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Meth Lab Bust In Hall **County Results In 2 Arrests**

Late Tuesday night, November 9th Memphis City Police officers arrived at a residence in Memphis with a search warrant, to search for a possible elicit drug manufacturing operation. According to Memphis Chief of Police, Scott Burton, an ongoing undercover drug operation had gathered enough evidence to warrant the search.

Upon entering the residence Burton stated the smell, from an apparent illegal drug manufacturing operation, was very strong throughout the house. The officers found what appeared to be methamphetamine drug manufacturing taking place in both bathrooms as well as in the kitchen of the home.

Two Caucasians, a male and female, ages 25-27, were taken into custody. Two children, also in the home, ages 7 and 1 year, were taken into protective custody. The names of the two arrested individuals are currently being withheld at the request of the District Attorney pending a grand jury indictment

Shots Ring Out In **Roaring Springs**

On Monday, November 8 at around 6 p.m. three shots rang out near downtown Roaring Springs. Neighborhood residents gathered in their yards and looked on as an angry man beat on the door of 305 3rd Street, threatening death and bodily injury to the occupant of the house. After leaving the scene the man returned in 2-4 minutes and began the tirade all over again several neighbors continued to witness the event as it unfolded. Then with onlookers pleading with the man to stop, he got back in his pickup and sped off before police arrived.

Motley County Sheriff Jim Meador stated he received a call from 911 dispatchers at 6:05 p.m. of shots being fired and that a man was attempting to kill Opal Whitaker' at 305 3rd Street in Roaring Springs. Meador along with deputies Brian Smith and Ricky Lawrence responded to the call.

At 6:18 p.m. Gary Simpson, 42, was arrested at his residence at 702 3rd Street in Roaring Springs by Sheriff Meador in connection with the incident. Meador filed charges of terroristic threat and criminal mischief against Simpson in County Court. Simpson posted a \$7,500 cash bond before being released later that evening.

Sheriff Meador stated the incident was currently also under investigation by the Texas Rangers and charges could be upgraded. Meador went on to state, "I'm just glad nobody got hurt or killed.



Quitaque, Texas 79255

Patriots Take Bi-District Crown

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The Valley Patriots used 207 rushing yards from Fidel Valdes and 13 tackles from Charlie Walden to claim their third straight Bi-District Championship in a 60-14 win over Follett last Friday. Valdes carried the ball ten times for 207, returned a punt 43 yards, and scored six touchdowns to lead the offensive assault. Walden sacked Follett quarterback Tanner Woods seven times, limiting the Panthers to -66 yards rushing. "Fidel and Charlie were amazing," Coach Bret Tyler said. "It just seems like Fidel gets faster every week. Chasing Woods is not fun but Charlie was relentless and whenever Woods would stop for a second, Charlie would hit him." Alex Espinoza racked up 85 yards and a touchdown as the Patriots managed 444 yards of offense while limiting Follett to 73 yards. Cody Barrett completed five of nine passes for 69 yards. Valdes scored twice in the first seven minutes of the game, first on a 3 yard run and then on a 39 yard fourth down scamper. Follett retaliated and scored twice to make the score 14-14. The Patriots reeled off 46 unanswered points after the tie and ended the game with 2:54 left in the third period. Valdes also scored on runs of 43, 22, and 47 yards, while Albert E pinoza scored from the two yard line. Daniel Alanis con-

Valdes also scored on runs of 43, 22, and 47 yards, while Albert E pinoza scored from the two yard line. Daniel Alanis con-nected on six extra point kicks.

"I have said it all year, this is one of the best blocking teams I have had," Tyler said. "Ruben and Randy and Zack have dominated the offensive line and Albert, Matt, and Fernando have been great blocking fullbacks. Cody's job as a blocker goes unnoticed by a lot of people, but we notice and so do Alex and Fidel." Defensively, the Patriots held another opponent under 100 yards. Walden led the team with 13 tackles but received plenty of

help from Valdes (8), Albert Espinoza (7), Barrett (6), and Bryant Ortiz who had seven tackles and an interception. "Bryant's interception was very nice," Tyler said. "Bryant was called upon to make a contribution this week and he did it.

Charlie, Fidel, and Alex got so much pressure on the quarterback that he had to make a contribution this week and he did it. Charlie, Fidel, and Alex got so much pressure on the quarterback that he had to make passes he didn't want to make." The Patriots continue their march through the playoffs this week with the much anticapated matchup with the Paducah Drag-ons. The Dragons are 10-1 in their first season of SixMan action and come into the game ranked #6 in the state. Game time is set for 7:30pm Friday in Childress. "This is a big game for us," Tyler said. "But they are all big games now. All the pretenders are gone. Everyone left is a con-tender"

tender.

Santa's Mailbox Is Out In Quitaque

said an elf spokesperson from the North Pole. Children's Santa Claus letters will again be published in the Christmas Edition of the Valley Tribune, December 24.

All letters to Santa Claus must be received by no later than Friday noon on the 17th of December to be included in this years Christmas Edition and stil have time to reach the North Pole! As in years past you can place your Santa Claus Christmas Letter in "Santa's Mailbox" located in front of the Valley Tribune office in downtown Quitaque, or you can mail it to as M'Lynn. Santa Claus, C/O Valley Tribune, P.O. Box 478, Quitaque, Texas 79255. All letters will be reviewed and then forwarded to Santa Claus

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Back row, left to right: Scarlett Sperry at Ouiser Boudreaux, Kristin King as Truvy, Sandi Anderson as Clairee, Christy Jones as Annelle. Front row, left to right: Chelsea Harada as Shelby and Amy Wilson

Sperry To Perform In Steel Magnolias

Steel Magnolias Steel Magnolias, set in the small, modernday Louisiana Chinquapin Parish, is the story of a close-knit circle of friends whose lives come together at Truvu's Beauty Parlor. As the play opens, Drum Eatenton is shooting birds in the trees of his backyard in preparation for his daughter's wedding reception that afternoon. Shortly thereafter, M'Lynn and Shelby (Drum's wife and daughter) depart for Truvy's to get their hair done for the wedding. Truvy introduces "just the sweetest thing Annelle Depuy Desoto (who may or may not be married because her marriage may not be legal) as her new "glamour technician. While seated in the beauty chairs, the sourtempered Ouiser Boudreaux enters the salon and entertains the assemblage with her barbs. It seems that the only one of the group who truly understands Ouiser Clairee, who is recently widowed and looking for a diversion. Rife with humor and heartbreak, these Steel Magnolias will make you laugh and cry as the realities of their lives un-



November 19 * Valley Patriots TailGate

Party at the Childress Stadium Parking Lot @ 5:30

Valley Patriots vs Paducah Dragons for Area Title at Childress Stadium @ 7:30 p.m. November 21 * Community Thanksgiving Service & Dinner at First Baptist Church @ 5 p.m. * Briscoe County 4-H Food Show at the Church of Christ in Silverton

November 22

November 24

November 25

* Turkey Lions Club me

ing @ 7 p.m. * Quitaque Fire Depa

Valley School Thanksgiv

Holiday Break Begins Toda

* Thanksgiving Day

ment meeting

"It's time to get those Santa Claus letters written and mailed!"

at the North Pole. Santa wants to remind everybody to get your

letters in early! **Rainfall Totals For Area**

et-	Town	November
et-	Turkey	5.91
rt-	Silverton	4.79
	Memphis	4.54
ing	Matador	6.79
7	Paducah	7.24
	Quitaque	4.89

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Scarlett Seprry, Quitaque, Tex., resident and graduate of Valley High School, will perform in the Clarendon College Theatre Arts fall main stage production of Steel Magnolias by Robert Harling. Sperry will make her appearance as Ouiser.

The production will run November 19 through November 21 at the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center, 1122 College Drive in Clarendon, Tex. Performance times are at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and a Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m.

Steel Magnolias will be performed in an arena format, so seating is limited. Walk-ins will be seated on a first-come, firstserved basis. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and free to high school theatre groups

Additional cast members include (in order of appearance): Christy Jones of Childress, Tex., as Annelle, Chelsea Harada of Amarillo, Tex., as Shelby, Sandi Anderson of Mclean, Tex., as Clairee, Amy Wilson of Childress, Tex., as M'Lynn. To reserve seating, especially with groups of more than

seven, please call 806.874.4843.

Clarendon College is a comprehensive community college committed to teaching and learning and to providing equal access to opportunities that assist in the holistic development of its constituents and community. In pursuit of that mission, the college provides academic transfer programs, workforce education programs, student services, developmental education courses, continuing education/community service courses and diverse cultural enrichment opportunities. Clarendon College Opening doors, changing lives ... one degree at a time



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Martin's Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

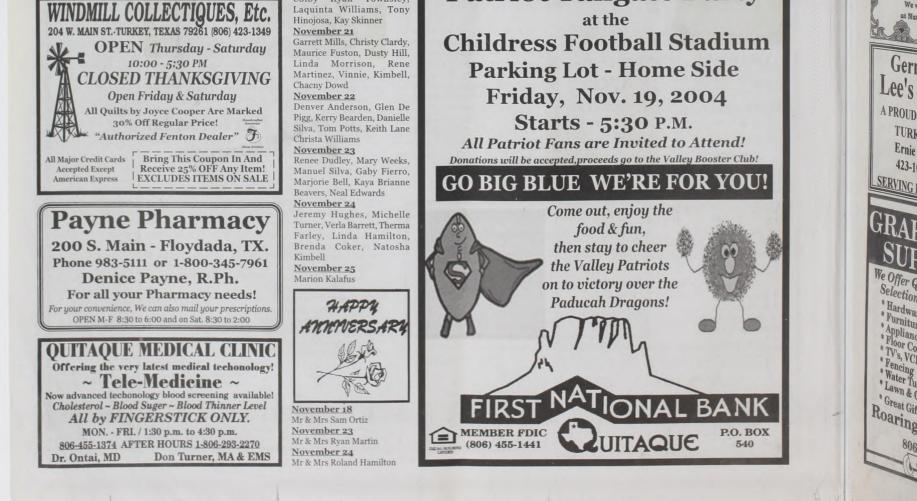
Donnie and Carol Martin of Silverton will celebrate their 50th wed-ding anniversary with a reception at the Hospitality Room of City Bank in Silverton on Saturday, November 27, 2004 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the afternoon. Friends and family are invited to come for refreshment and a time of visiting. Hosting the celebration will be their children, Derrel and Karen Martin of Tulia and Karen and Greg Hill of Youngsville LA

Youngsville, LA Donnie Martin and Carol Shannon were married on November 15, 1954 in Clovis NM. They lived at Wayside and Vigo Park before mov-ing to Silverton where they have lived for 35 years. Donnie and Carol are both retired. They have five granddaughters and three great-grand-



Worshipful Master Keith Green presents Wayne Hunter with his 50 year pin

Wayne Hunter Receives 50 Year Masonic Pin



The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas

November Local **Subscriptions Due** \$1850 per year

Quitaque J.E. Price Jan Brummett Caprock Home Center James Brunson Jeff Addison

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Out-Of State F.E. Johnson-Gore Spring, MS Guy P. Smith-Tulsa, OK Lori Christian-Rio Rancho, NM Dean Purcell-Albuquerque, NM John Martin-Albuquerque, NM



died Thursday, November 4, 2004. Graveside services were held Sunday, November 7 in Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey. Arrangements were by Myers-Chancellor Funeral Directors. Mrs. Bell was born August 29, 1919, in Turkey, TX to Frank and

Josie Meacham. She was nember of the Church of Christ and a lifelong resident of Turkey. She was preceded in death by her husband Doc Bell, grandson, John Morgan, 6 brothers and 2 sisters.

susters. Survivors include a son, Cody Bell of Turkey, a daughter, Ginger Morgan and husband, Jerry of Turkey; grandson Rex Morgan and wife, Charla, great grandchildren, Cylor and Sidney Morgan all of Vernal, UT

* * * Elbow grease; the kind that won't soil a shirt.

To industry nothing is impossible

~ Latin proverb

People forget how fast you did a job-but they remember hew well you did it. ~ Howard W. Newton



Not much news to report in Turkey. The rain kept most people in the past week

- George Gafford is in the Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in the Critical ree Unit in Amarillo. He was expected to go home Tuesday. Hall County Judge Jackie Martin had a light stroke Sunday. He
- was in the Amarillo BSA hospital. James Fuston is home from the hospital and is improving each day.

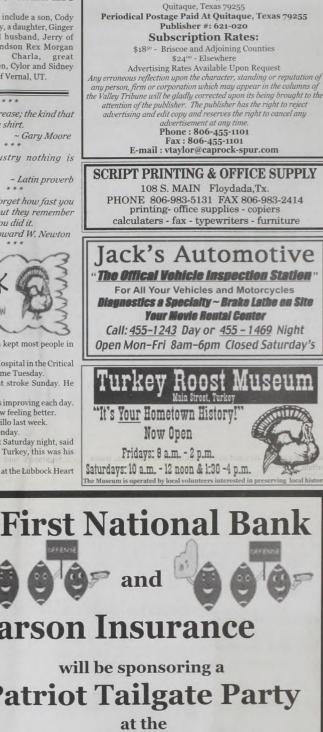
Bob Warner was sick for a few days and is now feeling better. Oleta Randell and Maria Cruse went to Amarillo last week.

Betty and G. P. Driskill went to Plainview Monday. Those that attended the Gene Watson concert Saturday night, said that out of the three concerts Gene has done in Turkey, this was his

Daphyenne Stewart is holding her own in CCU at the Lubbock Heart Center



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Visiting the weekend ter, Mrs. Sherry White grandson and family, M of Buffalo, Oklahoma

San Antonio.



November 18, 2004

By Earlyne Jameson

FLOMOT NEWS

OVERHEARD Haven't heard from your college son in quite a length of time? Try sending him a hefty check that you "forgot" to sign. It's a guarantee you will hear from him

Do Gooders' Bazaar A Resounding Success The Community Center in Flomot was buzzing with activity Satur-

day, November 13 at the Do Gooders' Club Country Store Bazaar. The sixteen booths offering a wide variety of items for shopping pleasure were reserved by residents of Clarendon, Amarillo, Floydada, Vernon, Lubbock, Quitaque, Roaring Springs, Turkey, and Flomot. The concession stand stayed busy serving hot coffee, soft drinks, sand-

wiches and desserts. Adding to the event, the name of Mrs. Ervin (Nita) Merrett of Granbury was drawn for the club's Patriotic Nine Patch quilt. Money donations were given and George Calvert of Quitaque bought a vacuum cleaner on sale here for the Community Center. With the success of the Bazaar, out of town residents were assuring club members they would return next yea

Fire On Stephens Land

The Matador, Turkey and Quitaque Volunteer Fire Departments responded to a fire Thursday morning, November 11 on the grassland of Mrs. Irene "Sis" Stephens. Her land is located five miles south and one mile east of Turkey

The fire was ignited by a loose electrical highline wire that had fallen into buffalo grass southwest of the home and farm structures. By the expertise of fire fighters, no structures were lost, but had extensive smoke damage

When Mrs. Stephens was trying to move things in the path of the fire, she fell and was unable to get up. Her daughter, Mrs. Sherry White of Sheridan, Arkansas, who is visiting her, came to her rescue. She has bruises, but escaped any broken bones.

Mrs. Stephens is a former Motley County resident and teacher in Motley County and Valley Schools.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Mrs. Gewn Mandrell and children, Peyton Mandrell, Dustin and Shae Reed and friend, Elise Pace of Lubbock.

Anita and Kenneth Baldwin of Santa Fe, N.M. visited the past week at their rural home in Flomot. They were enroute home after visiting

with relatives in Missouri. Fannin Gwinn was in Wheeler Friday night with the Valley School football team who won Bi-District game vs Follett 60-12. Valley will play Paducah for Regional.

Visiting during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson were daughters and families, Mrs. Lucritia Dockery and daughter, Brit-tany of Vernon and Mrs. Kayla Guest of Turkey.

Julie and Dusty Whitaker have moved to Childress to their how

home. We will miss them.

Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks, Madison and Hudson of Lubbock vis-ited the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks. Luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baldwin of Santa Fe, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson, Walker, Parker and Ryleigh of Turkey and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Edwards and Jaxon of Flomot.

Mrs. Trula Martin had a special luncheon Sunday in her home cel-ebrating the November birthdays of Waydetta and Ronald Clay and her husband, Wilburn. Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton also enjoyed the

happy occasi Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross visited in Castroville from Thursday until Sunday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ross, Megan, Chey-enne, Ciara, Anjoli and Aleda Elaine. They enjoyed entertainment in

Turkey News Visiting the weekend with Mrs. Sis Stephens and houseguest, daugh-ter, Mrs. Sherry White of Sheridan, Arkansas were Mrs. Stephens' grandson and family, Mrs. and Mrs. Patrick Lyons and baby son, Isaiah of Buffalo, Oklahon



Thanksgiving is only a week away, so it's about time to think about what to serve along with the star of the show, the turkey. Everyone has their traditional family dishes that are always served, but if you want something new to add to your menu, try one of these recipes.

Whipped Sweet Potatoes With Coconut Streusel Whipped Sweet Potatoes:

pounds sweet potatoes. cooked and peeled, OR 2(29 oz. each) cans, drained 1/2 cup packed brown sugar

cup heavy cream or

evaporated milk butter or tablespoons

margarine 1 tablespoon vanilla extract teaspoons pumpkin pie

spice miniature cup

marshmallows Coconut Streusel:

1/4 cup flour 4 cup packed brown sugar

teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

2 tablespoons cold butter or margarine

1 cup chopped pecans

1/2 cup shredded coconut Place all whipped sweet potato ingredients in a large bowl. Beat with electric mixer until fairly smooth an fluffy. Transfer mixture to a greased 13x9 inch baking Тор with marshmallows. For streusel, mix flour, brown sugar and pumpkin pie spice in a medium bowl. Cut in butter with a pastry blender or fork until crumbly. Stir in pecans and coconut; sprinkle over marshmallows and whipped sweet potatoes. Bake,

6 tablespoons Crisco 1 1/2 teaspoons buttermilk 2 tablespoons hot water 1 cup flour 1/2 teaspoon salt Filling:



Nothing worthwhile comes easily. Half effort does not produce half results. It produces no results. Work, continuous work and hard work, is the only way to accomplish results that last.



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6th Grade Number Sense 1st - Landon Allen - Valley, 2nd - April DeLeon - Silverton, 3rd - Khaki Scrivner - Valley, 6th - Jarett Valdez - Valley 6th Grade Number Sense Team

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-DavidRockefeller

The higest reward for a person's toil is not what he gets for it, but

-John Ruskin

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Catch All The Area Play-off Action On

RLSR - 105.3

KLSR will broadcast the Valley vs Paducah Area Football Game Live from Childress, Tx. "JOE DAVIS LIVE FROM THE GAME" Friday, November 19, at 7:30 p.m.



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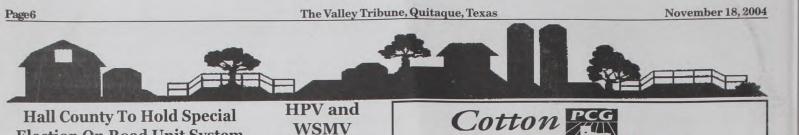
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Hall County To Hold Special **Election On Road Unit System**

Hall County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Mon-day November 8, 2004 at 10a.m. Present were County Judge Jack Martin, County Commissioners, Milton Beasley, Jr.- Pct. # 1, Terry Lindsey- Pct. #2, Buddy Logsdon- Pct #3, and County Clerk Raye Baile

Bailey. After attending to regular monthly business the following items were addresses by the Commissioners Court: * Sheriff Neel explained to the Court that he had received a \$2,400.00 check from the City of Memphis and the reason was that the City had been paying \$40.00 a month on the dispatchers salaries and they just sent it in one lump sum. Sheriff Neel asked the Court to place this money on the deputy car expense line item in the budget. The Court approved a motion to amend the budget in the amount of \$2,400.00 in the Sheriff's department after the Treasurer checks with the auditor for an okay on this. * Justice of the Peace. Thomas Tippett, reported that the new

* Justice of the Peace, Thomas Tippett, reported that the new Christmas tree and decorations were paid for by the County employ-ees and elected officials.

*The Court approved a motion to recognize those who have served and those who are serving the Country on November 11, 2004. *Judge Martin commended the Roach Unit, Childress, TX for painting the Courthouse and the Commissioners for seeing that the Courthouse is well kept and the help from Commissioner Beasley for hauling off all the junk on the fourth floor. It will take 5 to 8 gallons more paint to do the District Courtroom and it was the consensus of the Court to have this done

* At 10:20 a.m. the Court adjourned into Executive Session and econvened to Regular Session at 11:00 a.m. with no action to be

* The Court approved a motion to accepted a petition to call for a vote for Courty Road Unit System in Hall County as presented by

 * The Court approved a motion to accept the petition from at least ten percent of the qualified voters of Hall County from the last Gu-bernatorial Election held in the county to call for election for County Road Unit System in Hall County; and to either hire a Road Engineer or Road Superintendent for county roads in Hall County. This Elec-tion will the place access Sectorday. Experiment 2005. tion will take place on Saturday, February 5, 2005. *The Court passed a Resolution establishing rules and regulations

The Court passed a resolution establishing rules and regulations prohibiting the use of excessive force by the law enforcement agen-cies within its jurisdiction against any individual engaged in nonvio-lent civil rights demonstration, including physically barring entrance to a facility or location which is the subject of such demonstration, and providing penalties for violations thereof in Hall County.

* The Court set the date for the County employees' Christmas party for December 9th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Memphis Community Center with each one to bring an ornament. Commissioner Lindsey is in

charge of finding a caterer. * The Court approved a motion to accepted the \$425.00 offered for the 1968 red dump C50 truck.

Find Out more about Road Unit Systems & how they work on Page 8.

Quitaque Council Continues to Look For Ways To Improve City

The Quitaque City Council met in regular session on Monday November 8. Present were Mayor Clyde Dudley, Council members Randy Stark, Janice Henson, Arnold Castillo, City Manager Maria Merrell and Water Superintendent Walter Skinner. During public comment Merrell informed the Council that she had talked to Gary Clinton, with our local TXDOT office, about possible heads from TDUOT with the street preview.

help from TxDOT with the street project. Clinton informed Merrell that he was willing to help, however he would have to clear the project with his superior and would be in touch with the City the following day

Merrell also informed the Council that the State program that some of the Council members were informed that existed and was being used by some of the area towns to rid their city of old dilapidated homes and buildings does not exist. Merrell discussed the problem with the Quanah City Manager, who stated he had been in touch with several state agencies trying to find a solution to the problem to no avail

After attending to regular monthly City business the meeting was then adjourned



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Widespread In Panhandle Wheat Wheat diseases are showing up

WSMV

early this year. According to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Amarillo, TX the Texas High Plains Plant Diagnostic Lab has recently tested 37 samples from fields that showed patches of yel-lowing for Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus (WSMV). These samples came from Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Randal, Hartley, Dallam, Sherman, Moore, and Potter coun-ties. All of these samples tested positive for HPV and 8 also tested positive for WSMV.

Last spring, fields that tested positive for these viruses had se-vere stunting with some death of ndividual wheat plants. "Since HPV has never been this widespread before last year, we are unsure what the outcome will be this year." said Dr. Karl Steddom, with the Texas Agricultural Experiemtn Station. Once wheat is infected there are no control measures for either HPV or WSMV. Rains throughout the summer kept volunteer wheat and summer grasses green, providing a reservoir for the Wheat Curl Mite that transmits both of these virus

Many of these fields had symptoms of leaf rust that can also cause yellow patches in the field. The recent cold weather should prevent further development of rust, but will not get rid of the HPV or WSMV. Symptoms of these viruses may disappear over the winter only to return in the spring when the wheat emerges from dormancy. Growers need to be award that this could become a problem in the spring and need to watch their fields for symptoms. For further information about these diseases contact your local County Extension Agent.

Two-Day Amarillo Marketing

Seminar Focuses On Futures,

Options

A two-day Advanced Topic Se-ries seminar slated for Dec. 16-17 will help agricultural producers better understand futures and opns, said a Texas Cooperative Extension economist.

"We will focus on how options insurance provide fit with cash sales and hedging in a dence up to date. marketing plan, why options work and when they don't work," said Steve Amosson, Extension econo-mist based at Amarillo. "We will also discuss development of mar-keting strategies and how to use these strategies based on market conditions.

The seminar will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Amarillo.

Alan Brugler of Brugler Marketing and Management will lead the workshop. Brugler, a former director of marketing for Data Transission Network, provides a market commentary for the network.

"He developed the Brugler Cycle Indicator used by many market

Crop Report Increases Prospects Despite High Plains Weather Concerns They say that good things come to those who wait. Unfortunately that adage won't hold true on the Plains of Texas if producers are forced to hold up harvesting their 2004 cotton crop by another wave of inter weather.

News

By Shawn Wade

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Despite a less than appetizing short-term weather forecast for the weekend, prospects for the crop have not yet been adversely impacted by the recent weather events. The November 12 Crop Production Report from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service increased the estimated size of the 2004 crop during the agency's recent round of field surveys.

The NASS survey process, carried out by enumerators from the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, was conducted at the end of October, just before the arrival of winter on the Texas High Plains.

At that time the region, like the rest of the U.S. continues to show that a record setting crop remains in the field. Total U.S. production for 2004 was raised in the November 12 survey to 221.8 million bales of Upland cotton and 22.54 million bales when Pima acreage is included. Texas crop estimates led the advance this month as the State's already record 7.3 million bale October

estimate increased to 7.7 million bales in November. The 400,000 bale increase is attributed mostly (300,000 bales) to the High Plains region included in

crop reporting district 1-N and 1-S.

In October the area was projected to grow 4.33 million bales of cotton. As of November 12 that figure jumped to 4.63 million bales. Average yields projected for the two districts are 779 pounds per ace in 1-N and 624 pounds per ace in district 1-S.

Per acre yield forecasts that fueled the latest estimate were a modest 6 pound per acre increase in 1-N, d a significant 54 pound per acre an increase for 1-8. With the area still estimated to be less than 20 percent harvested producers know there is a long road to

travel before the latest estimates become reality. Persistent weather delays could still adversely affect the size and quality of the crop.

A few reports of cotton beginning to string and fall out of the bur have already been received, but so far yields have not been hugely impacted except in isolated instances. Additional episodes of wind, rain and snow that are in the forecast for the are over the next few days could accelerate this process. Quality-wise the crop continues to hold its own in almost all categories. A total of 481,276 bales have been classed in he Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Classing offices through November 11.

Both offices are averaging 31 Color, 3-4 Leaf, Strength of 29 g/tex, and 3.6 or better Micronaire read-ings. Staple lengths area averaging 34.95 at Lubbock and 35.23 at Lamesa. The only thing that is certain for High Plains producers is that each day that can be spent in the field will be critical for the 2004 crop to meet the tremendous potential that is still retains.

Big Yields and Weather Worries Creating Crop Insurance Questions

Big yields and less than desirable weather patterns are creating a stressful situation for cotton producers across the High Plains region.

A big part of their concern is how to get the crop that's in the field harvested in a timely manner. A side issue that some have questioned is how these high yields will be treated when they are fed into the Federal Crop Insurance Actual Production History database

Rumors and misunderstandings have already begun to surface regarding how higher than normal yields are treated within the Federal Crop Insurance program. The biggest concern that exists is the mistaken impression that yields are automatically capped for

rposes of the APH database, regardless of the fact that the producer has verifiable evidence that a higher yield was produced.

Plains Cotton Growers has discussed this issue with USDA Risk Management officials to determine xactly what procedures come into play when reported yields are greater than what is considered normal by virtue of past production in an area. The main purpose of the yield verification procedures used by RMA is to identify and correct data entry

errors, and to identify potential instances of fraud.

RMA personnel have been following the progress of the crop and have a good understanding of the yield levels that will be added to the APH database in 2004.

PCG was pleased to note that the agency is also willing to look at modification within the data accep-tance system to accommodate the higher yields. These changes, once enacted, will also keep the addi-tional workload associated with verifying flagged yields to a reasonable level that assures accuracy and prevents abuse. Insurance companies are responsible for verifying the yield information reported by pro-

Under normal circumstances yields are automatically flagged for company follow-up and verification when they exceed two times the amount of the T-yield in the county in which the crop was produced. When this situation occurs the company is asked to verify the yield is correct and entered into the system correctly

Should a reported yield exceed four times the County T-yield the file is also flagged for verification by the company with the additional requirement that the findings be reported to RMA for final approval

With the additional yield prospects that exist on the High Plains RMA is evaluating how much these two trigger levels will need to be increased to better reflect the average production values that will be seen in 2004 but still provide adequate follow-up on yields that exceed the higher parameters. To keep the verification process from becoming a bigger headache than it needs to be producers and the formation of the set of

surance providers are encouraged to head off potential problems by keeping production and yield evi-

It is possible tat some 2004 non-irrigated production could be 6-8 times the County T-yield and re-quire some level of verification by the company. The good news is that once they are verified they will go into the APH database "as-is" regardless of how much they exceed the County T-yield.

Weather Patterns Creating "What-if" Questions

When another wave of cold wet weather descended on the High Plains this week, and just a week after a good portion of the area received it's first significant snowfall and freeze, producers are becoming in-

creasingly aware of the calendar. What they are most concerned about is the fact that its almost the middle of November and less than 20 percent of the area's thirteen-plus million acres of harvestable cotton has been stripped, and run through the gin.

As it stands now there is a good chance that harvest activity could stretch into the new year, even with

That means that the normal end of the crop insurance period on January 31 could arrive with many producers either still having cotton in the field or, even more likely, cotton sitting in a module on the turn-row waiting to be hauled to the gin for processing. In an effort to keep these dire scenarios from adversely impacting a producer's insurance coverage.

PCG has encouraged the Risk Management Agency to remain flexible and consider the possibility that an extension to the insurance period might be necessary.

Along the same lines, PCG encourages insurance providers to remain flexible and to work with produc-ers who might be caught in this situation. Producers are advised to keep in close contact with their insur-ance providers and keep them up to date on the status of their harvest operations.

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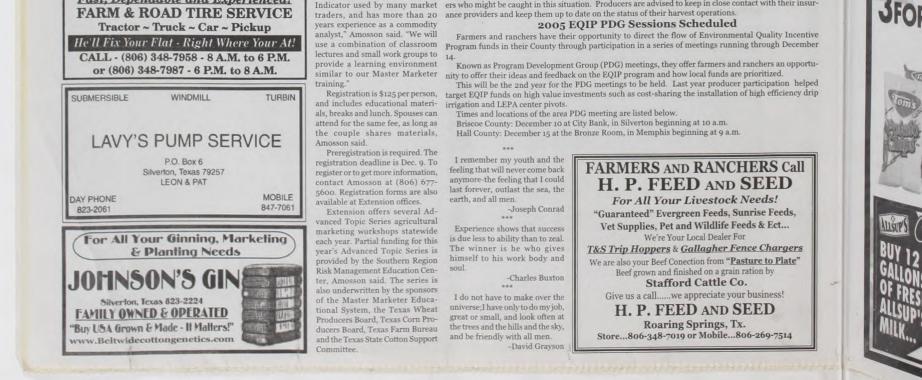
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Distinguished 4-H Leader

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By David Hawkins, CEA-Ag, Briscoe County Extension

distinguished leaders were honored at a reception held in the Vergil Henson Activity Center at West Texas A&M University. These lead-

ers were honored for commitment and service to their local and county

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canvass the November 2, 2004 General Election votes With no further business the Court adjourned..

Hire Of New Extension Agent

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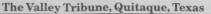
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Local 4-H Member Honored As Gold Star Recipient By David Hawkins, CEA-Ag, Briscoe County Extension

Zack Burson, 2004 Briscoe County 4-H Gold Star recipient, along with several other outstanding 4-H Club members in the Panhandle area were honored at the District-1 annual Gold Star Banquet on Satur-day, November 6, 2004 at West Texas A&M University. Zack has been an active member of the Briscoe County 4-H Club for 9 years. He has served as Club

President for three years. He serves on our 4-H Youth & Development Committee and on the 4-H Mentor Program Task Force. He has participated in Shooting Sports, Photography, Lamb, Beef, Horse, Swine, Fort Worth Calf Scramble, Livestock Judging, Horse Quiz Bowl, and Grass I.D. His leadership activities have included being have included: being a presenter

Brittany Deckard and at the County Achievement Ban-quet, helping new 4-Her's at our Shelby Fuston place 2nd at District 4-H Round-Up. Swine Showmanship Clinic and leading recreation at 4-H Club

Briscoe County 4-Her's **Compete At** District Roundup

Over 200 boys and girls met Saturday, November 6 at WTAMU Campus to compete for top hon-ors in the Panhandle 4-H District through honoring our service the Roundup. These 4-Her's com-peted in 30 activities, including 4-H programs. Barbara Deckard has definitely been a "distinguished leader" since she began volunteering in Briscoe County 4-H three years ago. She has been a project leader for the Food and Nutrition, Horse Judging, Clothing Textiles, Fund-Raising, and also served as Vice-President for the Silverton Adult Leaders. Barbara is one that is devoted to getting the job done and will attend to what ever job is asked of her. She well deserved the honor and all the club is proud of her. public speaking events, illustrated talks, method demonstrations, and performing arts. Awards were given in a ceremony at the West Texas A&M Activity Center Ballroom

Receiving honors from Briscoe County were Shelby Fuston and Motley Co. Commissioners Approve Brittany Deckard, who performed a choreographed routine together which received a second place in the junior division.

The Motley County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Monday, November 8, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. Present were County Judge Ed D. Smith, Commissioners Ronnie Davis-Pct #1, Donnie Turner - Pct #2, Franklin Jameson- Pct #3, Russell Alexander-Pct #4, Courte of the Kets Hust and Shift for Studied Laboratory (State State St Briscoe County is proud of Brit-tany and Shelby for their wondertive 4-H Club member, and com-pleted a 4-H record book. ful performance at the Roundup. Awards were presented to re-cipients by Donna Brauchi, Dis-County Clerk Kate Hurt, and Sheriff Jim Meador. After attending to regular monthly Court business the following items were addressed by the Court: This years Roundup program was sponsored by the Xcel Energies Foundation. District-1, and Pam Foster, Retems were addressed by the Court: * District Extension Administrator, Galen Chandler introduced to the Court, Eric Lewis. Mr. Lewis is seeking to fill the vacant position of Motley County Extension Agent, After being interviewed, the Court unanimously voted to hire Mr. Lewis. * Sandra Hatcher from the Childress District TxDOT office met with the Court to introduce Ben Kautz. Mr. Kautz, Roadway Mainte-nance Supervisor is replacing Douglas Campbell, who recently trans-ferred to Eloyd County. Foundation.

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-M. K.Frelinghuysen family is proud of him and his 4-H Club members too.



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Zack Burson of Silverton was honored for his outstanding work in 4-H with the Gold Star Award

Briscoe County Historical Committee Encourages Participation In 'Texas, Yes!'

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On October 25 the Briscoe County Historical Committee held a called meeting in the Pioneer Room of the City Bank in Silverton. Carrie Dell Dickerson called the meeting to order. Teresa Sutton gave the Treasurers' report. Mrs. Dickerson reported that the Hold School marker will be coming from Austin son.
Mrs. Dickerson reported on a new state program called Texas Yes. This is a program trying to help rural communities to stay alive by increasing tourism. Membership is free and organizations, businesses and individuals are welcome to join.
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has a Horn Toad Lizard Essay Contest. The essay has a minimum of two pages and maximum of three and the due date is January 15, 2005. After discussion of the days when boys chased the girls with horn toad lizards, and how many lizards there used to be, the group voted to support and encourage this essay for our county students.
Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs is encouraging any farm or ranch land owners that have had land in their families for 100 years or more to make application for recognition from the state of Texas.
Members voted to lower the price of the Fotoprints of Time in Briscoe County, Vol II to \$35.00 each. The postage would still be \$5.00. This would make an excellent Christmas gift for family and friends.
Loyd Stephens asked if there were any available lots in Silverton for exhibiting antique farming equipment. Several possible lots were discussed, but nothing was decided at this time. Mr. Stephens also had some other memorabilia for a local museum, if one is ever started. Those present for the meeting were Carrie Dell Dickerson, Teresa Sutton, Wayne Nance, Tom Burson, Loyd Stephens, Betty Stephens. As always this is an open organization for any interested individual caring about our past or our future generations.

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ments with the State for the replacement of the Middle Pease Kiver Bridge on FM 94. The County's estimated cost is \$1,866.00. This motion passed by unanimous vote. * Judge Smith presented to the Court Resolution #2004-05. The Resolution authorizes the Judge to serve as the official signing au-thority on behalf of Motley County. The resolution makes it possible to start the process of applying for the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), funds provided by the State. Every county has to be in compliance with the Help America Vote Act. The resolution passed with full ap-proval of the Court proval of the Court. * The Commissioners' set Friday, November 12, 2004 a 8 a.m. to



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Petition Campaign To Call For Unit Road System **Special Election in February**

By Laura Taylor A local group's effort to call an election on the unit road system, an alternate form of road construction and maintenance for county gov-ernments, have successfully garnered a spot on a special election bal-lot, to be held in February in Hall County. The unit road system sets up a transportation department super-vised by a civil engineer who provides a monthly account of road work at commissioners' court. Commissioners, whose duties then become comparable to city council members, supervise the transportation de-partment in the same manner they oversee the county airport, landfill or any other department.

partment in the same manner they oversee the county airport, landful or any other department. Counties using this system consolidate their heavy road equipment and establish crews that work on specific tasks — culverts, bridges, paving, grading and maintenance for a county's fleet of vehicles and equipment. Depending on a county's size and shape, the number of equipment barns are consolidated into one to three locations. Voters in at least 64 counties have adopted the unit road system since the Legislature in 1947 made it an option. One of the reason there aren't more counties on the unit road system is because no one have one avoid the taynaving citizens on what it is

since the Legislature in 1947 made it all option. One of microsoft there aren't more counties on the unit road system is because no one has ever enlightened the taxpaying citizens on what it is. There are only two ways that a county may adopt the unit road sys-tem — a vote of the commissioners' court or a majority vote of county residents. The system may also be repealed, but only in the same man-ner that it was installed. That means if the commissioners' court adopts it, a future commissioners' court or may originate the voters ap-prove it, only the voters can change it back. However, in order for residents to vote on the issue, someone must first have drafted a petition of a least to percent of the number of residents who voted in the last gubernatorial election. Billy Ferrel from Estelline gathered 135 signatures from registered Hall County voters. In order for the unit road system to be on the Feb. 5 election ballot, the certified petition had to be presented to the commissioners' court by their regular meeting on Nov. 8. Now that the petition has been completed, and presented to the commissioners' court. The court has 30 days to certify it and post the issue on the ballot on the next uniform election date. The special elec-tion has been set for February 5. **This Fridax IS Camo Dav At Valley**

This Friday Is Camo Day At Valley

The Valley Cheerleaders are asking all Patriot Fans to wear Camoflauge on Friday—We are going on a Dragon Hunt-to Beat Paducah.

Paducah... If you need a Camoflauge shirt with a Patriot Head on it——Call Karen Allen. If you have a Camoflauge Shirt already and want to print a Patriot Head on it——Call Karen Allen for the prices. Come Support the VHS Cheerleaders at the Pep Rally at 2:45. Come

apport the Patriot Booster Club at 6:30 pm at the Tailgate Party and

the Ballgame at 7:30 p.m. Go Patriots and Beat Paducah!

Migrant Parent Advisory Council

Sarah Hinojosa and Rosie Villarreal attended a Migrant Parent Advisory Council meeting at Region 16 Education Center in Amarillo on October 14, 2004.

on October 14, 2004. The officers responsibilities was discussed, Gladys Ruiz Paul talked of C.A.M.P. Zeke Castro was also there to tell the parents ways they can help their children and about how there are scholarships that their children might can qualify for college. Also, the importance of read-ing to their young children starting as young as when they're in their mother's womb.

New migrant officers were elected for the region. For President: Rosalia Saenz of Farwell, TX was elected. Vice President; Maria Marquez of Stratford and Secretary, Yesenia Gonzales of Stratford. A good lunch was served for everyone



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The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas

Tri County Meals Menu

Monday, November 22 Polish Sausage

Pinto Beans Potato Salad Lime Jello Desert Cornbread Wednesday, November 24

Turkey and Dressing Giblet Gravy/Cranberry Sauce Candied Yams

Green Beans Apple Pie Roll

Friday, November 26 Ham and Cheese on a Bun Lettuce, Tomato Pickles Tomato Soup

Fruit and Cookies "Have a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving

From all of us at Tri-County Meals"

The true craftsman has a light in his eye that money can't buy.

> Hal Stebbins UNGLUED



Whoa! Counselor, I don't like the looks of that jury!

Valley School's 2nd Six Weeks Honor Roll

1st Grade ~ Mrs. Hill

All A's: Emily Barrett, Kennadee Buchanan, Rachel Hancock, J.D. Schnitker, Germain Mendoza.

A's & B's: Francisca Alanis, Shae Lee Thacker, Lisette Mendoza, Enrique Mora, Jere Kendall

2nd Grade ~ Mrs. Ramsey

All A's: Barrett Bland, Walker Carson, Esmarelda Cruz, Baylie Pointer, Brandon Pointer, Shelby Shannon, Haley Wheeler A's & B's: Tyler Campbell, Biren Clardy, Shawn Williams, Blayne Young

3rd Grade ~ Mrs. Pigg

All A's: Jerrica Galvan, Morgan Hawkins, Lezlee Hinkle, Jessi

A's & B's: Christian Chavira, Macy Maynard, Mandy Purcell, Ketch Smith, Dalton Valdez, April Villarreal, Kelby Williams, Gaby Santos, Dancielle Sander

4th Grade ~ Mrs. Proctor

All A's: Sarah Clay, Brennan Allen, Abby Hill, Ben Seth Ramsey, Colleen Hancock

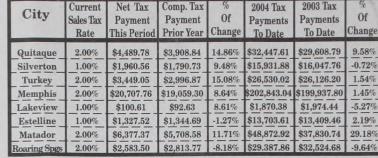
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4th Grade ~ Mrs. Hancock

All A's: Kameron Buchanan, Sunny Helms, Hayden Meyer A's & B's: Ian Farley, Blake Pigg, John Pigg, Carson Proctor, Kodie Saul, Macy Valdez

5th Grade ~ Mrs. Davidson & Mrs. Cruse

All A's: Caitlyn Brown, Zeke Clay, Natalie Fierro, Courtney Galvan, Kristen Jenkins, Pablo Martinez, Madison Meyer, Jacob Pigg, Jayson Pigg, Alyssa Pointer, Jessi Price, Kammi Warr



Comptroller Strayhorn Reports Another Strong Month for State and Local Sales Tax Collections

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said today that state sales tax collections rose in October by 8 percent compared to October 2003. The state's October sales tax revenue was \$1.29 billion. Strayhorn b) opercent space of the product of the product of the product of the product space of the product space of the product of the

"Sales tax collections continue to grow as this economic bumper crop of a year enters the crucial fourth quarter for Texas businesses and the holiday shopping season," Strayhorn said. But the Comptroller's Fall 2004 economic forecast calls for slower economic growth during the next

three years. Texas' gross state product is expected to grow at an average annual rate of 3.3 percent during calendar years 2005, 2006 and 2007, down from the previous forecast of 4.2 percent average annual growth

Strayhorn today sent Texas cities \$286.2 million in sales tax allocations, up 5.5 percent compared to November 2003. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 7.8 percent compared to the same time period last year. Texas counties received November sales tax allocations of \$23.8 million, up 8.4 percent compared to one year ago. For the calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations of \$250 minion, up ning 8.4 percent ahead of 2003. Eighty-six special purpose taxing districts around the state received \$11.4 million in sales tax, up 9.3 percent compared to last November. Nine local transit systems received \$96.4 million in November sales tax rebates, up 7.3 percent compared to a year ago.

By Clint Harmon



grass are still green!! And now we have had rain and rain and more glass are single set of the set o

7th. The weather there was perfect!! We waked about 6 blocks to the Riverwalk and it was just lovely. From street level, you cannot see it as you drive in your car. You must descend down two flights of stairs and there it is. Another world!! Flowers are still blooming and the San Antonio River winds lazily around bends and turns. There are side-walks on both sides and you can walk up stairs and cross over to the

There are many shops and stores if you want to shop. Better yet, there is authentic Mexican food you can enjoy while you sit outside and enjoy the roving Mariachi players. Makes you want to tap you toes and clap your hands

The cotton down that way near Lamesa and on south looked like it did here, about ready to harvest. I am so sorry for the farmers who did not get theirs out of the field. I hope most of them did.

Loretta Hardin, Shirley Reynolds, Bobbye Bean and I were the la-dies who went to San Antonio from Silverton. If I have not mentioned this before: If you love to sing, call one of us here and join in You'll get a blessing. We practice once a month and sing once a month at churches, nursing homes and wherever. We sang for those who at-tended the Baptist General Convention of Texas. There were close to 300 SWOT and SMOT (Singing Men of Texas) so all those voices to gether were very strong. It was really great for all of us. It would have been so nice for my mother to hear all those voices, but she died in a car wreck when I was 30. She played the guitar and all four of us girls used to sit on the front porch and sing with her That was a very special time and we loved it.

My growing up years were wonderful without all the problems youth have now. I feel sad that they did not have the carefree times we had in

the '50's. Here is a little reminder of those days called "The Money Evolution" The following were some comments made in the year 1957. Mine are in (). (1) "I"ll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to buy a weeks groceries for 20.00." (I remember buying 100 worth of groceries and the sacks filled our 8.10living room!! The checkout tape hang from four feet down to the floor!! That was in 1961).(2) "Have you seen the new cars coming out next Inat was in 1961.(2) Have you seen the new cars coming but next year? It won't be long when \$5,000 will only buy a used one." (We bought our first NEW pickup in 1965 for only \$2300!!) (3) "Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging a dime just to mail a letter?" (We were paying 3 cents in 1956) (4) "If they raise the mini-mum wage to \$1, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store." (5) "When I first started driving, who would have thought gas would someday cost 29 cents a gallon. Guess we'd be better off leaving the even the earner 0." (6) "Kide tody are impossible. Those ducktail hair car in the garage," (6) "Kids today are impossible. Those ducktail hair cuts make it impossible to stay groomed. Next thing you know, boys will be wearing their hair as long as the girls," (7) "Tm afraid to send my kids to the movies any more. Ever since they let Clark Gable get by with saying damn in "Gone With The Wind", it seems every new movie has either hell or damn in it." (8) "I read the other day where some scientist thinks it's possible to put a man on the moon by the end of the century. They even have some fellows they call astronauts preparing for it down in Texas." (9 "Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday that they will be making more than the Presi-dent." (10) "I never thought I'd see the day all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They are even making electric typewriters now" (11) "It's too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married

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 All A's: Landon Allen, Desiree Casillas, Kelsey Kelley, Autumn

 1st - (tie) - Brady Ramsey - Valley, 1st - (tie) - Dalton Allen - Valley
 Sth Grade Art Team
 Phillips, Khaki Scrivner, Jarette Valdez, Grant Wheeler

 A's & B's: Katilip Fusion
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8th Grade Number Sen

 Sth Grade Number Sense
 In Grade

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 All A's: Lacie Pointer, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Lauren Young

 4th - (tie) - Callie Helms - Valley,
 All A's: Lacie Pointer, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Lauren Young

 4th - (tie) - Brady Ramsey - Valley, 6th - Reese Scarborough - Silverton
 A's & B's: Jacob Hancock, Ryan Hinkle, Mariela Mendoza, Isaac

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 Smith, Courtney Thibodeaux, Sadie Valdez

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8th Grade Social Studies

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8th Grade Mathematics

4th - Dalton Allen - Valley, 5th - Charla Rhoderick - Silverton, 6th - Nichole Schott - Silverton

8th Grade Mathematics Team 2nd - Valley, 3rd - Silverton

Mora, Chambray Smith, Jose Valdez

A's & B's: Katilin Fuston

7th Grade

8th Grade

All A's: Dalton Allen, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jrodan on Wheels Jenkins, Laura Martinez

A's & B's: Chancy Campbell, Wichita Falcon, Frankie Pozos, Brady Ramsey, Alexandra Skinner, Yessenia Valdez

Freshmen

All A's: Cole Brown, Mary Kate Davidson

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All A's: Randy Farley

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Seniors

All A's: Zack Ramsey, Matt Whittington A's & B's: Jose Chavez, Mona Hernandez, Lupe Mendoza, Juan Mendoza, Enedina Valdez, Chelsea Wheeler

vomen are having to work to make ends meet." (12) "It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work. "(13) "The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on." (13) "I guess taking a vacation is out of the question now days. It costs nearly \$15.00 a night to stay in a hotel." 14) "No one can afford to be sick any more, \$35.00 a day in the hospital is too rich for my blood." (I was in the hospital overnight in 2003 and just the hospital bill was over \$5000!!)

Have a wonderful week!! Count your blessings for God has given us many.

Silverton Chamber of Commerce "Bingos" for Briscoe County Meals

The Silverton Chamber played Bingo on Saturday night, November, Though 13 is not supposed to be a lucky number and the weather was rainy, the small turnout out to donate \$525.00 as they played Bingo Meals on Wheels. They won prizes from home baked bread to the REAL "Dough". Everyone had a good time. Thanks to all the donors who will be listed next week.



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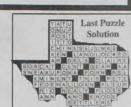
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Do you remember when you were small how neat it was if someone, especially your dad, would ask you to do some job, no matter how small? You felt like that you were needed, a part of the whole, useful. You seen all the older people around you, doin' a job and you envied them. Just shows how wrong a fellow can be, doesn't it?

I can remember when I wasn't working but I have to strain to think back that far. I've got harness marks all over from pulling one type of plow or another. I've turned over lots of rocks and not found a great job yet, that is, if there is such a thing. I've heard tell of such but there's lots of folks around whose biscuits aren't all done.

I'd like to trade with someone. I like to fish, maybe one of those guys up in Maine on one of those boats would like to switch. Now I've seen pictures and that looks suspiciously like work again. Maybe I could be a big shot in an office somewhere, telling people what to do and doin' those hostile take overs and such things. Probably not, seems they work Panhandle was awful long hours and I really need to get home and pull off my shoes about sundown.

Now if a feller just got paid for things like ridin' around in the pickup. I'm tops at that job and I've got the sunburned Nov 11, 1835 Jonathon's Computer Repair Having problems with your Having problems with your could eat, then the wife and I would be living up in the big body - that Texas must employ house

I bet, though, if you started getting paid for these fun things, then they wouldn't be fun anymore because some smart aleck would call them work.

Thank You

We feel so blessed to live among such caring and loving friends. We humbly appreciate your food, flowers, cards calls, and endless acts of kindness during the loss of our mother and grandmother Frankie Bell.

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The earth is, like our own

skin, fated to carry the scars of ancient wounds. ~ Fernand Braudel

There are three rules for writing Unfortunatley, no one know Nov 16, 1840 what they are.



Last Week In Texas History!

Nov 11, 1921

The first radio broadcast of a Southwest Conference football game was held. The game was between the University of Texas Longhorns and the Texas A&M Aggies

The first football game in the Panhandle was played between West Texas Normal College and Amarillo High School with WT

agents (diplomats) for foreign countries.

Nov 11, 1811

Texas Ranger and Confederate general Benjamin McCulloch was born in Rutherford County, Tenn.

Nov 12, 1887

The first Fort Worth and Denver City Railroad passenger train from Fort Worth arrived in Clarendon and stopped for the night.

Nov 12, 1839 The Texas Congress gave the Alabama and Coushatta Indians tribes their own land in East Texas.

Nov 13, 1986 John W. hargin, the first black to graduate from the University of Texas at Austin, died in Aus-

Nov 13, 1835 The "Consultation," revolu-tionary government, approved a resolution calling for an armed invasion of Mexico by Texan forces. The invasion was to be aimed at Matamoros, just across the Rio Grande River. Arguments over command delayed the expedition for months.

Nov 14, 1876 Col. Charles Goodnight drove the first Texas Longhorns into Palo Duro Canyon.

Nov 14, 1851 "Fort Phantom Hill" construction began in Jones County.

The soldiers in the Fifth Infantry began construction of the Army garrison at the junction of Elm Creek and the Clear Fork of the Brazos River. It was never offically named, but was called that by the soldiers.

Nov 15, 1983

A single engine airplane crashed while trying to land at the Childress airport. One per-son was killed and another injured. Investigators found an estimated 150 pounds of mari-juana aboard the craft.

Nov 15, 1836 Lorenzo de Zavala, the former

provisional vice president of the Republic of Texas died of pneu-monia, less than a month after resigning his office. Nov 16, 1863

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