

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



I was visiting with Loyd and Laverne Stephens the other day, and they told me that Anthony May isn't the only one who plays for Canyon who has grandparents living in Silverton. Their grandson, Richie Hill, also is a member of the team. His other grandmother, Opal McClure, and a number of other relatives live here.

Canyon was beaten by Stephenville in Texas Stadium this weekend, and won't advance to the championship game, but they have had a wonderful season and have gone further than anyone would have believed early in the season.

Hereford advances to the semifinal game against Texas City; Stratford will play Celina; Wheeler will be matched with Aspermont, and Groom will carry the Six-Man banner into the championship game with Gordon.

Silverton's Senior Citizens had planned to serve mesquite-grilled hamburgers at the Caprock Jamboree Saturday night, but after the program received a snow job, the senior citizens were left with some hamburger fixins on hand.

SO, they are going to serve a hamburger luncheon Friday, December 10, at the Senior Citizens Center beginning at 11:30 a.m. If you are hungry for a good homemade hamburger, don't forget to go by the Senior Citizens Center that day.

Baptists To Have Christmas Program Sunday

Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m., the music ministry of First Baptist Church will present "Mary, Did You Know?"

Mary Ann Rauch will be directing a choir of 22 voices, along with a drama cast of seven, under the direction of Donna Estes.

The entire community is invited to come and enjoy an evening of music and stay afterward for a time of fellowship.

Santa Will Be At The Bank Dec. 15

Santa will be at First State Bank Wednesday, December 15, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon to visit with all children under school age.

Santa will spent all morning and most of Thursday, December 16, with all the school kids from Pre-K through fifth grade who come to visit the bank.

Angel Tree in Courthouse Basement

There is an Angel Tree in the basement of the Courthouse.



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Parent Involvement Meeting To Be Conducted Before Music Program

A parent involvement meeting will be conducted by Kari Patton at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, December 13, in the eighth grade classroom. She and Dixie Johnson will highlight the Alphabetic Phonics program, and Nancy Wood will explain about the new accelerated math program. All parents are extended a special invitation to attend this informational meeting before attending the Christmas music program.

Senior Citizens To Have Their Christmas Program

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their Christmas Party beginning at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 11, at the Senior Citizens Center.

BCAA To Meet

Briscoe County Activities Association will meet at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday, December 9) at the Showbarn.

Annual Meeting Of Extension Program Slated

The annual meeting of the Briscoe County Extension Pro-

Buyers Club To Meet Tonight

Silverton Buyers Club will meet at 5:00 p.m. today (Thursday, December 9) in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank.

Everyone interested is invited to attend.

Area Competitors Fare Well in Fort Worth

Nine area horses advanced to the second go-round of the Non-Pro Division at the NCHA Championship Futurity.

A score of 206 was necessary to be among the 202 horses that advanced from the 337-horse first go. Qualifying were:

Martina, Billy Rank Cogdell, 215; Ms. Chiquita Seniorita, Dick Cogdell, 214; Harleeliz, Jim Cogdell, 210.

TWO CHRISTMAS MUSIC PROGRAMS PLANNED

Robin Boedeker's Christmas Music Program will be presented at 9:45 a.m. and again at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 13, in the school auditorium.

News Office To Be Closed

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed all day Thursday, December 9, to keep a doctor's appointment in Amarillo.

Please arrange your business so you will not be inconvenienced by this closing.

gram will be held beginning a 6:30 p.m. Thursday, December 9, in the basement of the Silverton United Methodist Church, and it is hoped that all Briscoe County Extension Board Members, Home Economics Committee Members, 4-H and Youth Development Committee Members, Agriculture Committee Members and their families will attend to learn about the activities, events and accomplishments.

A Mexican Stack meal will be served. Each family is being asked to bring one or more of the ingredients for the meal and a dessert. Please RSVP to the Extension Office 812-2131 by Wednesday, December 8, to let the Extension Agents know if you will be able to attend and what food items you would like to bring.

Food items: Ground Beef, Pinto Beans, Chopped Lettuce, Chopped Onions, Chopped Peas, Sour Cream, Fritos, Rice, Chopped Tomatoes, Shredded Coconut, Guacamole, Picante Sauce, Olives, Grated Cheese, Dessert, are to be brought ready to eat with a serving spoon. Paper goods and drinks will be furnished.

In God We Trust, designated as the U. S. National Motto by Congress in 1956, originated during the Civil War as an inscription for U. S. coins.

I do not seek, I find.

Pablo Picasso

The second go-round continued late Monday evening at the Will Rogers Coliseum.



Brandon McGinty

New Extension Agent Was Reared at Plains

Brandon McGinty is the new Briscoe County Extension Agent-Ag. He was reared on a family ranch at Plains, Texas. He was very active in 4-H and FFA all through school in Yoakum County, showing sheep, steers and hogs. He served as president of the Yoakum County 4-H for two years and was FFA president for one year. He participated in judging contests and went to State Roundup at College Station three years. He also was involved in sports.

He went to Tarleton State University in Stephenville where he worked for the Extension Service in Mitchell County (Colorado City, Texas) in the summers and

Events, Hunting Lease Guide For Briscoe County

Briscoe County Office of Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Tourism Task Force are putting together the Year 2000 Calendar of Events. The Briscoe County Hunting Lease Guide also is being updated, so if you have anything to be added to either of these, please call the office at 823-2131.

The calendar will be distributed to area businesses, newspapers, radio and TV stations in the area, and the Hunting Lease Guide is available to all who ask.

Call the Extension Office as soon as possible to have events in Silverton, Quitaque and Turkey and/or the surrounding area listed on the new 2000 Calendar of Events. Call 823-2131.

Living Nativity Scene To Be Presented Here

A living nativity scene will be presented at the Silverton United Methodist Church on Wednesday, December 15.

It's Santa Letter time again, and boys and girls of this area are being encouraged to get their letters off to the North Pole.

Address them to Santa, North Pole 00001, and mail them at the Post Office, or give them to the Briscoe County News. All of the letters received will be printed in the Christmas edition of the newspaper.

returned in the fall for an internship before graduation.

During college, he was a member of the Block & Bridle Club as well as being a starting member on the Tarleton Stockman's Ball to raise money for improvements to the school farm. He managed a ranch in Comanche, Texas prior to his college graduation. Following his graduation from Tarleton State University with a degree in Agriculture Services & Development with a minor in Animal Science, he began work with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Howard County (Big Spring) in August of 1997.

He invited you to come by his office in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse for a visit. He is anxious to meet everyone in Briscoe County and get the 4-H program going strong before time for the Briscoe County Stockshow in January 2000.

Christmas Greeting Page Deadline Coming Dec. 10

Century of Progress Study Club has announced that the deadline for getting your name on the Christmas Greeting Page is Saturday, December 10.

If you would like to donate to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service, Silverton Volunteer Fire Department and Silverton Public Library in lieu of sending Christmas cards locally, you may donate whatever amount you wish to this project.

For more information, contact Jackie Mercer, Annell Davis, Faye Rampley or any other member of the sponsoring organization.

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MINNIE OTIS

Memorial services for Minnie Otis, 55, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Friday at the Silverton United Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. Jay Stinson, officiating.

Graveside services followed at 3:30 p.m. Friday in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery at Canadian by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Otis died at her home here Tuesday, November 30.

She was born October 28, 1945, in Dickens.

She married Floyd Otis in Canadian August 10, 1964. He died October 28, 1981.

She moved to Silverton from Canadian in 1992.

Survivors include two sons, Bronc Otis of Silverton and Farris Otis of Globe, Arizona;

three sisters, Jody Urban of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Jan Bradley of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Mag Scott of Rosebud; a brother, J. C. Douglas of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and three grandchildren, Butler and Forrest Otis, both of Silverton, and Filaree Otis of Globe.

The family suggested memorials be to Silverton United Methodist Church or to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

DAVID M. McNAMARA

David Michael McNamara, who resided at Coronado Shores at Lake Mackenzie, died in surgery for repair of an aneurism at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo November 16. He was the son of David and Vyneta McNamara.

Born May 8, 1929 in Vernon, he was graduated from Vernon High School in 1948. He attended Oklahoma A&M University from 1950-1952 where he was a member of the rodeo team. Before retiring he was engaged in building contracting in California.

He was preceded in death by his eldest son, David, III, in 1982.

He is survived by a daughter, Valorie of San Diego, California; two sons, Bill and Kelly of Buena Park, California; a sister, Janetta M. Brown of Washington, D. C.; a brother, Bill F. McNamara of

Plano; two grandchildren, Sarah and Adam; an aunt, Janetta Little Smith of Houston.

Graveside services were conducted at Vernon Wednesday, December 1, at 11:00 a.m. in the Eastview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans Association or the Vernon High School Library, 2102 Yucca Lane, Vernon, Texas.

Jean Sweatt, Neil and Sybil King attended the graveside services Monday, and visited in Childress with Jeanny Grace King enroute home.

ONETA SANDERS

Services for Frances Oneta Sanders, 81, who died in Clarendon Monday, December 6, will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 8, at Robertson Chapel of Memories with Non-Denominational Ministers officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon, with Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc. in charge of arrangements.

Born at Munday in Knox County in March 11, 1918, she was a daughter of Roy Hugh and Mary Dosa Stodghill. The family moved to Briscoe County in 1924 and lived on a farm four miles northeast of Silverton. The family moved to Silverton and operated Stodghill Hardware.

She was graduated from Silverton High School, and married Elmer Hugh Sanders August 28, 1937 in Silverton. She was a resident of Brice for more than 25 years before moving to Clarendon in 1965. She owned Oneta Sanders Real Estate for several years before retiring in February 1998. She was a member of Non-denominational Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband May 4, 1990, and also by two grandchildren, Kathy and James Ariola.

Survivors include one daughter, Katherine Sue Ariola of Brice; three sons, Leonard Lee Sanders of Topeka, Kansas, Kenneth Hugh Sanders of Rawlins, Wyoming and Larry Earl Sanders of Fort Worth; three brothers, W. E. Stodghill of Amarillo, Clifton Stodghill of Silverton and Joe Ray Stodghill of Perryton; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews that considered her their second Mom.

Pallbearers were Robert Sanders, Sonny Sanders, David Sanders, Larry Harvey, Marcus Sanders and Benjamin Cox. Honorary pallbearers were Will Sleuter and David Brown.

The family requested that memorials be made to B/SA Hospice in Amarillo.

Lifeguard Training To Begin Dec. 28

The Plainview YMCA is offering a Lifeguard course which includes CPR and First Aid and will begin Tuesday, December 28, and finish Friday, December 31. The cost for the American Red Cross class is \$50 and \$100 for the Lifeguard course.

Friendship Quilters News Notes by Nina Martin

Last Thursday the quilters were Lallie Patton, Marie Rogers, Mary Burson, Laverne Stephens, Bobbye Bean, Ann Norris, Sybil King and Nina Martin, Ruby McWaters came by.

Peggy and W. D. Rowell spent Thanksgiving afternoon with the Ralph May family in Plainview. They laughed a lot, and cried some, but really enjoyed the afternoon. W. D. especially enjoyed Peggy's kissing cousins.

Teresa Sutton spent Thanksgiving Day with daughter, Cynthia and Don Glenn at Tulia. Their children, Ashley and Holly, came from Abilene Christian College; Don's parents, Elvin and Leola Glenn, came from Kress; Don's brother, Jimmy, came from

Miami. Teresa is going to Abilene next weekend to attend Ashley's graduation. Teresa's daughter, Melinda and baby, will meet her there and then come home to Teresa's to stay until Christmas.

Last Saturday afternoon, the following people attended the Tuna Christmas play in Lubbock: JonEtta Ziegler, Mary McMurry, Claudene Peery, Katy Bomar, Del Ray House, Carol Ramsey, Linda Oetgen, Bena Hester, Violet Thomas, Eudean Crow and Nina Martin.

Eudean Crow hosted the "42" Club last Wednesday. Present were Juanita Stephens, Margaret Ellen Thornton, Pauline Chitty, Ruby Brannon, Elsie Cornett, Lallie Patton and Nina Martin.

Wilma and John Gill enjoyed Thanksgiving with daughter, Tracy and Herbert Baird and children. Wilma's mother, Fannie Francis, came from Plainview.

Louise Vaughan spent Thanksgiving in Lubbock with her daughter, Helen Youngquist and her family. All but three of Helen's family were present. Louise also got to visit with her sister, Ruth Buchanan of Oklahoma City, in Plainview.

Iva and Clarence Russell of Pierre, South Dakota spent Thanksgiving with Iva's sisters, Sybil and Neil King in Silverton and Lina Whittington in Quitaque.

Wanda and Fred Strange had a wonderful Thanksgiving. All of the kids and grandchildren were present.

I visited with Polly Montague on the phone. She loves living at West Ridge Manor in Plainview. Her son, Quinn, came for Thanksgiving, and is planning to come Christmas with his family. Polly has rented her Silverton home. She told me Freeda Henderson had a narrow escape. A red light stopped her as the big Furr's sign fell in front of her car.

The Senior Citizens are having a Hamburger Luncheon at the Center on Friday.

Tidbit: There was once a fellow who called a spade a spade--until he fell over one on his cellar steps.

JV Teams in Tournament At Tulia Today

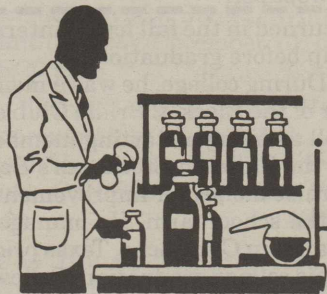
Silverton's Junior Varsity Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in a tournament at Tulia December 9-10-11.

Both teams will be starting with Springlake-Earth Thursday, the Lady Owls at 4:00 p.m. and the Owls at 5:20 p.m., both in the high school gym.

The winners of these games will play either Hart or Tulia JV at 6:40 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

The losers of the first games will play at 4:00 p.m. and 5:20 p.m. Friday, both games in the Junior High Gym which has just reopened after remodeling.

The other teams in the girls bracket are Nazareth, Friona, River Road, Tulia 9th, Springlake-Earth, Hart and Tulia JV. Also playing in the boys division are Nazareth, Friona, Boys Ranch, Tulia 9th, Springlake-Earth, Hart and Tulia JV.



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LOOKING BACK

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December 7, 1989--Candidates tossing hats into political arena: Janice Hill is seeking re-election as Treasurer; Judge David Cave to seek re-election; Fred Strange is entering race for Commissioner; Bess McWilliams announces for re-election as Clerk; James Edwards is seeking re-election as Justice of the Peace . . . Owls named to All-District teams are Bradley Brunson, offensive and defensive first teams, and Kendal Minyard, defensive squad and third All-Star choice; Frank Lowrey, defensive squad; Minyard and Wayne Henderson, second-team offense; Bryan Ramsey and Henderson, second-team defense . . . Cam and Missy Forbes are parents of a daughter, Shandy Beth . . . Two Briscoe County youths took top honors at the district 4-H Food Show in Lubbock Saturday. Brandon Sarchet was awarded second place in the Junior I main dish division, and Trey Wyatt received third place in Junior I nutritious snacks and desserts . . . Plainview names Roland Asebedo as new City Fire Marshall . . .

December 13, 1979--Gary Turner recently won honors as the YMCA "Outstanding Lifter," and is on his way to becoming a nationally-competitive powerlifter. A graduate of Silverton High School with the Class of 1977, Turner is a student at West Texas State University . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wood are parents of a son, Leland Chancy . . . Billy McGavock was taken to an Amarillo hospital by ambulance December 4 after he was injured in a one-vehicle accident on a county road north of Lake Mackenzie . . . Junior High Owlettes defeat Happy. Shea Green led the offense with 16 points. Also scoring were Rita Denton and Donna Boling, four points each; Alesha Patton, three; Michella Gee, Lisa Lavy and Angie Lowrey, two each, and Tammi Edwards, one point . . .

December 18, 1969--The Owls won second place in the tournament held here last weekend, defeating Nazareth and Turkey before losing to Flomot. The Owlettes won first place, beating Nazareth, Matador and Kress. Finas Ivory, Bob Hutsell, Evelyn Wood, Paula Birdwell and Charlcie Weathered won individual trophies in the tournament . . . Guy Breedlove and Edwin May killed two deer on the Frank Cobb ranch north of Silverton. The larger was an 11-point buck. Terry West killed a 10-point buck that field dressed at 196 pounds and Arley Barnett of Amarillo bagged a 17-point buck here . . . Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Sunday with open house . . . Mr. and Mrs. Homer Sissney honored at going-away party . . .

December 3, 1959--Last rites

held for Mrs. W. B. Hughes, 81 . . . Ann Wingo and Bobby Saul honored at District 4-H Gold Star Banquet . . . R. A. Baird, Melvin Yancey, C. L. Dunn and Sammy Turner each got a deer at Eldorado . . . Tomlin-Fleming Gin Company was host at a 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day dinner for the gin crew of workmen. Turkey, baked ham and all the trimmings were served to 24 men at the Silverton Cafe . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ziegler were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn and family in Tulia . . . Jene Montague and Ted Hancock, children of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Montague, underwent tonsillectomies in the Plainview hospital Wednesday . . . Mrs. E. Posey fell at her home Tuesday of last week, breaking a rib, which is quite painful . . . Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Boling and Debbie spent Thanksgiving Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gaither in Plainview . . . Johnnie Ted Bingham, who grew up here, underwent an emergency appendectomy in an Amarillo hospital Tuesday of last week . . . Mmes. Roy S. Brown, A. D. Arnold and L. K. Gilkeyson and Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Elrod attended the recital of Sam Brown at Wayland College in Plainview . . .

December 1, 1949--Big Silverton delegation to attend Borger-Post highway meeting in Amarillo . . . Owls open cage season with game at Tulia . . . Bale No. 1572 ginned here Wednesday, E. V. Ridlehuber reports . . . Luree Burson, a student at Denton, was visiting with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Burson, and other relatives over Thanksgiving and the weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Whitehead were transacting business in Plainview Saturday . . . Little Larry McWilliams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee McWilliams, had a tonsillectomy Monday morning at Swisher County Hospital in Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Eddleman and children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eddleman, in Quitaque Sunday . . . Hugh Stodghill made a business trip to Amarillo Tuesday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Crow and Bonnie Watters spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Wyly and Sybil and Glenn Watters at Friona . . . A group of relatives and friends gathered in the home of Ed Vaughan to help him celebrate his 69th birthday . . . Cliff Hyatt of San Benito visited last week with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hyatt . . .

November 9, 1939--Owls down Flomot here Friday, 25-7 . . . Mrs. W. C. Baird is victim of heart attack . . . Miss Pauline Buchanan became the bride of E. Covey Nash October 28. . . Spanish American Vet claimed by death; Dave Longborough, longtime resident, dies Sunday . . . Carl Crow, who has been a pa-

tient in the Veterans Hospital in Albuquerque, returned home Friday . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Brown transacted business in Plainview and Floydada Wednesday . . . Mrs. Durward Brown entertained the Sewing Club Tuesday afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wright of Concordia, Kansas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wright Wednesday afternoon . . .

November 21, 1929--Municipal sewer plant completed at cost of \$28,000 . . . Volunteer Fire Department is active again . . . Owls hoot and Panthers are subdued, 7 to 0 . . . The assets of Mullin Bros., in bankruptcy with stores in Silverton and Turkey, were sold to highest bidder Tuesday by

order of the federal court . . . Lola Fern Foust was given a party in honor of her sixth birthday November 11. A crowd of little folks spent the time in playing games and listening to stories told by Mrs. Jim Bomar . . . FFA officers elected are R. D. Wheelock, president; J. C. Turner, vice-president; Bailey Hill, treasurer; Cecil Vaughan, secretary; Carroll Garrison, reporter . . . Miss Maxine Watters was a weekend visitor with her cousins, Misses Iva and Lena Watters . . . Ten Quitaque hunters left for the mountains of New Mexico over the Armistice holidays qualified to the title of "Nimrod" on their return, when ten bucks, ranging from four to

eight pointers, were proudly exhibited as the result of their efforts. The first party to return included J. T. Persons, E. B. Tunnell, Archie Alexander and J. Tunnell, and they were closely followed by Frank Van Meter, B. D. Witcher, J. M. Lyon, Frank Wise and Hood Wise, and ten bucks were hanging in local storage the next day. Clyde Tunnell and W. P. Hall encountered car trouble during the trip, and had not returned on Thursday of this week . . .

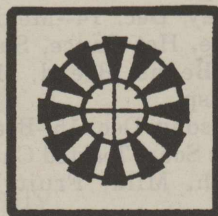
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**NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO CONDUCT WEATHER
MODIFICATION
OPERATIONS IN THE
STATE OF TEXAS**

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this Notice: November 25, 1999

1. Notice is hereby given that the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, 201 W. 3rd St., P. O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas, contact person, C. E. Williams, General Manager (806/883-2501) has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change or attempt to change the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below:

2. Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District submitted an application for a Texas Weather modification license on November 4, 1999.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall, to affect water resources and agriculture. The period of the permit is: April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2003.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, P. O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas 79097.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an operational area and a target area to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area: Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Swisher, Briscoe, Hansford, Hartley, Deaf Smith, and Moore.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is the counties of Hutchinson, Roberts, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Armstrong, Donley, Potter, Randall, Collingsworth, Hall, Hemphill, Oldham, and Childress.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuliiform clouds for cloud-seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecast techniques, observations, and plume dispersion models to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from one or two aircraft at cloud top or cloud base at a time calculated to affect the formation of cumuliiform clouds.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact C. E. Williams, General Manager, Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District (806/883-2501) or the Water Planning and Assessment Division (512/239-0770) of the Commission.

9. A public hearing on this application may be called by mail-

Happy Birthday-

December 9--Danielle Netro
December 10--Fay Perkins,
Manuel Aguilar, Tim Mattheus,
Brenda Harris

December 11--Dock, Wallace,
Kori Bailey

December 12--Johnathan
Perkins, Tom Burson, Dora
Storie, Lupe Hernandez

December 13--Debbie
McGavock, Jason Turner, Mary
Melendez

December 14--Mark Burk
December 15--Heather Davis,
Scott Davis, Aaron Younger

A tower in the shape of a stepped pyramid is called a ziggurat. This ancient structure usually formed the base of a temple.

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
Dec. 9-10-11--New Deal Varsity
Tournament; Tulia JV Tourna-
ment

Thursday, Dec. 9--Board Meet-
ing

Monday, Dec. 13--Kress JH
Here; Christmas Music Program,
9:45 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; Parent In-
volvement Program, 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14--Lady Owls
and Owls at Lazbuddie, 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 16--Employee
Christmas Supper; Semester
Tests (even)

Friday, Dec. 17--Semester
Tests (odd); Lady Owls and Owls
at Claude, 4:00 p.m.

Happy Anniversary-

December 11--Mr. and Mrs.
Roger Cantwell

ing a petition that requests a hearing to the Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each persons interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the last date the Notice of Intention is published in week one of the mandatory three-week period required by 289.17(j) of the Commission rules. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission shall hold a public hearing on an application prior to issuance of a permit. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting procedures, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Council, MC-103, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-308, (512)239-6363. 47-3tc

Varsity Teams Play in FM 211 Classic at Wilson, New Home

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls played in the FM 211 Classic Tournament at Wilson and New Home last weekend, and the Lady Owls were recipients of the Consolation trophy after Lazbuddie was forced to forfeit by the weather.

The Lady Owls lost their first game to Dawson, 41-36, after having led most of the way until the third quarter.

Sara Kirchoffner led the scoring with 19 points. Also adding to the score were Taylor Griffin, seven; Chelsey Cherry, five; Dara Johnston, three; Bryn Mayfield, two points. Brooke Garvin and Julie Weaver didn't score. Shots from downtown were hit by Sara (2), Dara and Taylor.

Lady Owls 8 16 26 36
Dawson 4 7 28 41

The Lady Owls did a lot better in their second game with Spade, winning 64-19. They took control of the game 18-7 in the first quarter, and were never headed.

Taylor Griffin and Chelsey Cherry scored 15 points each to lead the Lady Owls, and Sara Kirchoffner was right with them, scoring 13. Brooke Garvin added nine, Dara Johnston, seven and Bryn Mayfield, five points, to round out the score.

Three-point shots were hit by Sara (3), Dara and Taylor.

Lady Owls 18 34 48 64
Spade 7 11 13 19

The Lady Owls went into the finals of the consolation bracket by virtue of a 54-42 win over Whiteface.

Sara Kirchoffner and Taylor Griffin tied for scoring honors with 14 points each. Also scoring were Lisa Comer and Chelsey Cherry, eight each; Dara Johnston, seven, and Brooke Garvin, five points.

Three-pointers were hit by Sara (2) and Taylor.

Lady Owls 12 25 39 54
Whiteface 11 13 32 42

When the Lady Owls arrived at Wilson Saturday for their five o'clock game, they found that Lazbuddie had forfeited, and officially the Lady Owls won 2-0, and brought home the trophy.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 13--Ham Slice, Macaroni & Cheese, Blackeyed Peas, Broccoli, Hot Roll, Milk, Rice Krispie Treat

Tuesday, Dec. 14--Mexican Casserole, Hot Sauce, Salad, Refried Beans, Bread, Milk, Apple Crisp

Wednesday, Dec. 15--Beef & Vegetable Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Milk, Fruit and Cookie

Thursday, Dec. 16--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, Dec. 17--Hamburger with Cheese, French Fries, Salad, Milk, Cookies

The Owls defeated Dawson in the first round of the tournament, 77-21.

Red Ivory kicked the scoring into high gear by tossing 29 big points into the baskets. Also scoring in double figures were Nathan Francis, 17; Max Whitworth, 11; Isaiah Ivory, 10. Rounding out the score were Daniel Reagan, six, and Adrian Ramirez, four points.

Shots were hit from downtown by Red (3), and Nathan (1).
Owls 26 44 65 77
Dawson 6 11 16 21

The second game with Spade was a very close one, with the score knotted at 15-15 at the end of the first quarter and the Owls ahead by two at the midway stop. The final score was 57-54 in favor of Spade.

Red Ivory caged 17 points to lead the offense and Nathan Francis added 13. Also scoring were Isaiah Ivory, seven; Daniel Reagan and Max Whitworth, six points each, and Adrian Ramirez, five points.

Owls 15 30 43 54
Spade 15 28 39 57

Red hit four shots from downtown, and Isaiah hit one.

The Owls lost their last appearance in the tournament to Jayton, 59-40.

Nathan Francis led the scoring with 14 points. Daniel Reagan caged 10 points. Also scoring were Isaiah Ivory, five; Adrian Ramirez, four; Red Ivory, three; Issac Garcia and Max Whitworth, two points each.
Owls 6 18 30 40
Jayton 13 29 37 59

Junior Varsity Teams Play in Clarendon Tour.

Both the Junior Varsity Owls and Lady Owls played in a tournament at Bronco Gym in Clarendon last weekend.

The Owls started with Wellington, dropping that game 41-17.

Scoring was by Matt Strange, five; Clay McMurtrey and Dustin Hale, four points each; Daniel Rogers and John Arnold, two points each.
JV Owls 2 10 16 17
Wellington JV 11 23 38 41

The JV Owls came back to defeat Highland Park 30-15 in the second round.

Scoring was by John Arnold, Chase Comer, Dustin Hale, Matt Strange, six points each; Clay McMurtrey, four, and Daniel Rogers, two points.
JV Owls 4 7 12 30
Highland Park 2 4 6 15

The JV Owls dropped a 29-19 decision to Claude in the final round of the tournament.

Scoring was by Chase Comer, seven; Matt Strange, six; Daniel Rogers, four; John Arnold, two points.
JV Owls 2 11 13 19
Claude 6 8 21 29

JV Lady Owls Open With Win

The JV Lady Owls opened the action with a 26-11 victory over Claude here November 30.

Kurby Garvin led the offense with a big 18-point effort. Also scoring were Kassie strange, six, and Jenny Young, two.

JV Lady Owls 10 15 17 26
Claude 2 4 8 11

The JV Owls dropped their game 31-28.

Scoring for the Owls were Matt Strange, Dustin Hale and John Arnold, six points each; Tyler Young, Daniel Rogers, John Rogers, Clay McMurtrey and Chase Comer, two points each.

JV Owls 6 16 22 28
Claude 4 10 19 31

The Lady Owls played to a 44-43 decision with Claude after having held a lead at the end of the third quarter.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were Sara Kirchoffner, 15; Chelsey Cherry, eight; Taylor Griffin, six; Dara Johnston, five; Brooke Garvin, four; Bryn Mayfield, three, and Lisa Comer, two points.

Lady Owls 13 21 36 43
Claude 14 21 30 44

The Owls defeated Claude 56-40 behind the big scoring effort of Nathan Francis who rang up 23 points. Isaiah Ivory scored 13. Adding to the score were Red Ivory, nine; Adrian Ramirez, five; Daniel Reagan, four; Max Whitworth, two points.

Shots from downtown were hit by Red, Isaiah and Adrian, one each; Nathan, two.

Owls 17 27 35 56
Claude 4 18 27 40

The Ash Can School was a group of American artists active from 1908 to 1918. Their work featured scenes of urban realism.

The JV Lady Owls opened their tournament appearance with Wellington, losing their game 38-31.

Jenny Young caged 13 points to lead the offense. Adding to the score were Kurby Garvin, eight; Tarran Forbes, seven; Amy Maciel, two, and Kassie Strange, one point.

JV Lady Owls 12 18 33 31
Wellington 12 19 33 38

The JV Lady Owls lost their second game to Highland Park, 37-22.

Kurby Garvin led the scoring with 10 points. Also scoring were Tarran Forbes, six; Jenny Young, four; Amy Maciel and Kassie Strange, one point each.

JV Lady Owls 0 10 18 22
Highland Park 3 10 20 37

The JV Lady Owls won the consolation game 38-7 from the Clarendon ninth grade.

Kassie Strange led the scoring with 12 points. Also scoring were Kurby Garvin and Tarran Forbes, eight points each; Amy Maciel, six; Jenny Young, four points.

JV Lady Owls 13 20 26 38
Clarendon 9th 0 3 5 7

The teams will be playing in a tournament at Tulia this weekend.

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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ended December 2, 1999

Technical factors, combined with a lower-than-expected export sales figure, pressured the market this week.

Although shipments of current crop cotton reached a marketing year high of 104,900 bales in the week ended November 25, net export sales dropped for the second straight week. Unfortunately, little improvement is foreseen with the approach of the year-end holiday period and continued strong competition abroad.

Net export sales of 144,700 bales were well below the expectations of most in the industry who had anticipated purchases totaling more than 200,000 bales for the week. Sales probably were affected by the short-end business week as the New York Cotton Exchange and many offices were closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Surprisingly, Brazil, with purchases of 43,000 bales, pushed Mexico out of first place for the week as mills there continue to enjoy the lower prices of some Texas-grown cotton. According to one observer, there are reports of several Brazilian mills purchasing a full year's supply of cotton at this price level. Turkey and Mexico rounded out the list of top buyers of U. S. cotton with purchases totaling 31,000 and 19,300 bales, respectively.

Merchants have reported shorter-staple, lower-prices descriptions have continued to sell well, while longer-staple cottons remain too expensive for many importers. Most export markets are not interested in higher-prices cotton because they already have a sufficient supply bought to cover immediate needs.

Meanwhile, interest remains strong in the spot cotton market, as sales on TELCOT totaled 46,930 bales in the five trading days ended December 2. The figure is slightly below the previous week's sales of 52,456 bales but still is considered positive. Average daily prices received by producers utilizing the electronic marketing system ranged from 36.77 to 39.60 cents per pound compared to a range of 36.87 to 38.99 the prior week.

Most of the cotton in the U. S. is now off the stalk, according to USDA. The department reported 88 percent of the U. S. crop had been harvested as of November 28 compared with the five-year-average of 87 percent. Exceptionally warm temperatures and open skies this season have been advantageous to cotton producers, allowing them to harvest with few interruptions.

Favorable weather conditions also have prevailed over western Texas. However, recent forecasts for a warmer, drier winter in Texas have raised questions about

moisture conditions for the spring. For cotton, the weather predictions are a mixed bag; some crop observers point to few concerns in western growing areas but more problems in southern areas.

On the Texas High Plains, where most of the state's cotton is grown, the prospect of a dry winter has caused little concern. Rain is needed around April, just before most High Plains farmers plant cotton. In fact, the lack of precipitation this fall has resulted in exceptional color grades for the 1999 crop with more than 65 percent of the crop classed Midling and better. Ultimately, however, timely rains in the hot summer months of June, July and August will determine the success of the 2000-2001 crop.

On the other hand, cotton in southern Texas is planted in March and harvested in July and August, so winter precipitation is crucial. Parts of South Texas received beneficial moisture from big storms such as Hurricane Bret, but some areas are in dire need of rain. In the Rio Grande Valley, drought conditions continue to plague the region, and rain is necessary to replenish water in the reservoirs farmers depend on for irrigation during the growing season. Concern about a dry winter is mounting because tight water supplies in the upcoming year may mean crops will see limited irrigation in the area.

Money 2000

Line up budget for the holiday-season purchases. It isn't too early to start planning for holiday gift buying. By starting now, your chances of not overspending improve dramatically, and it may enable you to control the emotional pull of spending too much to express love and appreciation.

Here are some tips on keeping holiday spending in line: plan your holiday budget based on what you can realistically afford; place a dollar amount in front of each person's name and total the figures; allow for other holiday expenses such as decorating, entertaining, gift wrapping and postage; and pay with cash since charging often leads to impulse buying. The holiday season is a time for sharing, enjoying family and friends and giving more of ourselves.

By planning ahead, there is the opportunity to be creative and thoughtful in gift giving while staying within a budget.

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JV, Varsity Owls Play Lazbuddie

Silverton's JV Owls played a game with Lazbuddie on November 17, and dropped their match 32-11.

Scoring for the Owls were Clay McMurtrey, five, including one three pointer; Daniel Rogers, Dustin Hale and John Arnold, two points each.

JV Owls 2 6 8 11
Lazbuddie 4 10 24 32

The varsity Owls played to a 48-35 victory over the Longhorns. Isaiah Ivory led the offense by

House Christmas Tree Ushers in Holiday Season

The holiday season made its annual debut in the Texas House Chamber November 30 with the delivery of a 25-foot Christmas tree from Camp Swift, a Texas National Guard post in Bastrop County. Nelda Laney, wife of House Speaker Pete Laney, coordinated the decoration of the Eastern Red cedar tree on December 2.

"As always, the tree will be a stunning sight, the first thing that visitors see as they enter the House floor," Nelda Laney said. "It's our way of sharing the holiday season, and I encourage everyone to see the tree and enjoy the festive atmosphere it brings to the Capitol."

The tree will feature hundreds of hand-made decorations and

scoring 13 points, and Red Ivory added 10.

Also scoring were Daniel Reagan and Nathan Francis, eight points each; Adrian Ramirez, five; Max Whitworth and Matt Strange, two points each.

One three pointer each was hit by Isaiah, Adrian and Daniel.

Owls 9 15 32 48
Lazbuddie 10 15 26 35

ornaments from Texas and every state in the nation. It is adorned with the latest addition of the "Capitol Ornaments" series begun by Mrs. Laney in 1996. The 1999 ornament features a porcelain silhouette of Texas amid red and blue Lone Stars.

Designed by Mrs. Laney, the "Capitol Ornaments" series has generated more than \$600,000 for Capitol restoration. She got the idea for a Texas collection in 1995, when a Dallas woman sent an ornament from the White House collection.

"I thought, 'why can't we do that?'" Mrs. Laney said. "Now we do it each year. It's a symbol of Texas."

Many ornaments come from Texas counties and legislative districts, donated by individuals, local groups and current and former members of the House. They reflect traditional Texas themes, ranging from big oil to bluebonnets to cattle and cotton.

Among the ornaments are silver pinecone angels, a hand-made replica of the Los Ebanos, Texas, ferry; a wreath made of wheat, grain and cotton from Speaker Laney's fields near Hale Center; and a salt dough Santa donated by Lady Bird Johnson. The oldest ornament is a due-cut "scrap and tinsel" Father Christmas from the early 1900s.

WEATHER

24-HOUR DECEMBER READINGS

6:00 a.m. Each Day

Date	High	Low	Precip.
1	62	29	
2	68	44	
3	66	30	
4	65	26	.06
5	35	19	.50
6	44	19	
7	52	23	
Total December Precip.			.56
Total Snow			4"
Normal Dec. Precip.			.68
Total Precipitation Rec'd			
Year to Date	19.03		
Normal Precipitation			
Year to Date	21.22		



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Junior High Teams Play First Games of Season With Claude

Silverton's Junior High teams played a series of games with Claude here November 15 as the season openers.

The Seventh Grade Owls dropped their match 20-17.

Scoring for the Owls were Beau Brock, nine points, including a three pointer; Zack Burson,

Humberto Vasquez, Max Comer and Chance Rhoderick, two points each.

7th Owls	4	6	11	17
Claude 7th	8	12	19	21

The Eighth Grade Lady Owls won their game 20-15 behind the scoring of Lori Griffin, who caged eight points. Also scoring were Kelcy Simpson, four; Kelsie Estes, three; Crystal Walls and Brittany Perkins, two points each; Daryl-Ann Reynolds, one point.

8th Lady Owls	5	11	16	20
Claude	2	6	11	15

The Eighth Grade Owls were

outscored 78-12 in their game.

Scoring for the Owls were Clifton Baker, four points; Payton Estes, Brandon Stephens, Ty Reed and Eric Minyard, two points each.

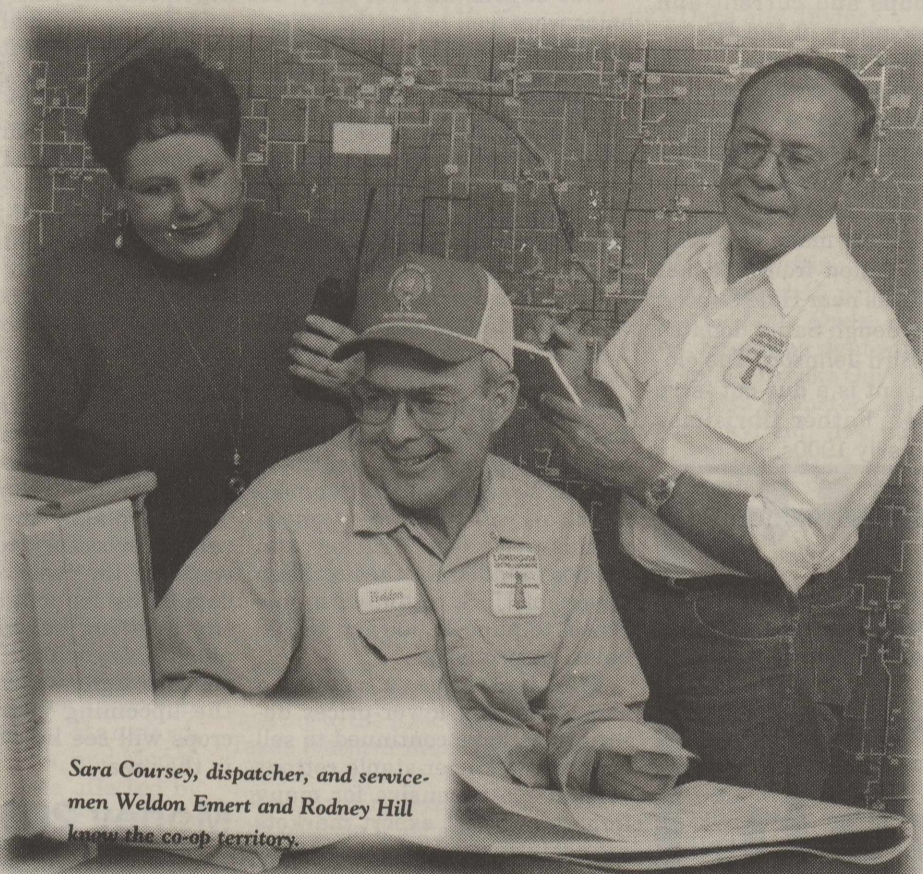
8th Owls	2	6	8	12
Claude	28	41	61	78

High School Teams Open Their Seasons

Silverton's varsity and junior varsity Owls opened their season at Lorenzo November 19, while the Lady Owls played their first game the following day at Slaton with Borden County.

The JV Owls led off the action with a 51-30 loss to Lorenzo. Daniel Rogers caged 11 points, including a three pointer, and

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Whitney Hanna George was crowned Little Miss Tulia Saturday, November 14, at the 1999-2000 Miss Tulia Pageant. She is the daughter of Kim and Dusty George of Tulia and is the granddaughter of Rhenda and Jimmy Burson of Silverton.

Dustin Hale rang up 10 counters. Also scoring were John Arnold scored four points; Clay McMurtrey and Danny Dunn, two points each.

JV Owls	8	20	24	30
Lorenzo	13	18	36	51

The varsity Owls dropped a 98-38 decision to Lorenzo.

Nathan Francis scored 14 points and Isaiah Ivory added 12 to lead the offense. Also scoring were Adrian Ramirez, four; Red Ivory, Daniel Reagan, Max Whitworth and Matt Strange, two points each. Isaiah hit two from downtown.

Owls	10	14	24	38
Lorenzo	41	61	85	98

The Lady Owls dropped a 62-

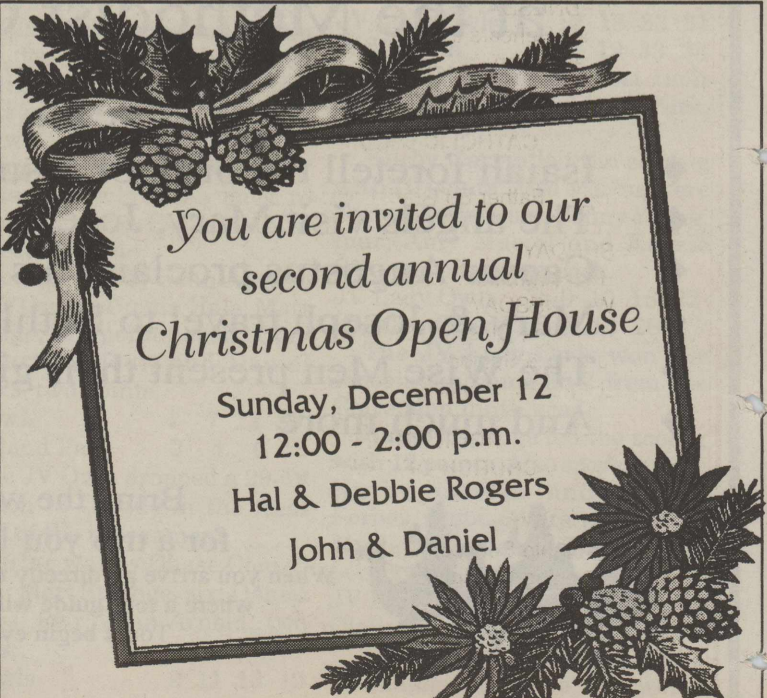
37 decision to Borden County. Taylor Griffin led the offense with 15 points, while Sara Kirchoffner got seven; Brooke Garvin, five; Chelsey Cherry, four; Dara Johnston, three. Sara hit two three pointers and Taylor hit one.

Lady Owls	2	11	31	37
Borden Co.	12	24	45	62

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Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
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Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY:
In-home Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.
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At some time or another, everyone needs guidance. Corporate leaders of large companies, and even the president of the United States, have many advisers whom they seek when they need direction. Of course, regardless of the advice they receive, the responsibility and final decision are theirs, and they are usually held accountable for the outcome.

Seeking wise counsel and advice, along with prayer and guidance from scripture, is always a good way to deal with decisions that are a part of daily living. Many great presidents of our country, such as George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, were known to pray for guidance whenever they were faced with troubling issues. Asking ourselves, how would God want me to deal with this situation, and staying in His will, should help us to have peace of mind. Whatever our position in life, we should seek both human and divine guidance, and Psalm 23 tells us that God will guide us in the path of righteousness for His name's sake.

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Tara Shane Smith to Dance in Presentation of 'Nutcracker'

Tara Shane Smith, 13-year-old daughter of Mickey and Debra Smith, will dance with the Lone Star Ballet in its annual presentation of the "Nutcracker" December 9-10-11-12, 1999.

Tara has danced formerly with Tip Tap Toes of Plainview, and for the past 18 months has studied under Neil Hess, director of dance in the Department of Music and Dance at West Texas A&M University, who is choreographer of the "Nutcracker."

Tickets are available at the Civic Center Box Office at 378-3096 or the Lone Star Ballet at 372-2463.

For over 25 years, the Lone Star Ballet has been a major cultural force on the High Plains of Texas. Dancers from the Lone Star Ballet have gone on to find employment with major dance companies, including the New York City Ballet, San Francisco Ballet, Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Ballet West, Pennsylvania Ballet, Hamburg Ballet, Chicago Opera Ballet, South African Ballet and Cleveland Ballet.

Talent from the company has enriched Broadway shows from Applause, Fiddler on the Roof, Camelot, Cats, Chorus Line, Jerome Robbins' Broadway, Victor-Victoria, Carousel, Phantom of the Opera and Radio City Music Hall productions. Many more have appeared in major movie and television roles.

It was Neil Ness who convinced area residents they could support the Lone Star Ballet in 1976. Over two million dollars in sets and costumes complement Lone Star Ballet's annual "Nutcracker" presentation, but it is Hess' brilliant presentation that has ensured its success since 1970 when it began at a local high school. In 1978 the production moved to the Civic Center and it was joined by the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra in 1981.

The Ballet repertory has ex-

panded and now features Carmina Burana, Jesus Christ Superstar, Swan Lake, Gaité Parisienne, Dancing People, God Bless Texas and All the Cowboys Too, Premieres and The Sorcerer.

As choreographer of TEXAS, Hess has directed the outdoor drama since 1985. Written by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Paul Green, the play recalls the settling of the area. For the past seven years, TEXAS has received international acclaim as the largest and most popular outdoor drama.

Hess says, "From a dream to reality . . . it's kind of fun to do the impossible!"

Owls, Lady Owls Playing at New Deal

The Owls will play Trinity at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. The Lady Owls will play at 2:30 p.m. Saturday if they lose their second game, and at 7:00 p.m. Saturday if they win their second game.

The Owls are in Pool B with Plains and Trinity. Pool A boys teams are New Deal, Valley and Springlake-Earth.

Playing in the girls division are Tahoka, Trinity, New Deal JV, Muleshoe, Plains, Valley and New Deal. The Lady Owls are in the portion of the bracket with Plains, Valley and New Deal.

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