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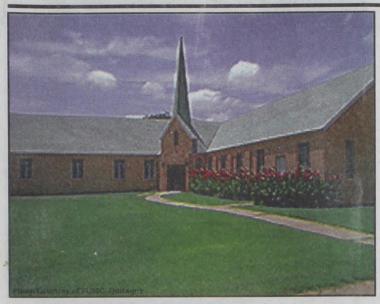
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# **Quitaque First United Methodist Church To** Celebrate 100th Year Anniversary

History Of First United Methodist Church Quitaque, Texas

Story Compiled By Church Members

The First Methodist Church of Quitaque was organized on October 4, 1903 with only 13 members listed on the charter roll.. Services were held in the schoolhouse. Inspired by the zeal of the young circuit rider, C. D. Pipkin, who came over from Matador to preach and give them encouragement, these few brave Christians undertook the task of organizing, supporting and helping enlarge a Methodist congregation.

In November 1904, only a year after the organization of the church, the group had in-

creased by 21 members and had a new pastor, Rev. J. T. Hicks, who also came from Matador

to serve the Quitaque Church.

With the population increasing rapidly in the fertile valley other denominations were also worshipping in the schoolhouse, so the little band decided to build a church house and to with other denominations

The entire community joined in the project and in 1908 a small white building with a steeple was erected on the same site where the Methodist Church still stands. The building was ready for use early in the year of 1909 but the debt was not cleared until several years later. Every one in the community helped with box suppers, all kinds of entertainment and other projects to raise money to clear the church debt.

In 1915 the Methodist gained a faithful worker when a young woman came from Whiteflat to Quitaque to teach school. She later became Mrs. B.H. Hughes. She helped to organize the

first Women's Missionary Society and became the first president.

To be able to purchase rugs for the rostrum and aisles of the church, the ladies put on a play, "Old Maid's Convention", which got quite a bit of attention. The Society grew rapidly For a while and then died out. In 1920 it was reorganized with Mrs. W.P. Hall as president. Since then the women's work has been a big factor in the growth of the church.

W. S. Gregg was the first Sunday School Superintendent during the years that the other

denominations worshipped with them. In 1917 the Methodist organized their own Sunday School Department. During the pastorate of Rev. B. E. Boyd in 1923, the church was blessed with a wonderful revival with L. N. Lipscomb of Chillicothe doing the preaching. Many members were added to the congregation.

For over 20 years the church shared its pastors with Methodist Churches in surrounding towns. In 1909 the church was transferred to the Turkey circuit and remained there until 1924. In 1925 the church was made a station with J. E. Stephens as the pastor.

A year or so later the first parsonage was built and the women began working again to make it into an attractive and comfortable home for the parsonage families that followed. In 1926 there was a Junior Society organization with 25 members.

During this period the little town of Quitaque had made great strides in growth and the

denominations that shared the little white church building with the Methodists moved away and built their own churches

In 1938 the ladies of the church began to serve the Lions Club meals. They took this project again for several years in the early '50's. They once again began to serve the Lions meals in 1984 and continue today.

The Methodist congregation had grown until it was too crowded in the small church, so in July of 1927 the little white church was razed and plans were made and sketches of a larger church building were drawn up.

# Valley 9 Day Extended Forecast

DATE	FORECAST	HIGH/LO	PRECIP.
Thur. Oct. 9	Partly Cloudy	85°/59°	20%
Fri. Oct. 10	Iso. T-Storms	820/600	30%
Sat. Oct. 11	Sct. T-Storms	780/540	30%
Sun. Oct. 12	Partly Cloudy	720/550	10%
Mon. Oct. 13	Partly Cloudy	770/550	10%
Tue. Oct. 14	Partly Cloudy	76°/51°	0%
Wed. Oct. 15	Partly Cloudy	740/510	0%
Thur. Oct. 16	Partly Cloudy	740/510	10%
Fri. Oct. 17	Partly Cloudy	75°/50°	0%

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# Quitaque To

**Hold Christmas** 

**Lighting Contest** 

The Quitaque Chamber of Commerce is requesting local residents to start making plans to enter the Christmas Lighting con-

a special realm all its own, you will not be in contention with it. This is strictly a home decorating contest.

There will be designated place signs given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. There will also be a contest for the businesses with designated place signs. Winners will be announced on the 16th of De-

Let's make this a "glowing Christmas" and let our lights be seen from the rim away. of the Caprock!

# Pre-Game **Soft Taco** Supper

There will be a soft taco sup-

Food will be served from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Valley school cafeteria. Each plate will have 3 tacos, beans, salad, dessert, and

Come out and support the Valley Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and stay and support the football team at

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### JUNK VEHICLES? SCRAP METAL?

Do you have junk vehicles or scrap metal that you need to get rid of? Call City Hall in Quitaque at 455-1456. Arrangements will be made to get these items removed from your

# Fall Foliage Health Fair To Be Held At Quitaque

per this Friday, October 10 before Briscoe County, the Turkey Extension Club, and the Quita-the football game between Valley que Lions Club will be held on October 25, 2003 at the First National Bank in Quitaque from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

'This year's health fair looks like its going to be the largest yet," according to Cory Edwards, Briscoe County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences who coordinates the event, A large number of vendors have already responded and some of the services that will be offered include flu, pneumonia, and tetanus/diphtheria shots, bone density screening, cholesterol checks, blood pressure and blood sugar checks, and glaucoma screenings. In addition lots of freebies and door prizes will be given away.

Flyers will be posted at various places around Silverton, Quitaque, and Turkey with information about making an appointment for a mammogram. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity for health care and information in

# Free Food Giveaway Helped 223 Area Families

A free food giveaway was held Friday, September 26, 2003 at the Bob Wills Center in Turkey. Approximately 7,000 pounds of free food was given away to 223 Quitaque, Turkey, and surrounding area families. The food was generously donated by High Plains Food Bank of Amarillo and included pie shells, pizza crusts, blueberries, and peaches. This event was coordinated by Lan Maya of Panhandle Community Services in Clarendon with the help of Cory Edwards, Briscoe/Hall County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences and Turkey City Manager Jerry Landry.

A big thanks to all those who helped pick up, hand out, carry

out and deliver the food.

# Picture .

Blunck's Studio photographers will be at Valley School on Tuesday, October 14.

During the morning they will be photographing the individual

student pictures for grades Pre-K through Eleventh.

During the afternoon junior high and high school pep squad, cheerleaders and football players will be photographed.

October 13 - 18 Has Been Designated As Clean-Up Week In Quitaque Monday, October 13 at 9 a.m.:

> Workers will meet at Community Center All Week Long:

Everyone is encouraged to clean up

Saturday, October 18 at 9 a.m.:

Workers will meet at Community Center

Bring your tools

edgers, trimmers, rakes & hoes!

# "Modeling The Cure" **Fashion Show Coming Back To Quitaque**

By Cory Edwards, CEA-FCS, Briscoe Co.

Modeling the Cure- A Breast Health Educ be held in conjunction with the Fall Foliage Health Fair on October 25, 2003 in Quitaque.

It 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 Because the Trent and Sciences Center. The show is a tribute to Breast Cancer Survivors Wanda McKay home is in and a Celebration of Breast Health Awareness. A doctor who spe cializes in oncology will address each model's story, speak, and answer questions.

Local breast cancer survivors will be the models for the event. Their story will be shared in an effort to raise the awareness of the importance of breast health and early detection of breast cancer, it is also a chance to honor these survivors for overcoming

An enchilada lunch will be served for \$5 a plate which includes \* Turkey Lions Broom & 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 Quitaque Community Center.

Several great door prizes donated by local vendors will be given If you have any questions about the show, please contact Cory Edwards at 823-2521.

# Calendar

October 9 \* Turkey City Council

meeting @ 7 p.m. \* Valley Jr High vs Sil-

verton, there @ 5 p.m. \* Valley JV vs Silverton, there @ 6:30 p.m

October 10

\* Valley Varsity vs Silverton here @ 7:30 p.m.

October 11 \* Mexican Stack Supper

beginning at 4 p.m. at Bob Will Center Gymna-\* Jim Ed Brown & Helen

Cornelius In Concert at Bob Will Center Gymnasium in Turkey @ 7 p.m. October 12

\* Quitaque Methodist Church Celebrates 100th Year Anniversary @ 10:30 a.m.

October 13 \* Columbus Day - All Local, State, & Federal Offices Closed

\* Turkey Lions Club meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

\* Valley Board of Trust-

\* Quitaque City Council meeting @ 5:00 p.m. \* Quitaque Fire Depart-

ment meeting Quitaque Weight

Watchers meeting, weigh in @ 5:15 p.m., meeting @ 5:45 p.m. October 14

\* We The Women @ 12

\* Flomot Do Gooders meeting

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October 16

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

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# Muller & Curry Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Muller of Littlefield announce the engagement cian in 2003. of their daughter, Carolyn, to Jonathan Curry of Turkey-Quitaque. Jonathan is the son of Larry and Arnanda Curry. Vows will be exchanged January 3, 2004 at 4 p.m. at First Baptist

Church in Littlefield.

Carolyn is a 1999 graduate of Littlefield High School and will graduate in December from Texas Tech University

Jonathan is a 1999 graduate of Valley High School and currently attends Texas Tech University.

All family and friends of the couple are invited to attend.

# **Panhandle Community Services Again Awarded Top State Honors**

Panhandle Community Services was recently awarded the honor of Number 1, in the state of Texas for assisting persons achieve self-sufficiency. The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs bestows monetary awards to top community action agencies that have transitioned persons out of poverty. This is the 12th year in a row that Panhandle Community Services has won this coveted award

# **Quitaque Chamber Plans Christmas Events**

The Quitaque Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday, October 7.
There were 6 members present.
President Phil Barefield explained the Texas Yes! program which is free and open to communities of 20,000 or less. Members will be able to use logo, receive newsletter, e-mail for workshops, etc., inclusion in database, and be involved in marketing opportunities to protect Texas Applications may be nicked merces Consequenced Public Live mote Texas. Applications may be picked up from Caprock Public Li-

A photography contest was suggested, but tabled for further discussion. The Hello Neighbor Luncheon will be in Plainview at the Ollie Liner Center on Friday, October 17 at 11:45 a.m. All are welcome, but make reservation by Wednesday, October 15 if you plan to attend. Call 1-806-296-7431. to make reservations.

Work is in progress on Day Trip to Quitaque. Phil has done quite a bit of work on this. Best of Co-Op Country Contest. Where you vote for your favorite State Park, Barbeque, County Courthouse, Volunteer Fire Department, Chicken Fried Steak, etc.. Pick up application at

Saturday October 25, Quitaque will have it's annual Health Fair at the First National Bank in Quitaque. A Style Show/Luncheon will be held at the community center at 12 noon. All models will be cancer

Caprock Country Christmas will be held on Saturday, December 6. Verla Barrett is Chairman of this project. There will be a breakfast with Santa, gift bags, photos, Poker Run with local businesses, Christmas Lighting contest, Christmas Candy Contest, and maybe Arts/Crafts booths. Plans will be finalized at the November meeting.

Remember, new brochures are in the planning stages & the City Wide Clean-Up day is on October 13.

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# **Obituaries**

### **Richard Dale** Ray

Richard Dale Ray, 26, died at the scene Sunday, September 28 after hitting a horse on State Highway 207, seven miles south of Silverton. Services were conducted Wednesday morning, Oct 1, at the Silverton United Meth-

Officiating was the associate pastor, Rev. Ed Norris and the pastor, Rev. Rance

Young. Graveside services were scheduled for. Friday, Oct. 3, 2003, in the Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Olathe, Kansas.

Mr. Ray was born March 31, 1977 in Olathe, Kansas. He grew up there and was graduated from Olathe North High School in an Emergency Medical Techni-

He was working toward be-coming a Paramedic. He was a member of the Silverton Volun-teer Ambulance Service.

Survivors include his wife,
Stephanie Ray of Silverton; his
daughter, Kali Ray of Silverton;
his mother and step-father, Diane

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his mother and step-father and Mike Norris of Silverton, and his maternal grandparents, Dale and Donna Ray of LaCygne, Kan-

Memorials may be made to Hawkins Kali's Trust Fund, P. o. Box 373, Silverton, Texas 79257.



### **Betty Jane** Hawkins

Betty Jane Hawkins of Terrell, born February 13, 1937, passed away October 6, 2003. Serviceswere held Wednesday Olathe North High School in Olathe North High School in 1995. He married Stephanie Oliver July 11, 1997, in Miami, Oklahoma. He coached Little Galloway, Mesquite. Interment will be in Resthaven Cemetery in Outstanie. TX, Friday October 10, Quitaque, TX, Friday October 10, 2003 @ 11:00AM.

She was a member of Galloway Avenue Baptist Church and a loving mother and grandmother who ministered to all she knew.Betty was preceded in death

Ruby King of Quitaque; brother, Jerry King; sister, Joyce Price; daughter, Beth Vercher & husband Bob; sons, Troy Hawkins, Coy Hawkins & wife, Sharla; Kali's Trust Fund, P. o. Box 373, Silverton, Texas 79257. (Obituary taken from the Briscoe \* Amy, Aleigh & Emma Hawkins.

# Free Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinic

Texas Cooperative Extension, Briscoe County is collaborating with Linda Moore, RN of the South Plains Health Provider Briscoe County Community Clinic in Silverton to provide a free blood pressure/blood sugar clinic. The clinic will be held in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse on Wednesday, October 15, from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 11:00 a.m.. Everyone is invited to take advantage of this free service!

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# **Broom &** Mop Sale

The Turkey Lions Club Broom & Mop Sale will be Tuesday, October 14 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in front of Tur-key Automotive Supply.

This money goes to help the blind. Please come by and see all the items they will have for



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Brenda Smith, Martha Brad-October 13

Jason Powell, Rose Castillo, Estelle Lane, Cade Lange Kevin Carte

October 14 Fredia Fuston, Ginger Morgan, Galen Saul, Belinda Barrett October 15

Joann Reagan, Janice McBee, Rachel Kay Hancock, Chastity Lane, Haley Wheeler October 16 Elena Fierro, Briana Sperry, Buster Chadwick,



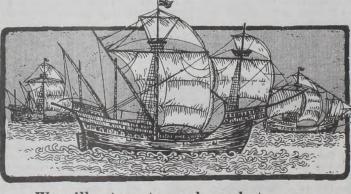
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Mr & Mrs Felix Ortiz

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BY: EARLYNE JAMESON

### **OVERHEARD**

When Sam was about to retire, he w as asked what he was going to

"When I get up in the morning, I won't have anything to do," Sam said

'And when I go to bed at night, I'll have it all done.'

Location Of Rainfall Influencing Status Of Motley **County's Cotton Crops** 

Location of rainfall in September in Motley County is influencing the status of the cotton crops. There was an expression in the 1940's when somebody had a bumper cotton crop and was getting a good price when selling it, they were said to be "walking in tall cotton." This expression can't be used for the majority of Motley County farmers in Cloud cover slowed down the heat the last of the month and pleas-

ant autumn weather was welcomed. A cool front draped across Motley County Oct. 4-5 sparking some showers. This is a benefit for wheat and feed land. Also reported, the boll weevil control program helped tremendously in keening weevil infestations down. The Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers report the

total rainfall for September 2003: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 1.75; Kelly Meyer, Matador 1.00; Betty Simpson, Northfield 1.41; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat 1.20 and Tommie Jo Cruse, Flomot 2.20 inches.

Loretta and Harry Race of Dover, Arkansas visited from Saturday

until Tuesday with her uncle, Wilson Barton. Also visiting in the Barton home and with Mr. and Mrs. Race was her aunt, Mrs. Katherine King of Matador. They enjoyed tourist attractions and entertainment in the

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay and children, Kayla and Colton of Jacksonville visited from Monday until Wednesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay. They also visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington and aunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Cara.

Greg Stapleton returned home recently following back surgery at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. His son, Sam was with him during surgery and hospitalization. Also visiting him were Mr. and

Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petrolia visited during the eekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter and Mrs. Geneva Martin.
Trula and Wilburn Martin returned home Wednesday from an au-

tumn tour in northern New Mexico that included tourist attractions and beautiful fall foliage in Eagle Nest, Red River, Taos and Angel Fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Dimmitt, Friday for her a medical appointment. Their son, Michael Starkey of Canyon, accompanied them to Amarillo, Monday for Mr. and Mrs. Starkey medical appointments Tuesday.

Mrs. Rhonda Cowgill and daughter, Kacy of Carrollton visited Fri-

day and Saturday with her sister and family, Gina and Tim Shann and daughter, Nellie.

Mrs. Anna Beth Clay and granddaughter, Ryleigh Carson of Turkey enjoyed a costume birthday party Saturday afternoon in Floydada given for Jacy Beam celebrating her 6th birthday. It was in the home of her parents, Joely and Larry Beam. Also attending was her grandmother,

Mrs. Carolyn Ewing of Matador.
Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee were impressed by the tourist attraction, Cross Ministries located west of Groom that they visited and photo-

Head colds and allergy problems are reported by many residents in the area. Hoping the rains will help the pollution move out of the re-

### Quitaque Methodist Church 100 Year **Anniversary This Sunday**

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Thinking they could not build the entire church at this time, a large basement was constructed to fill the needs of the congregation with plans for the large brick edifice to be built in the future. The basement was built on the same site where the little white church building had stood. T. E. Anderson deeded the land for the site to the church in 1908. Due to the depression, this basement served the Methodist Church for 23 years.

Soon after the church became a station, it was placed in the

Church for 23 years.

Soon after the church became a station, it was placed in the Plainview District, later to be moved to the Clarendon District and later back to the Plainview District where it now remains. During the war years of 1941-1945, the membership of the church dwindled. Many

war years of 1941-1945, the membership of the church dwindled. Many of the old timers moved away and the young people were called away to the service or defense work. The old basement was badly in need of repairs and the congregation was small.

The Quitaque Methodist Church had stood on the same site for over 40 years. The majority of the members insisted that the church stay in the same location but the old basement seemed to be just a handicap. Finally they decided to fill in the basement and build a small brick church. The beautiful building in which the Methodists now worship was begun in the fall of 1949 and completed in the summer of 1950.

On November 19, 1950, the formal opening of the new building was held with a standing room only crowd for the homecoming and Thanksgiving celebration. The building was begun and completed during the pastorate of Rev. Marvin Fisher.

In 1960 under the leadership of Rev. James C. Holeman, a new three-bedroom brick parsonage was built across the street from the church. Open house for the new parsonage was held in June 1961. In October 1978, the church had a 75th anniversary celebration with many former members coming back for the special occasion.

In the 1980's when the Rev. Dennis Flaugher was pastor, Quitaque/Turkey were made one charge. Quitaque is still a part of a two-point charge, sharing a pastor with Turkey. Rev. Glenda Johnson is now the pastor of this charge.

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By Virginia Sailsbury

Mornings are hectic in nearly everyone's when adults and children are trying to get to work and school on time. But, if you can squeeze in a few minutes to put one of these meals in your crock pot, you will be rewarded with dinner ready to eat when you get home. These dinners can also be prepared the night before and refrigerated. In the morning, just plug in the slow cooker

l pound round steak, trimmed tablespoon cooking oil

1-1/2 cups water can (8 oz.) tomato sauce

1 teaspoon ground cumin 1 teaspoon garlic powder 1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper 2 tablespoons flour 1/4 cup cold water

or potatoes. Serves 4.

STEW pounds chicken parts of your choice 2 tablespoons oil, divided

ounces fresh mushrooms.

medium onion, diced cups diced zucchini

cup diced green pepper 4 garlic cloves, minced

can (6 oz.) tomato paste 3/4 cup water

I teaspoon each dried thyme, oregano, marjoram and basil cut chicken into 1 inch cubes; brown in 1 tablespoon oil in a large skillet. Transfer to a slow cooker. In the same skillet, saute the mushrooms, onion, zucchini, green pepper and garlic in remaining oil crisp-tender. Place slow cooker. Add tomatoes, tomato paste, water and seasonings. Cover and cook on low for 4 hours or until the vegetables are tender. Serves

# SANDWICHES

1 boneless beef chuck roast (3 to 4 pounds)

envelope dry onion soup

10-12 rolls

sandwich buns Place roast in slow cooker Sprinkle Strain broth; skim off fat.

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### CHICKEN MUSHROOM

3 medium tomatoes, diced

2 teaspoons salt

# ITALIAN BEEF

3 tablespoons dried basil 3 tablespoons dried oregano

1 cup water

Italian

Combine basil, oregano and our over roast.
with soup mix. Cover and cook on low for 7hours or until meat is tender. Remove meat; shred with a fork and keep warm. Serve meat on rolls; use broth for dipping. Serves 12.

These easy recipes will give you a delicious meal with just a little planning ahead. Next week, I'll have some more great slow cooker recipes to try. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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# MONDAY **MEATLOAF**

WEDNESDAY MEXICAN FOOD

TUESDAY PORK CHOPS THURSDAY CHICKEN FRIDAY

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# *SCHOOL* LUNCH

Menu Subject To Change Monday, October 13

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, OJ/Milk Lunch: Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Salad, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, October 14 Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza

OJ/Milk Lunch: Steak Fingers, Gravy, Corn, Salad, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, October 15 Breakfast: Biscuits, Jelly,

Sausage, OJ/Milk Lunch: Polish Sausage, Mac & Cheese, Carrot Sticks, Pork & Beans, Milk

Thursday, October 16 Breakfast: Cereal, Toast,

OJ/Milk Lunch: American Stack, Tomatoe, Lettuce, Cheese, Pinto Beans, Pears, Milk

Friday, October 17 Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls,

Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoe, Cheese, Chips, Fruit, Milk

Go Valley! Beat Silverton! THE LUNCHROOM LADIES



# Valley Migrant Students **Attend Safety Camp**

Rosie Villarreal and Sara Hinojosa took 14 Migrant students from grades K-2 to a Migrant Health and Safety Camp on Tuesday Septem ber 30, 2003. The Safety Camp was held at the West Texas A&M University Horse Center

It began at 10 a.m. and lasted until 2 p.m. The camp focused on family safety issues in the home and in agricultural settings. Each learning satin included hands on activities. Snacks, drinks, and pizza were provided for lunch

Everyone reported to having had a learning experience and great fun too. The Region 16 Migrant personnel did a wonderful job of setting up and presenting this program.

# **Picture Day**

Blunck's Studio photographers will be at Valley School on Tuesday, October 14.

During the morning they will be photographing the individual student pictures for grades Pre-K through Eleventh.

During the afternoon junior high and high school pep squad, cheerleaders and football players will be photographed.

# **Valley School** South Plains Fair Results

The Valley Family & Consumer Sciences classes worked with the 1st and 2nd Grade classes during their child development lessons. The 1st graders made salt dough ornaments and painted them the next day. The 2nd grade classes worked with the high school students and painted white T-shirts with fabric paint and sponges to enter the decorated shirt category at the South Plains Fair. The high school students had a chance to put their child development techniques into practice with young children and the younger elementary classes had a chance to participate with older role models.

After picking up the entries, several children were awarded ribbons. Each project was entered in the PeeWee category at the fair. In the Dough Art category, Haley Wheeler won first place; Tyler Campbell won 2nd place, and Annah Gonce won 3rd place. In the Decorated Shirt category, Kaylee Addison won a 3rd place ribbon. The other entries were awarded Honorable Mention ribbons. Congratulations to all!!

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Family, Career and Community Leader member and she was awarded
an Honorable Mention ribbon.

# **Pre-Game** Soft Taco

There will be a soft taco supper this Friday, October 10 be-fore the football game between Valley and Silverton.

Supper

Food will be served from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Valley school cafeteria. Each plate will have 3 tacos, beans, salad, dessert, and tea.

Come out and support the Valley Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and stay and support the football team at the first district game!

# 4-H A Century of Service By Khaki Scrivner

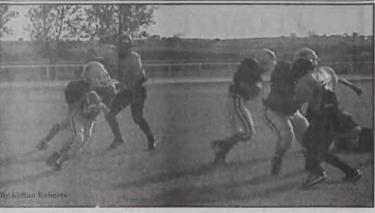
It's National 4-H week. There are currently 83 youth enrolled in the Briscoe County 4-H program. They are celebrating by wearing their 4-H shirts. They are promot-ing 4-H awareness by doing radio

In 2003 4-H celebrates its 101st birthday as America's premier youth development organization. Across the country 4-H'ers are making a difference in their communities because that's what 4-H

promotions, newspaper articles

is all about.

The 4-leaf clover represents head, heart, hands and health. Today 6.8 million youth, ages 5 to 19, are involved in 4-H. There are estimated 60 million 4-H alumni. Today's project areas range from aerospace to zoology.



Brady Ramsey drops back for a pass



Valley Jr. High defense waits strong for the Cotton Center defense.

# alley J.H Patriots On Roll

The Junior High Patriots traveled to Spur Thursday, September 25 to take on the Bulldogs. Valley

came away with an impressive 35-6 victory.

On offense, Bryce Reagan, Justin Rucker, and Roger Ramos had good games rushing the ball. Brady
Ramsey connected on several nice pass attempts to Armando Mendoza.

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Valley played host to the Cotton Center J.H. last Thursday, October 2 and came away with a big win... The offense wasted by the passing combination of Brady Ramsey to Armando Mendoza which accounted for 3 touchdowns. Justin Billegas and Cesar Mendoza also added a touchdown each. Roger Ramos added 3 extra point runs along with Dalton Allen and Justin Rucker with one each.

The defense was sparked by Bryce Reagan who had a fumble return for a touchdown and Justin Rucker who returned on interception for a score.

Valley will next play Silverton at Silverton tonight.

# JV Patriots Fall to Cotton Center Varsity

The JV Patriots lost their first game in three years when they fell to the Varsity team from Cotton Center. Big passing plays by Cotton Center allowed the Elks to rack up 210 yards passing and a 33-24 win.

The Patriots took an early lead when Zack Ramsey took a screen pass from Derik Roys and raced 30 yards to the end zone. Fernando Regalado kicked the extra point and with a little more than a minute of the clock, the Patriots led 8-0.

The Elks would score twice before the half, once on a 1 yard sweep and once on a 3 yard TD pass, to make the halftime score 12-8 in favor of Cotton Center.

Regalado returned a second half punt 38 yards to set up a two yard Ruben Ramos touchdown and then kicked the extra point himself. A 70 yard kickoff return by the Elks gave Cotton Center 20 points. The visitors got two second half touchdown reception, one a 20 yarder and one from 37 yards out, along with

visitors got two second har touchdown reception, one a 20 yarder and one from 37 yards out, along with one extra point kick to give the Elks their 33 points.

Zack Ramsey tossed a 34 yard pass to Daniel Alanis that set up a seven yard touchdown reception by Ramos from Ramsey. Regalado added the extra point kick and attempted the onside. The Elks recovered and held on for the nine point win.

# CAPROCK TV AND THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL OFFER CHILDREN A CHANCE TO WIN A TRIP TO FLIGHT SCHOOL WITH THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL YOUNG SCIENTIST CONTEST

(SPUR, TEXAS) — CapRock Tv and the Discovery Channel are showing their strong commitment to raising interest in science studies among children by partnering to offer the Cap Rock Telephone service area children a chance to win a unique experience consisting of a trip of a lifetime that's truly out of this world. The DISCOVERY CHANNEL YOUNG SCIENTIST CONTEST will award one national grand prize winner a trip to the US Space & Rocket Center Aviation Challenge Program in Huntsville, Ala. During the multi-day program, the winner will have the opportunity to experience life as a pilot as he or she participates in high-performance jet simulations, learns the basics of air-to-air and air-to-ground fighter tactics and receives authentic water and land survival training.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of flight when Wilbur and Orville Wright first took to the skies in Kitty Hawk, N.C., the Discovery Channel and CapRock Tv are challenging children, ages 10 to 14, to use and apply their knowledge of the science of aviation. From October 1-November 30, 2003, children can enter the Discovery Channel Young Scientist CONTEST by answering 12 science of flight-related questions. Information on how to enter can be obtained from local school science teachers, the CapRock Tv business office, or on line at www.discovery.com. All entries to the contest must be submitted on line at www.discovery.com. The national grand prize winner of the trip to flight school will be selected on the basis of who answered the most questions correctly. In the event of a tie, the winner will be chosen at random from entrants who correctly answered the most questions.

Another exciting component of the contest is that the lucky grand prize winner will have the opportunity to make a special appearance on national television with a role in a TV spot during featured programming breaks on the Discovery Channel's Assignment Discovery. Channel hand held flight simulator.

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"CapRock Tv is excited to team up with the Discovery Channel to offer our viewers the chance to win this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and foster children's interest in science," said Ricky Martinez, Cap Rock Public Affairs. "The DISCOVERY CHANNEL YOUNG SCIENTIST CONTEST is a terrific way to get our children to reach for the stars and introduce them to the exciting world of science by showing them

that science is truly behind every discovery."

Discovery Channel is one of the United States' largest cable television networks, serving 86.5 million households across the nation with the finest in informative entertainment.

Discovery Networks, U.S., a unit of Discovery Communications, Inc., operates and manages th covery Channel, TLC, Animal Planet, the Travel Channel, Discovery Health Channel, Discovery HD Theater, Discovery Kids Channel, Discovery Times Channel, The Science Channela, Discovery Home & Leisure Channel, Discovery Wings Channel, Discovery en Español and The Health Network. The unit also distributes BBC America.



# 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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN GAS RATES

Atmos Energy hereby gives notice of its intent to implement new gas rates for Residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial rates for residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial and Air Conditioning customers. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days. The Cities may suspend the proposed effective date for an additional 90 days. The company may implement a different rate design than proposed provided the increase to revenue does not exceed that specified herein. It is anticipated the new rates will increase the revenues of the company by approximately \$ 7.7 million or 7.32 percent and therefore constitutes a "major change".

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# VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL

HEAD FOOTBALL COACH Bret Tyler

ASST. FOOTBALL COACHES Thomas Clay Greg Ramsey Stewart Smith

SUPERINTENDENT Jerry Smith

> PRINCIPAL Jon Davidson

CHEERLEADERS
Katherine Pigg
Chelsea Wheeler
Paige Hughes

Alicia Roys Macy Davidson

Molly Davidson

MASCOT
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Larrisa Payne

CHEERLEADER SPONSOR Shadi Buchanan

> PEP SQUAD SPONSOR Lisa Farley

PATRIOT MANAGERS Seth Fuston Mitchell Farley Bryce Regan

2003 Valley Jr. High Football Schedule

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Sept. 4 Asperment	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
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2003 VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL TEAM CHEELEADERS & MASCOT

VALLEY PATRIOTS

VS

SILVERTON OWLS

AT VALLEY

Friday, October 3, 2003

At 7:30 P.M.

2003 Valley J.V. Football Schedule Aug. 29 Benjaman(V) H - 7:

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# VALLEY PATRIOT HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROSTER

Player	Ht.	Wt.	Cla	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-BD
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 Varsity Football Schedule

Aug. 30	Blum @Brys	on - 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
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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
(#) - Valle	y Homecoming Ga	ame
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# **Texas Cooperative Extension Briscoe County** Brandon McGintyCEA, AG & Cory Edwards CEA, FCS

### **On-Farm Demonstrations Extension Celebrate Centennial**

By Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag.

The centennial anniversary of on-farm demonstrations and extension will be celebrated on October 25. The first on-farm demonstra-tion was conducted in 1903 on the Porter family farm in Kaufman County, Texas. They planted 70 acres of cotton and other crops using new cultivation techniques that doubled their yields. For the first time, farmers were able to observe the benefits of government research on a working farm. Today, the extension link between researchers and pro-ducers continues to enhance American communities. Extension programs are found in all 50 states and in countries across the world

### BY: Cory Edwards, Briscoe County CEA-FCS Fall Leaves Are A Valuable **Garden Resource**

Removing fall leaves from your lawn can become a real chore, and there are many beneficial ways of disposing of them. Bagging them and taking them to your local landfill takes up valuable space. Instead, use them in your perennial beds as winter mulch. Be sure to avoid smothering the plants and keep in mind big leaves shouldn't be used as mulch. Composting is another solution, Simply dig a hole and fill it with leaves and other plant materials. For more Information, contact your local extension Office.

### **Study Shows Tea Consumption Lowers Blood Cholesterol**

USDA researchers found drinking black tee lowered. LDL cholesterol. This type of cholesterol Is a contributing factor in coronary heart disease, Seven men and eight women were given black tea five times a day for three weeks, and they saw a 6 to 10 percent roduct (Qri in blood lipids. However, the scientists concluded optimum results were achieved only when black tea was consumed in combination with a diet low in fat, cholesterol, and saturated fatty acids.

# Texas Crop And Weather Report

October 7, 2003

College Station — Grain planting in Texas has begun and producers have high hopes for the new year, Texas Cooperative Extension reports. Dr. Gaylon Morgan, Extension small grains specialist in College Station, said planting conditions have been relatively good for the early-planted wheat in the Central Texas Blacklands because of cooler acreage temperatures and adequate soil moisture. However, the northern Rolling Plains is getting relatively dry and some early-planted wheat is beginning to show signs of moisture stress, he said.

Planting began Sept. 1 in the Central Texas Blacklands and Rolling Plains regions for producers using wheat as a forage crop or dual-purpose wheat. Wheat that will be used for grain purposes has not begun to be planted yet. That will begin in about two weeks depending on moisture conditions, Morgan said. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist in Amarillo, said about half of the wheat has been planted in the Panhandle.

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moisture conditions, Morgan said. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist in Amarillo, said about half of the wheat has been planted in the Panhandle.

"We had some rain about three weeks ago that allowed many producers to go ahead and plant their dryland wheat," he said. "Wheat is now being planted under irrigation following corn harvest. After the next good rain, I am sure more dryland wheat will be planted." "Early-planted wheat, however, has had some problems with fall armyworms in this area. Grasshoppers and grubs have also been seen in some of the fields," Morgan said.

Nearly all wheat is dryland in the Rolling Plains area, Morgan said. "Although producers are hoping for high yields and good quality crops this year, it is too early to predict just yet," Morgan said. "Last year, harvest went relatively well for most producers, with slightly higher than average yields in Central Texas."

Wheat yields were down in the Panhandle last year due to the dry spring, Bean said. Excessive rain near harvest time caused some problems with wheat quality last year. It caused some grain heads to sprout and lowered test weights. This year, producers in the Rolling Plains are beginning to worry about dry weather, Morgan said. Other parts of the state are also struggling to get crops planted and out of the fields before the first frost.

Dr. Steve Livingston, Extension agronomist in Corpus Christi, said cotton producers in the Coastal Bend are just now able to get back in the fields to harvest after recent rains. The cotton that is left is of poorer quality and may have reduced yields, he said.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture very short to adequate. Corn harvest is 50 percent completed; average yields have been reported. Most sorghum has headed; however, some late planted fields will likely not mature before the first freeze. Cotton is rated very poor to excellent. Bolls continue to open; warm weather is needed to speed the pro

rated in good condition.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture short. Cold front brought cooler weather this week. Majority of corn is harvested except for a few late planted fields. Grain sorghum harvest is in full swing and yields have been good. Cotton harvest has begun in some areas and producers continue to apply harvest aids. Peanuts are in good condition. Pumpkin harvest is still under way and sales have been good so far. Winter wheat planting continues. Range and pastures are in poor condition. Supplemental feeding continues.

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ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture short to adequate. Cotton continues to open ahead of schedule under dry conditions. Wheat is emerging in many areas and producers are scouting fields for armyworm damage and economic losses. Range and pastures have declined due to lack of rainfall. Warm season forages are decreasing rapidly. Bernuda grass pastures have slowed down due to cool nights and mild days. Livestock conditions are favorable with supplemental feeding continues in most areas. Some beef producers are hauling in water to livestock in Childress County.

## Roach Unit Trap Shoot Scheduled

The T L Roach, Jr. Unit Trap Shoot is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Rolling Plains Sportsman Gun Club in Memphis. The winner will receive 60 percent of the proceeds; 40 percent will go the State Employees Charitable Contribution.

Barbecue sandwiches, chips and drink will be served for \$5. For

re information, call Tony Pate at 806-259-2972 after 1 p.m. or Jo





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# 4-H Trap Shoot Draws Big Group

Having fun at the 4-H Trap shoot on Saturday, September 27 were these folks: Gary Martin, Jack Dillard, Donald Adams of Tulia, Tye Reed, Matt Martin, Jack Thornton of Tulia, Caleb Francis, Eric Patton, Ross Baird, Coy Bird, Yance Forbes, Jimmy Forbes, Cam Forbes, Gary Chandler of Quitaque, Shawn Barbour, Dusty Martin, Dwain Tipton, Wayne Reed and Doug Cherry.

Wayne Reed and Doug Cherry.

They shot the "Annie Oakley" and partner shoots. Clay Hunt, Zane Henderson and Colt Smith were also there. Jeanine West kept the books along with Shawn and George Reed. Dusty and his wife Sara worked in the throwing booth as did his brother Matt. Keeping Matt company was his friend, Melanie Viera who is from Canyon. Colleen Reed and J.T. West enjoyed the shooting show.

# Cattle Brucellosis Eradication in Texas: Close, But, Not Yet

Animal health officials were disappointed, but not surprised in September, when they detected a cattle herd infected with brucellosis in Henderson County, breaking a 13-month stretch during which no newly infected herds were detected in Texas. Texas and Missouri are the only states in the nation not free of this bacterial disease, which is detected through testing of blood, milk or tissue from cattle. Although some infected animals exhibit no signs of disease, brucellosis can cause cows to abort, deliver weak calves or produce less milk.

"We are closing in on the last infected herds in Texas, and after months of not finding infection, we were hopeful we might have finally eradicated the disease," commented Dr. Max Coats, deputy director for Animal Health Programs at the Texas Animal Health Com-

nany eradicated the disease, commented Dr. Max Coats, deputy director for Animal Health Programs at the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "With more than 153,000 cattle herds in Texas, finding the last infected herds is like looking for the proverbial "needle in the haystack." We still may find a few more infected herds in Texas before we join the ranks of the other brucellosis-free states in this national disease eradication pro-

"Twice now, we've gone longer than a year without finding a bru-cellosis-infected herd in Texas," said Dr. Coats. "The first time was from July 2000 through December 2001, but soon after, we detected and depopulated four infected herds in Montgomery, Rusk, Henderson and Colorado Counties. Then, after a lull of more than a year, we de-tected the latest infected herd, in Henderson County, through our routine testing of adult breeding cattle being sold at livestock markets. We're in the process of testing neighboring herds and tracing cattle movement into and out of the Henderson County herd to determine if infection has spread."

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Dr. Coats explained that, because cooked meat is safe for human consumption, the cows and bulls from the infected herd will be sent to slaughter. The owner will receive payment from the slaughter facility, and an indemnity from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and TAHC to help offset the loss of not only the adult cattle, but also nursing calves. Weaned steers and spayed heifers may be kept, because these animals cannot spread brucellosis, which is transmitted primarily by infected cows during abortion or calving.

"Years ago, Texas had thousands of infected herds, which often were quarantined for up to a year or longer, while we periodically tested the

quarantined for up to a year or longer, while we periodically tested the cattle, to ensure all infected animals were removed and slaughtered," said Dr. Coats. "During the quarantine period, animals could be sold only to slaughter, creating a hardship for the rancher. There also was the chance that infection could be spread to nearby herds during the quarantine. Now, by depopulating infected herds as soon as possible, we can stop disease spread, and the producer can be in business with new, test-negative animals within weeks."

Dr. Coats said Texas continues to apply the "tried-and-true" for-mula for eradicating brucellosis, which involves vaccinating heifers, testing breeding cattle prior to change of ownership and collecting blood samples from cattle at slaughter. Vaccination is now voluntary in most instances, and ranchers may have their accredited veterinarian adminster RB-51 vaccine to heifers four to 12 months of age. (Bull calves do not receive the vaccine, because it can make them sterile.) RB-51 provides heifers protection against brucellosis, but unlike ear-

vaccines, it does not create confusion about test results.
"To ensure infected animals are not moved from herd to herd, breeding cattle 18 months or older, or younger cows that are bred or have calved, must have a negative blood test for brucellosis before changing hands at a livestock auction or through private treaty. This 'firstpoint' testing of cattle has been the most effective and efficient method of finding infection," he said. At slaughter plants, blood samples and animal identification infor-

At slaughter plants, blood samples and animal identification information, such as ear tag numbers or backtags, are collected from cows and bulls, he explained. When samples test positive for brucellosis, the TAHC or USDA field staff use the animal identification information to trace the herd of origin, so the remaining cattle in the pasture can be tested. If infection is confirmed, neighboring herds and other potentially exposed cattle are tested to determine the source of the infection, and to find out if the disease has spread to other herds.

Dr. Coats strongly urged ranchers to maintain young, purchased heifers separately from other cattle in their herd, until the purchased animals are tested after delivering their first calves. "There's always the possibility that these very young heifers may have been exposed to brucellosis and are incubating infection when they're bought. We strongly recommend that these young heifers be kept in a separate pasture, then tested as adults, just to ensure that disease isn't intro-

pasture, then tested as adults, just to ensure that disease isn't introsafe than sorry

"Cattle brucellosis one day will be regarded as foreign animal disease in the U.S.," said Dr. Coats. "In Texas, we've come so far since the days when 1,500 or 2,000 infected herds were quarantined, and we were testing entire counties to 'clean up' infection. We can eradicate this disease in Texas, and even though Missouri may beat us to the eradication finish line, we won't be too far behind."

# Bovine bonanza

Texas cowboys have precious cargo in their care. Texas leads the nation in its number of cattle operations, or places with at least one head of cattle at any time during the year, and in the value of its cattle and calves.

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5.	Kentucky	46,000	100	Oklahoma	\$3.5
6.	Wisconsin	38,000	105.	Wisconsign	53.3
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7.	Kansas	34,000	8	South Dakota	\$2.5
9.	Arkansas	30,000	3	JOWA	\$2.6
10.	Minnesota	29,000	10.	Colorado	52.0



### 2004 Program Sign-Up Began October 1

Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman announced that enrollment for the 2004 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) began Oct.

Under the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (FSRIA) producers must sign contracts annually to participate in the DCP, unlike the one-time sign-up process that was installed under the previous farm program.

Producers have until June 1, 2004, to enroll for the 2004 DCP. Late-filed applications will be accepted through Sept. 30, 2004, if accom-panied by a \$100 late fee.

Producers can opt out of participating in the program any year if

they choose.

For both the 2002 and 2003 programs, more than 98 percent of the eligible base acres were enrolled.

The 2002 Farm Bill authorizes direct and counter-cyclical payments to enrolled producers. Both payments are computed using the base acres and payment yields established for each farm.

The following are the 2004 crop year direct payment rates cyclical

Commodity	Unit	Direct (\$/unit)	Maximum Counter-Cyclical (\$/unit)
Wheat	bushel	0.52	0.65
Corn	bushel	0.28	0.40
Grain Sorghum	bushel	0.35	0.27
Barley	bushel	0.24	0.15
Oats	bushel	0.024	0.086
Upland Cotton	pound	0.0667	0.1373
Rice	pound	2.35	1.65
Soybeans	bushel	0.44	0.36
Other Oilseeds	pound	0.0080	0.00
Peanuts	ton	36.00	104.00

Producers receive direct payments at rates established by statute, regardless of market prices. Counter-cyclical payment rates, on the other hand, vary depending on market prices.

Counter-cyclical payments are issued only when the effective price (which takes into account the direct payment rate, market price and loan rate) for a crop is below the target price for the commodity.

For 'other oilseeds,' because of the existing loan rate, the maximum counter, availed a payment rate is easy.

unter-cyclical payment rate is zero.
The following is the schedule of payments for the 2004 DCP:

December 2003 - 50% advance direct payment;
October 2004 - 50% final direct payment;
October 2004 - first advance counter-cyclical payment (up to 35 recent of projected payment);

February 2005 - second advance counter-cyclical payment (up to 70 percent of projected payment less first advance);

Dates vary by crop - In general, 30 days following the end of the marketing year: Final counter-cyclical payment (100 percent of actual payment, less any advances received).

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By the end of October 2003, USDA reports that producers will have received some \$8 billion in DCP payments for the 2002 crops, the 2003 crop direct payment, and the first advance counter-cyclical payments (if any) for 2003 crops.

For all years, refunds to USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) will be due if there is a violation of eligibility requirements or, in the case of counter-cyclical payments, if the advance payments exceed the final payment rate.

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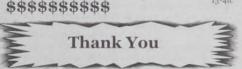
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# Last Week In Texas History!

Oct. 2, 1835 The Battle of Gonzales erupted and was the first real fighting of the Texas Revolution Texas Volunteers fought off a Mexican force who wanted to remove the town's canon. The Texans fought under a flag inscribed, "Come and Take It."

Oct. 3, 1874 The Kiowa Indians arrived at the Cheyenne Agency in Indian Territory and surrendered.

Oct. 3, 1842

Following three military raids by the Mexican Army, Republic President Sam Houston called for volunteers to invade Mexico. This became known as the Mier Expedition

Oct. 4, 1836

Shot Gun For Sale, Republic President David G. Remington Sportsman 58, 20 Gauge Auto. Good condition Burnet sent his first message to the new Congress and discussed Texas finances

Oct. 5, 1835

Mexican Gen. Martin Perfecto de Cos begain his march from Goliad to San Antonio. He left behind a small force to guard the supplies and munitions stored in Goliad. Oct. 6, 1851

Gunfighter William (Bill) Longley was born in Austin County. Oct. 7, 1862

Panhandle cattleman Lee Bivins was born in Sherman. Oct. 8, 1873 Gov. Edmund J. Davis paroled

Kiowa Indian Chiefs Big Tree and Satanta fromthe life sen-tences they received over the Salt Creek Massacre that occured on May 19, 1871.

Oct. 8, 1838 18 surveyors were killed by Indians at a site now known as Surveyor Creek.

Oct. 8, 1835

Gen Sam Houston issued a for-mal appeal for "all patriots to join the cause of Texas liberty.

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# TURKEY TALK

By Martha Bradshaw

University sawapproximately 1100 students awarded degrees. Commencement ceremonies took place August 9 in the United Spirit

George Harrison Pigg, Quitaque, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Briana Johnice Sperry, Quitaque, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Exercise &

# We The Women

By Arlene Hinkle

We the Women will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tues-y, October 14 at noon at the Methodist Church in Quitaque. This will be a pot luck luncheon and all ladies are invited to attend.

Several items will be on the agenda, the new Birthday/Anniver-sary Calendar will be discussed and if anyone has names to add, please call Jean at 455-1228 or Delene at 455-1109.
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the e rack. The ladies have cleaned and polished and it really is a neat place to shop. Stop by and check it out. Need a telephone, a ceiling fan, craft items, clothing, toys, coats or just to visit. Monday and Friday and the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 4

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### THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO HMMM... BY: LAURA TAYLOR

Southern Horoscope

Some of us Southerners are pretty skeptical of horoscopes and the people that read them. If we are to ever fully understand all the star signs and the people they represent, we need symbols that all true Southerners understand: See the list below.

OKRA (Dec 22 - Jan 20)

Are tough on the outside but tender on the inside. Okra's have tremendous influence. An older Okra can look back over his life and see the seeds of his influence everywhere. You can do something good each day if you try.

CHITLINS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

Chitlins come from humble backgrounds. A Chitlins, however, will make something of himself if he is motivated and has lots of seasoning. In dealing with Chitlins, be careful as they may surprise you. They can erupt like Vesuvius. Chitlins are best with Catfish and Okra.

BOLL WEEVIL (Feb 20 - March 20)

You have an overwhelming curiosity. You're unsatisfied with the surface of things, and you feel the need to bore deep into the interior of everything. Needless to say, you are very intense and driven as if you had some inner hunger. You love to stay busy and tend to work too much. Nobody in their right mind is going to marry you, so don't worry about it.

MOON PIE (March 21 - April 20)

You're the type that spends a lot of time on the front porch. A cinch to recognize the physical appearance of Moon Pies. Big and round are the key words here. You should marry anybody who you can get remotely interested in the idea. It's not going to be easy. You always have a big smile and are happy. This might be the year to think about aerobics. Maybe not.

POSSUM (April 21 - May 21)

When confronted with life's difficulties, possums have a marked tendency to withdraw and develop a don't-bother-me-about-it attitude. Sometimes you become so withdrawn, people actually think you're dead. This strategy is probably not psychologically healthy but seems to work for you. You are a rare breed. Most folks love to watch you work and play. You are a night person and mind your own business.

CRAWFISH (May 22 - June 21)

Crawfish is a water sign. If you work in an office, you're hanging around the water cooler. Crawfish prefer the beach to the mountains, the pool to the golf course, and the bathtub to the living room. You tend not to be particularly attractive physically, but you have very, very good heads.

good heads.

COLLARDS (June 22 - July 23)

Collards have a genius for communication. They love to get in the "melting pot" of life and share their essence with the essence of those around them. Collards make good social workers, psychologists, and baseball managers. As far as your personal life goes, if you are Collards, stay away from Crawfish. It just won't work. Save yourself a lot of heartache.

of heartache.

CATFISH (July 24 - Aug 23)

Catfish are traditionalists in matters of the heart, although one's whiskers may cause problems for loved ones. You Catfish are never easy people to understand. You run fast. You work and play hard. Even though you prefer the muddy bottoms to the clear surface of life, you are liked by most. Above all else, Catfish should stay away from

Your highest aim is to be with others like yourself. You like to huddle together with a big crowd of other Grits. You love to travel though, so maybe you should think about joining a club. Where do you like to go? Anywhere they have cheese, gravy, bacon, butter, or eggs and a good time. If you can go somewhere where they have all these things that serve you well, You are pure in heart.

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BOILED PEANUTS (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

You have a passionate desire to help your fellow man. Unfortunately, those who know you best, your friends and loved ones, may find that your personality is much too salty, and their criticism will affect you deeply because you are really much softer than you appear. You should go right ahead and marry anybody you want to because in a certain way, yours is a charmed life. On the road of life, you can be sure that people will always pull over and stop for you.

BUTTER BEAN (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

Always invite a Butter Bean to a party because Butter Beans get along well with everybody. You, as a Butter Bean, should be proud. You've grown on the vine of life, and you feel at home no matter what the setting. You can sit next to anybody. However, you, too, shouldn't have anything to do with Moon Pies.

ARMADILLO (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

You have a tendency to develop a tough exterior, but you are actually quite gentle and kind inside. A good evening for you? Old friends, a fire, some roots, fruit, worms, and insects. You are a throwback. You're not concerned with today's fashions and trends. You're not concerned with anything about today. You're almost prehistoric in your interests and behavior patterns.

ior patterns.

# Silverton's Bits & Spurs

By Lataine Dillard

Molding BeautyClear View Plastics

It was a plan that developed over several years. Scott Perkins and his dad Floyd began making beautiful items out of thick clear plastic that have the beauty of glass. "My dad taught me how to cut out crosses and different shapes like Texas," said Scott. "I call myself the junior partner since he is the teacher." And then Scott designs geometrical shapes mounted on thick plastic that are graceful and lovely. Scott's dad and mother Jerry Sue, owned a glass and upholstery shop in Tulia.

Ronnie & Jo Ann Blythe, Mel & Paula Brunson all of Amarillo visited with Jo Ann's parents, Louis and Oleta Randell and attended church with them Sunday. Christine Brunmett and Nadine Davis were in Amarillo Wednesday.

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Nadine Davis were in Amarillo Monday.
Harvey Don and Pinkie Mullin were in Dallas over the weekend visiting their children.

Texas Tech University

Announces Summer 2003 Graduates

LUBBOCK — Summer 2003 Commencement at Texas Tech University sawapproximately 1100 students awarded degrees.

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as you can see, we have lots of tun!!

Rex holt is doing well and at home with a new pacemaker. Now he's good for 50 more years!!!

The music at Judy Burson Welch's services was so beautiful, Some young men played a farewell sweet melodic songs on their fiddles. Hey! Thanks to the Clarendon Food Bank who gave out the peaches, blueberries, pizza and pie crusts on Friday September 26. There were many people there and was plenty of food to give away.

Visiting with Bud and Glenda Couch, Stanley and Waynell Couch and Bena and Rick Hester is Bena's mother, and Bud and Stanley's sister Mary Ann and her husband Marvin. They live in Las Vegas, Nevada, but are thinking of moving back to Silverton. Marvin says it is getting awfully crowded out there.

Over last weekend another brother, Darrell come from Lubbock. Joining them was Julie Couch of Plainview.

Duncan Vernon is attending school at Amarillo College. He is majoring in Safety and Environmental Technology. He enjoys coming home to family and Mom's good cooking on weekends. He attends church with Holly and Linda at First Baptist. And of course he enjoys bis grandpa, Buck Hardin too.

Hope you caught Ruby Brannon's garage sale on Friday. And I hope you got to buy one of her paintings. She is so good!! And she sews beautifully!! She said she used to do those things anyhow, but I bet she still can!!

We're glad that Pauline Chitty is home after a short stay in the hospital.

Norman and Peggy Strange went to Mesquite to visit their daugh-

pital.

Norman and Peggy Strange went to Mesquite to visit their daughter Kay and her family last weekend. I know they had fun, but they missed their daughter in law Shana singing at church on Sunday. She has the most beautiful voice. Lottie Garrison says she always knows what to sing and I believe it.

Everyone is encouraged about our schools here. We are hoping that the extra tx money will help us stay in business. We have some wonderful teachers and employees here and don't want to lose them.

Loretta Hardin met her three sisters in Abilene last week to have a "Sister's Get-Together" What a wonderful thing to do. They plan to take a short cruise next year. Family is so important.

Have you ever heard of "Old Sorehead Days" in Stanton? Well, I guess there must be some of those there as they will be celebrating it this weekend!! It is pretty neat!!



Henry House, 86, of Turkey caught these 4-5 lb Rainbow Trout on a recent family fising trip at Las Vegas NM.



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### Texas Department of Health

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1:00 pm - 3:30 pm



\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* This Week's Movie In Review: ....................... 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 the-matic material, language and action violence

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

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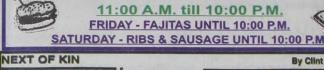
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# ook Into The Past

# Letters Of A West Texas Pioneer Girl

Introduction By Lynette Barefield

Born in 1881 soon after the conclusion of the Civil War and living well into the age of spe travel, Dora Merrell Stroup saw many changes in her lifetime.

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In 1888, the year that the state capitol was completed, seven-year-old Dora moved with her family from San Saba to west Texas. The family first moved to Yellow-house Canyon, then to Callahand draw (southwest of Floydada), and finally to the Quitaque River.

The Merrell family lived in an era that included travel by wagon to settle the frontier, fearing Indian raids, and dealing with 'Inand jumpers.' At 84 years of age, Dora Merrell Stroup undertook the task of writing her memoirs – a gift to her brothers, sisters, and children.

This book of memoirs was inherited this year by a nephew, Jake Merrell of Quitaque, and he has enthusiastically agreed that they should be published for our enjoyment.

A hearty 'Thank You' goes to Mrs. Stroup's memoirs is gratefully acknowledged.

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The story is presented exactly as Mrs. Stroup wrote it. Corrections or changes were not made to the original text, simply because it was not necessary for clarity.

Dora Merrell Stroup Born March 7, 1881 &Passed away Jan 23, 1966 Memories from years of 7 to 17 Given to her children, brothers, sisters Christmas 1965. Written by Dora Stroup 1965.

In these many years that have gone by, there has been many changes, many happy memo-ries, many sad memories we would like to erase. God has been good to give us a new day as sure as the sun comes up, to make a better life now as we stand on the brink of the year of 1965. Soon we will enter a new year, lets remember God is still on his throne. Lets try hard to make 1966 a better place to live. Wrote for those I love.

(Handwritten is the following:)
I know no two of us are alike. We may have the same parents, live in the same house, eat at the same table, and still our lives are different from our brothers and sisters. I have often wondered if anything in my life time has been interesting enough to pass on. Perhaps as you read this, you will conclude that I have not wondered in vain

I am the daughter of Alex and Mary Merrell. He was a stock man and farmer. Both of my parents were born in Missouri. I remember mother saying several times that she came through Fort Worth with her parents, brothers, and sisters

At that time there was only one house there. It answered for a post office, store, and home. I believe they settled in Edwards County. There my mother met my father. On November 27, 1873, they married. Three children were born to them there. Around 1880, they moved to San Saba. They settled on the San Saba River. It is now called Baker Valley after a man named Baker who

had a corn and flour mill on the river. It was run by the power of the water from the river.

My parents and friends cleared the timber to make the field and cut logs and to build their
first home there. My brother, sister, and I were born there in the log cabin. We lived there until we moved to the Plains. The river banks were very pretty. The banks were lined with pecan and other timber.

I believe they lived in a tent while the log house was being built. The plan of the house was very simple. It had one large room with a small room built beside it. Later Father built a large wooden room called a boxed and stripped house with a small room adjoining it. Each big room had a rock fireplace. All of the doors were home made. There were no locks. Each door was closed with a latch. At night the latches that opened and closed the doors were brought inside. When morning came the latch string was pushed outside. The string was usually made of buck-skin. The log house had two glass windows. The plank room had only wooden shutters. A wide

At the east of the house a large cistern was sunk. Large live oak trees shaded it. Sometimes the cistern would go dry and they would have to haul water from the river to fill it up. There was a large live oak at the north of the house where we played many a day. The old house was burned down now. Nothing but the stumps of the trees, the old cistern, and some rocks from the chim-

We lived closest to the little Baker school house. Mother usually boarded the school teacher. The only one I remember is Miss Fanny Woodford. She lived in Galvesto when she was a little child. She used to tell us about her Negro nurse. She said the nurse did most everything for her. She helped her put her clothes on and combed her hair til she was a young

She was my first teacher. I had visited the school many a time, but the first day for me at school I cried. The teacher told me she would let Jane, my sister, take me home. I said, "Oh, I can go home by myself. I am not afraid." She was disgusted with me. I was not afraid to go home alone but too big a baby to stay at school all day. Anyway, she sent me home with poor little Jane

There was another school just across the river from us. We went to Sunday school and church there. It was only a short ways if we could walk, but we had to cross the river. Mother said she would rather walk to Sunday school and church than harness a team and drive all the way down to the ford to cross. The hired man told her he would cut a footlog. That pleased mother. So he cut a tall tree on the bank of the river for us to cross on. How I dreaded to cross the trunk of that tree to go to Sunday school and church. I was fine after I reached the limbs on the tree. From there on it was fun. I won a little red pitcher and a white mug for having good lessons and good conduct. I still have the little white mug, but it is minus the handle. I knocked the picture off the table and it broke to pieces

I never went to school there but Lizzie, Bill and Jane did. I am told that one of the four girls

that went to school with them still lives there. Back to the San Saba school. Miss Fanny taught there for a long time. She came to Floyd County and taught one term of school in our home. We enjoyed that term of school very much. She then went back to Galveston and wrote often.

Then in the fall of 1900, the Galveston storm came. We never heard from her anymore. Mother wrote but the letters came back. Mother tried to hard to learn of her where abouts. She wrote the people that knew her. They tried to get n touch with her also. Finally we decided that she was one of the many hundreds that met their death in the storm.

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