

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



The hummingbirds are back! If you don't have your hummingbird feeders cleaned out and filled with fresh nectar, do it now so you won't miss seeing these beautiful little birds.

Original works by students at West Texas A&M University were featured at the 2004 Legacy Live Sunday in the Poet's Corner at the Cornette Library. Students in the Legacy Live showcase included Stephanie Watson of Silverton, graduate student in English--author.

Legacy Live was a showcase of works published in the 2004 issue of the student literary magazine, *The Legacy*.

We received this open letter to Briscoe County:

Having had two daughters to live and work in your area over a period of approximately five years, we have come to know and appreciate the folks of Briscoe County. As each of our girls, Calley Jo (Payne) Runnels and Cory Jan (Payne) Edwards, took on her very first job as a County Extension Agent, you welcomed them to your county with open arms. During the time spent with you, they were both blessed with so much hospitality, care and helpfulness from you, as well as finding friends that will probably last for their lifetimes. Although they have now both moved on, the good memories of Briscoe County will remain in their hearts and help them to give of themselves as you gave to them.

Thank you for giving our girls such good starts to both of their careers.

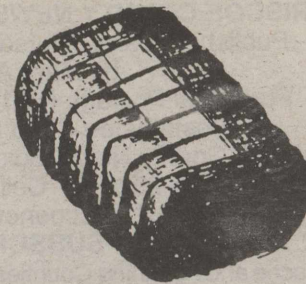
Sincerely,
Tom and Judy Payne
Vernon, Texas

Those enjoying Easter in the home of Riley and Lois Ziegler were their daughter, Delinda and children, Nikki and Candice from The Woodlands; their son Dean and wife, Cindy, from Vidor; his children, Josh and Karter, from Iowa Park; from Silverton were Brad, JonEtta, Townlii, Trey and Monica. That night Mary McMurtry, Lexi and Lili visited. Lots of good food, picture taking and



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Briscoe County News

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This is the live oak tree as it was delivered Sunday, March 21, to the Mary McCoy Baines Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Pictured with the tree are (left to right) Bill Price, donor of the tree; Roma Swindle, DAR Regent, and Sam Houston IV of Virginia, great-grandson of Sam Houston. The tree will be planted on the Briscoe County Courthouse yard at 1:15 p.m. Thursday, April 29.

Temporary Watercraft Rules at Lake Mackenzie Take Effect Immediately

At the regular meeting of Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority on April 13, 2004, it was decided that due to the low water level of the lake the following should take effect immediately:

Temporary ban on:

*Water Skiing

*Personal Watercraft (Jet

Skis) talking about old times followed. James and Marcy also enjoyed time spent with them.

Silverton Church of Christ has a Clothes Closet from which they give donated clothes to those in the community who need them. Clothes are needed at this time, especially children's clothes. Please open your hearts and closets to donate to this project. Contact Brenda Patton if you wish to take part in this activity.

Skis)

*Any activities involving people being towed by motorboats or personal watercraft (Jet Skis)

These activities will be allowed to resume once the water level in the lake has recovered.

This information was provided by Emmett E. Tomlin, Park Superintendent.

Gospel Lighthouse Church Service Changed to Sunday

The worship service at Gospel Lighthouse Church in Silverton has been changed from Saturday at 10:00 a.m. to Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Please note this scheduling change.

Youth Basketball Rules Stressed

This note is for ALL parents, kids (playing or not) and families attending the youth basketball games.

The Silverton Youth Basketball Program is for the fun and education of the kids participating.

It is NOT for adults to carry on in a way that takes away from this. When the kids get out of line they are expected to correct their behavior and ADULTS should show correct behavior without being told. If you disagree with this, then feel free not to attend, but our elected officers, officials and selected others from the initial meeting are working very hard to keep this program alive FOR THE KIDS.

If you are scheduled to coach or work at the games, please show up 15 minutes before your game/work time (or immediately following your child's game) to keep on schedule.

Rules that are not being followed include:

Kids attending the games are to be in the stands, at the concession stand, in the restroom, or will be told to go home. They do not need to be outside other than with their parents. No exceptions. Parents are responsible for their kids.

Each child participating MUST get equal time regardless of the score.

Do not yell at or abuse the officials! They are there HELPING to have the games. WITHOUT THEM there would be NO games. If you cannot control yourself LEAVE, or the game will be stopped and you will be asked to go. Otherwise, VOLUNTEER YOURSELF to help in their place.

Nothing is as terrible to see as ignorance in action.

Goethe

Early Voting Is April 28-May 11

Early voting in the local elections will be held between April 28 and May 11. On each school day from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., voting will be in the office of Ramona Martin.

Candidates for school trustee are Zane Mayfield and Bill Strange, incumbents, and James Alan Patton, Vicky Tiffin, Norma Jones and Barbara Deckard. You will be asked to vote for three.

Early voting in the City of Silverton General Election will be held between April 28 and May 11, on each business day from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., and from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the office of Jerry Patton at the City Hall.

Candidates for city councilmen are Dwain Henderson, F. E. Hutsell and Charles Sarchet, incumbents, Kyle Fuston and Delane Smith, challengers. You will be asked to vote for three.

Lighthouse Annual Meeting is Today

The annual meeting of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held today (Thursday, April 22) on Hwy. 70 at Muncy between Floydada and Lockney. A Health Fair will be held beginning at 3:30 p.m. Registration begins at 4:30 p.m. and a meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. The business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. and a grand prize drawing for \$500 will be a feature.

Project Graduation Meeting is April 27

There will be a Project Graduation meeting at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, in the Silverton High School board room.

Everyone who has students in high school is urged to attend the meeting.

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From the Patio
 by Nina Martin

Quilters on April 15 were Christine King, Ann Norris, Wanda Strange, Joy Stodghill, Syble King, Evelyn Smith, Lallie Patton, Rose Mary Perkins, Laverne Stephens, Bobbye Bean, Nina Martin and Nadyne Childress.

Evelyn Smith is back from California. She spent three weeks with her mother and sister.

Jurors Donate Pay to Local Senior Citizens

According to Briscoe County Treasurer Mary Jo Brannon, the following jurors have donated \$6.00 each to the Silverton Senior Citizens: Billy Albert Carthel, Linda O'Neal Moore, Brenda Cornett Patton, James Elgin Patton, jr., Kathleen L. Latham, Mike Smith, Arlene Curry, Loyd

Silverton School Lunch Menu

April 26--Meat & Cheese Taco, Salad, Hot Sauce, Fruit, Milk
 April 27--Corn Dog, Potatoes, Beans, Pudding, Milk
 April 28--Pizza, Salad, Fruit, Milk
 April 29--Chicken Fingers, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Honey, Butter, Milk
 April 30--Barbecue on a Bun, Fries, Cheese, Jello, Milk

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, April 22--Regional One Act Play
 Friday, April 23--Regional UIL Academic Contests
 Saturday, April 24--FFA State Contests at Texas Tech; Junior-Senior Outing
 Stephens, Glenda Francis, Dianne Reynolds.

Coffee to Honor Superintendent

Silverton Senior Citizens will host a coffee at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 27.

Interim Superintendent Bill Mayfield will be available to give an update on Texas School Finances.

Mr. Mayfield will be glad to answer questions you may have regarding school finances.

This meeting is open to the entire community and everyone is invited to attend.

SWCD Has Trees For Sale

Caprock SWCD has trees for sale. Available at this time are Afghan pine, 5 gallon and 1 gallon containers; Arizona cypress, 1 gallon; Austrian pine seedlings; and green ash seedlings. Prices range from \$14.50 for 5 gallon containers; \$6.50 for evergreen seedlings, and \$1.50 for hardwood seedlings. Call 823-2431, Ext. 101, or go by the NRCS office at 410 Lone Star.

Tuesday, April 27--3-8 TAKS Math, 10 TAKS Soc. Stud., 11 TAKS Math, 3-8 SDAA Math

Wednesday, April 28--4-8 TAKS Reading, 10 TAKS Math, 11 TAKS Science, 3-8 SDAA Reading

Thursday, April 29--5 TAKS Science, 8 TAKS Soc. Stud., 9 TAKS Math, 10 TAKS Science, 11 TAKS Soc. Stud. tests

Friday, April 30--Regional Track Meet

WEATHER

Readings Taken at 6:00 a.m. Daily in April

	High	Low	Precip.
1	80	40	
2	79	40	
3	58	48	.43
4	62	44	
5	46	43	.42
6	56	43	T
7	58	47	.21
8	67	44	
9	68	44	1.90
10	72	37	.07
11	43	34	
12	48	33	
13	53	25	
14	65	25	
15	76	41	
16	82	46	
17	85	51	
18	80	57	
19	79	58	T
20	80	54	
April Precip.			3.03
Normal April Precip.			1.49
Total Precip. in 2004			9.60
Normal Precip. to Date			3.67
Soil Temperature			62°

New Arrival

Jason and Crystal Davis of Slaton are parents of a daughter, Aubry Renea, who was born April 15 at 7:58 p.m. weighing seven pounds 4 3/4 ounces, and measuring 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Michael and Wendy Hill of Slaton; Bob and Teresa Byrd, Lubbock; Jeff Davis, Lubbock. Great-grandparents are Carlye and Donald Fleming, Silverton; Sandy and Delma Bloxom, Slaton; Robert Hill, Amarillo; Marie Davis, Lubbock.

Great-great-grandmother is Iwana Monroe of Tulia.

Small obligations, given habitually, are what preserve the heart and secure comfort.
 William Davy

Spring is a natural resurrection, an experience in immortality.

Henry David Thoreau

The girl who can't dance says the band can't play.

Yiddish proverb

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What if... God took away His love because I didn't love others?

What if... God took away his care for me because I stopped caring for others?

What if... God quit giving to me because I quit using the talent he has given me?

What if... God took away/quit listening to our prayers because we quit listening to Him when he called?

What if... God took away our church because we don't like some of the members?

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

March 17, 1994--Selected from the Lady Owls as All-District players were Kami Martin, Christa Tucker, Molly Bomar, Brandi Brunson and Dedra Johnston. Angie Pointer of Valley was named the District Most Valuable Player, and others chosen from Valley were Robin Williams, Tracie Guest and Julie Cruz. Representing the Owls on the boys elite team were Braden Towe, Stoney Hubbard, Lance Holt and Matt Francis. Bubba Powell of Valley and Theodore White of Patton Springs were named the District's Most Valuable Players. Other Valley players selected were Joe Valdez, Josh Scoggins, Alfie Clardy and Donnie Calvert... Miss Sonya Ramirez became the bride of Jeff Smith Feb. 20 in a ceremony performed at their home in Silverton... Pete Chitty died in Plainview on March 15. He had resided at a Plainview nursing home since suffering a stroke several weeks ago...

March 15, 1984--U.S. Congressman Jack Hightower was speaker at the dedication of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority water transmission system Saturday afternoon at the treatment plant on the south side of Lake Mackenzie... Mr. and Mrs. Thurman May are parents of a son, Preston Andrew... Mr. and Mrs. John Welch are parents of a daughter, Meagan Marie... Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hester celebrate forty years of marriage... Fingerprinting Seminar planned here March 30... The elementary school Picture Memory team, Gwen Clardy, Monica Arnold, Jessica Lemons, Amy Ramsey and Tonya Gerhardt, won first place in the meet Monday... Mrs. F. E. Hutsell continues to undergo tests and treatment at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo... Scotty Harris received a knee injury while skiing during spring break... Dwain Henderson underwent surgery at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview last week...

March 21, 1974--Marilyn Minyard has been nominated for the Association of Women Students Woman of the Year honor at West Texas State

University... Lori Francis was first runner-up in the Queen Contest held at half-time of the High School All-Star Girls Basketball Game at the Civic Center Coliseum in Amarillo Saturday night... Tennis team wins two games and loses six. Winners were Randy Clay, singles, and Barry Francis and Darrell Reynolds, doubles... Mrs. Joe Gallington spent the weekend in Nashville, Arkansas with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Scoggins. Mr. and Mrs. John Turrentine and family and Mrs. George Nix, whom they hadn't seen for 29 years, also were visiting there...

March 19, 1964--Officers elected by the Silverton Young Farmers are Jerry Clayton, historian; Robert Haley Hill, president; John Fowler, reporter; Bennie Reagan, secretary; Jack Mayfield, chapter advisor; Jaye Turner, vice president; Charles Wayne Mayfield, treasurer... The Haylake Club met in the home of Winnie Smith last week. Ella Leah Riddell and Vaughnell Brannon were lucky winners... Mrs. M. L. Welch, Mrs. Bill Long and Diane spent the weekend in Hollis, Oklahoma visiting relatives and helping care for Mrs. John Vaughan, who is thought to be slightly improved since early last week...

... Mr. and Mrs. Bill Swindle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Souter and Jeff have been visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clemmer... Century of Progress clubwomen enjoyed lunch and a visit to the Atomitat home in Plainview... Toni Rhode to marry Jimmie Jenkins... Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rhoderick are parents of a daughter, Stacy Renee...

March 18, 1954--Friday the Boy Scouts of the District met at the Boy Scout Camp for the purpose of working on the swimming pool and selecting troop camping sites for their summer camp. Troops were present from Dimmitt, Plainview, Cotton Center, Hale Center, Olton, Floydada and Petersburg. The group held a campfire program in the Hogan, which was built by the late John Haynes. Carlyle Satterfield, Silverton Scoutmaster, represented the Silverton Troop at the pro-

gram... With Doc Mnyard acting as master of ceremonies Saturday, "You All Come Day" awards were presented to Sid Richards, \$50.00; True Burson, \$15.00, and Bryant Eddleman, \$10.00... Senior Class Play to be Friday night... Jim Norris is seriously ill at his home here... Buddy Travis, a teacher and coach in the local high school, attended a coaching school at Tech last Friday... Mrs. Gene Morris received word Tuesday afternoon that her husband had been injured in a collision near Trinidad, Colorado. Mrs. Morris and Warner Reid left immediately by plane for Trinidad. Later Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dickerson, Dud Watters and Lynn Welch left by car... Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Riddle, Roy and Joy Morrison spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McWilliams and Linda... Mrs. Bryan Strange and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Strange and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fowler and children at Dimmitt... H. A. Cagle went to Childress Sunday afternoon to see his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Cagle...

March 16, 1944--Miss Lillie Mae Sewell and Sgt. Wayne McCloud were married Sunday evening at the Methodist parsonage with the Rev. T. G. Craft reading the ceremony... Garner Guest leads Marine assault on last Tarawa Japs... Appendicitis operations were coming thick and fast here this Thursday morning as three local people were operated on at the Plainview Sanitarium. They were a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown, Nelma Joyce Chappell and Mrs. W. L. Brian... Mr. and Mrs. Alva C. Jasper, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Jasper and Mrs. Betty Hodges went to Texhoma Tuesday to attend a funeral... Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wimberly and family spent the weekend in Fort Worth where they attended the Fat Stock Show... Mr. and Mrs. Berton Hughes, Mrs. W. B. Hughes and Miss Grace Hughes visited the H. T. Myers Sunday... Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Bomar attended the Cattlemen's Convention in Amarillo last week... Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Reithmyer and Mrs. O'Neal and Mary were Sunday afternoon callers in the John Bradford home... Lynn Welch and Billy Joe Womack recently graduated from the basic en-

gineers school at the Naval Training Station at San Diego...

Happy Birthday-

April 22--Kymberli May, Zane Henderson, Rex Fuston, Matthew Tiffin

April 24--Andrew Francis, Doree Brodeen, Kimmie Blazier, Mitchell Simpson, Valda Ferguson

April 25--Melanie Copeland

April 26--Juanell Turner, Alex Segura, Cris Gill

April 27--Donnie Martin, Jim Cogdell, Russell McLeland, Tangie Perkins

April 28--Shellie Cornett, Nikki Martin, Bailey Hill, Emily Long, Molly Stinson

Happy Anniversary-

April 24--Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Stephens

April 27--Mr. and Mrs. Casey Bean

Summer afternoon, summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

Henry James

Silverton School Honor Roll

Fifth Six Weeks

Second Grade--Candy Kate Carpenter, Harlee Cogdell, Haley Jackson, Molly Moore, Taylor Wall, Emily Williams

Third Grade--Rowdy Cogdell, Brittany Deckard, Jeremy Hall, Kodie Saul, Ashley Smith

Fourth Grade--Haley Beesinger, Ryder Carpenter, Braden Estes, Reba Garvin, Bryce Patton

Fifth Grade--Jonathan Wall

Sixth Grade--Blaze Cogdell, Logan Fabela, Wendy Garcia, Emily Long, Jathan Williams

Seventh Grade--Eloy Beltran, Reese Scarborough

Eighth Grade--Cooper Cogdell, Shane Estes, Shandy Forbes, Laura Scarborough

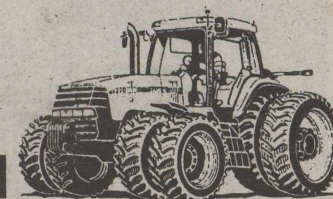
Ninth Grade--Dusty Burson, Ory Johnson

Tenth Grade--Gid Mayfield, Thor Patton, Jesse Reynolds, Tanner Young

Eleventh Grade--James Tiffin

Twelfth Grade--Caleb Francis, Lori Griffin, Daryl-Ann Reynolds

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CASE III
A TRADITION OF LEADERSHIP

Bits & Pieces of News

by Lataine Dillard

Senior Citizens Exercise Class never ceases to be entertaining and educational. Recently we got started on trees. Most of us had hoped there would be no freeze Easter weekend so we might get some fruit this year. Wanda Strange

said their son, Ronnie, had fruit every year. He puts Christmas lights in his fruit trees to keep them from getting frozen back.

Brenda Patton said the Silverton Church of Christ had its "Clothes Closet" open recently and had a lot of people to come for clothing. They will be open the first Saturday of each month at the church at 202 North Main. There is a need for more clothes, especially children's sizes, so clean out your closet and share. Call Brenda at 823-2446 for information.

As about 30 people gathered at the Methodist Church on Easter Sunday the sun was rising and we knew Jesus is alive! Pastor James Mayfield of the Church of Christ brought the Easter message. Jimmy Burson played the guitar as people sang praises to Jesus. Hot chocolate and donuts were served.

Keep conscience clear, then never fear.

Benjamin Franklin



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NORMA JONES

En la eleccion de Consejo de Escuela

Sabado, el dia 15 de Mayo, 2004
En el municipio de Silverton

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Box Tops Project Finished For School Year

Silverton ISD wrapped up its Box Tops for Education project for the 2003-04 school year with a total earning of 4733 box tops, equaling \$473.30.

Earning the most for the elementary school was the kindergarten class with 498 box tops. Leading for the junior high was the eighth grade class with 580 box tops, and leading for the high school was the sophomore class with 438 box tops. These three classes celebrated their accomplishment with Box Top logo cakes baked and decorated by Sheila Reagan and sponsored by Kyle Fuston and City Bank-Silverton.

In celebration of all the students' participation and success, each student in the school received a pizza coupon from Simple Simon's or Domino's in Plainview.

Thanks to all the businesses who provided weekly prizes for the Box Tops drawings. They include: from Tulia: Tulia Bowl, Pizza Hut, Subway and Sonic; from Plainview: Simple Simon's, Domino's, Sonic, Chicken Express, Taco Bell, Mr. Gatti's, Long John Silver and Burger King.

Blessed is the man who having nothing to say, abstains from giving in words evidence of the fact. George Eliot

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Briscoe County 4-Hers competed in Horse Judging Friday, April 2. Team members are (back row, left to right) Katey Bullock, Jacob Pigg, John Pigg; (front) Kodie Saul, Brittany Deckard and Jayson Pigg. Not pictured was Jessie Price.

Briscoe County 4-Hers Compete In Three Horse Judging Contests

Forty-five junior age youth and eleven junior teams from around the Panhandle competed at the District 1 4-H Horse Judging Contests on Friday, April 2, to apply their critical thinking and decision making skills while evaluating the conformation and performance of horses. Each 4-H member ranked a class of four horses from the best choice to the least desirable choice. Prior to the contest, youth studied by watching videos and visiting horse farms to develop their skills. The participating youth judged five performance classes including Reining, Hunter Hack, Western Pleasure, Hunt Seat Equitation and Hunter Under Saddle. They also judged three halter classes, Aged Mares, Junior Geldings and Aged Geldings. Performance classes are judged based on functional correctness, attitude and quality of movement. Hal-

ter classes are judged based on balance, muscling, structural correctness, and quality.

In the Junior division, Briscoe County Team A included Jacob Pigg, Jayson Pigg, Brittany Deckard and Jessie Price, and placed seventh overall. Briscoe County Team B, composed of John Pigg, Kodie Saul and Katey Bullock, placed eleventh overall. Individually, Jayson Pigg placed third overall.


A big thanks to Dale Smith, Mitchell Simpson and Calley Runnels for helping the youth practice by allowing them to evaluate their horses.

The Horse Judging teams competed in two open contests prior to the District Contest. At the Traveling Trophy Horse Judging Contest which was held in Canyon March 26, Briscoe County Team 1, made up of Jacob Pigg, Jayson Pigg and John Pigg, placed sixth high overall out of 14 teams. Briscoe County Team 1 also ranked fifth high team overall in performance and eighth high overall in halter. Individually, Jacob Pigg placed 16th in halter, 16th in performance, and 11th overall. Brittany Deckard placed 14th high in performance and John Pigg placed 20th. Overall, John Pigg was 17th high individual.

At the Clarendon Invitational Horse Judging Contest held March 27, Team 1 placed eighth overall and Team 2 claimed the ninth spot. Jessie Price was 13th high individual and Jacob Pigg was 17th high individual.

New Arrival


Carl and Kathy Speck of Dumas wish to welcome Cannon Ben to their family. Cannon was born April 2, 2004 at UMC in Lubbock. He weighed seven pounds and 14 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed into the family by his big sister, Kaleigh Dawn. Grandparents are Don and Mary Brown, Silverton, Cissy and Guy V. Speck of Midland, and his great-grandmother, Elsie Brown of Silverton.



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SUNDAY:
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
MONDAY:
Ladies Bible Study.....8:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Ladies Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
Rock Salt Youth Group.....7:00 p.m.
Bible Study, Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs
SECOND WEDNESDAY:
Fellowship Meal.....6:30 p.m.
Ladies Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
Business Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
Mission Friends, GAs.....7:00 p.m.
RAs, Rock Salt Youth.....7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY
Men's Group.....6:30 a.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED
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SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.
Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY:
Unit. Meth. Women..... 9:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
In-home Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY:
Unit. Meth. Men..... 6:30 a.m.

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Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
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Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

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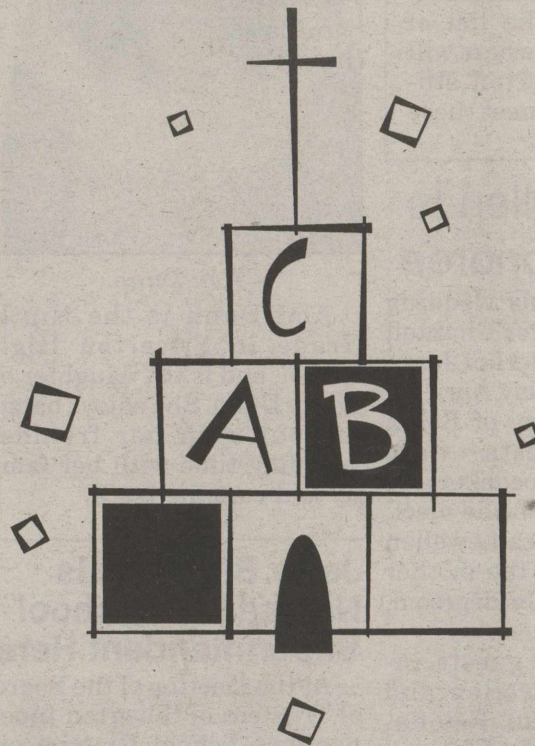
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Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY:
Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.

Becoming Children of God

In the Bible, our Lord speaks frequently about children and being childlike: "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14). We are also told that, "to all who receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave power to become children of God" (John 1:12). As adults we have a tendency to over-analyze everything and live our lives on the basis of logic. In comparison, children trust completely in their parents or guardian, and they depend on them for all of their physical and emotional needs. They don't worry or fret about what tomorrow will bring; they trust that someone will always take care of them. We should strive to develop a loving and trusting relationship with God, and we should be confident that He has our lives in His control. We should not be overly concerned when things don't work out like we think they should; accepting God's will in our lives is part of being a child of God.



*I assure you that whoever
does not receive the kingdom
of God like a child will
never enter it.*

Good News Bible Mark
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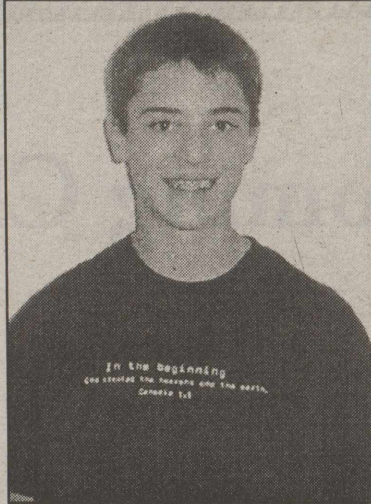
Each month during the school year a boy and a girl will be selected as outstanding students of the month. A boy and girl will be selected from high school, junior high and elementary school. Nominations will be based on character, leadership, attitude, sportsmanship and scholarship. From the list of nominees the teachers will select the Silverton students who best meet these qualifications.

Silverton's Students of the Month For March 2004



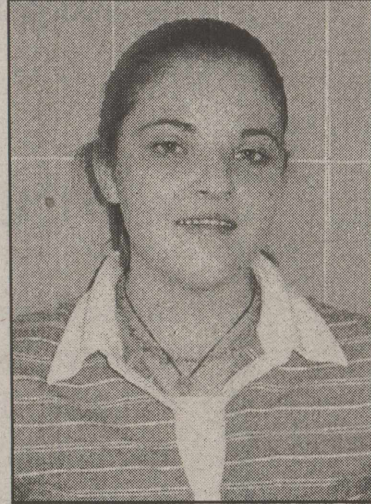
Ami Dunn

Ami Dunn is the Ninth Grade in Silverton High School, and is the daughter of Becky Dunn. She enjoys hanging out with her friends, spending time with her family and running track.



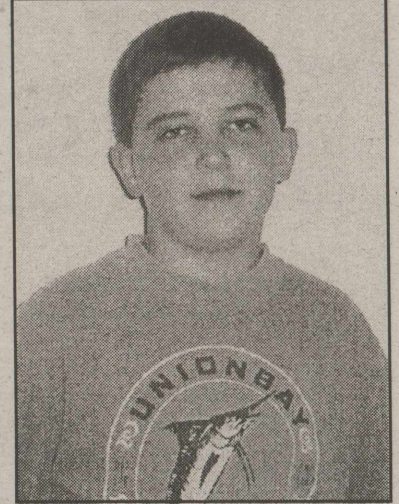
Jesse Reynolds

Silverton High School Tenth Grader Jesse Reynolds is the son of Derrell and Dianne Reynolds. Things he enjoys most are playing basketball, hanging out with friends and going to town on the weekends.



Torrey Fuston

Special interests of Torrey Fuston are playing basketball, riding the four-wheeler and talking to her friends. She is in the Seventh Grade in Silverton Junior High and is the daughter of Kyle and Amy Fuston.



Jathan Williams

Jathan Williams is the son of Mike and Robin Williams. A Sixth Grade student in Silverton Junior High, he enjoys swimming, reading, hanging out with friends, playing baseball and football, and showing animals.

Miss Lewellen Is Shower Honoree

A miscellaneous wedding shower was held for Chantell Lewellen, bride-elect of Jared Francis, on Saturday, April 17, 2004, in the home of Robin Boedeker. Guests were greeted by Mrs. Boedeker and presented to the bride-elect, her mother, Detrica Lewellen of Friona, and to the mother of the prospective bridegroom, Michelle Francis.

Other special guests included Ibbey Lewellen and Beulah Miller of Friona, grandmothers of the honoree; Charee Lewellen of Friona, sister of the bride-elect; Glenda Francis of Silverton, and Barbara McDonough of Plainview, grandmothers of the groom. Aunts and cousins of the groom attending included Marilyn Vieregge and Katy Henderson of Lubbock; Brenda McDonough, Meredith and Zachary and Ima Nell Francis, all of Plainview; LaVada McCracken of Tulia; Margaret Frizzell of Silverton; Aimee Fields and Laurel of Groom. Another special guest attending from Canyon was Alisha Cardinelli, maid of honor.

Sausage balls, cream puffs,

Jerry Birdsong is Named New School Superintendent Here

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Silverton Independent School District on quiche, various sweet breads and muffins and pineapple punch were served by Lisa Cherry and Rhenda Burson from silver and China appointments. The serving table was adorned with a basket of spring flowers.

Hostesses for the occasion were Robin Boedeker, Janinne Brooks, Marsha Brunson, Lana Burson, Rhenda Burson, Lisa Cherry, Bena Hester, Juannah Jennings, Kathy Kingery, Dorothy Martin, Ramona Martin, Beverly Minyard, Patsy Towe, Sheryl Weaver, Gail Wyatt and JonEtta Ziegler. Their gift to the couple was a vacuum cleaner.

Monday, April 19, 2004, Jerry Dwayne Birdsong was named the Lone Finalist for the position of Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Birdsong will assume the responsibilities of the office on June 1, 2004.

He and his wife, Stephanie, and daughters, Kasi, Kelsi and Kammi will be moving to Silverton from Denver City, where he has been school principal for the past six years.

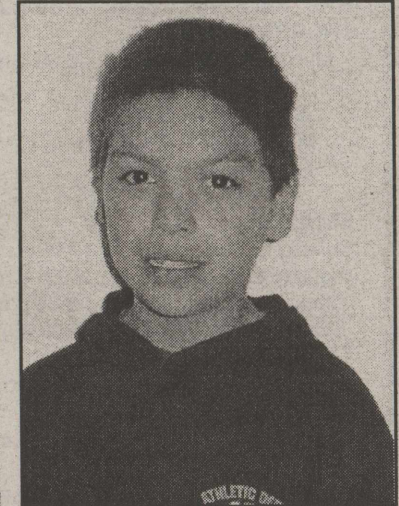
Mr. Birdsong has been active in the Lions Club, Denver City Basketball Association and the Methodist Church.

The Board of Trustees will host a "Welcome to Silverton Tea" for the Birdsong family after they are settled and encourage the community to attend and get to know them and make them welcome in Silverton.



Morgan Embry

Cory and Amy Embry are parents of Morgan Embry, a Fourth Grader in Silverton Elementary School. Things she enjoys most are basketball, football and baseball.



Matthew Maciel

Matthew Maciel is in the Fourth Grade in Silverton Elementary School and is the son of Mary Ann and Will Rowell. His favorite pastimes are football and basketball.

Texas Businesses Had April 15 Deadline to File Tax Renditions

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn has reminded Texas businesses to render their property with county appraisal districts by April 15. To render is to list the taxable inventory, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other property that is business owned or managed as of Jan. 1, 2004. Appraisal districts may use the information to set property values.

It is not the length of life, but the depth of life.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Beginning this year, the Texas Legislature gave the rendition law teeth by passing Senate Bill 340, creating monetary penalties for businesses that file their annual property tax rendition late, fail to render or file an incomplete or false rendition.

"If some businesses are not paying their fair share of property tax, that places a greater tax burden on honest, hardworking business owners and homeowners," Strayhorn said.

Rendering allows property owners to record their opinion of their property's value and

ensures that the appraisal district sends them a notice before changing a value on their property. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or a farmer's equipment used for farming.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office.

Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request with the chief appraiser on or before April 15 to receive an automatic extension to May 15. The chief appraiser may also grant an additional 15 days after the May 15 deadline if necessary.

To the Voters of Silverton ISD

I am a candidate for Trustee of Silverton Independent School District. I would appreciate your support in the coming election. As a citizen of the school district, I feel that it is important to support our school in any way that I can. I have 3 children in school and 1 at home. Naturally, I want the best education for them that is possible to have. I take my responsibilities seriously and will endeavor to do the best that I can to serve the district as a trustee. I have lived in the district 4 years. I love the town and the school and feel fortunate to raise my family here. I would appreciate your vote for me as a member of the school board for Silverton ISD.

Thank you, Vicky Tiffin

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Art Show To Be Held at Bank In Quitaque

First National Bank in Quitaque invites you to an exciting day in the bank.

Texas' leading artist, Dr. Kenneth Wyatt, is celebrating the 30th year of his gallery.

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To show his appreciation to you, his owners and supporters in the area, and to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of Kenneth Wyatt Galleries, he will discount EVERY piece of art in the show 30%. Everyone is invited.

Turkey Getting Ready For Bob Wills Day

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

TEST HOLE AND TEST WELL

MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL Sealed Proposals addressed to Van Breedlove, General Manager, Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, Route 1, Box 14, Silverton, Texas 79257 for the construction of a test hole and a test well with associated appurtenances entitled:

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WATER AUTHORITY will be received in the Administrative Offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority at Route 1, Box 14, Silverton, Texas, until:

**MAY 4, 2004
5:00 P.M.**

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority in an amount equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contract Documents, enter into a contract with the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority offering special discounts on various goods and services. Volunteers have ordered souvenirs and are preparing to cook the barbecue to be sold at the concession stand.

Everyone is invited to help honor the memory of the "King of Western Swing."

Authority and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Contract Documents are on file and may be examined at the Administrative Offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority at Route 1, Box 14, Silverton, Texas, phone (806) 633-4318 and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineer, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner:

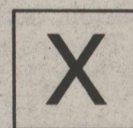
Cost: Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), non-refundable, for each set of plans and specifications.

Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informal. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the bid opening date.

Van Breedlove
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Love,
The Family of
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God's blessings to you,
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The Commissioners Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids to waive all technicalities.

/s/ Wayne Nance
County Judge
Briscoe County, Texas
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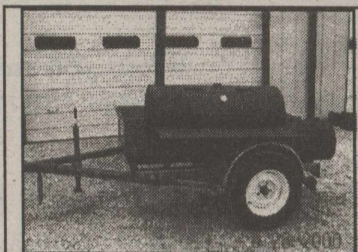
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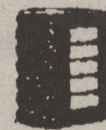
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