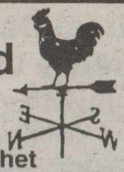


## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



This is just a reminder that Briscoe County continues to be under a burn ban.

Becky Woods called the other day to tell us that her father, Perry Thomas, is ill with lung cancer. Becky, her mother and others are caring for him in Amarillo. If you would like to remember him with cards the address is:

Perry Thomas  
15306 Greg Street  
Amarillo, Texas 79118

The Thomases operated a boot and shoe repair shop in Silverton for many years before Perry's retirement.

Jon and Clint Ivory came by our house one night last week to visit with our grandson, Brandon, who had arrived here for Thanksgiving. Jon is on leave from Baghdad, and he and his family were here visiting his parents, L. B. and Mary Ivory. Clint was home from school in Oklahoma.

Jon and Brandon were in the same graduating class from Silverton High School, and continue to keep in touch by email.

Briscoe County Activities Association has announced plans to sponsor a Christmas Lighting Contest this year.

Judging will be done on Monday, December 22. Please be sure to leave your lights turned on that evening so the judges will see your display at its best.

## Owls, Lady Owls Are in Floydada Tournament Today

Silverton's varsity Owls and Lady Owls are playing in a basketball tournament at Floydada December 4-6.

The Lady Owls will open the tournament with Paducah at 9:00 a.m. today (Thursday). They will be followed by the Owls vs. Paducah at 10:30 a.m.

Second-round games for the winners will begin at 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. Friday. Losers of the first games will play at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Friday.

Other teams in the tournament are Smyer, Kress, Valley, Petersburg, Springlake-Earth and Floydada.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2003



All-District football players are (left to right) Max Comer, Jacob Francis, Chance Rhoderick, James Tiffin, Eric Minyard, Beau Brock, Payton Estes, Yance Forbes and Colt Smith.

Briscoe County News Photo

## All-District Football Teams Named

Chosen as All-District Coach was Bryan White of Patton Springs. Mason Pierce, Patton Springs senior, was selected as Offensive Most Valuable Player and Clif Yeary, Valley senior, was tabbed as Defensive Most Valuable Player.

Texas Six-Man Coaches Association All-Stars are Clif Yeary of Valley and Mason Pierce of Patton Springs.

First Team players for the Offense are Cole Grundy, Patton Springs senior, and

## Grimland is Candidate For Re-election

Terry Grimland has authorized the Briscoe County News to announce that he is a candidate for re-election as Briscoe County Commissioner, Precinct 1.

In making his announcement, he made the following statement: "I have enjoyed serving as Commissioner of Precinct 1 the past seven years. Your vote and support will be appreciated."

Grimland is a life-long resident of Briscoe County and is self employed in the welding business.

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## Deadline Dec. 8 For Christmas Greeting Page

The deadline is fast approaching for the Christmas Greeting Page, which will benefit the Silverton Public Library, Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service and Silverton Volunteer Fire Department.

The project is sponsored by Century of Progress Study Club, and as in the past, will ask that you donate the amount that you would normally spend mailing Christmas cards locally to benefit the organizations named. When you donate you will be sure that your Christmas greetings will be sent to all your friends in the Christmas Edition of the Briscoe County News, along with an appropriate explanation of the project.

Please send your donation, along with the name or names you wish to be printed on the greeting page, to Century of Progress Study Club, Box 4, Silverton, Texas 79257.

You may be a resident of the Silverton area or live anywhere across the United States. Just be sure that your donation is received by Monday, Dec. 8.

## Angel Tree to Benefit

### Needy Local Children

The Angel Tree was set up for Silverton's needy children Thursday, Nov. 20, in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse.

The tree contains paper angels with the first names and ages of needy children aged 12 and under and gifts they might like. People can select angels from the tree and buy gifts for the children whose names are on the angels. It is suggested that this be a minimum gift of a toy and an article of clothing (sizes are included on the angels).

Delivery date will be Dec. 15. Please consider being an anonymous "angel" this year.

Minyard, Silverton senior, ends; Max Comer, Silverton junior, Trey Pearson, Happy junior, and Quinton Rose, Motley County senior, wide receivers; Walter Noel, Happy junior, and Brandon Sanchez, Patton Springs sophomore, centers; Brad Hall, Patton Springs senior, quarterback; Seagram Simms, Motley County junior, and Beau Brock, Silverton junior, runningbacks; Yance Forbes, Silverton sophomore, spread back; Stephen Howard, Hedley junior, utility back; Adam McElroy, Happy junior, kicker; Casey Glasgow, Hedley senior, special teams player.

First Team players for the Defense are Charlie Walden, Valley sophomore, Landon Young, Patton Springs senior and Chance Rhoderick, Silverton junior, linemen; Adam Ortiz, Valley senior, and Mason Pierce, Patton Springs senior, linebackers; Stephen Howard, Hedley junior, Brandon McBroom, Patton Springs senior, and Lorenzo Salazar, Motley County senior, cornerbacks; Douglas Payne, Valley senior, and Yance Forbes, Silverton sophomore, safeties; Chris Fobbs, Hedley senior, and Jack Sims, Happy senior, punters.

Second Team Offense players selected are Chris Fobbs, Hedley senior, and Eric

See All-District Teams-  
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Peanut and Pecan Brittle, Peanut and Pecan Patties For Sale. Bill Boling, 823-2436. 49-3tnc

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## SERVICES

Will do carpentry, general house repair, painting, fencing. Call Vic Hartman, 633-4374. 38-tfc

**CAKES!** I will still be baking cakes but will have them at my house. If you need a cake or to place an order, please call and leave a message and your phone number and I will return your call. Juannah, 823-2370. 4-tfnc

Will cut up and haul off dead trees and limbs. Please call 823-2127. 49-1tp

## INSIDE SALE

Inside Sale 504 Stalbird, second white house on the left: Clothes, Tables, Dishes, Lots of Stuff. Saturday, 9-5. 49-1tp

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House For Sale: Two bedrooms, Den, Large Utility Room/Bath with Chain Link Fence in Back. See Ralph or Janice Hill, or call 823-2456 after 3:00 p.m. 18-tfc

## CARDS OF THANKS

Thanks to John Burson, Judy Miller and Juannah Miller for all you did; also thanks to my family. There were 82 people in my home for the Thanksgiving holiday. We had a nice time.

Elzora Gallington

I would like to thank the Chamber of Commerce for welcoming the new and emerging businesses to Silverton. It was a wonderful idea to help encourage everyone to visit the businesses to see what they have to offer to everyone. A special thank-you to Tina Nance and Sandi Tomlin for setting up the booth and staying to attend the Open House. Amy Fuston and Tina, thank you for the wonderful cookies and punch that you made for everyone to enjoy.

Also, I would like to thank everyone who has called, stopped by the shop, or came by during the Open House. I have enjoyed talking to everyone and listening to the encouraging words from all of you. If it weren't for you, I wouldn't be here. I know that we are very blessed to live in a community of wonderful people.

Thanks again to everyone.  
Tonnette Perkins  
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The City of Silverton is accepting applications for the position of assistant water superintendent. Applications may be picked up at the Silverton City Hall. Applications must be returned by December 5, 2003. The City of Silverton is an equal opportunity employer. 49-1tc

Dear Friends,

If I have overlooked your name, please note that I would

personally like to say a heartfelt thank-you for your generous wedding gift. Your thoughtfulness and kindness means a great deal to me and I just wanted you to know how much I did appreciate this.

Sincerely, Trey Ziegler

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Adria Renonard and Miles Comer

### Couple Planning to Marry January 3

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Renonard of The Woodlands and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Comer of Silverton announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Adria Renonard and Miles Leo Comer. The couple will marry January 3, 2004, at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is a student at Texas Tech University with graduation plans in the spring.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Texas Tech and is employed in Lubbock by Cingular Wireless.

*An actor is a sculptor who carves in snow.*

Edwin Booth

*My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me.*

Henry Ford

*Don't dress a simple idea in complicated language.*

Edwin Newman

*He who knows nothing doubts nothing.*

Spanish proverb

### Post Office to Have Open House

Silverton's Post Office will be having open house on Tuesday, Dec. 16, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Kids can drop off their Santa Claus letters at the Post Office starting now.

*Courage is like love; it must have hope for nourishment.*

Napoleon Bonaparte

### Notice to Contractors of Proposed Texas Highway Improvement Contracts

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

#### Construction/Maintenance Contract(s)

Dist/Div: Childress

Contract 0925-00-050 for THERMOPLASTIC STRIPING IN CHILDRESS County, etc. will be opened on January 08, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals,

and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 11569

#### State Office

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200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540

#### Dist/Div Office(s)

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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 49-2tc

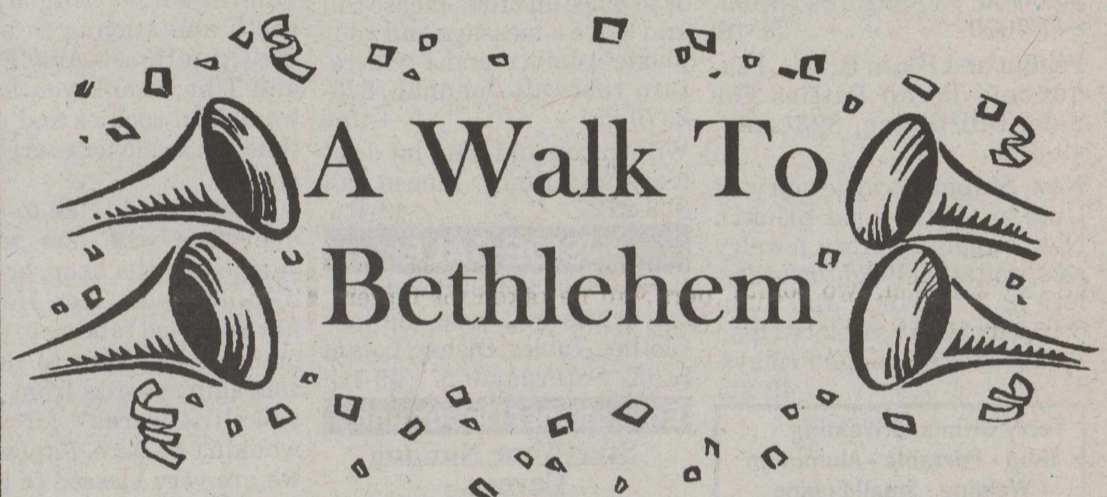
*Plunge boldly into the thick of life.*

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

*There's always free cheese in a mousetrap.*

Anonymous

### The Silverton United Methodist Church Presents an Interactive Living Nativity



**Sunday, December 14  
5:30 – 9:00 PM**

Come along and:

- ◆ Dodge marching Roman soldiers
- ◆ Walk down a street in Bethlehem
- ◆ Camp with shepherds and their animals
- ◆ Sing with the angels
- ◆ Seek Him with wise men
- ◆ Enjoy a real CHRISTmas holiday occasion!



**Directions:** Get on highway 86 in Silverton (the street in front of Allsup's). Turn south onto Main Street (west of the courthouse). Travel one block to City Bank (Park anywhere in this area). Enter the Conference Room of the bank (East side of building). Here you will wait to be taken on the Walk. A new tour begins every twenty minutes. As you wait you may sip coffee or hot chocolate to holiday music and visit with the locals. If you are in need of special assistance please inform a hostess at the bank.

## *You are invited*

Everyone is invited to the First Annual Driskill House fundraiser and silent auction Thursday, December 4, at 6:30 p.m.

There will be food and entertainment.

Driskill House is a non--profit facility for those recovering from alcohol and drug abuse.

Come to "shop" for your Christmas gifts while helping a very worthy and needed cause whose funding has been cut through legislation.

Your gifts will be tax deductible.

The event will be held at the Tulia Senior Citizens Center (former armory building, east side of Tulia on Highway 86).

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## Obituary

### GARNIE MAE TAYLOR

Graveside services for Garnie Mae Taylor, 90, were conducted November 25, 2003 in Grey Mule Cemetery at Quitaque with John Francis officiating. Arrangements were made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Taylor passed away November 22, in Lockney.

Mrs. Taylor was born Sep-

tember 5, 1913, in Southwest Arkansas. She was married October 6, 1942 to Ursel (Booger) Taylor in Clovis, New Mexico.

Survivors include her husband, Ursel Taylor, of South Plains; two sons, Ray Taylor of South Plains, Danny Francis and wife, Donna, of Silverton; one daughter, Kay Gilbred of South Plains; two grandsons; one great-granddaughter; one great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by two daughters.

### Quilt Raffle to Benefit Veterans' Memorial

The Friendship Quilters have recently completed a quilt which is on display at City Bank-Silverton.

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 evident to all.

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## Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 8--Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 9--Chili Cheese Fries, Beans, Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 10--Vegetable-Beef Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Jello, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 11--Chicken, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Honey & Butter, Milk

Friday, Dec. 12--Barbecue, Bun, Cheese Wedge, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk

## Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 4-6--JV Tournament at Clarendon; High School Tournament at Floydada; Junior High Tournament at Hart

Monday, Dec. 8--FFA State CDE, Huntsville; Junior High vs. Hedley, here, 5:30

Tuesday, Dec. 9--Lazbuddie High School, here, 6:30

Thursday, Dec. 11--Board Meeting at noon

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 11-13--Tulia JV Tournament

Friday, Dec. 12--Clarendon, here, 6:00

Saturday, Dec. 13--Clarendon Junior High Tournament

## 'Parenting 101' Classes Offered

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The classes will be held on Thursday evenings, Dec. 4 and Dec. 11, from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. in the basement of the Silverton United Methodist Church. Refreshments, door prizes and babysitting services will be provided for those who attend.

For more information, contact the Briscoe County Extension Office at 823-2521.

## Silverton EMS Class Sign-Up

Preparation for EMT-Basic classes are currently underway. Anyone who has shown an interest in taking the EMT-Basic classes is being asked to attend a sign-up meeting Thursday, Dec. 4, at 7:00 p.m. at the EMS building.

This class is very important to the future of the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service so every effort will be made to ensure a class schedule to fit the majority of the needs of the future EMT's. If you are unable to attend this meeting, but want to take the classes, please notify Connie Smith.

## Outreach Health Services Will Be Here December 11

Outreach Health Services WIC program, located at 500 Loretta at First Baptist Church in-Silverton, will be having an immunization clinic Thursday, Dec. 11, from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m.

Children on WIC or who are eligible for WIC qualify for free shots. For all other children there is a \$14.85 immunization office visit fee for one shot and \$20.00 for two or more shots. A limited number of flu shots will be available for \$15.00 each.

## Great Day at Home of Fred & Vivone Arnold

Invading the home of Fred and Vivone Arnold for Thanksgiving were Lannie and Debbie Arnold, Foss, Oklahoma; Jed and Sally Moorhouse and Laura Mullin, Graham; Abbie Mullin, Dallas; Aaron Mullin, Levelland; Rik and Kerri Snodgrass, Tulia; Zane and Tay Henderson, Silverton; Matthew Cannon, Amarillo; Shawn Snodgrass and Erin Snodgrass, Lubbock; T. J., Amber and Blane Robbins, Hereford; Amy Waide, Dallas; Kathy Clutterbuck, Montreal, Canada; Kevin, Palmira, Danielle, Trchelle and Timothy Womack, Silverton; Jason Udally, Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Trerune and family, Littlefield; Jordan Sherman, Silverton.

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Leland Stanford

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# LOOKING BACK

Through the Files of the  
Briscoe County News

**October 21, 1993**--Arts Festival is being held here Oct. 23-24 . . . First Quitaque Foliage Tour is set Saturday . . . Tone Brooks fell at her home and broke her pelvis Thursday . . . The water level at Mackenzie Reservoir is way down but the largemouth bass are still holding on, and are expected to provide good fishing . . . Lou Younger is retiring as Blood Drive Coordinator here . . . Silverton's Owls moved into a 2-0 district record Friday night by whipping the Cotton Center Elks 58-22 . . . GED preparation classes may be offered here . . . Members of the Owls football team are Coach Donnie Dutton, Lance Holt, Michael Hill, Matt Francis, Zane Henderson, Phil Patino, Coach Ronnie Miller, Jon Ivory, Zeb Holt, Patrick O'Neal, Arnold Garza, Bo Wilson, Coach Clyde Parham, Manager Jackie Cherry, Jeremiah Brooks, Anthony Gamble, Braden Towe, Manager Trey Wyatt . . . When you change the clock, change your smoke alarm battery . . .

**October 20, 1983**--Kathy Brown was presented as the 1983 Football Queen in pre-game ceremonies Friday night. The other candidates were Lisa Lavy, Shellie Cornett and Soledad Garcia . . . Several large catfish have been taken on trotlines at Lake Mackenzie during the past week. Jerry Baird, David Tipton, Calvin Shelton, Mule Grantham and J. E. Patton brought in two which tipped the scales at 30 pounds each Monday morning . . . Miss Kim Cornett, bride-elect of Bobby McPherson, was honored with a coffee and shower Saturday morning in the Pioneer Room . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ron Vaughan are parents of a son, John Kyle, born Saturday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn are parents of a son, Daniel Lee, born Monday at Lockney . . .

**October 18, 1973**--Lori Francis is 1973 Football Queen . . . Rainfall now stands at 25.98 inches, exceeding the normal figure . . . New school classifications coming in November . . . Century of Progress Study Club hears

program on Americanism presented by Mrs. Marvin Montague, Mrs. Dee McWilliams, Mrs. James Davis and Mrs. Joe Montague . . . Nature program presented by Mrs. John Schott for L. O. A. Junior Study Club. Following supper, Jimmy Burson and W. J. Copeland provided special entertainment by playing selections on the fiddle and guitar . . . March of Time Study Club makes plans to attend the Federated Workshop at Tahoka Saturday, Oct. 13 . . .

**October 3, 1963**--Silverton's Owls romped over the Happy Cowboys 34-0 Friday night, led by the scoring of Fred Stafford, Max Garrison, Dennis Tomlin, Monty Smith and Greg Towe . . . J. C. Hill suffered a stroke at Hill's Variety Store here Wednesday afternoon . . . Funeral services conducted for A. E. Smith, 75 . . . Graveside rites conducted for Randy Lee Hightower, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hightower . . . Mrs. Ronald Kitchens visited Mrs. J. C. Rhoderick, jr., in Plainview one day last week . . . WSCS of the Silverton United Methodist Church met Oct. 1 in the

home of Mrs. G. Mayfield . . . Darrell Glenn Couch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Couch of Amarillo, underwent an emergency appendectomy at Northwest Texas Hospital Tuesday of last week . . . Mmes. Laverne Long, Dorothy Bomar, Carolyn Self, Lillian Lindsey and Lola Stephens are in Dallas this week attending Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star . . . Mrs. Bryan Strange, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange, Ronnie and Darla spent the weekend in Amarillo . . . Mrs. Johnny Plunkett and Mrs. William Martin are at their homes after spending several days as patients in Swisher County Hospital suffering with a virus . . . Mrs. Harold Edwards was honoree at a pink and blue shower in the home of Mrs. J. C. Rhoderick Friday. Other hostesses were Mrs. Billy Settle, Mrs. Doug Forbes, Mrs. Farris Martin, Mrs. Shafe Weaver and Mrs. H. B. Simpson . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Estes are parents of a son, James Dewey, born Sept. 25 in Tulia . . .

**October 10, 1963**--Owls stun Kress Kangaroos, 44-14 . . . Army Pvt. Dale L. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Smith, completed eight weeks of military police training at the U. S. Army Training Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Lanham were at their cabin on Lake

Cisco from Thursday through Monday . . . Mrs. Farris Martin, Mrs. Vinson Smith and Mrs. Shafe Weaver hosted a surprise layette shower honoring Mrs. Joe Granato . . . Among those who were in Lubbock for the football game between Texas Tech and Texas A&M Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brown and Rita, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Schott and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Bud House and Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Eddleman . . . Linda McWilliams visited Mrs. Robert Caraway and J. W. at Kress Sunday afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McMurtry are parents of a son, Michael Kelly, born Oct. 4 at Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haley Hill are parents of a son, Michael Bryan, born Oct. 4, in Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Schott are parents of a son, John Bryan, born Oct. 5, in Amarillo . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dee McWilliams attended the football game in Canyon Saturday night . . .

**September 10, 1953**--L. D. Griffin had a pleasant surprise last Saturday when a friend whom he had not seen for eight years called at his home unexpectedly . . . Mrs. Una Burson hit the jackpot on a radio quiz teletest program last Friday by being able to give the correct answer to the question of the day: "Who was

the pilot of the airplane that dropped the first atomic bomb?" The pilot was Paul W. Tibbets. Mrs. Burson said she was glad to put Silverton on the map; people in several other towns had failed to give the correct answer . . . Miss Gloria June Stevenson returned to Lubbock Friday, where she is a student nurse at the Memorial Hospital . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and family on Sunday . . . Joe Wayne Brooks, who is attending football school at WTSC in Canyon, was at home over the weekend . . .

**July 15, 1943**--Pvt. Nora Mae Thompson has completed training at Hunter College in New York as a member of the U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve and is on active duty . . . Shorty Bingham and James McCain of Fort Sill, Oklahoma were here on week-end leave . . . Several friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McMurtry last Wednesday evening with a garden picnic. Mrs. Dean Allard, Mrs. Bob Dickerson and Mrs. Jim Stevenson brought covered dishes to add to the delicious repast prepared by Mrs. McMurtry and Dorothy, which they called "a little war time snack" . . . The LTD Club met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Lem Weaver . . .

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## Junior High Owls Drop Game to Bible Heritage

Silverton's Junior High Owls dropped a 27-17 decision to Bible Heritage of Amarillo here Monday, Dec. 1.

Scoring for the Owls were Cord Griffin, nine; Gabriel Vargas, four; Shawn Johnson and Cade Holt, two points each.

JH Owls	0	3	11	17
Heritage	2	8	15	27

The other players are True Burson, Reese Scarborough; Davin Fabela, Cooper Cogdell, Carlos Garcia, Butler Otis, Chad Williams, Calvin Daugherty, Blake Strange and Thomas Watson. The team is coached by Ennis Erickson.

## Junior Varsity Was Outscored By New Deal Nov. 24

Silverton's Junior Varsity Owls were outscored 68-16 by New Deal on Nov. 24. Scoring for the Owls were Diego Ramirez, six; Clay Strange and Joshua Maciel, three points each; Zakkary Perkins and Ory Johnson, two points each. The other players are Ignacio Gamez, Dusty Burson, Albert DeLeon, Eric Ballesteros and Landon Fisher. The team is coached by Ryan Dykes.

JV Owls	2	4	10	16
New Deal	7	26	51	68

The JV team dropped a 39-22 game to Sanford-Fritch on Nov. 25. Scoring was by Joshua Maciel, eight; Dusty Burson, four; Eric Ballesteros and Ory Johnson, three points each; Diego Ramirez and Clay Strange, two points each.

JV Owls	4	6	15	22
Sanford-Fritch	8	17	22	39

## JH Lady Owls Take 29-5 Game From Bible Heritage

Coach Dallas Darling's Junior High Lady Owls took a big 29-5 decision over the Bible Heritage ladies from Amarillo here Monday night, Dec. 1.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were Jasmin Ivory, six; Shandy Forbes, five; Kassi Yancey and Laura Scarborough, four points each; Abby Reyna, Destiny Wilson, Torrey Fuston, Tory Patton and Nichole Schott, two points each. Charla Rhoderick also played for the team.

JH Lady Owls	9	17	25	29
Heritage	0	1	1	5

*Never advise anyone to go to war or to marry.* Proverb

## Orders Are Being Taken Now For Windbreak Trees

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District is currently taking orders for windbreak trees. Tree seedlings will be offered from Texas and Colorado Forest Service. Orders will be taken for larger trees from New Mexico, as well. Caprock SWCD also sells drip supplies for optimum care for your trees. Delivery will be made in March 2004.

A minimum order may be required on the seedlings orders. There is no minimum on the larger trees. The earlier you order, the better chance you have of getting the varieties you want.

For more information, call 806-823-2341, Extension 101, or go by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office in Silverton, located at 410 Lone Star.

## Hale County 4-H To Have Turkey Shoot Sunday

Hale County 4-H Shooting Sports is sponsoring a Turkey Shoot at the Trap Field located 1/4 mile west of Excel on County Road 50 and 1/4 mile south on turnrow.

The Turkey Shoot will be held Sunday, Dec. 7, 2003, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, call Pete Chambliss, 296-9277.

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## Retake Day For School Pictures Is December 4

Retake day for school pictures will be Thursday, December 4, at 8:30 a.m. in the Silverton school auditorium.

Anyone not present on the first picture day or any children not of school age may have their picture made on this day.

*Anyone can steer the ship when the sea is calm.* Syrus

**THE BURRITO DEPOT**  
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## Good Luck To The Owls and Lady Owls This Season!



**Varsity Teams in Floydada Tournament,  
Dec. 4-6**

**Varsity vs. Lazbuddie, Dec. 9 Here**

**Junior Varsity in Kress Tournament,  
Dec. 4-6**

**Junior High In Hart Tournament.  
Dec. 4-6**

**Junior High at Motley, Dec. 8**



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	High	Low	Precip.
1	58	37	
2	66	44	
3	76	60	
4	84	53	
5	73	33	
6	54	29	
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11	69	48	
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14	40	36	.10
15	54	37	
16	67	32	
17	73	41	
18	71	46	
19	58	30	
20	73	31	
21	78	37	
22	70	44	
23	71	21	
24	37	10	
25	50	10	

## More Bits & Pieces

by Lataine Dillard

Valeria Weaver is another of Silverton's elder ladies. She will be 86 January 4, and does not take any medicine. Like Elsie Cornett, she is sharp as a tack. She joined her daughter and family, Tina, Wayne and Holly Nance, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Max and Sheryl Weaver, for Thanksgiving. Valeria's daughter, Ann Coleman, came from Shamrock, but daughter, Karla Alexander, could not come until later. She brought with her daughter, Sherry, and her husband from Houston. They just returned from Scotland where he is a chemical

26	62	32
27	65	34
28	49	17
29	53	26
30	66	29
November Precip.		.23
Normal Nov. Precip.		.71
Total Precip. in 2003		10.53
Normal Annual Precip.		20.54

engineer with Amoco. Valeria's sister-in-law, Jonnie Weaver, went to Dallas with her son-in-law and daughter, Gary and Sharon McMullen, for a Thanksgiving visit with son, Johnnie Roy, and family.

Shirley and Duane Reynolds went to see "MaMa" Bernice Reynolds at Shamrock Care Inn on Thanksgiving. Bernice is feeling pretty well and they all enjoyed spending the day with her.

Rex and Theta Holt spent Thanksgiving in Lubbock with daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Doug Turner. Other guests were Margie Turner of Lockney and Sammie, Rita and Kenna Turner of Lubbock, and a friend from Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Peak of Lubbock, Chad and Kellye Turner of Phoenix, Arizona and Dee and Neal Turner were there to join the Thanksgiving festivities.

Fred and Wanda Strange went to the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Darla and Eddie Wood, at Timbercreek, S. W. in Amarillo for the holidays. Everyone was there except Ronnie and Amy Strange, who flew to Houston to be with Dusty, who is attending school there.

The John Francis family was together in Lubbock for Thanksgiving. Both daughters, Lesa Johnson and Lori House, live there now since Lori moved from Levelland. A few others joined them for the meal and then the men spent the afternoon at Lori's

new home watching ballgames and the ladies stayed at Lesa's to visit and nap.

Christine King took off for LaVernia, Texas to spend several days with her brother, Glenn Beal. They had a great time and Thanksgiving they joined Christine's niece in Sutherland Spring, Texas for dinner. Christine said it was colder there than here!

Bud and Glenda Couch went to Port Lavaca, Texas to visit son, Darrell, and his family, Kara, Steven, Casey and Hayley, for Thanksgiving. They took their beautiful fifth wheel so did not have to pack and unpack. They planned to stop and visit Rena Schott in Stephenville on the way down.

Have you seen all the beautiful Christmas decorations already up? It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. It has been over two months since I went into Wal-Mart looking for crab grass killer and found they had moved it to put in Christmas decorations.

Don't forget to keep CHRIST in CHRISTmas. After all, why do we have Christmas? Remember, God always gives His best to those who leave the choice with Him. Have a great week!

*Good company in a journey makes the way seem shorter.*  
Izaak Walton

*Let him that would move the world first move himself.*  
Socrates

## December Events At Caprock Canyons

Several events are planned during December at Caprock Canyons State Park.

These include:  
**Dec. 6--Caprock Country Christmas - Decorating With Native Plants**

Join the park interpreter for demonstrations using native plant material for holiday home decorating. Call the park headquarters for times and places, 800-455-1492.

**Dec. 13--Fern Cave Hike, 9:00 a.m.**

Explore the North Prong Trail leading up to Fern Cave. This moderately difficult hike is approximately seven miles long and should take five hours to complete. Hikers should be in good condition. Water and snacks are a necessity. Regular park fees apply.

**Dec. 20--Geology of South Prong Canyon, 9:00 a.m.**

Hike the South Prong of the Little Red River to discover the geological formations, rocks, minerals and even fossils of the park. Meet at the South Prong parking lot and bring plenty of water. Regular park fees apply.

**Dec. 27--Eagle Point Family Nature Hike, 9:00 a.m.**

Join the park interpreter for an informative (1.5 hour) hike along Eagle Point Trail. Meet at the grassy parking area north of Lake Theo. Bring water, a hat and binoculars if you have them. Regular park fees apply.

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## Christmas Greeting Page Deadline is Dec. 8

Century of Progress Study Club will sponsor the Christmas Greeting Page in the Briscoe County News, and invites your family to take part in this by donating the money you would have spent mailing Christmas cards locally.

Organizations chosen to share the proceeds from the project will include Silverton Volunteer Fire Department, Silverton Public Library and Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

The Christmas Greeting Page will be a feature of the last issue of the Briscoe County News printed before Christmas. Deadline for getting your name on the page is December 8.

Please print your name below as you would like for it to appear on the greeting page, and mail along with your donation to: CENTURY OF PROGRESS STUDY CLUB

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**All-District Team-  
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punter.

Honorable mention went to Jacob Francis, freshman center; Chance Rhoderick, junior runningback; James Tiffin, junior tight end; Colt Smith, senior quarterback; Payton Estes, senior safety; Max Comer, junior defensive end; James Tiffin, junior defensive end.

**Owls Drop Games  
To Fritch, New Deal**

Silverton's Owls dropped a 34-63 game to New Deal November 24, and a 32-45 game to Sanford-Fritch November 25.

At New Deal, scoring was by Bert Vasquez, nine, all three pointers; Gid Mayfield, eight; Caleb Francis, Eric

Minyard and Ty Reed, four points each; Jacob Francis and Payton Estes, two points each, and Colt Smith, one point.

Owls	8	18	23	34
New Deal	18	34	53	63

In the game with Sanford-Fritch here, some of the Owls got in foul trouble. Scoring was by Gid Mayfield, 10; Colt Smith, six; Jacob Francis, five; Eric Minyard, four; Drew

**Lady Owls Drop  
50-31 Decision  
To Sanford-Fritch**

Silverton's Lady Owls dropped a 50-31 decision to Sanford-Fritch here last week.

Reed, three; Caleb Francis and Ty Reed, two points each.

Owls	10	17	21	32
Sanford-Fritch	4	14	30	45

Lori Griffin led the offense by scoring 12 points, including a basket from downtown. Adding to the score were Haylee Simpson and Sasha Wood, four points each; Kelcy Simpson, Danielle Ramirez and Krista Hale, three points each (all three pointers); Kelsie Estes, two points.

Lady Owls	2	14	21	31
Sanford-Fritch	11	29	38	50

**Bits & Pieces**

by Lataine Dillard

Happy birthday to Mrs. Elsie Cornett! I asked to what she attributed her living such a long life. "I've had a wonderful life, a wonderful husband and three wonderful children," she said. Her daughter, Brenda, hosted a special party for her on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 30, in the Pioneer Room of City Bank. Elsie told Brenda that probably no one would come. "Don't worry about that," Brenda told Elsie. And beginning at 2:00 and continuing until 4:00, people just kept coming to wish Elsie well.


Patricia McJimsey had her family home for Thanksgiving. Then she and Harvey did an unbelievable thing. They got up at 4:00 a.m. and went shopping on Friday! Stores were offering great specials and a large crowd came to take advantage of them. Fox news reported sales Friday totaled 7.2 billion dollars.

Someone told me that they looked for an item in Amarillo and did not find it. Then they went to ALCO in Tulia and found what they wanted at the same price!

John and Maebelle Francis went to Plainview for the shopping thing but they said they did not stay very long. Fred Strange said his granddaughter, Jessica, works at Wal-Mart in Canyon. That morning people were lined up to get in at 6:00 a.m. Loretta Hardin said they went shopping Saturday and everything was already gone!

The brother of Ed Norris, Elwin Norris, a former missionary to Africa, spoke at First Baptist Church Sunday. This kicked off the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missionaries. Elwin and his wife, Dorothy, were accompanied by Elwin's sister, Ruby, and her husband, Kenneth Lee.

Pray for Beverly Darling's family. Her brother, Rick Mayer, has been very ill and her dad had a heart attack.



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