

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Carolyn Luckenbach says that she has about 20 deer at her feeders every night, but not many in the morning. She also has several bird feeders, and has counted as many as 22 different species of birds in one day. They keep her busy keeping her feeders full.

Carolyn's grandson, Cobey Turner, was on the President's List at Texas Tech University for the fall semester with a grade point average of 4.0. He is the son of Johnney and Carol Ann Turner, who have recently moved to Lubbock. Cobey is a senior at Tech.

Turkey's next jamboree will be Saturday, March 1, at the Bob Wills Community Center Gymnasium beginning at 7:00 p.m.

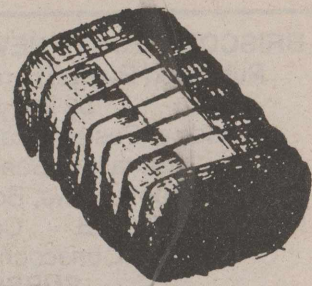
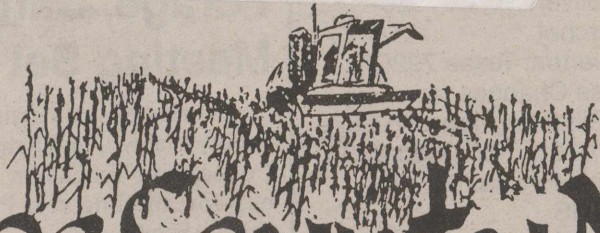
Mary McDonald from Stonewall, Oklahoma will be making her second appearance at the Turkey Jamboree. Mary is a very talented lady who sounds a lot like Kitty Wells. She runs Mary's Music Barn in Stonewall.

Brady Roscoe, a teenage fiddling sensation from Lockney, also will be on the show. Because of his busy schedule, it's been a long time since he has been in Turkey.

The gospel group, "One Accord," from Memphis will be appearing on the Jamboree for the first time.

To round out a great night of entertainment there will be a Talent Showcase and the Turkey Gems.

The Turkey Roost Museum group will be serving stew, cornbread, dessert and drinks



# Briscoe County News

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## Panhandle Community Services Receives Funding For 2003

Panhandle Community Services has received funding for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) for the Fiscal Year 2003.

This program provides emergency utility assistance for low-income elderly and disabled/handicapped families. The CEAP assistance is not an entitlement program.

Assistance will be provided

only to those families who have been determined by a priority matrix system as most in need. To apply, Social Security cards for everyone in the household, proof of income, current electric and gas bill, and a 12-month billing history of electric and gas bills must be furnished.

Applicants may call 806-874-2573, Panhandle Community Services office for more information.

## Mayor, Two Councilmen To Be Elected

A mayor and two councilmen will be elected in Silverton this year.

Lane Garvin has filed for reelection as mayor, and Wayne Reed and Dwain Tipton have filed for reelection.

March 19 is the deadline for getting your name on the ballot for one of these positions.

The election will be held May 3, 2003.

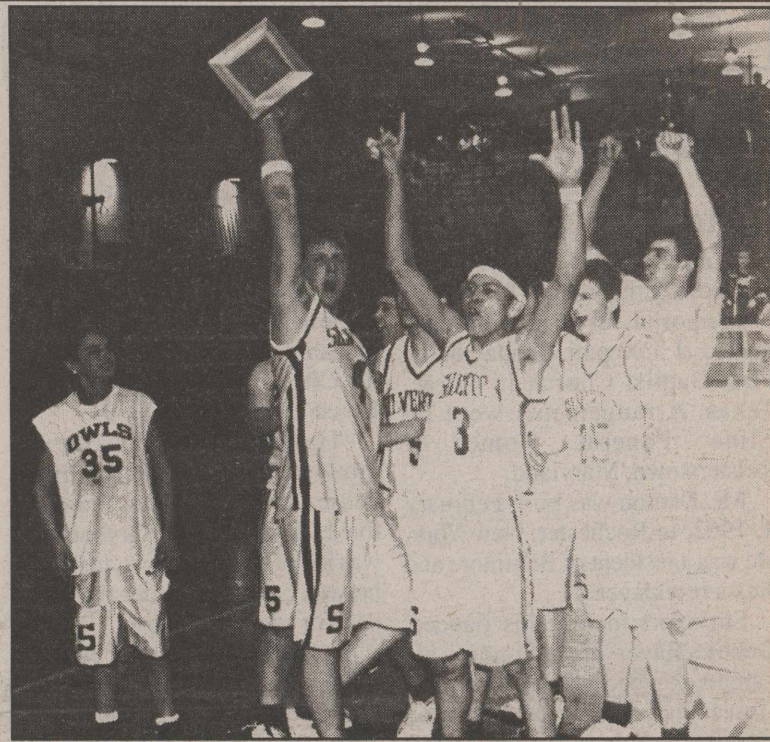
## Immunization Clinic To Be Held Here Mar. 21

An immunization clinic will be held at the Silverton School from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon on March 21, 2003.

The vaccines to be given give protection against childhood diseases.

## Owl Player Had Surgery Monday

Ty Reed, who had the misfortune of tearing up a knee recently, underwent surgery in an Amarillo hospital Monday morning.



Owls celebrate after being presented the Area Playoff Championship trophy at Amarillo High School Friday night of last week after a 59-54 win over Fort Elliott.

Briscoe County News Photo

## Owls Are Area Champions!

Silverton's Owls are Area Champions and advanced to the Regional Semifinal round of the state playoffs Tuesday night against Borden County at Lubbock Coronado. This game was too late to be included in this week's newspaper.

The Area game was played against Fort Elliott at Amarillo High School.

Both teams hit most of their free throws, but down the stretch Gid Mayfield and Red Ivory rang up four each from the line, and Darin Martin hit seven of seven at the line.

Martin led the offense by scoring 18 points, while Ivory hit 17 and Mayfield chipped in 16. Dustin Hale added eight points to the mix.

Owls	12	23	38	59
Fort Elliott	11	29	37	54

## Silverton Man Receives 60-Year Sentence For July Shooting Death

A 46-year-old Silverton man will be spending at least 30 years in prison after he was convicted last week of a July murder.

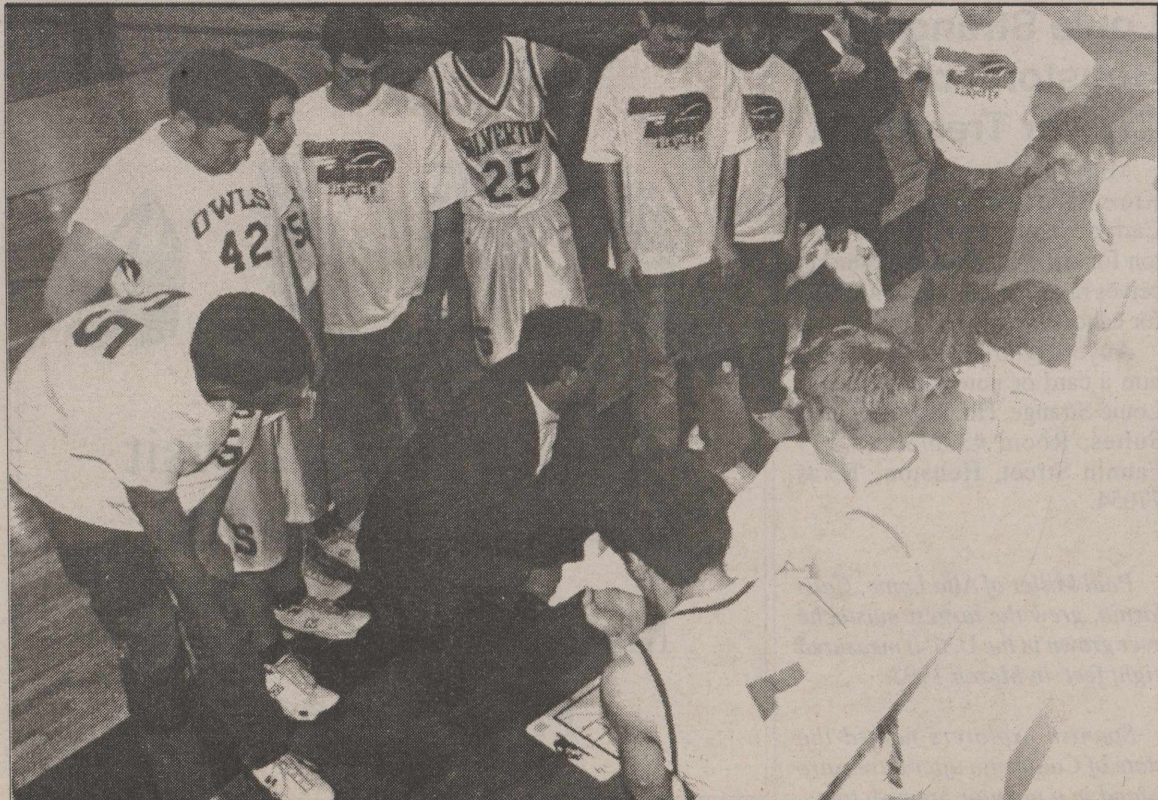
District Attorney Becky McPherson said a Briscoe County jury decided Friday to sentence Fernando Patino to 60 years in prison in connection with the shooting death of 41-year-old Joe House.

"I was very happy with the jury," Mrs. McPherson said. "I asked for 60 years because anything over 60 years in Texas is exactly the same. They become eligible for parole in 30 years unless it's a capital murder."

Mrs. McPherson presented the state's theory that the murder stemmed from jealousy Patino felt about Linda Baird, a woman with whom he had fathered a child. The state argued that Patino saw Baird and House together, got a gun and shot at both of them. Patino was arrested carrying a gun shortly after the murder.

Mrs. McPherson said the prosecution presented evidence that the weapon was used to kill House.

See Silverton Man Receives 60-Year Sentence--



From behind the bench, Coach Ryan Dyles discussed strategy with the Owls. Briscoe County News Photo

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Words are so inadequate to express our appreciation for your loving acts of kindness while Mother was sick and at her death.

Thank you for your prayers, visits, sweet cards, phone calls, beautiful flowers and delicious food for our family. We appreciate all of your kind expressions of sympathy.

A special thanks to Ted and LaVern Kingery for being there so many times and for the beautiful service at the Church. You are very special to our family.

Love,

The family of Sylvia Fogerson Diane and Jack Mayfield Stan and Lynda Fogerson Elana and Christian Krueger Penni and Chad Bentley, Chase and Grace E. A. and Dorothy Day

Our thanks to the Century of Progress Study Club for once again sharing their greeting page contributions with us. Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Page. Silverton is truly a "giving" community.

Thank you to Jim and Emily Hill, D. D. Sarchet and Evelyn Smith, all of Tulia, for your donations. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. John Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hardin for your donations. We appreciate your help. We also thank Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet for your memorial gifts.

Sincerely,

Silverton Volunteer Fire Department

We are so appreciative for the many acts of kindness shown at the passing of our loved one.

We are humbled by the outpouring of love through your tributes of memorials, sympathy cards, phone calls and food.

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### Official Notice of Nominating Committee Meeting

10:00 a.m. March 10, 2003

Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. Headquarters  
East U. S. Highway 70  
Floydada, Texas

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4.06 of the Bylaws of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc., the Board of Directors has appointed a Committee on Nominations to prepare a list of nominations for Directors to be elected at the annual membership meeting of the Cooperative on April 24, 2003. Three (3) Directors, one each from District 2, District 5, and District 8, will be elected in 2003. Although Directors are nominated from the District which they represent, all members in attendance at the annual meeting vote on all candidates who may be properly nominated.

#### SECTION 4.02 QUALIFICATIONS

No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of the Cooperative who is a close relative of an incumbent director or an employee of the Cooperative, or is not a member in good standing of the Cooperative and receiving service within the District he represents; PROVIDED, that the operating or chief executive of any member which is not a natural person, such as a corporation, church, etc., or his designee, shall be eligible to become a director, from the Directorate District in which such member is located, if he or such designee (1) is in substantial permanent occupancy, direction or use of the premises served by the Cooperative, and (2) is a permanent and year-round resident within or in close proximity to an area served by the Cooperative; BUT PROVIDED FURTHER, that no more than one (1) such person may serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of, or to hold any other position of trust in, the Cooperative who does not have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract or is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to, among others, the members of the Cooperative. No person shall take or hold office as a Director who is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.

#### SECTION 4.05 DIRECTORATE DISTRICTS

The territory served by the Cooperative shall be divided into nine (9) Directorate Districts. Each District shall be represented by one director and the Districts are described upon the map on the territory served by the District attached to the Bylaws and made a part hereof.

#### SECTION 4.06 NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the date of the meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a Committee on Nominations, consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members. The Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days prior to the meeting a list of nominations for directors to be elected, listing separately the nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which director must, pursuant to this Article, be elected at the meeting. The Committee may include as many nominees for any director to be elected from or with respect to a Directorate District as it deems desirable. Any fifteen (15) or more members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) in like manner, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting, and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail to the members with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of all nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which a director must be elected, showing clearly those nominated by the Committee and those nominated by petition, if any. The chairman at such meeting, after all nominations so made have been duly announced, shall call for additional nominations from the floor and shall ascertain and announce, after any nominations made from the floor, the particular Directorate District from or with respect to which any additional candidates have been nominated.

### Courthouse Telephone Numbers

The telephone system in the Briscoe County Courthouse is being changed, and in the future each number will ring directly in the office you are calling.

A number had not been assigned to the Extension Office as of this writing, and until it is, you will have to get your number by calling the Judge's office.

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County Treasurer.....823-2133  
County Clerk.....823-2134  
Sheriff.....823-2135  
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These new numbers will be effective March 3.

### March Events at Caprock Canyons

There will be Nature Hikes at Caprock Canyons State Park March 15 and 22, each beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The nature hikes will help you make the most of your visit to the state park with a guided nature hike, about one hour long. This is suited for almost all ability levels.

Also on March 15, there will be a History of the Trailway at 7:30 p.m. You are invited to join a local historian to watch a slide show to learn about the historic Caprock Canyons Trailway.

On March 22, you are invited to join an avid cyclist and photographer for a photographic journey through the trails of Caprock Canyons State Park.

For more information, you may contact Deanna Oberheu, Park Interpreter, 806-455-1492.

*The only person to win three consecutive Tony Awards in the same category is composer/lyricist Stephen Sondheim who picked up awards for Best Musical Score for Company (1971), Follies (1972) and A Little Night Music (1973).*

*Mystery writer John Creasey wrote under 27 different pen names.*



Recently Lana Burson, Susy Saul and Bena Hester from Silverton Ambulance Service presented a program for the Silverton 4-H Club on precautions to take when someone is bleeding, correct bandaging and splinting procedures.

### Matador-Motley County Wildland Fire School Scheduled March 1

The Matador-Motley County Volunteer Fire Department, along with the cooperative effort of the Panhandle Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association of Texas will host the Fourth Annual Matador-Motley County Wildland Fire School Saturday, March 1, at the Matador Fire Department, 1000 Eubank, Matador, Texas.

The Emergency Services Training Institute of the Texas Engineering Extension Service and the Texas Forest Service will conduct the academy.

This year's academy will provide area firefighting and industry resources with several courses focusing on wildland firefighting tactics and equipment use. The academy also will feature a hands-on controlled burn training exercise (this controlled burn will be contingent upon optimal weather). The burn exercise will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1.

To attend the burn exercise you must wear leather boots and nomex or heavy cotton or denim pants and a long sleeve shirt. You must not wear synthetic material.

For more information on the

academy or registration information, please call Rodney Williams, 806-347-2487.

A \$30.00 fee (which includes lunch) will be charged each participant in the academy.

### Caprock SWCD Taking Orders For Seedlings

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District is currently taking orders for windbreak seedlings and wildlife seeding packets which will be delivered for planting in March 2003.

Caprock SWCD will be offering larger trees again. Prices range from \$6.50 for one-gallon containers to \$17.50 for five-gallon containers. Fruit trees, ornamental trees and some shrubs also will be available for order.

Wildlife seedling packets consist of 100 trees, 25 each of four different species. Packets available are quail/pheasant, deer, turkey and squirrel. These packets are designed to attract specific wildlife to your property and come with instructions on how best to plant your windbreak for optimum benefit to your property as well as the wildlife.

The last day to order is Friday, March 7, 2003. At this point, some varieties are already sold out and others are limited in availability. To further insure that you are able to obtain the species you require for your windbreak project, you should get your order in as soon as possible.

For more information, call 806-823-2341, Extension 101.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2003

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**Obituary**

**TONY LEE DENTON**

Tony Lee Denton, 41, died Wednesday, February 19, 2003.

Memorial services were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Goree, Texas. Arrangements were by Eline Funeral Home of Reisterstown, Maryland.

Mr. Denton was born February 4, 1962, in Rochester, New York. He was a resident of Baltimore and was a bricklayer.

Survivors include his fiancée, Debbie Raver of Baltimore; his parents, Royce and Nola Denton of Goree; five sisters, Janie Denton Cooper of Amarillo, Joni Denton Whiting of Owensboro, Kentucky, Jeni Denton Oehler of Frankfurt, Illinois, Patty Hayes of Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, and Barbara Denton of Eugene, Oregon; four brothers, Bill Denton of Charlotte, North Carolina, Danny Denton of Burlington, Colorado, Ronnie Denton of Temple and Drew Denton of Goree; and his

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Patino's Childress attorney, Earl Griffin, said the jealousy argument presented by the state was the key to the defense. Griffin argued in the punishment phase of the trial that his client was motivated to shoot House by sudden passion.

"He saw her (Baird) and the victim together in the kitchen of the house where he and Miss Baird had lived," Griffin said. "His young son was in the house. He was angry and he was operating under the influence of sudden passion."

If the jury had agreed with the sudden passion defense, the sentencing range would have been reduced one felony degree to two to 20 years in prison.

Mrs. McPherson argued that sudden passion requires immediate action, which didn't apply in grandmother, Margaret Ennen of Munday, Texas.

The family suggested memorials be to First Baptist Church of Goree youth group, or a favorite charity.

**Regional Winter Forage, Cattle Meeting Set**

An irrigated small grains forage variety trial will highlight a Texas Cooperative Extension regional turn-row meeting near Plainview Friday, February 28.

In addition, beef cattle management on winter pasture will be discussed. The forage clipping trial includes 27 entries of beardless and bearded wheat, triticale, rye and small grains blends.

County agricultural and IPM extension agents in Hale County will host the meeting in conjunction with Extension agronomist Calvin Trostle, Lubbock, and Extension beef specialist Ted McCollum, Amarillo.

The forage program begins at 9:00 a.m. and the livestock program will conclude by 11:30 a.m. The field site is at the Texas A&M Farm, Halfway, 12 miles west of Plainview.

For further information contact the Hale County Extension office, 806-291-5267 or the Texas A&M Center in Lubbock, 806-746-6101. 1.5 CEUs will be available, including 0.5 in IPM. A follow-up meeting to view season-long forage growth is tentatively set for May 1.

the case because time elapsed while Patino drove across town to get a gun and waited for the couple before shooting at them.

Griffin said sudden passion does not require immediate action.

Griffin, who was appointed defense counsel by the court, said he plans to continue representing his client on appeal.

**Louie Strange In Houston For Cancer Treatment**

Mary and Louie Strange of Kress, sister and brother-in-law of Carlye Fleming, will be in Houston for six weeks while Louie receives radiation and chemotherapy for cancer.

Anyone who would like to send him a card or note can send it to Louie Strange, Homestead Studio Suites, Room #306/308, 7979 Fannin Street, Houston, Texas 77054.

*Paul Miller of Alta Loma, California, grew the largest mustache ever grown in the U. S. It measured eight feet in March 1993.*

*Spanish explorers named the state of California after a treasure island in a popular Spanish tale.*

**Briscoe County Afghans May Be Re-ordered**

by Cory Edwards, Briscoe County

Texas Cooperative Extension Family & Consumer Sciences

We have had several inquiries about purchasing the Briscoe County Afghans that were sold about four years ago as a 4-H fundraiser.

We have found out that we can still order them, but we MUST have at least 25 orders first.

If you are interested in purchasing an afghan, please call the Extension Office to place your order before March 14, 2003.

After all orders are placed we will contact you if we have met the 25-order minimum.

Payment will need to be made for your afghan(s) before we place the order.

*The rounded shape of Sugar Loaf Mountain in Brazil is the result of hundreds of millions of years of erosion.*

**Door Prize Winners At Brown-McMurtry**

A number of door prizes were given at the open house at Brown-McMurtry Implement last week.

A pair of CarQuest drink mugs were won by Jerry Frizzell, Anthony Gamble, John Schott, Missy Forbes and Ismael Alvarez.

Antifreeze was received by Doug Cherry, Jeff Smith and Zane Mayfield.

Caps were won by Delvin Wadlow, Duane Reynolds, Lance Stidham, Donaleta Garrison, Angel Garcia, Ruben Nevarez, Gary Weeks, Wanda Wallace and Enrique Garcia.

A toy tractor was won by Trey Ziegler. A knife sharpener was won by Yopi Smith. A small tool set was won by Ryan Minyaard.

Diana Ivory was recipient of a cooler; Zane Mayfield won a tow rope, and Dean Rowell won a tape measure.

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# LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**January 14, 1993--**Flute Hutsell is retiring after having served 27 years in the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department, 20 years of which was as fire chief. Hutsell, David Tipton, Jerry Patton and Charles Sarchet have a combined service to the fire department of over 100 years . . . Fire Department re-elects corps of officers: James Edwards, president; Dwight Ramsey, fire chief; Doug Bradford, assistant chief; Tom Justice, assistant chief; Tom Burson, treasurer; Emmett Tomlin, secretary . . . Mrs. Jessie Garcia, the former Mary Chris Cantwell, was honored at a beautiful afternoon tea and gift shower . . . Stephen Stephens recently assumed the post of senior paramedic for the American Medical Transport ambulance company . . . Dianne Reynolds recently was named to the dean's honor list for the fall semester at Wayland Baptist College . . . Silverton Owls, Smyer Girls win annual Hoot-Out . . .

**January 13, 1983--**Fire Department officers elected at a recent meeting are Jerry Patton, president; David Tipton, secretary-treasurer; Flute Hutsell, fire chief; Emmett Tomlin and Lynn Frizzell, assistants to the fire chief; Dwight Ramsey, training officer . . . Donna L. Majors, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Stodghill, received her bachelor of business administration degree from Texas Tech University December 17. She was a cum laude graduate majoring in accounting . . . Joni Daniels has been named Vice-President of Data Processing and Claims at Plan Administrators of Texas in Corpus Christi . . . Joe McWaters has been receiving treatment at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview for several days . . . Owlettes win second place in Claude Tournament . . . Hospice facility to be built in Amarillo . . .

**January 11, 1973--**Silverton Young Farmers enjoying a breakfast meeting at City Cafe Friday were Tobe Riddell, Calvin Shelton, G. W. Chappell, Robert H. Hill, Dwain Henderson, Harold Gidden, Wayne Stephens, Donald Perkins, Monroe Gates, Fred Minyard, Joe Self and special guests, Jack Sutton, Harvey McJimsey and James Griffin . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schott are parents of a son, William Brent, born January 7 . . . Mrs. Edwin May had surgery last week at Nichols Clinic in Plainview . . . Glenn Smith has been a patient at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tu-

lia this week . . . Victor Weaks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Weaks, had surgery recently on the hand that was caught in a cotton stripper a year ago . . . Johnny Roy Weaver was listed on the dean's honor roll with a 3.25 grade point average at Texas Tech University for the fall semester. He is majoring in industrial management . . . Mrs. Norman Strange is a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo . . . Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Perkins, Rhett and Shane have moved to Tulia . . .

**January 10, 1963--**As of Tuesday of this week, Briscoe County gins had turned out 20,163 bales of 1962-crop cotton, 163 bales more than the estimate by the Texas Employment Commission . . . Mrs. Sue Reid Osburn, an outstanding ranch girl barrel racer, will be among the 44 swift riders vying at the Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo . . . The Silverton Owls were awarded the coveted sportsmanship trophy at the close of the Claude Basketball Tournament last weekend. The sportsmanship trophy is regarded by most as more valuable than the first-place cup . . . Ninety-one descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Holt, who reared a large family in this community, met in a reunion at the local fire hall recently. A picnic dinner and visiting were enjoyed during the day . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hyatt and family of Levelland were Sunday visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hyatt . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jasper, Micki and Vici hosted a family dinner in their new home Sunday . . . Jim Reid is named FHA Sweetheart . . . L. W. Francis observed his 72nd birthday Monday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strange and Donald and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dickerson, Debbie, Clinton Dale and Rhonda visited in the home of the W. A. Smithee family in Memphis Saturday evening . . . Shellie Tomlin spent Saturday night in the Lockney Hospital . . . Mr. and Mrs. Norman Strange, Kay, Diana and Bill hosted a family reunion for the Strange family recently . . . Joann Turner left here for El Paso December 26 after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner . . .

**January 15, 1953--**Mrs. Monroe Hood, 31, was the victim of a car accident early Sunday morning nine miles west of Silverton on Highway 86 . . . Friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Henry McWatters Christmas night with a canasta party to help them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary . . .

Ervin (Hop) Brownlee has opened the Silverton Cafe, one door south of the First State Bank, and is being assisted in operating the business by Pearl Brownlee and Marie Bishop . . . Pfc. Gene Hardin phoned his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hardin, Sunday that he had landed at San Mateo, California Saturday. He was wounded in Korea . . . Clifton Guice visited in the Dean Allard home Friday night . . . Roy S. Brown made a business trip to Fort Worth Monday . . .

**January 14, 1943--**A grass fire south of the Bundy home endangered it Monday afternoon, but it

was quickly brought under control by the arrival of the fire department . . . A deal was made last week whereby J. J. Vardell became the owner of the Grimland Blacksmith Shop. The place has been owned and operated by Woodrow Grimland for the past two years . . . Guy Young and Horace Ellis spent Monday in Tulia on business . . . Mr. and Mrs. Coy Chappell and daughter spent Monday and Tuesday with their parents . . . Pascal and Don Garrison were in Plainview last Tuesday . . . Miss Dimple Jasper came home Monday after spending three months in

the Plainview Sanitarium . . . Mr. and Mrs. Berle Fisch spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fisch . . . Linda Beth McDaniel spent Sunday afternoon with Glenda Jo Johnston . . . Joy Bell Deavenport and Lona Ann Stephens entertained the Jolly Musicians in Mrs. Wilkerson's studio Wednesday. Attending were Mary Tom Bomar, Gloria June Stevenson, LaRue Gilkeyson, Shirley Haynes, Dora Ann Amason, Nelda Faye Montague, Mrs. Wilkerson and a guest, LaWanda Ellis . . .

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Craig Clark, District Engineer for Texas Department of Transportation, was pictured with Joe Ramirez who recently was presented a service award for an outstanding five years of employment with TxDOT.

## Donors of Door Prizes for Firemen's Ball

Silverton Volunteer Fire Department has announced the donors and winners of door prizes given away at the Firemen's Ball 2003.

Johnson's Gin donated one lighted magnifying glass which was won by Ray Tomes; Briscoe County News donated a 12-oz. can of Watkins black pepper, which was won by Mark Patton; Mike Long donated three one-lb. bags of shelled pecans, which were won by James Cathey, Tommy Curry and Albert Hartman.

GTC donated four gallons of tropical fruit salad, which were won by Leon Lavy, Harvey McJimsey, Duncan Vernon and Brenda Patton; Cuts & Curls gave an item of jewelry which was won by Cynthia Beck; D & K Manufacturing donated a case of motor oil which was won by Bob McWilliams; Burson Cattle Co. donated 40# Vigortone dog food which was won by Bill Smith; Wellman Brothers Service Center donated one premium maintenance service, which was won by Terry Miller.

Malt Shop donated a meal for two which was won by Doug

## Friendship Quilters News & Notes by Bobbye Bean

Wanda Strange, Sybil King, Christine King, Nadyne Childress, Laverne Stephens, Ann Norris, Diane Norris and I quilted. We have finished Nina's quilt and am almost through with mine. We put up the Fundraiser Quilt. Be sure to get your name in the drawing.

We will put up Sybil's quilt next.

Nina has gone to baby-sit grandkids.

We went to Lubbock to see our gransons play basketball.

My brother has been visiting us.

We had a good group at Senior Citizens Friday. Rock Creek Church of Christ was host. They sang some songs for us.

Forbes; Lavy Pump Co. donated a Case pocket knife which was won by Frostie Vernon.

Silverton Oil Co. donated one wash job which was won by Tommy Curry; Caprock Cafe in Quitaque donated one buffet meal which was won by W. D. Rowell; Kenneth Wyatt Gallery donated one Christ & The Cowboy book which was won by Jimmy Myers; Rick's Muffler donated five quarts of oil which was won by Riley Ziegler.

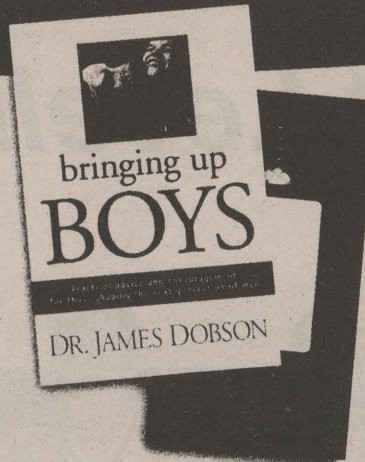
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## Silverton United Methodist Church

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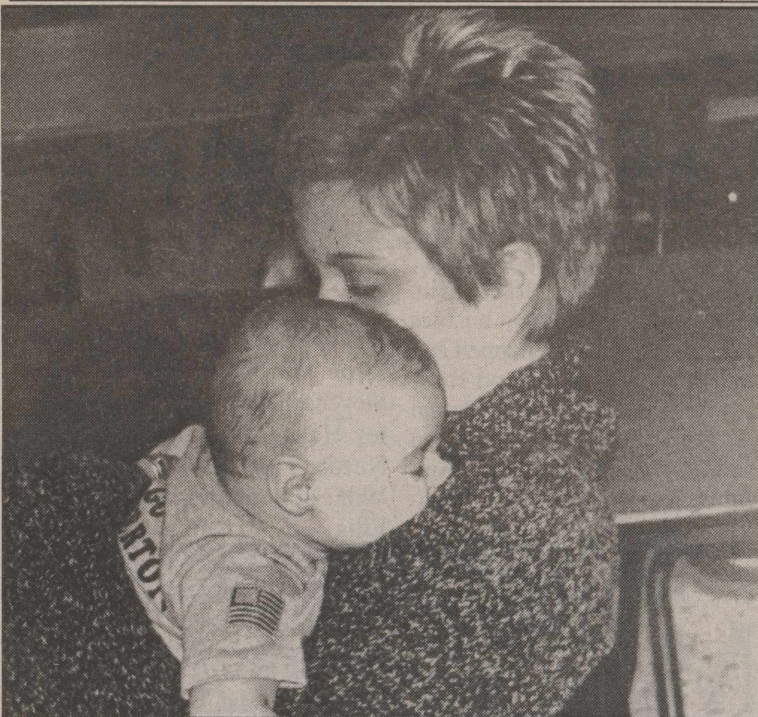
# Owls are Regional Finalists, Play Nazareth Friday At Levelland



Front Row: Payton Estes, Chase Comer, James Tiffin, Gid Mayfield, Caleb Francis. Middle Row: David Allen, Mgr., Humberto Vasquez, Jesse Reynolds, Jacob Francis, Joshua Maciel, Albert DeLeon. Back Row: Coach Esquell, Dustin Hale, Ty Reed, Darin Martin, Red Ivory, Eric Minyard, Coach Dykes.

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Calloway Dykes just couldn't make it to the end of the ballgame in Amarillo Friday night. He is the son of Coach Ryan and Heather Dykes, and is the littlest Owl fan. *Briscoe County News Photo*

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker Hubert Reeves Sunday in Munday, were lunch guests of Mr. and Mrs. Texas. The men were in World War

### New Arrival

Mike and Valrie Graham of Grand Junction, Colorado have a baby daughter, Makala Elizabeth, born February 20, 2003 weighing four pounds and seven ounces.

Mikala was expected about April 10. She and Valrie are doing fine.

Kellie, Niklas and Charles will be happy to get to bring her home, but it will be a little while.

Grandparents are Jack and Ruby Graham of Silverton and Brad and Betty Bradford of Pampa.

### BCAA to Meet

Briscoe County Activities Association will have its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 27, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

It together and have been good friends since. They went on to Goree in the afternoon to attend the memorial service for Tony Denton, son of Royce Denton, former pastor of First Baptist Church here, and his wife, Nola. Tony attended the Silverton Schools while here.

### Silverton School

#### Lunch Menu

Monday, March 3--Beef-Veg-etable Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Strawberries with Whipped Cream, Milk, Crackers

Tuesday, March 4--Mexican Casserole, Beans, Chips, Fruit, Milk, Hot Sauce

Wednesday, March 5--Corn Dog, Okra, Potato Salad, Milk, Trail Mix

Thursday, March 6--Chicken Nuggets, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Milk, Gravy, Honey & Butter

Friday, March 7--Chili Dog, French Fries, Milk, Apple Crisp

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Aubrey Brooks Rowell, Deceased, were issued on February 20, 2003, in Cause No. 1462, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to: W. D. Rowell and Vaughnell Brannon.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o William P. Smith  
Attorney at Law  
P. O. Box 119

Silverton, Texas 79257

DATED the 20th day of February, 2003.

/s/ William P. Smith  
Attorney for Estate  
State Bar No.: 00792843

### Happy Birthday--

February 27--D'anna Russell, Joshua James Bomar, Kelsie Estes

February 28--Lydia Couch, Lisa Schott, Jimmy Stone, Roy Reed

March 1--Lois Walker, Anthony Minyard, Mary Garcia, Stacy Minyard

March 2--Mark Patton, Ryan Minyard, Mollie Cleveland

March 3--Ty Lee Gregg, Thomas Rex Wadley, Mary Grantham, Connie Simpson, Rena Taitano, Danny Edwards, D'Nae Kellum

March 5--Zane Reagan, Bronco Otis, Emily J'Nae Garcia

March 6--Preston May, Mary John Harris

### Happy Anniversary-

February 27--Mr. and Mrs. Jay Stinson

February 28--Mr. and Mrs. Eloy Reyna, Ireneo and Ana Baeza

### Silverton School Activities

Tuesday, March 4--TAKS-3rd Reading; One Act Play Festival

Wednesday, March 5--Cheerleading Tryouts

Thursday, March 6--Board Meeting, 8:00

Friday, March 7--Girls Regional Powerlifting at Plainview

Saturday, March 8--Boys Regional Powerlifting Meet at Floydada

Monday, March 10 - Friday, March 14--Spring Break and Houston Stock Show

Friday and Saturday, March 14-15--Girls State Powerlifting Meet at Killeen

The first AFC-NFC Pro Bown (football's all-star game) was held in Los Angeles on January 24, 1971.

## WEATHER

February Readings at 6:00 a.m. Daily

High Low Precip.

	High	Low	Precip.
1	62	31	
2	77	35	
3	77	37	
4	44	17	
5	55	17	
6	40	27	
7	32	9	.03
8	37	9	
9	45	14	.02
10	57	17	
11	61	15	
12	58	26	
13	60	30	
14	59	44	.01
15	72	33	
16	43	27	
17	52	27	
18	69	31	
19	70	36	
20	42	26	
21	43	26	
22	54	27	
23	64	28	
24	38	8	
25	20	7	

February Precip. .06  
Normal February Precip. .60  
Total Precip. in 2003 .07  
Normal Annual Precip. 1.25

### School Board Members File For Re-election

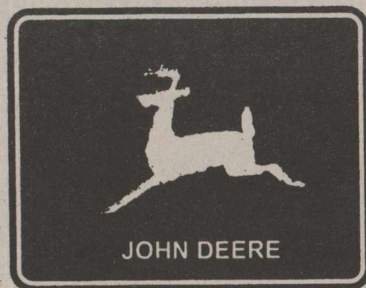
Both Tom Burson and Perry Brunson, whose terms expire this year, have filed for re-election to the board of Silverton Independent School District.

March 19 is the deadline for getting your name on the ballot as a candidate.

The custom of decorating engagement and wedding rings with gems began around the year 1200.

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**March 2nd**

Enchiladas, Beans, Spanish Rice, Hot Sauce, Chips

**March 9th**

Beef & Mushrooms Over Noodles, Green Beans

**March 16th**

German Sausage, Sauerkraut, Baked Beans, Macaroni & Cheese

**March 23rd**

Pork Chops, Gravy, Seasoned Potatoes, Mixed Greens

**March 30th**

Roast Beef, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Corn  
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Children \$4.99

*Thank you for all your support!*

Don't forget Friday Night Fish Fry.....\$6.99  
(Starting March 7, 2003.....6:00 - 8:00 p.m.)