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Photo by Keifan Roberts

Matt Whittington runs the ball on Silverton during the JV game held last Thursday night. Read all about the Valley Patriot Varsity & JV wins over Silverton on page 3.

Jr Class To Hold Pre-Game Supper Friday Night

The Valley Jr. Class will be hosting a Pre-Game Supper Friday, October 17 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Valley School Cafeteria.

They would like to invite everyone to join them for a delicious homemade meal of Chicken Fried Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Desert and Tea before the game, Valley vs. Patton Springs at 7:30 p.m..

The cost will be just \$6 for adults and \$3 for kids 8 and under. All proceeds will go to the Jr. Class.



Silverton Postmaster Hoot Barker would like to remind all Briscoe County ranchers & farmers to bring their branding irons to the Silverton Post Office beginning next week. Hoot will begin burning local brand into the new "Branding Wall" located at the Silverton Post Office.

Fall Foliage Health Fair Promises To Be Largest Yet!

By Cory Edwards

This years Fall Foliage Health Fair looks like it's going to be the largest yet with 20 vendors already signed up to come and provide services and information for local and area residents. This event is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, Briscoe County, the Turkey Extension Club, and the Quitague Lions Club and will be held on October 25, 2003 at the First National Bank in Quitague from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm..

Special services that are to be offered include: Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar checks; Bone Density Screenings; Flu, Pneumonia, and Tetanus/Diphtheria shots; Glaucoma Screenings; Mammograms; and Retina Tests.

Information will be provided on Home Health Services; Panhandle Community Services; Men's Health & Skin Rejuvenation; Breast Health; Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation; Investing; 911; Youth Counseling Services; Marriage & Family Counseling; Alcoholism & Drug Abuse; Texas Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program; and Alzheimer's Disease.

The Texas Department of Health will have Flu and Pneumonia shots available for the general public. The Flu shots will cost \$12 this year, and Pneumonia shots will be \$17. Medicare, Medicaid, and Chip will be accepted.

Staff from the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will be offering mammograms. To make an appointment for a mammogram please call 1-800-377-4773 or 1-806-356-1905. The cost for a mammogram has increased and will be provided at the rate of \$145 this year. Financial aid is available.

In addition to the services and information lots of "freebies" and door prizes will be given away.

The 2002 Health Fair saved the participants almost \$2500 considering the costs of these services at a doctor's office or hospital. The Health Fair also saves lots of money on gasoline for local participants. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity for health care and information in our area.

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Turkey City Council Adopts Resolution Temporarily Suspending Atmos Energy Rate Increase

The Turkey City Council met on Thursday, October 9 at the City Hall for their regular meeting. The following council members were present: Mayor Pat Carson, Council members Brian Wheeler, Mary Fierro, and Brenda Seymour. Council members Doyle Dean Proctor and Homer Hawkins were absent. City Manager Jerry Landry, City Secretary Gail Hanna and Guest Tom Eudy and Dwight Ramsey were also present.

Dwight Ramsey, representing Atmos Energy discussed with the City the company's intent to change their gas rates and the options the City could take. The council voted to adopt a Resolution suspending the effective date of Atmos Energy requested rate changes to permit the City time to study the request, form a steering committee to direct efforts of legal counsel authorizing a law firm to represent Turkey along with other cities in the area.

Tom Eudy presented the council with facts about vandalism done to his business building downtown and the littering of trash and beer cans during the weekends when the baseball park is used. City Council voted to talk with the people using the baseball park, requesting them to get control of this situation or the City would start charging for use of the park.

The council voted to pay their bills and to accept the financial statements that were presented. They signed a contract with Computer Concepts out of Houston for them to do the billing and collecting for Turkey's ambulance services.

The City Council changed the City office hours to 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice due to the fact the City secretary will be out for surgery.

Go Valley! Beat Patton Springs!

Mammograms To Be Offered At Fall Health Fair

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Briscoe County Health Fair, in Quitague, October 25, 2003. The clinic will be held in Quitague First National Bank, 4th and Main.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Men's Prayer Breakfast Opens Doors To All Local Men

All area men are invited to attend a Men's Prayer Breakfast on Wednesday, October 22 at 7 a.m. in the Quitague Community Center. The event will be sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Quitague.

This free breakfast will be a time of visiting with other local men in the community as well as a time of joint prayer and encouragement.

For more information contact First Baptist Church at 806-455-1286 or e-mail: fbc@quitague.com.

The Spooks Are Coming

Turkey will be holding their annual Halloween Carnival in the Bob Wills Community Center on Saturday, October 25th beginning at 6 p.m..

There will be a Spook House, a really Spooky Hay Ride, Cake Walk, Bingo, Jail, Face Painting, and lots more booths for all ages.

Make plans now to join all the spooks & goblins in Turkey to celebrate this Halloween!



Rick Hutsell's Main Street Dollar Store is one of two new businesses in Silverton holding a grand opening this Friday & Saturday.

Silverton's Growing With The Addition Of Two New Businesses

The Silverton Chamber of Commerce invites you to drop by to visit the Braidfoot Boutique this Friday from 3:30-5:00. Chamber members will be serving punch and cookies and you can register for a \$10 gift certificate. The new owners (Audra Smith and Sarah Martin) will be excited to meet you and show you around their new shop.

Saturday will be the Grand Opening for the Main Street Dollar store owned by Rick Hutsell. Chamber members will again be serving punch and cookies from 9:30 to 11:00. There will be a drawing for a gift certificate here as well. Come by to meet Rick and tour his new store.

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Briscoe County Breast Cancer Survivors Will Be "Modeling The Cure"

By Cory Edwards, F&CS, TCE Briscoe County

Local breast cancer survivors will be "Modeling the Cure" at a Breast Health Education Style Show that will be held in conjunction with the Fall Foliage Health Fair on October 25, 2003 in Quitague.

Models who will be sharing their stories in an effort to raise the awareness of the importance of breast health and early detection of breast cancer include Juannah Jennings, Merlene Stephens, Dana Gwen and Nadyne Childress.

This event is sponsored by the Amarillo Area Breast Health Coalition and Briscoe County Extension's Family & Consumer Sciences Committee through a grant from Texas Tech University's Health Sciences Center.

The show is a tribute to Breast Cancer Survivors and a Celebration of Breast Health Awareness. It will also give our community a chance to honor these local survivors. A doctor who specializes in oncology will address each model's story, speak, and answer questions.

An enchilada lunch will be served for \$5 a plate which includes a drink and dessert. Donations will also be accepted for the Briscoe County Breast Cancer Fund which has been set up to help those diagnosed with breast cancer with travel and medical expenses.

Lunch and registration will be from 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., and the style show will begin at 12:45 p.m. in the Quitague Community Center. Several great door prizes donated by local vendors will be given away.

If you would like to make a donation for the Show or for the Briscoe County Breast Cancer Fund, please contact the Extension Office at 823-2521.

NOTICE

The Valley Patriot Football Game Has Been Moved To Friday Night @ 7:30 p.m.

Valley Calendar of Events

October 16

* Immunization Clinic (Open to The Public) at Valley School @ 10 a.m. - 12 noon & 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

* Valley Jr High vs Patton Springs, there @ 5 p.m.
* Valley JV vs Patton Springs, there @ 6:30 p.m.

October 17

* Pre-Game Supper at Valley School Cafeteria 5-7 p.m.

* Valley Varsity vs Patton Springs here @ 7:30 p.m. (Game Changed From Saturday)

* Quitague Senior Citizens meeting @ 5 p.m.

October 20

* TEC meeting

* Quitague Lions Club meeting

* Quitague Weight Watchers meeting, weigh in @ 5:15 p.m., meeting @ 5:45 p.m.

October 21

* Turkey Senior Citizens meeting @ 6 p.m.

* Turkey Fire Department meeting @ 7:30p.m.

October 22

* Mens Prayer Breakfast at Quitague Community Center @ 7 a.m.

October 23

* Turkey Economic Board meeting

* Drivers License Office Open at Briscoe Co. Courthouse 9:30a.m. - 12 noon & 1-3 p.m.

Large Crowd Celebrates Methodist Church's 100 Year Anniversary

By Dianne Washington

A large crowd gathered at the Quitaque First United Methodist Church Sunday, October 12, 2003 as the church celebrated 100 years as a church. Guests begin arriving at 9:30 a.m. and the service started at 10:30 a.m. Former pastors attending included Kenneth Metzger, Stanley Simmons, Sidney Parsley, Steve Ulrey, Leslie Hall and Julius Early. Also attending was Mrs. Metzger, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Parsley, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Early. Many other guests and former members were in attendance. Special guests were the members of the Turkey United Methodist Church. Other special guests were the youngest person that attends the Quitaque church Grant Oberheu, son of Todd and Deanna Oberheu, and Estelle Davidson, the oldest member of the of the church. Eunice McFall registered the guests and over 160 signed the guest register.

Pastor Glenda Johnson led the worship service. The worship began with praise songs led by Laura Martin of Brownwood, daughter of Glenda Johnson. The music service was led by Kathy Taylor with Delene Tyler on the organ. Special music was by Alyssa Pointer and Bob Hinkle. Other special music was the children's choir. Choir members include Madison Meyer, Sydnee Meyer, Hayden Meyer, Will Farley, Brandon Pointer, Alyssa Pointer, Bailey Pointer, Lacie Pointer, Michael Johnson, Jeffery Thibodeaux and Nathaniel Hennessey. Ian Farley played the part of the circuit-riding preacher. Other members participating in the service included Jimmy Davidson, Jimmy Ross, Todd Oberheu, Billy and Pete Meyers, Dianne Washington and Ronald Clay. The message was brought by Rev. Ava Berry, the Plainview District Superintendent. Communion was given by four of the former pastors that had served the Quitaque Church.

Following the service lunch was served in the fellowship hall. The members and the guests enjoyed visiting. At 1:30 p.m. The group reconvened in the sanctuary for a time of remembering. Many funny stories and "remember when's" were told and laughed about. There were also serious moments. Stories were told about some of the sadder times in the church family.

The Church would like to thank everyone that had a part in the anniversary. So many people helped to make the celebration a day to remember.



Pastor Glenda Johnson with the youngest member of the Quitaque Methodist Church, Grant Oberheu.



Pastor with the oldest member of the Quitaque Methodist church, Estelle Davidson.

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Turkey Talk
By Martha Bradshaw

Belle Davis went to Plainview Thursday to her doctors and received a good report. Juanita Lane went with her.
Kathie Phipps and son, Bob Phipps from Boles Acres N M, were here recently visiting with Therna Farley. They have now returned home. Gayetta Martino from Sacramento Ca. has also been here visiting with Therna Farley, and will be going home soon. Therna was not feeling very well, so her daughters and grandson came to cheer her up. She is not able to get out any more and would love to have company anytime. She also loves to get cards, and appreciates all the ones she has already received.
Stephanie and D'Anna England spent the weekend with Steve, Kathy, and Jonathon Farley. D'Anna is the great granddaughter of Therna Farley. She came to cheer her great granny up too. Stephanie and D'Anna went home Tuesday.
Louis and Oleta Randell have returned home from a visit with Steve and Phyllis Randell, Jake and Bryan in Ft. Worth. They got to see both grandsons play football games. They also visited in Irving with friends and were met there by Mike and Ramona Smith and Alicia, all of Houston, Tracie Smith of ACU, and Derek Smith of UT Arlington. Sunday the 2 Randell families and the Smith family had lunch together after which everyone parted for their homes.

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Dean Hamilton, Jamie Wellman, Janet Brooks
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Randy Farley, Lee Proctor, Cody Yates
October 21
JoDee Robison, Joe Edd Helms
October 22
George Pigg, Mindy Leal, Katie Washington
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R.J. Kalafus, Tyler Gage Campbell, Cody Barrett, Jane Hamilton, Sunny Helms

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BY: E

Nostalgia is a file that days. May you have a happy Signs Of Autumn

You can't think of autumn color. Deep red, golden tacular display at the Com October 7 at the Do Com Mrs. Tommie Jo Crum fabric related the "Dear P of God's work of Spiritua lightenment just as the sig kin that she used to stress Mrs. Leona Degan and crocheted cloth and center Placed intermittingly on cor of scarecrows, wiche varied shape and size ma tive and carved designs. fruit punch and coffee. Mrs. Waydette. Clay o Shorter read the minutes proved. Mrs. Trula Marti Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert show The members voted to ma Bazaar. They agreed to me on this project. Mrs. Leona Degan won the raffle ticket drawing. Those attending were Trula Martin, Mary Jo Ca Martin, Anna Beth Clay, Clay and Barbara Payne. que.

FLOMOT DO GO FALL BAZAAR The Do Gooders' Club Saturday, November 8 beg community Center in Flomot. A large variety of arts and market items, baked goods A concession stand will sert goodies during the da contact Mrs. Waydette Cla 806-469-5212. All profits f ments at the Flomot Comm

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FLOMOT NEWS

BY: EARLYNE JAMESON

OVERHEARD

Nostalgia is a file that removes the rough edges from the good old days. May you have a happy Motley County School Homecoming!

Signs Of Autumn Everywhere At Do Gooders Club Meeting

You can't think of autumn without thinking of the fabulous array of color. Deep red, golden yellow and burnt orange put on their spectacular display at the Community Center in Flomot Tuesday afternoon, October 7 at the Do Gooders' Club meeting.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse wearing a blouse with a pumpkin designed fabric related the "Dear Pumpkin" story. The pattern and fulfillment of God's work of Spiritual formation can give each an individual enlightenment just as the significance of a glowing candle inside a pumpkin that she used to stress the moral of the story.

Mrs. Leona Degan and Mrs. Cruse presided at a table laid with a crocheted cloth and centered with a cornucopia overflowing with fruit. Placed intermittingly on L shaped arranged tables was Halloween decor of scarecrows, witches, ghosts and beautiful ornamental gourds of varied shape and size making them versatile with unlimited decorative and carved designs. They served chips and dips, cookies, orange fruit punch and coffee.

Mrs. Waydette Clay conducted the business session. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes and gave a treasurer report, both were approved. Mrs. Trula Martin brought patterns for stuffed animals and Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert showed an example of a completed stuffed bear. The members voted to make these animals to sell at the Country Store Bazaar. They agreed to meet Monday, October 13 at the Center to work on this project.

Mrs. Leona Degan won a large floor mat with an autumn motif at the raffle ticket drawing.

Those attending were Mesdames Suzie Shannon, Connie Franks, Trula Martin, Mary Jo Calvert, Kathy Shorter, Alma Shorter, Geneva Martin, Anna Beth Clay, Leona Degan, Tommie Jo Cruse, Waydette Clay and Barbara Payne. Guest was Mrs. Christeen Gilbert of Quitaque.

FLOMOT DO GOODERS' CLUB TO SPONSOR FALL BAZAAR COUNTRY STORE, NOV. 8TH

The Do Gooders' Club will sponsor a Fall and Country Store Bazaar Saturday, November 8 beginning at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Flomot.

A large variety of arts and crafts, quilts of all designs and sizes, flea market items, baked goods and jewelry will be available to the public.

A concession stand will be serving sandwiches, soft drinks and dessert goodies during the day. Booths are available for \$10.00. Please contact Mrs. Waydette Clay: 806-469-5219 or Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert: 806-469-5212. All profits from the Bazaar will be used for improvements at the Flomot Community Center.

FISHING TRIP

Friends enjoying a fishing trip to Colorado Bend State Park in Bend, Texas, in spite of rain, from Sunday, October 5 to Friday, October 10 were Donnie Rogers and Donnie Cruse of Flomot; Trent McKay, Scottie Stark, Sam Ortiz, Larry and Lynn Payne of Quitaque; Coy McKay of Vernon and Willie and Barbara Moseley Strange of Plainview. They had good luck and among the catches was a 31 lb. yellow cat fish.

Mrs. Judy Stark visited from September 21 to October 2 in Seneca, South Carolina with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kidd. She enjoyed tourist and scenic attractions and a large Flea Market. She continued to Blytheville, Arkansas and visited her husband, Lynn who is working with the Cruse family cotton harvest. She returned home October 10.

Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star was honored on her 93rd birthday Monday, October 6 at a family celebration with all the trimmings in the home of son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Browning of Rising Star. Guests were her daughter, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Flomot and granddaughter, Mrs. Dell Rich of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee visited in Turkey Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Teresa Lee and children, Kellan, Kacee and Micah. Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch visited the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks were Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks and daughter, Madison and Cary Franks of Lubbock.

Seab Washington accompanied his mother, Mrs. Edith Washington to Lubbock, Friday for medical appointment and tests.

L.T. Starkey of Ralls visited his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey, Tuesday. Visiting her Wednesday was her grandson, James Cypert of Abilene.

Cara Franks enjoyed entertainment in Lubbock during the weekend.

Dean Turner of Matador was conveyed to Mangold Hospital in Lockney Friday, October 3 following an accident when working with cattle on his land in Flomot. He suffered broken ribs and bruises. He returned home Friday, October 10.

Larry and Angelia Clay of Panhandle visited Sunday and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay. They were en route home from Houston where Angelia had a medical check up at the M.D. Anderson Hospital. They received a good report.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle and Fannin visited during the weekend at the Gwinn home in Matador with Mr. and Mrs. George Gwinn of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Codine Gwinn of Golden City, Missouri. They attended the Gwinn family reunion Saturday held at the Volunteer Community Center in Roaring Springs.

Wherever man goes to dwell, his character goes with him.

-African proverb

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Cooks Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

For a hearty meal ready when you get home from a hectic day, a slow cooker is just the thing. Just a little advance preparation in the morning can give you time to relax in the evening because dinner's ready. Get out your slow cooker and try one of these main dishes or the yummy Apple Butter that takes advantage of the new fall apple harvest.

SLOW COOKED PEPPER STEAK

2 pounds beef round steak
2 tablespoons cooking oil
1/4 cup soy sauce
1 cup chopped onion
1 garlic clove, minced
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
1 can (16 oz.) diced tomatoes
2 large bell peppers, cut in strips
1/2 cup cold water
1 tablespoon cornstarch
Cooked noodles or rice
Cut beef into 3 inch x 1 inch strips; brown in oil in skillet. Transfer to slow cooker. Combine the next seven ingredients; pour over beef. Cover and cook on low for 5-6 hours or until meat is tender. Add tomatoes and green peppers; cook on low for 1 hour longer. Combine the cold water and cornstarch to make a paste; stir into liquid in slow cooker and cook on high until thickened. Serve over noodles or rice. Serves 6-8.

"FORGOTTON" MINISTRONE

1 pound lean beef stew meat
6 cups water
1 can (28 oz.) diced tomatoes, undrained
1 beef bouillon cube
1 medium onion, chopped
2 tablespoons dried minced parsley
2-1/2 teaspoons salt
1-1/2 teaspoons ground thyme
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 medium zucchini, thinly sliced
2 cups finely chopped cabbage
1 can (16 oz.) garbanzo beans
1 cup uncooked small elbow or shell macaroni
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
In slow cooker, combine beef and next 8 ingredients. Cover and cook on low for 7-9 hours or until meat is tender. Add zucchini, cabbage, beans and macaroni; cook on high, covered, 30-45 minutes longer until vegetables are tender. Sprinkle individual servings with Parmesan. Serves 8.

ALL-DAY APPLE BUTTER
5-1/2 pounds apples, peeled and finely chopped
4 cups sugar
3 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1/4 teaspoon salt
Place all ingredients in slow cooker. Mix well. Cover and cook on high for 1 hour. Reduce heat to low; cover and cook for 9-11 hours until thickened and dark brown, stirring occasionally. Uncover and cook on low 1 hour. Stir with a wire whisk until smooth. Spoon into containers, leaving 1/2 inch headspace. Cover and refrigerate or freeze. Makes 4 pints.

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43 TXism: "that dog won't"
44 savory smells
45 TXism: "the 's and cross the 's"
46 Houston was sunk in WWII
47 address Dickinson
48 this Roy was TX Bonnie's husband before she hooked up with Clyde

DOWN
1 TXism: "want it so"
2 TXism: "hard as putting in a windstorm"
3 in Medina Co. off I-35
4 LBJ's last words were to a secret service
9 tattletale (2 wds.)
10 TXism: "smells like dog"
11 Colinas, TX

12 Astro Scott won "Young" in '86
13 TXism: "house" (gym)
14 "Permian Basin" named after area in Russian
15 "Enchanted" in Gillespie Co.
16 cable movie net.
19 TX Shelby worked for this Lee at Ford & Chrysler
20 vandalizes
22 TXism: "put up"
24 TX oil well fire-fighter "Red" (init.)
25 Ranger leag.
26 San TX

35 TXism: "have to my mouth to spit" (thirsty)
37 TX Farms' group: "Pioneers"
38 "Lone Ranger's" companion wore cloth
40 slang for "buttocks"
41 electric bulb gas
44 against
47 In Rocksprings: "Goat Breeder's Museum" leaf collector

October Non-Local Subscriptions Due - \$21.50 Per Year-

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October Local Subscriptions Due - \$18.50 Per Year-

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Kerry Bearden
Peggy Brannon

Turkey Senior Citizens News

By Oleta Randell
We had 31 members at our last meeting. J.D. Nance led the prayer for the food.
We had 2 tables of Mexican Train, 2 tables of Spinner, one table of "42", a table of Tall Tales and a table of just visiting with each other. There is something for everyone!
The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 21 at 6 p.m. So come on out and enjoy the Fun! Food! & Fellowship!

How they SAY it in...
English: SCHOOL
Spanish: ESCUELA
Italian: SCUOLA
French: ÉCOLE
German: SCHULE

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THE PATRIOT

Valley School News

Patriots Crush Owls In District Opener

The Valley Patriots made short work of their Briscoe County rivals last Friday, racking up a 54-0 victory in a game called at halftime. Charlie Walden lead a strong defense that allowed only two yards of total offense.

"Charlie was awesome," Coach Tyler said. "He played like a wild man and helped shut down their offense. Anthony also had a great defensive game."

Walden lead the team with eight tackles while Ortiz finished with seven. Clif Yeary finished with six tackles and eight other players recorded tackles. Walden also caused a fumble which was picked up and carried into the end zone by Ortiz.

"This is the type of defense we need to play all the time," Tyler said. "We were aggressive and just attacked on every down."

Clif Yeary carried the ball ten times for 96 yards and three touchdowns. Alex Espinosa added 62 yards on only three carries.

Fidel Valdes scored the first touchdown of the game on a 24 yard run. Yeary added his first touchdown a few minutes later when he raced in from 25 yards out. Espinosa earned the bulk of his yards on a 47 yard touchdown run, and Chase Maynard hit Anthony Ortiz on a 33 yard touchdown pass to make the first quarter score 28-0.

Yeary scored touchdowns from ten yards and one yard in the second quarter. Ortiz's 12 yard fumble recovery and a safety completed the Patriots scoring. Yeary kicked four extra point attempts, while Valdes connected on one.

"This was a game we needed to win, not only because it is such a huge rivalry but also because we wanted to jump out in the district race," Tyler said. "We are happy with the progress we have made this season and feel that we are shaping into the team we had envisioned when the season started."

The Patriots will continue their race for the district title tomorrow when they welcome the Patton Springs Rangers to Valley for a battle to remain unbeaten in district.



Photo by Chase Maynard
Matt Whittington runs hard for the Valley JV Thursday at Silverton.



Photo by Jonathon Farley
Armando Mendoza makes a first down against the Silverton Owls.

JV Patriots Soar Over Owls

The Valley JV Patriots bounced back from their first loss in three years to hammer the Silverton Owls 78-34. The Patriots got touchdowns from six different players enroute to the convincing win over their district rival.

"This was a big game for the JV," Coach Tyler said. "We were coming off a disappointing loss and we were playing a very good team. This is how you rebound from adversity. They did a great job."

Matt Whittington sprinted 40 yards in the first quarter to set up Fernando Regalado's five yard touchdown run. Whittington scored the second touchdown himself when he scored from ten yards out.

Ruben Ramos scored the third touchdown when he blocked a Silverton punt and recovered it for the score. Regalado scored his second touchdown on a two yard plunge after a long 55 yard drive.

Whittington tackled an Owl in the end zone for a safety and then Juan Mendoza got his first touchdown of the night on an 11 yard reverse. Derrick Roys made a great interception on a Silverton pass, which lead to a touchdown by Hector Cruz.

Whittington and Regalado each had a long run to set up Mendoza's second touchdown, this one from seven yards out. Whittington and Regalado matched each other with 15 yard scoring runs before Zack Ramsey recovered a fumble caused by Jake Gass, and raced into the end zone.

Ramsey scored the final touchdown of the night on a ten yard dash, and Gass caused his second fumble of the night to end the Owl's last chance to score. Regalado connected on three extra point kicks, as did Daniel Alanis.

"Everybody contributed on offense," Coach Tyler said. "Defensively I thought we did a good job of containing their athletes. Juan played a very good defensive game."

The JV will travel to Afton tonight to tangle with the Patton Springs JV Rangers.



Valley second graders & FCLIA members show off the t-shirt projects they entered in the recent South Plains Fair held in Lubbock. This is a very talented group of kids.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Menu Subject To Change

Monday, October 20

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Lasagne, Ceasar Salad, Garlic Toast, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, October 21

Breakfast: Waffles, Syrup, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Pork Chops, Gravy, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, October 22

Breakfast: Donuts, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Tacos, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Beans, Mexican Cobbler, Milk

Thursday, October 23

Breakfast: Banana Nut Muffins, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Chicken Strips, Gravy, Salad, Peaches, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Friday, October 24

Breakfast: Breakfast-On-A-Stick, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Hot Dogs, Chili, Cheese, Pickles, Pears, Milk

Go Valley!

Beat Patton Springs!

THE LUNCHROOM LADIES

GO VALLEY PATRIOTS!
BEAT PATTON SPRINGS!

The Spooks Are Coming

Turkey will be holding their annual Halloween Carnival in the Bob Wills Community Center on Saturday, October 25th beginning at 6 p.m.

There will be a Spook House, a really Spooky Hay Ride, Cake Walk, Bingo, Jail, Face Painting, and lots more booths for all ages

Make plans now to join all the spooks & goblins in Turkey to celebrate this Halloween!

TRAP SHOOT
sponsored by
Briscoe Co. 4-H Clubs & 4-H Adult Leaders
Location: 2 miles West of Silverton on Hwy. 86 (South side of road)
Date: Saturday, October 25 Starts at 2:00 pm

\$5.00 per round per person - 50% payback
4-H Shooting Rules
Ages: 18 & under - youth & 19 & over - adult
For more information contact:
Brandon McGinty - 823-2522 or Shawn Barbour - 847-7297

Congratulations Outstanding Valley Students!

1st Six Weeks Honor Roll

1st Grade - Mrs. Hill

All A's: Barrett Bland, Tyler Campbell, Walker Carson, Biren Clardy, Esmarelda Cruz, Annah Gonce, Ivon Mendoza, Baylie Pointer, Brandon Pointer, Shelby Shannon, Haley Wheeler, Shawn Williams, Blayne Young, Katelyn Young
A's & B's: Enrique Mora

2nd Grade - Mrs. Cruse

All A's: Jessi Merrer, Cory Williams, Morgan Hawkins
A's & B's: Mandy Purcell, April Villareal

2nd Grade - Mrs. Ramsey

All A's: Kaylee Addison, Christian Chavira, Jerrica Galvan, Macy Maynard, Ketch Smith, Dalton Valdez, Kelby Williams
A's & B's: Monica Alanis, Tamaran Castillo, David Greene, Gustavo Santos

3rd Grade - Mrs. Pigg

All A's: Pecos Williams, Brennan Allen, Sunny Helms, Sarah Clay, Blake Pigg, Macy Valdez, Kameron Buchanan, Ben Seth Ramsey, Colleen Hancock, Abby Hill
A's & B's: Ian Farley, Andrew Gonce, John Pigg, Jose Mendoza, Carson Proctor, Daniel Valdez, Dodie Payne

4th Grade - Mrs. Proctor

All A's: Caitlyn Brown, Alyssa Pointer
A's & B's: Kortni Carnes, Jayson Pigg, Natalie Fierro, Chamberlay Smith

4th Grade - Mrs. Hancock

All A's: Jacob Pigg, Madison Meyer, Kristen Jenkins, Ezekiel Clay
A's & B's: Jessie Price, Danielle Gwinn, Courtney Galvan

5th Grade - Mrs. Davidson

All A's: Landon Allen, Desiree Casillas, Kati Fuston, Autumn Phillips, Khaki Scrivner, Jarrett Valdez, Grant Wheeler
A's & B's: Kimberly Leal, Sonia Mora

6th Grade

All A's: Jaco Hancock, Mariela Mendoza, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Isaac Smith, Sadie Valdez, Lauren Young
A's & B's: Lacie Pointer, Courtney Thibodeaux

7th Grade

All A's: Dalton Allen, Chancy Campbell, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jordan Jenkins, Francisco Pozos, Brady Ramsey
A's & B's: Jeffery Addison, Laura Martinez, Shawna Meeks, Leslie Payne, Alexandra Skinner

8th Grade

All A's: Cole Brown, Danny Carnes, Mary Kate Davidson, Savannah Smith
A's & B's: Justin Billegas, Amber Clay

Freshmen

All A's: Maddie Ramsey
A's & B's: Ana Karen Alanis, Macy Davidson, Molly Davidson, Cathy Fierro, Ana Karen Mendoza

Sophomores

All A's: Randy Farley
A's & B's: Elisa Cagle, Jennifer Carnes, Anna Rosa Pozos

Juniors

All A's: Zack Ramsey
A's & B's: Daniel alanis, Paige Hughes, Maria Martinez, Guadalupe Mendoza, Juan Mendoza, Matt Whittington

Seniors

All A's: Juan Regalado
A's & B's: Rodney Fuston, Chase Maynard, Katherine Pigg

10:27 a.m. Saturday



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The right landscaping requires careful planning. Trees and shrubs planted in the wrong place can cause power outages or other hazards. Make sure you plant trees that won't grow into overhead power lines. Keep shrubs at least 10 feet away from electrical equipment and call the local underground line locating service before you dig. Planning ahead helps keep your power flowing safely. AEP is there, always working for you.



For more information about electrical safety, visit aep.com. To locate an underground line call 1-800-245-4545.

October 16, 2003

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Greg Ramsey
Stewart Smith

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Jerry Smith

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Seth Fuston
Mitchell Farley
Bryce Regan

2003 Valley Jr. Football Sched

Sept. 4 Aspermont
Sept. 11 Meadow
Sept. 18 OPEN
Sept. 25 Spur
Oct. 3 Cotton Center
Oct. 9 Silverton
Oct. 16 Patton Springs
Oct. 23 Happy
Oct. 30 Hedley
Nov. 6 Motley Co.

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2003
VALLEY PATRIOT HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROSTER

Player	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Pos.
Rodney Fuston	5-8	210	Sr	C-DE
Chase Manard	6-0	170	Sr	QB-LB
Adam Ortiz	5-9	180	Sr	OE-DE
Douglas Payne	5-11	170	Sr	OE-DB
Ramiro Ramos	6-0	220	Sr	OE-DE
Juan Regalado	6-1	175	Sr	OE-DB
Kellan Roberts	5-8	165	Sr	RB-LB
Frankie Rodriguez	5-7	190	Sr	RB-DE
Cliff Yeary	5-9	195	Sr	RB-LB
Anthony Ortiz	6-2	175	Sr	OE-DE
Jorge Alanis	5-8	160	Jr	OE-DE
Albert Espinoza	5-9	185	Jr	RB-LB
Jake Maupin	5-6	150	Jr	OE-DE
Zack Ramsey	5-8	165	Jr	QB-LB
Fidel Valdes	5-9	175	Jr	RB-LB
Matt Whittington	5-7	155	Jr	OE-DE
Cody Barrett	5-10	165	So	QB-DB
Alex Espinoza	5-11	165	So	RB-DE
Randy Farley	5-10	250	So	C-DE
Chance Maynard	5-6	135	So	OE-DE
Ruben Ramos	5-10	210	So	OE-DE
Fernando Regalado	5-8	155	So	RB-LB
Derek Roys	5-8	160	So	RB-DB
Charlie Walden	6-1	175	So	OE-DE
Fannin Gwynn	5-8	175	Fr	C-E
Matt Dozer	5-6	210	Fr	RB-E
Maguel Santes	5-10	160	Fr	OE-DE
Jake Glass	5-5	130	Fr	E-CB



2003 VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL TEAM
CHEERLEADERS & MASCOT

2003 Valley Jr. High Football Schedule

Sept. 4 Aspermont	T - 5:00
Sept. 11 Meadow	H - 5:00
Sept. 18 OPEN	
Sept. 25 Spur	T - 5:00
Oct. 3 Cotton Center	H - 5:00
Oct. 9 Silverton	T - 5:00
Oct. 16 Patton Springs	T - 5:00
Oct. 23 Happy	H - 5:00
Oct. 30 Hedley	T - 5:00
Nov. 6 Motley Co.	H - 5:00

VALLEY PATRIOTS VS PATTON SPRINGS RANGERS AT VALLEY
Friday, October 17, 2003
At 7:30 P.M.

2003 Valley J.V. Football Schedule

Aug. 29 Benjamin(V)	H - 7:30
Sept. 4 Aspermont	T - 6:30
Sept. 11 Meadow	H - 6:30
Sept. 18 OPEN	
Sept. 25 Spur	T - 6:30
Oct. 3 Cotton Center(V)	H - 7:30
Oct. 9 Silverton	T - 6:30
Oct. 16 Patton Springs	A - 6:30
Oct. 23 Happy	H - 6:30
Oct. 30 Silverton	H - 6:30
Nov. 8 Patton Springs	H - 6:30

2003 Valley Varsity Football Schedule

Aug. 30 Blum @Bryson	- 4:00
Sept. 5 Aspermont	H - 7:30
Sept. 12 Meadow	T - 7:30
Sept. 19 Follett	T - 7:30
Sept. 26 Spur (#)	H - 7:30
Oct. 3 OPEN	
Oct. 10 Silverton*	H - 7:30
Oct. 18 Patton Springs*	H - 7:30
Oct. 24 Happy*	T - 7:30
Oct. 31 Hedley*	H - 7:30
Nov. 7 Motley Co.*	T - 7:30

(#) - Valley Homecoming Game
* - District Games

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Caprock Cafe
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455-1243

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**2004 Election And
Referendum: Voting
Region Two**

By Brandon McGinty, Briscoe County CEA-Ag, TCE

Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) will be conducting a referendum on the assessment of corn silage during the 2004 Biennial election. Eligible voters will decide if an assessment of .037 cents per ton of silage, which is produced and sold in Texas, would be collected and submitted to the Texas Corn Producers Board. (This is based on 005 cent per bushel dry corn kernels with the factor for silage being equal to 7.94 bushels of dry corn kernels per ton of silage. This amount is based on factors that can be used by the Farm Service Agency when production has not been proven on a farm.)

According to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.034, a person is eligible to vote in the referendum if he or she is or, for at least one production period preceding the date of the referendum, has been a producer of the commodity whose production occurs within the area described in the petition. This includes owners of farms and their tenants or sharecroppers, in which, this person would be required under the referendum to pay the assessment.

The purpose of our 2004 biennial election, which concentrates on three of its five regions, is to elect five new TCPB board members whose current members' seats have expired. There are a total of fifteen TCPB voting board members.

These elections will be conducted in 58 Texas counties while the referendum on corn silage will be held in all counties statewide. This referendum does not alter the assessment currently in place for dry corn kernels in Texas. Both proceedings are held pursuant to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.032.

In reference to the 2004 election Voting Region Two consists of Andrews, Archer, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Briscoe, Castro, Callahan, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Eastland, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Hockley, Howard, Jack, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Mitchell, Motley, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Parmer, Randall, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Swisher, Taylor, Terry, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Yoakum and Young counties; and there are Three Seats open for election of TCPB board members in Voting Region Two.

A person is eligible to vote in the board election if he or she is, or for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of the board election has been a producer of, or caused to be produced, corn for commercial purposes. This includes owners and their tenants or sharecroppers, if the person would be required to pay the assessment for a producer to vote in this region and for this TCPB seat, such producer must reside within the counties stated above.

Any eligible voter-producer as defined above may place his or her name in nomination to serve as a director on the TCPB. Nomination applications must be submitted to the TCPB signed by the applicant and ten other eligible voters. Nomination forms will be available in all 58 counties where elections are to be held or can be obtained by writing TCPB, 4205 North I-27, Lubbock, Texas 79403. Please state your county of residence if you request a nomination form in writing. Nomination forms will be available November 4, 2003 and must be filed with the TCPB no later than December 19, 2003.

The election in three voting regions will be held by mail ballot along with the referendum question on the assessment of corn silage. Producers from all five regions are eligible to vote on this referendum of corn silage, which will be held statewide by mail ballot. As Election ballots containing the nominations of all persons who have validly filed petitions under Section 41.025 of the above.

Stated code will be available December 31, 2003. Ballots will be available at grain elevators in each of the appropriate voting regions, county agent offices in each of the 58 counties where elections are to occur, or by writing TCPB at the address stated above. For a ballot to be counted, such ballot must be postmarked no later than January 12, 2004. A voter must reside within a county contained within the voting region that the voter is casting his or her vote and a voter must meet the definition set forth above as a qualified voter. Voters may also vote for board members by writing in the name of any eligible persons.

Texas Corn Producers Board is certified under Section 41.011 and Section 41.012 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law to conduct this election and has obtained all approvals and determinations required by law from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Texas Department of Agriculture.

**NOTICE TURKEY CITY HALL
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**Men's Prayer Breakfast Opens
Doors To All Local Men**

All area men are invited to attend a Men's Prayer Breakfast on Wednesday, October 22 at 7 a.m. in the Quitaque Community Center. The event will be sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Quitaque.

This free breakfast will be a time of visiting with other local men in the community as well as a time of joint prayer and encouragement.

For more information contact First Baptist Church at 806-455-1286 or e-mail: fbc@quitaque.com.

Ten Free Trees "Autumn Classics"

Ten free trees, autumn classics, will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during October 2003.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are 2 Sugar Maples, Scarlet Oak, Sweetgum, Red Oak, Silver Maple, White Dogwood, Washington Hawthorn, and 2 Red Maples.

"These trees will produce vibrant red, orange, yellow, scarlet, and purple leaves in the fall," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between November 1 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to AUTUMN CLASSIC TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 69410, by October 31, 2003.

Valley 9 Day Extended Forecast

DATE	FORECAST	HIGH/LO	PRECIP.
Thur. Oct. 16	Mostly Sunny	80°/55°	10%
Fri. Oct. 17	Partly Cloudy	74°/52°	10%
Sat. Oct. 18	Mostly Sunny	76°/54°	10%
Sun. Oct. 19	Sunny	79°/55°	10%
Mon. Oct. 20	Mostly Sunny	86°/56°	10%
Tue. Oct. 21	Mostly Sunny	78°/51°	10%
Wed. Oct. 22	Partly Cloudy	74°/53°	0%
Thur. Oct. 23	Mostly Sunny	74°/54°	0%
Fri. Oct. 24	Partly Cloudy	75°/50°	0%

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CAPITAL COMMENTS

BY
SENATOR KAY BAILEY HUTCHINSON

Free and Fair Trade

What do Chile and Singapore have in common? The first nation is in South America; the second is halfway around the globe in Asia. Chileans speak Spanish; the language of Singapore is Mandarin. Fifteen million people live in Chile, while Singapore has only four million. Until recently these countries shared little. But this summer they became the most recent countries to engage in free trade agreements with the United States, an exclusive group of nations destined for economic prosperity.

The agreements were the first to be signed under the Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) enacted by Congress last year. TPA gives the president the ability to negotiate trade agreements Congress can accept or reject, but not modify. Unfortunately, TPA lapsed in 1994 and was not renewed. As a result, trade negotiation has remained stagnant for nearly a decade. While other nations built partnerships, America largely sat on the sidelines as an observer. Foreign governments did not want to waste effort crafting a complex and far-reaching agreement, only to see it altered in the initial stages. Our economy - and our workers - suffered.

The Chile and Singapore agreements signaled an end to that era. This trade legislation was an important step to promote economic growth, bring lower prices to consumers and create jobs in America.

An Environment for Economic Growth

Trade is essential to our current and future prosperity. Texas exports everything from computer and electronic products to rice. The absence of favorable trade agreements imposes an invisible tax that Americans pay every time we shop, whether we buy tennis shoes or tractors. Economists predict that reducing tariffs by one-third would boost the U.S. economy by \$177 billion each year. That's an average savings of \$2,500 a year for a family of four.

Trade jobs are high paying jobs. One in 10 Americans work in industries that depend on the export of goods and services. Accounting for more than one quarter of all U.S. economic growth in the 1990s, export jobs pay wages approximately 13 to 18 percent higher than the national average. Clearly, opening markets for American businesses creates employment here at home. And export opportunities are not only beneficial for large companies. Small business is the backbone of our nation's economy, creating three out of every four jobs and producing one-half of the U.S. gross domestic product. To stay at the forefront of innovation, small businesses need access to global markets and a level playing field. Free and fair trade provides that and more.

It also creates opportunities for farmers and ranchers - especially important for Texas, the nation's third largest agriculture exporting state. Texas' number one agricultural export is live animals and red meats, totaling more than \$800 million annually. As the nation's number one cotton exporter, Texas exported 1.5 million bales in a single year to Mexico alone. And when it comes to feed grains and products, Texas ranks seventh. One in three U.S. farmers plant for exports, and they will ship an estimated \$54.5 billion overseas in agricultural products and crops this year. That means more jobs here at home and growing markets for our products.

Western Hemisphere

Our global standing is increasingly reliant on the economy of the Western Hemisphere, and political stability is largely dependent on economic factors as well. Unfortunately, the slowdown in the U.S. has trickled down throughout Central and South America, threatening fledgling democracies. Building and establishing trade relationships with our neighbors is critical. If our Hemisphere is economically viable everybody wins. The North American Free Trade Agreement, NAFTA, opened the doors for free and fair trade in the northern part of our hemisphere. In fact, of the 233 destinations for Texas exports, more than half go to Canada and Mexico as a result of NAFTA. The agreement with Chile is our first with a South American country, but certainly not the last.

The Next Round

Free and fair trade agreements with Australia, the Dominican Republic, Bahrain, Morocco and a number of nations in Central and South America, as well as in Southern Africa, are in the works. Soon, doors will be open a little wider on all the earth's continents, helping to expand foreign markets and strengthen our nation's economy. By extending our global reach, we will share the fruits of democracy and continue to be the beacon of freedom for the world. And our country and our people will be richer for it.

Cotton  **News**
By Shawn Wade
www.plainscotton.org
from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

**26th CRP Sign-Up Left Many Applicants
On The Outside Looking In**

The recently announced results of Sign-up 26 of the Conservation Reserve Program left many Texas applicants with an uneasy feeling and a ton of questions.

For officials at Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. one of the most visible and surprising statistics of all was that less than 25 percent of the applications submitted from Texas were eventually approved.

For the other 75-plus percent, which included a significant number of applications on current CRP contract acreage, the obvious question is: "What can be done to keep currently enrolled CRP acreage in the program and maintain the conservation benefits that they provide?"

What it really comes down to, however, is how can applicants improve their offer's Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) score and improve their chances of being accepted or, more importantly, reaccepted.

For several years EBI scores have been the basis for ranking and determining which applications will or will not be accepted. It is understood that as years go by and conservation priorities change that different weight is placed on various portions of the EBI.

What Sign-up 26 brought to light was the fact that existing CRP contracts fail to receive any additional EBI credit when reapplying, even though the acreage was deemed worthy of conservation in the past.

The following EBI factors were used to assess and rank offers during Sign-up 26: Wildlife Habitat benefits; Water Quality benefits; On-farm benefits; Enduring benefits; Air Quality benefits; and Cost. Sub-categories identified specific conservation practices and the credit (score) received for them.

The average EBI score for accepted applications during the most recent sign-up was 269, although counties at or near the CRP cropland limitation could have had a higher EBI cut-off score.

Nationwide contracts were offered on some 4.0 million acres. Approximately 1.6 million of those acres were currently enrolled in the CRP. Only 700,000 acres of currently enrolled CRP acres were accepted and will remain in the program.

A strong argument can be made that much of this acreage needs to remain in the CRP instead of being reintroduced to crop production.

Land in the CRP program was placed there for a reason and should have every opportunity to remain actively enrolled in order to extend the benefits the CRP provides.

It is also important that the procedures governing future CRP sign-ups give additional credit to existing CRP acreage and the conservation benefits that have already been accrued.

One idea that could keep thousands of acres of highly erodible land in the CRP would be to grant additional credit within the EBI framework for currently enrolled acres.

It seems only fair that landowners who are participating in the program, at some point, be given extra credit for the conservation practices and benefits they have already realized through the program.

Another option to bridge the time it takes to implement such a revision would be contract extensions that allow landowners an opportunity to reapply for the program during the next sign-up period.

PCG officials say that efforts to seek these changes and investigate other areas where improvements in the CRP sign-up process can be made will be continued.

Nationwide the CRP has been an overwhelming success and has allowed millions of acres of highly erodible land to be retired from crop production.

One thing that must be remembered is that, even though the CRP remains a dynamic program that reflects the changing conservation priorities of the nation, the priorities that brought acreage into the program in the first place should not be ignored.

Doing so would quickly erase many of the positive benefits that are being realized through the program on a daily basis.

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Observations On Life From A Fellow Texan
By Bill Sperry

Well, Here It Is Football Season Again

For some reason, this is the time of year that the wife gets the screaming hiccups. Something about the fall and the sight of that pointed ball flying through the air that gets her.

I bought a little 50 inch t.v. to watch my favorite pastime, nope, not baseball, but the real all American sport, Football. It's all-American because it's teamwork with a dose of individual achievement.

I was small when I played and it still does me some good to see a little guy either outrun a bigger one or see the little guy get an advantage and blindside the bigger one. If you ever played, and most of you did, you know what I mean. I know my memory is pretty good as each year I remember playing and I get better and better each year. I figure by the time I'm seventy, I could have played for the Cowboys.

Did you ever notice when they introduce the players, whether it's pro or college, that there's a lot of guys that are from Texas? Pro football introduced parity with the draft so all teams would be more or less equal and it was to make it more exciting. I think that Texas players should play for Texas teams. To heck with parity. The rest of the teams would be playing second fiddle from then on. When Oklahoma and Texas played the other day, I took a razzing as Texas got clobbered. Then I told that person, did you notice that when the players were introduced that most of the Oklahoma players were from the Lone Star State? Didn't think so.

I like old movies almost as much as football, and for pure meanness, the wife will get a good old movie going at the same time the Cowboys are on. Runs me to death going back and forth from the back room to the front. I've got a pretty mean woman here.

Silverton's Bits & Spurs

By Lataine Dillard

Silverton Chamber Will Feature All Silverton Businesses

The Silverton Chamber of Commerce will have receptions for all the new businesses in town as soon as it can be arranged with them. There will continue to be articles on them and then they will do the same for all established businesses.

President John Burson presided at the regular meeting held on Tuesday, October 7, 2003. Treena Burson reserved two booths at the Little League Fall Festival on November 8. Prizes for the children have been purchased. The adults will be offered a bingo game with the winner getting the amount of money paid in for the current game. It will be \$25 a card.

A chamber member went to the USDA Rural Development for Rural Communities meeting. They said there were monies available that we could apply for.

The lady from the What's It Shop in Tulia is interested in putting in a shop here. Nothing had been heard from Bartley - Silva Funeral Home who were wanting to put in a satellite office here.

Treena reported that we still needed more recipes to make this a good cookbook that people would want. We need about 200 more.

Kyle Fuston reviewed the new by-laws for the chamber they were adopted.

The Board of Directors was elected for the year 2004. The three board members that were elected to serve in 2001 will continue to serve the rest of the year. Only six will make up the board according to the new bylaws.

Board members will serve only a year at a time. They are Kyle Fuston, Emmitt Tomlin, John Burson, Rick Beesinger, Deb Burson, and Lataine Dillard.

Rick Beesinger and his committee will meet on Thursday to make decisions on having a banquet in January. Jana Beesinger and Wayne and Tina Nance will meet with him to find a good speaker such as Doppler Dave, Kenneth Wyatt, Baxter Black or John Erickson.

The Highway 86 Christmas Decoration Event was cancelled because of lack of interest.

There was a city cleanup again on Tuesday, October 14.

Others attending this meeting were: Lane B. Garvin, Sandi Tomlin and Kathy Kingery. Meeting closed at 8:30.

More Recipes Needed!!!!

Treena Burson is calling for more recipes!! "To make this a good cookbook," she said, "We need more people to send in their favorite recipes, old or new. The more we have the better the book will be."

There are now about 200. We need about 200 more." Everyone, please send in your recipes to Silverton Chamber of Commerce, Box 54, Silverton, TX 98257.

If you want to reserve a copy for yourself or to buy a gift certificate for someone, call a chamber member. They will be delivered in February if we get lots of recipes soon.

THIS WEEK'S MOVIE

IN REVIEW The Rundown

Action/Adventure and Comedy 1 hr. 30 min.
When Travis (Scott), the son of an underworld kingpin, disappears in the Amazon in search of a priceless artifact, Beck (Rock), the kingpin's retrieval expert, is sent to get him. Despite their hostility - and their love for the same woman (Dawson) - the two must eventually join forces to fight the evil head (Walken) of a gold-mining corporation who is after the same treasure.

MPAA Rating: PG-13 for adventure violence and some crude dialogue.

Starring: The Rock, Seann William Scott, Christopher Walken, Rosario Dawson, Ernie Misko.

Secondhand Lions

Drama 1 hr. 51 min.
Set in 1960s Texas, this is the story of a timid teenager, Walter (Osment), forced to spend the summer by his irresponsible mother (Sedgwick) with his eccentric (and recently rich) great-uncles (Caine and Duvall) on their farm, as he learns more about their mysterious and dangerous pasts, which we see as flashbacks.

MPAA Rating: PG for thematic material, language and action violence.

Starring: Haley Joel Osment, Michael Caine, Robert Duvall, Kyra Sedgwick, Nicky Katt

Last Week In Texas History!

Oct. 9, 1847

Texas Ranger Sam Walker, co-designer of the Colt revolver that bears his name, was killed at Huamantla, Mexico during the Mexican War.

Oct. 9, 1835

Under the command of Ben Milam and Capt. George M. Collinsworth, 49 Texan volunteers stormed the Spanish garrison at Goliad, capturing supplies and munitions.

Oct. 10, 1835

Stephen F. Austin was appointed commander-in-chief of the Texas Volunteer Army.

Oct. 10, 1878

Gunfighter William (Bill) Preston Longley was hung in Giddings, Tx

Oct. 12, 1835

A volunteer force of Texans, commanded by Stephen F. Austin, marched toward San Antonio.

Oct. 13, 1864

Kiowa Indian Chief Little Buffalo led an estimated 1,000 Kiowa and Comanche Indians in an attack against a settlement near Elm Creek in Young County. Records show that 12 settlers were killed, six captured and 13 houses were burned. Little Buffalo was killed in the attack.

Oct. 13, 1835

The New Orleans Greys were created in New Orleans. They became volunteer companies and helped in the Texas cause by going to fight at the Alamo.

Oct. 14, 1874

Gen. William T. Sherman wired Gen. E.D. Townsend in Washington, D.C., that Col. Ranald MacKenzie had defeated the Indians at the Battle of Palo Duro Canyon on Sept. 28, 1874.

Oct. 15, 1890

The community of Exile was founded in northern Uvalde County. Settlers selected the name to indicate the distance from other settled areas.

Oct. 16, 1874

The "New York Herald" published a story about the MacKenzie victory in the Battle of Palo Duro Canyon.

Puzzle Solution

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A Look Into The Past Letters of A West Texas Pioneer Girl

Letters written by Dora Merrell Strou
From the age of 7 to 17
Late 1800's - early 1900's

Father was a cattle man on a small scale. He was in partners with his nephew. Father's brand was (inserted in the transcript is a handwritten version of the TV brand - a capital T setting inside a capital V). Cousin Billy branded the T on the left shoulder I believe. The country was a free range at that time. There were lots of little cattle men and there were some that were not so small. The big cattle men wanted to take over. They tried to buy the little cattle men out. The little cattlemen wanted to stay, too.

After the big cattlemen learned that they could not buy them out, they decided they would run them out. They began to cut their fences. Father's fence was among them. They also killed their sheep and poisoned their sheep dogs. That did not work altogether, so they threatened their lives. They made their threats good in some instances.

Well do I remember one man. He was riding into town one day and his only child, Sally, sitting behind him on the horse. As they crossed a little draw with thick growth of bushes on each side, they shot him. As they both fell off the poor horse ran up the road as hard as he could. Some men riding after the cattle stopped the horse. They knew the horse, and led him back down the road. There he lay with his head in his daughter's lap. She was beside herself in tears. How our hearts went out to little Sally.

Father had a large corral. We lived on the road leading to San Saba where the men shipped their cattle. Many of the men penned their cattle at our place. One night a man penned his herd there. It was a rainy night. The men had gone to bed out at their camp. We all were sleeping on the south porch.

A man came from town in the night. He recognized the man and his horses. He rode up to the corral fence. He pulled off his slicker and shook it over the fence. It stamped the cattle. They laid the fence flat. They came into the yard. Some went on one side of the house, and some went on the other. They tore the other yard fence down. The cattle began to mill around in Father's pasture. The men rounded them up and kept them until day light and then went on to market.

One man that always penned his herd there will always stand out in my mind. They did not live many miles from us. They always brought their bedding packed on a pack horse. Their food and cooking utensils packed on a burro. We usually heard the pots and pans rattling before the burro got to the house. We were always thrilled. Mother was not the happiest for the burro would make for the yard gate which had bars you had to push on one after the other til the gate could be opened. The man would come and get the burro and take him out to where they had decided to make camp. He would tell us children that we could play with him until he was ready to leave.

The burro would always go to the camp as they made preparations to leave. He ate most everything we gave him to eat. He didn't care how many got on him for he wasn't leaving anyway as long as we fed him. We were always sad when it was time for him to go and mother was just as happy as we were sad.

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NEXT OF KIN

By Clint Harmon

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THE BABY IS DUE SOON!

F.Y.I.

Maynard "Fish" Wilson is currently residing at the Lockney Care Center. If you would like to sign a Community Card to let him know everyone misses him and is thinking about him, please stop by Merrell's Food in Quitaque. Just ask Donna or Albert. The card will be there for approximately one week, allowing everyone to sign it if they would like.

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Colleen Hancock won 4-H Best of Show in the Youth Textiles Division at the recent Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. She is a member of the Briscoe County 4-H.

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3. Whether business is good or slow, you have to get your share of whatever business is around. Cutting back your advertising puts you at a disadvantage at the very moment when you need an edge. Increasing your advertising gives you the edge.
4. Your advertising is part of your sales force. Ads help to pre-sell the customer and help you close the sale faster. What saves you time saves you money.
5. You say your customers know you and for a while at least they'll keep coming even if you don't promote. That's partly true, but shortsighted. Remember, one out of five Americans moves every year. So there's a steady flow of your customers out of your market, and a corresponding influx of new folks who don't know you at all. Tell them about yourself.
6. You can't do much about most factors in the market-place? rent, labor costs, price of merchandise, what the competition will do. But one thing you do control is your own promotion. Remember that advertising is not just a cost of doing business. It's a proven sales tool that returns many times your investment in store traffic and sales.
7. Remember how long it took you to get started. Once you build up a business, you can keep it going with a moderate, consistent advertising program. But if you cut your advertising and lose your hold on the public's awareness you'll find it's much harder to build it up again. It's sort of like starting all over.
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