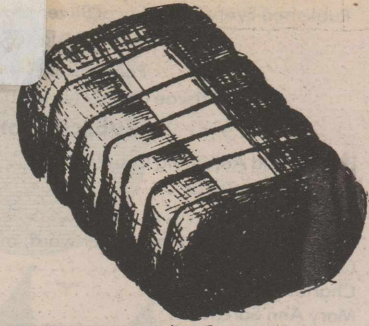


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## Lady Owls In Bi-District Playoff Friday at Clarendon

Silverton's Lady Owls are advancing to the state basketball playoffs and will be matched with Groom at 8:00 p.m. Friday at Clarendon. This will be the second game of a double header, with the Lady Patriots from Valley playing their bi-district game at 6:30 p.m.

The Lady Owls and Lady Patriots finished in a tie at the end of the regular season, and the Lady Patriots won a playoff here Monday night to determine the district champion and

runner-up.

The Lady Owls came out playing well and it looked like they were going to take charge of the game Monday. Just seconds before halftime, the Lady Patriots tossed a couple of shots into the basket, to hold a 32-29 lead at the

midway point. Following halftime, the Lady Pats played with determination and were never headed.

Molly Bomar led the scoring for the

**SEE LADY OWLS—  
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## Booster Club to Meet Thursday

Silverton's Booster Club will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7:00 in the school board room.

Among items of business will be the setting of the date for the athletic banquet.

## Youth Basketball to Be Organized Here

It's time to start the youth basketball program for 1994. All students in the third through sixth grades are eligible to participate.

There will be an organizational meeting Monday, February 21, at 8:00 p.m. in the Silverton School Cafeteria. This meeting will be for coaches and parents ONLY. No kids should attend.

Standing rules will be reviewed and coaches and teams will be chosen.

Students should have their registration slips on Tuesday at school, and the slips will be picked up on Friday. Any student who does not have his/her slip signed by a parent and turned in by meeting time Monday will not be permitted to play.

## Immunization Clinic To Be Held in Tulia

A special clinic to administer immunizations to anyone will be conducted Wednesday, February 23, 1994, from 9:00 until 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Texas Department of Health Office, Tulia Courthouse Annex, 310 West Broadway, Room 115. Please call for an appointment, 995-3638.

Walk-ins may sign in at the door and will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Immunizations offered include Flu for adults and high-risk adolescents, Polio, DPT, DTaP, Td, MMR, HIB for appropriate ages, and Hepatitis B for infants and high-risk adolescents.

Fees are on a sliding scale, depending on monthly income. Flu vaccine will be \$2.00 plus Co-Pay.

## Trip To Be Given Two Area Youth

An all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D. C. will be awarded to two area youth by Swisher Electric Cooperative, Inc.

For 28 years Swisher Electric has sponsored students on the "Government in Action" youth tour to Washington, D. C.

The winners will be selected on the basis of a speech contest to be held March 29 at Swisher Electric in Tulia.

Any 14- to 19-year-old attending school in Nazareth, Hart, Happy, Canyon, Kress, Tulia, Silverton or Olton is eligible to enter the contest.

Swisher Electric will have a representative visiting area high schools during the last week in February to present a program about the trip, hand out entry forms and answer questions about the contest. Those interested, who do not hear more about the contest through their school, should contact Kacy Bivens at Swisher Electric Cooperative in Tulia, at 995-3567 or 1-800-530-4344.

The deadline for receiving entry forms is March 22.

The 1994 Youth Tour is scheduled for June 9-21. The winners of Swisher Electric's speech contest will travel to Denton, Texas, where they will join other young people from all over Texas

## PTA Meets At School Tonight

Silverton PTA will meet today (Thursday, February 17) at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. This will be the regular time to elect a nominating committee who will then gather a slate of prospective officers for nomination at the March meeting.

Also on the agenda will be announcement of local winners in the "Reflections" art contest. These winners' entries have been sent to the district competition. District winners will be announced soon.

Everyone interested in the continuing of PTA in Silverton is urged to be present at this and the March meetings, as officers for the upcoming year are sought.

## Candidates Sought For School Trustees

There will be three places on the ballot for the school board election to be held Saturday, May 7, 1994.

Candidates may sign up from February 21 through March 23, 1994.

Those whose terms are expiring this year are the regular full terms of Perry Brunson and Terry Grimland and the unexpired term of Tom Burson.

Candidates who wish to have a place on the ballot may do so by making application at the school superintendent's office.

## Absentee Voting Open Wednesday

Absentee voting in the Democratic and Republican Primaries opened in the office of County & District Clerk Bess McWilliams Wednesday.

If you would like to participate in early voting, you may do so without giving any reason for doing so.

**Go Owls, Lady Owls!**



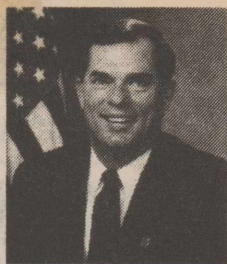
Gary Martin, sales representative for Hibbs-Hallmark & Company, is shown congratulating Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner of Silverton Independent School District. This award was presented for outstanding achievement in Employee Safety, Occupational Accident Prevention and Loss Control during the 1992-93 school year. This member district is hereby recognized as a Diamond Performer with claims less than 10% of established loss fund and savings to the district of \$11,515.00 based on reserves as of November 30, 1993. Mr. Kirchoffner stated that this was a combined effort in safety on the part of ALL Silverton ISD employees.

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**Decisions! Decisions! Decisions!**

One man studied about it and finally decided he would plan to be saved at the eleventh hour. Alas! He died at 10:30.

I knew a man once, who having trouble, decided to have his knees replaced. After the surgery, the first thing he said when he "came out" was "I'm backing out." I would say that was a case of "belated decision."

Sunday morning test: Auto or ought to. Our decision determines destiny, eternity determines where.

One day a farmer hired a man. He asked him to paint the barn. He estimated it would take three days—the man did it in one day. Then he asked him to cut up a pile of wood, estimated at four days. The hand did it in one day. Then he asked the man to sort a pile of potatoes. He wanted them divided into three groups—one pile to be used for seed potatoes, one pile to sell, and one pile to feed the hogs. He estimated that would take one day. At the end of the day, he went to see how the hand had done. He found three little piles. He hadn't even started on the large pile. He asked the hand, "What went wrong?" The man replied, "I can work, but I cannot make decisions."

My test: Benjamin Franklin once said, "If you would not be forgotten after you are gone, either write things worth reading, or do things worth writing."

Note: Do you suppose I should seek another field of endeavor???

One of God's most obvious, but unexplainable, truths is that all the darkness in the world cannot put out the light of a single candle. Help us to help each other, Lord. Let each his gentle aid afford, and feel his brother's

**PAYING FOR NATURAL DISASTERS**

The U. S. House of Representatives recently approved a bill that provides \$9.7 billion in emergency aid. The largest share of this, \$7.77 billion, is going to help those affected by the Los Angeles Earthquake. The bill includes funds to increase the Small Business Administration disaster loan program, funds for the federal-aid highways emergency relief program, and funds for the Community Development Block Grant program for use in areas affected by the recent California earthquake. The bill specifically prohibits these funds from being used to assist illegal aliens. In addition, some of the funds will be going to help those affected by the Midwest floods and California fires of 1993.

I voted in favor of this bill because those people desperately need the funds. Also, when farmers in the 13th District needed emergency aid due to drought, lawmakers from California gave us their support. And when tornadoes ripped through Fritch, funds were quickly made available to help those victims. But I believe that soon, we will have to change the way this system works.

We must draw the line and make people responsible for their own belongings. And before we do that, we must develop responsible insurance programs. People need to have a way to insure their homes and belongings in case of floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes—every possible natural disaster.

Some people may argue that the funds should not be made available to the earthquake victims, simply because those people chose to live in an area that is prone to earthquakes. They may believe that people who live in California are crazy, just because of the earthquake danger. But the truth is, no matter where you live, a natural disaster can occur. The Midwest floods that went on for months last summer could have just as easily happened in another part of the country. Tornadoes can strike anywhere, not just in

care. Help us to build each other up, our little stock. Increase our faith, confirm our hope and perfect us in love.

"Tornado Alley". And hurricanes don't always hit on the east coast. There is nowhere on earth you could live, and be 100 percent safe from natural disasters.

But you can take the initiative and protect your home and belongings. The problem right now is many insurance companies do not offer coverage for natural disasters. That must be changed, and soon. Chances are before 1994 is over, the United States will experience two or three more huge disasters, and Congress simply can't continue handing out funds to the victims.

There is legislation pending in both Chambers dealing with this issue. In the House, the Natural Disaster Protection Act of 1993 would require the establishment of a national multi-hazard insurance program to provide insurance against real or personal property loss in any state resulting from an earthquake or volcanic eruption. It also calls for increased participation in the Federal flood insurance program and it outlines provisions for a Primary Insurance Program. The legislation also makes available excess reinsurance coverage for any direct and indirect losses that arise from a hurricane, earthquake, volcanic eruption, or tidal wave.

This will not solve all the problems, but it appears it could be a step in the right direction.

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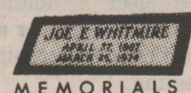
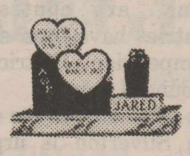
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# Looking Back

through the files of the  
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**February 16, 1984**—Owlettes to tackle Nazareth in Bi-District Playoff at Hutcherson Center in Plainview . . . Berniece Wood has spent ten days at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Layette shower to be held for Little Miss Nikki Nichole Miller, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Miller . . . Avonna Miller wins senior spelling bee . . . Angie Lowrey is SHS D.A.R. Good Citizen . . .

**February 14, 1974**—Mopping up 5,000 pounds of syrup spilled at the scene of a one-truck turnover east of

Silverton had highway department employees buffaloeed for a short time last weekend. The question: "How do you dispose of all that sticky stuff?" This was answered by crews who spent several hours hauling sand and gravel to the scene . . . Roy Mack Walker returned home Saturday after spending several days in Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia . . . Lori Francis is D.A.R. Good Citizen award winner . . . Roma Jean Clayton to marry William Stanley Martin . . . Mell Clardy was surprised with a birthday dinner in honor of her 72nd birthday. Attending were 78 people, including five children, 27 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and 37 guests . . .

**February 12, 1964**—Giant snowpiles melting slowly . . . D. G. (Bill) Nelson of Amarillo, executive vice

president of the Grain Sorghum Producers Association, was guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Briscoe County chapter Saturday evening. Pat L. Northcutt, who has served two terms as president of the county association, is being succeeded by G. W. Lee . . . Carver Elementary School of Silverton placed first in the Ralls Basketball Tournament February 1. In their game with Crosbyton, E. L. Phillips was high scorer with 19 points, followed by Jimmie Hendrix, nine; Roy Weathered, five; Eddie Joe Baker, four; L. H. Ivory, two; J. T. Towery, two; Larry Myers, two, and Calvin Ivory, two. The team beat Ralls in the second round, led in scoring by E. L. Phillips who paced the team with 21 points. L. H. Ivory got 11; Jimmie Hendrix, 11; Eddie Joe Baker, nine, and Roy

Weathered, two. In the finals, Carver beat Muleshoe, with E. L. Phillips scoring 20; Jimmie Hendrix, 16; L. H. Ivory, six, and Eddie Joe Baker, five . . . The Carver girls lost both their games, with Jereline Weatherred, Shirley Dowd, Sandra Stotts, Charlie Faye Weathered and Hattie Phillips as the scorers . . . Peggy Mercer and Jeanette Arnold recently spent several days here with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mercer . . . Jane Self, Mary Whitfill, Nancy Nance and Nancy Long took advantage of the school closure last week to build a snowman . . .

**February 18, 1954**—U. S. Department of Commerce, the bureau of census report shows that 12,779 bales of cotton were ginned in Briscoe County from the 1953 crop . . . Juanita Stephens is hostess to Rock Creek Club . . . Luree Burson was listed as a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner have been notified by the President of Tarleton State College that their son, Jaye M. Turner, is on the Distinguished Student Honor Roll. He is a freshman and is majoring in agriculture . . . Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Maples and children were her father, Mr. John Boyles, and Mrs. Boyles . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lanham enjoyed watching television in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Lanham, Monday evening . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Montague are parents of a daughter, Paula, born Monday . . .

**February 17, 1944**—Owls win third in Turkey tournament . . . Andy Chappell is getting around on crutches after an operation on his leg at Amarillo last week . . . Dr. Bundy says little cause for alarm over typhoid scare . . . Mrs. Edwin Crass received word Saturday that her brother, Sgt. Homer Strange, is being sent overseas . . . Miss Pauline Steele is employed as a typist at the Lubbock Army Air Field . . . "Why does a red-headed girl always marry a quiet fellow?" "She doesn't. He just gradually gets like that" . . .

## Texas Lottery Game Closes After Making Six Instant Millionaires

"One of the most successful instant games in American lottery history is now history," Nora Linares, Acting Executive Director of the Texas Lottery Commission, said today as she closed the books on the Lottery's first game, "Lone Star Millions."

"From its record-breaking opening sales through the final reckoning, 'Lone Star Millions' created six instant millionaires and paid top prizes of \$1,000 and \$10,000 to winners in 201 Texas counties and 18 other states," Linares said.

"Lone Star Millions" went on sale with the Lottery's kick-off on May 29, 1992, breaking national first-day records with sales of \$23.2 million. The game's first-week sales of \$102.4 million, set another national record.

Eventually, Lottery players purchased 99.78 percent of the nearly 300 million, one-dollar "Lone Star Millions" tickets produced.

The six Millionaire Grand Prize Drawing winners who purchased a "Lone Star Millions" ENTRY ticket were Annabel Huerta, Abilene; Jerry Hockman, San Antonio; Steve Hokams, Spring; David Cunningham, Livingston; Carolyn Moore, Dallas; Gloria Shaefer, Dallas.

A county-by-County list of \$1,000 and \$10,000 winners reveals that there was one \$1,000 winner in Briscoe County, two \$1,000 winners in Floyd County, two \$1,000 winners in Swisher County, one \$1,000 winner in Armstrong County and one \$1,000 and one \$10,000 winner in Hale County.

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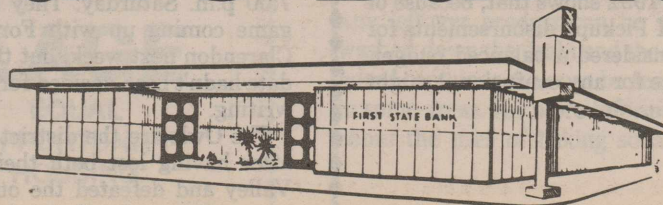
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**JUNIOR HIGH LADY OWLS**—(standing, left to right) Lindsey Jennings, Coach Roger Whipkey, Shauna Kingery, Destiny Ivory; (kneeling) Dara Ramsey, Trista Davis, Amanda Cruz; (sitting) Molly Brooks, Kenzie Burson, Lacy Brunson, Michelle Warren, Misti Wilkinson, Lindsey Weaks. Photo by R Photography



**JUNIOR HIGH OWLS**—(left to right) Jared Francis, Chris Justice, Trey Wyatt, Trey Ziegler, Jackie Cherry, Leland Wood, Will Hester, Michael Reagan, Andy Bullock, Miles Comer, Coach Donnie Dutton. Photo by R Photography



**SEVENTH GRADE OWLS**—(left to right) David Gamble, Coach Donnie Dutton, Jeremy Holt, Jared Holt, David Donahoo, Jay Arnold, Donny Burson, Matt Martin. Photo by R Photography

## Lady Owls in Bi-District Playoff Friday

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Lady Owls with 12 points and Brandi Brunson also scored in double figures with 10 points. Adding to the score were Leslee Weaks, eight; Christa Tucker, six; Kami Martin, four; Lori

Brannon and Shannon Weaver, two points each.

Lady Owls	14	29	38	44
Valley	8	32	46	58

Last Friday night, the Lady Owls earned a 46-45 victory over the Lady Pats in another hard-fought game. The Lady Owls jumped into the lead and were ahead at the end of each quarter. Molly Bomar led the scoring with 16 points, and the others scoring were Dedra Johnston and Christa Tucker, eight points each; Brandi Brunson, six; Lori Brannon, four, and Kami Martin,

three points.

Lady Owls	11	24	36	46
Valley	9	22	31	45

In their first meeting, the Lady Patriots took a 55-50 decision from the Lady Owls, after the Silvertown girls had led most of the time during the game. Brandi Brunson led the scoring in the match with 19 points, and Dedra Johnston added 12 points. Also scoring were Molly Bomar, seven; Christa Tucker, six; Lori Brannon, five, and Leslee Weaks, one point from the line.

Lady Owls	13	34	45	50
Valley	4	22	44	55

On Tuesday night of last week, the Lady Owls defeated Patton Springs 61-48, behind the scoring of Dedra Johnston, 14; Brandi Brunson, 13; Lori Brannon, 11, and Leslee Weaks, 10 points. Also scoring were Kami Martin, six; Shannon Weaver, Jo Ann Ramirez and Kara Kingery, two points each, and Holly Nance, one point.

Lady Owls	14	34	51	61
Patton Springs	9	24	28	48

On Friday, February 4, the Lady Owls earned a 62-21 victory over Lakeview in a game played here. Christa Tucker led the offense with 16 points, Jo Ann Ramirez tossed in 12 points and Dedra Johnston rang up 11 points. Also putting up points were Brandi Brunson and Holly Nance, six points each; Molly Bomar and Leslee Weaks, four points each; Kara Kingery, three points.

Lady Owls	23	39	48	62
Lakeview	6	8	15	21

Make your plans now to be at the Clarendon College Gym at 8:00 p.m. Friday to cheer the Lady Owls to victory over the Groom Lady Tigers!

the first time, they suffered a 91-62 loss. Lance Holt and Stoney Hubbard scored 20 points each, and Matt Francis also scored in double figures with 15. Also scoring were Braden Towe, three points; Zane Henderson and Kevin Womack, two points each. Womack dislocated his shoulder in the game and is looking to have knee surgery soon. His teammate, Phil Patino, underwent knee surgery last Friday.

Valley had five players scoring in double figures: Bubba Powell and Josh Scoggins, 20 points each; Joe Valdez, 19; Donnie Calvert and Alfie Clardy, 14 points each.

Owls	18	32	46	62
Valley	26	47	73	91

When Valley came to Silvertown for the second round, the Owls suffered an 81-54 defeat, even though they were able to stay a little closer in this match than in the first. Three scored in double figures: Lance Holt, 14; Stoney Hubbard, 13, and Braden Towe, 10. Also scoring were Matt Francis, eight; Zane Henderson, seven, and Zeb Holt, two points.

For Valley, it was Scoggins, 29; Valdez, 15; Ortiz, 13; Calvert, 12.

Owls	11	24	45	54
Valley	26	45	55	81

On Tuesday night of last week, the Owls took a 73-50 victory from Patton Springs. Scoring in double figures were Lance Holt, 19; Braden Towe, 17; Stoney Hubbard, 15; Matt Francis, 13. Others scoring were Henderson, four; Brandon Sarchet, three, and Arnold Garza, two points.

Owls	19	33	49	73
Patton Springs	11	19	26	50

## Junior High Teams End Season With Losses

The Junior High Owls and Lady Owls closed their season with losses to Nazareth, after having enjoyed many victories during the campaign.

The Lady Owls dropped their match 34-25 to the always-tough Swiftettes, after having kept the game close all the way. Molly Brooks led the scoring with 11 points. Michelle Warren rang up nine points; Lacy Brunson and Kenzie Burson, two points each, and Shauna Kingery, one point.

JH Lady Owls	6	16	20	25
Nazareth	6	14	21	34

The Junior High Owls suffered a 37-29 defeat at the hands of Nazareth. Jackie Cherry led the Owls with 15 points, and also scoring were Trey Wyatt, five; Jared Francis, four; Jay Arnold, three, and Chris Justice, two points.

JH Owls	10	18	21	29
Nazareth	8	12	27	37

## Owls Playing Series of Games

Silvertown's Owls are playing a series of warm-up games in preparation for their bi-district game on Friday, February 25. Their opponent for the first round of the state playoffs was to be determined in a playoff between Kelton and Groom Tuesday night.

The Owls traveled to Childress Tuesday night for a warm-up game with Chilicothe, and will be going to Lockney for a game with Lorenzo at 7:00 p.m. Saturday. They also have a game coming up with Fort Elliott at Clarendon next week, but the time and date hadn't been decided for sure at this writing.

The Owls are the district runners-up after having lost both their games to Valley and defeated the other district teams. When the Owls played Valley

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### CORRECTION

I was quoted in the recent edition of the *Panhandle Star* as saying that Briscoe County had a balanced budget during the last four years. That is incorrect. In fact, however, the annual audit for 1992 shows that, because of the purchase of capital assets (2 Motorgraders, 1 Pickup), disbursements for that year exceeded revenue. This cannot be considered a balanced budget. This was an oversight on my part and I apologize for any confusion it might have caused.

Sincerely,  
Jimmy Burson  
County Judge



THE LADY OWLS—(standing, left to right) Holly Nance, Brandi Brunson, Kimmie Blazier, Coach Roger Whipkey, Molly Bomar, Leslee Weeks, Carrie Baird, Manager Vanessa Martin; (kneeling) Kara Kingery, Jo Ann Ramirez, Shannon Weaver; (sitting) Dedra Johnston, Christa Tucker, Kami Martin, Lori Brannon.

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# GOOD LUCK TO THE LADY OWLS IN THE PLAY-OFFS!

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Members of Century of Progress Study Club, (left to right) Polly Cagle, Norma Vaughan, Annell Davis and Faye Rampley, acting as volunteers for the American Heart Association, recently mailed letters to Briscoe County residents as part of the annual Heart Association appeal for funds.

Briscoe County News Photo

## Mrs. Speck is Shower Honoree

Mrs. Carl Speck, nee Kathy Brown, was honored at a miscellaneous bridal shower on Saturday afternoon, February 12, in the Pioneer Room of First State Bank in Silverton.

Guests were registered by the bride's nieces, Tarran Forbes, Taylor and Lori Griffin.

Special guests included the bride's mother, Mary Brown, and the groom's mother, Cissy Speck of San Angelo.

Refreshments of strawberry slush punch, coffee and cookies were served by Lee Ann Durham and Shavonne George. The table setting featured a blue and burgundy dried arrangement in a ceramic vase on a white lace cloth.

The hostesses presented the bride a set of white T-Fal cookware.

Out-of-town guests included the groom's sister, J. J. Speck of San Angelo; his grandmother, Jean Wilson of Lamesa, and his aunt, Lana Throckmorton of Whitharral; Montie Hayhurst, Lubbock, and Donna McWaters, Canyon.

Hostesses were Shirley and Lee Ann Durham, Vaughnell Brannon, Peggy Fleming, Jealeta Baird, Kori Bailey, Elaine Forbes, Sharon Simpson, Carolyn Shelton, Shavonne George, Madeline Stone, Waynelle Couch, Sandi Tomlin, Lynda Fogerson, Melissa Estes and Carolyn Lowrey.

## Texas Silver Haired Legislature Voting Planned Here May 24

Older Texans, 60 years of age and older, have an opportunity of becoming or electing their own representative to the Texas Silver Haired Legislature (TSHL). Election day for the fifth TSHL is May 24, 1994. Filing dates for candidates are now through February 28, 1994.

There are 116 members of the TSHL elected to represent regions of the state. They meet in Austin to debate issues which impact the seniors of Texas. Then they take priority issues to the Texas Legislature for legislative consideration.

The record of the first four TSHL's speaks for itself. Texas Legislators recognize the value of the informed members of the TSHL and frequently call on them to attend hearings, committee meetings, and provide testimony on vital issues. Approximately 70 percent of the issues which the TSHL have presented have been addressed by the Texas Legislature.

This TSHL will be the fifth group elected. Terms are for two years. Expenses for meetings in Austin are the responsibility of the TSHL member with one exception: expenses for the Orientation and Training Session, which will be held August 2-5, 1994, in

Austin, is paid for by the Texas Silver Haired Legislature Foundation. The Legislative Session of the TSHL is scheduled September 12-16, 1994, in the Capitol Building.

For additional information, contact the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle within Amarillo at 372-3381, outside of Amarillo at 1-800-642-6008. And remember, if you are 60 plus, YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

## EXTENSION TOPICS FOR TODAY

by Ronda Alexander  
Briscoe County Extension Agent  
Home Economics

## Traveling Tips For Children

Traveling with children isn't always one of the most pleasant things we can do, especially if the child is under four years old. Most children do not like having to be buckled into a car seat; however, you must remember that it is for their safety!

When using a safety seat, you must follow the manufacturer's directions for buckling the safety seat into your car or truck. Never misuse the safety seat, for your own safety as well as that of your child. Everyone in the vehicle should ride buckled up. This will set a good example. Make being buckled up the most important rule for riding.

Don't keep books, bottles or sharp hard objects in your vehicle. In an accident, these objects could be thrown around and injure you or your child. Also, don't give children candy or ice cream on a stick when riding in the car. A sudden drop could cause the candy or stick to choke or injure the child. Have a special, soft toy for the child to play with when in the vehicle. This will help to keep them occupied.

Finally, lock your doors when in the vehicle. Teach your children not to play with the door handles or locks. Hopefully, these tips will help to keep you and your children safe when traveling.

## Child Passenger Safety Week

February 13-19 has been declared as "Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week." It is up to parents and/or adults to ensure the safety of children riding in automobiles.

Texas law requires children under age two to ride in a safety seat. From ages two to four, children may ride either in a safety seat or buckled by a safety belt. (Safety seats provide more protection for this age group.) The law says everyone in the front seat, no matter what their age, must ride buckled up.

One of the most important things that you, as a parent, can do to keep your child safe is to select the right car seat. There are three points to keep in mind when selecting the car seat. These are: the seat must have a seal of federal approval; the seat must fit properly in your car, and the seat must be the proper size for your child.

There are four main types of car seats available: the infant safety seat, the toddler safety seat, the convertible safety seat and the booster seat. A brochure containing information about each of the safety seats is available at the Briscoe County Extension Office.

Buckle up and buckle up your children!

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## Happy Birthday To . . .

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February 21—Melissa Garcia, Tyra Younger, Mary Martin

February 22—Leona Brooks, Donald Perkins, David Schott

February 23—Karen Hill, Kenda Wood, Molly Sarchet

## Happy Anniversary To . . .

February 17—Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt

## New Arrivals

Brad and Holly Enloe are parents of a son, Beau Geordan Enloe, born at 9:04 p.m. February 6, 1994, at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed six pounds and one ounce, and measured 20 inches long at birth.

Welcoming their brother into the family are Adam and Rann Enloe.

Grandparents are Jomeryl George and Margie Harmon, Ledford and Henrian Enloe, all of Amherst.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon and Mr. and Mrs. Harvie Messamore, all of Amherst, Mrs. John Enloe of Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rudd of Springlake.

Mitch and DeAnn Lurie are proud to announce the birth of Tanner Sean Lurie. He was born January 25 at 7:21 p.m. He weighed five pounds and twelve ounces, and was 19" long.

Grandparents are Helen Strange of Corsicana and Sam and Rachel Lurie of Johannesburg, South Africa. Great-grandmother is Mildred Thompson of Corsicana.

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### Medicare Enrollment Period is Underway

by Terry Richardson  
Social Security Office Manager  
Plainview, Texas

Did you decide not to take Part B of Medicare when you were first eligible for it? Or did you have Part B once and then dropped the coverage? If you fit into either of these situations, you'll have a chance to sign up for Part B during the annual enrollment periods that runs from January 1, 1994 through March 31, 1994. This three-month period offers a second chance to those who did not enroll when they were first eligible and those who dropped their coverage in the interim. If you enroll during the current sign-up period, your coverage will begin July 1, 1994.

If you did not enroll when you first were eligible, your Medicare Part B premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic monthly premium for each twelve-month period you were eligible but not enrolled. For 1994, the basic monthly Medicare Part B premium is \$41.10. There are special premium rules and enrollment periods (generally with no penalty for delayed enrollment) for workers age 65 or older and for people under age 65 with disabilities who have group health coverage based on their own or their spouse's current employment. Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctor's services, outpatient hospital care, and other medical services.

If you're age 65 or older and not eligible for Medicare's premium-free Hospital Insurance (Part A) coverage, you can buy this coverage along with Part B coverage during the annual enrollment period. (People entitled to Medicare Hospital Insurance through the Social Security or Railroad Retirement systems or through government employment do not pay this premium.) Your monthly premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic amount if you delayed your enrollment for 12 months or more after you were first eligible to enroll. In 1994, the basic monthly premium for Part A coverage will be \$245. For individuals with 30 credits or more of work covered by Social Security but not enough to qualify for benefits, the amount is reduced to \$184.

If your income is about \$600 a month and you have limited assets, the state may pay some or all of your Medicare expenses, including buying Part A coverage under the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) program. Under the QMB provisions, Medicare hospital and medical premiums and the deductible and coinsurance amounts may be paid by the state government. If your income is slightly above the level to qualify for the QMB program (more than \$600 a month but less than \$700), you may qualify for state help in paying your Part B (medical insurance) premium under the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB) program. Only your state can decide if you qualify for help under either program. Contact your state or local medical assistance (Medicaid) agency, social services office, or welfare office if you think you qualify. Call the toll-free number, 1-800-638-6833, for the telephone number of your medical assistance office.

If you think you qualify but you haven't filed for Medicare Part A, contact Social Security to find out if you need to file an application. Further information about filing for Medicare is available from your local Social Security office or from Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

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High Plains cotton producers and ginners maintain a high profile within the U. S. cotton industry according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG).

That's good news for High Plains cotton producers, say PCG officials. The presence of so many PCG members, many of whom currently serve on the PCG board of directors, in the national arena helps provide invaluable contact with people from government agencies and other parts of the Cotton Belt.

Furthermore, these contacts allow PCG to voice the concerns of the cotton producers on the High Plains directly to the decision-makers at the federal and state levels.

Some of the positions currently held by PCG board members include Chairman of the National Cotton Council's (NCC) Texas Unit Myrl D. Mitchell, Lenorah; and, Texas Producer Chairman to the NCC's Producer Steering Committee Jackie Burris, Wellman. Mitchell also serves as the Southwest Ginner Representative to the NCC board of directors.

"High Plains cotton producers always have been eager to take on new challenges and do the hard work that is necessary for success and our current representatives are no exception," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "The quality individuals currently serving on our various industry boards and committees are a major factor in the High Plains maintaining its position of strength within the cotton industry."

Johnson adds that when producers get involved and take an active interest in the resolution of key issues, it enables PCG and other industry organizations to be more effective when working on their behalf.

In addition to the NCC, PCG board members also serve on the boards of two other important cotton organizations, the Cotton Board and Cotton Incorporated.

Following is a list of High Plains producers currently serving as

members or alternates to the National Cotton Council, Cotton Board and Cotton Incorporated.

#### HIGH PLAINS PRODUCER REPRESENTATIVES National Cotton Council

\*J. Kevin Belt, Hale Center, NCC delegate

\*Dan B. Smith, Lockney, NCC delegate

\*Mark Williams, Farwell, NCC alternate

\*Jackie Burris, Wellman, NCC delegate

\*Brad Bell, Seminole, NCC alternate

\*Frank B. Jones, jr., Lamesa, NCC delegate

\*Don Langston, Lubbock, NCC alternate

\*Ron Craft, Plains, NCC delegate

\*Ronnie Hopper, Petersburg, NCC delegate

\*Bruce Key, Tarzan, NCC alternate

\*Rocky King, Midkiff, NCC delegate

\*Wilbert Braden, Midland, NCC alternate

#### Cotton Incorporated

\*Wayne Huffaker, Tahoka, CI director

\*Kevin Riley, Dimmitt, CI board alternate

Doyle Middlebrook, Lubbock, CI director

Jackie Mull, Idalou, CI board alternate

Gary Ivey, Ralls, CI director

\*Rickey Bearden, Plains, CI board alternate

\*Larry Nelson, Edmonson, CI vice chairman

\*Wesley Butchee, Seagraves, CI board alternate

Eddie Smith, Floydada, CI director

Dave Nix, Lamesa, CI board alternate

#### Cotton Board

Keith Streety, Levelland, CB chairman

R. D. McCallister, Slaton, CB alternate

S. M. True, Plainview, CB member

Kent Nix, Lamesa, CB alternate

\*Denotes current PCG board member.

## CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR  
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



## Health care, welfare reform top issues facing Congress

With the new year now upon us, let's look ahead a bit at two key issues Congress will be considering once we return to Washington, Jan. 25.

First, of course, is health care. Americans are rightly concerned about a number of serious problems with our system: spiralling costs of health care, the more than 30 million Americans who lack health insurance, loss of health insurance coverage due to a pre-existing medical condition or a change of jobs.

We should deal with these problems in 1994, but I am very concerned that some reform proposals go too far, and threaten the good features of our health care delivery system -- overall the most efficient, high quality, market-based health care system in the world.

President Clinton's proposal, for instance, seeks to dismantle our entire health care system as we know it and replace it with a system managed by the federal government. I will not support that concept.

I have co-sponsored three alternative health care plans which will address the problem of 30 million uninsured Americans by proposing market-based reforms that guarantee portability of health care, total coverage and insurance of pre-existing conditions.

One key feature of Senator Phil Gramm's plan is the Medical Savings Account. That allows employers to contribute to an individual employee's account. The employee would pay for the kind of insurance coverage that best suits his or her family's need. At the end of the year, any money left in the Medical Savings Account would belong to the employee. In other words, families would have some control over their own coverage and would have an incentive not to overspend.

As we consider replacing the best health care system in the world with Clinton's plan of managed competition by the government, remember this: Americans do not flock in droves to Canada or Great Britain when they face a health care crisis. Citizens from those countries come to major medical centers here in the U.S.A. -- like those in Houston, San Antonio and Dallas -- because they know we have the best health care anywhere.

As the Congress debates health care reform in the months ahead, I want to be sure that we fix the problems and not dismantle the system. Otherwise, we may end up with a cure that is much worse than the disease.

Welfare reform is another issue that cries out for attention in 1994. President Clinton promised to "end welfare as we know it" during his campaign, but after one year the Administration has yet to make a specific proposal. We should not delay this any longer.

A number of states -- Wisconsin, New Jersey, Ohio and Wyoming, for example -- have implemented comprehensive reforms of public assistance welfare programs. We can learn from their successes and failures.

The central premise of reform efforts is individual responsibility. In other words, welfare is not a lifelong entitlement -- able-bodied adults must work, and counter-productive behavior should not be rewarded.

Reform must convert our current system of a one way handout into one of shared responsibility, in which government provides short-term assistance for those who are willing to take responsibility for their lives and go back to work.

The federal government ought to mandate "workfare" for all states -- and provide the states with financial resources, technical backup and flexibility to get workfare programs up and running within one year of Congress enacting reforms.

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# Scholarships Available For 1994-1995 Year

According to Billye Kesler, Veterans County Service Officer for Briscoe County, the Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) will award twelve scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each under its Kathern F. Gruber Scholarship Program for the 1994-95 academic year. This is the eleventh year of the program.

Only dependent children and spouses of blinded veterans of the U. S. Armed Forces are eligible for the scholarships. The veteran must be legally blind; the blindness may either be service-connected or nonservice-connected. The veteran need not be a member of the Blinded Veterans Association. Additionally, to be eligible for the scholarship, an applicant must have been accepted for admission, or already be enrolled, as a full-time student in an accredited institution of higher education, or business, secretarial or vocational training school.

The scholarships are intended to be used to defray a student's educational expenses, including tuition, books and other academic fees. Scholarship payments will be made by the BVA directly to the educational institution.

Applications for the scholarship may be obtained from The Kathern F. Gruber Scholarship Program, Blinded Veterans Association, 477 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20001-2694.

Completed applications and supporting materials must be returned to the BVA no later than April 15, 1994 to qualify for the 1994-95 academic year scholarship program.

The scholarships will be awarded on a "most-highly-qualified" basis utilizing

the following criteria: answers to questions in the application form; transcripts of high school and/or college records; three letters of reference; and a 300-word essay on the applicant's post-education, lifetime career goals and aspirations. Kathern F. Gruber scholarships are awarded for one year only. It should be noted that Kathern F. Gruber scholarships are now limited to a recipient completing only one degree (baccalaureate, graduate or vocational) or non-graduate certificate (nursing/business/secretarial or comparable curriculum) under this program.

The Blinded Veterans Association is a national non-profit organization concerned with the welfare of blinded veterans. Founded in 1945 by a group of veterans who were blinded in World War II, the BVA is chartered by the U. S. Congress and serves as the official representative of blinded veterans throughout the United States.

## Paying Taxes on Your Social Security Benefits

by Terry Richardson  
Social Security Office Manager  
Plainview, Texas

One of Ben Franklin's most famous sayings went something like this: "Nothing in life is certain but death and taxes." I've got a hunch if Ben were around today, he'd add "... but nobody is certain about paying taxes on their Social Security benefits!" I'll try to make some sense of this very confusing issue.

First, if you're a Social Security beneficiary, the odds are you do not owe any taxes on your benefits. In fact, about 80 percent of all Social Security recipients don't pay taxes on the benefits they receive. Those who do are generally in the upper-income brackets.

Second: a word about income. You owe taxes on your benefits when your "combined income" exceeds certain limits. Combined income refers to your

(and your spouse's) adjusted gross income as reported on line 31 of your tax return plus one-half of your Social Security benefits plus your nontaxable interest (generally, that's the interest you receive from bonds issued by a state or local government). To help you figure your combined income, we sent you a "1099" statement at the beginning of each year showing the total Social Security benefits you received in the prior year.

Third, there are different rules for the 1993 tax return you'll file by April 15 of this year than for the 1994 return you'll file next year. I'm including 1994 information to help in your tax planning efforts for next year.

### 1993 TAX RETURNS

If you file an individual 1993 tax return and your "combined income" last year was over \$25,000, 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable.

If you file a joint 1993 tax return and your "combined income" was more than \$32,000, 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable.

Couples who file separate tax returns probably will pay taxes on their Social Security benefits.

### 1994 TAX RETURNS

If you plan to file an individual 1994 tax return and you expect your 1994 "combined income" to be between \$25,000 and \$34,000, 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable. If your income is above \$34,000, you should anticipate 85

percent of your benefits being subject to tax.

If you and your spouse plan to file a joint return for 1994 and your "combined income" is between \$32,000 and \$44,000, 50 percent of your benefits will be taxable. But if your joint income exceeds \$44,000, 85 percent of your Social Security benefits may be taxable.

Couples who file separate tax returns probably will pay taxes on their Social Security benefits.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Although the subject has been Social Security benefits, questions about taxes are matters for the Internal Revenue Service, so if you need more tax information, you should call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.



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**A** ■ Baking soda is the common name for sodium bicarbonate, an inorganic salt that occurs naturally in mineral deposits and groundwater. Most people are familiar with it because of its most common use, which as its name suggests, is for making breads, cakes, biscuits and many other baked goods. As people have begun looking for less toxic alternatives to a variety of household products, baking soda has become even more common around the house. It has a soft, crystalline structure that works well when a mild abrasive is needed. It also acts as a buffer to both acidity and alkalinity, making it useful for cleaning and deodorizing. Another advantage of baking soda is that you don't have to worry about disposal of any toxic residues in its container. Any leftover product can be safely washed down the drain and the cardboard container can even be recycled in some areas. For more information about the uses of baking soda and

other less toxic alternatives to common household products, call 1-800-64-TEXAS.

**Q** ■ We're on a septic tank. We've heard just about every tale imaginable about the problems that toilet paper can cause in septic systems. What's the real story? Should we only use single-ply tissues?

**A** ■ Almost any commercial toilet paper is safe for use in septic tanks. Some research indicates that chemicals added to soften or color some toilet paper may slow its decomposition in a septic tank, but most experts agree that if your toilet paper seems to be clogging the tank, it's a good sign that the tank needs maintenance, or that someone in the house is using too much toilet paper. If you want to be careful about which paper you use, look on the package for a registered mark from the non-profit NSF International indicating that the paper is "fully acceptable for septic tanks." You might also want to consider using toilet paper made from recycled paper. Recycled-content toilet papers not only save trees, but, because many are chemical-free, they also break down easily in septic tanks. If you're interested in a home test, an Environmental Protection Agency report suggests soaking a square of toilet paper with water and checking it after an hour. If it hasn't begun to dissolve, you might not want to put it in your septic tank.

*Your newspaper runs this column as a public service in cooperation with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. If you have questions about reduction, reuse or recycling of waste, call the CLEAN TEXAS 2000 Information Center at 1-800-64-TEXAS, or write CLEAN TEXAS 2000, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.*

# Election, Political Signs In Violation Of Many State, Federal Laws

Numerous political campaign signs along Texas roadways are in violation of state and federal laws. If, for example, a sign is visible either within a city or rural area, from the main traveled way of an Interstate or certain highways receiving federal funds, it is in violation of the law. Many examples of such violations are visible in this area. Such highways in this region include but are not limited to U. S. Highways 287, 277, 83, 82 and

Interstate Highway 40.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is charged with the duty of enforcing rules and regulations effecting the control of outdoor advertising signs. If individuals wish to remove and comply with the regulations on their own accord, they are encouraged to do so as soon as possible and reuse or recycle such signs in a lawful manner. If responsible parties do not comply with the law, TxDOT will remove and dispose of all signs which are in violation.

Guidelines for posting signs relating to public elections must meet special criteria. For information concerning the proper placement, posting and permitting of any outdoor advertising signs, contact Mark Nussbaum, Right-of-Way Agent, Texas Department of Transportation, Childress District Office, 817-937-2571.

## Gem & Mineral Show Set February 26-27

The Hi-Plains Gem & Mineral Society's annual show will be held at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview on February 26-27, 1994. The show opens at 10:00 a.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and closes at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Fred Shipman, show chairman, has announced that five outstanding dealers will be bringing quality gems and minerals to the show. This year the items are expected to be as good, if not better, than in past years. Shipman said that a variety of materials will include jewelry, carvings, faceting stones, beads, all kinds of stones for cabbing and mounting, dinosaur bones, geodes (which will be cut free of charge) and rough materials for slabbing.

As in past years, the show will feature a quality wire wrapper who can mount any type of stone, a silversmith who is the best in the trade, and the show will feature demonstrations by a sculpturer and a faceter.

Shipman would like to invite other rock clubs to bring show cases which will be judged. Kids will find rocks and fossils available for their school collections at the Kids Corner at very reasonable prices.

## Silverton School Activities

Friday, February 18—Bi-District Playoff: Lady Owls vs. Groom, 8:00 p.m. at Clarendon College. Valley girls play at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 19—Chamber of Commerce Banquet; Owls vs. Lorenzo, 7:00 p.m., Lockney

Monday, February 21—Presidents' Day; Little Dribbler Parent-Coaches Meeting

Tuesday, February 22—Area Girls Play-off; AIDS program for Seniors and Sixth grade; Owls vs. Fort Elliott at Clarendon

Thursday and Friday, February 24-25—Senior Class Volleyball Tournament

Friday, February 25—Houston Stock Show through March 4; Regional Girls Play-off; Bi-District Boys Playoff

## News From The Silverton Library

Two paperbacks were donated to the Silverton Public Library: "The Interrupted Journey" by John J. Fuller, the story of the abduction by extraterrestrials, and "A Canticle For Leibowitz" by Walter M. Miller, Jr. The famous 1959 tale of a future world civilization formed after a devastating nuclear war. In the tradition of Orwell's "1984" and Huxley's "Brave New World."

Also in the library are to gothics, "My Sister Ophelia," by Alice Kosner (large type) and Mary Linn Roby's "All Your

Lovely Words Are Spoken."

On the shelves you may find Cynthia Freeman's "Seasons of the Heart," and Danielle Steele's "Season of Passion." Also "The First Man in Rome," by Colleen McCullough, author of "The Thorn Birds."

For those who like Harlequin Romance books, there are scads of them.

Also there are some books by Stephen King and Dean Koontz to scare you. There is also "Adobe Walls Wars," by Bob Izzard.

Library hours are Tuesday mornings, 8:30 to 11:30 and Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 until 5:00.

Monroe Hill of Amarillo underwent knee surgery last Thursday and spent several days recuperating in the home of his mother and stepfather, Carlye and Donald Fleming.

The plant life in the oceans makes up about 85 percent of the greenery on the planet.

People who like to explore caves are known as "spelunkers." The term comes from "speleology," the science of cave study.

## OBITUARIES

### LESSIE LEE BAIRD

Graveside services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in the Silverton Cemetery for Lessie Lee Baird, 70, who died Thursday, February 10.

Arrangements were by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Baird was born in Turkey. She married John D. Baird in 1939 in Silverton. He died in 1989. She worked for the Silverton School District for many years.

Survivors include a son, Mike Baird of El Paso; a daughter, Linda Baird of Silverton; a brother, W. D. Graves of Southwest City, Missouri; four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

### O'NEAL WATSON

Funeral services for O'Neal Watson, 86, of Amarillo were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday in Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories. Dr. James Garret and Dr. Harold Daniel, both of Polk Street United Methodist Church, and the Rev. L. R. Green, chaplain of Northwest Texas Hospital and pastor of Pleasant Valley Assembly of God, officiated. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Watson died Thursday, February 10.

Born in Silverton, Mr. Watson attended school here. He moved to Amarillo in 1937 from Tulia. He married Cleora Turner in 1938. She died in 1978. He also was preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Faye Mitchell, in 1987. He married Sallie Brashears Northern in 1978 at Pampa.

Mr. Watson was a barber, opening his first shop in 1936 at Baird. After moving to Amarillo, he owned two barber shops, which he sold in 1938. He then built West Texas Barber College, which he owned until his retirement in 1991. He was past president of Texas Barber College Association.

Mr. Watson was a member of Polk Street United Methodist Church. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Masonic Lodge No. 731. He also belonged to Khiva Shrine Temple, YMCA, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife; a son, James S. Watson of Amarillo; a brother, Obra Watson of Silverton; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## Senior Citizens to Have Luncheon Friday

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their regular monthly luncheon and business meeting at the Center Friday.

Hostesses for the luncheon will be members of the Silverton Church of Christ.

## WEATHER

### FEBRUARY 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	22	-6	
2	28	-5	
3	44	9	
4	48	18	
5	42	28	
6	48	28	
7	59	33	
8	71	25	
9	59	11	.09
10	29	09	
11	51	15	
12	63	20	
13	44	14	
14	56	17	
15	55	22	
Total Precip. For February			.09
Normal Precip. For February			.60
Total Precip. Year to Date			1.13
Normal Precip. Year to Date			1.25

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas  
County of Briscoe

By virtue of executions out of the honorable 110th District Court of Motley County, Texas, on the 31st day of January, 1994, by the Clerk thereon, in the case of Sarasota, Inc. vs. John L. Barnhill, Jr., Independent Executor of the Estate of John Lynn Barnhill, deceased, Cause No. 2151, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the 1st day of March, 1994, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the courthouse of said Briscoe County, in the City of Silverton, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

290 acres of the Section No. 25, Block G C-2, Certificate No. 221, issued to D. & S. E. Ry. Co., Abstract No. 309 Briscoe County, Texas; and

195 acres out of Section No. 56, in Block 3, Certificate No. 2/890, issued to T. & P. Ry. Co. Abstract No. 1320, Briscoe County, Texas.

Sale subject to prior liens, taxes and any other incumbrances of record.

Levied on the 31st day of January, 1994.

Given under my hand the 31st day of January, 1994.

Richard C. Roehr,  
Sheriff  
Briscoe County, Texas

5-3tc

## Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

February 21-25

Monday—Beef and Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday—Sloppy Joe on a Bun, French Fries, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday—Pizza, Salad, Corn, Brownie, Milk

Thursday—Chicken Strips, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Syrup, Butter, Milk

Friday—Chili and Beans, Cheese Sticks, Vegetable Sticks, Cornbread, Sweet Roll, Milk

## Local 4-H'ers Compete In Area Stock Shows

Nine Briscoe County 4-H members competed and exhibited their livestock projects in the Fort Worth Livestock Show recently.

In the swine division, Ryan Minyard placed twelfth with his Medium Weight Chester White Barrow. Also competing in swine was Will Hester with his York, Trey Ziegler with his Duroc and Lacy Brunson and Kenzie Burson with crossbreeds.

In the steer show, Jeremiah Brooks placed seventh with his Light Weight Polled Hereford, and Monty Wood placed eleventh with his Shorthorn. Also competing was Leland Wood with his two European Cross Steers.

In the Open Charolais Heifer show, Leland Wood placed fourth and Kenda Wood placed first.

Leland Wood also competed in the calf scramble. He caught a calf and will receive \$500 to spend towards a heifer that he will take back to the show next year.

### SAN ANTONIO

Jeremiah Brooks returned to San Antonio with his Hereford Heifer that he purchased with money earned by catching a calf at last year's stock show. His heifer placed fourth.

### PERRYTON HEIFER FUTURITY

Three Briscoe County 4-H members competed and exhibited heifers in the Perryton Open Heifer Futurity this past weekend. Donny Burson placed second with his Hereford, Monty Wood placed second with his Exotic Breed and Kenda Wood showed the Champion Exotic Heifer and also placed second in the Junior Showmanship Drive.

All 4-H'ers and their parents have worked hard and learned a lot while participating in these stock shows. They have done a good job and the County Extension Service is proud of them for representing Briscoe County well.

For more information about 4-H, call Scott Strawn at the Extension Service, 823-2131.

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Lloyd Riddlespurger, Pastor

**SUNDAY:**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Ted Kingery, Minister

**SUNDAY:**  
Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Bryan Donahoo, Pastor

**SUNDAY:**  
Library Opens ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Bible Study/S.S. .... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS:**  
Baptist Women ..... 9:30 a.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Library Opens ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study/Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
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Brad Enloe, Pastor

**SUNDAY:**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Youth Group ..... 7:00 p.m.  
**FIRST MONDAY:**  
United Methodist Men . 6:00 a.m.  
**TUESDAY:**  
United Meth. Women... 9:30 a.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m.  
In-home Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
**THIRD SATURDAY:**  
Family Fun Night ..... 7:00 p.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST  
MISSION**

**SUNDAY:**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Choir Rehearsal ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Prayer Service ..... 8:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF LORETO  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**SUNDAY:**  
Mass ..... 9:00 a.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Doctrina Class ..... 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Junior & Senior  
High ..... 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**ROCK CREEK  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**SUNDAY:**  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Worship Service ..... 7:30 p.m.

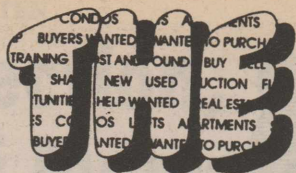


## OUR NATION'S LEADERS WERE ALWAYS LED BY GOD'S GUIDANCE

The leaders of our nation have always had to face many seemingly insurmountable problems, both at home and abroad; so many, in fact, that we wonder why they ever wanted the job. Moreover, no matter what solutions they proposed, they always received a mixture of praise and criticism at best. However, since they knew in advance to expect this, it is all the more to their credit that they were willing to take on the often thankless assignment. They differed in their philosophies and in many other ways, but they all had one thing in common: they prayed for God's guidance to help them make the right decisions, knowing that their actions would affect our nation's destiny for years to come. At our House of Worship, concerned with only the destiny of our own families, we would nonetheless do well to follow their example.

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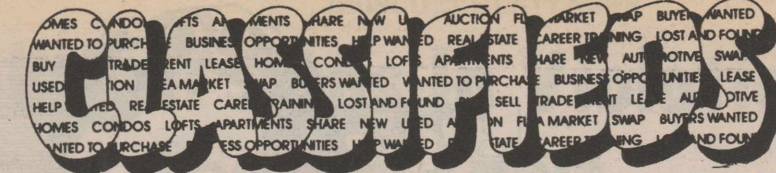
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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Board of Trustees for Central Plains Center for MHMR and Substance Abuse would like to receive bids on any part of a package to provide for the insurance needs of an organization with a \$6.8 million budget, 200+ staff, and approximately 50 vehicles. Coverage is needed in the area of Workers Compensation; automobile, general, and professional liability; errors and omissions; property; boiler and machinery; electronic equipment; and automobile physical damage.

Bids will be received for the total or separates items desired until 4:00 p.m. on April 15, 1994. Send inquiries or bid material to Central Plains Center for MHMR and Substance Abuse, Att: Seth Halbert, 2700 Yonkers, Plainview, Texas 79072. Clearly mark all bids, "Insurance Bid." 7-3tc

**JANITORIAL HELP WANTED:** The Briscoe County ASCS office is now taking bids for janitorial service for the ASCS and SCS offices. The janitor will be responsible for daily cleaning of the ASCS and Soil Conservation Service offices, and must furnish own cleaning supplies and vacuum cleaner. A list of cleaning requirements and bid worksheets may be obtained at the ASCS office located at 501 Main Street in Silverton. Sealed bids must be submitted to the ASCS office by 5:00 p.m. February 28, 1994. Bidding is open to all firms and individuals who offer the services, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status, or disability. 7-1tc

**Go Owls, Lady Owls!**

**CARDS OF THANKS**

We want to thank everyone who thought of us with cards, visits, phone calls and most of all, your prayers since Pete has been in the hospital and rehab center. We are so fortunate to be a part of such a caring community. The concern that all of you have shown us is deeply appreciated.  
Pete and Pauline

We appreciate so much the acts of kindness done for us during my recent hospital stay and since I have been at home.

We have been truly blessed by your friendship.

Mabel Tomlin  
Betty Nan and Spud

We would like to thank the Silverton EMS for responding so quickly to the 911 call and for the care that was given Pete while being transported to Amarillo. Silverton is lucky to have such hard-working and caring people to operate their ambulances.

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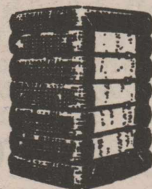
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