane Katrina-- Continued From Page Eight

on budget reconciliation will be delayed from 2-3 weeks. Some Democratic lawmakers are openly suggesting that the process be delayed indefinitely.

How agriculture will fare in the end could have a lot to do with how the federal response to the disaster impacts spending in categories under Agriculture Committee jurisdiction like food and nutrition programs and agriculture assistance programs.

At the very least it seems a strong case can be made to forego any cuts scheduled for agriculture in 2006 due to the significant impact the hurricane will continue to have on agriculture throughout the United States and especially in the directly affected Gulf Coast region.

Senior Citizens To Have Luncheon

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly luncheon and business meeting beginning at 12:00 noon Friday.

Quilters will be hostesses for the luncheon.

Disaster Assistance For Agriculture is A Possibility

An offshoot of the growing hurricane response is an increased chance that some form of agriculture disaster assistance package will be developed in the coming months.

Recognition of that need is already being heard from Congress and the Administration. Already lawmakers are urging a hearing to assess damage to the agriculture sector due to Hurricane Katrina and other natural disasters that have occurred this year.

In the past, similar assistance

packages have allowed assistance to be provided to producers for weather-related agricultural losses throughout the United States.

Making sure this precedent is continued in a future agricultural assistance package is especially important for growers on the High Plains.

It will be a while before a final acreage loss figure is calculated for the 2005 crop since there are several months left in the growing season and the High Plains cotton crop is a long way from being off the stalk and through the gin.

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JV Owls--

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of the other Owls held the Hornets for a couple of downs, after which they scored with 5:58 remaining in the first quarter. The Owls blocked their PAT attempt, leaving the score knotted at 6-6.

After the Owls got the ball back, Vargas passed to Garcia for another score. The PAT kick was blocked, and with 4:01 remaining in the first quarter, the Owls led 12-6.

Defense led by Blake Strange and Shane Estes held the Hornets, and a quarterback sack performed

by Garcia brought the ball back to the Owls.

Vargas ran for a first down, after which Cooper Cogdell passed complete to Cade Holt as the second quarter began. Vargas ran for another first down, and Cogdell passed to Blake Strange for another Owl touchdown with 6:21 remaining before halftime. Holt kicked the PAT, to give the Owls a 20-6 lead.

Holt kicked off to Lorenzo, and on fourth down Vargas took the Hornet punt back to midfield. Cogdell passed to Garcia for a first down, then passed to Vargas for another touchdown. Holt passed to

Strange for the PAT, bringing the score to 27-6.

Shane Estes abbreviated Lorenzo's next series of plays by intercepting a pass with 1:09 remaining in the first half. Cogdell completed two passes to Holt before the quarter ended.

Estes and Daugherty led the offense for the Owls on Lorenzo's next offensive series. The Hornets passed for a touchdown with 5:26 remaining in the third quarter and the Owls blocked their PAT attempt. The score stood at 27-12.

Lorenzo kicked off and Vargas went all the way for another touchdown with 5:14 remaining in the

third quarter. The PAT kick was blocked, and the score stood at 33-12. Lorenzo came right back with another touchdown with 4:37 remaining in the quarter. There was no PAT, and the score was 33-18.

After Lorenzo kicked off, Vargas ran for another touchdown with 3:33 remaining in the quarter. There was no PAT, and the score became 39-18.

Lorenzo controlled the kickoff, and carried another touchdown with 1:40 remaining in the third quarter. There was no PAT, and the score stood at 39-24.

The Owls were unable to score on their next series, and after Lorenzo got the ball back they scored on a pass with 2:03 remaining in the game. This brought the score to 39-31.

Runs by Vargas moved the ball for a first down, and Garcia scored with 1:03 remaining to be played. Burson held and Holt kicked the PAT to make the final 47-31 score.

Next game for the JV team will be at Wheeler at 6:30 p.m. this afternoon (Sept. 15).

The Junior High will play at Wheeler at 5:00 p.m. today (Sept. 15).

Senior Citizen Owl Gold Card

If you are 55 or older and would like free admittance into Silverton School home ball games, please come by the school office and pick up a GOLD CARD prior to the game.

Without the card the price for varsity games is \$4.00 and junior high/junior varsity games is \$2.00.

The first home varsity game is September 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Clarendon College To Offer ACT

Clarendon College will offer the ACT October 22 at 8:00 a.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center on the Clarendon campus.

The cost of the test is \$29 without writing and \$43 with writing. Registration deadline is September 16.

Late registration is September



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A visit to the hospital or doctor's office can be stressful. Making a list of questions before a visit can help reduce that stress. Extension Health Specialist Andrew Crocker recommends buying a spiral notebook to document all questions, comments and concerns. Leave space between items for the doctor's instructions, and take the notebook to your appointment. This can help maximize both the doctor's and your time. The U. S. Administration on Aging offers a free "Personal Health Care Journal" to help organize medical information. To download or order the free journal, visit www.aoa.gov/publications.asp.

Healthy Ideas

(NAPSA)--"As the number of people with Medicare supplement policies increase, we're seeing more retirees using immediate annuities to fund other insurance needs such as Medicare supplement coverage," said Mutual of Omaha Vice President Andy Hutchison. For more information, visit www.mutualofomaha.com.

As part of its Power of 10(tm) campaign, the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases advises adolescents and adults to take advantage of Td vaccine protection, especially before you take your next trip. More information about tetanus and diphtheria is available at www.nfid.org.

Your face can give you clues that you may have an endocrine disorder. Visit www.aace.com or www.powerofprevention.com for more information.

17-30 and students will be charged an \$18 late registration fee in addition to the test fee.

For registration information contact Clarendon College Enrollment Services Counselor Stephanie Watson at 806-874-3571.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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Citizens Should Be Aware of Laws WTACI To Hold Conference Sept. 21

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Connie Smith wants citizens of Briscoe County to be aware of new safety seat and seat belt laws.

Texas laws have changed September 1, 2005, regarding child safety seats. Children under five years old and less than 36 inches tall must be in a child safety seat. The new law also states that any person under age 17 is required to wear a seat belt in all seats of a vehicle where a belt is available. The fine for both the child safety seat system and the child seat belt offense remains at the current following level. The fine is a minimum of \$100.00 with a maximum of \$200.00 plus court costs (\$91.00).

The legislature also made child safety seat offenses moving violations eligible for a unique driving safety course. Texas Code of Criminal Procedures Article 45.0511 was amended to allow a defendant facing a child safety seat violation to attend a specialized driving safety course.

The special course must include four hours of instruction that "encourages the use of a child safety seat system."

Smith also wants to remind citizens of the following surcharges that affect Texas Drivers License holders.

2 points for any conviction of a moving violation in this state or

The West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute announces the 53rd Annual Agricultural Chemicals Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn - Park Plaza Hotel and Convention Center, 3201 South Loop 289, Lubbock, on September 21, 2005.

This year's program will include an update on activities of the Texas Department of Agriculture from Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs.

Membership of the Institute is open to any individual, business, or professional group interested in any other state

3 points for any moving violation in this state or any other state which resulted in an accident

Once you have accumulated 6 points the State will add a surcharge of \$100.00 per year X3 years in order for you to keep your licenses. A charge of \$25.00 per point will be added once you have reached the 6 point limit.

Also a surcharge of \$250.00 X3 years will be charged to you by the State for the following convictions: (1) Driving while license is invalid (2) No drivers license and (3) No valid liability insurance.

improving educational programs related to agricultural chemicals and their safe use. Membership fees are used to pay expenses of the conference, promote programs of interest to the West Texas agricultural community and provide scholarship funds for agricultural students at designated universities.

Since 1983, one to three scholarships per year have been awarded to students attending any of six universities in the West Texas area (Abilene Christian, Angelo State, Lubbock Christian, Sul Ross State, Texas Tech and West Texas A&M).

Scholarships are awarded through a scholarship committee appointed by the WTACI Board of Directors. Scholarship recipients are selected from applications on the basis of GPA, career goals, degree being sought, and financial need.

In addition, the Institute makes periodic contributions to the WTACI Endowment Fund established at Texas Tech University. Although scholarships are not being funded from the endowment at this time, it is designed to eventually be self-sustaining through interest income.

WEATHER

Recorded at 6:00 a.m.
During September 2005

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| Total September Precip. | | | .11 |
| Normal September Precip. | | | 2.49 |
| Normal Precip. to date | | | 18.19 |
| Precip. Rec'd to date | | | 20.86 |

You can download registration information from this link:

<http://wtaci.tamu.edu/wtaci05program.pdf>

The conference is approved for continuing education credits.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS SILVERTON ISD'S State Financial Accountability Rating

Silverton ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:00 p.m. September 29, 2005 in Room 1 700 Loretta Street, Silverton

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Silverton ISD's Superior Achievement rating on the state's financial accountability system.

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2005 on September 20, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., at the Administrative Offices of MMWA. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR Jeffery Johnson, Edward Marks, Philip Smitherman, Joe Adams, Mitch Martin, Dwight Ramsey, and Gordon Lowrey.

AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Jimmy Kemp

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

| | Last Year | This Year |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| Total tax rate (per \$100 of value) | 0.2425/\$100 | .2408/\$100 |
| | Adopted | Proposed |
| Difference in rates per \$100 of value | | \$.0017/\$100 |
| Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-) | | -0.706% |
| Average appraised value | \$ 29,402 | \$ 30,949 |
| General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions) | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| Average taxable value | \$ 29,402 | \$ 30,949 |
| Tax on average residence homestead | \$ 71.29 | \$ 74.52 |
| Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) | | \$ 3.23 |
| and percentage of increase (+/-) | | 4% |

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

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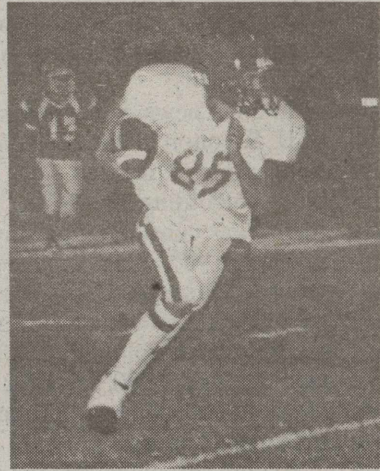
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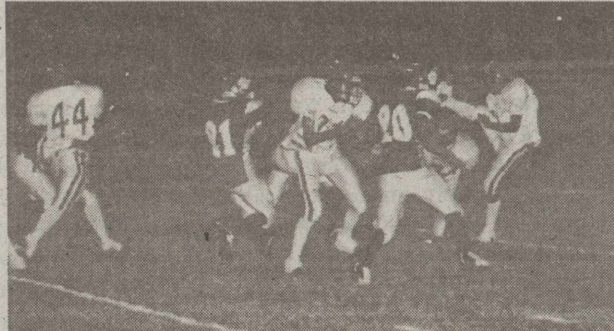
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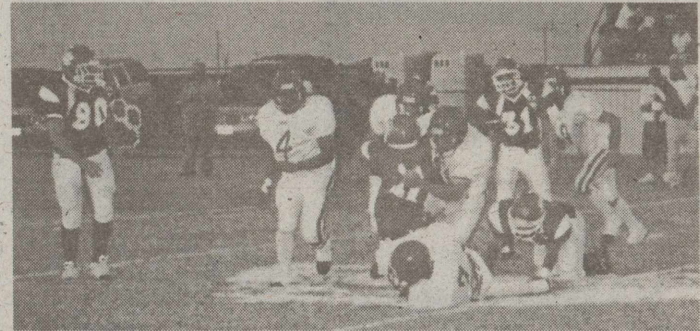
Let's Support The Silverton Owls



Jesse Reynolds caught this pass and set up an Owl touchdown.



Ernesto Ferrusca kicking extra point for the Owls.



Owls making tackle on Amherst.



Drew Reed catching pass for a touchdown.



Yance Forbes off for one of his touchdowns.



Host of Owls making tackle.

Silverton vs. Wheeler, Sept. 16, 7:30, Here

Silverton JV vs. Wheeler, Sept. 15, 6:30, There

Silverton Jr. High vs. Wheeler, Sept. 15, 5:00, There

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Johnny Wallace of the National Weather Service in Lubbock presented a certificate to Charles Sarchet recently, in recognition of his 15 years of service as a volunteer weather observer in Silverton.

Yance Forbes is Named to Player Honor Roll

Yance Forbes was named to the Amarillo National Bank Honor Roll in the Amarillo Globe-News for his performance in the football game at Amherst last Friday night.

He ran for 260 yards and five touchdowns in the 70-20 victory.

Home Ideas

(NAPS)-A contest by Cottonelle invites dog owners to tell the world about their best tail-wagging friend through song. Families vie for a home makeover grand prize of \$200,000 and a chance to appear in an ad. To find out more, log on to www.cottonelle.com.

A bank is a place that will lend you money if you can prove that you don't need it. Bob Hope

Cotton Market weekly

A Service Provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures at the New York Board of Trade rose 110 points Wednesday, September 7, due to speculators buying back previously sold positions and follow through from Tuesday's near-200-point rally. By Thursday, however, futures prices settled moderately lower as commercial interests generally withdrew from the market.

Bearish speculative sentiment late in the week came in advance of the September 12 release of USDA's supply/demand reports which are widely expected to show an increase from the 21.3 million bale U. S. crop estimate reported by the department in August. The majority of any increase in production likely will be added to prospective ending stocks.

Meanwhile, analysts agree that it still is too early to accurately assess the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the cotton crop in the Mid-South. Based on the hurricane's path, the cotton areas most susceptible to damage were eastern Mississippi and western Alabama. This could include cotton-producing counties around Columbus, MS, and those near Mobile, AL.

Initial reports from southwest Alabama indicate that the damage is not to the extent caused by Hurricane Ivan in 2004. The forecast of several days of dry, warm weather should help damaged cotton to recover. Growers have begun to express concern with respect to fiber quality, and the storm appears to have caused a natural defoliation of most severely-affected plants. Chemical defoliation also has started in some southern-most areas, and a general harvest is expected to be underway in a couple of weeks.

It is important to note that the major cotton-producing counties of Louisiana and Mississippi missed the brunt of the storm; however, Hurricane Katrina will have a broader impact via increased harvest costs due to higher diesel and gasoline prices.

In Texas, hot, dry weather has prevailed in most cotton areas this week. Ginning activities in the Rio Grande Valley are virtually complete. Harvesting and ginning also are winding down in the Coastal Bend while work in the upper

Coastal Bend and Winter Garden districts has just reached maximum capacity.

In other news, net export sales of U. S. cotton in the week ended September 1 totaled 415,100 bales, according to USDA. The figure was considered healthy as sales were 96% more than the previous week's total. China was the major buyer with smaller quantities to Ireland, Colombia and Turkey. Sales of 9,700 bales for delivery in 2006-07 were primarily for Ireland and Mexico.

Export shipments of 263,600 bales were 16% more than the previous week but 26% less than the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Turkey, Mexico and South Korea.

In the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended September 8 totaled 18,179 bales compared to the previous week when 14,421 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 39.03 to 42.72 cents per pound compared to 38.49 to 42.37 cents per pound the previous week.

HURRICANE KATRINA COULD TEMPER AG CUTS

Hurricane Katrina's effects already are spreading throughout the nation's capitol as political and legislative agendas are rapidly reworked to accommodate federal responses to the disaster.

One notable situation regarding Washington's September legislative landscape is the disruption of budget reconciliation timetables in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Both chambers had set September 16 as the deadline for appropriating Committees to turn in plans for meeting savings targets agreed to earlier in the summer. Congress' 5-year savings target is \$34.7 billion with approximately \$3 billion earmarked to come from agricultural spending.

From agriculture's standpoint, the hurricane related delays could be a blessing in disguise as Congressional leaders and Administration officials are already beginning to voice the probability that action

See Hurricane Katrina-- Continued on Page Nine

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

Last year, the Briscoe County property tax rate was \$ 0.6796. That rate raised \$ 568,847.00, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as:

- County Administration
- County & District Court Expenses
- Road and Bridge Maintenance

This year, Briscoe County is proposing a property tax rate of \$.6683. That rate would raise \$ 590,439.00, which is \$ 22,544.00 more than taxes imposed last year.

There will be two public hearings to consider that increase. The first public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the County Courtroom. The second hearing will be held on Monday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the County Courtroom.

You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.

This tax rate, if adopted, would lower the tax on a \$ 100,000.00 house by \$ 11.30.

Junior High Owls Take First Victory

Silverton's Junior High Owls played their first game of the season with Amherst here Thursday afternoon, earning a 50-7 victory. Amherst kicked off to open the game, and the defense led by Skyler Beesinger, Logan Fabela, Chase Stidham and Weston Howell held the Bulldogs, and when the Owls got the ball back Brooks Brock picked up ten yards on the first play and ran all the way for a touchdown on the next. The PAT try failed, and the Owls held a 6-0 lead.

The Owls kicked deep and Amherst took it on their five. Beesinger threw the 'Dogs for a loss which resulted in a safety for the Owls. When Amherst executed the free kick, Brock took it all the way for another touchdown for the Owls. True Burson held and Brock kicked the PAT, to give the Owls a 16-0 lead with 3:18 remaining in the first quarter.

On the second play after Amherst got the ball back, Blaze Cogdell recovered a Bulldog fumble. Amherst knocked down an Owl pass, and Brock carried another touchdown with 2:07 still on the first-quarter clock. Brock passed to Howell for the PAT, to give the Owls a 23-0 lead.

Brock concluded Amherst's next series by recovering a fumble with 42 seconds remaining in the first quarter. Brock carried a touchdown on the first play, which was called back due to a penalty. As the second quarter began, Brock carried another touchdown with 5:35 remaining before halftime. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a 29-0 lead.

Stopping Amherst on the kick-off were Kevin Watson and Bryce Patton. Defense by Brock, John Perkins and Nick Garcia held the Bulldogs, and the ball went back to the Owls with 2:46 remaining on the second-quarter clock.

On first down, Brock ran all the way for a touchdown. A pass from Nick Garcia to Howell was good for the PAT, giving the Owls a 36-0 lead.

Amherst scored on their next series with 1:06 remaining before halftime. They carried their PAT, and narrowed the score to 36-7.

On the kickoff, Perkins ran all the way for a touchdown which was called back due to a penalty. Timothy Ramirez ran for a first down before time expired in the first half.

After the Owls kicked off to open the second half, Tim Ramirez and Perkins combined to throw the 'Dogs for a loss, resulting in a safety for the Owls. This brought the score to 38-7.

Amherst got the ball back, but the Owls recovered a fumble and on the first play Nick Garcia ran all the way for another touchdown

for the Owls. The kick failed, and with 4:40 on the third-quarter clock, the Owls extended their lead to 44-7.

Silverton's defense was led by Codgell, Brock, Isaac Reyna and Garcia, and J. T. West recovered an Amherst fumble with 2:00 left in the third quarter.

As the fourth period began, Codgell passed to Perkins for another touchdown. There was no PAT and with 5:41 remaining in the game the Owls held a 50-7 lead.

Matthew Maciel quarterbacked for the Owls and completed a pass to Braden Estes before the game ended.

JV Owls Add Lorenzo To Their String

Silverton's Junior Varsity Owls added Lorenzo to their string of victories here Thursday, with a 47-31 decision over the Hornets.

Lorenzo kicked off to open the game, and on the first play Gabriel Vargas ran for a first down. Cooper Cogdell passed to Carlos Garcia for another first down, then passed to Vargas for the night's first score. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a 6-0 lead with 5:50 remaining in the first quarter.

Reese Scarborough kicked off and Lorenzo went on offense. Defense by Vargas, Calvin Daugherty, Ethan Long and most

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Owls Roll to 70-20 Victory At Amherst Friday Night

Silverton's Varsity Owls drove to Amherst for their game Friday night, and actually had to come from behind before defeating the Bulldogs 70-20 and ending the game with 5:03 remaining in the fourth quarter under the 45-point rule.

Albert DeLeon kicked off for the Owls to open the game and Amherst took the deep kick to the 18, stopped by Ernesto Ferrusca and Jacob Francis. The 'Dogs picked up a first down when Kanon McGee chased the ballcarrier and brought him down on the Silverton one-yard line. The Owl defense held for three plays, but on the fourth down the Bulldogs scored with 6:11 remaining in the first quarter. They kicked the PAT and held an early 8-0 lead.

When Amherst kicked off, they recovered their onside kick on the Silverton 31. In spite of defense by Francis, Drew Reed and Yance Forbes, they picked up a first down on the Silverton 12. Three plays later, Ferrusca recovered an Amherst fumble to put the Owls on offense for the first time in the game.

Forbes scored with 3:46 remaining in the first quarter. There was no PAT, and the Owls continued to trail 8-6.

Defense led by Forbes, Reed, Frances and Gid Mayfield held the Bulldogs, and on third down Mayfield recovered an Amherst fumble on the Silverton 11.

Francis scored on the next play with little time left on the clock. There was no PAT, but the Owls moved into the lead, 12-8.

As the second quarter began, Francis and Reed led the defense and Amherst received a penalty. The Bulldogs hit a 32-yard field goal to move into a 12-12 tie.

Francis and Forbes alternated in picking up yardage for the Owls, and Francis scored with 6:58 remaining before halftime. DeLeon kicked the PAT, to give the Owls a 20-12 lead.

When DeLeon kicked off, Francis took a fumble to the endzone, but the referees ruled that he couldn't advance the ball. On the next play Forbes took the ball back to the endzone. The PAT kick was blocked, and the Owls moved into a 26-12 lead.

The Owls got the ball back on downs with 5:29 still on the second-quarter clock, and Jesse Reynolds picked up a first down before Forbes carried another touchdown with 3:08 remaining. Ferrusca kicked the PAT, to give

the Owls a 34-12 lead.

Mayfield executed a quarterback sack, then threw the 'Dogs for a six-yard loss, these plays forcing a punt.

Forbes carried another touchdown with just a few ticks left on the second-quarter clock. The PAT kick was blocked, and the Owls held a 40-12 lead.

Following halftime, Amherst kicked off and the Owls controlled the kick. They lost the ball on a fumble on the first play, but Mayfield threw the 'Dogs for consecutive losses before recovering their fumble.

Forbes picked up a first down on the Amherst nine, after which Francis ran into the endzone with 7:55 remaining in the third quarter. Ferrusca kicked the PAT to give the Owls a 48-12 lead.

On the first play after the kickoff, Amherst scored again, kicked the PAT, and narrowed the score to 48-20 with 7:36 still to be played in the third quarter.

Forbes ran for a first down, before the ball went over on downs. Amherst fumbled on the next play and Mayfield recovered. Francis ran for another touchdown with 5:02 remaining in the quarter. Ferrusca kicked the PAT, and the Owls extended their lead to 56-20.

The next series of plays by Amherst was abbreviated when Reed intercepted an aerial and carried it to the Amherst 14 with 3:03 remaining in the third quarter.

The Owls were unable to score on this series, and after Amherst got the ball back the Owls recovered yet another of their fumbles. On the first play of the fourth quarter, Mayfield passed to Reynolds for a touchdown with 9:55 remaining in the game. Ferrusca kicked the PAT to bring the score to 64-20.

Defense led by Forbes, Francis, Mayfield, and other Owls held the Bulldogs, and the Owls got the ball back with 5:13 remaining in the game. Mayfield passed to Reed for another touchdown, and the game ended under the 45-point rule with 5:03 still on the game clock and the score standing at 70-20.

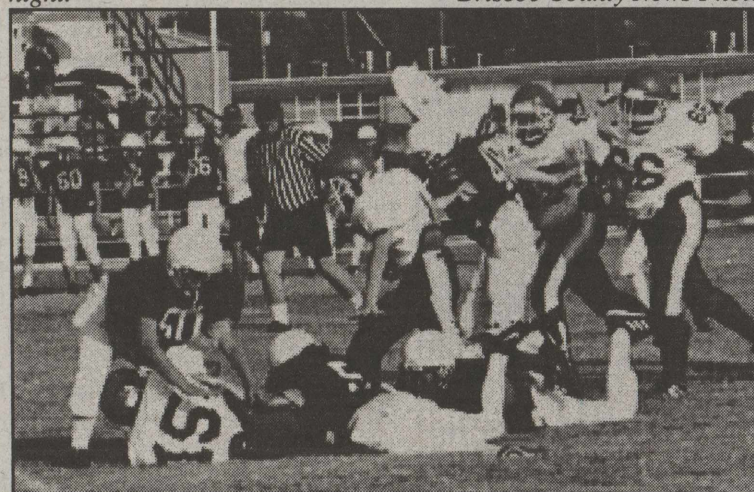
The Owls will be playing their first game at home Friday night, when they host the team from Wheeler. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.

Golf is a fascinating game. It has taken me nearly forty years to discover that I can't play it.

Ted Ray



Yance Forbes, Gid Mayfield and Drew Reed show the form they used many times on defense for the Varsity Owls against Amherst Friday night. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Junior High Owls demonstrate defensive form against Amherst here Thursday afternoon. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Nick Garcia and Weston Howell on a kickoff return for the Junior High Owls Thursday afternoon against Amherst. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Brooks Brock, Blaze Cogdell and Weston Howell on offense for the Junior High Owls Thursday against Amherst. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Calvin Daugherty making a tackle for the JV Owls against Lorenzo here Thursday night. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Gabriel Vargas digging for extra yardage for the JV Owls Thursday evening. *Briscoe County News Photo*



Brooks Brock scoring for the Junior High Owls Thursday afternoon against Amherst. *Briscoe County News Photo*

Food Ideas

(NAPSA)—Pomegranate and blueberries aren't just good for you, they also add flavor to most any dish. For instance, Pomegranate and Blueberry Vinaigrette salad dressing adds a tangy zest to salads. The dressing, made by Litehouse, is antioxidant packed, has no trans fats and just 20 calories. For recipes, visit www.lighthouseinc.com.

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Alexandre Dumas

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SUNDAY:
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Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Chad King, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th TUESDAY:
Womens Bible Study
WEDNESDAY:
Rock Salt Youth Group.....7:00 p.m.
Bible Study, Prayer Meeting
SECOND WEDNESDAY:
Fellowship Meal.....6:30 p.m.
Business Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
RAs, Rock Salt Youth....7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY
Men's Group.....6:30 a.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Rance Young, Pastor


SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.
Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.
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.

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BAPTIST MISSON**
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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SUNDAY:
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Junior & Senior
High.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

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

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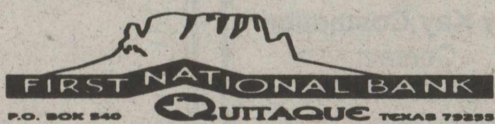


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Always borrow money from a pessimist, he doesn't expect to be paid back.

Author Unknown

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Thank you,
J. E. and Mary Jane Patton

A very special thank-you to Mike and Jon Earl Pigg and to all the people who came from the liquor store to help me. It was a good feeling to look up and see you there for me.

A special thank-you to all the ambulance crew for helping me and to Gary, Ramona, Dusty and Sara.

A special thank you to Nina for your kindness in loaning me a vehicle until I could find another car.

Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers, calls and cards.

Love,
Van

There's no money in poetry, but then there's no poetry in money, either.

Robert Graves

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

The Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority will be accepting SEALED BIDS before noon on Tuesday, September 20, 2005 for the purchase of the following items no longer needed by the water district:

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