

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet

We received advance notification of the individuals in Silverton and Quitaque with abandoned property that will be printed in daily newspapers on Sunday, October 17, 2004.

These include, from Silverton: Stephen L. Assiter, Ted Hancock, Anita Martinez, Travis Myers, Jerry Smith and Gary Weaks.

From Quitaque, are: Billy R. Clary, John Harvey, Monica Hawkins, Joe Edd/Joan Helms, Servando Leal and Freddie J. Lucero.

If your name is included on the list, you may call Carole Keeton Strayhorn, 1-800-531-5441, to inquire about unclaimed property.

Chance Rhoderick won third place in saddle bronc riding with a score of 55 at the Tri-State Rodeo Association in Perryton.

Cody Ware was awarded the Champion Roper Saddle by Barn Church Classic in Hereford October 3, 2004. He also won a Belt Buckle for winning the #5 roping. He is the son of Clinton and Dara Ware of Cedar Hill in Floyd County, and is the grandson of Peggy Garvin.

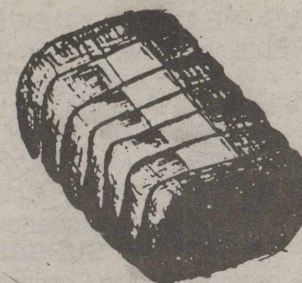
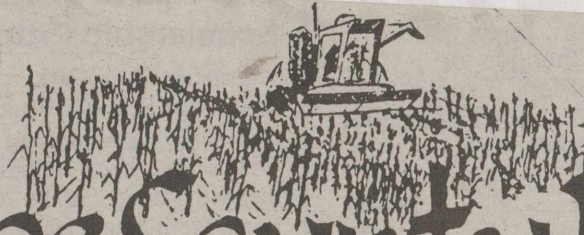
Due to the rains which measured from about 2.5 to 3.5 inches all across the Lake Mackenzie watershed, the lake level has risen another five feet. With the 8 1/2-foot rise that the lake made from runoff down Tule Creek about three months ago, and the one-foot the lake had declined due to water usage, it is now about 12 1/2 feet higher than it was before the rains began. This time Cope Creek was contributing quite a bit to the lake level, after having been dry for many months. This was the first really general rain that has fallen on the lake watershed in a long time.

I enjoy my home town paper. Even if I live in Georgia, I still like Texas.

I was glad you had a nice reunion-wish I could have been there. I was born in 1910, so remember all the stores that were there. When they removed the old board sidewalk, how the people were on their knees picking up all the money that had fallen through the cracks many years ago.

I will be 94 Oct. 27. These years have passed fast. Chester has been gone seven years.

My love and thanks to all my



# Briscoe County News

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Caleb Francis, Eric Minyard and Max Comer

## Eagle Scouts Honored at Court of Honor

Eric Minyard, Caleb Francis and Max Comer of Boy Scout Troop 262 were honored Sunday afternoon, Oct. 3, at a special Eagle Scout Court of Honor at the Silverton Church of Christ. The Eagle Court of Honor was held in conjunction with a regular Troop Court of Honor in which rank advancements and merit badges were awarded to the Scouts.

To earn the Eagle rank, scouting's highest award, Minyard, Francis and Comer had to earn at least 21 merit badges, twelve of which are required, serve as leaders in their troop, and complete major community service projects. In achieving this award, Minyard, Francis and Comer joined a rank that only two percent of all Scouts have attained.

Minyard's service project took place at the Silverton Church of Christ. Leading Scouts and adults, the outside of the building was scraped and painted and broken windows were removed and replaced.

Francis' project was to refurbish the visitor's bleachers at the Silverton High School football field. He organized a group of boys to remove and replace broken boards, scrape and repaint the family who live there.

Gladys Smithee Strickland

The SHS Junior Class will serve a brisket lunch from 11-1 in the school cafeteria on Sunday, October 24. Carry-out plates will be available.

bleachers and rebuild and paint the ramp.

For his Eagle project, Comer organized a group of boys who tore down an old shed on the County Courthouse lawn and planted a shrub and flower garden in its place. They also repainted the county's storage building across the street.

Minyard, who earned his Arrow of Light as a Webelo, has been a member of Troop 262 since he was 10 1/2 years old. He has served as Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader, as well as in other leadership roles. Beginning school at Lubbock Christian University this fall, Eric presently serves the troop as Junior Adult Leader.

Francis is currently working toward his mechanical engineering degree at Texas Tech University, and is also a Junior Adult Leader with Troop 262. He moved from the Cub Scout Pack to the Troop following fifth grade, and has served in all leadership roles in the Troop. He will be assisting his brother, Jacob, in his quest for Eagle, as well as various Troop activities and projects.

Comer, a senior in Silverton High School, is a long-time member of Troop 262. He has been assisted by his three older brothers, Cy, Miles and Chase, who also earned the distinctive honor of Eagle Scout. Max will continue as a member of the Troop until his eighteenth birthday, when he too will become a Junior Adult Leader.

## First Bale of New Cotton is Ginned

Johnson's Gin Company ginned the first bale of the year on Friday, October 8. Harvey Case produced the FiberMax 960BR cotton on the C. M. and Dan Barton farm in Motley County.

The lint turned out 26% and the first bale weighed 471 pounds. Johnson's Gin Company ginned the first bale free and purchased it for \$1.00/lb.

## Early Voting Begins

Early voting for the Nov. 2 General Election will begin Oct. 18, 2004 and will run through Oct. 29, 2004. Early voting will be conducted Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the County Clerk's office which is located on the second floor of the

Scoutmaster Larry Comer was joined by Assistant Scoutmasters and dads, Rick Minyard and Barry Francis and by Miles Comer, in presenting the Eagle Certificates to Eric, Caleb and Max. The Eagle medals were pinned on the Scouts by their mothers, Beverly Minyard, Michelle Francis and Cindy Comer, during the highlight of the ceremony.

Others assisting with the ceremony, each of whom are Eagle Scouts, were Doug McDonough, uncle of Eric and Caleb, Mike, John and Franklin McDonough, Caleb's uncle, grandfather and cousin, Charlie Matchett, Eric's cousin, Cy and Miles Comer, Ryan Minyard and Andrew Francis, brothers of the new Eagle Scouts.

Serving as color guard and posting the colors were Jacob Francis, Chase Stidham and Andrew Francis. The invocation was given by Gary Weaks and the benediction was given by J. D. Nance.

A reception followed the ceremony in the church fellowship hall. Friends and family were served cake and punch by Daryl-Ann Reynolds, Debbie Weaks, Brenda McDonough and Donna Estes.

A special guest recognized during the ceremony was Tobe Riddell, president of Briscoe County Activities Association, Troop 262 Charter Organization.



E. J. Ivory (2), tailback for the Owls, was chosen by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal as Player of the Week for his performance in the Cotton Center game. A sophomore player, Ivory was dominant on the ground in the 60-14 win. He rushed for 121 yards and three touchdowns on just seven carries (an average of 17.3 yards per carry). He added a kickoff return for a touchdown.

## Silverton Chamber To Have Benefit Bingo

Silverton Chamber of Commerce will have a bingo night on Nov. 13 to benefit the Meals on Wheels program. They also will sell popcorn. They will have Bingo and popcorn sales at the carnival Oct. 30.

The Chamber asks every resident of the city to have decorated their homes for Christmas on the night the Methodists have their Walk to Bethlehem. This will be participating in the Ozark Trail Christmas. --by Lataine Dillard

Briscoe County Courthouse. Remember, you must show your voter certificate or some other form of ID to vote in any election.

Votando temprano para el noviembre segunda Eleccion General empezara en el 18 de octubre de 2004 y corera por el 29 de octubre de 2004. Votar temprano se realizara el lunes por el viernes de 8:00 de la mañana a 5:00 de la tarde en el Empleado de Condado la oficina de s que se localiza en el primer piso del Palacio de justicia de Condado de Briscoe. Recuerde, usted debe mostrar su certificado de votante o alguna otra forma de identificacion para votar en cualquier eleccion.

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**WEATHER**

Readings Taken at  
 6:00 a.m. during October

	High	Low	Precip.
1	74	52	.30
2	74	42	
3	68	42	
4	72	48	
5	75	55	.17
6	59	55	2.66
7	71	54	.32
8	77	54	
9	78	52	
10	72	54	
11	66	53	
12	63	47	
October Precipitation			3.45
Normal Oct. Precip.			1.75
Total Precip. in 2004			32.24
Normal Precip. to Date			19.83

*Each problem that I solved became a rule which served afterwards to solve other problems.*  
 Rene Descartes

**Happy Anniversary-**

October 17-Mr. and Mrs. Joe Covington, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Barbo  
 October 18-Mr. and Mrs. Bronc Otis  
 October 19-Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cartrite

**Silverton School Activities**

Thursday, Oct. 14-Groom Junior High, here, 5:00; Board Meeting; Senior Class with Julia Clay  
 Friday, Oct. 15-Owls at Groom, 7:30  
 Monday, Oct. 18-Herff-Jones to meet with Seniors, 12:30, Juniors, 1:24  
 Tuesday, Oct. 19-District Cross Country Meet in Amarillo  
 Thursday, Oct. 21-Herff-Jones, 12:30; JH & JV at Hedley, 5:00  
 Friday, Oct. 22-Owls vs. Hedley, here, 7:30

**Two Are Commended Students in Merit Scholarship Program**

Principal Jack Gaskins of Sun-down High School has announced that Holly Gaskins and Rachel Oyler have been named Com-mended Students in the 2003 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to these scholastically talented seniors.

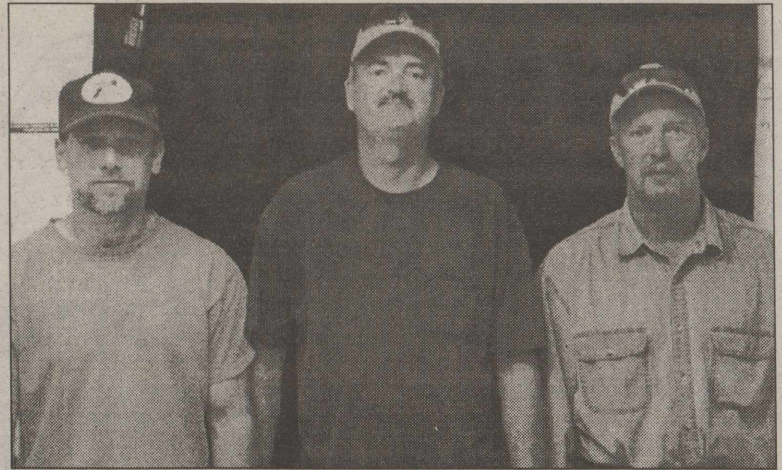
About 34,000 Com-mended Sudents throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2005 competition for Merit Scholarship awards, Com-mended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 2005 competition by taking the 2003 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Holly is the daughter of former Silverton residents, Jack and Brenda Gaskins. She is the granddaughter of Elton Cantwell of Silverton and the late Lanita Cantwell and Jack and Ann Gaskins of Denver City.

"The young men and women named Com-mended Students in the 2005 National Merit Program have exhibited an outstanding academic performance for which they are being honored," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "We hope that the recognition received by these scholastically talented students will encourage them to take advantage of opportunities for the continued pursuit of excellence."

**Happy Birthday-**

October 14-Shirley Henderson, Laura Long, Roland DeLeon, Katherine Myers  
 October 15-Weston Blake Howell, Jack Strange, Amy Martin, Cody Whittington  
 October 16-Matt Strange, Jeff Rampley, Virginia Parker, Bobby Joe Edwards  
 October 17-Mary Lane Younger, Jan Williams, Dusty Burson, Robin Sternberger, Dean Ziegler, Ryan Nathaniel Robertson, Christian Jones  
 October 18-Tom Bridges, Derrel Martin, Vici Baird, Cindy Allen  
 October 19-Brenda James, Bill Strange, Misti Weaks  
 October 20-Jared Rauch, Amy Maciel, Lisa Comer, Bessie Bradford, Randy Farley, John T. Francis, Angie Smith, Wayne Mayfield, Peter Trevino, Angie Martin



Darrell Reynolds, Wade Proctor and Wendell Reed

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently sponsored the annual Truck Rodeo at the Childress Airport. TxDOT drivers participate in an obstacle course as part of their fleet safety training. This simulates day-to-day situations encountered during a normal work-day. The driver with the top score in each work group was eligible to compete in the finals. The additional high scoring TxDOT drivers also return to participate in the finals. Briscoe County TxDOT drivers returned three employees to the finals, Wendell Reed, Wade Proctor and Darrell Reynolds. Proctor had the second highest score of all 31-district finalists. Wade will compete in the State Rodeo finals in Waco the latter part of October 2004 and will receive a special award at the Childress District Safety Awards Banquet.

**Silverton School Lunch Menu**

Monday, Oct. 18-Burrito, Salad, Chips, Hot Sauce, Fruit, Milk  
 Tuesday, Oct. 19-Pig-in-a-Blanket, Potatoes, Beans, Fruit, Milk  
 Wednesday, Oct. 20-Beef & Vegetable Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Milk  
 Thursday, Oct. 21-Crispy Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Jelly, Butter, Milk  
 Friday, Oct. 22-Steak Sandwich, Salad, Fries, Pudding, Milk



**Lordy, Lord  
 Look Who's 40!  
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*There are two theories to arguin' with a woman. Neither one works.*  
 Will Rogers

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**"Penny" versus "Quarter"**

Wishing to develop his son's character, a father gave him a penny and a quarter as he was departing for church and said, "Son, you put whichever one you want in the collection plate." When the boy got back, his Dad asked which coin he had given. The young fellow said, "Well, just before they sent around the plate the preacher said, 'The Lord loveth a cheerful giver,' and I knew I could be a lot more cheerful if I gave the penny, so I gave it."

Read II Cor. 9:7

**Rock Creek Church of Christ**

# LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**September 22, 1994**-The first bale of new-crop cotton was ginned Monday afternoon, September 19, by Johnson's Gin for Joe and Eldon O'Neal . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Garcia of Richardson are parents of a son, James Alexander, born September 15 . . . Dora Belle Perkins came home from the hospital early this week. Her son-in-law and daughter, Joe and Millie Roberts of Fort Worth, are here with her and Joe is re-roofing her house this week . . . Derrik Smith, son of Jeff and Sonya Smith, is a patient at Mangold Hospital in Lockney with viral pneumonia . . . Varsity cheerleaders are Molly Brooks, Kristi Smith, Minerva Patino, Lena Patino, Holly Nance, Shannon Weaver and Kenzie Burson . . . Owls spoil McLean homecoming again . . . Junior High Owls open with big win over McLean Cubs . . . Leading cheers for the Junior High Owls this year are Constance Gillenwater, Jamie Casillas, Amy Wynn and Kayla Davis . . .

**September 20, 1984**-Twila Clark has received her basic law enforcement officer certificate after 320 hours of peace officer schooling. Briscoe County Sheriff Dick Roehr has received his advanced certificate, which can be earned only through college work and six years of experience in the field as a peace officer. Roehr's certification is the highest ever held in Briscoe County. Mrs. Clark is the second female in Briscoe County ever to earn her level of certification. She is employed at Caprock Canyons State Park . . . Rick Hester will serve as president of the Silverton Young Farmers . . .

**September 19, 1974**-Shonda Smith underwent surgery at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview Tuesday . . . Mrs. Edwin Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ray McWilliams and Dee early this week . . . Sam Brown to join the music faculty as instructor of voice at Wayland Baptist College . . . The Brannon family met at Quartz Mountain State Park for its annual reunion Friday afternoon . . . Cindy Walker, Nanette Fitzgerald, Debbie Boling, Ted Wilson and Ken Sarchet were in Tulia Sunday afternoon to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Herring and their new daughter, Johna Michelle, at Swisher Memorial Hospital . . .

**September 10, 1964**-Owls tripped by Claude Mustangs, 14-0 . . . "42" and Bridge Tournament to be held in school cafeteria . . .

Urgency of boll weevil spray permits stressed . . . Among Silverton Jaycees who manned a rest stop here from noon Sunday until midnight Monday in the interest of traffic safety over the Labor Day holiday weekend were James Hawkins, Jimmy Wofford, Joe Lee Bomar, Jerry Patton and Guinn Fitzgerald . . . Manley Wood, Gail Bullock and Jerry King were in Lubbock one day last week . . . Joann Turner has spent several days with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Odom and children at Wellman. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner went for her on Sunday . . . Troy Chitty has returned to Idalou to teach again this year . . . Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kellum and David returned home late Friday from a visit in Denver, Colorado, Estes Park and Manhattan, Kansas . . . Mr. and Mrs. John T. Francis, Lesa and Lori have returned from a vacation in Red River, New Mexico, Colorado Springs and other points of interest . . . Among those who attended the Boys Ranch Rodeo Sunday were Mrs. J. K. Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Smitherman and sons, Mrs. H. P. Rampley, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Chitty and Troy, Sharon Weaver, Dianne Davis, Fred Stafford, Garner Garrison and Travis Gilkeyson . . . Emmett and Dennis Tomlin, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Tomlin, left for Levelland Monday to enter South Plains College . . . The home of Mrs. Bill Verden was the scene of a shower honoring Mrs. Norman Chitty Saturday afternoon . . . Mrs. Jim Edd Steele is shower honoree . . .

**September 9, 1954**-Neal Jennings purchased the Silverton farm store . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tye, in Paducah . . . Rev. Cecil Vaughan has moved to Silverton and will pastor the Assembly of God Church. The church will begin holding services in the former Bob Stevenson home next Sunday . . . A search for a simpler, easier to understand and remember trademark for General Telephone System has successfully ended with the adoption of a new, trapezoid shaped trademark . . . Judge J. E. Daniels to celebrate 87th birthday September 18 . . . PTA held first meeting Monday . . . Owls will meet Dimmitt in home game Friday . . . FHA officers are James May, president; Wayne Mayfield, vice president; W. D. Rowell, sentinel; Jimmy Whitfill, secretary; Tommy Autry, treasurer; Don Cornett, re-

porter; Bill Stephens, historian; Harold Edwards, second vice president; Ronald Kitchens, third vice president; Carl Gauntt, parliamentarian, and Douglas O'Neal, song leader . . . Mrs. T. R. Whiteside who has resided in Silverton for many years will be moving to Lubbock in a few days . . . "Lives there a man with head so hard-he won't stop driving when he's tard" . . . Early Sunday morning Haynes McClendon was coming into town after plowing all night and had the misfortune of having the pickup he was driving turn over and land on top of him. He says he leaned out to see how a weak tire was holding up and the next thing he knew the cab was on top of him . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clark Garner announce the marriage of their daughter, Sarah Rebekah, to Mr. Clifford Jean Arnold . . . FHA officers are Patsy Bomar, president; Virginia Hardin, vice president; Frances Tunnell, secretary; Carlye Monroe, treasurer; Joni Douglas, reporter; Jonette Reynolds, parliamentarian;

Betty Fitzgerald, historian; Evelyn Jones, song leader, and Mrs. N. D. Nettleton, advisor . . . Haylake Club meets with Mrs. Gladys Brannon . . .

**September 21, 1944**-Mrs. Mary L. Porter returned to her home Friday after spending most of the summer in Hereford with Mrs. H. V. Doak . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote, "Earl Brock was in and gave me a laugh by telling how his son Bobby rode a calf. He was helping the kid to mount the beast when a nearby dog made a short feast on Earl's behind and gave him a wound of the sharpest kind. The riding episode was over with the score in favor of the calf and Rover" . . . Elaine McDaniel was taken to Canyon Sunday for medical treatment . . .

**September 28, 1944**-M-Sgt. and Mrs. Paul S. Ragan both are in the service. Mrs. Ragan is the former Nora Mae Thompson and is a Cpl. in the Marines. She entered service in April of 1943, took her boot training at Hunters Col-

lege, New York, and is now stationed at Santa Barbara, California, where she met M-Sgt. Ragan, who has spent 18 months in the South Pacific . . . A romance of interest to the people in this community, culminated in the marriage of Miss Faye Gean Davis and Lt. O. C. Rampley in Quantico, Virginia September 16th at nine o'clock p.m. Both the bride and groom were favorites with their classmates and are among the most popular of the younger set here . . . Wheat farmers smile as slow rain totals 1.36 . . . W. E. Stodghill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stodghill, has been in service about four months. He is now serving on the Hawaiian Islands . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Brown . . .

*The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do.*  
Walter Bagehot

*Confusion is always the most honest response.*  
Marty Indik

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2003	\$10.7M	\$5.0M	Under \$5.7M
2004	\$7.7M	\$3.0M*	Under \$4.7M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$53.3M</b>	<b>\$34.3M</b>	<b>Total Under \$19.0M</b>

\*2004 is estimate for the year.

\$19 million UNDER budget.

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## Junior High Owls Come From Behind to Beat Happy Cowboys

Silverton's Junior High Owls had to come from behind to retain their unbeaten status last Thursday afternoon when the Happy Cowboys came to call. After having led most of the way in the game, the Cowboys went ahead with 1:15 remaining to be played in the game. Cade Holt seemed to be determined to fix what had gotten broken, and with 30 ticks remaining on the game clock, he took the ball into the endzone for a final touchdown. Nicholas Garcia passed complete to Blake Strange for the PAT, to give the Owls a final 33-27 lead.

Even though this game had a storybook ending, it was pretty exciting all the way through. Nick Garcia kicked off to open the game, and defense by Holt, Garcia, Shawn Johnson and Reece Scarborough held the Cowboys to a 14-yard gain, and the Owls got the ball back.

A pass from Nick Garcia to Carlos Garcia was good for a first down, and rushes by Cord Stidham, True Burson and Scarborough picked up some yardage, but the ball went back to the Cowboys.

Once again the Owl defense held, and the Owls got the ball back with 19 ticks remaining in the first quarter. Nick Garcia passed complete to Strange, after which the Owls fumbled and Scarborough recovered for the Owls on the Happy nine-yard-line. Carlos Garcia carried into the endzone with 5:03 remaining before halftime. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a slim 6-0 lead.

Happy scored quickly after the Cowboys got the ball back, there was no PAT, and with 5:03 remaining on the clock the score was knotted at 6-6.

A pass from Nick Garcia to Carlos Garcia scored on Silverton's first play after Scarborough controlled the kickoff. Cord Stidham's PAT kick was blocked, and the Owls had to settle for a 12-6 lead.

With 1:22 remaining before

halftime, another pass from Nick Garcia to Carlos Garcia picked up a first down, after which Nick Garcia carried the ball into the endzone for another score for the Owls. Cord Stidham kicked the PAT to give the Owls a 20-6 lead.

When Cord Stidham kicked off, the Cowboys carried it all the way for a touchdown. With 43 seconds remaining before halftime, their PAT pass was incomplete, and the Cowboys narrowed the score to 20-12.

Happy kicked off and recovered the ball to open the second half, but on the first play from scrimmage Holt intercepted a Cowboy pass and the Owls were back in business again. Rushes by Holt, Carlos Garcia and Scarborough made a first down, after which Cord Stidham made another. This offensive possession was abbreviated when the Owls failed on an attempted a field goal.

Happy's next possession was held in check by defense led by Nick Garcia, Scarborough and Burson, and the Owls got the ball back as the fourth quarter began. Nick Garcia carried the ball into the endzone with Cord Griffin taking the snap from center. There was no PAT, and the Owls moved into a 26-12 lead with 4:58 remaining to be played.

The Cowboys wasted little time getting into the endzone on a pass play, kicked the PAT, and narrowed the Owl lead to 26-20.

The Owls were unable to make a first down, and when the Cowboys got the ball again they passed for another touchdown. Their PAT pass was complete, and with 1:05 remaining on the clock the Owls trailed for the first time in the game, 27-26.

Holt bucked through the line once for a pickup of a few yards, and with 30 seconds remaining in the game took the ball through the same hole once again and went all the way to the endzone. Nicholas Garcia passed complete to Strange for the PAT, to give the Owls the

## Students to Vie For Arbor Day Poster Prizes

The Texas Forest Service is calling on all Texas fifth-grade students to showcase their artistic talents by creating posters reflecting on the theme, "Trees Are Terrific... and Energy Wise!" The annual contest, sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation and Toyota, teaches children about planting and caring for trees.

The national poster contest winner will be announced on Arbor Day, April 29, 2005. The winning student, two parents and a teacher receive an expenses-paid trip to Nebraska City, NE, the birthplace of Arbor Day. The national winner also receives a \$1,000 savings bond and lifetime membership in

33-27 victory. Burson intercepted the Cowboys on the last play of the game to ice the victory.

The Junior High Owls will host the Groom Tiger Cubs this afternoon (Thursday) at 5:00 p.m.



A reunion of the Silverton High School Class of 1953 was held during the 2004 Homecoming. Standing (left to right) were Joe Wayne Brooks, Gale McPherson, Gay (Merrell) McPherson, Norman Jasper, Jim Baird, Jack Mayfield, Delbert Mattheus; (sitting) Janice (Turner) Odom, Sandra (Mallow) Rampley, Kay (Steele) McWilliams, Mildred (Bean) Smitherman and Helen (Vaughan) Youngquist.

The National Arbor Day Foundation. The winning teacher receives \$200 for classroom materials.

Fifth-grade teachers and homeschoolers can receive a free activities guide by contacting the Texas Forest Service at (979) 458-6650 or dallman@tfs.tamu.edu. The guide has in-depth lesson plans and contest rules. Lesson plans correlate with National Sci-

ence Standards and the Texas Essential Knowledge & Skills (TEKS) state curriculum standards for science, social studies and art. Correlations can be found at <http://texasforestservice.tamu.edu>.

Following in-school activities, students draw posters illustrating the contest theme. Deadline for entries is December 10, 2004.

### BRISCOE COUNTY TREASURER ANNUAL REPORT OCTOBER 1, 2003 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

FUND	BEG BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENT	END BALANCE
General Fund	\$390,602.16	\$557,947.28	\$530,486.45	\$418,062.99
Jury Fund	\$97,197.74	\$22,385.16	\$18,344.12	\$101,238.78
Precinct 1	\$26,193.56	\$57,659.08	\$41,618.09	\$42,234.55
Precinct 2	\$53,019.33	\$62,061.18	\$53,677.83	\$61,402.68
Precinct 3	\$75,833.45	\$62,930.70	\$52,501.85	\$86,262.30
Precinct 4	\$62,451.47	\$49,234.82	\$38,714.85	\$72,971.44
JP Admin Fees	\$8,262.96	\$2,765.00	\$1,090.95	\$9,937.01
Total	\$713,560.67	\$814,983.22	\$736,434.14	\$792,109.75

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[COUNTY OF BRISCOE]

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mary Jo Brannon, County Treasurer of Briscoe County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

*Mary Jo Brannon*  
Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe Co. Treasurer

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## Varsity Owls Take Big 54-26 Victory At Happy Friday Night

After having been predicted by the Amarillo Daily News sportswriters to lose to Happy, the varsity Owls took a big surprise with them to the game Friday night. They were primed and ready to play, and led all the way through the game, extending the lead by virtue of a number of Cowboy turnovers.

In addition to taking advantage of the turnovers, the Owls got big defensive efforts from their players when they kept the Cowboys out of the endzone a couple of times when Happy was a yard or less outside the goal.

Max Comer had a big kicking game in addition to the other aspects of his game, making good on his attempts at scoring points after touchdowns which are the basis for the outcomes of many games.

Happy kicked off to open the game and the ball was controlled by James Tiffin. E. J. Ivory scored with 8:06 still showing on the first-

quarter clock, Comer kicked the PAT and gave the Owls an 8-0 lead.

After Comer kicked off, the Cowboys started with a touchback, and made a couple of first downs before the Owl defense buckled down and got the ball back with 2:48 still to play in the first quarter. The Owls were unable to score, and just after the beginning of the second quarter, Jacob Francis returned the ball to the Owls by recovering a fumble. Neither team was able to score on their next possessions, but with 4:30 remaining before halftime, Chance Rhoderick galloped into the endzone for the Owls, Comer booted the PAT, and the Owls moved into a 16-0 lead.

The defense held on Happy's next possession, but the Owls were unable to move the ball themselves. Happy scored with 26 ticks remaining on the clock before halftime, there was no PAT, and the score became 16-6.

Everyone expected Happy to come back with a furious offensive effort following halftime, and they did, but the rush on the passer by Jacob Francis and defense by other Owls brought the ball back to the Owls with 7:30 remaining in the third quarter.

Rushes by Rhoderick and Ivory moved the ball and Ivory scored around left end. Comer kicked the PAT to put the Owls ahead 24-6.

Comer kicked off and Rhoderick and Humberto Vasquez brought down the runner on the Happy 19, after which the Cowboys threw a series of incomplete passes and the Owls got the ball back with 3:43 remaining in the third quarter. The Owls scored on a pass from Ivory to Comer, moving the Owls into a 30-6 lead.

Happy's offense was held in check by Tiffin, Rhoderick and Comer, but the Cowboys scored with 1:50 remaining in the third quarter. They kicked the PAT, and narrowed the Owl lead to 30-14.

When Happy kicked off, Francis controlled the ball, and three plays later Rhoderick scored with 21 seconds left in the third quarter. Comer kicked the PAT, to give the Owls a 38-14 lead.

Comer kicked off again and on

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Happy's first play Vasquez intercepted for the Owls and took it to the Happy 13. As the fourth quarter began, Ivory scored, Comer kicked the PAT, and put the Owls into a 46-14 lead.

Happy scored on their next possession to narrow the score to 46-20. The Owls lost the ball on a fumble, and the Cowboys passed for another touchdown seconds later. There was no PAT, and the score became 46-26.

Neither team scored on the next couple of possessions, but with 3:12 remaining in the game Drew Reed intercepted a Happy pass. Ivory scored for the Owls with 2:47 remaining, Comer kicked the PAT, and Silverton surged into a 52-26 lead. When the Owls got the ball back, Mayfield killed the clock.

Several of the Owls continue to nurse injuries, and all of those who were suited up got into the action, including Calvin Daugherty and Ory Johnson.

The Owls go to Groom Friday

for their next game. It is hoped that a good crowd from Silverton will go with them to cheer for another big victory.

### Celebrates 91st Birthday

Mildred (Jim) Hawley celebrated her 91st birthday Saturday, Oct. 2, at 3:00 p.m. at the Gospel Lighthouse fellowship hall.

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At 5:30 p.m. beans and cornbread, spaghetti and beef soup were enjoyed by all.

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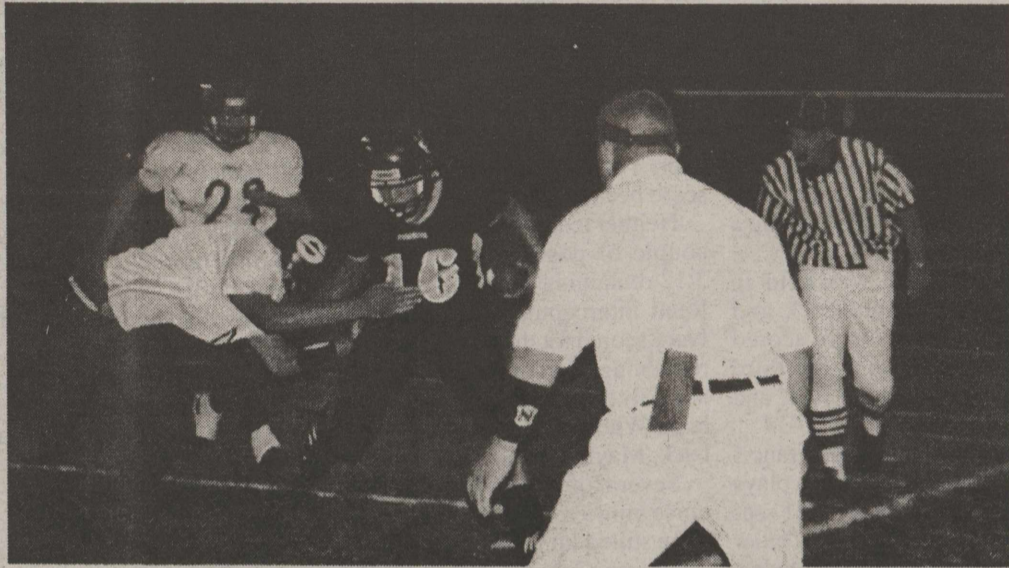
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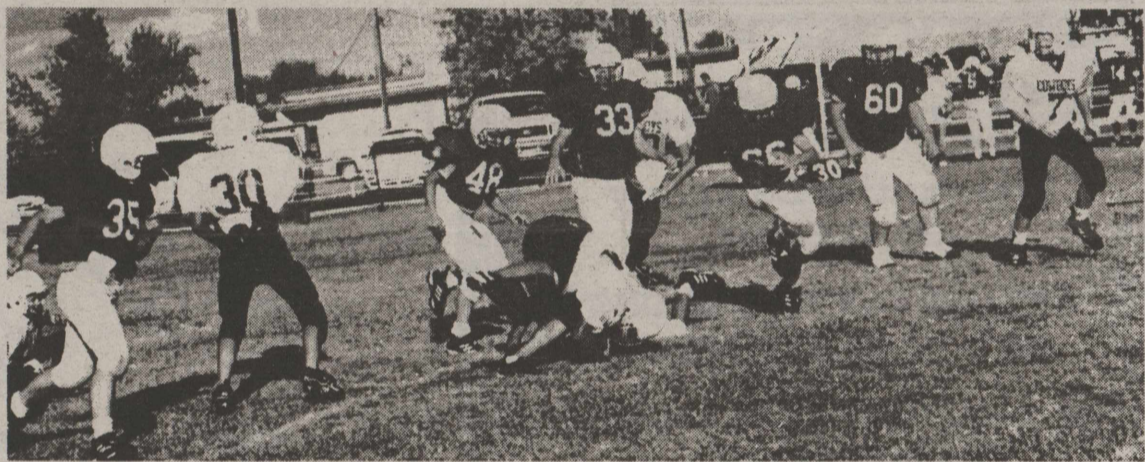
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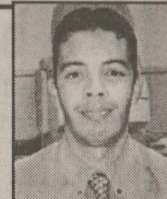
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## Former Resident Is in BSA Hospital

Estelle Thomas, a former long-time Silverton resident, is a patient in Room 517 at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. She has been treated for an infection since late Saturday night.

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The Silverton Volunteer Fire Department would like to congratulate the Silverton EMS on their new members. As our Department is also a volunteer service, we understand the time and sacrifices that volunteers and their families give for us to help our community. We are proud of each and every one of the individuals who take the time and effort to leave their jobs or get up in the middle of the night in rain, snow, etc. and go out to assist in any emergency. We also appreciate your being alongside our firemen, to insure our safety as well as that of our community. A big thank you to Ruby Lee, Faye Perkins, Jeff Smith, Rhonda Smith, Tammy Smith, James (Yopie) Smith, Vicky Tiffin, Kristi Wadlow and Jeaninne West for caring enough to do the schooling, training and taking that big old ugly test!

We are all very proud of your service and all who make up the Silverton EMS.

Thanks for caring!

## Spanish Services Began Sunday

Spanish services began Sunday at the Gospel Lighthouse Church in Silverton, located one block south of the City Hall. Attendance was small, but the ones who were present were blessed with the music of Sister Torres and the preaching of Brother Garza. The services will continue on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. The services are preached in English and Spanish.

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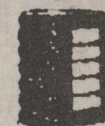
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