All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Tyra and Casey Page were unable to take their baby to Cincinnati, Ohio Friday to have Connor placed on a donor list. The baby became too ill to travel and was placed back in the intensive care unit.

Arrangements had been made for a private plane to take the family to Cincinatti.

The baby's grandmother, Cynthia Younger, said that they would appreciate your continuing to keep Connor in your prayers.

There will be a meeting of Silverton Buyers Club Tuesday, September 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria.

Everyone is urged to attend.

Briscoe County Activities Association will meet at 8:00 p.m. today (Thursday, August 23) at the Show Barn in Silverton.

The Plainview Road Runners car club will be at the Briscoe County Courthouse at 6:00 p.m. Saturday. They are going to stop for a tour of the historic Briscoe County Jail as they are enroute to the Midway Drive-in to see a

If you like to look at classic cars, come to the courthouse to Mook them over.

The burning ban has been lifted in Briscoe County, but everyone is cautioned to continue to be careful with their fires.

Growers and homeowners will have an opportunity to dispose of their waste pesticide containers and leftover crop protection products at a Pesticide Collection event today in Sweetwater at the Rolling Plains Co-op Compress.

Plains Ginners Association Annual Meeting will be held at lakeridge Country Club in Lubbock August 27.

West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute Annual Conference, will be held at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center September 19.

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Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner and Principal Sheryl Weaver are elated at the news that the Silverton School has been rated as exemplary in the state accountabbility ratings, according to the Texas Education Agency. This is an upward move from being recognized last year Briscoe County News Photo into the highest ranking available.

Rising Accountability Ratings Propel Texas School Up in Ranks

Despite some tougher standards tricts and 2,009 schools. on Texas' schools, accountability ratings have shot up during the past year, which has pushed the state as a whole to the second-highest rating in the system.

Dropout standards were tightened and more students were evaluated, said Texas Education Nelson. Instead of changes pressing on school ratings, many Texas public schools performed at a higher level.

For 2001, a record number of districts and campuses earned an exemplary rating, the highest mark in the accountability system. The rating was taken by 1,567 schools, up from 1,296 last year. Ten more school districts earned the rating, 178 over last year's total of 168.

Overall, Texas schools also increased in number in the recognized rating, the second highest mark in the system. In 2001, 463 districts and 2,236 campuses took the rating--that's up from 439 dis-status the previous year include

Both large and small districts are carring this rating, Nelson said. It's another testament to education reform in Texas schools, he said.

Acceptable ratins were down, with 2,476 schools taking the title, compared to 2,912 last year. Of school districts, 398 earned the rat-Agency Commissioner Jim ings this year, compared to last year's total of 428.

Nelson said the change is based on schools and districts moving to higher categories.

In the low-performing category, 40 fewer campuses were given the rating. Just 1.5 percent of Texas campuses--106 in total--earned the rating, which is the lowest in the

One-third of those campuses to earn the rating were charter schools. Of the state's 174 charters, 43 were rated low-performing.

School districts in the Panhandle improving their overall rating to exemplary status from recognized

Owl Football is Off and Running!

Dewaine Lee got an idea of just how good the Owls might be this year from the simple fact of how little he had to do.

"They looked a lot more mature than they have in the past,:" the third-year coach said. "They've picked up the system and understand the drills, and they have a great attitude. They didn't need much coaching. They were leading the drills and made it an easy morning."

Lee said that was the most encouraging thing to come out of the morning, and it is a key step if the Owls are going to secure a playoff

"One of the things I want them to do is stepup and say 'it's my team'," Lee said. "They've got to do this and come together and start developing as leaders. I think we can play and win some games, and we've got a good group of juniors and seniors that will do a good job. This morning they came together and I heard talk and encouragement I haven't had in the past.'

Along with a good attitude and work ethic, Silverton also possesses a strong nucleus of experienced talent to make a strong run at the playoffs in the 2001 season.

Leading the charge will be spread back Andrew Francis (5-10, 175 pounds), who will handle most of the quarterbacking duties, and running back Red Ivory (5-10, 160). Monty Wood is also expected to see time at quarterback in certain formations and at running back.

An all-junior group--Dustin Hale, Chase Comer, John Arnold and Galen Smith--will handle duties on the offensive and defensive

On defense, Ivory and Francis will anchor things from their line-Booker, Grandview-Hopkins, Miami, Panhandle, Pringle-Morse, Quanah and Silverton.

Springlake-Earth and Turkey-Quitaque (Valley) made giant leaps, going from an academically acceptable rating the previous year to exemplary status this year.

Also moving up a mark, from academically acceptable to recognized, were Bovina, Dimmitt, Hart, Sanford and Stratford ISDs.

See Rising Accountability--**Continued on Page Five**

On the first day of fall football backer spots. Ivory was an all-state practice, Silverton Head Coach honoree as a sophomnore after logging eight interceptions and 111 tackles.

Defensive lineman Duncan Vernon joins them as one of the defensive mainstays.

"I feel we'll play hard, number one, and number two, just have fun," Lee said.

Coach Lee is being assisted by Ryan Dykes and Lenny Jackson.

The entire squad is made up of Beau Brock, Zack Burson, Max Comer, Logan Fisher, Chance Rhoderick, James Tiffin, Humberto Vasquez, freshmen; Clifton Baker, Caleb Francis, Eric Minyard, Marcus Patino, Colt Smith, sophomores; John Arnold, Chase Comer, Dustin Hale, Red Ivory, Galen Smith, Monty Wood, juniors; Nathan Baker, Andrew Francis, Duncan Vernon, seniors.

The team scrimmaged at Lazbuddie Saturday morning and will be having a scrimmage with Follett here Friday at 6:00 p.m.

The first game of the season will be September 7 at Cotton Center at 7:30 p.m.

See Owl Football--**Continued on Page Five**

Free Blood Pressure/ **Blood Sugar Clinic**

by Cory Payne, CEA-FCS

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is collaborating with Kathy Fuston of Covenant Health Care to provide a free blood pressure/blood sugar clinic.

The clinic will be held in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse Thursday, August 23, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to take advantage of this free service!

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I would like to thank Amanda Estes, Kelcy Estes, Red Ivory, Krista Hale, Lori Griffin and Dustin Hale for cleaning up the mess that was left at the "corncob" Saturday night. These young adults took it upon themselves to correct a problem. They certainly have earned my respect.

Mike Long

Simple Steps Can Save Babies' Lives

Provided by Cory Payne, **CEA-FCS**

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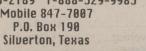
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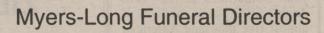
Fearful of Speaking Your Mind

Some people have a certain amount of fear when speaking their mind on certain issues, especially when it comes to telling others what they want in a relationship, in a job, or whatever the case may be. Since these things may be uncomfortable to talk about, they are often avoided. But by avoiding them, we may forfeit the opportunity to correct a situation or get what we really want. On the other hand, if we suggest something and the person is not responsive,

suggest something and the person is not responsive, we are usually no worse off than we were before. At least we know we tried, and we may still be able to affect a change through our efforts. Although there are things in life that we may avoid because of the chance of anguish or discomfort, the anticipation is often worse than the thing itself. The Bible tells us that there is no fear in love: perfect love drives out all fear. So then, love has not been made perfect in anyone who is afraid, because fear has to do with punishment (1 John 4:18).

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J. L. Williams Dies in Truck Wreck

Wednesday, August 15, in a onevehicle accident near Vernon. He was 62.

According to the Vernon Daily Record, Williams was traveling in a 1996 Peterbilt truck on U. S. Highway 287 five miles east of Vernon shortly after midnight. The vehicle reportedly plowed through three telephone poles before coming to rest on the shoulder of the northbound lane.

The accident was discovered by a worker for Burlington Northern-Santa Fe Railroad after they received a signal loss on their lines.

Emergency authorities were dispatched at 12:33 a.m. Department of Public Safety Trooper Tom Wilson said Williams was dead upon his arrival at the scene.

Williams was apparently the only occupant of the vehicle.

He was pronounced dead by ing for Andrews Transport.

Jacob L. Williams died early Wilbarger County Justice of the Peace Caroline Koontz, who ordered an autopsy to determine the cause of death. The body was sent to Texas Tech University Forensic Pathology Lab in Lubbock.

Funeral services for Williams were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Friday at the Silverton Church of Christ with Tom Craiker and Ted Kingery officiating.

Burial with Masonic rites was conducted in the Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Jacob Lee Williams was born September 25, 1938 in Hobbs, New Mexico and grew up in Odessa. He served in the U.S. army as a military policeman, and married Bettie Ruth Yancey December 13, 1972 in Lovington, New Mexico. He was a Master Mason and a truck driver, work-

Ag Policy Occupies Center Stage in Lubbock

Big crowds and rapt attention provided the best summation of the Texas Agricultural Policy Summit held in Lubbock recently.

Featuring comments from Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman and House Ag committee Ranking Minority member Representative Charles Stenholm, the summit provided West Texas farmers and ranchers the opportunity to hear first half about the process surrounding development of the next farm bill

Much attention was placed on understanding better the details of

Survivors include his wife; five sons, David Williams of Lubbock. Jacob Williams of Baltimore, Maryland, Mark Williams of Malakoff, Scott Roberts of Claremore, Oklahoma and Ronnie Yancey of Amarillo; a daughter, Judy Griffin of Amarillo; a brother, Joe Williams of Odessa; two sisters, Pat Cox of Stephenville and Beatrice Montgomery of Cross Plains; nine grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

Pallbearers were Lance Stidham, John Burson, Bryan Schott, Kirk Miller, Mitcheal Martin, Doug Bradford and Jerry

The family suggested memorials be to a favorite charity.

the plan put forth by the House Ag Committee and the need for a solid round of support for the legislation as it is considered by the full House of Representatives the week of September 10.

It was also noted that the efforts of the Senate are expected to pick up momentum following Congress' return after Labor Day.

In order to have a new Farm Bill in place and operative for the 2002 growing season a Senate version of the next farm bill must be passed, conferenced with the final Bill approved by the House, and then approved again by both Houses of Congress and be ready for the President's signature before the end of the year.

It was generally agreed that the challenge to get all of that done in less than four months was great but not insurmountable

Following her remarks Secretary Veneman announced the start of the process to deliver \$5.5 billion in federal aid approved by Congress and signed by President George W. Bush August 13.

Veneman made the announcement at the Lubbock County Farm Service Agency office. She also announced the approval of a \$20

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Jerry Patton City Secretary

Friendship Quilters **News & Notes**

by Bobbye Bean

We only had eight quilters last week: Oleta Warren, Ada Clay, Bobbye Bean, Sybil King, Wanda Strange, Mary Burson, Marie Rogers and Nadyne Childress.

We put up Lallie's string quilt that was put together by her grand-

Bobbye and Walter had grandkids for three days. Kyler Bean from Lubbock and Jill and Drew Bean from Amarillo were

Ann Norris is in California visiting her sister.

Ada and Oleta had company over last weekend. All of their sisters and brothers came to visit. They all came to see Oleta's Blue Ribbons she won on her red fan quilt and her afghan. Of course they did visit with Lee and Joe. They all enjoyed lots of good food prepared by Oleta. Those present were Lowell and Ramona Price, Clinton, Oklassi homa; Doc and Hazel Price, Buddy and Sharon Price, all of West Point, California; Bennie and Mildrted Kiker, Odessa, Texas, and Mattie and Ben McKee, Splendora, Texas. million water project designed to bring additional water supplies to Abilene and neighboring towns.

The announcement formally began the process to distribute emergency funds provided for by Congress earlier in the year. Cotton producers can expect to receive pay ments at a rate of 6.67 cents per

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Jimmy Burson and 'Texas in the Swing' To Perform Friday, August 31, at the Unity Center at Muncy

the Swing" will be performing Friday night, August 31, 2001 at the Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair at the Unity Center in Muncy, Texas. Tickets for the concert are \$5.00 each and may be purchased at the door or in advance at Kaleidoscope and D & J Gin in Lockney, DG Designs and Duke's Dodads in Floydada, and City Bank in Silverton.

Jimmy Burson was reared on his family's ranch in Briscoe County near Silverton, Texas. His mother, Dean Burson, got him interested in music and started him

Jimmy Burson and "Texas in years old and later enrolled him in Swing in Wichita Falls, Texas. voice lessons. He became inter- They also have performed in Rusested in swing music in high school and started playing the sic tours, as well as at the Fair Thefiddle in college.

> Several years ago, he organized the band, "Texas in the Swing," which focuses on preserving country swing music. They also play a mix of old-time fiddle music, jazz, blues, cowboy music and gospel. The group consists of all Christians and presents concerts that are familv-oriented.

They have performed for four years at the Great American Music Festival at Silver Dollar City in Branson, Missouri, and three in piano lessons at the age of eight years at the Legends of Western

sia and Austria, while doing muatre and a Pete Laney Appreciation Dinner in Plainview and the annual 2001 Floyd County Friends Gala.

The group recorded a CD, "Texas in the Swing," which will be available for purchase at their performance.

Burson was the Briscoe County Judge for nine years. He is married and has three daughters and six grandchildren. He has performed at the National Cowboy Symposium and the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium.

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Jimmy Burson Texas In The Swing Friday, August 31 - 7:00 p.m. \$5.00 at the Door

Matthew 28:19

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of

the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Rock Creek Church of Christ

LOOKING BACK

through the files of the **Briscoe County News**

Celebraton is just two weeks away! .. Fire Department having mixed softball tournament soon. Women's Swim Night being held to Dallas Sunday . . . Mrs. Ronald at pool . . . Services conducted for Lawrence Earl (Butch) Norris, 46 lb. channel catfish on chicken liver Church . . . Mrs. W. A. Holt caught at Lake Mackenzie . . . Matthew Garner receives Presidential Fitness Award . . . Mother Nature provided a tranquil setting Sunday evening for members of the Rock Creek Church of Christ as they gathered at the John Francis home for a cookout.

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July 23, 1961--Loans received to finish Mackenzie water project tin . Services held Sunday for Dave Ziegler, 83 . . . Funeral services conducted for Porter Louis Arnold, Ellis, was honored with a bridal 80, retired Baptist minister. Wilford Mae Thomas buried in San Bomar Wednesday. Hostesses . Cynthia Edwards is on trip to Washington, D. C. she won in the Swisher Electric Cooperative speech contest . . . Staci Mayfield was a member of the tertained LaRue Gilkeyson, bridewinning team in the Texas vs. Oklahoma All-Star basketball game Friday night in Lindsey, Oklahoma . . . Mrs. Charles Grantham returned home Sunday from the Plainview hospital where she had surgery for a thyroid tumor . . Mr. and Mrs. Guy Breedlove are parents of a son, Josh Wyman

July 29, 1971--Mrs. Robert O. Deisher, sr., 86, buried at Plainview .. Funeral services held for Mrs. Annie Jane Stevenson, 77 . . . Little League Tournament in progress here this week . . . Harrell Minyard, 25, had a narrow escape from death Friday when he was covered by grain up to his chin. He and L. B. Garvin, jr., were working at the Silverton Elevator, loading grain from the auger into a truck. The auger stopped and a wall of wheat descended . . . Selective Service Director expects draft call to resume in near future . . . Vacation Bible School in progress at Silverton Church of Christ . .

August 10, 1961--New school New Mexico several days. term will begin September 4...A reunion of the L. N. Chitty family was held at Tule Lake near Tulia . Those who returned from 4-H Electric Camp last week were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kitchens, adult leaders; Raye Garrison, Carolyn Garrison, Sandra Mercer, Kathryn Smith, Gerald Smith, Max Garrison, Rey Stephens, Joe Kitchens and Joe Bob Watson . . . Girls in the Rodeo Queen contest are Sharon Weaver, Marcalyn Lee, Gloria Wallace, Ellen Edwards, Ann Wingo, LaQuetta Chitty, Lou

25, 1991--County Lanham, Jealeta Eddleman and Rita Brown are attending a cheerleader school at SMU in Dallas this week. James Brown took the girls Vaughan was honored Saturday with a bridal shower in the Fellow-. Bryan Breedlove caught a five- ship Hall of the First Baptist a prize 15 1/2 inch one-pound rainbow trout while stream fishing in Red River, New Mexico recently Miss Paula Reid, bride-elect of Jerry Dee McWilliams, was honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower in the home of Mrs. G. W. Seaney Saturday . . . Jeanette Turner to marry William E. Mar-

July 26, 1951--Miss Dorothy Heckman, bride-elect of Billy shower in the home of Mrs. T. C. were Mmes. Roy McMurtry, Lee D. Bomar, T. C. Bomar and Misses Mary Lou Bellinger and Mary Tom Bomar . . . Mary Tom Bomar enelect of L. B. Garvin, jr., and Sandra Mallow, bride-elect of George Wayne Rampley, with a Coke party and kitchen shower Monday morning . . . Mr. and Mrs. Leo Comer honored her mother, Mrs. Wylie Bomar, sr., with a surprise birthday party last Tuesday evening . . . Miss Jeannie Garvin becomes bride of Pvt. Richard H. Trimble . . . Clay Fowler's mother died in Neblett Hospital in Canyon .. Rain which fell in less than one hour Monday afternoon gave Silverton 3.37 inches of moisture Lee D. Bomar took his Young People's Sunday School Class to Palo Duro State Park last Thursday for a picnic. They drove to the seventh crossing, then ate and waded in the creek. Attending were Bonnie Watters, Junis Mercer, Joe Lee Bomar, Billy Tennison, Joy Nell Chitty, Gloria Stevenson and Willie Reynolds. . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mercer returned to their home Monday after being in Ruidoso and Cloudcroft,

October 3, 1946--Owls beat Kress 27-7; play Flomot here tomorrow . . . Local merchants vote for Chamber of Commerce . Mrs. D. T. Johnson, Mrs. Carl Vaughan and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughan were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vaughan . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Brown, Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney and son, Cecil, Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison and daughter, Carolyn, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnol Brown . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham and Brannon and Raye Garrison . . . Benny Ray were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McGavock Mr. and Mrs. Claude Loudermilk are parents of a daughter, Marcia at Rock Creek . . . Little Larry Lyn . . . LaQuettqa Chitty, Sue Webb McWilliams arrived at the

Tulia Hospital Thursday, September 26, at 3:10 o'clock. The little fellow will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Dee McWilliams and son, Jerry . . . Garner Guest went to Lubbock Tuesday for a physical checkup . . . Jaunice Donnell was honored with a birthday party Monday afternoon. Those present were Patricia Shipman, Beckie Cowart, Peggy Davis, Patsy Ruth Johnson, Lou Bell McMurtry, Waynell and Joy Ann McCutchen, J. E. and Jerry

Dwin Davis . . . Miss Carrie Dell at the First Baptist Parsonage Watters of Plainview spent the Saturdy evening ... Myrl Graham weekend at home . . . Mrs. Frank purchased a new 10-foot Angel Hunt and children and Mrs. C. L. plow this week from Tull Imple-McWilliams spent Friday in Tulia with Mrs. Wayne Gerdes . . . John Henry Crow of Lubbock spent the weekend with home folks

July 24, 1941--Bring aluminum in this week . . . Walter R. Smock, Patton, Lawanda Reid, Wilma operator of the Palace Theatre, announced this week that Archie Arnold would succeed Odell Walls as manager at the Palace . . . Miss Clara Belle Cupell and Mr. Bill Edd

ment . . . Jake Spencer is now employed at the Farmers Food Store. And by the way, he has finally decided to get rid of those fancy whiskers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mercer are parents of a son, born Saturday, July 19 ... Bill Norrid, who is attending school in Austin, is home for a visit . . . Glen McWilliams left Monday for Ama-Patton, Charles Edwin Cowart and Stodghill were united in marriage rillo where he has employment.

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Mrs. William Matthew Wilson

House-Wilson Vows Exchanged In Lubbock Church Ceremony

iam Matthew Wilson exchanged and Maebelle Francis of Silverton. wedding vows on Saturday, August 11, 2001 at St. Paul's Church and Jayellen Wilson. on the Plains in Lubbock. Elgin Conner performed the ceremony.

Gary and Lori House, and is the seam design dress by Tiffany. It granddaughter of Elven and was made of white satin overlaid

Leah Delaine House and Will- Wanda House of Tulia and John

The groom is the son of Eddie

Escorted and given in marriage by her father, Gary House, the The bride is the daughter of bride wore a strapless princess



Ain't it great?! He's just 48

with layers of tulle and embellished with pearls. The matching veil had layers of white tulle with a sprinkling of pearls. She carried a bouquet designed by the groom's mother consisting of longstemmed calla lilies tied with pearl edged white ribbon and sheer black

To carry out bridal tradition, the bride chose for something old to wear her paternal grandmother's lavalier that has been worn by four generations of brides; something new was her dress; something borrowed was a silver cross from her sister; something blue was a birthstone ring of her grandmother's.

Serving as maid of honor was Cara House, sister of the bride. Bridesmatron was Page Watkins, sister of the bride. They wore black knee-length floral, spaghetti strap dresses with sheer overlay.

The best man was Michael Wilson, cousin of the groom. Groomsman was Nathan Parish, a friend of the groom.

Guests were seated by Casey Walraven, a friend of the groom.

The historic church entrance was flanked by Grecian columns topped with baskets of ivy. The same decoration adorned the front of the sanctuary.

Traci Esch and Whitney Wilson, sisters of the groom, sang the wedding music, including "The Wedding Song," by Peter, Paul and Mary; "Pachabel's Canon in D" for the processional. Musical selections for the pre-wedding and reception were arranged by Robby

A reception followed the ceremony on the lawn of the church. Cabanas were hung with white periwinkle and ivy baskets. The bride's table featured a beautiful white cake, made by Page Watkins, was decorated to carry out the pearl design of the bride's dress. Mock champagne punch, white chocolate nuts and a fruit platter also were on the table.

Serving at the bride's table were Jill Polk and Kassie Hartman, friends of the bride.

The groom's table featured a chocolate cake decorated with a football theme. Also on the table were a meat and cheese platter, nuts and iced coffee punch. Guests were served by Jayma Vaughan and Whitney Wilson, sisters of the groom.

The gift table held a memory board made by the bride's aunt, Lesa Johnson.

The couple took a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nevada. They are residing in Lubbock following their return.

Bridal courtesies included a shower June 30 in the home of shower August 9 in the home of Sarah Lester.

The bride was graduated from Levelland High School in 1998. She attended South Plains College for two years and has been employed in Lubbock the past year.

Evans Reunion Held in Albuquerque

and Minnie (Littlefield) Douglas Evans was held August 11-12, 2001 at the home of Preston and Thelma Triplett in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

A good time of visiting, telling tales (some true, some not) and reminiscing about old times and good times of the past and the most important--eating. There was food of all kinds and plenty of it, pre-pared by our hostess, Thelma Triplett and her family. We took pretty good care of the food. There was lots of posing and picture taking. Besides all the family things that were done, there was a lot of other enjoyment such as visiting the casinos. Several did that. Some won, some lost. Several rode the tram up Sandia Peak and enjoyed that very much. Shopping was done in Old Town and probably other places, too. Some played golf. No one was heard boasting about going to church, and that's probably where all should have been.

The first Evans reunion was held in the summer of 1941 at the home of Sydney and Minnie Evans at Hooks, Texas. There are no records of how many attended that reunion. The second reunion was held August 10-11, 1991 at the ranch of Douglas and Bonnie Gardner at Moffat, Colorado. There were 57 relatives who attended. The third reunion was held in Ralls, Texas, hosted by Cleve and Sisty Cupert. Fifty-one attended this reunion.

At the 2001 reunion, there were 11 states represented with 46 attending. Those present were Douglas Gardner, Carlton and maxine Gardner and Sue Ward, all of Tulia, Chauvin, Gladewater, Texas; Bennie Gardner, Portsmouth, Virginia: Sam and Jessie Skinner, Little Silver, New Jersey; Carlos and Gaynell Zetrouer, Derby, Kansas; Kent and Gail Gardner, Amarillo, Texas; Cliff, Shawn, Selena and Tyler Powell, Tijeras, New Mexico; Alta Mae Hill, Loretta Province, Terry and Vicki Cato and Madge Redden, Hooks, Texas; Gene and Rita Wigley, Hot Springs, Village, Arkansas; Norma Lee Kuykendall and Tom Whale, Mt. Vernon, Oregon; Gary Kuykendall, Candy, Oregon; Helen Loyd, Watson, Oklahoma; Dennis Loyd, Hooks, Texas; Sherry Lynn Loyd, New Haven, Mississippi; Jerry Lee Bell Houchins and Robert Boring, Decatur, Texas; Preston, Thelma and Sherilynn Triplett, Holly and Seaira Crockett and Jerry Orr, Al-

The groom was graduated from attended Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, New Mexico for two years. He has been at Texas Tech University for 2 1/2 years and will graduate in December of this year with a degree in public rela-

The descendants of Sydney E. buquerque, New Mexico; Harold and Marjorie Widegrin, Grand Junction, Colorado; Alvin and Shirley Bailes, E. Wenatchee, Washington; Sisty Cypert, Ralls, Texas; Nell Carter, Conroe, Texas; and Glenda Dobbs, Lubbock,

> Sydney and Minnie Evans have been deceased for many years. All of their children are deceased--the last one was Elmer Evans of Ralls, Texas. He died January 6, 2001.

There are 24 first cousins living and 17 attended this reunion. There were representatives of seven of the eight children of Sydney and Minnie Evans.

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Town Hall Meeting

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture will host a series of town hall meetings in September and October throughout the state. Commissioner Combs will meet with farmers, ranchers, rural economic development and community leaders and local citizens to discuss issues that are affecting the agricultural industry and rural Texas.

The Floyd County town hall meeting will be at noon on Thursday, September 6, at the Unity Center, U. S. Hwy. 70 and FM 786, between Floydada and Lockney in Muncy. The meeting is free and open to the public from Floyd and surrounding counties.

'I want to hear firsthalf what's on the minds of the farmers, ranchers, citizens and leaders of our communities," Combs said. "I want to know about issues affecting them, their families and their Texas; Betty Dumesnil and Sharon communities and tohear their ideas and solutions for the future.'

Growers Reminded To Destroy Crops

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation officials want to remind South Plains cotton growers of the need to destroy any cotton remaining in fields that will not be harvested.

Some stalks may remain in a field that has been failed and plowed, and if these stalks begin producing squares, they become places where weevils can feed and reproduce, said Charles Allen, pro-

Fields with cotton plants in them will produce weevils. These fields Whale, Stephens City, Virginia; must be treated, which adds unnecessary costs to the program.

Fields that have been replanted in another crop b ut still have some cotton plants growing in them also are a concern, he said.

Foundation personnel have been Cathryn Conner and a lingerie Levelland High School in 1996. He instructed to work with growers to ensure that all cotton has been destroyed in fields before spraying

> Growers with questions should contact their local eradication of-fice at 1202 NW 5th Street in Tulia, 995-1234.

Accountability Rating--**Continued From Page One**

Exemplary ratings are given to Sept. schools and districts with 90 percent or more of the student body in each student group passing all sections of the TASS, a 94 percent Sept. 2 or higher attendance rate and a Oct. 4 dropout rate of one percent or less. Oct. 1

Recognized ratings are given when 80 percent of students pass the TAAS, with 94 percent atten- Oct. 2. dance and a 3.5 percent or less Nov. 1 dropout rate.

Acceptable ratings are given when 50 percent of students pass the TAAS and there is a 5.5 percent dropout rate.

Schools losing their exemplary status for the year are Channing, Clarendon, Hedley, Kelton, Lazbuddie, Texhoma, Wellington and Wheeler. Others dropping a notch from recognized to acceptable include Dalhart, Follett, Higgins, Lefors and Perryton.

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Among the schools receiving the academically acceptable rating were Dalhart, Floydada, Follett, Kelton, Lockney, Lefors, Motley County, Perryton, Plainview, Samnorwood, Texline.

Owl Football--**Continued From Page One OWL VARSITY FOOTBALL**

Sept. 7Cotton Center,	There, 7:30			
Sept. 14-Miami,	Home, 7:30			
Sept. 21-McLean,	Home, 7:30			
Sept. 28-Lefors,	There, 7:30			
Oct. 5 Amherst,	There, 7:30			
Oct. 12*Samn'wood,	Home, 7:00			
Oct. 19*Groom,	Home, 7:00			
Oct. 26*Hedley,	There, 7:00			
Nov. 2*Happy,	Home, 7:00			
Nov. 9*Valley,	There, 7:00			
*District Game				

Homecoming is Oct. 12 The first holes-in-one scored by both a father and son in the same game of golf were shot by Charles

H. Calhoun, sr. and jr. on August 24, 1932.



50th!

OWL JUNIOR VARSITY

Sept.

FOOTBALL		FOOTBALL		
Sept. 6Cotton Center,	Home, 6:30	Sept. 13Miami,	There, 5:00	
Sept. 13-Miami,	There, 6:30	Sept. 20McLean,	There, 5:00	
Sept. 20-Valley,	There, 6:30	Sept. 27Spade,	Home, 5:00	
Sept. 27-Hedley,	There, 6:30	Oct. 4 Open		
Oct. 4 Amarillo Trin.	Home, 7:00	Oct. 11 Samnorwood,	There, 5:30	
Oct. 11Open		Oct. 18 Groom,	There, 5:30	
Oct. 18Valley,	There, 6:30	Oct. 25 Hedley,	Home, 5:00	
Oct. 25 Amarillo Trin.	There, 6:30	Nov. 1 Happy,	There, 5:00	
Nov. 1 Happy,	There, 6:30	Nov. 8 Valley,	Home, 5:00	
Nov. 8 Valley, Home, 6:30 The pop-up toaster was intro- duced in 1926.		The wood stork, also known as the wood ibis, is the only true stork native to the United States.		
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OWL 8TH GRADE

OWL 7TH GRADE FOOTBALL

:00 Sept. 20--Hedley, There, 5:00 leaf is believed by some to stimu-:00 Sept. 27--Open Oct. 4- -Open . :30 Oct. 11-- Motley County, There, 5:00 in society, you must consent to be Oct. 16-- Spade, Home, 6:00 taught many things which you know :30 :00 Oct. 25-- Open :00 Nov. 1-- Motley County, Home, 5:00

a common ancestor with the bear, the cat, the raccoon, and the skunk.

The herb rosemary is also known by the name "dew of the :00 Sept. 13--Bible Heritage, There, 5:30 sea." When placed in a bath, its late circulation.

> If you wish to appear agreeable already.

Charles Maurice de Tallyrand

Prior to Cornelius Vanderbilt's Scientists believe the dog shares donation of \$1 million in 1873, Vanderilt University was known as Central University.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

SILVERTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public meeting at SILVERTON HIGH SCHOOL in RM. 1 at 8:00 P.M. AUGUST 23,2001 _. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Col	mparison of Maintenance & Operations	Proposed Rates Interest & Sinking Fund*	with Last Ye	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.01	\$ 2327.35	\$6264.31
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &	ranged by Rosby rollowed the cest wa of the close to			offers on the solution of the	
Pay Debt Service	\$1.02	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.02	\$	\$
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.01	\$	\$

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 35,000	\$35,000
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 20,000	\$20,000
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.01	\$ 1.01
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 20,000	\$20,000
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	20,000	\$ 20,000

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$ 1.08 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of _

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$444,000

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

\$0.00

Needlework Show Was Big Success

The Needlework Show held in Grimland, for the use of materials conjunction with the Briscoe County 109th Birthday Celebration offered a feast for the eyes as many talented needlework artists shared their talent with the county. There were sixty-three entries judged. Ribbons and prizes were awarded in several categories.

Receiving ribbons were:

Quilts: 1. Merlene Stephens, Sunbonnet Girl; 2. LaVern Kingery, Embroidery Double Wedding Ring; 3. Sybil King, Embroidery Rose

Counted Cross Stitch: 1. Sandra Frizzell, Baby Sampler; 2. Mary Brown, Blue Willow Scene; 3. Lisa Schott, Couple Sampler

Embroidery: 1. Sandi Perkins, Cup Towel Set; 2. Cammie Frizzell, Table Cloth; 3. LaVern Kingery, Crewel Picture

Crochet: 1. Oleta Warren, Navajo Afghan; 2. Janet Greene, Ripple Stitch Afghan; 3. Madeline Stone, Postage Stamp Afghan

Miscellaneous: 1. Sandi Perkins, Needlepoint on Canvas Barnyard Play Set; 2. Bobbye Bean, Machine Embroidery on Mesh Vest

The Judge's Choice Award was presented to Oleta Warren for her Red Fan Quilt and the People's Choice Award was bestowed on Merlene Stephens for her Cathedral Window Quilt.

The Silverton Chamber of Commerce, organizers of the event, extened thanks to all of the needlework artists for sharing their talent. Special thanks to City Bank for the use of the Pioneer Room; Terry

to build display racks; and Gary Weaks and Kyle Fuston, for helping set up and dismantle the dis-

Donations of prizes were made by Magic Memories, The Plum Thicket and Amy's. The organizers greatly appreciate these generous donations.

in the month of August 2001				
	High	Low	Precip.	
1	97	69		
2	97	69		
3	98	67		
4	95	66	1	
5	96	63		
6	98	65		
7	98	69		
8	94	66		
9	97	64		
10	98	67		
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13	temperature		,08	
14	readout		.05	
15	83	67		
16	85	66		
17	90	64		
18	90	62	1.02	
19	92	62		
20	95	62		
21	94	62		
Total August Precip.			2.85	
Normal Precip. in Aug.			2.64	
Normal Annual Precip.			15.59	
Precip. Received in 2001				



A Service Provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

cotton market this week after a 200- some support to the market while point plunge on August 10 in a re- weather remained a consistent sponse to USDA's projection of a bearish factor creating mostly farecord U. S. crop and high U. S. vorable conditions for crop develcarryover. A minor decline in the opment

Consolidation occurred in the weekly crop condition index lent





Walk Across Texas participants at the kick-off event Monday night.

Walk Across Texas Kicks Off With Special Event

by Cory Payne, County Extension Agent-FCS

The Walk Across Texas program, sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, began Monday night with a kick-off event at the courthouse.

Team posters were made, a door prize was drawn, free gifts were received, and the first mile was walked by Walk Across Texas

Silverton School **Activities**

Friday, August 24--Scrimmage, Follett, Here, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 28--Pre-K through 11 School Pictures

Thursday, August 30--Scrimmage at Wellman, 5:30 p.m.

Texas High and Rolling Plains this week, reducing the need for water and helping bolls fully mature. Although coverage was perceived as widespread, most of the showers were isolated, and cumulative rain amounts remain well below normal for this time of year. The moisture, however, arrived too late for many dryland fields where plants already have prematurely reached the "cutout" stage and bolls will not mnature further. The precipitation also likely will cause unwanted new vegetative growth which will be harder to kill at harvest time.

Elsewhere in the state, harvesting and ginning has continued without interruption in South Texas. Most dryland farmers in the Texas Rio Grande Valley already have finished picking and ginning has begun to slow.

Most cotton farmers in the Delta now would like rain to cease until after they complete harvest. The Delta crop made good to excellent progress last week, and most plants have a heavy fruit load, reports indicated. Some boll rot has been reported, however, in some irrigated cotton in Louisiana. Defoliation was underway on a limited basis in portions of the state but was not expected to become widespread at least for three weeks.

In other news, President George W. Bush signed an emergency assistance bill Tuesday, which was positive for farmers.

USDA's net export sales figure for the week ended August 9 was

Ten teams have signed up. They include: "The Sweat & Stress" Dixie Johnson, captain; Mike Smith. Juarez, Estella Juarez, Dianne Reynolds, Shana Strange, Kim Mayfield, Lana Burson and Ryan Dykes: "Feisty Young Speed-Walkers" - Michelle Francis, captain; Jennifer Jackson, Rhonda Smith, Nancy Young, Jamie Scarborough, Donna Estes, Daryl-Ann Reynolds and Tina Nance; "The Wanna-Bes" - Deb Burson, captain; Mary lane Younger, Aaron Younger, Paula Garvin, Lane Garvin, Tom Burson, Rhenda Burson and Sissy Craiker; captain; Sandi Tomlin, Kathy Kingery and Anthony Kingery (biking team); "The Nutty Fruits" Cory Payne, captain; Barbara Deckard, Brittany Deckard, Sonya Smith, Michelle Gamble, Lorrie Minyard, Amy Minyard and Kristi Wadlow; "Dolls and Guy" - Bena Hester, captain; Rosemary Perkins, Patricia McJimsey, Susan Young, Guy Young, LaQuetta Schott, JonEtta Ziegler and Delane Smith; "Road Warriors" - Kay Calvert, captain; Deloy Myers, Randy Stark, Maria Cruz, Wilburn Leeper, Faye Pointer and Jana Guest; "The Early Birds" - Donna Hamilton, captain; Jackie Jenkins, Tessa Meyer, Misti Messer, Paula Helms, Mary Woods, Duke Woods Flyers" - Janinne Brooks, captain; Able Asebedo and Shirley Reynolds (others yet to be deter-

The silliest poster and team Larry name prize went to the "Dolls and Guy" team. They received a 'Boost" (drink) as their reward.

The door prize, which was a \$25 31,600 bales lower than the previous week's number.

On the spot cotton scene, sales for the week ended August 16 were slightly more than the previous week's figure. Online trading of Texas/Oklahoma/Kansas cotton totaled 4,594 bales, compared to the previous week's sales of 4,188 bales. Spot cotton prices for the week were lower as online trading occurred within a range of 28.33 to 32.26 cents per pound compared to 32.24 to 33.78 cents per pound the prior week.

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Everyone received a sports drink bottle donated by Caprock Cellular and a Texas map donated by Texas Department of Transpor-

Miles will be tracked for each team on a Texas map at the Extension office.

Good luck to all the teams!

Silverton School **Lunch Menu**

Monday, August 27--Pizza, "ASKEBAT" - Emmett Tomlin, Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Milk, Rice Krispie Treats

Tuesday, August 28--Mexican Casserole, Hot Sauce, Salad, Refried Beans, Cornbread, Milk

Wednesday, Augusty 29--Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, ried Okra, Crackers, Milk

Thursday, August 30--Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey &

Friday, August 31--Chili Dog, Tater Tots, Milk, Fruit and Jello

Happy Birthday-

August 23--Shannon Bingham, Pat Fitzgerald, Tammi Stafford, Kirk Couch, Levi Hutsell, Amanda Kennedy, Brooke Lynn Daily

August 24--Dorothy Johnson, and Weldon Griffin; "Fairmont Tonya Perkins, Louis Grabbe, Gary Whitfill

August 25--Staci Denton, Ruben Ramirez, Lesia Baker

August 26--Rhenda Burson, Stephens, Glenda McGavock, Misty Dawn Edwards, Curtis Scrivner, Kasey Copeland

August 27--Missy Reed, Anthony Kingery, Debra Turner, Pamela McGavock, Clifton Baker August 28--Rhonda McGinn,

Gina Banister, Shirley Francis August 29--Dusti Weaks, Nolan Patrick Grady, Cooper Cogdell, Tatum ReNee Ellison, Kenneth William Walls

Happy Anniversary-

August 23--Mr. and Mrs. Gary

August 24--Mr. and Mrs. Ron Nistler, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill August 25--Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Mike