

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



I know this is hard for you to believe, and it is hard for me to believe, as well. We print 52 issues of the Briscoe County News every year, and already this year we have printed 47 of them. This week is issue 48, and after this there are only four remaining.

It's time for the kids to write their letters to Santa if they would like to have them published in the Christmas edition of the newspaper. The kids can send their letters to Santa by taking or mailing them to the Briscoe County News Office or to the U. S. Post Office in Silverton.

All letters will be forwarded to Santa in plenty of time for him to fill their orders before Christmas Eve.

Mitchell Simpson told us that he shot a large boar hog a few feet from his front door a few days ago. The dog was barking and Mitchell thought there might be a skunk in the yard. He got a gun to kill it, but when he saw what the intruder was, he went back for a different gun. This was about five o'clock in the afternoon.

Elzora Gallington enjoyed having 46 family members and friends in her home for Thanksgiving.

Scholastic Book Fair Time is Here

It's time for the Scholastic Book Fair! It will be held in the school library December 5-7 during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. All elementary classes will be allowed to go to the library during scheduled times on Tuesday, December 5.

Please feel free to meet your child when his class comes. The Book Fair will be open during lunch.

The Book Fair has always been very successful and the profits are used for Accelerated Reader incentives.

Tuesday's Book Fair Schedule
Pre-K--8:30 - 9:10
K-- 9:15 - 9:45
1st-- 12:15 - 12:45
2nd-- 1:25 - 1:55
3rd-- 12:45 - 1:15
4th-- 2:25 - 2:55
5th-- 1:55 - 2:25

Senior Citizens To Have Party

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly birthday party at the Center Tuesday, December 5, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

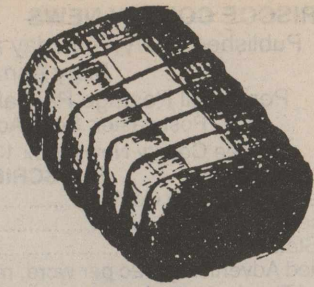
Those with December birthdays will be honored.

The party will be hosted by those who had their birthdays celebrated in November.



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2000

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Owls, Lady Owls \$1,000 Ford FFA Scholarship To Enter FM 211 Classic Nov. 30 To Be Awarded to Area Youth

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in the FM 211 Classic at Wilson and New Home November 30 and December 1-2.

The Owls will make their first appearance at 10:30 a.m. Thursday with Three Way at Wilson. This will follow the Lady Owls and Three Way, which begins at 9:00 a.m. Thursday at Wilson.

This is a huge tournament, with 16 teams in each bracket. Some of the games will be played at Wilson and the others will be played at New Home.

The other teams in the tournament are Whitharral, Spur, Ropes, Meadow, Lazbuddie, Jayton, Dawson, Wilson, Grady, Cotton Center, Hermleigh, Southland, Loop and New Home.

If the Owls and Lady Owls win their first games, they will play the winners of the Grady-Cotton Center games at 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. Friday at New Home. The losers of these games play at 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Friday at Wilson.

Skating Party

Briscoe County Activities Association will host another skating party on Saturday, December 2, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Skating will be from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.

Bring your own skates.

There is no charge for admission to skate, and nominal charges are made for soft drinks and candy.

Christmas Lighting

Briscoe County Activities Association will sponsor a Christmas lighting/decoration contest, and homes will be judged on Thursday, December 21.

Please be sure to have your lights turned on December 21.

Buyers' Club To Meet Here Tonight

Briscoe County Buyers' Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday, November 30) in the Silverton School Cafeteria.

The angel Gabriel appears four times in the Bible: twice in the Old Testament and twice in the New Testament. The name Gabriel means God is mighty.

Floydada Ford-Mercury is sponsoring one \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to an area FFA member in the spring of 2001. This is the fourth year that Floydada Ford-Mercury has been a participating dealer in the Ford Truck/FFA Scholarship Program.

The scholarship is one of 400 that will be awarded by local Ford dealers to FFA members in their trade area who are high school seniors planning to attend college during the 2001-2002 school year. In addition, Ford Division is sponsoring five national scholarships available to any FFA member. This is the fourth year of the Ford Truck/FFA Scholarship Program which has awarded over \$800,000 to FFA members since 1997.

The scholarship program is a cooperative effort between Ford Motor Company and participating Ford dealers. FFA members may apply for one of the 405 Ford Truck scholarships through a special Ford Truck scholarship application (available from Floydada Ford-Mercury or the local FFA advisor), the National FFA scholarship application (available from the local FFA advisor). Students also may apply online or see a list of participating dealers at www.ffa/activities/scholarships.org

As a special incentive for the scholarship program, Ford is providing a brand-new Super Duty F-250 pickup to FFA, which will be

awarded to a local FFA Chapter. For details on this exciting opportunity, contact the local FFA advisor.

The Ford Truck FFA Scholarship Fund is designed to recognize and encourage the academic achievement, accomplishments and talents of FFA members throughout the U. S. Ford and its dealers sponsor these scholarships as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

For 53 years Ford has supported FFA. And, for over 50 years, people all over American have been putting Ford F-Series to work. This combination of tough work in a tough truck is a partnership Ford wants to keep on growing. That's why Ford has increased the Ford Truck FFA Scholarship Fund each year since its inception. Educating aspiring young people is just another way of ensuring a successful future.

FFA is a national youth organization of 455,306 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,226 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.



Christmas decorations have been going up in Silverton this week! Pictured is Chris Wright, who is employed by Mid-Plains Rural Telephone, hanging a decoration. Assisting with this work have been employees and three trucks from Southwestern Public Service Company and a unit from Classic Cable TV.

Briscoe County News Photo

Firemen Taking Orders For Christmas Briskets

Silverton Volunteer Firemen are taking orders for briskets for Christmas.

The briskets will be cooked December 22.

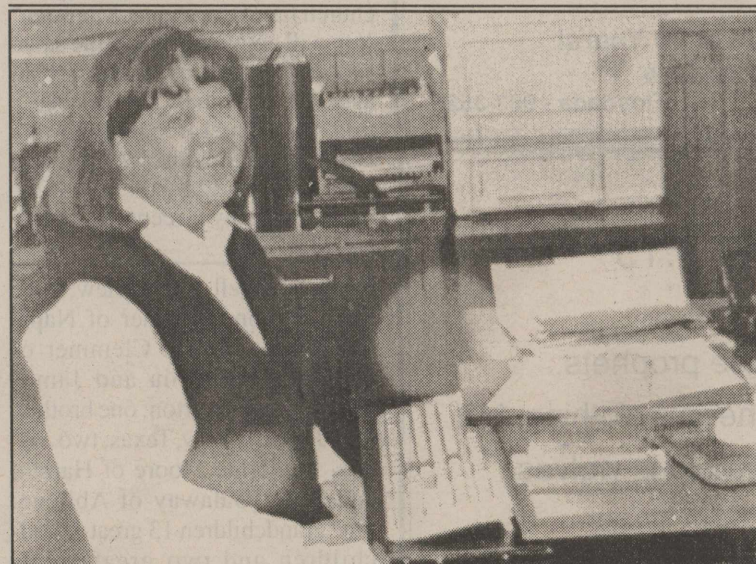
Call Jerry Patton at the City Hall, 823-2125, to order your brisket.

Turkey Jamboree Set December 2

Entertainers for Turkey's December 2 Jamboree are the house band, the Turkey Gem Dandies; Will Boedecker, a young fiddler from Quitaque and a student of Cory Williams; Don Herriage from Irving; Grammy and Pop from Silverton. The Talent Showcase will begin at this Jamboree. Some very talented youngsters will be featured, along with anyone else who would like to be on the show.

There will be hamburgers, chips, desserts and drinks for sale.

Don't forget the Turkey Jamboree, which just keeps getting better.



Each month City Bank, Texas chooses an Employee of the Month from a group of 180 full-time employees. In October, Beverly Minyard was chosen for this honor. She was given a plaque and a gift certificate to a nice restaurant. This monthly honor allows Beverly to be eligible for Employee of the Year, which will be decided in December.

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WANTED

I want to help put up your Christmas lights. 847-7534. 47-2tc

TO GIVE AWAY

Good country home needed for part-Laborador. Six-month-old male; neutered. Owner says he is smart and could be taught to hunt. 823-2333. 48-tfnc

INSIDE SALE

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Lorilyn Long Honored At Wayland Homecoming

Lorilyn Long, daughter of Darrell and Carol Long, Hesperia, California, and granddaughter of Othel Long, Silverton, Texas, was honored to be part of the Wayland Baptist University Homecoming Court. Twenty-two girls were nominated and Lorilyn was voted second runner-up by her peers. She is a senior at Wayland and is majoring in elementary education with a minor in missions.

She has been active in leadership in the Baptist Student Ministries and has been the prayer coordinator for the last two years. She was born and reared in California. Her father, Darrell Long, grew up in Silverton and is now the Minister of Missions at the First Baptist Church in Hesperia, California.

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Thanksgiving Guests

Guests in the home of Othel Long for Thanksgiving were Darrell, Carol and Rebecca Long of Hesperia, California; Bob and Diane Barley and Jason Vaughan of Lubbock; Ronald Welch of Tulia, and Roy Len Long of Silverton.

Texas Crop and Weather Report

Cattle producers are giving thanks for recent rains which brought green pastures. Extension Economist Joe Pena says livestock conditions are excellent in Southwest Texas, which has received rain for the past month. Forage conditions have recovered very nicely from the summer drought.

The outlook in Central Texas is improving, even though conditions vary. Current cattle conditions are dependent on how cattle were managed during dry weather.

Pastures in East Texas and the Panhandle are responding well to recent rains. There has been little growth because of low temperatures, but the moisture will be beneficial in the spring.

Herds in Southwest Texas have been below traditional carrying capacity since the drought in 1993.

CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank everyone for all your prayers, cards, flowers and food since our sweet mother's and wife's passing. You have given us inspiration and courage to keep going. It's a comfort to know we live in such a caring community.

God bless you,
The family of Betty Reid

We would like to thank you for your thoughts, prayers, calls and visits while Greyson was in ICU at University Medical Center in Lubbock, and now that we are all at home together we are fortunate to have such wonderful, caring family and friends.

Todd, Lisa, Kate, Sheridan
and Greyson Reagan

We would like to than everyone for your thoughtfulness, the food and the phone calls while David was ill, and especially for your prayers. We believe David is on the mend. He has felt a lot better since his last surgery. Thank you so much for the program from the Thanksgiving Community Service that everyone signed. All of you are in our prayers. Thanks so much,

David and Anita Beebe

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Financial Aid Seminar Scheduled Sunday at First Baptist Church

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It is never too early to be thinking about the financial part of a college education. Come and hear an "insider" share how to get the most out of financial aid (scholarships, grants, loans, etc.) Whether your child is going to West Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Wayland (or anywhere else, for that matter) many of the applications for financial aid are the same.

The seminar is scheduled for Sunday, December 3, and will begin in the Fellowship Hall at 4:30 p.m.

For information, call Randy Mullin at 823-2412 or 823-2007.

Youth Concert, Pizza Blast Set For Youth Night

REJOICE will be presenting a youth concern Sunday evening at 6:00. This musical group travels all over the Tri-State area performing and ministering through Christian music.

REJOICE consists of college students from Wayland Baptist University and will be at First Baptist Church for a special Youth Night program. Following the concern, there will be a PIZZA BLAST for all students in grades seven through twelve.

For information, contact Nathan Barnes at 296-9760 or the church office at 823-2412.

Winter Photography Workshop Planned At State Park

A Winter Photography Workshop will be held at Caprock Canyons State park at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, December 16.

Photographer Gary Johnston will give some classroom instruction about nature photography and instruct students on the finer points of taking outdoor pictures. Then, cameras in hand, Johnston will lead the exploration of the Park looking for photo opportunities and a chance to capture a perfect picture.

Reservations are required. The class is limited to five to fifteen people. Call 1-806-455-1492 to reserve a place in the class.

The group will meet at the Park Headquarters at 1:00 p.m. and travel in a van to the workshop site (less than five minutes away). You will need to bring your own camera and film, note pad and snacks. The group will be working both

TELECOOT[®] Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

The holiday-shortened week was punctuated by a sometimes bumpy ride for cotton futures as producers sought to hedge aggressively when prices set new highs and funds positioned for the December contacts' first notice day. The threat of deliveries of certificated stocks also weighed on the market at times. Meanwhile, harvest delays in West Texas largely were ignored by traders.

Analysts suggest slightly more than half of the crop on the Texas High Plains is off the stalk, and adverse weather has ensured that a sizable amount of cotton remaining in the field is now on the ground. One Texas cotton broker said area farmers could finish harvesting in three to four weeks if they have dry conditions. However

the National Weather Service six-to-10-day outlook as of November 23 called for above-normal rainfall for West Texas which could prompt further stripping delays. Consequently, many producers were in the fields this week trying to harvest their cotton as quickly as possible before inclement weather returned.

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, stripping activity in Texas remains behind schedule with only 66 percent of the crop off the stalk as of November 19, two percentage points lower than the five-year average. In comparison, the national harvest is progressing nicely with 82 percent of fields across the Cotton Belt now harvested compared to 80 percent a year ago.

A total of 16,146 bales were sold in the week ended November 22, with average daily prices received by producers utilizing the electronic marketing system ranging from 54.58 to 56.97 cents per pound compared to a range of 53.25 to 56.64 cents the previous week.

Helen Strickland To Retire Dec. 1

Helen Strickland, a native of Silverton, will be retiring after 43 years three months and eight days as an employee of the Farm Service Administration in Lubbock. She began working in the Silverton office, and transferred to Lubbock many years ago.

A graduate of Silverton High School, she is the daughter of the late Stella and Will McJimsey, and is the twin sister of Harvey McJimsey of Silverton.

Thanksgiving is Celebrated in Smith Home

The traditional celebration and Thanksgiving dinner was held in the home of Glenn and Winnie Smith on Thanksgiving Day. Those enjoying the turkey and all the trimmings were Donnie and Sandy Perkins, Becky, Danny and Ami Dunn, Silverton; Patti and Tucker Lowrance, Magan and Matt Whittington, all of Cedar Hill; Bronc, Amy, Butler and Forrest Otis, Terry and Ann West, Brad, Jeannine and J. T. West, Silverton; Brian, Christy, Brianna, Emily and Addison West, Tulia; Jeff, Sonya, Derrik and Gavan Smith and Tobe Riddell, Silverton; Clyde West of San Diego, California.

The day was spent eating, visiting and watching football. The family already is looking forward to next Thanksgiving Day.

Junior High Teams Drop Games to Nazareth Monday

Silverton's Junior High teams hosted the teams from Nazareth Monday night of this week, and lost all three of the games even though the Eighth Grade Owls played a very close game and finished just two points behind.

The Seventh Grade Owls led off the action with a 34-9 loss.

Jesse Reynolds caged five points and Jeronimo Garcia hit four for the Owls.

7th Owls	4	4	4	9
Nazareth 7th	14	25	32	34

The Eighth Grade Lady owls played to a 38-15 decision. Kelsie Estes led the scoring with seven points. Right behind her was Krista Hale, with six. Britney Perkins caged two points.

8th Lady Owls	2	4	8	15
Nazareth 8th	12	23	33	38

The Eighth Grade Owls trailed a little at the first stop and were ahead by a little at halftime. The game was close all the way and exciting for the players and fans.

Beau Brock led the offense by scoring 14 points. Bert Vasquez added 11; Gid Mayfield, six; Jacob Francis, four points.

8th Owls	7	19	25	35
Nazareth 8th	10	17	28	37

Next Blood Drive Is December 12

The next Blood Drive will be held Tuesday, December 12, at the Silverton City Hall.

indoors and outdoors, so you need to dress for the weather.

The workshop will not be cancelled, come rain or snow! Workshop fees are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors or TCP members, \$10 for children 12 and under (includes park entrance fee).

Let's talk

December 5

Silverton High School Cafeteria

3:30 p.m.

Historic changes are taking place in the electric utility industry.

Swisher Electric is implementing re-organized rates effective January 1, 2001 to reflect these changes.*

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Obituaries

AGNES ALLARD

Services for Agnes Kendrick Allard, 95, of Tulia were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Sunday at Wallace Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Perkins Patton officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

Mrs. Allard died Thursday, November 23, 2000, at Swisher Memorial Hospital.

She was born April 19, 1905 in Silverton. She was reared in Silverton and graduated from Silverton High School. She attended Amarillo College.

She married Johnnie Cecil Kendrick in May 1921. He died July 29, 1926. She moved to Amarillo and worked for Federal Home Loan Administration.

She married Roy Allard February 15, 1929 in Silverton. They lived on ranches in Texas and New Mexico until he retired and they moved to Tulia. He died February 2, 1971.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Tulia.

Survivors include her daughter, Jonnie Weaver of Silverton; a sister, Velma Rhodes of Austin; two grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren.

LOTTIE CLEMMER

Funeral services for Lottie Lucille Clemmer, 90, will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, November 30, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Rev. Randy Mullin, pastor, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Silverton Cemetery with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Clemmer passed away Monday, November 27, at Lockney where she had resided for several weeks.

Born May 29, 1910 in Young County, she married James R. Clemmer October 10, 1926 in Scurry County. They moved to Briscoe County in 1935 and to Silverton in 1936. He preceded her in death May 30, 1983.

Mrs. Clemmer had been a nurse, kindergarten teacher and school lunchroom worker, retiring in 1985.

She was preceded in death by a son, J. R. Clemmer in 1931; and two daughters, Lucy Souter and Jo Suter, both in 1994.

Survivors include one daughter, [name obscured], and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia, First Presbyterian Church in Tulia or Vista Care Hospice in Plainview.

Paul Ledbetter to Celebrate 95th Birthday Dec. 1

Paul Ledbetter will be 95 on November 25, and the Ledbetter family invites you to help him celebrate this occasion.

Stop by for a visit and share some cake and ice cream Friday, December 1, 2000, from 2:00 until 4:00 in the afternoon in the Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Church Plans Ladies Night

Lighthouse Community Fellowship, 601 Broadway in Silverton, invites all ladies to a special ladies night December 8, 2000 at 5:30 p.m. for a salad supper and service at 7:00 p.m. Special guest speaker will be Betty Shuman from Borger, who has been a pastor's wife for 30 years. She is a dynamic lady of God. She has four grown children. At the age of 26, her youngest son, Stuart, came home to die with AIDS because of the lifestyle he chose to live. Betty told her son that she did not carry him for nine months for him to die with AIDS or anything else; she stood on scripture Psalm 118:17, thy shall live and not die, and declare the works of the Lord.

She prayed with him every day, and made him eat and walk every day. Today Stuart is 40 years old and there is not one trace of HIV in his blood. Two years ago the doctor told her husband that he would be blind within the year; they stood on the word of God and prayed and to this day he has not gone blind and is still preaching the Gospel.

Betty has faced many more battles in her life, but always comes out victorious because of her faith in the Lord. She has a message for everyone to hear; she will build your faith in God, to face any battle that life brings your way. Everyone is invited to come and hear the word of God, as only Betty Shuman can share it. She is lovingly known in her family and church family as "Sister Momma." You will enjoy sharing in the salad supper and service. Ladies of all ages are welcome. If you need a ride, please feel free to call Anita Beebe at Lighthouse Community Fellowship, 823-2045 or 823-2171, or Kathy Greene in Turkey at 423-1180.

Roma Swindell of Plainview; three sons, Milton Clemmer of Napa, California, Buford Clemmer of Upland, California and James Clemmer of Silverton; one brother, Don Jones of May, Texas; two sisters, Katherine Moore of Hamlin and Betty Galaway of Abilene; nine grandchildren 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Silverton Cemetery Association or to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Fund.

There's a New Cowboy in Town!

He's roped our love and branded our hearts! Greyson McCrea Reagan rode into our lives on November 4, 2000, straight from heaven at fifty-four past two, came our cowboy with eyes of blue.

He weighed seven pounds and two ounces, and measured 19 3/8 inches long on arrival.

We're as happy as we can be, with Kate and Sheridan, our newest partner makes three!

His parents are Todd and Lisa Reagan.

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Nov. 30-Dec. 2--Wilson Tournament

Monday, Dec. 4--Dist. FFA Banquet at Clarendon; Happy JH here, 5:00

Tuesday, Dec. 5--Lorenzo, here; Book Fair begins

Thursday, Dec. 7--Christmas Program, QZ and 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 7-9--New Deal Tournament

Rainfall Report For Year 2000

	2000	Yearly Average
January	.16	.65
February	.00	.60
March	2.52	.93
April	2.39	1.49
May	.80	3.11
June	9.10	3.78
July	.46	2.39
August	.00	2.64
September	.01	2.49
October	3.04	1.75
November	1.45	.71
Totals	19.93	20.54

Stadium Seat to be Given Away Soon

Silverton Booster Club will have the drawing for the Stadium Seat at the Lorenzo-Silverton varsity ballgames Tuesday, December 5.

The "#1 Booster" will be the winner of the seat.

See Rick or Beverly Minyard or Barry or Michelle Francis if you want to have a chance to win this seat. You do not have to be present to win.



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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

November 15, 1990--Owls to host Smyer in playoffs . . . Junior High Owls are undefeated district champions . . . Rusty Miller wins first place in Science Fair . . . John Cavitt and Aimee Francis chosen Most Likely to Succeed by school faculty . . . Bradley Brunson and Julie Graham are Mr. and Miss SHS . . . Class Favorites are Kami Martin and Johnny Patino, freshmen; Aimee Francis and Stan Gamble, sophomores; Jennifer Grimland and Lyndell Ivory, juniors; and the entire senior class, Bradley Brunson, John Cavitt, Kirk Couch, Emmy Garcia, Melissa Garcia, Carrie Ann Grabbe, Julie Graham, Wayne Henderson, Crystal Miller, Terry Miller and Rob Weaks . . .

November 13, 1980--Faye Rampley is District XVI Teacher of the Year . . . Jeremy Holt, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David Holt, continues to receive treatment at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview. He has had a virus since his birth on October 31 . . . Kaleb Clay, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Clay, has been a patient in the hospital at Hale Center. He was running a fever when he was admitted to the hospital Friday night . . . Miss Lisa Ann Childress and Dennis Farley were married October 31 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Aguilar announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Irma Mae, to Eloy Reyna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alberto Reyna of Turkey . . .

November 5, 1970--Owls in four-way tie for District 2-A title . . . Mackenzie Authority receives \$300,000 from Water Board . . . Talk of the town this week is also the District 2-A football trophy the Junior High Owls have won. The trophy was described as being about four inches tall when the boys won their first district game; it doubled in size after they won their second game. The first part of last week the boys were describing it as being "as tall as Dean Ziegler and twice as heavy." By Thursday at noon, it was an inch or two taller than Dean, and after the win over Claude, it has become at least a foot taller . . . James Ross and Karla Alexander are parents of twin sons. One weighed almost five pounds and the other is almost six pounds. They were named Karlan and Creighton . . . J. L. Self is continuing to improve following surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo . . . Stephen Wayne Stephens was honored on his fourth birthday with a party at the park Wednesday . . . Miss Rhonda Sutton and Terry Culwell were presented as the 1970 Halloween Queen and King in a formal coronation ceremony Saturday night. Chosen as Princess and

Prince were Miss Reba Chappell and Dee Arnold . . .

November 10, 1960--Kennedy carries Briscoe County . . . Owls to tackle Petersburg in last game of season Friday . . . Community Christmas Program planned December 5 . . . Norman Strange went to Dallas and brought home his wife, Peggy, and her mother, Mrs. C. A. Holt, Wednesday of last week. Peggy is thought to be doing fine and is recuperating following lung surgery . . . Mrs. Joe Brannon underwent a tonsillectomy in the Tulia hospital on Thursday of last week . . . Cletus Grady, jr., recently fell and broke his left arm above the elbow . . . Billy and Victor Lee McGavock shared a birthday party November 8, as is their custom . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harvey McJimsey are parents of a son, Douglas Kent . . . Zenobia Self was one of seven new members initiated into Phi Alpha Theta honorary history fraternity at Wayland Baptist College November 8 . . .

November 16, 1950--The new Farmers Gin now operating, has turned out forty bales of cotton on the new machinery . . . The Helping Hand Club met with Mrs. Edwin Crass Thursday. Those attending were Mmes. U. D. Brown, Lowell Callaway, Virgil Baldwin, Frank Fisch, J. Lee Francis, Hollie Francis, Clyde Mercer, Frank Mercer, Aubrey Rowell, A. J. Rowell, Scott Smithee, Jack Jowell, Alva Jasper, Clayton Wood, J. D. McGavock and three visitors, Mrs. W. A. Rowell, Mrs. J. E. Minyard and Mrs. Joe Mercer . . . Mrs. Wade Welch and Mary were recent visitors in Amarillo . . . Mrs. Carl D. Bomar and Roy Ann and Mrs. L. D. Griffin were visitors in Lockney Friday . . .

December 26, 1946--Mrs. A. G. Harrison entertained her Sunday School Class with a Christmas party Tuesday evening in the basement of the First Baptist Church. Gifts were exchanged by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mac Biffle, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Tate, A. G. Harrison, Mrs. Raymond Bomar and the hostess . . . Mrs. Lee D. Bomar and Miss Anna Lee Anderson entertained the school faculty Monday evening with a Christmas dinner in the home of Mrs. Bomar . . . Richard L. (Hank) Brown will be playing his last game for the Hardin-Simmons Cowboys when the undefeated and untied Border Conference Champions meet Denver University in the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio New Year's Day . . . Jimmy Price is injured in workshop at school . . . Mrs. Knox Brooks and children are

spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Roy Thomas. T/Sgt Roy Thomas of Timber Field, Oklahoma is here on terminal leave, visiting with his wife and other relatives . . .

January 16, 1930--County hatchery is ready for operation . . . Talking pictures are planned for Silverton by Palace management . . . Jeff Gunter had the misfortune Sunday night to lose his Whippet Motor Car to thieves. The car was in his residential garage but not locked, and a clear get-away was effected by whoever drove it off. No clue or trace has been found . . . R. F. Stevenson is an expert rifleman . . . R. M. King Grocery moves

down Main Street on the W. C. Smithee lot on Main Street just south of the southwest corner of the square. The sheet iron building of Jno. Burson, across the street was skidded onto the vacant lot and remodeled for the grocery firm . . . The London Bridge Club met in the lovely home of Mrs. E. G. Snapka Thursday afternoon. A delightful afternoon was spent at bridge within the warm and cozy reception rooms, after which a two-course lunch was served, consisting of salad, heated grape juice, pickles, jello and cake to the members of the club . . .

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 4--Turkey Pot Pie, Salad, Crackers, Milk, Rice Krispie Treat

Tuesday, Dec. 5--Pizza, Veg Stix, Bread, Milk, Fruit Roll-up

Wednesday, Dec. 6--Mexican Casserole, Salad, Corn, Hot Sauce, Milk, Apple Crisp

Thursday, Dec. 7--Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, Dec. 8--Hamburger, Cheese, Salad, Fries, Milk, Cookie

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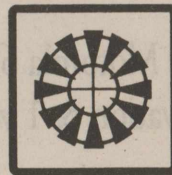
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Family Reports on Jeri Parker's Progress

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crutches. The cane is still a bit of a problem. The crutches allow her to distribute her weight a little easier. It wasn't that long ago that she could barely take two steps with the crutches so she's gaining strength. The cane will come and then walking without assistance

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High School Teams Win Two of Three Games From Lockney

Silverton's varsity teams and junior varsity Lady Owls played a series of games with Lockney on Tuesday night of last week, and emerged victorious in two of three of them.

The JV Lady Owls opened the action with a 39-17 win. Scoring in double figures were Lori Griffin, 13, and Kurby Garvin, 10. Also scoring were Kassie Strange, eight; Kelcy Simpson, six, and Daryl-Ann Reynolds, two points.

JV Lady Owls	11	18	29	39
Lockney JV	4	11	13	17

The varsity Lady Owls dropped their game in spite of having balanced scoring from their team members. Taylor Griffin caged 15 points to lead the Owl ladies, and also scoring in double figures were Bryn Mayfield and Chelsey Cherry, 11 points each. Adding to the score were Amanda Estes, eight; Jenny Young and Julie Weaver, four points each; Tarran Forbes, three points.

Lady Owls	9	20	29	56
Lockney	18	36	52	66

Red Ivory led the varsity Owls by scoring 25 points, and his brother, Isaiah Ivory, was right on his heels with 22 points. Also scoring were Adrian Ramirez, six; Issac Garcia, three; Andrew Francis, Dustin Hale and John Arnold, two points each.

Owls	19	32	45	62
Lockney	6	29	45	58

Kurby Garvin had the hot hands and tossed 12 points into the baskets to lead the offense for the JV Lady Owls. Also scoring were Kelcy Simpson, nine, and Kassie Strange, one point.

JV Lady Owls	10	19	21	22
New Deal JV	7	16	24	33

Chelsey Cherry led the offense with 10 points. Also scoring were Tarran Forbes and Taylor Griffin,

will come. She will have to take advantage of the times between chemo when she regains her energy and a bit of stamina. This Thanksgiving season, Brit, Virginia, Randi, Charlie and all the other family members are saying thanks to everyone who continues to remember Jeri in their hearts and prayers. They say thanks to everyone who has helped or offered to help, to all the doctors and nurses who have worked so hard, to their friends and co-workers who understand their need to be flexible, and to their families for all their support. They say thanks for the positive signs that the chemo is beginning to show. And they thank God for all the time they've had as a family and cherish every day they have going forward.

Charlie Parker has been spending a few days at his home here. He has spent days and weeks in Houston with his granddaughter and the rest of the family during these days of her treatment.

eight points each; Brooke Garvin, Amanda Estes and Julie Weaver, four points each; Jenny Young and Bryn Mayfield, two points each.

Lady Owls	4	15	29	43
New Deal	8	26	42	62

The varsity Owls had no game because New Deal was, and still is, playing in the state football playoffs.

Eighth Grade Owls, Lady Owls Win Pair of Games

Silverton's Eighth Grade Owls and Lady Owls played a pair of games at Valley on Monday of last week, bringing home victories in both of them. The Seventh Grade Owls dropped their game 22-25.

The Lady Owls started slowly, but managed to hold a nice lead at the midway stop.

Krista Hale led the offense by scoring 12 points. Also scoring were Britney Perkins, five; Danielle Ramirez, three, and Kelsie Estes, two points.

8th Lady Owls	5	11	16	22
Valley 8th	4	4	6	13

The Eighth Grade Owls had to come from behind to earn their victory in the third and fourth quarters.

Bert Vasquez led the scoring with 20 points. Adding to the score were Beau Brock, five; Logan Fisher, four; Chance Rhoderick, Jacob Francis and James Tiffin, two points each.

8th Owls	5	11	29	35
Valley 8th	8	14	18	28

Jeronimo Garcia led the offense for the Seventh Grade Owls by

WEATHER

6:00 a.m. readings during November, 2000

	High	Low	Precip.
1	72	49	.02
2	63	35	
3	67	36	
4	50	47	.05
5	56	47	.05
6	70	40	.28
7	51	28	.05
8	30	26	.43
9	35	22	
10	55	21	
11	57	28	
12	62	27	
13	39	22	
14	45	26	
15	45	20	
16	58	28	
17	47	19	
22	62	30	
23	51	31	
24	45	35	
25	52	28	
26	49	24	
27	60	29	
28	57	29	

Total Precip. in November	1.45
Normal Precip. for Nov.	.71
Total 2000 Precip. Rec'd,	19.93
Normal Precip. for	
Year to Date	19.83

scoring 12 points. Also scoring were Jesse Reynolds and Tanner Young, four points each, and Josh Maciel, two points.

7th Owls	2	10	17	22
Valley 7th	6	10	14	25

The teams hosted the teams from Nazareth on Monday night of this week.

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Search deeply; do we follow Jesus' commandments? Or man's way of being in Christ. Many think to know the interpretation and we defend ourselves with it! Exodus 20:4 reads thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image! Of anything! In heaven, earth, or below! They have. Matt 5:44 reads love your enemy! Have we? Lev. 19:18 reads love our neighbor as ourselves! Do we? It seems we can find verses to comfort our ways. That's wrong! Act 2:38 reads, then Peter said: unto them repent and be baptized every one of you in the (name) of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Yet! again he said, Act 10:47, can any man forbid water, that these should not be (baptized) which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? Man is wrong many times. In the (name) is the foundation in Christ! (The name) the church! Doctrine in Christ BY GOD! To those Jews! Try making the effort to live clean, Holy, asking, we may receive it. Right, God's way! Not MAN'S order! Jesus commanded in Matt. 28:19, Go ye therefore, and TEACH ALL NATIONS (baptizing) them in the name of the Father (and) of the son, (and) of the Holy Ghost. What did Peter mean (Baptizing)? Isn't it to mean TEACHING, resurrection to newness of Life? We should pray! And do what Jesus plainly says! Practice salvation! Learn first the two Greatest commandments. The Bible is all true but, God TRIES the reuns of our hearts! The new Testament reads clear they stoned to death those found in adultery! Have we? What did Jesus do? He loved us!! Do the same and the interpretation may come right! For the letter kills! Speaking in tongues is not the only evidence having the Holy Spirit, if envy, gossip or someone because of Jealousy, Hate, or That our Church is better, where is the fruit of the Spirit?!! If we call ourselves Christians, are we as Christ Like? Do we teach as we know it all. Scolding, highly speaking, and as Pharisees, Religion!

--For it is written!! Galatians 5:22-23--But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: Christians are servants in these!! If not, it's just as always a babbling tongue! Consider! Gal. 5:22-23, Is it the Baptism of the Holy Spirit with FIRE? Or the example (Jesus) left for us! If we're not with the fruit of the spirit, neither is the Holy Spirit with FIRE!! How many times did Jesus speak in Tongues, and how long does Paul have to correct those who did? Try this!! Reach out in the darkness and help someone!! God bless us, and our families.

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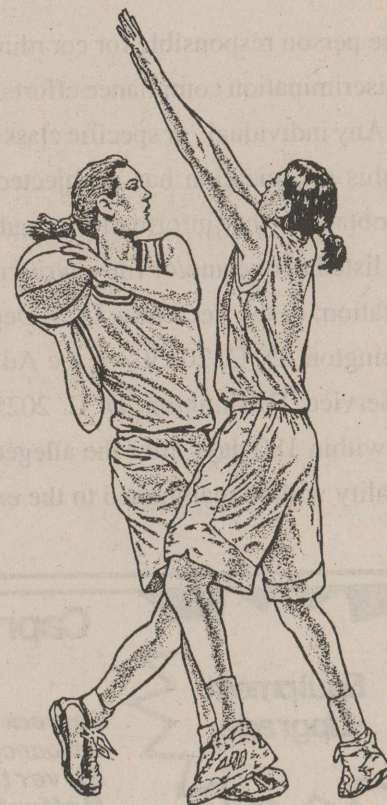
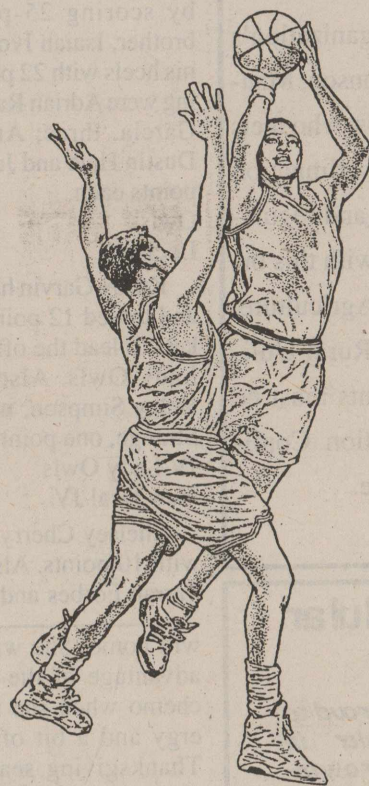
Silverton Owls & Lady Owls 2000 - 2001 Basketball Schedule

High School Schedule

Nov. 30-Dec. 2	Wilson Tourn.	Away
Dec. 5	Lorenzo	Home
Dec. 7-9	New Deal Tourn.	Away
Dec. 12	Lazbuddie	Home
Dec. 15	Claude	Home
Dec. 19	Groom	Away
Dec. 28-30	Hoot-Out Tourn.	Home
Jan 2.	Kress	Away
Jan. 5	Paducah	Away
Jan. 12	Paducah	Home
Jan. 19	Valley	Away
Jan. 23	Nazareth	Home
Jan 26	Happy	Home
Jan. 30	Valley	Home
Feb. 2	Nazareth	Away
Feb. 6	Happy	Away

Junior High Schedule

Dec.4	Happy	Home
Jan. 8	Happy	Away
Jan. 15	Nazareth	Home
Jan. 22	Valley	Home
Jan. 29	Nazareth	Away
Feb. 5	Happy	There



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Angel Christmas Tree Project Is Now Underway

The Angel Christmas Tree is an anonymous project that is for the benefit of needy children in the community.

The Angel Christmas Tree has been up in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse since Monday, November 6. Each angel on the tree will include sizes that are needed.

It is required that each one sponsoring an angel provide four items of clothing: pants, shirt, sox and underwear, and a toy or age-appropriate gift.

Please go by the courthouse next week and take an angel off the tree. You can take care of this project before or during the time you are preparing Christmas for your own family.

The gifts are returned to the tree in time to be distributed to the children at Christmas.

Thanksgiving Celebrated in Ziegler Home

A great thanksgiving was held in the Riley Ziegler home. Those present were Dean Ziegler, from the Houston area; Josh and Kater Ziegler, Iowa Park; Krista and Justin Ziegler, Gainesville; Karen Dunn, Justin and Riley, Ivan and Delinda Suchowrlski, Nikki and Candice, The Woodlands; Chelly Jones, Alta Loma, California, and Aaron Williams, Brad, JonEtta, Trey and Townlii Ziegler, Silverton; Skylar Fort, Canyon; Patti Ann and Sara, Lovington, New Mexico, and last but not least, three-year-old Tristen, who keeps everyone's attention.

Games were played, pictures were taken and there was lots of eating and visiting.

Everyone had an enjoyable time.

Mary Garner Initiated Into Alpha Chi Society

Mary Stodghill Garner was initiated into Alpha Chi national college honor scholarship society during a recent candlelight ceremony at West Texas A&M University. Membership in Alpha Chi is limited to the top 10% of the junior and senior classes.

Ms. Garner, a senior at WTAMU, is the recipient of the Betty Hervey/Dee Dean Memorial Scholarship of the Amarillo Republican Women, and was included on the Spring 2000 Dean's List.

She is the daughter of Clifton and Joy Stodghill and is the granddaughter of Bonnie May Ainsworth.

Panhandle Community Services Receives Grant

Panhandle Community Services has been selected by USDA Rural Development to administrate a Housing Preservation Grant in the amount of \$83,432 to renovate existing housing within the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Recipients must come from communities of less than 10,000 population and whose incomes are considered low to very low in relation to the incomes within the county.

This money must be used in conjunction with the home weatherization program of Panhandle Community Services. Persons who feel they qualify and would like to inquire about this assistance should contact their local PCS office to apply.

TxDOT To Dedicate District Office

The public is invited to attend the dedication to public service of the new district office complex for the Childress District of the Texas Department of Transportation. The dedication will be held at the new complex three miles west of Childress on US 287 at FM 164 Monday, December 4, 2000 at 1:30 p.m.

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