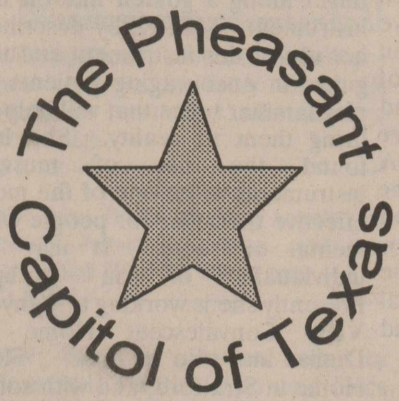


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Trivia Question This Week is- What is the southernmost town in Texas?



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Blood Drive

Blood Drive - March 18th from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn.

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.

Fair and Jamboree Theme?

Sherman County Fair and Jamboree Board and any interested persons will meet Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Exhibit Building 1.

Plans will begin for 1996 Fair and Jamboree held Sept. 5, 6, 7, & 8. Fair and Parade theme will be considered. Anyone having a suggestion for a theme or improvements for the celebration may attend or should give suggestions to Keri Knight at Stratford Grain or Stratford Chamber of Commerce.

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 crimestopper will return your call.

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

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.

Wilma Camerons Address

Correction: Wilma Lee Cameron was not in High Plains Baptist in Amarillo, but has been in Memorial Hospital & Medical Center in Midland, Rm. 490 after having surgery. If you would like to write to Wilma, you may do so at her son David Cameron's address: David Cameron, 2804 Haynes, Midland, TX., 79705.



Training Held At Museum

Some of those attending the training last week at the museum were: (from left) Joyce Hart, Arthur Judd, Helen Judd, Andi Gwyn, Luzelle Lowe and Millie Hacker.

Andi Gwyn of the Panhandle Museum Resource Sharing Consortium at Canyon has spent the past week at the Depot Museum teaching a training course for the volunteers and board. This training was made possible through a Technical Assistance Grant awarded the museum by the Institute of Museum Services, a Federal agency serving the nations museums. The Panhandle received 10 of the 35 grants awarded nationwide. This brought \$37,476 to our regional

museums. The funding pays for the training and supplies used. It also pays for supplies for the museum to use to implement the training. Our local museum choose the fields of study which this year included Forms, Cataloging, Marking, Housing and Storage, and Inventories. The instructed, Andi Gwyn, is a graduate of the Museum Studies program at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Her focus in this program was collections management and

administration. She is currently Coordinator of the Panhandle Museum Resource Sharing Consortium.

With all these activities, we're excited about the future of your museum. We'll be calling on our volunteers and others to help us do some of these things in the next few months. We have new displays up and are expecting you! Come visit your museum!



Proclamation Signed

County Judge Bill Fesler signed a Proclamation on Monday, March 11 declaring March 10 - March 16 Hire The Older Worker Week. Shown with Bill from left, Jack Gore, Dorothy Robbins, Millie Hacker and Helen Judd. Each year Green Thumb promotes Hire the Older Week which spotlights our senior work force and the contributions they bring to the labor market and encourages employers to profit from their skills, abilities, and experience.

March 20 Deadline For School Signup

The Stratford Ind. School District will hold a school board election on May 4, 1996. Filing for a position will continue through March 20, 1996. Because of Spring Break you will be able to file at the Sherman County Appraisal District office from

March 11 through the 15. Sign up will continue at the Superintendent's office March 18 through the 20th. 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, Frank Vaughn and Suzanne Ashley have filed for a board position.

Beautiful Music Comes To Stratford

Approximately 115 people enjoyed a wonderful concert by the Amarillo Symphony Randel Chamber Orchestra on Saturday, March 2nd in the Stratford High School Auditorium. Viols, violas, and cellos filled the auditorium with the music of Mozart, Dvorak, and others under the direction of James Setapen.

The Imagination Station Board of Trustees estimated that at least 30% of concert-goers came from the neighboring towns of Texhoma, Boise City, Goodwell, Guymon, Dalhart, Dumas, and even Amarillo! Many youth were there as well. Everyone thought it was great to be attending a symphony concert in Stratford, Texas.

Prior to the concert, over 40 people met conductor James Setapen and members of the orchestra in the High School cafeteria. A light buffet featuring carved ham, roast beef, assorted breads and cheeses, vegetable trays, and chocolate-dipped cookies was served by the Imagination Station Board.

Give Blood March 18

We are all aware that before someone can receive blood, someone special must give blood. Stratford blood donors have always shared in this special Community Blood Drive.

In order to keep a safe, reliable blood supply for the Panhandle, Stratford along with Coffee Memorial Blood Center would like to invite you to join them for the Blood Drive on Monday, March 18th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the County Barn.

This is your opportunity to help the Community by being a volunteer blood donor. The success of these blood drives depends on your participation. Please give this matter your most serious and immediate attention.

Your blood donation is a vital part of your Community's Lifeblood.

Remember, If You Don't Give, Who Will? Give Blood, Get Cookies! st-juu ment until

St. Patrick's Day
March 17th

SISD Receives Safety Award

Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 7, 1996 with all members present.

Minutes were read and approved for the Feb. 12 meeting and the Feb. 21 meeting, and current bills were approved for payment.

Board of Trustee election was approved for May 4, 1996. Election Judge Max Stephenson was appointed with clerks being Darla Cummings, Penny Boyd, and Sue Hudson. With spring break being March 11-15, trustee sign-up may be accomplished at the Appraisal District Office by Ellen Tillery or Kathy Bonds.

In other business, Jim Taliaferro, Middle School Principal made a presentation regarding technology equipment for the middle school library. The Board approved the purchase of the equipment.

After an executive session to discuss personnel, the Board approved hiring the 1996-97 faculty as presented by the respective principals, subject to assignment. The Board Members also cast individual secret ballots for one director to serve on the Region XVI Board of Directors.

Sam Brite, Superintendent of Schools, presented his report on the school's recognition as being one of the five schools chosen (out of 21 schools) to receive a Safety Achievement Award. Mr. Brite also gave his report on tax collections, athletic report, and his report on the progress of the heating and air conditioning bids.

Mr. Vernon Paul's moving date was discussed. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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

Well as many of you may already know, I lost my one and only sister this past Sunday night. Due to that fact, the Star office will be closed until Monday, March 18th. Sandy Williams may be contacted at 396-5330 if you can not wait until then. Thank you and we appreciate this at this time. Thanks again.

Please leave your answer to the Trivia Question on the Answering machine and if correct, we will put your name in for the monthly drawing. Thank you.

Direct Mail Program Now Available

The American Cancer Society is making it more convenient for everyone to contribute to the fight against cancer. While some people prefer to give money through appeals and special events, many prefer the convenience of being contacted by mail, according to a recent Gallup survey.

The survey indicated that 23 percent of Americans prefer a request for funds through the mail. The American Cancer Society is making that option available, and continuing its emphasis on community-based fundraising programs. In 1994, more than 30,000 Texans chose to help the fight against cancer by contributing over \$1 million to the American Cancer Society, giving many people the opportunity to donate who otherwise may not have.

"Our direct mail program is an effective fundraising method in this area," stated Joyce McBryde, Chairman of the Stratford/Sherman Unit Board of Directors. "However, as the American Cancer Society continues to research new methods for cancer prevention and treatment, we must also explore additional ways of funding this important work at local level. This spring, we hope to include the whole community in the second annual March of Dimes Against Cancer in Stratford.

Money raised by the American Cancer Society helps cancer patients and their families. Last year, over 40,000 cancer patients of all ages were helped by the Society's programs that are provided through local volunteers in every Texas community. These services include transportation, home equipment, and information and guidance for patients and their families.

Thanks to contributions from the public, the Society has invested more than \$1.50 billion in cancer research and provided grant support to 27 Nobel Prize winners. Last year, researchers at Texas medical institutions received 93 new grants for cancer research totaling over \$8 million from the American Cancer Society.

The American Cancer Society is a leader. Established in 1913, there are now more than 300 local Units, with boards of directors that help raise money and provide the services and programs. Thanks to these volunteers, 200,000 of them in Texas, almost 84 percent of the money contributed by the public is used for research, patient services and educational program. This means only 16 percent goes into fundraising and administration.

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Obituaries

N.G. Ryals

Wolfforth (Special) - Services for N.G. "Pete" Ryals, 76, of Wolfforth were held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 1 in First Baptist Church in Wolfforth with the Rev. Mark McMillan, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Ryals died Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996, in Methodist Hospital.

He was born Sept. 23, 1919, in Everton, Ark. He married Della Jones on May 14, 1955, in Western Grove, Ark. He moved to West Texas from Stratford. He moved to Wolfforth in 1968. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Wolfforth, and he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He farmed in Hockley County near Ropesville, and he owned the Purina Feed Store. He was serving as the City of Wolfforth Magistrate Judge.

Survivors include his wife; a sister, Iva Williams of Harrison, Ark.; two brothers, Alvin Ryals of Wolfforth and Raymond Smith of Everton, Ark.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite church.

Editors Note: This was sent to Mae Plunk from Dr. Stanley Ullom of Lubbock.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service.

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If you have questions about the American Cancer Society, or you would like to request information about services available in Sherman County, please call Patient Services Chairman, Sue Hudson, at 806-396-5916 or call the American Cancer Society Hotline at 1-800-ACS-2345 from anywhere in Texas. If you have cancer, we have help. If not, you can help.

Enrique Hernandez

Enrique Hernandez, 70, of Amarillo, died Sunday, March 3, 1996.

Vigil services were held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel, 2820 Virginia Circle. Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 6 in St. Laurence Cathedral with the Rev. Pat Hoffman, pastor, officiating. Burial was held in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Hernandez was born in Mexico and had lived in Amarillo for six months. He married Silvina Rodriguez in 1943 in Mexico. He had been a farmer and was a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Martin Hernandez, Dario Hernandez and Pedro Hernandez, all of Amarillo; two daughters, Catalina Hernandez and Carmella Hernandez, both of workers to dive into the wonders of the ocean and coastal environments. Under a special training program, jointly developed by the Texas 4-H Youth Program and the Texas A&M Marine Advisory Service, 6th through 8th grade teachers, 4-H/Extension agents and 4-H adult leaders are to be targeted in a special effort to introduce them to the new 4-H marine science materials now under development.



The first adhesive postage stamps went on sale July 1, 1847.

Love's like the measles—all the worse when it comes in late in life.

—Douglas Jerrold

Scot News

By Jack Gore

This week has been proclaimed as the week to hire the older worker week and SCOT Hall has done their part.

Due to the fact that Dorothy will be taking a few days off, the office will be closed from March 14 through March 20.

If you need anything call me at 2281 during this time.

I will be doing minor repairs and cleaning around SCOT Hall this week. If you have some ideas or areas that need work, let me know. Jack.

Training Program To Be Held

Coming this summer is the rare opportunity for eager educators and select youth development and workers to dive into the wonders of the ocean and coastal environments. Under a special training program, jointly developed by the Texas 4-H Youth Program and the Texas A&M Marine Advisory Service, 6th through 8th grade teachers, 4-H/Extension agents and 4-H adult leaders are to be targeted in a special effort to introduce them to the new 4-H marine science materials now under development.

Participants will gather in Palacios - "City By The Sea" for one and one-half days of hands-on training at the bayfront campus of

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Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship Applications Available

The Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart will award the tenth annual Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship to two deserving graduating high school seniors. The scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500.00 each to be paid \$250 for each semester. The applications have been mailed to area counselors in the Association's territory of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore counties. Applications are also available by calling the FLBA office at 249-2616 and should be returned to the office at 201 West 5th no later than Wednesday, April 3rd. The scholarship will be awarded during the Annual Stockholders Meeting to be held Thursday, April 11th.

The eligibility requirements for the scholarship are as follows: 1. A resident of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman or Moore Counties of Texas; 2. A "B" average or (80 or above); 3. A well rounded student with a good attitude.

There are no restrictions on the college or university to be attended by the recipient or the field of study to be entered by the recipient.

The award is named in honor of Burke Bell who served as manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart from 1960-1982.

TRTA Meets

Members attending the February meeting of the Texas Retired Teachers Association were treated to a program on "Music Therapy" presented by Mrs. Wynelle Phillips Kirby. Mrs. Kirby first demonstrated the omnichord, a computer controlled musical instrument, which she uses in her music therapy for alzheimers patients. She asked several members to play familiar songs by simply passing their finger along a golden line on the instrument. Mrs. Kirby described her use of this instrument and the guitar in encouraging patients to play familiar tunes that will help to bring them to reality. She has found the use of musical instruments to be one of the most effective therapies for people with mental disorders. It may be individually or in groups. Presently she is working at Canyon View Convalescent Home in Dumas and also in the Rest Home in Stratford, and with some individual private patients in this area. She is also attending classes at WTAMU in music therapy.

President, Lois Gossett, welcomed members and guests. Reverend Burr Morris, retired Presbyterian minister, offered the prayer. Frances Wardlaw, secretary, read the minutes of the December meeting (no meeting was held in January) which were approved. Nancy Woods, treasurer, gave the financial report. Gossett thanked the members for sending in their volunteer hours reports for 1995; 1200 hours were reported. Mildred Bosler and Mary Jo Ondracek should be

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INDIVIDUALS WITH MS

If you have a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis and are interested in filling out a research survey about your experiences with MS, please contact:

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Timi's Tidbits
By Timmie Brown



Happy Day to you Sherman County Old Timers and Readers this balmy Monday morning, March 11, 1996. We made no attempt to read the weather report this a.m. because the tang and smell of the air is so wonderful to breathe that we didn't want any forecast to spoil our sensuous enjoyment of things as they are. The snow is melted. It left the walks covered with sand/grit that will have to be washed off.

We trust everyone is enjoying Spring Break. Since it is the time to think of gardening, maybe the "yen to stir the soil" will cause a little dirt digging (if the ground is not too hard).

Be sure to read the lovely article that Ruby Bryant Graves wrote to her adopted daughter. It will remind O.T.'s of a time when the late Frank Graves was editor of the Stratford Star. O.T.'s were much younger then. (The article is found on pg. 5 of the March 7, 1996 Star issue and is entitled "Mama - I'll Carry Your Wood For You.")

Thanks to Luella Johnson for reading the Baptist Standard we are able to bring the following item to readers:

A Peruvian plane crash took the life of Southern Baptist missionary Lynn Davidson Feb. 29. Davidson, 42, was last identified in Lima, Peru, boarding a Faucett Airlines flight home to Arequipa, Peru, from a church growth strategy meeting. The plane crashed in a remote Andean mountain canyon shortly before its scheduled landing in Arequipa. Davidson of Santa Fe, NM and her husband, Dennis, were

appointed missionaries to Peru in 1987. They have lived in Arequipa since 1992, and he is a church starter. They have three children, Charis, 11; Cassia, 8; and Rannon, 4.

The late Lynn Davidson is the daughter-in-law of Sammie Lou and Claude Davidson. Sammie Lou is the daughter of the late Sam Lasley, Sr. and Sarah Lee Lasley. Sam, Sr. is the son of the late Pioneer Orr Lasley. Dennis Davidson is the son of Claude and Sammie Lou Davidson and a fourth generation grandson of Orr Lasley.

Timi and Lorelyn H. Powers spent Friday, March 8 in Amarillo combining business and pleasure. We called at the H. L. Hailes apartment and found them gone. We drove out to the site of their new house in Windridge Addition, Sterling Street.

In Dumas we met and visited with the Lloyd Cronovers and the Chuck Chamberlains. Our visiting was a casual meeting in the stores BUT it was good, anyway.

What would people do without telephones? We were in touch with Ada Wre Foster and learned that she has had a stint in the hospital but is on the mend, at present. The Fosters' long time friends, the George Allens, visited Ada at the hospital. We recall that George played basketball at Tech under Pete Cauthorn. O', memories. By telephone visit #2 with Hilma Cleveland we learned that the Brown girls, Hazel, Helen and Hilma, are faring very well and will be moving into new living quarters soon. Helen has had a health problem but is recovering nicely. Her daughter, Dixie Dickerson, is not so well healthwise at present. Jim Taylor was a member of Hilma's graduating class. She sends her condolences to Helena and Taylor families. The Fosters also sent loving remembrances to the Taylors. S.C.O.T. ties are precious and sympathetic!!

Another old timers' story follows:

50 Years In Stratford
Mr. & Mrs. H. L. McMahan (Curly and Alma Lee) moved to Stratford on March 1st, 1946 with their youngest daughter Jeanette. Marty joined the family after completing the 7th grade in Amarillo.

They opened McMahan Furniture and Alma Lee's Beauty Shop at Highway 54 and Main on April 26, 1946 where they also had a filling station.

In 1947, Mr. & Mrs. D.D. Woodall, Alma Lee's parents affectionately known as Mama and Papa, moved to Stratford where he worked in the furniture store and she did dressmaking.

The furniture store to moved to north third street in April 1948 when a partnership was formed with Les Parker. D.D. Woodall worked in the furniture store until he became ill. He passed away in 1960 and Mama passed away in 1975.

Marty married Phillip Bain, August 10, 1951. They had four daughters; Lynda, Kristi, Karen and Areace (Kristi passed away Aug. 1965). They had 4 granddaughters Lindsay Stein, 8; and Kelsy Stein, 6 who live here and go to school.

Sydney and Lauren Jones live in Lubbock. They are 7 and 3.

Jeanette married Elwood Gillis June 3rd, 1956. The live in Lamar, CO. They have two girls, Jayme and Sharon. They have four grand children.

Jayme and Jim Greenfield have Logan, 12 and Lacey, 9 and Larson, 5.

Sharon and Lance Wilson have one son, Taylor, 3.

Curley passed away in 1984. Alma Lee has lived at 712 N. Maple for 48 years.

Word of the death of editor Marty Robertson's sister, JoAnn has come to Stratford this morning. JoAnn has not been well for some time. The community grieves with you, Marty. Blessings on you, Amen.

The death of "Minnie Pearl" and George Burns closes the era of good, clean comedy for O.T.'s, doesn't?

The sky is slightly and softly blanketed with clouds. Maybe the day will be a special one to cheer our peers with shoulder pats and loving encouragement!

Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

George and Claudine Allen attended the basketball game at Texas Tech Saturday, March 2nd. Lynn Allen and Kathy Griffin, Amarillo, were with them for the game and all attended the Lettermen's Day reception. Some 100 former lettermen, including George, were introduced at halftime. George who was team captain in 1943, some of his teammates and coach Polk Robison, were among those presented.

The Allens purchased Texas Tech T-shirts for their grandchildren which George photographed and dated, including one for Birkley Noel Langen, his great granddaughter. Lynn is the proud grandfather of Birkley.

While in Lubbock the Allens enjoyed a visit with Dr. Stanley and Joyce Ulom and Ada Wre and Arthur Foster. Ada Wre was in the hospital but she was doing fine, Claudine reports.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters were at Bartlesville, Ok., over the weekend on business.

Kerry, Kelly and Kevin Carlisle, Liberal, Ks., spent the weekend with her parents, Bill & Pat Boren.

Paul Wells and family and Lynn Wells met Derrek Wells in Amarillo Friday to help him celebrate his 21st birthday.

Boots Avent, Stinnett, stopped by one day last week for a brief visit with Marylou and Mike McDaniel.

Bevin and Donna Avent have moved into a large, new home on a ranch near Edgemont, S.D.

Jan Webster had eye surgery Friday. She is feeling good now.

Tyler Avent, Boise City, spent the weekend with George and Barbara Avent.

Merilee McDaniel is spending Spring Break with her daddy,

Mike McDaniel and grandmother Marylou. They visited with aunt Patti in Denver, too.

Kayo and Jo June McDaniel went to church with his sister, Fern

Allen, then took her to lunch in Clayton in celebration of her birthday Sunday.

One of the three teams left to bowl last week in Dalhart City Tournament beat Stratford Grain by five pins! Our team came in second with a 2994. Betty Henry and Marylou McDaniel were seventh in doubles.

TRTA
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complimented for their outstanding volunteer work. President Gossett briefly discussed correspondence urging support of the Stillwell Memorial Residence for retired teachers in Waco and the TRTA building fund in Austin. A lot has been purchased for the building which is near the Capitol. An architect has drawn plans for the building. As soon as there are sufficient funds construction will begin.

Members desiring to attend the State Convention should have registration forms in by March 1. The state meeting, this year, will be held in Fort Worth, April 10-13.

Frances Wardlaw was appointed chairperson of the nominating committee for new officers. Officers will be elected in March and installed in April.

The next regular meeting will be on March 21, at the Senior Center in Dalhart. This meeting will be very important to all retired personnel. Poppy Hulsey, from the AARP, will discuss proposed changes in medicare, medicaid, teacher retirement and retirement from public and private institutions. Hulsey is an officer in the Texas AARP and a member of the Silverhaired Legislature. Older people and their family members and caregivers should try to hear Mrs. Hulsey when she comes to Dalhart.

Hostesses for the February meeting were Awanda Morris and Nannie Belle Graves.

Rhoades To Participate In Seminar

Chancey Rhoades will participate in the International Affairs Seminar sponsored by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oklahoma and by the Christian Church in the Southwest this Saturday, March 16 through the following Saturday, March 23.

Chancey is a senior in Stratford High School and the daughter of Jack and Gayle Rhoades of Stratford. She is a member of First Christian Church which is assisting her in attending the Seminar. IAS participants will spend four days in Washington, D.C., visiting their senators, congressional representative and other government officials. There will be briefings with the State Department, political activist groups and foreign embassies. They will see the sights and worship at National City Christian Church. Seminar participants will also spend four days in New York City. They will visit the United Nations Building and meet with representative from the Middle East, the former Soviet Union, South American and Africa. They will visit with leaders from various social organizations, including Amnesty International and the World Council of Churches. They will also see many sights and attend a Broadway musical.

The purpose of the International Affairs Seminar is to provide an eye-opening and concept-widening first-person experience of the world outside the southwestern United States. Participants will be exposed to a larger world view with a focus on Christian responsibility in the world. Emphasis is put on understanding the world as an interdependent community to be cared for and ministered unto. Participants can expect to be confronted by new ideas and concepts.

Check Out The Library
By Dorothy Haile

Catch Rope - The Long Arm Of The Cowboy by John Erickson provides a history of ranch roping, and the endless debate between those who rope "hard and fast" and those who "dally". Mixing scholarship with this working-cowboy's knowledge of the subject, reader's will find this book hard to put down.

Gardening time is upon us and a new book for our library is Tips For The Lazy Gardener. Linda Tilgner has written an easy to read book and gives tips to follow to make your efforts pay off.

Elmer Kelton's book, Manhunters, is a 1974 novel and is based on the real story of Gregorio Cortez. The story is alive with the idiom of his native West Texas and freely punctuated with his trademark wry humor.

The 7 Habits Of Highly Effective People is on the best-seller list for non-fiction. The author provides principles that give us the security to adapt to change, and the wisdom and power to take advantage of the opportunities that change creates.

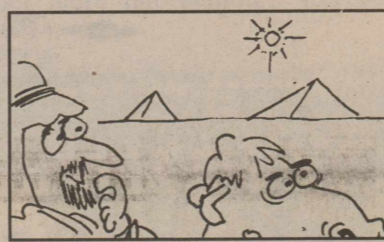
The Texas Almanac for 1996-1997 provides a wealth of information that cannot be found anywhere else. The 1996 World Almanac and Book of Facts has added new sections - E-mail addresses and Internet Access Guide.

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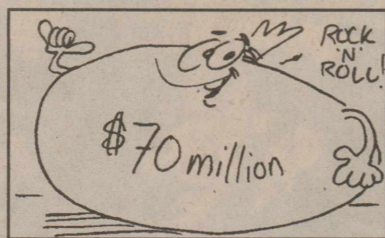
the Texas State Marine Education Center June 23-25, 1996. This enchanting bayside setting will serve as a natural classroom and laboratory in which to emphasize and amplify the learning opportunities this unique 4-H curriculum can provide.

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Morning Worship Service
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Youth Service 6:30 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian
Rev. David Harker
5th & Main
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

First United Methodist
Rev. Mark Metzger
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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

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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
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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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Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.



Congratulation Junior Miss Stratford, Jessica Lucero, who entered the "Our Diamond Miss" Pageant, held in Borger, Texas, Saturday, February 24th. She was crowned 1st Place Glamour Girl, 1st Place Model, 1st Runner-Up in Talent. Jessica sang a hit of Selenas, "Biddi Biddi Bom-Bom". She garnished 1st Runner-up overall, "Supreme Miss Diamond." Along with the hardware she won; as well as banners and crowns she will represent "Our Diamond Miss" pageant in Abilene, Texas in June. Her sponsors for the pageant were Dairy Queen, Paco Taco, Thriftway, Lone Star Motel, Pizza Stop and Headquarters. Thanks to these great people for their faith in Jessica and thank you Jessica for representing Stratford in this fine way.

Agricultural Retailers Association Announces Local Pai Graduates

Sandy Tillery and Oscar Wilson with Collingwood Grain, Inc. in Stratford, Texas graduated from the recent Professional Applicator Institute (PAI) held in Dodge City, KS.

The Professional Applicator Institute is a two-day seminar presented by the Agricultural Retailers Association and sponsored by Ag-Chem Equipment Co. and Zeneca Ag Products. The seminar is designed to increase the efficiency, improve the ability and enhance the professionalism of applicators, farm supply employees and agricultural producers who custom-apply crop protection materials and plant nutrients. PAI graduates are trained in the latest safety and environmental protection measures, as well as current application technology in order to ensure the safety of all involved. Participants receive continuing education units for certified crop advisor programs.

"Most applicators receive training, but farmers should inquire of their customer applicator or retail farm supply outlet to make sure the applicators they're using are professionals with knowledge of recent regulatory changes, safety standards and advanced application technology," says Cindy Kissinger, ARA director of dealer of training, education and development.

The Agricultural Retailers Association works to enhance the knowledge, image, value and business success of agricultural and green industry retailers. ARA is a non-profit association that equips its members to be the preferred technology and information resources for farmers, land owners and other industry professionals. The Agricultural Retailers Association also provides industry representation in Washington, D.C.



An Easter Parade was the theme of the County 4-H Fashion Show held Saturday. Participants in the achievement event were (from left in front) Dalton Sladek, Lara Shafer, Tanya Whatley, Alisha Sladek, Marca Ewers and Johnna Ewers. In back, Amy Sladek and Trisha Teig.

County Fashion Show Held

Eight Sherman County 4-H'ers participated in the annual 4-H Fashion Show "An Easter Parade" held Saturday. The Fashion Show is the achievement event of the 4-H Clothing Project which teaches youth clothing buying and construction skills, clothing care, wardrobe planning, good grooming, textiles and fiber and self-expression through modeling.

Amy Sladek will represent Sherman County at the District Fashion Show in the Senior Dressy Daywear division. Lara Shafer an Intermediate 4-H'er will be competing in the Casual Daywear division at the District

event. Junior members, Trisha Teig, Marca Ewers, Alisha Sladek and Dalton Sladek will all be representing the county 4-H program in the Buying, Dressy Daywear, Casual Daywear and Active Playwear Divisions at the District Fashion Show.

Recognized as Best Models at the Fashion Show were Marca Ewers, Lara Shafer and Amy Sladek. This award is sponsored by the Sherman County Family and Community Education Council.

Johnna Ewers and Tanya Whatley were recognized as Rookies at the Fashion Show.

The winners of Saturday's

competition will represent the county at the District I 4-H Fashion Show Saturday, March 30 at Panhandle High School.

Volunteer leaders assisting the youth with their projects were Jean Everett, Mary Wayne Spurlock, Marie Sladek, Gena Ray Whatley, Terri Teig and Laurie Ewers under the direction of County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, Susie Spurlock.

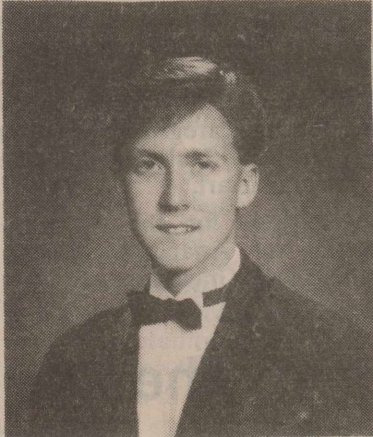
Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

School Menu

Mon. March 18 - Steak Fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, English peas, rolls, salad, brownies, milk.

Tues. March 19 - Ham & Cheese pkts., tossed salad, corn, peaches, milk.

Wed. March 20 - Lasagna, garlic bread, green beans, tossed salad, apple cobbler, milk.



Aaron Setliff

Setliff Achieves High Honor

Aaron Setliff achieved a superior academic record for the Fall 1995 semester at Southwestern University. In recognition of this accomplishment, he has been named to the Southwestern University Distinction List.

In addition, this year as a member of the group receiving the honor of the Dean's Distinction List, Aaron's performance was recognized at the Honors Convocation which was held during Parents' Weekend on Saturday, February 17, 1996.

Aaron is the son of Alton and Becky Setliff of El Paso and the grandson of Lillie McAdams of Stratford.

Pate Chosen For Who's Who

Bobbie Kohler Pate, elementary principal and classroom teacher with Yarbrough School, has been chosen for inclusion in Who's Who in American Education. She has also been chosen for inclusion in Who's Who Among American Teachers. These honors are a result of being nominated by the top 5% of honor students. Only 5% of U.S. educators receive these awards.

In addition to these honors, Mrs. Pate has also been nominated for inclusion in Who's Who of American Women.

Mrs. Pate has a Bachelor of arts degree in English from Oklahoma Panhandle State University. She holds a Master's of Education degree in School Administration from West Texas A&M University. She has been in the education field for 18 years.

Addendum: Mrs. Pate is a Stratford resident. Her husband Curt, is a fourth grade teacher at Cactus. She is the daughter-in-law of Doyle & Maxie Pate, formerly of Stratford.



The 3rd grade classes of Mrs. Ragsdale, Mrs. Metcalf, and Mrs. Brownlee along with student teachers Shanda Davis and Tina Duke toured the Post Office last Friday morning. Postmaster Sharlyn Larson gave the tour and also the kids guessed how many P.O. Boxes there were. Crystal Rodgers was the winner by guessing 1,016 and there are actually 1,025.

New Beef Item To Be Featured At Program

A new beef menu item will be introduced at the upcoming educational program, *Beef, We*

Wouldn't Steer You Wrong set for Wednesday, March 27th. Dr. Dan Hale, Extension Meat Specialist will be the keynote speaker and will address the consumer issues of cholesterol and food safety during the noon luncheon.

Sponsored by the Sherman County Extension Program Council the program is open to anyone that has an interest in beef, be it production or consumption of the commodity. In addition, Texas Beef Council will have an exhibit at the program and will update program participants on how the beef check off dollars have been used to promote the product.

A dutch treat lunch will be served for \$5.00 per person by the Council. For more information, contact the County Extension Office.

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.

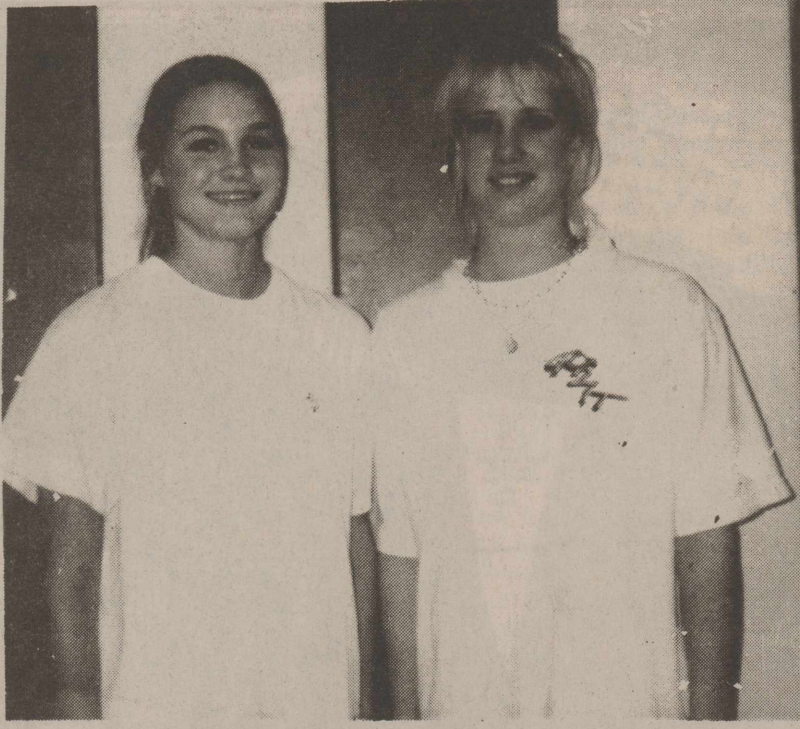


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"COLD" NUMBERS
AND THEN
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EVERY WEEK

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FIRST THING
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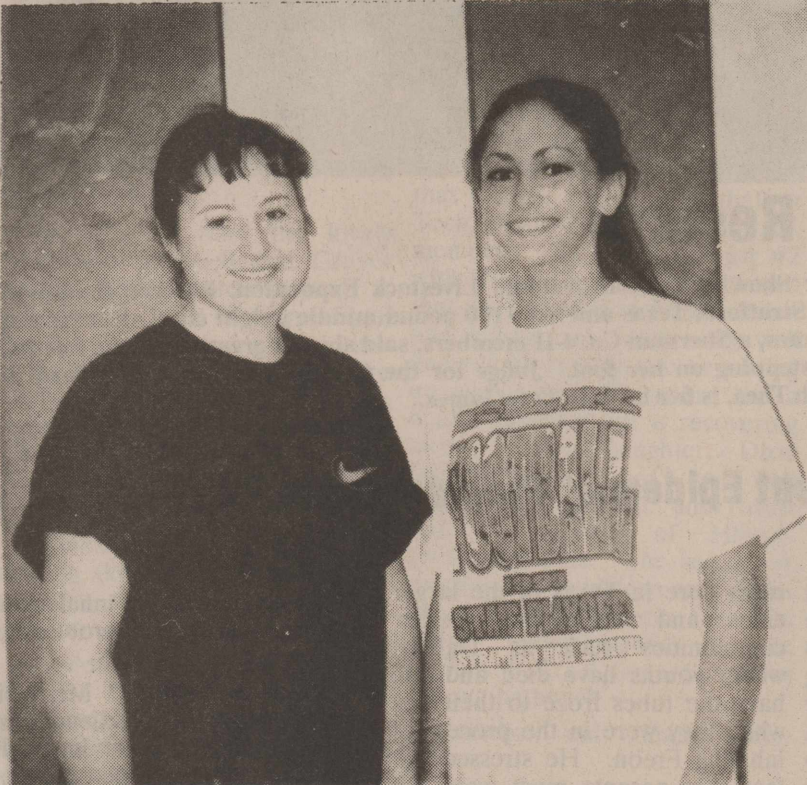
Kelli Wight and Cara Lavake were named All-District Basketball. Congratulations Ladies! We will have All-District and Honorable-Mention picture for boys in later Edition! All-District boys were T.D. Baskin, J.B. Presley and Dusty Stewart. Brandon Starnes and Ross Davis were named Honorable-Mention.



Girl Scout Banquet Held

All Girl Scouts and their guests enjoyed the annual Girl Scout Banquet held Thursday, March 7, 1996 at St. Joseph's Parish Hall.

Girl Scout Banquet by Crystal Garza Cadet Girl Scout, Troop 121 Girl Scout Banquet held Thursday, March 7, 1996 at Saint Joseph's Parish Hall. All troops participated. Each girl scout brought a special guest to share a pot luck meal. Entertainment was provided by pianist Melba Keener. This banquet is held every year during Girl Scout Week!



Named Honorable-Mention All-District were Jessica Sikora and Jennifer King. Congratulations!

Disaster Awareness Event

Yucca Girl Scout Council is hosting a council-wide Disaster Awareness program March 16th. The event is for Junior, Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts. Girls will be informed about safe places in the event of a tornado; learn common causes of household fires; see the inside of an ambulance, girls will be fingerprinted and learn how to handle emergencies. The event is open to non-Girl Scouts.

Disaster Awareness will be held in Guymon, Oklahoma at the Victory United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall from 1-4 p.m. Contact Yucca Girl Scout council for more information. 405-338-6414.



Brent Wilhelm, Carla Bell, Cassie Bell, Wyatt Young and Janell Pronger(not pictured), members of the Sherman County 4-H Council participated in a community service project of assisting the Make-A-Wish Foundation with the annual Car Show held this past weekend. Members assisted the show by selling programs and tickets for the organizations upcoming car give away schedule for June.

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Chamber Chatter

by J.A. Lasley

Probably a good many of you readers will be astonished, but glad, that J. A. has very little to say this week.

So let's look at what is going on this next week according to the Community Calendar:

Spring Break - all week 11th through 15th.

Wed. 13th: Coldwater Manor Bible Study/St. Joseph's Catholic Church. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilting.

Thurs. 14th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool. AA & Al-Anon, County Barn at 8 p.m.

Fri. 15th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool and quilting.

Sat. 16th: SCOT dance at Guymon

Sun. 17th: Coldwater Manor Worship Service/Calvary Baptist church. Attend the church of your choice. St. Patrick's Day.

Mon. 18th: School resumes. SCOT Hall 1 p.m. quilting, ceramics and pool.

Tues. 19th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool.

Wed. 20th: Coldwater Manor Bible Study/Church of Christ.

Have a good week!

24-Hour Public Information Line Announced

The Pantex Plant Citizens' Advisory Board (PPCAB) is pleased to announce its 24 hour Public Information Line, 806-372-1945. The information is updated every Friday. The Information Line will include upcoming Pantex and PPCAB events, board meeting schedules and serve as a mechanism for members of the surrounding communities to express their concerns and comments on Pantex-related issues to the advisory board.

The PPCAB offices are located at 724 S. Polk, Suite 300, Amarillo, TX. If you have any questions, please contact: Stacy Adams Mansoor at 806-372-3311 or FAX 806-372-3999.



Pansy flowers are so-called from the French *pensée*, meaning "thought."

1996 Girl Scout Cookie Kick-Off

The 1996 Girl Scout cookie sale got off to a good start with a kick-off for girls. One highlight for the event was Stuart Lower presenting his "cookie magic". His magic tricks left Girl Scouts in awe and wonder.

The Girl Scouts made cookie banners representing their troop and presented a song, cheer or TV and radio commercials for cookies. Adults got into the action also in dressing for the 1996 Cookie Queen contest. They were given newspapers, clothes pins and tape to make their queen attire. Miss Do-Si-So won the contest and was presented her crown and a golden bouquet of yucca pods.

An auction was held with Auctioneer Stuart Lower explaining about his profession. He then began an auction of high bids of how many boxes of cookies a troop could sell.

Ben Gibson, representing Little Brownie Bakers served as emcee for the event. He also took pictures of each girl and their favorite cookies as a memento of the 1996 cookie kick-off. The game, Cookie Wheel of Fortune was played to end the fun filled day.

Delivery of cookies to towns will be the week of March 4th.



Amarillo Opera Singers Camille Nies, Brenda Lintner-Scott, and Erma Rush return to sing their roles in DIE FLEDERMAUS.

Amarillo Opera Stages Lively Favorite Die Fledermaus

Music and laughter will fill the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium March 23rd when Amarillo Opera and the Amarillo College Opera Workshop present Johann Strauss's comic opera, DIE FLEDERMAUS, at 7:30 p.m. According to Marihoward Engelbrecht, Area Amarillo Opera Coordinator, DIE FLEDERMAUS is a well-loved favorite, known as one of the most fun and rousing operas ever written. Mistaken identities and plot twists keep the action lively and entertaining, and a masquerade ball provides a grand setting for much of the story. This musical masterpiece, to be sung entirely in English, promises to delight all audiences.

Besides providing a full evening of spectacle, the production will give audiences a rare opportunity to enjoy the talents of three of the area's leading arts groups. Mila Gibson, Artistic Director/Founder of Amarillo Opera, serves as Artistic Director for DIE FLEDERMAUS. James Setapen, Music Director of the Amarillo Symphony, serves as Conductor. Featured Guest Artist will be the Lone Star Ballet, under the director of Neil Hess. DIE

FLEDERMAUS includes classical ballet in many important scenes, and Hess will choreograph these scenes with Lone Star Ballet dancers taking on key dance roles.

"I'm incredibly excited to be able to bring together the wonderful talents and resources of all these arts groups for DIE FLEDERMAUS," says Artistic Director Mila Gibson. "This will be a true synthesis of all the performing arts: singing, acting, orchestra and dance."

Area residents can learn more about the opera by attending free lectures sponsored by Don's Hi-Fidelity before the production. Dr. Robert Krauss will speak at a brown bag luncheon Friday, March 22nd at 12 noon in the Amarillo College Fine Arts Common Lobby. Drinks and light refreshments will be provided. Then on Saturday, March 23rd at 6:30 p.m., an "Opera in Miniature" will be presented in the Amarillo Civic Center Lobby. Both events are open to the public.

DIE FLEDERMAUS will also highlight our area's remarkable reputation for professional quality singers. An important part of Amarillo's Opera's mission is to encourage and nurture local

orchestra and cast ring out the grand finale. Thanks to BRAVO!, the support organization for Amarillo Opera, the festivities will continue with a Masked Ball Gala in the Grand Plaza immediately following the performance. Partygoers can enjoy live music, dinner, dancing, and perhaps a little bit of mystery as the evening unfolds.

Tickets for the performance and the Gala may be purchased by calling the Civic Center Box Office at 806-378-3096. Ticket prices for the performance are \$10, \$15 and \$20. Gala tickets are \$50 for BRAVO! members and \$55 for non-members.

Corporate Sponsors for DIE FLEDERMAUS are Civic Amarillo and Puckett Antiques and Collectibles. Partial funding for the production has been provided by the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Arts Committee of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce.

Talent. We certainly have a wealth of talent here." An all local cast performs the demanding roles in the production, and audience members will enjoy seeing some of their favorite area vocalists take the stage.

Brenda Lintner Scott will sing the role of Rosalinda, Erma Rush performs as Adele, Dale Elliott as Eisenstein, Robert Hansen as Alfredo, Camille Nies as Orlofsky, and Greg Shapley sings the role of Dr. Falke.

Of course, audiences may not want the fun to end once the

New Toll-Free Number Available

A second option for toll-free calling begins March 1 with the introduction of 1-888 telephone numbers. The 888 telephone numbers will supplement existing toll-free 800 numbers and also will be free to the caller.

The popularity of toll-free 800 numbers has nearly depleted its supply. Toll-free 888 numbers open up more than seven and a half million new telephone numbers to consumers and businesses.

Toll-free 800 numbers service began in 1967. By May 1993, there were approximately three million toll-free numbers in use. Usage doubled during the next two years. Today, there are more than seven million numbers being used and only 700,000 combinations left.

GTE is one of the largest publicly held telecommunications companies in the world. GTE is also the largest U.S.-based local telephone company and a leading cellular-service provider with wireline and wireless operations that form a market area covering more than one-third of the country's U.S. population.

Prospectus Study Club

Prospectus Study Club meets Wed. March 20, 4:30 p.m. at the home of Barbara Chumley. Co-hostesses are Margaret Reed, Marsha Wright and Dorothy Haile.

A Leadership Workshop will be led by 4-H Youths who attended a Leadership Retreat in Amarillo. Students who attended Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar will also tell of their experiences.

Roll Call is "A Suggestion to whoever takes over my position next year."

Program coordinator is Jimmie Pronger.

Plans will be made for the Top of Texas District Convention, March 30, Borger Country Club. Election and installation of District Officers for 1996-98 will include D'Lynn Reed as President-Elect.

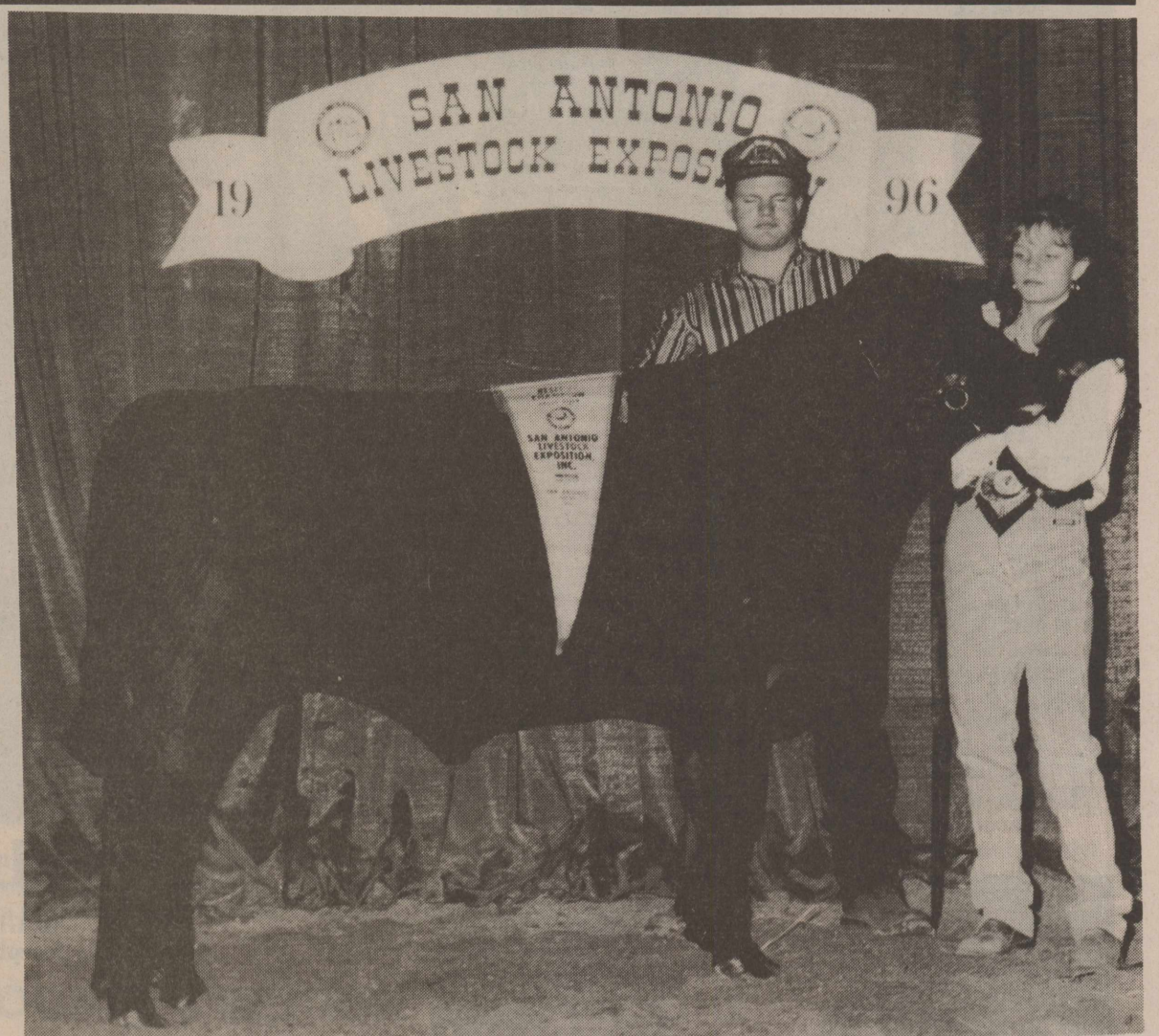
TPMHA Receives Award

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services has been notified that it is the recipient of the National Community Mental Healthcare Council's 1996 Award of Excellence in the Special Programs Awards category. The award recognizes implementation of the Texas Children's Mental Health Plan by all of the community Mental Health Centers in Texas. This award will be presented at the National Community Mental Healthcare Council's 1996 Annual Training Conference to be held March 30 through April 2 in Atlanta, GA. Donna Massey, Director of Special Programs for the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority will go to George to accept this award.

The National Council describes the Special Program Awards as "recognizing innovation and excellence in fulfilling the mission of community mental health care through the development of special programs for children who have a serious emotional disturbance. These programs serve as examples of outstanding programs in the field of community mental health care, worthy of replication."

The National Community Mental Healthcare Council is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and is a nationwide association of community mental health centers and related organizations. Centers belonging to the Texas Council are members of the National Council, a criterion for the award nomination.

TRMHA Child and Adolescent Services serves children and adolescents ages 2-17 who are in need of mental health intervention with a staff consisting of psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, a nurse, case managers, and other child specialists. Numerous individuals and their family members are provided a comprehensive array of community-based services.



James Takes Reserve

In the Junior Angus Steer Show at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Reserve champion honors went to Thea James of Stratford, Texas and her 1170 pound middle weight class steer named G.D., short for Gentle Dog. James, a Sherman Co. 4-H member, said she felt great about the results, but was upset with G.D. for stepping on her foot. Judge for the Competition was Jack Ward of Roanoke, IN. Shown above with Thea, is her brother Trew James.

"Inhalants - The Silent Epidemic" Program Presented

"Inhalants-The Silent Epidemic" was the topic of the program presented to the citizens of Dalhart and its surrounding communities Tuesday, February 20, 1996 at the Dalhart Youth Center by Mr. Harvey Weiss who is the founding member of the National Inhalent Prevention Coalition.

"How significant of a problem is inhalent abuse became the topic of discussion." Mr. Weiss explained to the audience that inhalent abuse is a very significant form of youth drug use. Mr. Weiss stated, "A self report study here in Texas suggests have used least one in five junior or senior high students have used inhalants, thus surpassing the frequency of use of such highly publicized drugs as cocaine, methamphetamines, lsd, and in some cases, marijuana."

What are inhalants? Mr. Weiss explained that the kids sniff or inhale just about anything. Some of the most commonly used substances are: model glue, spray paint, hair spray, fabric protector, nail polish remover, paint thinner, gasoline, liquid paper, vegetable cooking spray, butane, propane, Freon, either and anything else with a warning label on it that states that is should not be inhaled. He said they will inhale anything.

How serious can inhaling be? Mr. Weiss explained that a youth first experience with inhaling or huffing can kill him or her. He stated there have been numerous

cases here in Texas in the larger cities and even the smaller communities such as Dalhart where youths have died and still have the tubes froze to their lips while they were in the process of inhaling Freon. He stressed the fact that parents must wake up and realize that their son and daughter may be involved with inhalants. He said it usually takes a death in the community before the people realize that there is a problem.

What are the symptoms of inhalent abuse? Mr. Weiss stated, "There is a common link between inhalent abuse and problems in school-failing grades, chronic absences and general apathy. Other signs include the following: *pale or stains on body or clothing *spots or sores around the mouth *red or runny eyes or nose *chemical breath odor *drunk, dazed or dizzy appearance *nausea, loss of appetite *anxiety, excitability, irritability."

Is there any type of treatment for this abuse problem? Mr. Weiss explained to the audience that youth who are a chronic user are usually resistant to outpatient and inpatient treatment efforts. He said that once the damage has occurred to the brain that there is no hope for repair. He presented catscans comparing an inhalent use vs. a non inhalent user. There were significant differences between the two. He stated, "Treatment resources availability for the large number of

youth with significant inhalent use problems is at best problematic, and often nonexistent."

What can be done? Mr. Weiss explained to the audience that education is the most important prevention. He said that the more people know about it and the more parents, teachers and anyone else involved with you inform these youth of the dangers of inhaling toxic vapors, the better it will be. Mr. Weiss provided information packages to all that attended.

If anyone who did not get to attend the program would like more information, please contact the Juvenile Probation office at 249-5270. Drug and Alcohol counselor, Brenda Wilkinson, of the Community Corrections and Supervision Department can also be contacted for more information. Ms. Wilkinson was instrumental in getting Mr. Weiss to come to Dalhart and speak to the citizens.



The name Easter was adopted for the Christian Paschal festival from *eastre*, a pagan festival held at the vernal equinox in honor of the Teutonic goddess of the dawn, called Eostre.

There is no money in poetry,
but there is no poetry in
money, either.
—Robert Graves

Don't compromise yourself.
You're all you've got.
—Janis Joplin



The real name of the painting known as the Mona Lisa is really La Gioconda. It is the portrait of a middle class Florentine woman.



In the city of Washington, D.C., no building may be built taller than the Capitol.

Cards of Thanks

Dear Family and Friends,
You have sustained us with your prayers, you have surrounded us with love, you have grieved with us. You have shown us again and again how a loving community cares for its own. We thank you. We are grateful for every visit, every gift of food, every floral offering, every gift to charity and every expression of condolence. We appreciate each member of the community choir, each member of the men's group, each member of the Maness family who sang at the grave side services, and especially to Lem Russell and the musicians who uplifted us with music. We thank David Boggs, Paul Craig, Anita Henry and all the staff at Coldwater Manor who care for Jim so patiently, so kindly and lovingly.

God Bless All of You!
Helen Taylor
Joe and Cathy Taylor and Boys
Marysue and Marvin Cotton

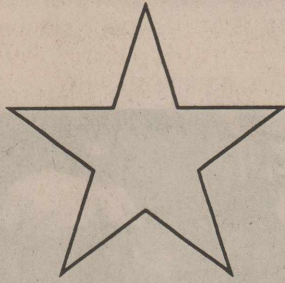
We would like to thank everyone for the love and care expressed after the recent passing of our grandfather Jim Taylor. The gifts of food and flowers, personal visits, cards and calls all meant so much to us. The outpouring of concern and love certainly helped ease our grief. Thank you all so much.

Susie, Dave and Andy Ring
Steve and Bobbi Cotton
Connie Cotton

Thanks to all who came out to enjoy the Randel Chamber Orchestra with us on Saturday, March 2nd. A special "Thank You" to The Stratford Grain Co. and The First State Bank for their generous sponsorship, and to the Stratford ISD for the use of the auditorium and cafeteria. It was an unforgettable evening of beautiful music that would not have been possible without the support of our wonderful friends, families, and neighbors.

Sincerely,
The Board of Trustees of The
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Happy Birthday,
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3-7-3xc

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

For Sale: 1993 Ford 1/2 T. XL pickup, low mileage, call Arnita at First State Bank 806-396-5521.
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Paint Sale at THE General Store now thru March 30th. Our Do It Best, Latex Interior Eggshell starts at \$12.49.
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Wedding Shower selections for DeWayne and Jamie Randall Kelley are at THE General Store. Free delivery to the shower on March 16th.
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11-9-tfn

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Legal Notices

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 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 1st, day of March, 1996.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual report of the Earl N. and Conrad E. Riffe Memorial Scholarship Trust is available at the address noted below for inspection during normal business hours by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

Earl N. and Conrad E. Riffe Memorial Scholarship Trust, The First State Bank of Stratford Trustee, 302 N. Main Street, Stratford, Texas.

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When the site of the original Olympic Games was discovered in 1875, it inspired Baron Pierre de Coubertin, a French educator to organize a modern Olympics. He believed such an international competition would promote world peace. The first modern Olympic games took place in 1896.

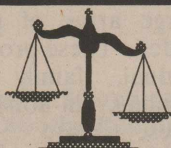


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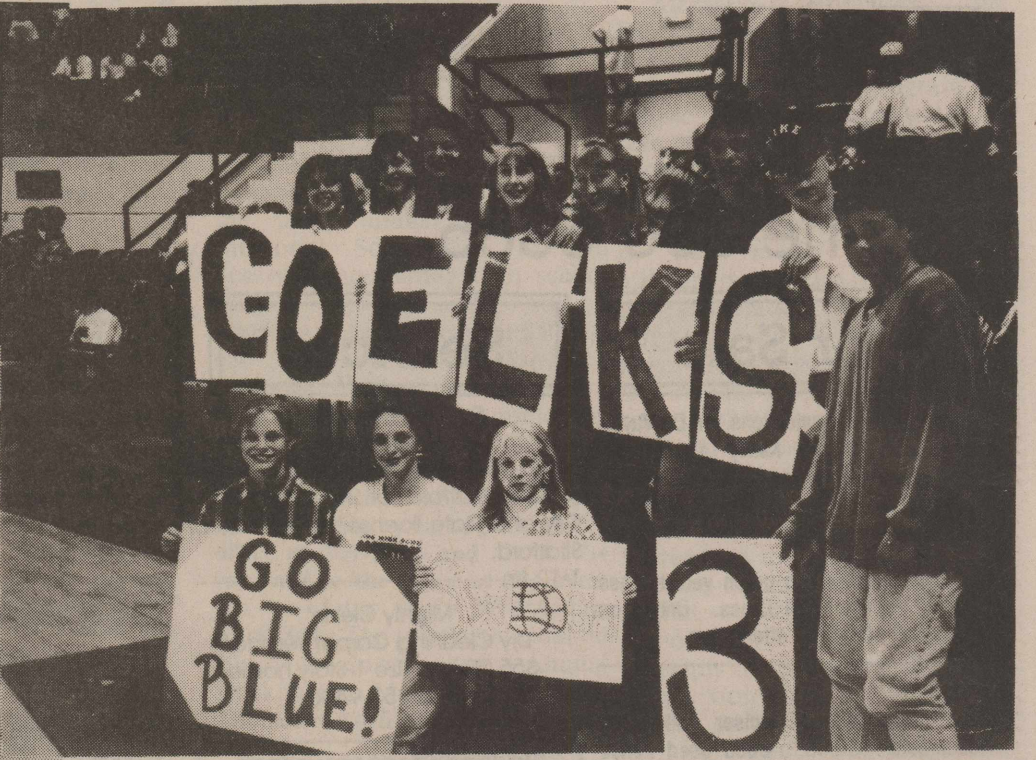
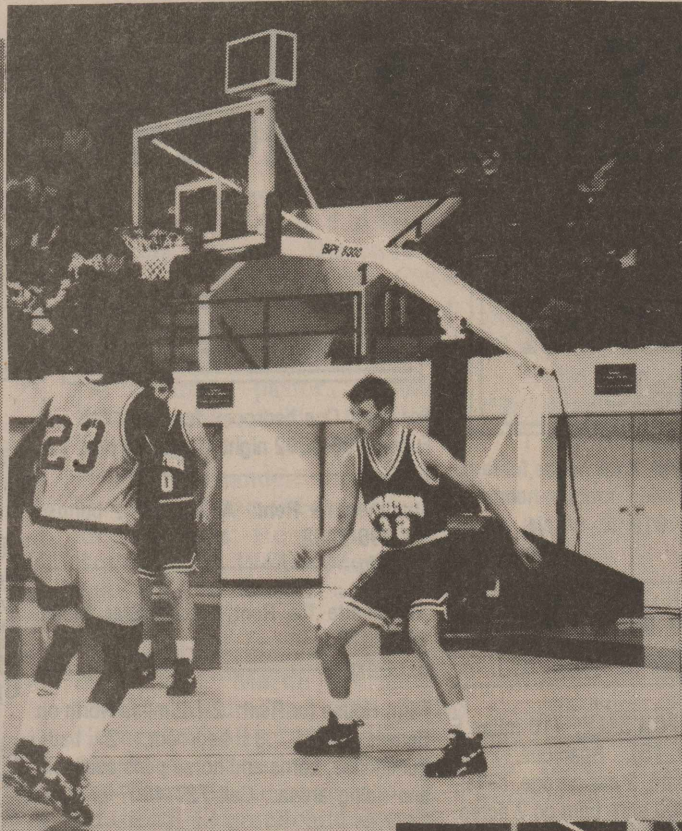
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contracts with other child serving agencies. The agency gratefully accept donations to help defer the expenses of families unable to pay for services.

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services began in February, 1992. The offices serve Amarillo and Canyon. Regional offices are in Borger, Hereford and Pampa.

For additional information, call Gene Ann Grant, Family and Community Education Director at 806-354-2191.

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Texarkana, as they would in Corpus Christi or Galveston.

Motivated Texans engaged in classroom teaching or actively involved in 4-H youth development programs are encouraged to enroll. Those involved in youth programs other than 4-H or the Texas education system (i.e. public or private schools) may also apply, but will be considered for participation on a space available basis. Since enrollment is limited, early sign up is recommended. The registration deadline is May 24, 1996 or at such time the enrollment limit is reached, whichever comes first.

The registration cost is \$90/person. This fee covers 2 nights lodging, meals, activities and teaching materials. However, receipt of a special grant (although not yet confirmed) is expected to reduce this fee to only \$40/person. It has further suggested that local county 4-H or school support funds might be solicited by prospective participants to reduce their personal out-of-pocket expenses.

To receive further information or registration materials, contact Susie Spurlock, CEA-FCS County 4-H Coordinator at 396-2122. For information on the Palacios area or the Texas State Marine Education Center call Willie Younger, Matagorda County Extension Agent-Marine and training program coordinator, at 409-245-4100 or fax 409-245-5661. Interested Texas youth, 12 to 18 years of age, may also wish to inquire about the summer 4-H Sea Safaris to be held in July. Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

It takes a long time to become young.

—Pablo Picasso

Family Choice - TV Day April 5

Sherman Co. FCE Clubs along with The National Association for Family and Community Education (FCE) announces a second nationwide campaign entitled Family ChoiceE - TV that will address the influence of television programming on our children. On April 5, FCE is taking the lead in promoting and encouraging individuals and families to tune out violence on television and videos. Support for the promotion can be registered by signing a pledge and mailing it to the FCE Headquarters. Pledge cards are available through the state FCE organization.

"Television has a tremendous influence on our children", states Oarlene Wingate, the president of the organization. "Seventy million children in our country watch an

average of four hours of television a day, yet there is limited educational and informational programming geared to the young audience."

If you are concerned about the amount of violence on television and want to see a change for better programs, join the FCE effort by writing to your congressman, senator, the Federal Communications Commission, your local television station and the sponsors expressing what you see as violent or nonviolent. If you are interested in learning more about viewing television with a critical eye and teaching your family members how to choose alternatives to violence, contact your local FCE organization by calling 396-2122.

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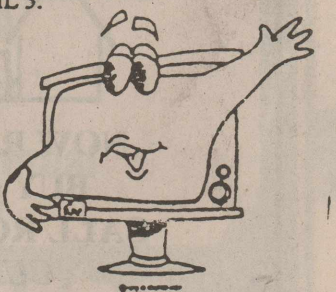
State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

What program do you consider violent? _____

I am a NAFCE member. Yes _____ No _____

I would like additional information about NAFCE _____



APRIL 5

Parenting Classes Offered

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services is offering Parenting Classes for parents, grandparents, foster parents-- anyone who has children in the home and is interested in looking at different ways to discipline children.

SOS! HELP FOR PARENTS is a six week class for parents of children ages 2 - 12. The class meets on Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9 p.m. beginning March 19 and ending April 23. The course is written by Lynn Clark, PhD. Dr. Clark has extensive professional experience in community mental health centers, and is a service provider for the American Psychological Association. The curriculum and video show

parents how to change behaviors, and raise responsible, self-confident adults. This class will be taught by two staff members of Child and Adolescent Services - Troy Navarrette, BSW, and Denise White, MEd.

The classes will be taught in the 2nd floor Conference Room of the IBM Building at 7201 I-40 West. The cost of either class is \$5.00. The books are \$10 each. There is no child care. Pre-registration is required. To register, call Melissa or Gene Ann at 354-2191. All classes are open to the public.

The mission of the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services is to provide an accessible array of quality psychosocial services to children and their families with an emphasis on family preservation. This non-profit agency serves children and adolescents ages 2 - 17 who have some form of behavioral,

emotional, or mental disorder.

Services are provided based upon referrals from parents/legal guardians, juvenile probation departments, school districts, community agencies, physicians, and other social service agencies. A large array of programs are provided. These programs include individual, family and group counseling, in-home counseling services, Case Management, Psychiatric/nursing services, parent support groups, parenting classes, crises intervention services, crisis stabilization and some respite care.

The agency has a Speakers Bureau. The staff is available to speak to churches, schools, civic clubs and other groups on behavior, emotional, mental disorders and other related subjects.

Funding is from the Texas Legislature, client fees, private insurance, Medicaid, Grants and