

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet

The menu for Tri-County Meals for next week includes:

Monday, August 29-Ham, Blackeyed Peas, Cabbage & Tomatoes, Cornbread, Milk, Applesauce

Wednesday, August 31-Beef Tips, Rice, Sweet Peas, Hominy, Jello Salad

Friday, September 2-Chicken Strips, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Banana Pudding, Roll, Milk

Menu subject to change without notice.

The telephone number for Tri-County Meals at the Hope Center is 455-1053.

Gifts to Tri-County Meals can be sent to Box 421, Quitaque, TX 79255.

If your children need immunizations for school, you can get them at school August 25 from 12:30 until 2:00 p.m., according to an announcement by School Nurse Lana Burson.

Do you have a free hour or two that you would like to fill? Come volunteer at the school.

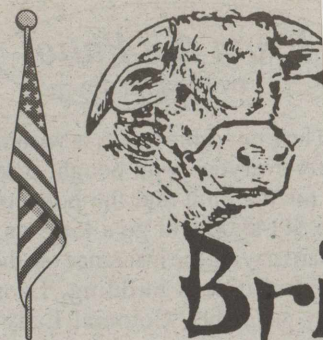
Silverton School has a need for volunteers to help out in the library, and to copy papers, laminate, etc. for the teachers. No experience is necessary. The school will be glad to train you.

Call Sheryl Weaver at 823-2476 for more information or to volunteer.

Clay Ware won the Champion Roper Saddle at the 2005 State 4-H Horse Show July 25 in Abilene. Clay and his brother, Cody Ware, took Reserve Champion Team Roping honors and were awarded belt buckles. Clay also took fifth place in the Ribbon Roping. Both events enabled Clay to obtain high point honors.

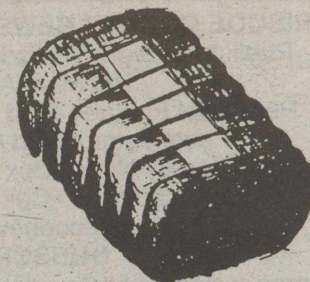
They are sons of Clinton and Dara Ware, and are grandsons of Peggy Garvin of Silverton.

When Rick Beesinger and Van Breedlove of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority presented the MMWA's 2005-06 budget for approval and fielded questions at a recent meeting of the Lockney City Council, the budget was passed unanimously. According to Breedlove, the lake is currently standing at a depth of 84 feet. "The lake has come up some 20 feet in the last two years, 16 feet just last year" he said. "We're losing about half a foot per month out of the lake but we are experiencing good attendance with the camping and all."



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Silverton Firemen attending the Floydada Agro-Rescue School Saturday were Richard Howell, Rapelling; Gene Smith, Emergency Vehicle Driving Course; Harlen Vernon, High Angle Rescue; JoDee Robison, Confined Space Rescue.

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BCAA Meets Here Tonight

Briscoe County Activities Association will meet at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, August 25, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

2005 Rainfall is Above Normal

August's 5.15 inches of rainfall in Silverton has put this area more than five inches above normal for the year to date.

Lake Mackenzie received 4.64 inches of rainfall during August, giving the lake a four-inch rise. The lake has received 16.03 inches so far in 2005.

The break-down on Silverton rainfall is as follows:

Month	2005 Rainfall	Normal Year
Jan.	1.18	.65
Feb.	.70	.60
Mar.	1.25	.93
Apr.	1.59	1.49
May	4.19	3.11
June	4.75	3.78
July	2.02	2.39
Aug.	5.15	2.64
Totals	20.83	15.59

Some of the rural areas received more rainfall than Silverton. Tobe Riddell measured 7.50 inches during August 2005.

Program Development Group Meeting Slated

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District invites the public and any agencies with interest to participate in the Program Development Group (PDG) meeting to be held in the Pioneer Room at City Bank-Silverton. This meeting will be September 1, 2005, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Purpose of this meeting is to request participation and invite comments from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses and especially farmers and ranchers, who have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs.

The discussion in the PDG will help the Local Work Group (LWG), led by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationists, to address county-based funding for the FY2005 Environmental Quality Incentives Programs (EQIP). The LWG will make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, cost share rates, and ranking for county-based funding.

One of the guiding principles of the 2002 USDA Farm Bill is that conservation programs are locally led. Through stake holder meetings the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities. These meetings are open to the public.

City Authorizes Election Nov. 8

City Councilmen met in regular session July 11, 2005, and among other items of business passed and adopted Ordinance No. 345 authorizing an election to be held November 8, 2005, to allow the citizens of the City of Silverton to vote on adopting an additional 1/2% sales tax to support economic development for the City and to vote on adopting an additional 1/4% sales tax for City street maintenance. Motion was made by Delane Smith, seconded by Dwain Tipton, and carried.

Present at the meeting, in addition to Mrs. Smith and Tipton, were Mayor Lane Garvin, Council Members Kyle Fuston and Wayne Reed; Secretary Jerry Patton; MMWA General Manager Van Breedlove and Business Manager Rick Beesinger. Absent was Dwain Henderson.

Breedlove and Beesinger presented the MMWA 2005-06 Proposed Water Supply Budget, which the Council approved.

Other business items before the Council included:

- The 2005 total taxable value was presented and reviewed. The 2005 value is \$14,138,012. The 2005 taxable value is a \$317,839 increase over the 2004 value.

- The Secretary reported that the City had received two phone quotes for the construction of an 11'x14'x8' tall fence at the new City well site. The bids were as listed: Douglas Forbes, \$1,800; Western Fence Co., \$2,442. Douglas Forbes was employed on August 1, 2005, to build the fence. The Council authorized payment for the fence on completion.

- The Secretary presented a water use and quality report, tax collection report, a report on the current TCDP project, report on the Region O water plan, report on Help America Vote Act, Fire Department vehicle repairs and employees' health insurance for 2006.

Assessment Notices Are Arriving

Boll weevil eradication assessment notices were recently mailed to cotton producers in the Northern High Plains eradication zone.

The assessments are based on information cotton producers provide the Farm Service Agency when they certify their crops. If growers find an error in the information on their billing, they will need to correct the information at their local FSA office and forward the corrected information to the Foundation.

Payment is due September 30, but a two percent discount is available to growers who pay the full assessment by September 15.

Growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed and not harvested. Producers must certify failed acres with FSA and provide documentation to the Foundation.

To aid NHP growers who have been affected by adverse weather conditions, the TBWEF is offering payment extension agreements for producers whose accounts are current.

"For those having difficulty paying their assessment, help is available by contacting the assessments department and arranging an extension agreement," said Chief Financial Officer Tina Ballard.

Producers entering into an extension agreement must make a 10% down payment, and they will be charged a late fee of 1% per month until their accounts are paid. This late fee begins on the date the signed agreement and down payment are received by the Assessments Department. Producers who are delinquent in payment and who do not have an extension agreement are subject to a late fee of 1.5% per month.

Producers with extension agreements have 150 days to pay their accounts.

For more information contact the Assessments Department in Abilene at (866) 672-2800.

Counties in the Northern High Plains include parts of Armstrong, Briscoe, Floyd, Randall and Hale and Swisher.

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Obituary

LYNDA LEIGH GEORGE

Services for Lynda Leigh George, 62, were conducted Monday at First Baptist Church in Tulia with the Rev. Charles Davenport, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery by Kornerstone Funeral Directors.

Mrs. George died Thursday, August 18, in Dallas.

She was born August 31, 1942 in Cee Vee. She grew up in the Childress and Turkey area, and married Ronnie George May 28, 1960, in Turkey. They had lived in Tulia since 1974. She was a home-

maker and member of First Baptist Church. She had been an active member of the Progressive Study Club.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Michelle Durham and husband Benny of Kress; a son, Jeff George and wife Shavonne of Tulia; a brother, Gordon Rothwell of Plainview; and four grandchildren, Lacey Durham Quebe and Weston Durham, both of Lubbock, and Brennen and Gentry George, both of Tulia.

The family suggested memorials be to First Baptist Church, 101 N. Crosby St., Tulia, TX 79088, or Tulia Cemetery Association, Box 116, Tulia, TX 79088.



Max Comer

Private First Class Max Comer graduated from USMC training camp at Parris Island, South Carolina Friday morning, August 19. He qualified as a rifle expert in marksmanship and first class in the physical fitness test. His parents, Larry and Cindy Comer, and his older brother, Cy, also a former Marine from Orlando, attended the ceremony. Max will be attached to the Lubbock unit and will attend Texas Tech University this fall.

Silverton Chamber Begins Welcome Wagon Project

by Lataine Dillard

Welcome to Silverton! The Silverton Chamber of Commerce has voted to start a Welcome Wagon. We will be calling on new residents very soon with some special things for their family.

The Silverton Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday, August 9, 2005, in the Pioneer Room at City Bank-Silverton, with John Burson presiding. The Chamber worked on painting the Chamber building, cleaning up the park and doing general cleaning around town.

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:25 p.m. Discussion of the Briscoe County Celebration ensued. It was decided that the Chamber would sell popcorn, bottled water and tea. Serving began somewhere from 9:30 - 10:00 Saturday.

Dee McGee Lawhon and Tina Nance were to take tickets for the barbecue lunch. They were to wrap to-go lunches in foil for people.

The Texas Plains Trail Region needs funding to promote bringing folks to the area. The Chamber voted to give them \$100.

A city-wide garage sale was discussed and will be brought up at the next meeting.

Others attending but not aforementioned were Wayne Nance, Lisa Reagan, Richard Howell and Carol Sheelar. Minutes were recorded by Dee McGee Lawhon.

From the Patio

by Nina Martin

The Friendship Quilters wish to thank everyone who bought tickets for the quilt and the bonnets. The \$1143.00 will go a long way toward paying the insurance on the Senior Citizens building. Leon Lavy won the "Colonial Lady" quilt.

I missed the Saturday Celebration because of the heavy rains. My road was impassible for days.

The quilters on August 18 were Laverne Stephens, Christene King, Lallie Patton, Sybil King, Oleta Warren, Ann Norris, Joy Stodghill, Wanda Strange, Nadyne Childress, Rose Mary Perkins, Ada Clay and Nina Martin.

Ada brought her "Rose Quilt" that she has just finished. It is a Crayola and embroidery quilt.

To improve your hearing eat cooked rice every night for six weeks. This is a recipe from Joy. She says you never see a deaf Chinaman.

You can pretend to be serious: you can't pretend to be witty.

Sacha Guitry

Upcoming Meetings

Second Monday of each month-County Commissioners meet at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom; City Council meets at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Second Tuesday of each month-Silverton Chamber of Commerce, 7:00 p.m., Pioneer Room at City Bank-Silverton; Silverton School Board, boardroom, 8:00 p.m.

First and third Thursdays of each month-Silverton Fire Department, 7:00 p.m., City Hall

Fourth Thursday of each month-Briscoe County Activities Association, 7:00 p.m., Showbarn in Silverton

The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.

Walt West

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Children aren't fooled. They know we give time to the things we love. --John Bradshaw

Here is a test:

1. How many minutes did you actually talk with your child yesterday?
2. How long since you told your child you loved him/her?
3. How long did you listen to your first grader read to you?
4. How many hours have you played with your child in the last week?
5. How often have you talked about Jesus to your child the last week?
6. How many hours have you spent watching TV or internet this last week?

Humbling, isn't it? What do you love?

Did your child win or did the TV and computer?

Mt. 6:21 Where your treasure is there your heart will be also.

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

August 1, 1996-Lacy Brunson has returned to Silverton after having been a member of a Texas team, the West Texas Heat, that competed in the National AAU Girls Championship basketball tournament in Nashville, Tennessee. Marsha Brunson accompanied her daughter's team to Nashville and attended the games . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Self celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary with family and friends at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant in Lubbock. The party was hosted by their children and their families, John and Joni Daniels of Little Rock, Arkansas, Mickey and Kathy Woodard of Lorenzo, and Marvin and Linda Self of Post. Self and the former Faye Brown were married August 1, 1946 in Silverton, where they have continued to make their home . . . Saturday Donna Rowell and her fiancé, Delton Cleveland, were guests of honor at a luncheon given in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rowell . . . Jimmy Ross is director of Lions International .

August 14, 1986-Five girls, DeLynn Fitzgerald, Tara Nance, Devona Smith, Jeannita Stephens and Keeley Burson, are competing for Rodeo Queen this year . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Redin are the 1986 Pioneers for a Day . . . Silverton School Homecoming is Saturday . . . Fun for everyone planned at Briscoe County Celebration . . . D. T. (Chick) Northcutt, 90, taken by death . . . Brent and Jan Bean are parents of a son, Zachary Wade . . . The first newspaper in Briscoe County was edited by Thomas J. Briscoe who brought the press from Della Plain in Floyd County. Mr. Briscoe said that Mrs. T. J. Braidfoot came in when he had the first issue about ready for the press. He said to her, "Mrs. Braidfoot, I am giving you the honor of christening this baby. What shall we call it?" She reportedly replied, "The Silverton Light, and that's that" . . .

August 12, 1976-Rodeo Queen contestants are Rebecca Reid, Melissa Greenhaw, Donna Hale, Lee Ann McMurtry and Karen Ziegler . . . Brunson reunion held at Lake Texhoma . . . Mrs. Keyth Tiffin was a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital all last week . . . Mrs. Buck Wesley has been a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia . . . Archie Ray Martin was taken to Central Plains Hospital in Plainview Saturday afternoon by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service after suf-

fering a heart attack at his home . . . The 4-H Recordbook prepared by Thomas Perkins won first place in District competition and has been forwarded for judging on the State level . . . Joel Morris of Houston visited friends in Silverton Tuesday . . . Donnie Martin visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Martin, at Roscoe over the weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arnold's grandson, Kevin, has been a patient for several days at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo . . .

August 18, 1966-Miss Anna Lee Anderson was chosen as Homecoming Queen during the Silverton Ex-Student and Teacher Homecoming held here Saturday. Miss Anderson, who presently teaches second grade in the Silverton school system, was escorted to the stage by Mrs. Pascal Garrison. She received a standing ovation as she was presented an orchid corsage . . . Cheerleaders who are attending school on the campus of Southern Methodist University are Ginger Martin, Cathy Jones, Tina Weaver, Debbie Dickerson and Carol Ann Montague . . . Tuesday morning the ladies of the Rock Creek Church had their monthly birthday party in the Elton Cantwell home honoring Mrs. Louis Francis on her 74th birthday. Attending were Mmes. Milton Frizzell, John Lee Francis, Charlotte Baker, John Francis, Earl Cantwell, Datis Martin, Alvie Francis, J. L. West, Bennie Reagan, J. D. Nance, the hostess and the honoree . . . Mr. and Mrs. Perry Cates are parents of a son, Troy Eugene . . . The Brown family had a picnic supper at the J. D. Nance home and afterward celebrated Nanda Barrett's birthday with ice cream and cake . . . Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, Steve and Trent have recently enjoyed a vacation in Estes Park and Denver, Colorado . . . Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Stephens were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stephens, Roy Gene and Cheryl and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stephens . . .

August 16, 1956-Mmes. C. L. McWilliams, jr., A. L. Smith, Conrad Alexander, Roy Montague, Joe Montague, L. D. Griffin, jr., Fred Mercer, True Burson, Troy Burson, Warner Reid, D. T. Northcutt, William Strange and Edwin Dickerson attended a shower in the home of Mrs. J. C. Cowan in Tulia, honoring Miss Voncille Atchley, bride-elect of John Earl Simpson, Tuesday

evening of last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Barefield announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Ann, to Johnnie Ted Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Bingham . . . Miss Anne Bryant of Denver, Colorado, was here visiting her sister, Mrs. Dan Montague, over the weekend. Saturday afternoon she was at the irrigation well and got part of her hair caught in the drive shaft of the pump. She is in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock where she is doing as well as can be expected . . . Wilson Grain Co. building 30,000 bushel elevator here . . . Briscoe cotton farmers are nearing end of irrigation . . . Miss Bonnie Watters is one of 200 who are candidates for degrees at West Texas State College this summer . . . O. C. Rampley and Grady Martin, football coaches in the local high school, have recently attended a coaches school in Lubbock . . . Jno. Burson was in St. Joseph's Hospital in Amarillo early this week. His condition was not improving as much as relatives would like . . .

August 20, 1936-Silverton Celebration is September 4-5 . . . Several Silverton folks, including the editor and wife, moved during the past week. Marvin Tull and Dick Cowart have exchanged living places, Mr. Cowart having bought the place formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Tull. The Tulls will reside in the Cowart place on Highway 86. The Hahns have moved into the house owned by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tibbets, who are moving to the east part of town to the home formerly occupied by Bill Dunn and family. The Duns will live south of the school house in the Q. E. Brown property. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Blair will move in the near future to Lubbock where he has employment with the State Highway Department . . . Hubert Inman, formerly of Quitaque, and John Bain of Silverton have purchased the Kendrick Cafe south of the Palace Theater and are now in charge of it . . . Ona Blocker entertained with a farewell dance over Burson Motor Wednesday night honoring Laveda Patton . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Jake Honea says, 'Lord but I'm glad I'm not in this election. I believe another one like the last one would just about kill me.' He is still looking kinda peaked all right. Seems to have kinda shrunk or something--I'll bet he isn't more than 6 ft. 3 any more . . . Sometimes I can get right good and sarcastic when I'm talking but I've tried it on paper, and I can't sarcass worth a darn" . . . Mary Faith McMurtry from Tulia visited here this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cowsar . . . Mrs. Bryan Strange underwent an opera-

tion last week in the Plainview Sanitarium and is reported as doing nicely . . . Winona Faye and Avanel Brown visited Wilma Lee and Winona Francis Monday . . .

Sylvia Hill Honored With Birthday Dinner

Sylvia Hill, whose birthday was August 14, was honored at a belated birthday dinner. It had rained her in on her birthday.

Everybody enjoyed a spaghetti and meat dinner with all the trimmings. It was hosted by the River of God Fellowship Church, but others brought food. Dessert was birthday cake, ice cream and watermelon.

Sylvia received some nice gifts, and Happy Birthday was sung and pictures were taken.

Attending were Rance, Nancy and Tanner Young, Dee Lawhon and Cannon, Jerry Baker, Terry and Leslie Miller and children, LaNelle Hill and Sylvia Hill.

The unthankful heart . . . discovers no mercies; but let the thankful heart sweep through the day and, as the magnet finds the iron, so it will find, in every hour, some heavenly blessings!

Henry Ward Beecher

It is not the mountains we conquer but ourselves.

Sir Edmund Hillary

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, August 29-Burrito, Salad, Fruit, Milk
Tuesday, August 30-Pizza, Corn, Fruit, Milk
Wednesday, August 31-Beef & Cheese Nachos, Pepper Slices, Fruit, Milk

Silverton School Activities

Friday, August 26-Owls scrimmage Patton Springs, here, 5:00
Friday, September 2-Owls vs. Motley County, there, 7:30
Monday, September 5-Labor Day School Holiday

History . . . is, indeed, little more than the register of the crimes, follies and misfortunes of mankind. But what experience and history teach is this--that peoples and governments have never learned anything from history or acted on principles deduced from it.

Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel

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Softball Games Will Be Played Here Saturday

Softball games Saturday, August 27, will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the ballpark.

Alan Grimland won the \$50 WalMart gift card that was given away to benefit the Softball Association.

Happy Birthday-

August 25-Staci Denton, Ruben Ramirez, Lesia Baker

August 26-Rhenda Burson, Larry Stephens, Glenda McGavock, Misty Dawn Edwards, Curtis Scrivner, Kasey Copeland

August 27-Missy Reed, Anthony Kingery, Debra Turner, Pamela McGavock, Clifton Baker

August 28-Rhonda McGinn, Gina Banister, Shirley Francis

August 29-Dusti Weaks, Nolan Patrick Grady, Cooper Cogdell, Tatum ReNee Ellison, Kenneth William Walls, Tarran Forbes

August 30-Heath Braddock, Doug Bradford, Erma Reyna, Amy Turner, Jackie Gaskins, Jeffrey Mercer

August 31-Sheila Reid, LaShawn Couch Speiser

Happy Anniversary-

August 25-Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Curry

August 31-Mr. and Mrs. Carol Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Martinez

Add Healthy Sizzle To Your Summer Grilling

(NAPSA)-There's good news for people who want to enjoy backyard barbecues while helping their families eat more healthfully. The rising trend in obesity is hitting American families close to home, and people are looking for ways to embrace a healthier lifestyle. Many are finding they can do just that by substituting a savory meatless burger like those from Gardenburger for the usual grilling staples.

High in protein, with no cholesterol, and lower in fat and calories than regular burgers, meatless patties can be a more healthful way to grill. What's more, meatless burgers pose no risk of food-borne illnesses and offer a safe option for those concerned about the latest threat of mad cow disease entering the U.S. meat supply.

Widely available in a variety of great-tasting flavors, all-natural products from Gardenburger add hearty and healthy sizzle to your summer grilling season. For more information and recipes, go to www.gardenburger.com.



Gardenburger Dijon Original Burger

- 1 Gardenburger Original Burger
- 1 ounce reduced-fat Dijon Mayonnaise (Dijonaise)
- 1 Piece Leaf Lettuce
- 2 Slices Tomato
- 1 Slice Red Onion

1 Whole Wheat Bun
Heat grill to medium, spray with nonstick cooking spray. Grill Original Burger until hot, flipping every few minutes, about 6-8 minutes total. Toast bun on grill until light brown, then spread on reduced-fat Dijonaise. Add lettuce,

tomato and onion, and top with Original Burger. Enjoy with grilled summer vegetables and fresh fruit.

It is almost impossible to remember how tragic a place this world is when one is playing golf.

Robert Lynd

Silverton ISD Announces Policy For Free, Reduced-Price Meals

Silverton ISD has announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the *National School Lunch Program*. Each school or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Application forms will be distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children on the first day of school. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year.

The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member, and the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a Social Security number, the household member must indicate that a Social Security number is not available by writing the word "None," "No Number," or some indication that the person does not have a Social Security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, Missy Forbes will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Superintendent Jerry Birdsong @ 823-2476.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown.

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NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS 2005-06 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUALLY		MONTHLY		TWICE PER MONTH		EVERY TWO WEEKS		WEEKLY	
	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED
1	\$12,441	\$17,705	\$1,037	\$1,476	\$519	\$738	\$479	\$681	\$240	\$341
2	\$16,679	\$23,736	\$1,390	\$1,978	\$695	\$989	\$642	\$913	\$321	\$457
3	\$20,917	\$29,767	\$1,744	\$2,481	\$872	\$1,241	\$805	\$1,145	\$403	\$573
4	\$25,155	\$35,798	\$2,097	\$2,984	\$1,049	\$1,492	\$968	\$1,377	\$484	\$689
5	\$29,393	\$41,829	\$2,450	\$3,486	\$1,225	\$1,743	\$1,131	\$1,609	\$566	\$805
6	\$33,631	\$47,860	\$2,803	\$3,989	\$1,402	\$1,995	\$1,294	\$1,841	\$647	\$921
7	\$37,869	\$53,891	\$3,156	\$4,491	\$1,578	\$2,246	\$1,457	\$2,073	\$729	\$1,037
8	\$42,107	\$59,922	\$3,509	\$4,994	\$1,755	\$2,497	\$1,620	\$2,305	\$810	\$1,153
9	\$46,345	\$65,953	\$3,863	\$5,497	\$1,932	\$2,749	\$1,783	\$2,537	\$892	\$1,269
10	\$50,583	\$71,984	\$4,217	\$6,000	\$2,109	\$3,001	\$1,946	\$2,769	\$974	\$1,385
11	\$54,821	\$78,015	\$4,571	\$6,503	\$2,286	\$3,253	\$2,109	\$3,001	\$1,056	\$1,501
12	\$59,059	\$84,046	\$4,925	\$7,006	\$2,463	\$3,505	\$2,272	\$3,233	\$1,138	\$1,617
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Owls Will Be Scrimmaging Patton Springs Here Friday

Silverton's Owls will be scrimmaging the Patton Springs Rangers beginning at 5:00 p.m. here Friday, September 2.

The Owls have three starters back both ways and a foundation to build on from last year's 8-3 season.

They have some experienced and talented skill players returning. Tailback Yance Forbes is back

at tailback. Quarterback Gid Mayfield is back, along with Jacob Francis, a center who has been moved to fullback to give the Owls a power back threat.

"Yance is definitely an offensive threat to opposing teams," said Coach Mike Bigham. "He can score on any given day. That's what makes him such a good back. He's got to be one of the best (six-

man) tailbacks in the Panhandle.

"Gid is coming on as a quarterback. He's throwing the football with a lot more accuracy. We're hoping for good things out of him."

The rest of the offense has been up for grabs. Those could be filled from those in a strong freshman and sophomore class.

"We're going to play the best six on both sides of the ball," Bigham said. "Out of 23 players, we hopefully can find the right ones to stand up to varsity competition."

Defensively, Francis in the line leads three returnees. He's joined by end Drew Reed and Forbes at line-backer.

"He (Francis) will play a huge role for us," Bigham said. "He's going to be a big playmaker on defense."

Seniors listed as prospects for the team are Albert DeLeon, Yance Forbes, Jacob Francis, Ethan Long, Gid Mayfield and Jesse Reynolds.

Junior prospects are Eric Ballesteros, Ernesto Ferrusca, Jose Hernandez, Ory Johnson, Zak Perkins, Diego Ramirez and Drew Reed.

Sophomores from which Coach Bigham can choose are Cooper Cogdell, Calvin Daugherty, Shane Estes and Gabriel Vargas.

Freshmen prospects include True Burson, Carlos Garcia, Josh Garcia, Cord Griffin, Cade Holt, Ismael Martinez, Leo Perez, Reese Scarborough, Cord Stidham and Blake Strange.

The first games of the season will be played September 2 at Motley County, with kickoff at 7:30 p.m. and September 9 at Amherst, with kickoff set at 7:30 p.m.

Smoking Cessation Patch is Available

(NAPSA)-A new smoking cessation patch called the Nicoderm CQ Thin Flex is designed to be thinner and 25 percent more flexible than the old CQ patch. According to a recent survey, flexibility is the most important physical attribute a patch can have for long-term smoking cessation success. The new patch is also thin and clear, meaning it can be worn with any type of clothing. Visit www.nicodermcq.com for more information.

A new Web site helps teach women ways to protect themselves from HPV and cervical cancer. Called TheHPVtest.com, the site includes a "Myths vs. Facts Quiz" that assesses a woman's HPV IQ, links to selected stories on HPV and cervical cancer, offers in-depth information on the HPV test and provides a message board where women can share personal stories.

You can bury a lot of troubles digging in the dirt. Disraeli



JoDee Robison (top right) was a member of a team that had to secure a patient in a Stokes basket in a tunnel at the Floydada Agro-Rescue School Saturday.



Richard Howell is shown rappelling down a tower at the Floydada Agro-Rescue School Saturday. Harlen Vernon rappelled down a Floydada grain elevator with a patient in a Stokes basket.

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Dist/Div: Childress

Contract 0925-00-053 for Crack Cleaning & Sealing in Childress County, etc. will be opened on September 8, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at

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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 33-2tc

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Contract 0311-02-027 for Rehabilitation in Hall County, etc. will be opened on September 8, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

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Briscoe County 4-H To Have Annual Achievement Banquet

Micah L. Karber
Family and Consumer Sciences
Texas Cooperative Extension
Briscoe/Hall Counties

Briscoe County 4-H will be honoring 4-H leaders, donors and guests, and 4-H members with their achievements and honors for the 2004-05 year.

The achievement banquet will be Sunday, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. on the Silverton Courthouse Pavillion. Sub sandwiches and desserts will

be served to all guests and members attending. 4-H members are to bring desserts and chips. The 4-H'ers are asked to call the Extension office to let them know what they are bringing.

"We are honored to have such a great group of 4-H members and leaders in our county," Miss Karber said. "Please recognize these 4-H'ers for all of their hard work this past year. They are the future of our community."

Lockney Has First Annual Lawnmower Pull and Race

Lockney had its first annual Lawnmower Pull and Race this past Saturday. J. C. Pigg and Garland Thibodeaux of Quitaque won first and second in the race. Coming in third was Michelle Araujo of Lockney.

In the pull, the big winner was Randy Martin of Matador. Second place went to Odell Edwards of

Silverton. Third place was won by Able Asebedo of Silverton.

Also competing were Travis Morgan of Lockney and Alvin Martin of Matador.

A special thanks to Clayton Pigg and Blake Pigg of Quitaque, Romeo Araujo and Hector Mercado, jr. of Lockney. Without them it would have been impossible to have a race or a pull.

Turkey Heritage Foundation Presents Another Great Show

Lynn Alexander and his "Eight Second Ride Band" is coming to the Turkey Gem Theatre Saturday, August 27. Lynn, lead singer, one of the best, plays rhythm guitar. He is in high demand at places that charge high dollars for admission. Lynn's mother, Irene Pritchard, graduated from Turkey High School in the 1930s. Lynn is a State Farm Agent in Lubbock.

Billy Don Hampton plays drums and is a good comedian. He is a Junior High History teacher in Lubbock. Jackie Hampton, his wife, is backup vocalist. She is a lawyer in Lubbock. Mary Beth Ashburn, bass guitar and vocals, lives in Meadow, where she is in charge of the Meadow Musical every second Saturday. She and Lynn have sung and played music together for over 20 years. She is employed by Coca-

Cola of Lubbock. Bobby Taff, lead guitar, is a barber in Lubbock. He has played guitar for such notables as Johnny Cash, Johnny Horton, Little Jimmy Dickens and George Jones. Marty Gilbert, Keyboards, works at the private airport in Lubbock. He has had numerous offers to play professionally, but opted for the family life. His style is reminiscent of Jerry Lee Lewis and Floyd Cramer.

If you don't go to another show this year, be sure to get to this one Saturday, August 27, at 8:00 p.m. at the Gem Theatre in downtown Turkey. The price is \$5.00 per person, well worth the price as this show is sure to be a sellout. Bring a friend. For more information or to purchase advance tickets, call 806-423-1420.

Destruction of Special Education Records

Special Education records that are not required to be retained permanently will be destroyed after seven years from the date of "cessation of services" to the student.

The Swisher-Briscoe SSA, which serves the school districts of Tulia, Happy, Kress and Silverton will be destroying records of students who graduated or were dismissed from special education services in the years up to 1998.

For information on how to ob-

tain these records come by the Swisher-Briscoe SSA office at 702 NW 8th Street in Tulia, or call 806-995-2776.

To attract good fortune, spend a new penny on an old friend, share an old pleasure with a new friend and lift up the heart of a true friend by writing his name on the wings of a dragon.

Chinese Proverb

WEATHER

Recorded at 6:00 a.m.
During August 2005

	High	Low	Precip.
1	91	61	
2	94	60	
3	93	61	
4	93	62	
5	90	64	
6	80	60	
7	86	60	
8	83	63	.19
9	88	62	
10	89	62	
11	88	63	
12	91	62	
13	91	63	2.30
14	83	64	2.51
15	67	62	.02
16	76	62	
17	84	66	
18	90	67	
19	91	67	
20	89	67	
21	89	66	T
22	89	66	.13
23	87	65	
Total August Precipitation			5.15
Normal August Precip.			2.64
Normal Precip. to date			15.59
Precip. Rec'd. to date			20.83

First Lawnmower Pull, Races Slated

The first annual Matador Lawnmower Pull & Races, sponsored by Martin Tire & Repair, will be held Saturday, August 27, at 2:00 p.m. at Turners Outfitter Lodge.

The rules include:

- Strictly lawnmower motors under 20 HP
- No decks allowed
- Not responsible for accidents
- Junior pull under 16

Everyone is invited to come and join the fun.

Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen six, result happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pound ought and six, result misery.

Charles Dickens

If profanity had an influence on the flight of the ball, the game of golf would be played far better than it is.

Horace G. Hutchinson

A moderate addiction to money may not always be hurtful; but when taken in excess it is nearly always bad for the health.

Clarence Day

One must choose, in life, between making money and spending it. There's no time to do both.

Edouard Bourdet

Cotton Market weekly



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After two consecutive days of advances in cotton futures prices on the New York Board of Trade, the market gave back almost all of Wednesday's gains and finished moderately lower on sluggish trade Thursday.

"Fundamentally, most of the news in the market is bearish," said one trader. "The U. S. crop is in great condition, and that's weighing on the market. The perception is that the U. S. crop is large and getting larger," he added.

The U. S. crop is improving and was rated at 64% good to excellent in the week ended August 14, up from 61% the previous week. In Texas, recent rains have improved the crop to 97% of normal from 95% the previous week, according to a Dow Jones index of crop conditions that uses 100% as normal.

Weather conditions throughout the U. S. cotton growing region support USDA's most recent U. S. crop estimate of 21.29 million bales for the 2005-06 season, analysts said. Weather reports noted favorable conditions throughout West Texas, although more rain would benefit the dryland crop. Generally favorable conditions for the crop were seen throughout the Southeastern states as well while rain would benefit crops in some areas of the Delta with boll shed reported in Arkansas due to hot, dry weather.

According to USDA's Drought Monitor data for the week ended August 16, many key cotton growing areas still range from abnormally dry to moderate drought. Therefore, much more precipitation will be needed before water table levels return to normal, and farmers continue to irrigate where possible to ensure that bolls at the top of plants fully develop.

Most of South Texas remains dry allowing harvesting and ginning activities to gain momentum. Although most gins have extended their hours of operation, backlogs of seed cotton supplies have been reported on many gin yards in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and Coastal Bend. Picking has begun in the Upper Coastal Bend, and a prolonged period of dry weather would be welcome to allow the harvest to proceed without interruption. However, scattered showers are forecast for the area over the

upcoming weekend.

In other news, August 11 marked the second week of the new marketing year with net export sales of 457,100 bales of U. S. cotton, according to USDA. Sales were 81% less than the previous week. The primary buyer was China with purchases totaling 405,100 bales with smaller quantities to Hong Kong, Turkey and Japan.

Export shipments of 443,000 bales were 2% more than the previous week but 8% less than the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Mexico, Turkey and Indonesia.

In the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended August 18 totaled 14,434 bales compared to the previous week when 10,000 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 39.86 to 42.77 cents per pound compared to 40.75 to 44.68 cents per pound the previous week.

Meanwhile, American textile manufacturers are seeking further limits on imports of Chinese clothing which have skyrocketed this year after the expiration of a global textile quota system.

A round of talks was held this week in San Francisco between U. S. and Chinese negotiators to discuss the Bush administration's safeguard measures capping imports of shirts, pants and other clothing from China. The talks, mandated by the WTO when safeguard curbs are invoked, were expected by some in the U. S. textile industry to lay the groundwork for future negotiations.

Chinese representatives said there still were major differences with the United States on how to resolve disputes over Chinese textile exports, but they hoped further talks would yield an agreement.

Golf appeals to the idiot in us and the child. Just how childlike golf players become is proven by their frequent inability to count past five.

John Updike

Money is better than poverty, if only for financial reasons.

Woody Allen

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Minister

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THURSDAY
Men's Group.....6:30 a.m.

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Rance Young, Pastor

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Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY:
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At times, it seems that we are all guilty of taking life for granted, and we should not put off showing someone that we care for them. Kind words and deeds are a reflection of God's love for us. Our love and concern for others is a reflection of our love for God. Jesus told us that what we do for the least of our brothers, we do for Him; and in order to have a fulfilling life, it is important to do good for others. Yesterday is gone and we are never sure of the future. Therefore, we may only have today to show someone that we love and care about them.

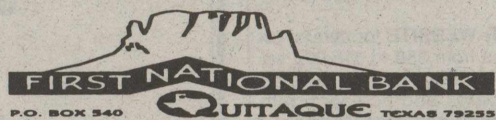


Beloved, let us love one another because love is of God.

The New American Bible 1 John 4:7

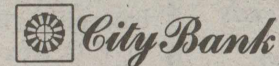


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Thank you for all your prayers.
Jeff, Vicky, James, Brittany,
Heather and Matthew Tiffin

Thank you to City Bank for donating the prize money for the first-place float in the parade. Thanks also to the Parrot Heads for donating their prize money to the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. We appreciate all the wonderful support this community gives our Troop. All the boys had a great time working on the float.

Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262

They say golf is like life, but don't believe them. Golf is more complicated than that.

Gardner Dickinson

If there is any larceny in a man, golf will bring it out.

Paul Gallico

The Silverton Cub Scouts would like to thank Silverton Oil for their donation in the float contest. We would also like to thank The Parrot Heads for donating part of their prize to us, which was donated by Johnson's Gin.

Home Ideas

(NAPSA)—Adjusting the height of the mower deck can enhance stress tolerance put on the blades of grass. Experts at John Deere recommend their one-third rule for mowing. Only the top one-third of the blade of grass should be cut. This will reduce the chances of lawn burning. For more information on lawn maintenance, visit www.johndeere.com.

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