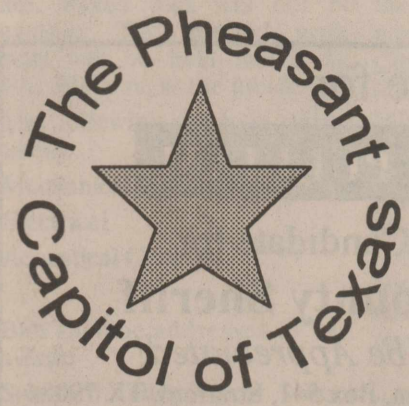


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 W.G. Hart
 Box 3
 Stratford, TX 79084

Trivia winner for the month of February was Von Ann Wells. Congratulations! This month the winner will receive a dinner for two from Betty's Place.
 Answers to Earl Campbell-a new home and Marlboro Man- the Y.O. Ranch
 Trivia Question This week-What was Lyndon Johnson's middle name?



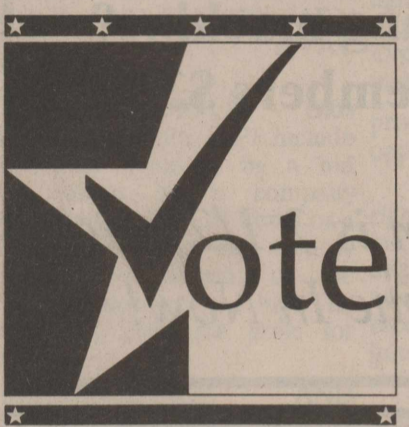
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Reminder!!

Reminder: Memorials can be made to Bonar Park. For more information contact Carolyn Tarver at the Allen Agency, Joan Palmer or Martha Ellison at Ellies. Deadline for getting your brick or name on the monument is May 1st.

Scot Bingo

Bingo at Scot Hall Thursday, March 7th 7 p.m.

Scot Game Night

Game night at Scot Hall is Friday, March 8th at 7 p.m.

Crimestoppers Needs Your Help

Sherman County Crimestoppers needs your help!! On or about January 10th, person or persons unknown shot and killed two horses north of Stratford. The horses were located eleven miles north and five miles west of Stratford.

On January 17, one mile south of Stratford someone broke into a van and stole a new air compressor. The air compressor was blue in color and brand new.

If you or anyone you know has information that leads to the arrest or conviction of the person or persons involved in these or any other felony crime, call Crimestoppers at 806-396-2600. Please leave a code name and telephone number where you can be reached on or our machine and a crimstopper will return your call.

Your call will remain completely confidential and a reward of up to \$1000.00 will be paid.

County 4-H Fashion Show Saturday

The Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show will be held Saturday, March 9 at the County Exhibit Building. Ten 4-H'ers are expected to participate in this achievement event of the clothing project.

The public is invited to attend the Fashion Show and Awards Program will begin at 11:30 a.m.

The Fashion Show is being coordinated by volunteer leaders, Marie Sladek and Terri Teig, and Junior Leader Amy Sladek. The activity allows youth to exhibit grooming skills and knowledge of textiles and fibers learned in the project.

Sponsors of the Fashion Show are Sherman County 4-H Parent-Leaders Association, Sherman County FCE Council and the Texas Agriculture Extension Office.

State Corn Growers Association Organized

Texas County, Guymon, Oklahoma is not the headquarters for the State Corn Growers Association, according to organizational leader Denton Wiggins. "Sixty-six percent of all total production corn is raised in the Panhandle area," said Wiggins. "The time has come to unite our support and voice for state as well as national recognition", Wiggins said.

A meeting for the purpose of organization adopting of by-laws and the election of a board of directors is set during National Agriculture Week at the Tri-State Farm and Ranch Show March 22nd and 23rd at the Texas County Activity Center. Joining the state association will automatically qualify members for the National Association via a representative from the state organization.

Oklahoma will be the 25th state to form a Corn Growers Association and has already gained interest in a majority of corn producers in the Panhandle area. Notification of the newly forming association has already been given to the National Corn Growers Association during a recent conference in Phoenix by Wiggins. "It's just a smart move for the corn growers of Oklahoma", stated Wiggins.

A barbecue luncheon sponsored by the group and short meeting will be held Friday, March 22nd at noon for the exhibitors of the Tri-State Farm and Ranch Show and Oklahoma Corn Growers Association members.

School Board Election To Be May 4, 1996

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a school board election on May 4, 1996. Filing for a position on the school board will continue through March 20, 1996. You may file in the office of the Superintendent Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stratford ISD will be closed during Spring Break, March 11-15, you may file at the Sherman County Appraisal District Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. during that week.

Positions held by Barbara Chumley and Ken Wight will expire this term. Holdover members are Kenton Kimball, Sandy Baskin, Philip Walden, Roy McAlister and John Wheeler. At press time Barbara Chumley and Frank Vaughn have filed.

Safe Place Inc. Seeks New Volunteers

Are you a caring responsible person? Do you work well with people? Can you keep total confidence and listen without being judgmental? If you answered yes to these questions, Safe Place needs you! You can make a difference helping victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Volunteer training classes will begin March 26. For more information call 1-800-753-7553.

Elks End Season At Regional Semi-Finals



The Stratford Elks are shown with their trophies they earned this basketball season. Their trophies consisted of District, Bi-District and Area. The Elks advanced to Regional Play-offs but were defeated in the first round of semi-finals against Cisco. Players for the Stratford Elks were (bottom L-R) Ross Davis, Daniel Hunsaker, Justin Starnes, Chris Haynes, Coby Galla, Oscar Aguilera, Dusty Palmer. Top from left, Kyle Ellison, Brandon Starnes, Dusty Stewart, Ryan Davis, W.G. Lasley, T.D. Baskin, Efrain Ortega and J.B. Presley. Congratulations Guys!

The Stratford Elks advanced to Regional Play-offs by edging out Tahoka in overtime 62-60 in Area play-off on Tuesday, February 27th.

In the Area play-off game, T.D. Baskin put up the winning shot with 4 seconds left in overtime. A key factor in the game against Tahoka was Stratford's tough defense. The Elks were down 21-15 in the first quarter, but took over the lead 34-28 at half-time. The Tahoka Bulldogs came back in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 50-50. In overtime play, Tahoka's Burleson received a technical which led to Coby Galla scoring on both free throws and also a jumper, for a 54-50 lead. The Elks held the lead until Tahoka's Monty Hale hit 2 baskets back-to-back to tie the game again at 60-60 with 17 seconds left. 6-3 Senior post T.D. Baskin ended the tie by rebounding and putting the shot back up with 4 seconds left in overtime to give the Elks the win over Tahoka 62-60. Baskin and J.B. Presley finished the game with

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Associated Texans Against Crime

Associated Texans Against Crime (ATAC) will present its annual Texas Anti-Drug Education Award to five public schools or school districts who have the state's most successful anti-drug programs. ATAC has already notified superintendents statewide asking for their nominations, but is also accepting information from others who want to nominate the school of their choice.

Each award includes a certificate of appreciation along with a \$1,000 award designated to fund future student anti-drug activities. ATAC representative will visit the campus of each recipient to present the prize.

Anyone who wishes to nominate a school or school district may do so by contacting ATAC at 1999 Bryan Street, Suite 3500, Dallas, TX 75201. Please include the school name, grade levels and a description of how the program is helping students away from the dangers of illegal drugs. All entries must be returned to ATAC by March 15, 1996, and the winners will be notified on March 22, 1996.

Associated Texans Against Crime (ATAC) is statewide public policy organization established in 1984 to study the Texas Criminal Justice System. ATAC makes recommendations to improve the system, and is committed to increasing public awareness and involvement in criminal justice issues. ATAC is concerned with all aspects of the criminal justice system including juvenile reform, parole policies, crime prevention, drug and alcohol programs, and victims rights.

The 1995 Texas Anti-Drug Education Award winners were Abilene Independent School District, Diboll Junior High School, Longview Independent School District, Northside Independent School District and Odessa Independent School District.

For additional information or questions, please contact Trish Robinson at 214-855-1990.

Sherman County Development & Stratford Chamber of Commerce Hold Joint Annual Meeting & Banquet

On February 20, the SCDC and the Chamber held their annual meetings and banquet together this year. The members and guests of both organizations enjoyed an evening of good food, good news and the announcement of three very deserving awards.

The evening began with the salute to the flag lead by two of our local scouts, Ginger Crabtree and Cody Brotherton. Several people were then acknowledged by Shannon Taliaferro, including the City Council, the County Commissioners Court, the sponsors for the banquet, the directors of both the Chamber and SCDC, and special recognition was made to those groups and individuals who assisted in the evacuation.

The guests were then served a steak dinner with all the trimmings. Our thanks to Eugene Griffin, Fred Velasquez, Angel Alvarez, Steve Dettle and George Harding for cooking those great

steaks! Entertainment during the meal was provided by Ric Walton and Jim Taliaferro.

Following the meal, 32 out of town guests were introduced by Lorie Vincent. The Chamber business meeting began with the introduction of Kay Aston as outgoing Chamber President. Following a quick recap of the year, she turned the gavel over to Gaynelle Riffe, the 1996 Chamber President. Gaynelle made a presentation to Kay on behalf of the Chamber in appreciation for her hard work and service. Certificates of appreciation were also given to the other outgoing directors. Gaynelle then challenged the members to motivate themselves to "stretch" to their limits and to participate in Chamber activities this year. Gina Sladek, Women's Division 1995 President, introduced the Women's Division members and introduced Theresa Edmond as the new Women's Division President.

The exciting highlight of the evening was the announcement of the 1995 Recipients of the Citizen of the Year, Dick Davenport, the Business Persons of the Year,

Wesley and Cindy Miller, and the Farmer of the Year, Gary Hudson. The recipients of last years awards were the presenters. Our congratulating to each of these deserving individuals for their contribution to the betterment of Sherman County.

The SCDC then began their business meeting with the recognition of outgoing directors. Gifts of appreciation were given to B. A. Donelson, Martha Ellison, and Gary Lundberg for the commitment to the progress and growth of Sherman County. They had served on the board since 1992. Three new directors, Wesley Miller, Marilyn Albert and Steve Johnson will join the existing directors Gayland Vandiver, Fred Velasquez, Shannon Taliaferro and Steve Dettle. The new directors were voted on by the SCDC members.

The finale was a slide show presented by the SCDC and

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62nd Annual Stockholders' Meeting

The Amarillo Production Credit Association will hold its 62nd Annual Stockholders' Meeting on Saturday, March 9, 1996 at the Sunset Convention Center in Amarillo. The Business Meeting begins at 3:30 p.m.

Dr. Lowell Catlett, an economist futurist at New Mexico State University, will address the meeting on the "Hyper-Cyber Economy". Kenneth L. Chambers of Dawn, a long-time Field Inspector for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, is the group's after dinner speaker.

The association is a major agriculture lender providing credit services to its farmer and rancher stockholder borrowers primarily in twelve Texas Panhandle counties. Mike McLain of Gruver is the Chairman of the Board and Carroll Haygood is the Association President. For additional information, contact either of the Association's offices in Amarillo or Dumas.

Kindergarten Pre-Registration

It is time to think about next year's Kindergarten class and we could use your help in finding our Pre-K. Students. We will use this list to invite the children to the Kindergarten Easter Party.

All children entering Kindergarten next year must be five (5) years old on or before September, 1996. If you know of any eligible children. Please fill out the following form and return it to Mary Allen Elementary School.

NAME _____
 DATE OF BIRTH _____
 PARENT'S NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 TELEPHONE NO. _____

All children that are entering kindergarten August 1996. Will need the following documents on file at the Mary Allen School by August 12, 1996.

1. Valid Birth Certificate
2. Updated Shot Record
3. Social Security Card

Dear Readers
By Marty

Congratulations to all the Basketball Elks and coaches, you have had a tremendous season despite the odds. Proves the point, don't ever count anyone out, they just might surprise you. "YOU DID GOOD".

We will have more basketball pictures in next weeks paper, couldn't print anymore this week for lack of space.

As you can see by this weeks edition, there has been a lot going on in our small community. Busiest folks in the country!

I missed the Symphony Saturday night due to prior commitments, but heard it was good. If anyone has a report, we would love to hear about it.

Congratulations also to Roy Don McCracken for being a winner at the Houston Calif Scramble held February 24th. I saw that on TV. It doesn't look like it is real easy to do. Way to Go!

Happy Birthdays to my favorite Son-In-Law Gregg and my favorite Sister JoAnn.

Thought for the week-Work for the Lord. The pay isn't much, but the retirement is out of this world.

Reminder

The SWCD is still taking orders for trees (evergreen and hardwood). Deadline is March 8, 1996. Please stop by or call 396-5517.

**Election '96
The Primaries
March 12, 1996**

Be sure and get out and vote Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

Local Candidates Running on the Democratic ballot in Sherman County are 69th District Attorney: Barry Blackwell (I)

Sheriff Jack Haile (I)
Commissioner Pct. 1: Wayne Cummings (I)

Commissioner Pct. 3: David Hass (I) and Constable Pct. 4: Felix Saenz (I)

Republican is Sheriff Johnny Pulliam Jr.

Tax Assessor/Collector: Valerie McAlister (I)
County Attorney: Kimberly L. Allen

**Students Named
To Dean's List**

One hundred and sixty-seven students have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 1995 fall semester at Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, OK.

The Dean's Honor Roll contains the names of those students who have earned between a 3.30 and 3.99 grade point average. To qualify, a student must carry at least 12 hours of university courses and have no "Incompletes."

Students from Stratford on the Dean's list are:

Alicia Miller Law, sophomore business administration major; Laquita Vaughn, senior music education major and Nora Wells, freshman biology major.

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Obituaries

Jim Taylor

Jim Taylor, 86, died Thursday, Feb. 29, 1996.

Memorial services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday March 4 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Clay Wells of First Baptist Church in Follett, the Rev. Jerry Stewart of First Baptist Church and the Rev. David Harker of First Christian Church officiating. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Taylor was born in Altus, Okla., and had been a Stratford resident since 1940. He married Helen Wells in 1938 at Clayton, N.M. He was a farmer and rancher and a member of First Baptist Church. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a past master of Stratford Masonic Lodge No. 874. He also was a longtime member of Khiva Temple of the Shrine.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Joe Taylor of Stratford; a daughter, Mary Sue Cotton of Bettendorf, Iowa; four sisters, Virgie Mathews of Kerrick, Geneva Wells of Griggs, Okla., and Winnie Dunlap and Mary Hill, both of Stratford; five grandchildren; and a great grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be to Stratford Area Foundation, c/o First State Bank, Box 48, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Lezzie Mae Williams

Services were held Friday, March 1, 1996 at 10 a.m. for Lezzie Mae Williams, 66 at the First Baptist Church of Stratford. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Williams was born July 27, 1929 at Grant, Oklahoma and passed away Tuesday, February 27, 1996 at High Plains Baptist Hospital, Amarillo, Texas.

She was a homemaker and a resident of Stratford since 1950 and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Stratford. She married Rex Williams April 28, 1948 at Oklahoma City, Ok.

Services were officiated by Mrs. Williams son the Rev. Rex Williams, Baptist Minister from Amarillo. He was assisted by Pastor Dwayne Bennett, Pastor of Parkview Baptist Church in Amarillo and Deacon Robert Smith of Calvary Baptist Church in Stratford.

She is survived by her husband, Rex, of the home and seven children: Bertha May Ramsey of Port Charlotte, FL; Rex Williams, Amarillo, TX; Freda Dickey, West Fork, Ark; Shirley McGinnis, Stratford; Jearldine McGinnis of Stratford; Evelyn Brannum Amarillo; and Randy L. Williams, Stratford; two sisters, Hazel Marie Jump, Visalia, CA and Dorothy Black, Texarkana, Ark; 25 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Stratford Area Foundation, Box 48, Stratford, Texas 79084

**Beef Education
Seminar Set**

Beef, We Wouldn't Steer You Wrong, an educational seminar to update beef producers AND consumers on the nutritional and food safety issues challenged by the beef industry will be held Wednesday, March 27th at the County Exhibit Building in Stratford.

Dr. Dan Hale, Extension Meats Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be the keynote speaker at the dutch treat lunch to feature a new menu item utilizing beef. The Texas Beef Council will be providing one of the newest educational exhibits manned by a representative of the Texas Cattlewomen.

Sponsored by the Sherman County Extension Program Council, all interested persons are invited to attend the seminar. The cost will be \$5.00 which includes lunch. For more information or to reserve a seat at this event, contact Susie Spurlock at the County Extension Office at 396-2122.

Banquet
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Chamber depicting the activities of both organizations. It was our goal to show the community the objectives of both organizations, the difference in the activities and the projects that were worked on together. The slide show ended with quality of life pictures which showed why we all choose to live in Stratford. The show was narrated by Lorie Vincent and Rick Walton.

Chamber decorated the cafeteria beautifully in colors of red, pink and white. The also helped the school staff with serving the meal and drinks. Our appreciation to all others who helped with the banquet.

We all look forward to a year full of new activities...Please participate in the future of Sherman County by being a member of the Stratford Chamber of Commerce and the Sherman County Development Committee.

**Scot
News**
By Jack Gore

Aerobics is still going on Mon. Wed. Fri. of each week. These Types of exercise can be geared to your capability. Come and have fun and enjoy a workout

Bingo is Thursday at 7 p.m. Come to have fun and make money for Scot Hall. Game night is Friday March 8th.

Dance Practice refresher course will be completed next week. Five couples from Scot Dance Club have been involved in a six weeks class.



A rose is a rose is a rose—except when it's a one-plant arbor. A Lady Banks rose tree at Tombstone, Arizona, has a trunk 40 inches thick and stands nine feet tall. Supported by 68 posts and several thousand feet of piping, 150 people can be seated under the arbor. The cutting came from Scotland in 1884.

March is a tomboy with tousled hair, a mischievous smile, mud on her shoes and a laugh in her voice.

—Hal Borland

Happy Birthday,
Leah, Sunny Jo, Elly, Le Anna, Derrick, George, Missy, Carson, Chad, Patty, Adam, Dawg, Gregg, Jessica, Joey, Alora, Amy, Brock, Glenn, LIsa, Rinda, Susie, Diane, Jerry, Marcus, Norma, Ted, W.G.

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Stratford Health Club

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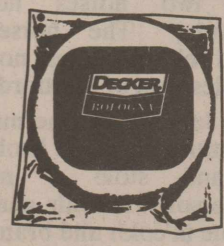
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Timi's Tidbits
By Timmie Brown



Happy Day to you Sherman County Old Timers and Readers this mild, very dry Monday a.m., March 4, 1996. Dry weather! Dry Grass! Grass fire and high wind tell the story of general concern, seemingly no moisture for us. However, since "happy" is a common expression for the state of mind for O.T.'s, we wish you, our peers, a Happy Day.

We did not visit with Bob Pendleton on his birthday. We do not plan to attend O.T. Jim Taylor's memorial service today, but we were with Bob in thoughts and will be with Helen and family in prayer and spiritual support. Amen.

Our activity calendar is shortened; however, our museum date is soon and SHS Reunion in July can be on our calendars and Easter is much nearer (April 7). SCOT March calendars are available.

After last month's luncheon, we acquired some new members: Barbara Bouldin, Delores Bunch, Virginia Lamb, Lorelyn Powers, Cynthia Schoenhals and Mary Woodford Wisdom. When you see these new members, give them that Ol' Scotter Welcome and let's try to get them involved in at least some of the activities that we have going or state another in which they are interested in starting.

The Elk Basketball team and coaches brought much interest and excitement to our community and we congratulate them on their success and efforts. Thanks to Stratford businesses who made it possible for OT's to enjoy the game by radio.

Wilma Lee Cameron is to have foot amputation surgery today at High Plains Hospital. She and her doctors are on the prayer line.

Johnnie Vincent remains hospitalized and is not doing too well. Blessings and prayers for both Johnnie and Wilma Lee and their families.

Do you remember the old time expression, "Blue Monday?" I really referred to wash day for clothes. This could be termed "Blue Monday" for our community if we did not know "God's in His Heaven: All is right with the world (quoted from Pippa Passes)." We refer of course, to the deaths of three O.T.'s and other misfortunes.

Keep a stiff upper lip and scatter cheery shoulder pats and iuv wherever we go.

Students Named To President's Honor Roll

Seventy-one students have been named to the President's Honor Roll for the 1995 Fall semester at Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, OK.

The President's Honor Roll contains the names of those students who earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average. To qualify, a student must carry at least 12 hours of university courses and have no "Incompletes."

Students from our community represented on the President's Honor Roll are:

Nena Kristine Wood Bell, freshman general studies major from Kerrick, TX; Sharon Powell Bratner, junior accounting major from Stratford, TX; Cindy Denny Clements, senior elementary major from Stratford, TX; Shanda L. Boles Davis, senior elementary education major from Stratford, TX; Tina Marie McLaughlin Duke, senior elementary education major from Stratford, TX; Jennifer Leigh Garrison, senior business administration major from Stratford, TX; Tami Lynn Isbell, junior elementary education major from Stratford, TX; and Kaci Wight McBryde, sophomore elementary education major from Stratford, TX.

WTAMU Student Named TRHA Student of the Year

Mickey Trussell, a senior mathematics major from Muleshoe, was named the Texas Residence Hall Association (TRHA) Student of the Year at the leadership conference Feb. 22-25 in Denton at the University of North Texas. Trussell was the third West Texas A&M University student recipient since the award's establishment in 1994. Three other WTAMU students also received awards and appointments at the conference.

Kelly Spencer, a sophomore environmental science major from College Station, was inducted in the Society of Distinguished Leaders (SODL). Spencer serves as vice president of WTAMU's RHA.

Mindy Rendon, a senior marketing major from Stratford, was elected to the TRHA executive board as SODL chair. Rendon will oversee four regional directors and will review nominations for SODL inductions. She is president of WTAMU's RHA.

Nicole Canon, a junior marketing major from Carrollton, received the TRHGA Blakemore Award for outstanding communications coordinator. Canon was also elected to serve on the TRHA executive board as director of communications. As director she will prepare a newsletter and help recruit new schools into TRHA.

Approximately 20 colleges and universities are members of TRHA.

Beef Mushroom Stew
2 teaspoons vegetable oil
1 pound lean stew beef,
1-inch cubes
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 onion, chopped
1 teaspoon white sugar
1 teaspoon vegetable oil
1 cup beef stock (or 1 beef bouillon cube with 1 cup water)
1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
1 6-ounce can tomato paste
2 bay leaves
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
2 teaspoons brown sugar
1/2 pound fresh mushrooms, sliced
2 medium potatoes, cubed
In a medium (2 quart) saucepan, heat 2 teaspoons oil over medium heat until hot. Add beef and garlic and brown for 5 minutes. Remove beef with liquid to a bowl and set aside. Sauté onions and white sugar in 1 teaspoon oil over medium heat until lightly brown. Remove onions and separate from beef. Add meat back to saucepan. Stir in stock (or bouillon with water), vinegar, tomato paste, bay leaves, pepper and brown sugar. Cover and simmer over low heat for 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Add mushrooms, potatoes and onions and simmer covered for 20 minutes over low heat, stirring occasionally. If stew is too thick, add 1/4-1/2 cup water. Remove bay leaves before serving.
Makes 4 servings (5 cups total). This stew freezes well.

First Christian Church

10:45 a.m. John 19:28-29
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Subject to the Primary Elections March 12, 1996

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Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

It seems that Stratford is having more than its share of losing people. Maybe it's just because some of us are getting older and we notice it more.

Jim Taylor had his roots in Kerrick with a sister, niece and nephew still living in the area. Community sympathy goes to all his family.

The garage sale went well last Saturday. There was so much that there will be another sale this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. New items are being brought by some who couldn't participate last week.

Brady Schoonover and Steve Elliott attended the Spielman wedding Saturday in Dalhart.

Trisha & Reed Schoonover were in Abilene for the basketball game, then spent the night in Ballinger with Trisha's sister, Roxann Bowman & family.

Chris Craig, Plainview, visited with the Hampton family one day last week.

Thea James had Reserve Champion Angus at San Antonio recently. The Ben Tom James family also were in Houston and will soon be going to San Angelo.

Ian Weems and Josh Rogers had lunch with their grandparents, Hank & Mabel Rogers, when the Rogers were in Amarillo for eye appointments Feb. 27.

Marylou McDaniel attended the Randel Chamber Orchestra concert Saturday in Stratford.

Stratford Grain Bowling Team had to survive three other teams Sunday! If they did they will have won the WIBC Dalhart city tournament. Will tell all next week!

My love for Heathcliff resembles the eternal rocks beneath:—a source of little visible delight, but necessary.
—Emily Bronte

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Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service

St. Joseph Catholic

Michael Colwell - pastor
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Rectory - 5687, Parish Hall - 2298
No Saturday Mass
Sunday English Mass 9:00 am
Sunday CCD 10:00 - 11:00 am
Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am

Church of Christ

Jon Heatwole
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

Calvary Baptist

Tony Roe
302 S. Main
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:30 pm

First Baptist

Bro. Jerry Stewart
702 N. 3rd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Church Training 6:00 pm
Evening Worship 7:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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—Ziggy



Rhoades Honored At Shower

Elly Rhoades, bride-elect of Mark Rogers was honored with a bridal shower on Saturday, March 2 in the home of Sue Hudson. Shown from left, Jalane Rhoades, sister of the bride, Kay Rogers, grooms mother from Dimmitt, Elly, Gayle Rhoades, mother of the bride, Chancey Rhoades, sister of the bride and grandmother of the bride Foy Lane from Turkey.

Southside FCE Club News

Southside FCE met with Becky Lavake on February 27th with Mary Lou Walden, president presiding.

Following roll call (7 present), the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A thank you from Chamber of Commerce of the \$50 donation for the sound system was read.

Cultural Arts Exhibit was discussed. Entries from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. March 14th. Deede/Mary Wayne photography; Mary Wayne ribbon embroidery; Reyna - fabric

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Engelbrechts Celebrate 72 Years Together

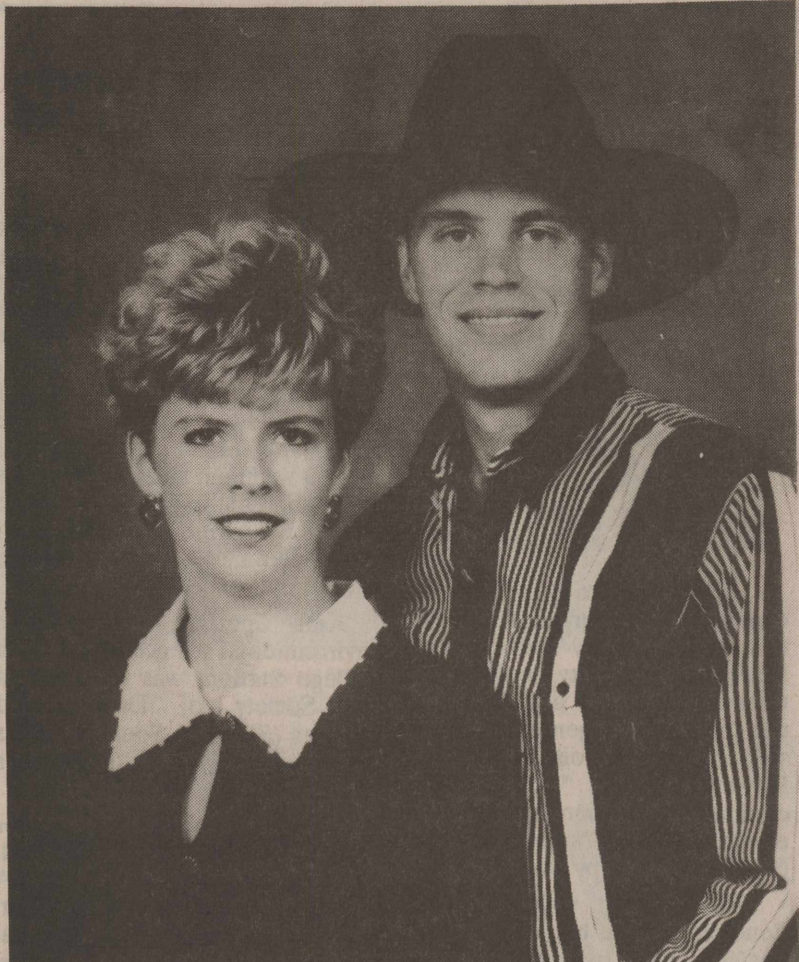
Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Engelbrecht of Amarillo celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary with a family dinner Saturday at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church.

Engelbrecht married the former Mary M. Freund on March 3, 1924 at Andale, Kansas. The couple previously resided in Stratford. They have lived in Amarillo for 49 years.

Engelbrecht is a retired farmer. Mrs. Engelbrecht is a homemaker. The couple belong to St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church and St. Anthony's Auxiliary.

Children of the couple are Marion Gabel and Alvin Engelbrecht, both of Amarillo; and Ronald Engelbrecht of Stratford.

The couple have 13 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.



Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Ron and Gayle Peterson of La Harpe, Illinois announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Gayle, to Bryon Christopher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman and Kerry Borth of Dalhart and the grandson of Mae Borth, Stratford. The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of La Harpe High School, La Harpe Illinois, and a 1993 graduate of Western Illinois University. She is currently self-employed in direct selling with Mary Kay Cosmetics. The prospective bridegroom is a 1989 graduate of Stratford High School and a 1991 graduate of Submarine Fire Control Technician School of the United States Naval Submarine Base, Groton, Connecticut. Petty Officer Borth recently completed a four and a half year tour aboard the USS New York City SSN 696. He is currently serving shore duty at Naval Intermediate Maintenance Facility, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The wedding will take place June 1 in La Harpe, Illinois. The parents of the groom are hosting a reception in the couples honor June 15 at the Dalhart Country Club. The couple will reside in Honolulu.

School Menu

Wed. March 6 - Baked Ham, potato casserole, green beans, salad, rolls, choc. pie, milk.

Thurs. March 7 - Burritos/Chili, spinach, cole slaw, peaches, milk.

Fri. March 8 - Hamburgers, TT, Lettuce/pickles, cinn. rolls, milk.

aplique and jewelry; Jean - fabric decorated shirt and jewelry; Debbie - quilt. Deadline for luncheon reservations is March 12th.

Mary Wayne asked for people to work at District meeting.

Sales - Mary Lou, Deede, Reyna, Jean. Contact Lee (Hereford) and Janet McMahan to work area to sell quilt tickets, drawing for raffle wide campaign to request people to sign a pledge not to watch TV on April 5th that includes violence. A program to help parents select good TV program for children and alternate things to do besides TV.

Club will meet March 12 with Mary Wayne.

Southside FCE Club met in the home of Debbie Ferguson. President Mary Lou Walden called the meeting to order. Roll call was A Gift Solution. Present were Deede Dewees, Dorothy Dewees, Mary Wayne Spurlock, Kristi Walden, Mary Lou Walden, Jean Everett and the hostess Debbie Ferguson.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$661.30.

A thank you note from the agent was read, thanking the club for food items furnished for the concession stand during the Fat Stock Show. A letter from the Chamber of Commerce and the Soil and Water Conservation District was read.

Deede gave the council report.

Picture and tickets were given to members for the quilt raffle.

Kristi moved we give \$50.00 to the Chamber of Commerce to use on the sound system. Deede seconded. Motion carried.

The Soil and Water Conservation people will be invited to give a program on March 1st following council.

Debbie Ferguson discussed the Cultural Arts Exhibit and rules for entry. Entry cards were given to

cleaning out the shed, storage and closet, keep in mind that he Chamber of Commerce will be having their city-county garage sale. This year it will be on Saturday, June 8th. You will be hearing more about this as time goes on.

Also the Imagination Station annual spaghetti dinner is slated for April 21st. Circle your calendar now for coming events.

Have a good week!!



The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents erected a display at the Institute of Personnel Management Conference in Harrowgate, England. It collapsed.



Volunteers for Story Time at the Library held on Wednesdays are from left, Mary Woodford Wisdom, Marsha Wright, Doris Pleyer, Anna Holman, Michele Bishop and Deidee Ziemann.

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative's 45th Annual Membership Meeting...

Wednesday, March 13th
 Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum
 Landline Member & Invited Guest Registration at 11:00 a.m.
 Catered Luncheon by K-Bobs at NOON
 Business Session 1:00 p.m.
 Election of Directors

Informational Booths...

- "SURF THE INTERNET" with XITNET
- "FREE" Glaucoma Check -- High Plains Eye Bank
- "FREE" Blood Pressure Check -- Panhandle Health Services
- When Seconds Count... Call 911 -- Pamela Nielsen PRPC
- Drug Awareness -- Dalhart Police Department
- Safe Place, Inc. -- Becky Rivera, Coordinator
- Sherman County Emergency Management -- Sandy Baskin
- Cellular Information

Kids' Drawing

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Graham Named In Best & Brightest

Emily Graham, 1992 graduate of Stratford High School, was named one of USA Today's USA Collegiate Academic Team with Honorable Mention in February. Graham, a senior at Oklahoma City University, was the only student named from any Oklahoma University. Graham was one of 124 students in all disciplines selected from 1231 entrants. All the students were named because of the optimism and their efforts to make the future brighter for everyone.

Winners were selected from the brightest students in United States colleges and universities, and were recommended by their universities. Of those recommended, 10% were chosen. Selections were based upon the grades, academic honors, community involvement and leadership roles on and off of campus. Also considered was the student's use of their talents beyond the classroom. Graham's beyond campus activities include her work in promoting Girl Scouts and her church activities. She was further cited for her presentations at the Great Plains Honors Council, the National Women's Studies Association Conference and the National Collegiate Honors Council. Her work included research entitled "Is there an Archetypal Female Experience?"

After being named, KOCO television, an ABC affiliate in Oklahoma City, produced a segment about Graham and her accomplishments.

She is the Editor of "The Campus", Oklahoma City University's weekly newspaper. She is a member of the Blue Key National Honor Fraternity, Kappa Phi Christian Women's Service Club, the Society of Professional Journalists, the Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Fraternity and the University Honors Program. This past summer she was an intern for the Amarillo Globe News.

Among the students selected was biochemist Lily Chou of Azusa Pacific University who has studied the benefits of ginseng root as a cancer treatment and Rachel Hall, who was the initiator of AIDS massage therapy programs and was invited to implement the program in Mother Theresa's home for the dying and destitute. Every student selected had made significant efforts to better the land, its people, its environment and its lifestyle.

Emily was the 1992 recipient of the Earl N. and Conrad E. Riffe Memorial Scholarship and is majoring in English and Mass Communications at Oklahoma City University where she will graduate this coming May with a bachelor of arts degree. She is the daughter of Margaret and Gary Graham of Stratford.

Mama-I'll Carry Your Wood For You

Editors Note:

This is a copy of an article Ruby sent in to Capper's Weekly when they asked for articles about special children.

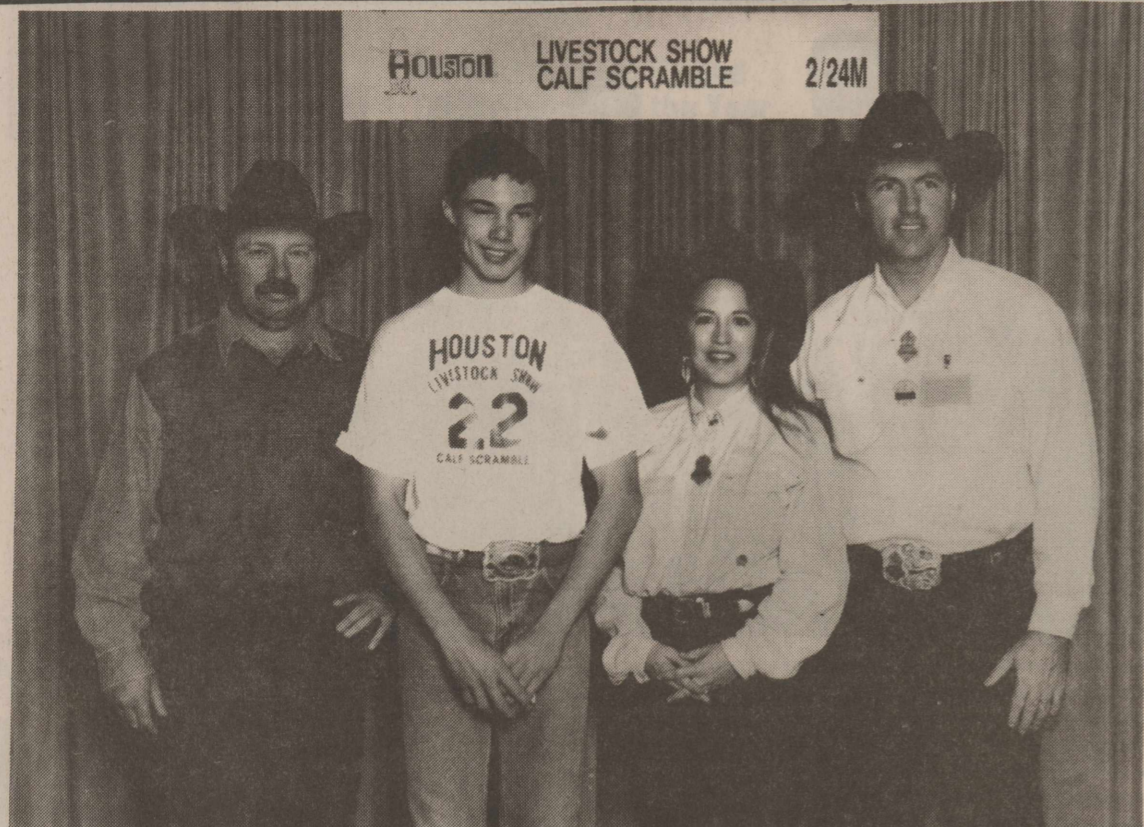
When my adopted daughter was 10 months old, our family moved to Alaska and we were the teachers in an Indian Village. We lived there four years.

My daughter loved to stand at the big window in the kitchen and look out at the activity going on in the village. She especially liked to watch the old grandmothers go on the trail down the river to get firewood. As they came back with a load, they would be leaning forward against the wind, pulling big loads of wood through the snow.

She knew it was dreadfully cold outside and she would say, "Mama, when you get old I'll carry your wood for you."

Years passed, and I grew older. When I reached 73, I found—along with my other Christmas packages—a tree branch with a big red ribbon on it. I thought it was a switch, and asked what I had done to deserve such a big one. My daughter said, "Oh, that isn't a switch. That represents the wood

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Roy Don McCracken was a winner at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Calf Scramble held on February 24, 1996. Shown from left, Randy McCracken - Roy's father, Roy Don, April Wiggins - Donor and Samm Wiggins - Donor.

Local Youth Wrestles A Winner At Houston Rodeo

Houston, TX - February 24, 1996, strength; and determination paid off for Roy Don McCracken, a 4-H student from Stratford, Texas as he successfully maneuvered one of 14 strong-willed calves into the winner's circle during the calf scramble at the February 24 Matinee performance of the 1996 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Roy Don, a student at Stratford Jr. High, received a \$1,000 calf purchase certificate donated by Citi Couries Int. This certificate will be used to purchase a registered beef or dairy heifer.

During the year the follows, Roy Don will groom and feed the animal, maintain extensive financial records and submit monthly reports to the Houston Show official and to his sponsor on the heifer project. In addition, each winner will be required to create a detailed scrapbook highlighting the progress of the heifer during the year and write a 500-word essay about the experience.

Jim Allison, County Extension Agent, will oversee this project offering advice, support and guidance throughout the year.

In 1997, Roy Don will return to the Houston Show for special showing competition with other 1996 calf scramble winners to compete for a variety of special honors.

"Friendly competition, tenacity and resourcefulness create unmatched excitement for the audience and contestants," remarked Robert Norwood, general chairman of the all-volunteer Calf Scramble Committee.

"Since its beginning in 1942, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble program has been one of the most popular events at the rodeo. Almost 14,000 animals worth and estimated \$5 million have been given to the youths of Texas, thanks to the generosity of the calf purchase certificate donors," Norwood added.

The calf scramble is held during each of the 20 rodeo performances which feature world class entertainers, the world's largest livestock show, a horse show and some of the best cowboys in the business.

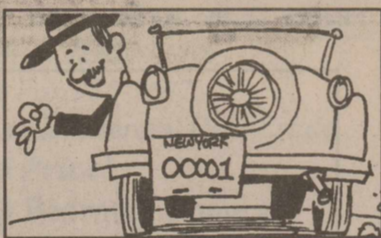
The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, which runs through March 3, supports education and benefits the youth of Texas through programs such as the calf scramble as well as through individual scholarships and endowments to Texas colleges and universities.

In 1996 alone, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo will invest more than \$4 million in Texas students in the form of scholarships, endowments, research grants, other educational projects and various agricultural

programs. Since 1957, the Show has placed almost \$40 million in the hands of more than 11,000 Texas young people to enhance their education.



Orlanda Garoutte and Joyce Ann Lasley manned the gate at the 5th & 6th grade tournaments sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce held this past weekend.



New York was the first state to require the licensing of motor vehicles. The law was adopted in 1901.

All charming people have something to conceal—usually their total dependence on the appreciation of others.
—Cyril Connolly

There are no new truths, but only truths that have not been recognized by those who perceived them without noticing.
—Mary McCarthy

Time is a great teacher but unfortunately it kills all its pupils.
—Berlioz

Many ideas grow better when transplanted into another mind than in the one where they sprang up.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

Fri. March 8: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilting, 7 p.m. games. Spring break begins.

Sat. March 9: SCOT dancers at Hugoton, KS.

Sun. March 10: Coldwater Manor Worship Service/Church of Christ.

Mon. Mar. 11: Spring Break. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilting; 7 p.m. dance practice.

Tues. Mar. 12: Spring Break. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool. Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting 7 p.m. City Hall.

Wed. Mar. 13: Spring Break. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. quilting, ceramics and pool. Coldwater Manor Bible Study/St. Joseph Catholic Church.

As spring begins to approach and you are inclined to be

Chamber Chatter

By J.A. Lasley

And so the old adage goes March came in like a lamb! Hopefully it will go out with a 5 inch rain on this dry and thirsty land.

How about those Elks! They have really been a Cinderella team. They were picked last in our district at the beginning of the season, but proved that tabloids are most often wrong and they did "their way". Congratulations to the Stratford Elks and to the coaching staff.

The Chamber sponsored 5th and 6th grade tournament this past weekend was a great success. We had 18 teams entered. It was a long Thursday evening and Friday and Saturday, as well. We had a good attendance what with teams from Amarillo, Dumas, Boise City, Fritch, Clayton, Guymon and Stratford. It is hard work and the Chamber has many thank yous for people who were generous with ice and boats for the fritto pies, for the folks who volunteered their time to work the clock, keep score, referee, man the gate and work the concession stand. In the long run, it is most gratifying when out of town folks come to you and tell you what a great tournament you have put together, that the food is great and they want to come back. That makes all of the hard work pay off.

Friday morning Kay Aston and yours truly traveled to Greenburg, KS to a Highway 54 Transportation Coalition.

Dignitaries from the States of Kansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico were present and spoke. Kay Aston was our spokesperson. Each of these states do realize that Highway 54 is an intricate passage way from Mexico to the east and Chicago. Each are committed to do what they can to make Highway 54 a four-lane. Each state will have to constantly be a squeaky wheel for their state Congressmen/women. The need is there. The attitude is direct, funding will be the biggest hurdle. It behooves the residents of each state to be that squeaky wheel. A letter or a phone call-a constant reminder of the real importance of a well traveled highway that in the future will be more heavily traveled, that it be safe and well constructed. Your input is important.

Let us look at what this next week of March has to offer:

Wed. March 6: Coldwater Manor Bible Study/Assembly of God. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool, quilting and ceramics.

Thurs. March 7: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool.

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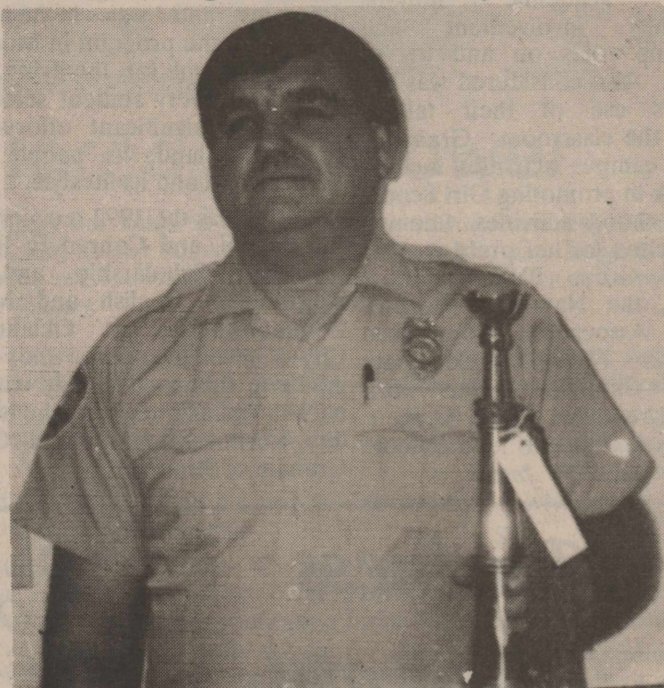
19th Annual Awards Banquet

Stratford Fire Department held its 19th Annual Awards Banquet Saturday, March 2, 1996. A barbecue dinner was prepared and served by Steve and Judy Griffith to fire department members and guests.

Following the meal the awards presentations were made. One year pins were presented to the newest members of the department: Gary Pool, Jade Palmer, Donita Robertson, Carol Osborn, Ricky Garza, David Trevino, Ted Sneed, Chris Hernandez and Lupe Garza. Five year pins were presented to Karen Pulliam and Sandy Williams. A ten year pin was presented to Eugene Griffin. David Davis received a 13 year pin and Jack Gore received a 15 year pin. Johnny Pulliam is a 25 year veteran of the volunteer fire service. He received a 25 year pin and a Volunteer Fire Fighter Belt Buckle. Also presented was the Fire Fighter of the Year Award. This award goes to the member of the department who has achieved the most training hours, run attendance and meeting attendance. The Fire Fighter of the Year for 1995 was Sandy Williams. Fire Chief Eddie Williams was presented a Brass Chief's Bugle for his 14+ years serving as the Chief. This presentation was made by Johnny Pulliam, First Assistant Chief.



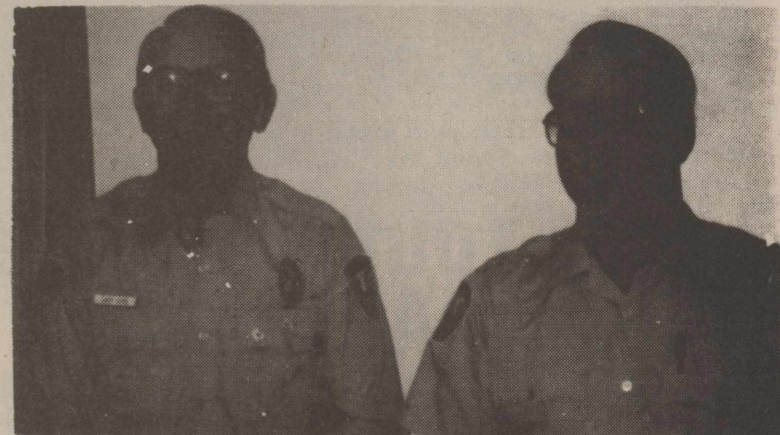
Fire Fighter of the Year - Sandy Williams



Fire Chief Eddie Williams shown with his Brass Chief's Bugle he was presented for 14+ years as Chief.



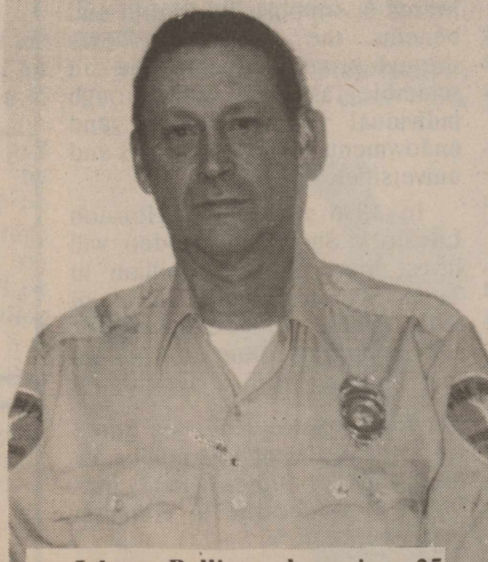
Newest members of the Fire Dept. that received one year pins were from left, Gary Pool, Donita Robertson, Jade Palmer, Carol Osborn, Ricky Garza, David Trevino, Ted Sneed, Chris Hernandez and Lupe Garza.



Jack Gore, left received a 15 year pin and David Davis received a 13 year pin.



Eugene Griffin was presented a 10 year pin.



Johnny Pulliam above, is a 25 year veteran of the volunteer fire dept.



Sandy Williams and Karen Pulliam received 5 year pins at the banquet.

Gardening was something I learned in my youth when I was unhappy. I perhaps owe having become a painter to flowers.
—Claude Monet



The first presidential mansion was at No. 1 Cherry St. in New York City, the first U.S. capital (1789-90).

In our efforts to improve on nature, we are guided by our vision of paradise.
—Marina Schinz

45th Annual Membership Meeting Of XIT Rural Telephone March 13th

The XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled its 45th Annual Membership meeting of its landline telephone customers for Wednesday, March 13th.

The meeting will be held at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum. Landline member and invited guest registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed with a noon luncheon catered by K-Bobs.

Patronage Capital Credit checks for the year 1987 will be handed out to members as they register. The total amount to be refunded will be over five hundred thousand dollars—which represents 89% of 1987's allocation. Those checks not picked up at the meeting will be mailed promptly afterwards.

The informational booths that landline members and invited guests won't want to miss include:

- *Surf The Net at XIT's INTERNET BOOTH-Find answers to many of your questions and information on XIT latest service offering XITNET.
- *FREE* Glaucoma Check-Hi-Plains Eye Bank
- *FREE* Blood Pressure Check-Panhandle Health Services
- * When Seconds Count...Call 911--Panhandle Regional Planning Commission
- *Drug Awareness--Dalhart Police Department
- *Dallam/Hartley Sherman Counties' Juvenile Probation Office
- * Safe Place, Inc.--Becky Rivera, Coordinator
- *Sherman County Emergency Management--Sandy Baskin, Coordinator.

XIT Cellular will also have a booth set up with cellular equipment and handouts. XIT Rural Telephone landline members who have a cellular phone are encouraged to visit this booth with any questions that they might have.

The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the introduction of guests. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door prizes.

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This year, approximately \$2800 worth of door prizes will be given to attending members. There will be four grand prizes awarded: 1-\$300 Cash Prize and 3-\$100 Cash Prizes. There will also be a kids' drawing. This is for members' children or grandchildren who are 12 years or younger. Members are reminded that they must be present to win.

The annual meeting is held in March of each year. The purpose of the meeting is to elect directors for each district—to present for approval the reports for the previous fiscal year and to transact such other business that might come before the meeting.

According to the bylaws, a written notice will be mailed from

the business office not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the meeting. This notice was mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 27th.

A quorum must be present in order for the business meeting to convene. Based upon the total number of the Cooperative's members, fifty members or two percent of the members present, whichever is larger, constitutes a quorum.

The officers and board members are T.F. Baskin, III, President; James Spurlock, Vice President; Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer; James R. Wilson, Glenn Olson, E.H. Little, J.W. McClellan, Jr. and Walter E. Lasley.

On January 30th, the Nominating Committee consisting of Ann Thompson, Kenneth Diller, Marvin Willis, Kenneth Brown, Harry Lunt and A.E. Pronger, Jr. met at the headquarters of XIT Telephone in

Dalhart to submit nominations for three directorships. Nominations for the following districts were: District I-Dallam County--Glenn Olson; District II-Hartley County--James R. Wilson and Joe Billups, and District III-Sherman County--Walter E. Lasley.

Members vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside or the district in which they have telephone service. All members must be present at the annual meeting to vote since no proxy voting is permitted. Either a husband or wife is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but only one vote is allowed per membership.

XIT Rural Telephone needs constant input from its membership in order to provide the best possible service at the lowest price. XIT members need to mark their calendars and plan to attend the 45th Annual meeting of the membership and take an active part in the decision making of their Cooperative.

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Blackjack overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.62. Deuces Wild overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.74. Scratchman overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.79. Must be 18 years or older to play. ©1996 Texas Lottery

Basketball

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15 points each. Oscar Aguilera scored 11 points, Coby Galla, Dusty Stewart and Ross Davis finished with 7 points each.

After winning the Area play-off game against Tahoka, the Elks advanced to Regional play-offs at Abilene Christian University on Friday, March 1st against Cisco where they were defeated 62-48. The Elks played a tough game against the Cisco Lobos, but it just wasn't enough to overpower Cisco's experience and height. The Elks had not seen Regional action since 1976.

Stratford played a strong hard game all four quarters against Cisco. The Elks were down 12-5 late in the first quarter, but came back quickly to take the lead over Cisco 14-12. But Cisco came back and scored to tie the game and then went on take the lead for the remainder of the game. The Elks cut the Lobos lead to within 5 points with a score of 46-41 with just under 5 minutes to play, but were forced to foul which put Cisco at the free throw line to hit six of eight free throws with just two minutes left in the game and giving them the edge and win over Stratford. Leading the Elks in scoring were T.D. Baskin with 16 points, Ross Davis with 9 and Dusty Stewart with 8 points. Others contributing to the score for the Elks were Oscar Aguilera, Brandon Starnes, J.B. Presley and W.G. Lasley.



The Stratford Elks Celebrate their Area Win!



Elks Action at Regional Semi-finals on March 1st.



T.D. Baskin removes the net after winning Area.



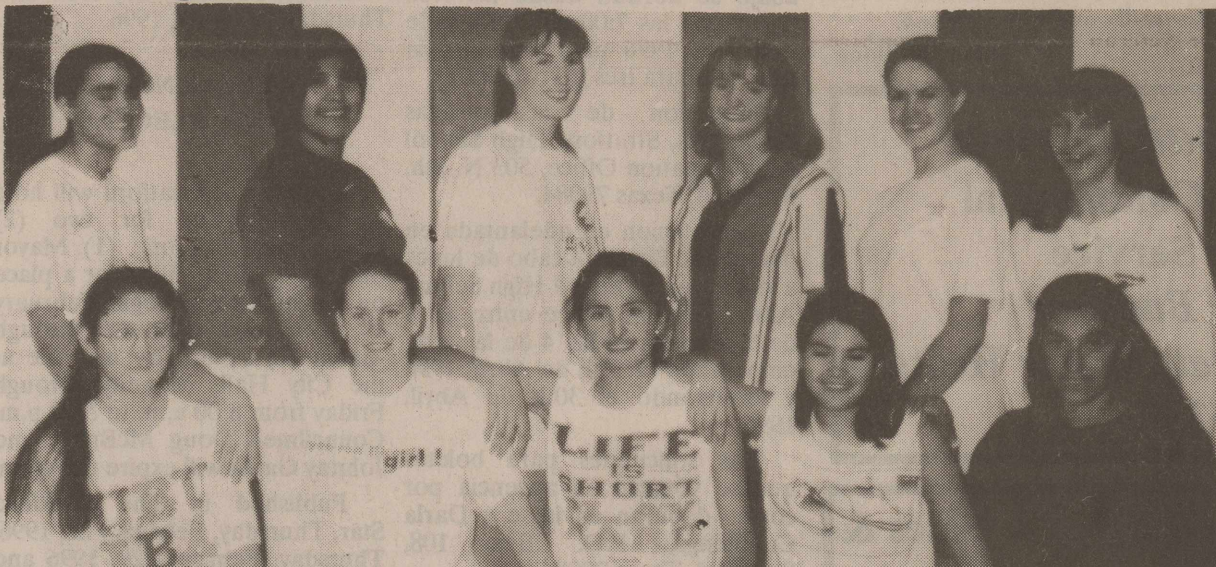
Boys All-District Academic from left, Kyle Ellison, Chris Haynes, Dusty Stewart and T.D. Baskin.



8th Grade District Champs! (bottom from left) Ivonne Hernandez, Viviana Perez, Terri Daniels, Missy Sikora, Keri Wight, Jennifer Oakley, Brenda Ortiz, Edith Jacquez, Megan Roberts. Top from left, Jessica Walton, Jessica Nash, Jessica Lucero, Diana Ortega, Veronica Leyva, Lynz Browning, Carla Bell, Melissa Helton, Christina Chabolla, Crystal Roberts, Trudy Valencia and Amy Smith. Not pictured Oralía Vital, Ginger Crabtree.



Girls All-District Academic from left, Jennifer King, Ashley Stoy, Kelli Wight, Lori Brooks, Keisha Naugle and Jessica Sikora. Next Edition All-District pictures!



J.V. District Champs! Kneeling from left, Annie Ortega, Mandi Bell, Jasmin Sanchez, Odilia Soto, Maggie Acevedo. Standing from left, Cassie Bell, Gloria Aguilera, Megan Baskin, Robin Hart, Ashlie Lasley and Tami Davis.



9th Grade District Champs! Kneeling from left, Carrie Newcomb, Rocia Aguilera, Lacy Thomas, Amy Sladek. Back from left, Joy Burkhalter, Tai Ann Brownlee, Julie Kimball, Lori Young, Hillary Baskin.



7th Grade District Champs! Kneeling from left, Lindsay Sims, Stephanie Reinart, Christina Navarette, Crystal Garza, Thea James, Jessica King, Brenda Aguilera. Standing from left, Amanda Smith, April Whatley, Terra Whetten, Zulema Torres, Shelli McArver, Sara Velasquez, Kara Brownlee.

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION
(ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO REPUBLICANO)

SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS (CONDADO DE SHERMAN, TEXAS)

MARCH 12, 1996 (12 de marzo de 1996)

OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETA OFICIAL)

INSTRUCTION NOTE:
Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. I am a Republican and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year. You may vote for one presidential candidate whose name appears on the ballot by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name or you may vote as uncommitted by placing an "X" in the square beside "Uncommitted". Make only one choice.

(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION:
Vote por el candidato de su preferencia en cada carrera marcando con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato. Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la eleccion primaria o la convencion de algun otro partido politico durante este año electoral. Usted puede votar por un candidato para presidente cuyo nombre aparece en la boleta por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato o usted puede votar como votante no comprometido por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado de las palabras no comprometido. Haga solamente una seleccion.)

Preference for Presidential Nominee
(Preferencia para un candidato nombrado para presidente)

- Charles E. Collins
- Phil Gramm
- Richard G. Lugar
- Susan Ducey
- Lamar Alexander
- Steve Forbes
- Alan L. Keyes
- Morry Taylor
- Mary "France" LeTulle
- Bob Dole
- Patrick J. "Pat" Buchanan
- Uncommitted

United States Senator
(Senador de los Estados Unidos)

- Henry C. (Hank) Grover
- Phil Gramm
- David Young

United States Representative, District 19
(Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 19)

- Larry Combest

Railroad Commissioner
(Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)

- Carole Keeton Rylander
- Robert A. (Bob) Wood

Chief Justice, Supreme Court
(Juez Presidente, Corte Suprema)

- Tom Phillips

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 1)

- John Cornyn

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)

- James A. Baker

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3, Unexpired Term
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 3, Duración Restante del Cargo)

- Greg Abbott

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)

- Susan Baetz Brown
- Glen Beaman
- Jeffrey B. Keck
- Sue Holland
- Janice Law
- Matthew Paul
- James (Daniel) Boone

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 2)

- Ray J. McQuary
- Pat Barber
- Mike Keasler
- Paul Womack
- Brad Wiewel

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3)

- Tom Price
- J. Gary Trichter
- Cheryl A. Johnson
- John Bradley

State Representative, District 88
(Representante Estatal, Distrito Núm. 88)

- Warren Chisum

Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District
(Juez Presidente, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 7)

- John T. Boyd

County Attorney
(Procurador del Condado)

- Kimberly L. Allen

Sheriff
(Sherife)

- Johnny O. Pulliam, Jr.

County Tax Assessor-Collector
(Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del Condado)

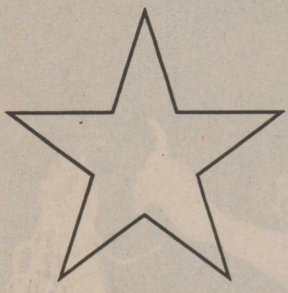
- Valerie A. McAlister

County Chairman
(Presidente del Condado)

_____ (Write-In) (Voto Escrito)

Precinct Chairman, Precinct No. _____
(Presidente del Precincto, Precincto Núm. _____)

_____ (Write-In) (Voto Escrito)



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For Sale

Wedding Shower selections for DeWayne and Jamie Randall Kelley are at Elk Pharmacy. Free delivery to the shower on March 16th.
3-7-2xc

For Sale: Full length green velvet dress. Size 4, Perfect Prom Dress. Only worn once. Call 396-5307 after 4 p.m.
2-15-tfn

New Vitamaster Exerciser bike by Roadmaster \$80.00. Good used Fence chargers. J.D. Smith, 402 S. Maple. 396-2572.
2-29-4xc

25% off Winter Clearance Sale at THE General Store. Walls coversalls and coats, underwear, and winter boots.
2-15-tfn

For Sale: 1993 Ford 1/2 T. XL pickup, low mileage, call Armita at First State Bank 806-396-5521.
2-1-tfn

Pickup for sale: 1995 Chevy Z-71 Ext. cab, 4-wheel drive, low mileage. Call Tim Hudson 948-5202 or Gary Hudson at 396-5916.
3-7-3xc

For Sale: 1988 Regal. See at Brooks Motor or call 396-5684 after 5:00
2-8-tfn

For Sale: 1994 F-150 XLT Extended Cab. Light green, low mileage, good condition. Call 396-5864 leave message.
3-7-1xc

For Sale 2 garage doors with garage door opener. \$300.00 a piece. Good condition, remodeling, do not need anymore. 396-2700.
3-7-3xc

Wedding Shower selections for DeWayne and Jamie Randall Kelley are at THE General Store. Free delivery to the shower on March 16th.
3-7-2xc

For Sale: Tickets to each of last 3 performances of the timed event championship. Lazy E Arena, Guthrie, OK. March 10, 1996. Joe Flores 396-5538 or 396-5389 home.
2-29-2xc

It's not too late to get your crabgrass control from THE General Store. While you're here, check out the monthly specials!
3-7-tfn

Lost and Found

Lost: 3 month old Catahoula puppy - gray with black. No collar. Call 5583 or call 2196 & leave message.
3-7-1xc



In 1616 Ben Jonson became the first playwright to prepare an edition of his own works for publication.

Recycle

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New Hours:
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396-2379

Alcohol Anonymous

And Al-Anon meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at the County Barn

Houses For Sale

Will Trade - 3 Br, 2 bt, brick house for large single or double wide mobile home as partial payment. 619 N. Maple, phone 806-396-5806.
3-7-4xc

House For Sale: 3 bedroom, 1 bath, dining room, garage. Contact Jo June McDaniel at 727-4522 or leave a message.
3-7-p

COUNTRY HOME FOR SALE: (10 miles E of Stratford, Hwy 15) Spacious, 2000 Sqft., 3/3, brick home, 2 car garage, cellar, 300 sqft. shop, 2800 sqft. barn on 2 acres. Mature windbreak, fruit trees, good well, central heat, refrigerated air. NEW: septic system, flooring, roof, exterior, paint, gas/water lines. \$60,000 (36,000 assumable). David White (806) 753-4578 Serious Inquiries only.
3-7-tfn

House for Sale: 2 story home, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, den, North 3rd & Maple. Call 396-5927 or 396-5831.
11-9-tfn

Home for Sale: 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, lots of closet space, corner lot, new paint inside and outside, near school. Ready for immediate occupancy. 1002 N. Maple. For appointment call 1-806-935-2853.
1-11-tfn

House For Sale on 3 corner lots. 3brdm, 2 bath, large living room. Central heat & air. 6 ft. privacy fence. 219 S. Wall. Contact R.J. Hill. 396-2087.
2-22-tfn

Country Home-for sale- by owner- 1/2 Mile South of Spearman-FM 760 Available in July-3 bedroom-3 1/2 bath, sunken living room w/fireplace, balcony & cathedral Ceiling, two story-formal dining room, office-basement-utility, fenced back yard-lots of storage, garage-patio-2 storage bldgs., Central heat and Air-Satellite System-private water well-New Septic System-3334 Total Sq. ft. 806-359-3289. By appointment only-serious inquiries only.
3-7-c

For Sale: 3 BR, 1 bath, basement, 396-2348 after 6 p.m. 401 N. Wall.
1-4-tfn

For Rent

For Rent: One bedroom, furn. apt. 6th and Fulton. 396-5692 night, day 5541 day. 12-21-tfn

Apartment for Rent: All electric, 2 bdms. Call 396-2462.
1-11-tfn

Help Wanted

Nurse Aide Positions are now available at Coldwater Manor. Excellent benefits including health insurance after 90 days. Will provide training for certification. Apply in person at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, TX. EOE.
2-29-3xc

Help Wanted: Truck Driver with CDL. Please call Panhandle Agri-Tech at 396-2618.
3-7-c

Part-time office help needed. Bobby Edmond Horse Sales. Call 396-2880.
3-7-1xc

Garage Sale

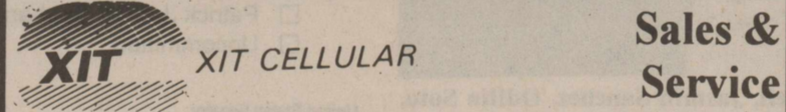
Garage Sale: Kerrick Community Center, Sat. March 9th. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. We're running it again! New items added everyday. Child cassettes and books, 50 piece set stainless steel flatware, 8 piece setting of china, lots more jewelry & clothes.
3-7-1xc

Moving Sale: Starting Mar. 14th - 2 cut velvet couches, excellent condition. \$150 each. 919 N. Chestnut Joy Hester.
3-7-1xp

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508 Fulton	1214 N. Division	502 S. Poplar

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Monday - Friday 396-2270

Evenings 396-2140



Legal Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Stratford I.S.D. will receive bids for asbestos removal in the office of Sam Brite, located in the Administration Building, 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX 79084 at 2 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 1996. Bids must be clearly marked ASBESTOS ABATEMENT - STRATFORD HIGH SCHOOL AND STRATFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL, STRATFORD, TEXAS.

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid not received on time will be returned unopened. Faxed bids are not acceptable.

A 5% bid bond for the highest acceptable bid must accompany each bid. A 100% payment and performance bond will be required by the successful bidder. Both the bid bond and the payment bond shall be written by a Surety Company listed by the United States Department of the Treasury (Federal Register Circular 570) as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and shall hold a B+ or better rating by A. M. Best Co., Oldwick, NJ.

There will be a mandatory walk through the project facilities for all interested bidders. Project specification, including detailed bid requirements, will be provided at that time. The walk through will begin at 3 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, 1996 at the Administration Building, 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX 79084.

For information you may call:

King Consultants
1205 E. 46th Street
Lubbock, TX 79404
806-763-6157

Stratford I.S.D. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids to waive all formalities.

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LEGAL NOTICE CITY ELECTION

The City of Stratford will hold a City Election for two (2) Councilmen and one (1) Mayor on May 4, 1996. Filing for a place on the ballot will begin February 19, 1996 and continue through March 20, 1996. You may file at the City Hall, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Councilmen Doug McBryde and Johnny Garza will expire this term.

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Notice

Stratford Hospital District will hold a director's election on May 4, 1996 to fill three (3) directors' positions. Filing to run in that

election will begin February 19, 1996 and continue through March 20, 1996.

Interested persons may file at Stratford Hospital District administrative offices located at Coldwater Manor, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The terms of Gary Hudson, Kathie Altman and Bonnie Hamilton expire this year. Holdover directors are Jeanie Boggs and Steve Dettle.

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New \$100 Bill Keeps U.S. Ahead of Counterfeiters

(NU) - The first significant visual change in U.S. currency since 1928 begins with the \$100 bill early this year. Other denominations will be redesigned, too — about one each year. The U.S. Treasury Department is adding security features to the new bills to make them vastly more difficult for high-tech counterfeiters to copy.

Those features include left-of-center placement of Benjamin Franklin's portrait, watermark and a polymer security thread embedded in the paper at a different place for other denominations, and color-shifting ink that goes from green to black when tilted in the light. Copy machines can't reproduce the color.

To the Registered Voters of Stratford Hospital District, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 1996, for voting in a directors' election, to elect three (3) directors.

Location of polling places are Stratford High School Administration Office, 503 N. 8th, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Stratford High School Administration Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Darla Cummings, P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas, 79084.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 28, 1996.

Issued this the 12th day of February, 1996.

Jeanie Boggs

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AVISO DE ELECCION DIRECTORES

A los votantes registrados del Stratford Distrito de Hospital. Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4th de Mayo de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para tres (3) directores.

Direccion de las casillas electorales, Stratford High School Administration Office, 503 N. 8th, Stratford, Texas 79084.

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Stratford High School Administration Office entre las 8 de la mañana ya las 4 de la tarde empezando el 15th de Abril, 1996 y terminando el 30th de Abril, 1996.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a Darla Cummings, P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el Abril 28, 1996.

Emitada este dia 12 de Febrero, 1996.

Jeanie Boggs

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: ACP OVERLAY, WORK ZONE PAVEMENT MARKINGS on highway (s) US 287 in SHERMAN County (ies). Contract Number 046XXM0015 will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at: 57515 CANYON DR., ATT: JOYCE DAVIS, Amarillo, Texas Until 02:00 P.M.; TUESDAY; MARCH 19, 1996 Then publicly opened and read.

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals for the High School and Elementary School HVAC Renovations for Stratford Independent School District, will be received on or before 2:00 p.m., March 19, 1996. At this time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received late will be returned unopened to the bidder. Faxed bids will not be acceptable. The pre-bid walk-through will be held March 12, 1996 at 3:00 p.m. at the jobsite.

The following sub-bids will be received:

Mechanical
Electrical
Acoustical Ceilings

Bids shall be addressed to: Mr. Sam Britte

Stratford Independent School District
P.O. Box 218
Stratford, Texas 79084.

Each bid shall be marked on the lower left hand corner with the words "BID ENCLOSED-HIGH SCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HVAC RENOVATION"

BID SECURITY: Bids \$25,000.00 or more shall include bid security evidence by a bid bond written by a company licensed by the State of Texas or a cashier check. The bid security shall be five percent of the maximum amount of the bid. The bidder shall hold his price for thirty days.

PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS: Within ten days after the contract is awarded, the successful bidder shall furnish payment and performance bonds to the owner for 100% of the contract price, if the contract is \$25,000.00 or more. The bond shall be from a "B+" rated company.

CONSTRUCTION METHOD: Construction on this project will be contracted for and performed under a system of construction management wherein the owner contracts directly with various Contractors for the performance of various portions of work.

Plans and specifications are available from the construction manager for a \$100.00 refundable deposit. The plans and specifications can be examined at the Dodge Plan Rooms, Lubbock and Amarillo, Texas and AGC, Lubbock and Amarillo, Texas.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-Quicksilver Construction

1205 E. 46th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79404
806-763-6175.

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NO. 1948

ESTATE OF ZORA JUNE SANDERS, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ZORA JUNE SANDERS, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of ZORA JUNE SANDERS were issued on February 21, 1996, in Cause No. 1948, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to EDWIN LENORD SANDERS.

The address of such Executor is P.O. Box 111, Stratford, TX 79084.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED February 21, 1996.

Louis T. Dubuque
Professional Corporation
P.O. Box 1085
Dumas, Texas 79029
806-935-6451
Fax 806-935-5611
Attorney for Applicant
Louis T. Dubuque
State Bar No. 06154000

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals for construction of 42,810 SY of Sealcoat for the City of Stratford will be received at the office of City Manager until March 21, 1996 at 10:00 a.m.—and then publicly opened and read.

All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check written upon a national or state bank in the amount of five (5%) per cent of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the City of Stratford or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute a performance bond within ten days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered. Bids not exceeding \$25,000 will not require a performance bond.

The attention of bidder is called to the special provisions concerning minimum wage rates and hours of employment included in House Bill No. 115 of the Forty-fourth Legislature to the State of Texas. Compliance with the above wage and hour bill is required. Further, the bidder agrees to abide by the requirements under Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, including specifically the provisions of the equal opportunity clause.

The low bidder shall supply the right to y any or all bids, to waive informalities and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the City. All bids received after the above closing hour will be returned unopened.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of Glover and Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 977, Dumas, TX 79029 on deposit of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per set, which sum so deposited a total of Forty (\$40.00) Dollars will be refunded, provided: (1) All documents are returned in good condition to Glover and Associates, Inc., 48 hours after the bid date; or (2) The Contractor submits a bid and all documents are returned in good condition to Glover and Associates, Inc., not later than five days after the time that bids are received.

City of Stratford by
Johnny Garza, Mayor Pro-Tem.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Clerk of the Court, M.L. Albert, P.O. Box 270, Stratford, Texas

Petitioner's Attorney or
Petitioner, Rick L. Russwurm, P.O. Box 718, Dumas, Texas 79029.

The State of Texas

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition a default judgement may be taken against you."

RUTH L. PIERCE,
UNKNOWN HEIRS, PERSONS,
SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS,
GREETING.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 15th day of April, 1996, before the Honorable District Court of Sherman County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Stratford, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 29th day of February, 1996, in this case numbered 4112 on the docket of said court, and styled, ALFRED OCHOA AND KAY OCHOA, Plaintiff, vs. RUTH L. PIERCE, UNKNOWN HEIRS, PERSONS, SUCCESSORS and ASSIGNS, Decedent.

A Brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests that DEFENDANT be cited to appear and to answer and that upon final trial, PLAINTIFF

have:

1. Judgment for title to and possession of the real property which is the subject matter of this suit. This parcel of real property is more particularly described as follows: All of Lot ONE (1), TWO (2), THREE (3), FOUR (4) and FIVE (5) Block FORTY-TWO (42), Original Town of Texhoma, Sherman County, Texas, as shown and designated on the official map or plat of said Addition, recorded in the Deed Records of Sherman County, Texas.

2. Damages including prejudgment interest as provided by law.

3. Costs of suit.

4. Reasonable attorney's fees in the sum of \$10,000.00

5. Reasonable attorney's fees in the sum of \$5,000.00 in the event of appeal to the Court of Appeals.

6. Reasonable attorney's fees in the sum of \$5,000.00 in the event of appeal to the Supreme Court.

7. Post-judgment interest as provided by law from date of judgment until paid.

8. Such other and further relief to which Plaintiff's may be justly entitled.

as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Stratford, Texas, this the 1st, day of March, 1996.

Attest: M.L. Albert, Clerk
District Court, Sherman County

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NO. 1942

ESTATE OF ODELL NOLEN PUGH, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ODELL NOLEN PUGH, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of ODELL NOLEN PUGH, were issued on December 20, 1995, in Cause No. 1942, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to GOLDIE PUGH.

The mailing address of such Applicant is Box 328, Texhoma, OK 73949.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED: February 26, 1996.

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Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily, this is not difficult.

—Charlotte Whitton



Cinderella's slipper, many scholars believe, was made of fur, not glass. The word "verre" or "glass," they claim, was incorrectly substituted in early versions of the story for the word "vaire," which is French for fur.



A human being sheds skin continually, replacing it with an entire new outer layer once every 28 days.



Construction has been under way since last Monday on the railroad crossing on Main Street. This should be finished soon.



Oklahoma Panhandle State University students will be student teaching this semester in various Texas School systems. These students and the towns they will be teaching include, l to r (front) Tina Duke, Stratford; Jim Bob Hulsey, Perryton; and Shanda Davis, Stratford; (back) Gayle Cox, Stinnett (West Texas Elementary); Mary Ann Moore, Stratford; Jeannie Kibby, Hartley; and Kathy Gillispie, Gruver. (Photo courtesy of OPSU)

Cards of Thanks

I want to thank everyone who called, came to see me, sent cards and food while I was in the hospital and since I came home. I want to thank Gary Palmer for bringing Linda to the hospital and hauling me home. And for Randy, Mary Pat and Brad being at the house to help me up the stairs and in the house, and to Harold Oquin and David Harker for coming to the hospital the next morning to check on me and pray for me. God can cure all things and with his and David's help I am on the road to recovery. I also appreciate Linda's Uncle Elmer and Aunt Charlene for bringing Linda back and forth to the hospital. Special thanks to Alton and Juanita Gross for all the time and concern they spent on me. Alton will be taking me to Amarillo Thursday to see the Doctor. My right hand man always in time of need is Roger Jeffries, anything anytime he does it for me, I couldn't get along without him.

Ken Forthman

I would like to thank the EMT's for taking such good care of me on the road to Amarillo. Thank you to everyone who sent flowers, cards, their prayers, and their visits while I was in the hospital and since my return home. Thank you also to Zola Mae Aduddell for all her help when I couldn't help myself and to Jerry Stewart and David Harker for their visits.

God Bless Stratford
Margie Bryson

I want to thank everyone involved who helped me when I fell off the ladder in my back yard. Police Chief Mike Hare and my neighbors the Simm's and Dean's and others helped make me comfortable while the ambulance was enroute. The E.M.T.'s, Jeannie Bell, Kenneth Bumpas, Jim Lanning and Felix Soenz arrived swiftly and were so gentle and kind. I was in so much pain I was about to pass out. They all done such an excellent job of loading me in the ambulance and hauling me to Amarillo. Jeannie Bell is an excellent driver, she missed every other bump. Kenneth Bumpas checked me from head to foot all the way to the hospital. This guy is a real pro in my opinion. I also want to thank Cindy Crabtree she was in the E.R. at the hospital. It was nice to see a friendly helpful face. I also want to thank my sister in law Lana for being there for me and Linda. Most importantly I am so thankful to my wife Linda. She is my Guardian Angel. I pray to God in heaven that everyone involved in my ordeal will be richly blessed and rewarded for their kind and giving nature.

Ken Forthman

Bob Pendleton Celebrates 104 Years On This Earth

Editors Note: This interview was taken with Mr. Pendleton and also some came from God Grass and Grit. We hope you enjoy reading about Stratford's Oldest living resident. We certainly enjoyed our visit with Bob.

Bob Pendleton was 104 years young on Friday, March 1, 1996. He was born in 1892. He had many family members and friends help him celebrate over the weekend.

Bob said in our interview he guessed he had lived so long because he took good care of himself and always enjoyed what he was doing. He knew a lot of people in his lifetime and enjoyed visiting with everybody. He said he did not enjoy any part of his life more than others, just enjoyed it all.

Bob came to Stratford in 1901 when his father leased a 20 section Ranch 10 miles West of Stratford.

Bob grew up in an atmosphere of cowboy and horse wrangling. In his younger days, he spent his summers and weekends on the ranch. There were 10 children in his family and he was the 6th child. Brothers and sisters were David, Bessie, Royal, George, Mary, Fay, Fern, Olive and Velma. Bob's father was E. G. Pendleton and his mother was Kittie Elliott Pendleton.

Bob graduated from high school in 1908 in the 2nd graduating class of SHS. In the fall of 1909 he entered Texas A&M college and studied Civil Engineering for two years. In 1913, he accepted a position in Citizens Exchange Bank of Troy, Texas and was there for two years. He enjoyed Banking, but could not get Rancing out of his head. So in 1915 he came back to Stratford and started feeding a bunch of cattle.

When World War 1 started, several Stratford boys enlisted in a Home Company at Dalhart, Texas but they failed to become federalized and most of them gradually enlisted in the military service. In May, 1918, Peach Smith and J.R. Pendleton enlisted and were sent to Camp Lee, Virginia. The army doctors rejected both of them but Bob stayed for a hernia operation and worked in the mustering office at Camp Lee until he could take an overseas examination. He then made application and was accepted for Officers' Training School for Field Artillery in Camp Taylor, Kentucky. He was at Camp

Taylor when the Armistice was signed and was discharged from military service on December 3, 1918.

On November 4, 1920, J.R. Pendleton and Bernice Lee of Hutchinson, Kansas, were united in marriage. To this union, two children were born. A boy, William Lee Pendleton who was born September 11, 1921 and a girl, Mildred Louise Pendleton born January 23, 1923. In the summer of 1923, the Bob Pendleton family moved to Troy, Texas and again Bob worked in the Citizens Exchange Bank. Then in late fall, he was transferred to the Lubbock National Bank of Lubbock. The second year after J.R. Pendleton started with the Lubbock National Bank he was made cashier and held that position until he moved back to Stratford in 1928. Mr. Pendleton was County and District Clerk from 1930-1934 and from 1938 until 1942.

Bernice Lee Pendleton passed away on June 28, 1935. On January 20, 1941, J.R. Pendleton and Mildred Jackson were united in marriage. They lived together for 31 years, helping to raise and perhaps helping to spoil seven grandchildren and on March 4, 1972, Mildred died.

On October 13, 1973 Bob married Ruth Maedgen. She died in 1994. Bob moved to Stratford to live at Coldwater Manor in 1990.

I'll Carry

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that I will carry for you from now on!"

This was not an empty promise, I am now 77 and have difficulty walking. Although she lives 50 miles away, she calls daily to check on me, she shops for my clothes and she comes home at least three times a month to do the things that I can no longer bend or reach to do.

She is thoughtful, kind and generous and everyone loves her. The Lord truly blessed me when Ha gave me my special California CHILD.

(The "special child" in the above story is Fredonia Graves, the daughter of Ruby Bryant Graves and Spencer Graves. Spencer was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graves who resided in Stratford from the late 1920's to 1936. Mr. Graves was the editor of the Stratford Star. Ruby and Spencer graduated from Stratford High School in 1936 and some of their fellow students and friends are still in Stratford.)

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