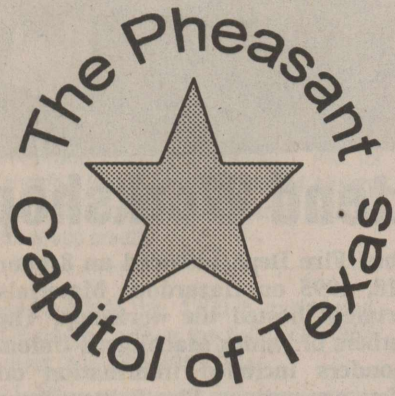


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American Cancer Society To Meet Jan. 18

American Cancer Society will hold its annual Stockholders Dinner January 20, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. New directors will be elected. All stockholders are urged to attend the free meal and meeting.

Annual Stockholders Dinner Jan. 20th

Stratford Country Club will hold its annual Stockholders Dinner January 20, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. New directors will be elected. All stockholders are urged to attend the free meal and meeting.

St. Joseph's Der Wurst Fest Coming

Coming St. Joseph's Der Wurst Fest Feb. 18th

Amarillo Little Theater To Perform In Stratford

Saturday night, February 10, 1996 the Stratford Depot Museum will be host to the Amarillo Little Theater for an evening of Dinner Theater. The dinner will be served in the High School Cafeteria at 7 p.m. The musical The Cardigans will begin at 8 p.m.

This year the play features four men and the music of the 50's and 60's. The four singers are all headliners from past ALT productions.

Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple.

Museum board members will be selling tickets soon. Don't miss out on a great evening.

Crimestoppers Needs Your Help

Sherman County Crimestoppers needs your help, on Oct. 30, 1995 The body of Miguel Valdez was found in a field north of Cactus, Texas and East of U.S. 287. Valdez was last seen at about 7 p.m. the previous night in Cactus in the La Cabana Bar and was murdered with a large caliber handgun sometime after that. If you or anyone you know has information concerning this crime call Crimestoppers at (806) 396-2600 and leave a code name and call back number on our answering machine or call the Sherman Co. Sheriff's office at (806) 396-5551. Your call will remain completely confidential and a reward of up to the \$1000.00 will be paid for arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved.

Sweetheart Dinner To Be Feb. 9th

Notice: Sweetheart Dinner, Friday, February 9 at 7 p.m. Stratford Country Club. Steak dinner \$12.50 person. R.S.V.P. by Monday, February 5 by calling Marie Sladek at 396-2865. Everyone invited.

Goodluck Party For Jim Allison-Sunday

You are cordially invited to a Goodluck Party for Jim Allison who is moving from Sherman County to Potter County. The party will be on January 21, 1996 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Sherman County Exhibit Building in Stratford, Texas.

SHERMAN COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 20-21:

Bring Steers to Barn

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1996

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Bring Steers and Lambs into Barns

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1996

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Bring Steers and Lambs into Barns

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1996

4:00 p.m. - Bring Swine into Barn

5:00 p.m. - Weigh Steers,

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1996

4:00 p.m. - Weigh Lambs

4:30 p.m. - Weigh Swine

7:00 p.m. - JUDGING OF STEERS

- FOLLOWED BY JUDGING OF HEIFERS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1996

9:00 a.m. - JUDGING OF SWINE

- FOLLOWED BY PEE WEE SWINE SHOW

- FOLLOWED BY JUDGING OF LAMBS

- FOLLOWED BY PEE WEE LAMBS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1996

10:00 a.m. - LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

(For all Exhibitors and Adults)

1:00 p.m. - PREMIUM SALE

SALE ORDER:

LAMBS

SWINE

STEERS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1996

Project Record Forms due in County Extension Office

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1996

7:00 p.m. - Buyer's Appreciation Banquet

County Exhibit Building

Pulliam Announces

Johnny Pulliam is announcing he is a candidate for the office of Sherman County Sheriff. "I have served as Sherman County Constable Precinct 3 since 1983 and would like to serve all the people of Sherman Co. as Sheriff. I feel I am qualified for the office and will serve the people of Sherman County to the very best of my ability."

**Stock Show
January
25, 26 & 27th**

Applicants Interviewed For Superintendents Position

The Stratford Independent School District met in special session on Wednesday, January 10, 1996 at 6:35 p.m. to interview 2 applicants for the position of Superintendent. Meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees met on Thursday, January 11, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes from the Dec. 13, 16 and 20 were approved with correction to the Dec. 16 meeting.

John Wilson with First State Bank met with the board to present information on Certificates of Obligation for Heating & Air-Conditioning system for the High School and Middle School.

The current bills were approved for payment.

The board gave First State Bank permission to substitute

Breast Cancer Screening

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Health Systems will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at the Stratford Medical Clinic, 1220 Purnell, on January 25, 1996.

Each participant at our screening will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction in breast self-examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection, and a mammogram by a mammography technician. Our program is certified by FDA, American College of Radiology and the State Health Departments of

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securities to meet the requirement for SISD. The motion was made to enter into contract with Sherman County Appraisal District for assessment and collection of taxes.

Representatives from Honeywell met with the board to present a revised price to the board for asbestos removal and to answer questions regarding their proposal. Honeywell will bring a revised bid to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees of Stratford ISD. No action was taken on the Honeywell proposal at this time.

The motion was made to hire Quicksilver Construction as construction engineer subject to architecture fees and legal fees.

Permission was given by the board to sell a school bus. Sam Brite, Supt. gave his report on Tax Collection which was at 84.75%

Discussion was held on the Stratford Basketball Tournament. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

District Play Begins

By Jennifer King

The Lady Elks basketball team began district play last Tuesday, January 9. The West Texas players took a commanding lead in the first half which proved to be difficult for the Lady Elks to come back from.

On Friday, January 12, the Lady Elks traveled to Spearman. They successfully defeated the Lynxettes. The Lady Elks now have a district record of 1-1. They will play Gruver here on Tuesday, January 16.

"Ag in the Classroom" reaches Texas 4th Grade

In Texas, the "Ag in the Classroom" program now has about 211 active county Farm Bureaus serving schools in their counties.

The more than 1,400 Texas teachers who used TFB's resource guides and videos "What's to Eat?" and "Let's Visit Texas" have praised the educational activity for its contribution in the classroom.

"Let's Visit Texas", a four-part, two hour video program on Texas geography, takes students on a tour of the Lone Star State so they can get a look at major geographic landmarks, historical sites, and Texas agricultural crops and processing centers.

Teachers are enthusiastic about the way "Let's Visit Texas" enhances their lessons on Texas social studies.

By incorporating agriculture into the curriculum of many subjects in the classrooms of grades one through four, teachers show children how cows are milked, how that same milk becomes butter and cheese, what crops are grown in their areas, and how efficiency on the farm helps their families.



Wayne L. Smith has joined Smith Agency as a partner.

Smith Agency Announces New Partner

Smith Agency is pleased to announce the association of Wayne L. Smith as a new partner. He is brother to Sharon Brown and Miles Smith, other agency partners and son of Dean Smith.

Wayne was raised in the Stratford area and just recently moved back to Stratford after serving 20 years in the United States Navy. During his naval career, Wayne made an Eastern Pacific cruise serving off the coast of Central America and South America. He also made three cruises to the Mediterranean Sea and served in Southwest Asia during the Persian Gulf War and off the coast of Bosnia, Herzegovina, the former Yugoslavia at the beginning of that crisis. During his military service, Wayne was awarded several commendations, citations

and designations. He was transferred to the Fleet Reserve of the United States Navy on August 31, 1995 at the rank of Chief Petty Officer. He is married to Terry Sudermann Smith from Denver and they have two children, Erin, who is a freshman at Abilene Christian University and Amy who is an eighth grade student at Stratford Junior High. Terry works for the Soil Conservation Service. Wayne and Terry are members of the Church of Christ and reside at 501 N. Pearl in Stratford.

Wayne is looking forward to the challenges of this new association and is now available to provide the community and customers with continued protection and service long associated with Smith Agency.



"THE BOYS ARE BACK AT THE SUPER BOWL AND THE GIRLS ARE BACK AT BETTY'S QUEEN O' CREME!" From left, Betty Hamrick, Georgia Ramos & Loretta Martinez. Welcome Back.

Volunteer Celebration 1996 Seek Local Nominations

Nomination forms for Volunteer Action Center. Volunteer Celebration 1996 are available at the Stratford Star or Stratford Chamber of Commerce.

The volunteer recognition awards are presented to groups and individuals who have performed outstanding volunteer service in their local communities. This event is sponsored by J.C. Penney, Inc. Golden Rule Award, KVII-TV and the United Way

contributed to their volunteer origination. Those three winners are eligible for the National Golden Rule Awards. KVII-TV will recognize the other three winners with a specialized trophy and a \$1,000 cash award to be given to the winner's volunteer agency. Winners and finalists will be announced and honored during a special awards event, Volunteer Celebration 1996, at noon on April 24, 1996.

INS Issues Note On 'green cards'

The Immigration & Naturalization Service has issued a reminder that permanent immigrants holding an old Form I-151 Alien Registration Card, known as a green card, issued before 1979 must apply for a new I-551 card to maintain proof of permanent resident status.

The old cards will not be valid after March 20.

Immigrants who do not replace their Form I-151 cards by then will not have acceptable proof of their permanent status and may experience difficulties in obtaining employment and benefits or in re-entering the United States from abroad, the INS reported.

To replace a card, people should submit a completed Form I-90 and pay a \$75 filing fee to their local INS office. Applicants who cannot afford the fee may contact their local INS office and request a waiver. For more information, call the INS toll free at 1-800-755-0777 or call Lydia Hernandez, immigration counselor at Catholic Family

Basketball

The 7th grade girls Blue team beat West Texas 35-14 on Jan. 8th. Jessica King was high point with 10 followed by Kara Brownlee with 8 points. Sara Velasquez had 7 points. The 7th grade girls White team beat West Texas also with a score of 30-24. Elena Aguilar was high point with 16 points and Edith Jacquez followed with 6 points. The 7th blue team are 3-1 in District and the White team are 2-2 in District.

The 7th grade boys beat West Texas 26-23 on Jan. 8th. Sid Resendes was high point with 8 points. Rene Vital followed with 5 and McLain Pool with 4 points.

The 8th grade girls Blue team ran over West Texas 55-15 on Jan. 8th. Keri Wight and Lynz Browning were high point with 12 points each. Veronica Leyva followed with 8 points. 8th grade girls White team also beat West Texas with a score of 35-23. Carla Bell was high point with 13 and Terri Daniels followed with 8 points. 8th grade Blue team are 4-0 in District and the White team are 3-1 in District.

The 8th grade boys lost to West Texas 21-26. Martin Acevedo was high point with 14. Brock Swain, Parker Wells and Thomas Kimbrough followed with 2 points each.

The freshman girls beat West Texas 48-21. Rocia Aguilera was high point with 13 and Julie Kimball followed with 10 points.

The J.V. Girls beat West Texas 43-38 on Jan. 9th. Leading the Lady Elks were Jasmin Sanchez with 17 points and Ashlie Lasley with 12 points. On Jan. 12th the J.V. girls beat Spearman 34-22. Mandi Bell was high point with 9 and Megan Baskin followed with 8 points.

The J.V. boys won by 1 point over West Texas with a score of 53-52 on Jan. 9th. Daniel Hunsaker was high point with 15 points. Efrain Ortega followed with 11 points. The J.V. boys lost 27-66 to Spearman on Jan. 12th. Nathaniel Walden was high point with 11 points. Efrain Ortega followed with 6 points.

The Varsity girls lost to West Texas 49-60 on Jan. 9th. Kelli Wight was high point with 19 points. Jessica Sikora followed with 15 points. The Varsity girls beat Spearman 64-52 on Jan. 12th. Jessica King led the Lady Elks with 16 points. Kelli Wight and Cara Lavake followed with 15 points each and Jessica Sikora had 10 points. The Varsity girls are now 1-1 in District.

The Varsity boys beat West Texas 45-33 on Jan. 9th. Leading the Elks were Ryan Davis with 16 points and T.D. Baskin with 10 points. On Jan. 12th they lost to Spearman 46-59 to put them 1-1 in District. Oscar Aguilera was high point with 14 points and J.B. Presley followed with 12 points.

Obit

Woodson Wadley

Edmond, Okla.- Woodson Wadley, 86 of Edmond, Okla. died Jan. 5, 1996 in Edmond. He was born Jan. 13, 1909 in Tyrone, Okla. to Daniel and Gertrude Wadley. He married Louise Douglas at her home Sept. 1, 1934 in Texhoma, Okla. Wadley graduated from the Texhoma, Okla. in 1928. He moved to Kerrick, Texas where he was in the Elevator business with his dad. He moved later to Guymon, Okla. where he was in the Studebaker business. He later moved to Hooker, Okla. and worked as a Casualty and Property Insurance Salesman then moved to Edmond in 1976. He was a member of Sunset Baptist Church of Guymon, Okla. and later of the First Baptist Church of Hooker, Okla. and Edmond Baptist Church. He was an ordained deacon at all 3 churches.

He is survived by his wife Louise, of the home; one son, Larry and wife, Anita of Edmond, Okla., one daughter, Rita Lynn Adleman and husband, Jerry of Lubbock, Texas; one sister, Paulagean King and husband Willford of Goodwell, Okla.; 4 grandchildren of Edmond, Okla.

Woodson was preceded in death by his parents and 3 brothers and 1 daughter. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan., 1996 at Baggerly Funeral Home of Edmond, Okla. Interment was followed at Gracelawn Cemetery under the direction of Baggerly Funeral home.

Joe Hitchcock

Memorial services for Joe Hitchcock, 76, of Lubbock were held at 1 p.m. January 10, 1996 in Trinity Church Chapel. Cremation was the under direction of Sanders Funeral Home. His body was donated to the Texas Tech University Health Services Center.

Hitchcock died Monday, January 8, 1996 in University Medical Center.

He was born July 17, 1919. He was a U. S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II and the Korean War, where he was an officer with the Eighth Air Force. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas, and he was a graduate member of the Student Assembly. He was also a member of Alpha Kappa Delta, a National Honorary Sociological Fraternity. He attended Cambridge University in England and the University of Colorado Law School.

He was a Texas newspaperman for 30 years, including the Associated Press bureau in Dallas and newspapers in Fort Worth, Lubbock, San Antonio and Austin. He was a reporter and deskman for the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal for 22 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Joan Hitchcock of Lake Forest, CA, Paula Hitchcock of Houston and Donna Ketcherside of Lubbock; a brother, Clarence Hitchcock of Shreveport, LA; three sisters, Carmen Vaughn and Ruth Jones, both of Amarillo, and Flo Nelson of Oklahoma City; and three grandchildren.

Scot News

By Jack Gore

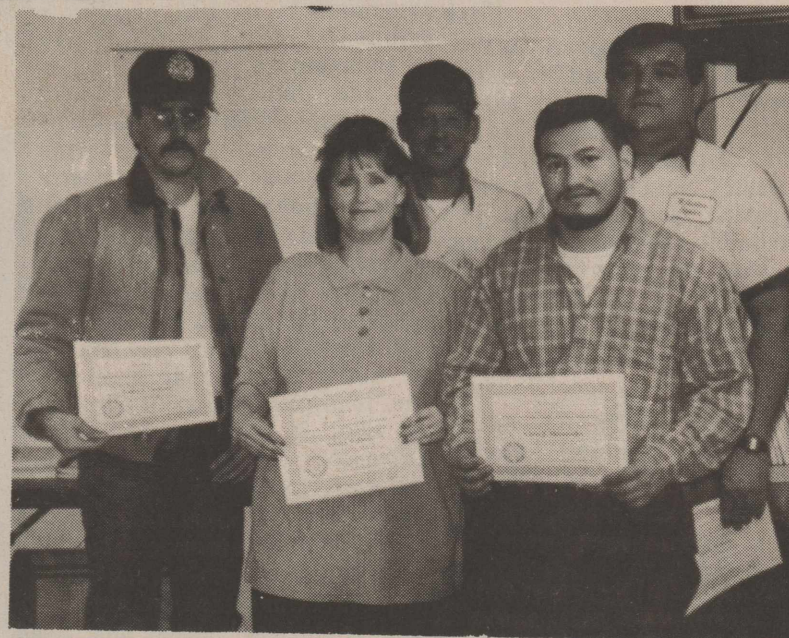
January is month when we push for dues and membership. It is time for new ideas and fresh starts. Let's all pull together this year and make the SCOT organization something better that it was last year (last year wasn't bad, but there is always room for improvement).

Game night was enjoyed by all that was there last Friday. Bingo again this Thursday and dancers will go to Guymon next Saturday night.

A new dance director at Guymon Senior Citizens, Mary Farmer, promises a "winter wonderland of dancing". A new band called "Blue Notes" from Garden City, KS will be playing. Bring a friend and snacks and have fun.

He who has no character is not a man: he is a thing.

—Nicolas Chamfort



Firefighters Attend Workshop

Five members of the Stratford Fire Dept. attended an 8 hour workshop/seminar November 18, 1995 on Hazardous Materials Awareness. Gruver Fire Department hosted the workshop. The class was presented by four members of Pantex Machinist's Union. The workshop for first responders included information on chemical identifications and safety precautions. Fire fighters from Stratford attending were Eddie Williams, Chief, Johnny Pulliam, First Asst., Sandy Williams, Chris Hernandez and Lance Crowson. Shown above is front Sandy and Chris, standing in back is Lance, Johnny and Eddie

Police Report

By Mike Hare

01-01: Officers received a report of an Assault by Threat at Gophers. The complainant did not wish to pursue charges. Officers are investigating a theft of service from four different business.

01-06: Officers received a report of a private property accident at Gophers.

01-08: Officers assisted Stratford EMS on a sick call in the 300 Blk. S. Chestnut. Officers also received a report of a reckless driver on S. Main. Officers were unable to locate the vehicles.

01-09: Officers received a report of a gas drive off from Allsup's. The vehicle was not located and the information was sent to Dumas.

01-10: Officers assisted the Sherman County Sheriff's Dept. on an accident on South U.S. 287. A vehicle hit a cow that had wandered onto the highway. Officers also received a report of Criminal Mischief to a vehicle. The vehicles windows were written on with some sort of manure.

01-11: Officers investigated a burglary of a building at a local business. Approximately \$400.00 in cash was taken.

01-12: Officers received a 911 call from the 100 Blk. S. Pearl. A couple was fighting, but not charges were filed. Officers assisted Stratford EMS on a sick call in the 700 Blk. N. 5th. Officers also received a report of Criminal Mischief at the high school. A student's tires were slashed.

01-13: Officers found an open door on a business. The door apparently failed to close when an employee left the building. Officers received a second report of a burglary at a local business.

01-14: Officers received a request to help an elderly woman with a locked door. Officers were able to open the door. Officers also responded to a 911 call in the 400 Blk. N. Poplar.

During this period, Officers issued 15 Citations, 2 warnings and conducted one vehicle search.

For 1995, Officers logged 143 cases, issued 623 citations, 204 warnings, conducted 21 searches and made 73 arrests.

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Timi's Tidbits
By Timmie Brown



Happy Day to you Sherman County Older Texans and Timers this opportunity filled Monday, a.m. Jan. 15, 1996. Why waste time thinking about unpleasant things when one can write a cheery or sympathetic card to a lonely or sick or sorrowing person or make a telephone call to such a person just mentioned. There are whole families as well as individuals among us who need such help - let us NOT fail them! We took our own advice and wrote a couple of cards!

Calendars are a thing of the past since we can't read our own - Please read community and other calendars and keep up with activities. Our Readers have been unavoidably involved with personal matters so that we aren't very well informed. The forgoing statements are simply facts NOT Complaints.

By telephone Mildred and Andy James say that they are doing O.K. with their home care routine. Elsie Lasley is home after the holidays with her daughter Dixie et al. Elsie lives alone and is well. Alice and Clifford Ellison are well. All these people have called about H.L. Haile who has been critically ill since Dec. 30, 1995. H.L. is now (1-15-96) in St. Anthony's Hospice, Amarillo - (Since Sat. Jan. 13). H.L.'s children and Mike Powers, Atlanta, Ga. are with him and Geneva. Thanks from all for your caring, visits, and PRAYERS.

A letter from Edwina Davis Bolton opened up a whole book of Sherman County historical lore last week. Edwina is the daughter of the late Eural Davis. The late Olive Davis Boston is her aunt. The late Mollie Acre Davis is Edwina's step-grandmother. Edwina writes that she keeps in touch with us and Sherman County through Bill Green. Thank you Bill.

While facing a bit of idle time in Pat Johnson's Outlet, we met Jana Wiley English and her five year old son John Wiley and her 5 month old son, Colton, who weighs 30 lbs. They are visiting the Raymond Wiley's who are Jana's parents. We were intrigued by Colton because our great, grandson Joe Shane Brown, Phoenix, AZ. was 5 months old and is a heavyweight, also. Since we have not seen "Joe Boy" yet we do have a clear idea of what he really is.

That same afternoon we met Ms. Norma Trimpa who is Shannon Taliaferro's mother. These two lovely women are much alike in appearance. A compliment to both of them. We're happy to know that Norma has become a Stratford resident since the death of her husband.

Grandson Mike Powers, Atlanta Ga. who had been called to Amarillo because of grandfather H.L. Haile's illness spent Tuesday night and Wednesday with Timi and visited other relatives in Stratford.

Thanks to the Fosters of Lubbock for information of the death of Chandler Hitchcock former Stratfordite whose obituary appears in the current issue of Star. Chandler's father the beloved late Rev. Hitchcock was pastor of the Stratford Methodist Church some years ago the late Maude H. Flores and late Marjorie H. Clevenger. Were Chandler's sisters. Sue Harrison & Barbara Dettle are granddaughters of the late Rev. Hitchcock. O.T.'s tender Christian Love and Prayer support to sorrowing families.

Ada also said that her daughter and family who live in N.J. are housebound by the great amounts of snow that has fallen on the eastern states. It has caused closing of schools and business in this area.

Sick friends in High Plains Baptist Hospital, Amarillo are Dick Woolsey, Sherrydon Keener, Johnnie Vincent, and Mr. Maupin of Gruver who is father-in-law of Mickie Oquin Maupin and of course our family member H.L. Haile critically ill in St. Anthony's Hospice.

On this Monday at 11:30 a.m.

Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

XIT Telephone Cooperative turned out Jan. 12 to discuss the possibility of extended service to include toll free calls to Dalhart, Coldwater and Bunkerhill. After a presentation by Jimmy White, and questions by Kerrick people, Bill Gillenwaters, Kerrick president, called for a straw vote. They decided to withdraw the petition and leave things as it were.

A covered dish supper preceded the business meeting.

XIT Guests included Jimmy & Betty White, Tommie & Mattie Baskin, James & Linda Spurlock, Greg & Kathy Duggens, Altus Jones, Darrell Dennis, E.H. Little, Walter E. Lasley, J.D. Jones, all on the board or workers.

Present were Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Ken & Lynn Wells, Terry & Barbara Schoonover, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Hank & Mabel Rogers, George & Barbara Avent, Kayo & Jo June McDaniel, Brad & Kaci McBryde, Sandy & Colt Wells, Bill & Pat Boren, Florencia Eslinger, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Jennifer & Ryan Wells, Nita Taylor, Otis & Jan Webster, Mike, Merilee & Marylou McDaniel.

Thurma Gillenwaters, mother of Bill, had a heart attack Jan. 8. She is at Woodward, Ok., and doing better now.

Woodson Wadley, who would have been 87 on Jan. 13, died Jan. 5 at Edmond, Ok. Services were held Jan. 9. He is survived by his wife, Louise and a daughter, Rita Lynn Quintane and a son, Lary, one sister, Paulagean King of Goodwell, Ok. Keith King of Stratford is a nephew. The Wadleys owned Kerrick Elevator from 1932 to 1950.

the sun is shining, the air is invigorating with a predicted high of 50 deg. F which will allow folks to get out of the house and meet people and pass out shoulder pats and warm greetings.



Jimmy White, XIT Telephone manager, left, discussed pros & cons of extended phone service at Kerrick's meeting Friday night. He was welcomed & introduced by Kerrick president, Bill Gillenwaters.

Ethel Tennyson, mother of Ralph Hampton, had three by passes Wednesday night at High Plains. She is doing well as of Monday. The Hamptons have been making trips to Amarillo in shifts to see her. The Tennysons live in Amarillo.

Have appreciated the phone calls and comments about the experience with highway 287 and the rocks. It seems that many of you had received chips and other damage also. Wonder how many dollars the repairs have added up to?

Kerry, Kelly and Kevin Carlisle, Liberal, Ks., spent the weekend with the Bill Borens.

Looked like there were a lot of football game parties going on in Stratford Sunday!

Congratulations to Nena Bell & Kaci McBryde who made the President's Honor Roll at PSU! That's the "biggie" honor roll!

A Christmas letter from Hal & Pam Thompson included a picture of Darcy and Grady. Yes, Grady also has that beautiful red hair! The Thompsons send greetings to all their friends. Hal took 15 hours toward a degree in Agricultural Economics and earned 3A's and 2B's. All while working five days a week at various times in a feed mill.

Griffin Named To Dean's List

David Earl Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Earl Griffin of Stratford, Texas was named to the Dean's List by Matthew A. Beemer, Dean of Academic Affairs, at Pensacola Christian College, for academic achievement during the 1995 fall semester. This was a result of earning a B average or higher.

Pensacola Christian College is a liberal arts college enrolling students from every state in the U.S. and over forty foreign countries. Pensacola Christian College has an enrollment of approximately 3,600 students in its undergraduate and graduate programs and offers over 60 programs of study.

First Christian Church
10:45 a.m. Luke 18:1-8
"Beyond Conversion-A Growing Prayer Life!" Taste & See!

FCC To Host Missionaries

First Christian Church will host missionaries on Thursday, January 25 at 6:30 p.m. A light supper will be provided, and there will be a time for sharing. The missionaries are David and Karen Eubank, who have just been appointed to a four year term in Thailand. There they will serve among the Wa people, a numerous tribe who want all of their people to know the Gospel by the year 2000. They have been under the Communist, who armed them and taught them to grow opium as a cash crop. The Wa expelled the Communists and they have appealed for missionaries. David and Karen Eubank will serve under the auspices of the Division of Overseas Ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the United Church Board for World Ministries of the United Church of Christ.

David Eubank is 35. He was born in Fort Worth, and was graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in political science. He served in the United States Army 1984-92 with the rank of captain. He was a green beret. He was graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA in December, 1995, and he was ordained at that time. David's parents, Allen and Joan Eubank, have been Disciples missionaries in Chang Mai, Thailand for over 30 years. Karen Eubank is 27. She was born in Santa Monica, CA and was graduated from Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA with a degree in special education.

People are invited to come and go as they need to during the evening on Thursday, January 25, 1996 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend, according to David Harker, minister of First Christian Church.

Man is a plant which bears thoughts, just as a rose-tree bears roses and an apple-tree bears apples.

—Antoine Fabre D'Olivet

Everyone Is Invited To A Retirement Party For Ted Irlbeck
On Fri. Jan. 19th at Noon At The Community Center in Kerrick
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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
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Sunday School 9:40 am
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm
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No Saturday Mass
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Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am

Church of Christ
Jon Heatwole
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 10:00 am
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

Calvary Baptist
Tony Roe
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Sunday School 10:00 am
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:30 pm

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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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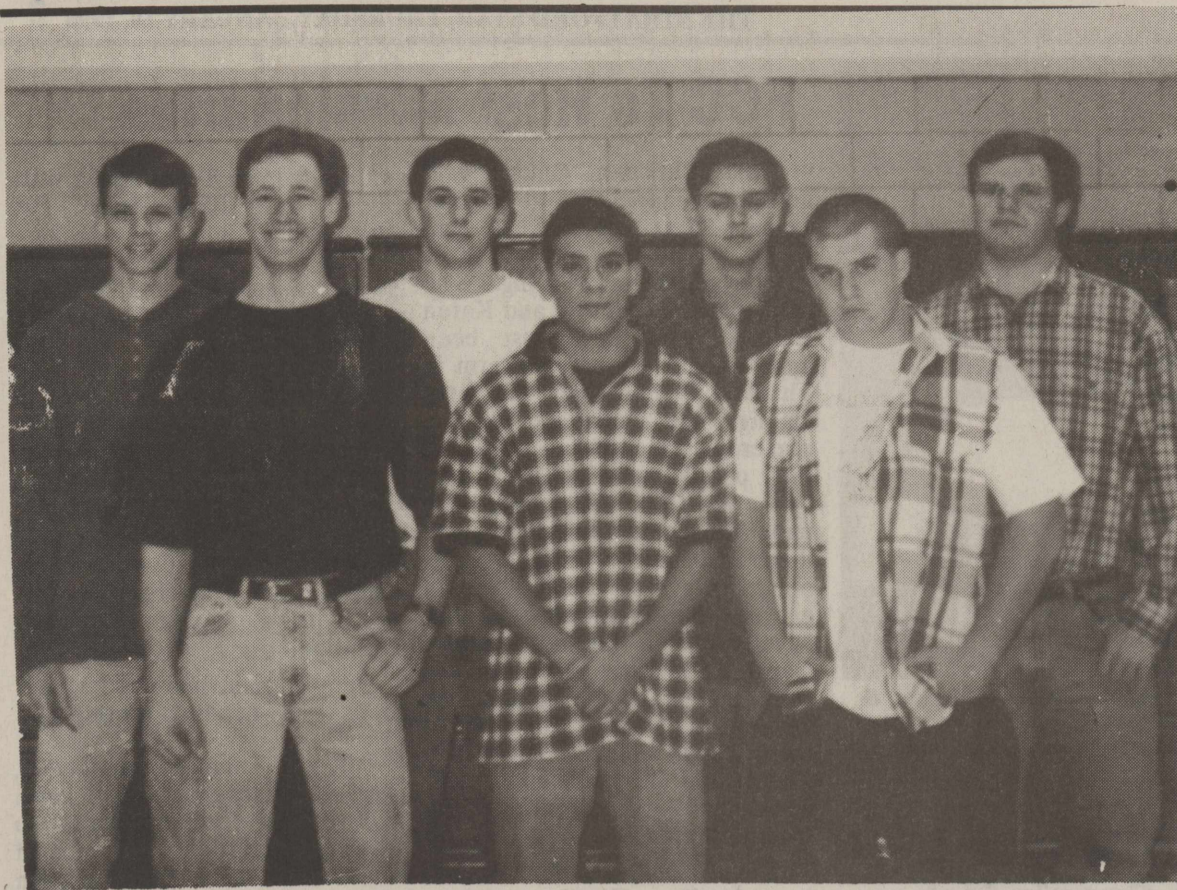
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All-District Football-Offense

Shown above are the All-District Football Players on offense. Shown from left: Dusty Stewart - 1st Team Receiver Unanimous choice, W.G. Lasley - 2nd Team Center, T.D. Baskin - 1st Team QB Unanimous choice and 2nd Team Kicker, Fabian Cruz - 1st Team Running Back, Michael Meil - Honorable Mention Lineman, Ezra Daniel - Honorable Mention Lineman and Trew James - 1st Team Offensive Lineman.



All-District Football-Defense

All-District Football Players on Defense shown from left: Brandon Starnes - 2nd Team Linebacker, Dusty Stewart - 2nd Team Secondary, T.D. Baskin - 1st Team Secondary, Trew James - 1st Team Defensive Lineman, James Vigil - 2nd Team Defensive Lineman, J.B. Presley - Honorable Mention Secondary, Justin Starnes - Honorable Mention Linebacker, Kyle Ellison - Honorable Mention Defensive End and Ty Young - Honorable Mention Defensive Lineman.

Screening
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Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

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Leadership Committee Visits Star Office

Members of the Sherman County Leadership Program visited the Stratford Star on Wednesday, January 10th. Shown from left, Ben Fort, Sheri Long, Gareed McBryde, Kim Crippen, Steve Johnson, Keri Knight and Dana Hess.

Valentine Dinner

Do you love me or do you not? You told me once, but I forgot! If this saying rings close to home, then maybe it is time for you to show your sweetheart that you still love them.

A Sweetheart Dinner is slated for Friday evening, February 9, 1996 at the Stratford Country Club. The meal will be served at 7 p.m. The menu will consist of individual garden fresh salads, followed by grilled rib eye steaks, baked potatoes with all the trimmings, green bean bundles and hot baked dinner rolls. Topping off the meal will be your choice of frozen chocolate raspberry delight or lemon-frosted angel food cake.

Cost of the meal is \$12.50 per person. Interested parties need to R.S. V. P. no later than Monday, February 5th by calling Marie Sladek at 396-2865.

Everyone is invited to come out the Country Club and enjoy the evening.

....And It's Off To The Symphony

By Lori Brooks

Among the most exciting activities in grade school are field trips. Last Thursday, January 11th, thirty-seven fourth graders departed the Middle School at 11:30 for a sensational trip to the Amarillo Symphony!

Upon arriving at the Amarillo Civic Center, the students were excited. They were looking forward to the symphony. When the question of their favorite part was asked, an astonishing majority of the students replied with, "The wars!" During the symphony, there was a piece played which included the major wars. One student commented that the highlight of the program was when Napoleon got killed in the Battle of Waterloo. Many students were overwhelmed when they recognized the theme to "The Little Mermaid" was being played by the orchestra. Beethoven was the favorite composer.

Accompanying the herd of fourth graders were Mr. Taliadro, Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Combs. Mrs. Combs thought an adventure to the symphony would be a perfect addition to the curriculum. Indeed it was!



Jolina Garoutte

Garoutte Named To Dean's Honor Roll

In a letter received from the President of KWUniversity, Gary & Orlanda Garoutte were notified their daughter, Jolina was on the Dean's Honor roll for the fall semester. To achieve this academic honor a student must have a 3 pt. GA. Jolina is a 1st Semester Senior Criminal Justice Major.

Basketball Basics

By Chris Bell

Many youth became excited this past weekend. The Little Dribblers Program has started in Stratford once again.

Play started Saturday morning, January 13, in the Old Gym. The first game began at 9:30 in the morning and last game was over around lunchtime. Eight teams participated in four games.

The Little Dribblers program was started to help teach the youth of Stratford the basics of basketball and team work. Also the program will, hopefully, give them a head start for Junior High and High School.

Come and support the youngest teams in Stratford. Little dribblers will be playing again Thurs., Jan. 18; Sat., Jan. 20; Thurs., Feb. 1, Sat., Feb. 3; Thurs., Feb. 8; Sat., Feb. 10; Mon., Feb. 12, Tues., Feb. 13; Thurs., Feb. 15; Mon., Feb. 19; and Tues., Feb. 20.

Honor Roll

9th grade: Erika Baeza, Hillary Baskin, Mandi Bell, Taiann Brownlee, Ginger Daniels, Bethany Johnson, Julie Kimball, Jeremy Pool and Jasmin Sanchez.

10th grade: Maggie Acevedo, Megan Baskin, Tami Davis, Jennifer King, Ashlie Lasley, Mark Meil, Keisha Naugle, Amy Reinart, Jessica Sikora, Odila Soto and Ashley Stoy.

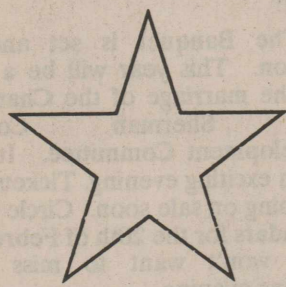
11th grade: Ezra Daniels, Susan Dewees, Hillary Frank, Chris Haynes, Michael Meil, Dusty Palmer and J. B. Presley.

12th grade: T. D. Baskin, Sabrina Bonds, Kyle Ellison, Clint McAdams, Keely Naugle, Carissa Reinart, Clayton Wheeler and Kelli Wight.

School Menu

- Wed. Jan. 17 - Frito Pie
- Thurs. Jan. 18 - Roast
- Fri. Jan 19 - Soft Tacos
- Mon. Jan 22 - Taco Pizza
- Tues. Jan. 23 - Steak Fingers
- Wed. Jan 24 - BBQ Chicken

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St. Josephs Sausage dinner. Sunday, Feb. 18. If you plan to buy extra sausage. Please call 753-4434 or 396-5355 after 6 p.m.
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For Sale: Complete computer system with software. Call after 5 p.m. 396-2347.
1-18-c

For Sale or Trade: 160 acres of CRP. 2 yrs. left on contract. Located 8 mi. north of Stratford in Sherman County. House and domestic well included. All reasonable offers considered. 622-1042.
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11-16-tfn

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1-11-4xp

For Sale: 3 BR, 1 bath, basement, 396-2348 after 6 p.m. 401 N. Wall.
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Alcohol Anonymous and Al-Anon meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at the County Barn



Find someone you know in this picture and invite them to enjoy the Stock Show this year on January 25, 26, and 27.

Cards of Thanks

The Families of Fred Sanders want to Thank everyone for their Prayers, food, cards, hugs and concern while he was ill & since his death. Friends in Stratford are great.

Thanks Again,
Myrtle Ellison
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Joyce Hart, right, shows Dorothy Haile, hostess and International program coordinator of Prospectus Study Club, just where she had been in Brazil. Mrs. Hart gave an enlightening program on the South American country.

With an interesting program from Joyce Hart, Prospectus Study Club member learned many things about Brazil. She spoke on the history, landscape, economics and people of the country. Pictures of the area added to the story, along with maps, magazines and artifacts. Members discovered that they really knew little about Brazil, but came away from the Jan. 10 meeting better informed.

Dorothy Haile, International program coordinator, presented the club member, Joyce Hart. Mrs. Haile was hostess at her home with co-hostesses Marylou McDaniel, Lore Dietrich and Linda Haynes. Brazilian desserts of caramelized flan, cookies, chocolates were served.

D'Lynn Reed, club president, conducted the business session that included the election of nominating committee, and reports. Mary Woodford Wisdom

reported that only six Sherman County Throws were left after Christmas. More will be ordered.

Mrs. Haile reported that \$2,492 had been given through Project Christmas Card, the most in several years. This will be used by the Library for books and other needed items. Club has been sponsoring this project since 1962.

Liz Sanders reported that she has sent 215 books to M.D. Anderson.

The resignation of Dana Buckles was accepted with regret. She requested to be an associate member.

Others present were Ronna Jo Riffe, Misty McBryde, Margaret Reed, Mattie Baskin, ViAnn Reed, Oline Caraway, Jimmie Pronger, Chris McAdams, Mary Peach Smith, Sonja Kendrick, Marty Bain, Tanja Thiessen, Barbara Chumley, Zelda Pickens, Michelle Lutes, Cynthia Schoenhals, for a total of 24.



Members of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce met with concerned citizens of Stratford at The First State Bank on Thursday, Jan. 11th. Shown from left, CEO Tom Patterson of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, Gaynelle and Don Riffe.

Chamber Chatter

There was quite an interesting and interested group that met last Thursday, in the board room of the First State Bank. Sixteen interested and concerned members of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce came and met with 25 interested and concerned citizens of Stratford. We heard from CEO Tom Patterson of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce who visited with his audience on the Pantex Plant of Amarillo and on the economy in general. We heard from Dick Davis on Transportation. He could not give

the answers sought on Phase 1, of the TXDOT. He did not know himself, nor did he know when the next meeting would be held. His assurance was that the Texas Department of Transportation wanted very much to work with making this area with good and safe roads. Texas Tech Pharmacy School personnel were extremely excited in that 900 inquiries had been made, they were a head of schedule in completion of the school and that their first 55 students would commence this August. For the next 4 years there will be 55 students and then the classes will jump to 75. She felt the Technological School of Pharmacy would be a big boon to all of this area. Dr. Long of West Texas A&M University took the opportunity of informing the group of the many new areas that the University was very swiftly engaging in and that A&M had proven to be a very big plus for the Panhandle of Texas. Also in the education area, we heard from Dr. Abram who until recently had been head of Texas Technological College, but was now a part of Amarillo College. Dr. Abram felt that they were making big strides in the marriage of two great institutions, with more to come.

Barbara Miller of Miller Paper Co., Business Chairman of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce and spokesperson for their Chamber. Steve Ahlenius was the coordinator of this venture. Citizens of Stratford as they were introduced sited their concerns and interests of Stratford, Sherman County. Without rehearsal on their part, Highways 54 and 287 were one strong concern; GTE Telephone and their lack of service and equipment; and housing initially was felt on the part of the Stratford delegation. He took notes, Lorie Vincent with the SCDC expressed the over all view, our concerns and needs are not necessarily those of Amarillo; however we can net work and help one another. Panhandle Days in Austin every other year has been a strong factor of getting Austins attention of where we are County Extension Program geographically, so stated Mrs. Council assisted with this program. Vincent. Kay Astin, President of

Stratford Chamber of Commerce day!! and Transportation Chairman thanked Amarillo for providing jet service into Amarillo and for concerns and taking time from their work to come hear our concerns. One statement from Real Estate Bill Pendleton upon his introduction of himself was that "come March 1, 104 years ago my father was born in Amarillo, TX", and the closing comment by Bill and very true, "In 70 years this has been the biggest group of Amarillo folks in Stratford, at one time, and at least 20 folks in Stratford are in Amarillo everyday". How true, Amarillo cannot do without we small communities, now can they?

As you read this, we will have had Open House on the corner of 3rd and Main, welcoming Jon King Attorney and CPA. If you did not get to check him out and what he has done to this landsite. He is there, every Monday.

Coming up this Sat., The Perryton Chamber of Commerce is having their annual Banquet, January 20, 6:30 at the Ochiltree Exposition Center. Their theme, "Cowboys, Indians and Chamber Stars" and their featured speaker Mike Hargrove, Cleveland Indians' Manager. If anyone is interested in going, contact the Stratford Chamber and I will call in for tickets to be reserved for you at the door. Tickets are \$12.50. The meal is 8 ounce steaks and the trimmings.

IT'S TIME: Nominations for the Citizen of the Year, Farmer and Business Person of the Year. It need not be a long and indepth nominations. Facts, who, why, what, family, community involvement, etc. Last year's recipient will have to get this information of the winning nominee. These need to be in he Chamber office by noon of February 12. That is less than one month away.

The Chamber of Commerce have three retiring directors this year, they are: Bonnie Hamilton, Kay Aston and Rex Palmer. Incoming directors that will be serving for the next three years will be Ric Walton, George Harding and Rev. Mark Metzger. For the Women's Division of the Chamber, retiring directors are Gina Sladec, Brenda Bell and Christina Garza. The Women's Division were one short this past year so we have 4 ladies who will be serving on this board. They are Gayl Harding, Evelyn Schmidt, Tammy Helmuth and Laura Smith. This should be an excellent three years. Remember readers, these are volunteers, no pay, only your shown appreciation.

The Chamber of Commerce has a HERO. No one could ever tell us that there is no Santa Claus for we know that Santa rode in a very unique and pretty carte, down Main, at the Chamber Christmas Parade. O'Santa is a HERO, but the one the Chamber finds is the builder of that carte, Dick Davenport has to be unique, capable and one of the most dedicated individuals to the City of Stratford. He built the carte and refused pay for his talent and material. To quote Dick when asked where his bill was, "Oh, that is my gift to the Chamber and the parade." This is not the first of such generosity on Dick's part. Remember when the playground went up for the Lollipop kids, just to mention a few of his traits of HEROISM. Thank you, Dick, you are the Chamber HERO of the

The Banquet is set and in motion. This year will be a first for the marriage of the Chamber and Sherman County Development Committee. It will be an exciting evening. Tickets will be going on sale soon. Circle your calendars for the 20th of February. You won't want to miss this exciting evening.

Now lets look at what will be happening in Stratford this next week:

Jan. 17: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. quilters, ceramics and pool. Coldwater Manor Bible Study with the Baptist in charge.

Jan. 18: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool. Masonic Lodge 8 p.m. Eastern Star 8 p.m. in Dalhart.

Jan. 19: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilting. Girls BB here with Dumas. Boys JV and Varsity at Boys Ranch.

Jan. 20: Lollipop Junction 9 to 2 First Christian Church.

Jan. 21: Attend the Church of your choice. 9 a.m. Coldwater Manor worship service First United Methodist Church.

Jan. 22: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilters. Webelos 4 p.m. First Christian Church. 10 a.m. SCOT Hall Board Meeting.

Jan. 23: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool. Brownies at First Christian Church at 4 p.m. Basketball here with Perryton at 4 p.m.

Jan. 24: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. quilters, ceramics and pool. Coldwater Manor Bible Study with the Assembly of God.

Are your planned activities on the Community Calendar? Have a good day!

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

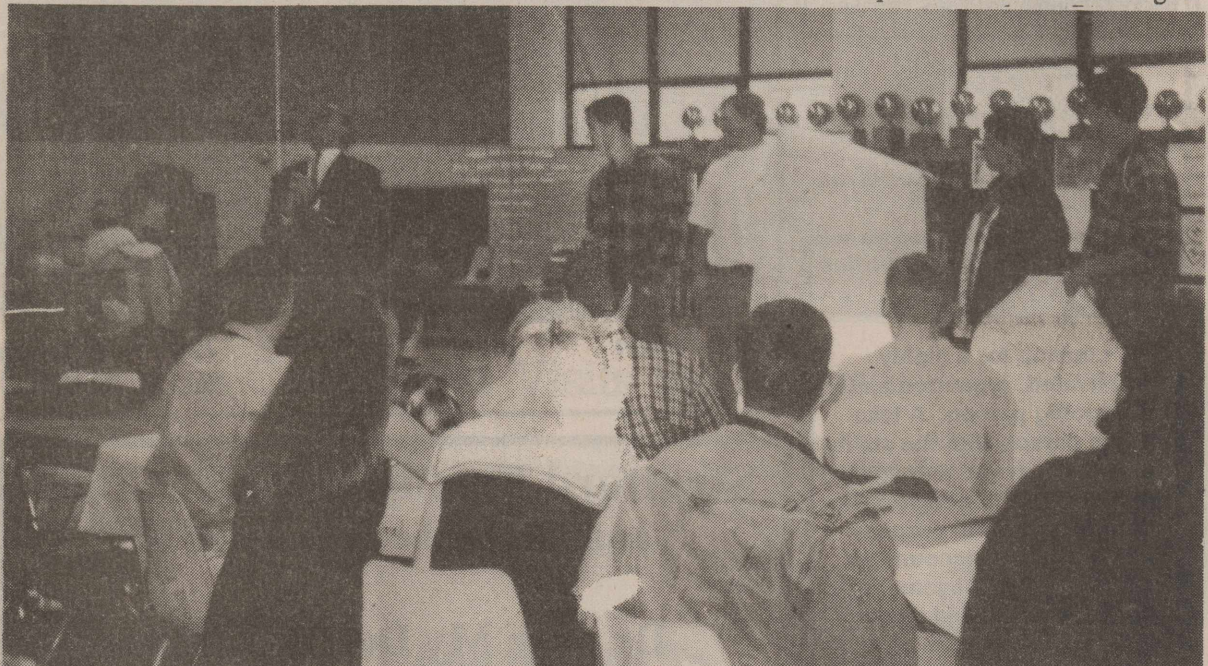
Another opportunity at the Guyonon Community Theater Jan. 27 and 28. "Greater Tuna" A play with a cast of two playing 20 parts! The two actors are from the drama department at Oklahoma University. The "King and I" scheduled for February has been postponed. A large group from Stratford really enjoyed the last production "Nonsense". Community Theater has a lot to offer in entertainment and the price is right.

Nominations are accepted for the Volunteer Celebration 1996 until Feb. 2. This event is sponsored by J.C. Penney, Inc. Golden Rule Award, KVII-TV and the United Way Volunteer Action Center. Volunteer recognition awards are presented to groups and individuals who have performed outstanding volunteer service in their local communities. This award event is a combination of Golden Rule Award and the former 7 Who Care Award. The persons honored with these awards in the past had to have someone nominate them. Your nomination for Stratford Citizen of the Year would be a good nomination.

Gaynelle Riffe

Prosperity is the best protector of principles.

—Mark Twain



Joe Frank Wheeler, Borger Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice President, lead Junior and Senior Stratford High School students in the leadership exercise, "Lion, Fox and St. Bernard," last Tuesday. Students gained an awareness of personality types and leadership styles. The educational workshop was co-sponsored by Stratford High School and the Sherman County 4-H and Youth Committee of the Sherman County Extension Program Council. Steve Haynes, Viola Kautz, Susie Spurlock, and Jim Allison provided adult leadership in the planning of the program.

Leadership Seminar Presented To SHS Students

Members of the Junior and Senior classes of Stratford High School expanded their knowledge of leadership and personality styles last Tuesday at the annual Youth Leadership/Career seminar sponsored by the Sherman County 4-H and Youth Committee. Joe Frank Wheeler, Borger Chamber of Commerce Manager led the class members in the exercise "LION, FOX, and ST. BERNARD".

Class members participated in the exercise by dividing into groups based upon what animal they think best describes themselves—Lion, Fox, or St. Bernard. Each group listed good characteristics about their animal and bad characteristics about the other animals, sharing the results with all participants.

Following this activity, members individually completed a survey to determine their personal primary and secondary style of leadership. Mr. Wheeler discussed with the students how many of their responses were different or the same as the animal that they identified with at the beginning of the session.

Characteristics of each animal's leadership style were discussed and the seminar concluded with Mr. Wheeler sharing information from 7 Characteristics of Highly Effective People including 3 goals—Be Proactive, Start with an end in mind, and Make a Plan of How you will accomplish your goals. He also stated that we must learn to work with other people as no man is an island in today's world.

4-H and Youth Leadership Opportunities, an exhibit of the Sherman County Extension Office was available for viewing describing the various volunteer leadership opportunities available for youth. Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent can be contacted for information concerning these opportunities.

Steve Haynes, Viola Kautz, Susie Spurlock, Kyle Ellison, T.D.

Baskin, Ryan Swain, Robin Hart, Keely Naugle, Kelly Wight, Clay Wheeler, Sam Brite and Michael Meil, members of the Sherman County 4-H and Youth Committee gave leadership to this project.

Dana Hess, Keri Knight of the Leadership Sherman County Class and Joyce McBryde of Sherman County Extension Program geographically, so stated Mrs. Council assisted with this program. Vincent. Kay Astin, President of

EMMETT NEAL COULDN'T DECIDE IF IT WAS WORTH THE EFFORT TO BUY A TICKET. (IT ENDED UP BEING WORTH \$10.8 MILLION.)

AFTER A LONG DAY AT WORK, EMMETT NEAL WAS SO TIRED, ALL HE COULD DO WAS PLOP DOWN ON THE COUCH. "HMMM," HE THOUGHT TO HIMSELF, "SHOULD I GET UP AND GET MY LOTTO TEXAS TICKET? OR JUST STAY RIGHT HERE?" \$10.8 MILLION LATER, IT LOOKS LIKE HE MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE. NOW EMMETT'S ONE OF OVER 150 MILLIONAIRES AND STILL COUNTING.



HIS SYSTEM:
MIXED "HOT"
NUMBERS WITH
"COLD" NUMBERS
AND THEN
PLAYED THAT
COMBINATION
EVERY WEEK

WINNING NUMBERS:
23 25 30 37 46 48

FIRST THING
HE DID: TOLD
HIS DAD
TO RETIRE

PRIZE: \$10.8 MILLION