

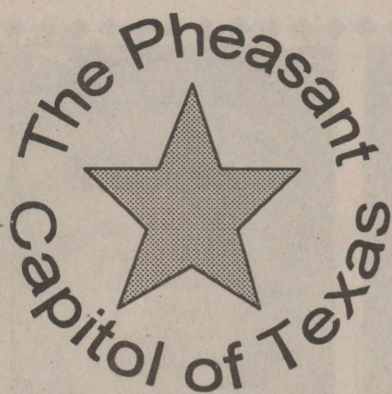
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Stratford Star Christmas Holiday Schedule

We will close at 12 noon Wednesday, December 18th. We'll re-open Friday December 27 at 8 a.m.

There will be NO paper on Thursday December 26th.
Christmas Edition is Thursday, December 19th's edition

Merry Christmas!!!!



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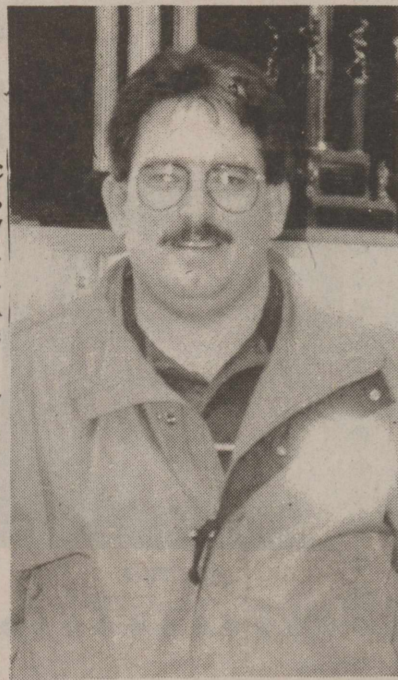
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Lamb Showmanship Clinic To Be Held December 14th

A Lamb Showmanship Clinic will be held on Saturday, December 14, 1996 at the County Livestock Building in Stratford. The clinic will start at 10:00 a.m. and is open to all 4-H and FFA members showing lambs in the Sherman County Livestock Show.

The clinic will be conducted by Frank Swan, County Extension Agent from Johnson City, Kansas. Mr. Swan will discuss working with your lamb, getting your lamb to push, handling your lamb in the show ring and stock show day preparations.

For more information, contact the Sherman County Extension Service at (806) 396-2081.



Lanning Named New EMS Director

Stratford Hospital District is pleased to announce as of December 1, 1996, Mr. Jimmy Lanning has been engaged as the Director of Stratford Emergency Medical Services. He will continue to be the Stratford High School basketball coach until the end of the season in February and then become full time on March 1, 1997.

Four CEU's To Be Offered At Sherman County Ag Day

The Sherman County Ag Day will be held Tuesday, December 17, 1996 in the Sherman County Exhibit Building in Stratford. The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration and refreshments. Lunch will be provided courtesy of DuPont Ag Products and NC+ Hybrids.

Four (4) CEU's will be offered for recertification of licensed private applicators, non-commercial applicators, and commercial applicators. Of the 4 CEU hours, 1 hour will be Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and 1 hour in laws and Regulations.

Speakers and topics for the Ag Day include the following:

Kent Shaw, TDA Pesticide Specialist-Revisions and changes in TDA Regulations and guidelines;

Dr. Jerry Michels, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station-Advances in biological control of pests in wheat and grain sorghum;

Jack Lyons, DuPont Ag Products-Pesticide labels and labeling;

Bobby Knoll, NC+ Hybrids-Integrated Pest Management and growth development of grain sorghum;

Richie Brotherton, Natural Resource Conservation Service-Control of beargrass on rangeland;

Richard Bowers, Manager of North Plains Underground Water District, will be the keynote speaker during lunch. Mr. Bowers will address underground water quantity and quality in the North Plains District.

Please contact the Sherman County Extension Office at (806) 396-2081 by Friday, December 13th if you plan to attend the Sherman County Ag Day.



Santa was busy taking orders for Christmas on Wednesday, December 4th at the Imagination Station after the Christmas Parade on Main Street. A good crowd was on hand for food and to visit with Old St. Nick.



Outdoor Living Nativity

The families of the Guymon Church of the Nazarene will be presenting a drive through outdoor living nativity. The unique portrayal of Christ's birth as depicted in several life-like scenes will revive the true spirit of Christmas. The Nativity will be Wednesday, December 11th and Thursday, December 12th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Church of the Nazarene invites friends and families from the Panhandle area to come and enjoy the church's gift of the season.

Stratford Youth Basketball Needs You

Stratford Youth Basketball needs coaches, referees, and directors for the 1997 season.

This is not only an opportunity for parents of players but if you are an interested person who enjoys children or basketball. We Need You!

If you are interested, please call Kristi Walden 769-4467.

Scot Game Night

Friday, December 13th Game Night at 7 p.m. with Christmas Egg Nog at Scot Hall.

Scot To See Christmas Lights

Friday, December 20th Scot goes on a bus trip to Amarillo to eat and see Christmas lights. Leave Scot Hall at 3:30 p.m.

Opening Day of Pheasant Season Saturday Dec. 14

Welcome All Hunters and Good Luck

Bivins Holds A Town Hall Meeting In Stratford Monday

State Senator Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) conducted a town hall meeting in Stratford at 9:30 a.m., Monday, December 9th in the First State Bank Lobby. Senator Bivins discussed Property tax relief which will take the spotlight in the upcoming session of the Texas Legislature. Education in Texas was also another issue brought up at the meeting. Shown at right with Senator Bivins left to right-Leverne Lasley, Teel, Amy Dewey, & B. A. Donelson.



4th Grade Musical Thursday, Dec. 12th

The 4th Grade Christmas Musical "A Rainbow Christmas" will be Thursday, Dec. 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Dress Rehearsal will be at 9:30 in the morning on Thursday, Dec. 12th.

Depot Museum Open House Held Sunday, December 8th

Daina Starnes of the Sherman County Depot Museum is shown serving Timmie Brown refreshments at their Open House held Sunday, December 8th from 1 to 3 p.m. If you were not able to attend, please take a moment and stop by and see the wonderful display of Christmas ornaments and other items on display. It is sure to get you in the holiday spirit.

Project Christmas Card

You have until Monday, Dec. 16th at 12 noon to give to Project Christmas Card for Sherman County Library! Donations are used to purchase books and other needed items for the Library.

Since 1962 Prospectus Study Club and The Stratford Star have joined in promoting this project for the Library. This is how it works. Figure what you would spend in sending cards to friends locally—the cards, stamps, time and make a check to Sherman County Library Christmas Project for that amount (maybe add more!)

Take to The First State Bank with how you want your name or names on the Christmas page. Your greetings will be placed on the page and the Library will benefit!

This will be in the Christmas Edition of The Star on Thursday, December 19, 1996.



Time To Send Your Santa Letters Now!!!!

It's that time again-when Santa begins expecting letters from boys and girls listing their Christmas wishes. Santa Claus has once again chosen the Star as the official area drop-off point for letters to him.

Children are welcome to bring their letters to the Star office at 309 N. Main and place them in our special Santa mailbox. They can also be mailed to Santa Letters, c/o The Stratford Star, P.O. Box 8, Stratford, Texas 79084. Santas' Mailbox is also at Mary Allen Elementary if you would like to mail your letter there.

The Star will print all the letters it receives in its annual Christmas edition, which comes out December 19, 1996. We also forward all letters with the help of some of Santa's elves, to the North Pole. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will have plenty of time to read the letters before Christmas Eve.

But remember, all letters must be received at the Star office by Friday, December 13th 5 p.m., and the sooner we have them, the better. Letters received after that date will not have time to reach the North Pole.

Don't forget to put your first and last name on the letter so that Santa Claus is sure to know who you are.



Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board
To Report Suspected Child Abuse, Call
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Kathie Altman - 396-5611
Arlene Baker - 396-5318
Laura Dahl - 827-7476
Patsy Harland - 827-7568
Viola Kautz - 396-2058
Jerry Stewart - 396-5554
Child Protection Services
935-6837
ALL CALLS CONFIDENTIAL

Basketball

The 7th Grade girls beat Sunray 33-30 on Dec. 2, 1996. Ashley Brown was high point with 13 points followed by Carly Mathews with 10.

The 7th grade A Boys beat Sunray 64-19 on Dec. 2nd. Adam Bell was high point with 22 points followed by Skyler Walden with 16 points and Michael McAlister with 13 points.

The 7th grade B Boys beat Sunray on Dec 2nd., 27-16. Nicholas Artho was high point with 7 followed by Isaac Kimbrough with 6 points.

The 8th grade girls beat Sunray 33-23 on Dec. 2nd. Jessica King was high point with 13 points followed by Ivonne Hernandez with 8 points.

The 8th Grade A Boys beat Sunray 48-21 on Dec. 2nd. Aaron Rhoades was high point with 18 points followed by Carlos Ortega with 11 points and Corey Naugle with 10 points.

The 8th Grade B Boys beat Sunray 32-30 on Dec. 2nd. Gilbert Gutierrez was high point with 12 followed by Justin Wolfe with 8 points.

The 9th Grade A Boys lost to Sunray 17-26 on Dec. 2nd. Andy Witcher was high point with 7 points followed by Martin Acevedo with 6 points.

The Junior Varsity Girls won 1st place at the Gruver Tournament held on Dec. 5-7, 1996. In their first game of the tournament, they beat Perryton 35-17. High point was Tai Ann Brownlee followed by Oralia Vital with 8 points. They beat Canadian 35-25 in their 2nd game. Tai Ann Brownlee was high point with 10 points followed by Oralia Vital with 5 points. In their final game, they beat Gruver 35-27. High point was Oralia Vital with 9 points followed by Julie Kimball with 7 points.

The Junior Varsity Boys beat Keyes 62-44 on Dec. 3. Nathaniel Walden was high point with 12 followed by Scott McAlister and Stephen Paul with 10 points each.

The J.V. boys played in the Gruver Tournament held this past weekend. In their first game, they lost to Perryton 35-38. Scott McAlister was high point with 12 points and Levi James with 7 points. In their second game, they lost to Spearman 45-49. Leading the Elks were Scott McAlister with 16 points and Levi James with 7 points. In their final game, they beat Sunray 47-33. Roy McCracken, Scott McAlister and Stephen Paul each scored 8 points.

The Varsity Lady Elks beat Keyes 93-16 on Dec. 3. Leading the Lady Elks in scoring were Cara Lavake with 19, Jennifer King with 17 and Lynz Browning with 16 points. The Lady Elks were the tournament champions at the Vega Tournament held on Dec. 5-7. In their first game of the tournament they beat Hartley 51-42. High point was Jennifer King with 11 followed by Lori Brooks and Cara Lavake with 10 points each. The Lady Elks beat Bovina 52-44 in their second game of the tournament. Jennifer King was high point with 18 points followed by Cara Lavake with 16 points. To win the tournament, they beat Vega 61-56. Jennifer King led the Lady Elks with 16 points followed by Cara Lavake with 14 and Jessica Sikora with 12 points.

On Dec. 3, the Varsity Elks beat Keyes 72-44. J.B. Presley and Efrain Ortega led the Elks with 14 points each followed by Dusty Stewart with 13 points. The Varsity Elks won the Vega Tournament held this past weekend. Named to the All-Tournament were J.B. Presley and Ross Davis. In their first game of the tournament, they beat Hartley 64-31. J.B. Presley was high point with 17 points followed by Oscar Aguilera with 13 points and Coby Galla with 12 points. In their second game, they beat Highland Park 61-34. J.B. Presley led the Elks with 13 points followed by Dusty Stewart with 12 points. In their final game, the Elks beat Adrian 62-37. Leading the Elks in scoring were J.B. Presley with 20 followed by Ross Davis with 13 points.

Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

The Randy Irlbeck-Kathleen Pelletier shower is Saturday, Dec. 14 in Stratford.

Kerrick Secret Pals meet for their annual Christmas party at Nita Taylor's on Thursday, Dec. 12, 7 p.m.

Are you ready for the Christmas Party, Dec. 20, 7 p.m. at Community Center? Remember, readings, poems, songs are wanted from all ages!

Cleaning of the building and sacking of treats is 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18th.

Barbara Schoonover & Sandy Turner, Elkhart, Ks., had their Christmas Open House there Friday. Barbara said they sold everything!

Hank & Mabel Rogers enjoyed ten days at Mission, Tx., at Bob & Roberta Murdock's. The family reunion included Stanley & Carol Murdock of Des Moines, Iowa, Lyle & Ruth Murdock of Red River, N.M. Roberta's 92 year old brother and his wife, George & Rosella Wray of Minnesota joined them. The Rogerses made a trip into Mexico while there.

Myron Leedy, Marylou McDaniel's father, will celebrate his 93rd birthday on Dec. 14. He is a resident of Coldwater Manor.

Sunday was a busy day in Stratford! Church, Depot Museum Open House, Nu Beta's Home Tour.

Methodist women gathered at Brenda Johnson's for a covered dish supper. They took gifts for Martha's Home. Tanja (Tatyana) Vasilyeva, St. Petersburg, Russia, told of Christmas celebration in her area. She is a student staying with the David Whites.

Santa will be at the Bank Dec. 20. Marylou McDaniel will be taking photos for the umpteenth year!

Obit

Harold C. Bennett

Harold C. Bennett, 89, died Tuesday, December 3, 1996 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, December 6th in Stratford Cemetery with the Rev. Mark Metzger, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bennett was born April 10, 1907 in Kiowa, Kan., and had been a Stratford resident since 1929. He was a farmer and rancher. He married Beatrice "Penny" Pronger in 1931 at Sherman County. She died October 1, 1993. He was also preceded in death by a grandson, Quinten Bennett in 1991 and 2 sisters, Mildred Bennett and Lillian Walgamot.

He was a pilot and enjoyed taking boys from Boys Ranch up for rides in his airplane. He also helped with food drives for Cal Farley's when they first got started. He was a member of First United Methodist Church. He enjoyed going to the mountains and fishing in the ocean.

Survivors include a son, Hal Bennett of Stratford; three daughters, Millie Hacker of Stratford, Nancy Salisbury of Vici, Okla., and Pa. Carson of Boise City, Okla.; a sister, Marion Best of Sacramento, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

Scot News

By Jack Gore

Game night this Friday at 7 p.m. come and enjoy the games and our Christmas egg nog.

Friday, Dec. 20th Scot Bus will leave at 3:30 p.m. to go to Amarillo to eat out, then on to see some Christmas lights. Sign up if you are interested in going.

After Christmas and New Years Day, we will start a membership drive, renew dues, new board members with new ideas for the coming year.

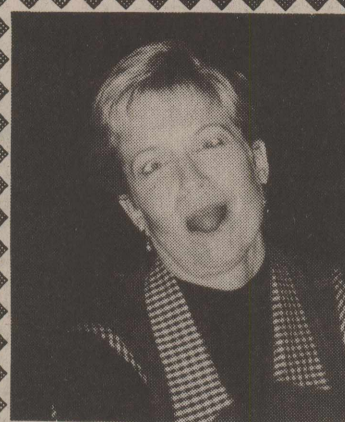
HUNTING SAFETY TIPS

Hunters can prevent accidents by advance preparation, responsible conduct, and safe handling of equipment including the following.

- Carefully identify your target and beyond.
- Keep the safety on your gun until you're ready to shoot.
- Always control muzzle direction.
- Treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
- Wear orange or bright colored clothing.
- Store firearms unloaded and separately from ammunition.
- Never hike, climb or jump with a loaded firearm.
- Ensure the barrel and action are clear of obstruction.
- Avoid alcohol and mood altering drugs.

Who is a wise man? He that learns from all men.
—Talmud

Freedom consists in being able to do anything that does not hurt anyone else.
—Matthias Claudius



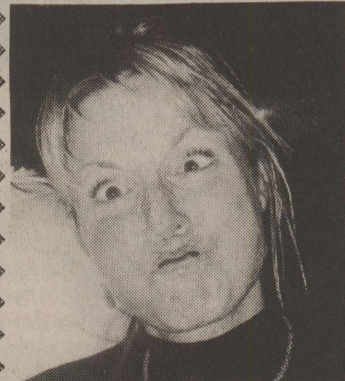
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Timi's Tidbits
By Timmie Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Older timers and readers this very tempting Monday a.m. Dec. 9, 1996. Tempting? Yes. It is tempting us to get out of doors and see what is going on in our town. Hopefully all folks are busy as usual, namely, opening businesses, going to school, shopping for groceries, sweeping, dusting and so on.

We are about these everyday things because yesterday-Sunday Dec. 8-every person we know had at least four choices of how to spend the day. We chose to attend church (in person) go to the museum Christmas open house, watch the Cowboys play, and attend evening programs at First Baptist church. Our choices made us happy, however, we are a bit "addled" this a.m.

As for the calendar the Christmas Lighting comes up Dec. 11, 1996, Wednesday and will be over by the time the paper is out.

Due to some many conflicts yesterday we have no report from the Methodist Joys and Concerns.

Every evening we go out to enjoy the Christmas lights and are thrilled with the additions that come up. We presume from the interest in the lighting of homes that Christmas spirit in Stratford. The Christmas Parade Dec. 4, 1996 proved to be a merry occasion for old and young alike. The originality of shown in the parade entries added to the enjoyment.

We have received the annual Christmas letter from Frances and R.W. Standefers, White Deer, sharing the doings of the Standefer families-schooling jobs of the younger generations and the traveling of Rufus and Frances the sad note Frances succumbed to a heart attack Oct. 1, in the hospital for a week. The good news is she home an into a quick routine of "doing nothing" we send old timer and personal prayers and blessing for Frances continued recovery (a note of remembrance would be cheering).

The Christmas letter from Billie K. Ullom, Canadian, Tex is a cataloging of the activities of one of the busiest ladies we have ever known. Do you remember that just a few years back friends were wondering whether Billie would be alive the next morning? Evidently prayer and love prevailed in her life, and we come to humbly say "Ain't God Good?"

The third letter from The Art Fosters' bring news that Art has lately read of a man- Mr. Bob Cowdrey. The name Cowdrey reminded him that he (Art) and the other Foster boys delivered milk to the Cowdrey family from God, Grass and Grit, the story of the Cowdreys, Boner families is Written our bit added to this story brings in the E.E. Hamilton family. Mr. Hamilton and Mrs. Boner were brother and sister. The Boners had one daughter Faye who married Cowdrey; The Hamilton had a daughter named Viola who married Henry Bryant who was Ade Wres' uncle. We have late visited with Viola Hamilton Bryant of Hartley, Texas, She had planned to attend S.H.S. High School reunion but did not come.

Chatting with Betty Lou O'Brien at the museum Sunday we learned that Aunt Mary Peach remains in Canyon View Nursing home in Dumas, Texas has complication, regarding her leg which can hopefully be taken care of today Dec. 9, 1996.

During the afternoon on Sunday, December 8, 1996 some girl scouts Troop 147 under the leadership of Ann (Pronger) Wells and Marietta Combs visited us and sang Christmas Carols and wished us a Merry Christmas. We're so grateful to the girls and their leaders for their remembering us.

Our household had a unusual experience, Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996 Lorelyn was scheduled for surgery 7:30 a.m. in Memorial Hospital, Dumas, Texas, Her family took her to Dumas hospital as Directed during the entry process the nurse found she was running a slight temperature which increased minimum during the next hour the result was she was dismissed and rescheduled. Result? we return home and tried to resume a normal day but Lorelyn found that the furnace in the house at 705 N. Wall had gone out, consulting proper authorities a new heating system was in force two days later, Joy Powers, Devan, Matt Powers were our guest part of the time until the new system was installed. So probably delayed surgery was a blessing in disguise.

Joe Ray Brown, Phoenix called to say our great grandson Joe Shane Age 16 months would be at the Dallas Cowboy game Sunday Dec. 8, 1996 to represent us. Suppose our support help win that game?

How will the Stratford Chamber of Commerce ever get along when J.A. leaves it? She says she will paint chinae and mold jewelry for awhile.

At the proper time we will receive information and addresses of Hilma Cleveland and Helen mason in their new location.

We understand Mae Plunk is not so well but we do not have authentic information, She is on our prayer list.

It's time to turn tidbits in to the Newspaper. To our peers after recovering from yesterday activities lets spread Christmas cheer should pats and luv to folks we meet.



The largest movie theater in the world is the Radio City Music Hall which has 5,874 seats. It opened in 1932.

Middle age is when you've met so many people that every new person you meet reminds you of someone else.

—Ogden Nash

New Places-New Faces



The Jeff Witcher family is shown above. Left to right Andy in the 9th grade; He is involved in Cross Country, Basketball, Track and Band. Enjoys Art and Camping. Amie 6th grade; Likes reading and sports and plays the Clarinet. Jeff, Born in San Francisco, raised in Montana; graduated SHS 1996. Attended BYU, UT-Pan American, WTSU. Bachelor of Music Ed 1985, Master of Arts-Music Ed 1991. Served 2 year Mission for Church in French Canada (1977-79). Members of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Dumas Branch. Assistant Band Director to Mr. Hunsaker. Has taught in Miami, Raymondville, & Fritch, Texas, and in Miles City, Montana. Enjoys cooking, physical fitness, languages, music and children. Helps with Boy Scouts (Troop 38, Stratford-Fred Pronger-Scout Master and helps father Mervin Meidinger with harvests. Anna, Jeffs wife was raised in Colorado; graduated from Sundance High School in Wyoming; has a Bachelor's degree from WTSU. Enjoys music, nature and athletics. Helps with the Cub Scouts. Works with teenage girls on Wednesday nights with a Church youth group. Janet 8th grade; enjoys academics and sports. Plays the piano, the flute and the tenor sax. Adam 5th grade; likes sports and outdoor activities. In front Jennie age 4 Likes to ride her bike and play with dolls and Autumn 3 yrs. old; likes to read books and play the drums. Welcome to the Witcher family!

Check Out The Library
By Dorothy Haile

If you are a collector you will be interested in the display at the library. Covered dishes with a chicken motif are featured and are from the collection of Wanda Slover. They are all colors and sizes. They are usually used for candy but the smallest one is made of brass and is not a candy dish but was used for snuff complete with the tiny spoon. All the others are of glass. We are grateful for those who are willing to share their collections with us and our patrons.

Mystery readers will be pleased to know that Sue Grafton's new book, M For Malice, is here.

Star Trek fans will find William Shatner's new novel, Star Trek, The Return, a continuation of his science fiction writing. For close to three decades he has portrayed James Tiberius Kirk as the hero of the Star Trek TV Series.

For Christian fiction readers, Gilbert Morris has three new novels: The Rough Rider, The Iron Lady, The Yukon Queen.

Al Lacy, who lives in Littleton, Colorado is a new author for our collection. He has 6 books, each set during the Civil War and at a different battle area.

The fourth book in the Lance Wubbels series is Some Things Last Forever.

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Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian

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Sunday School 9:45 am
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm
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Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am

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Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

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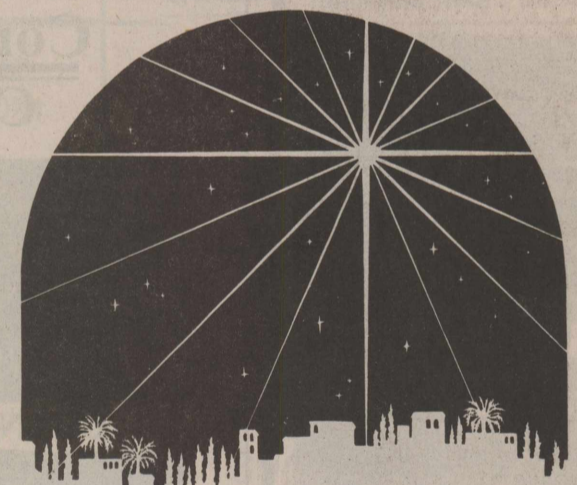
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Nu Beta Holds Holiday Tour of Homes

The Nu Beta Sorority held their Annual Holiday Tour of Homes on Sunday, December 8th. The proceeds from the event will go to their Scholarship Fund for Stratford High School Seniors and to other local charities.

The tour was enjoyed by several people and certainly was successful in getting everyone in the Christmas mood! The homes were simply beautiful. For those who remembered the homes from previous owners saw a lot of exciting changes and a lot of hard work!

We would like to extend our appreciation to those people who so generously participated in the Tour of Homes. They were: Andy & Karen Riffe, Doak & Lisa Crabtree, Bill & Kathy Riffe, Gared and Misti McBryde.

We will look forward to seeing all you again next year!



Merilee McDaniel sits in the Santa sleigh in front of her home-Mr. and Mrs. Bill Riffe. This home was built in the early 1960's.

Lisa Crabtree is shown above Sunday at her home that was on the Tour of Homes hosted by Nu Beta Sorority. Doak and Lisa have lived in their home since January 1995. The home was originally built by Dr. Frances Puig.

A humorist is a man who feels bad but feels good about it.
—Don Herold

Births

Tyler and Tanner Wright are proud to announce the arrival of their little sister, Taylor Ann Wright. Taylor was born on December 2nd, 1996 at 4:05 p.m. weighing 9 lbs. 2 1/2 ozs. She was 20 1/2 inches long.

Proud parents are Greg and Marsha Wright. Maternal grandparents are Robert and Ann Green of Hartley, Tx. Paternal grandparents are Archie and Lorene Wright of Stratford, Tx. Maternal great grandparents are Bobby G. Green of Hartley, Tx. and Frank and Bess Crownover of Canyon, Tx. Paternal great grandmother is Dovie Steffens of Stratford, Tx.

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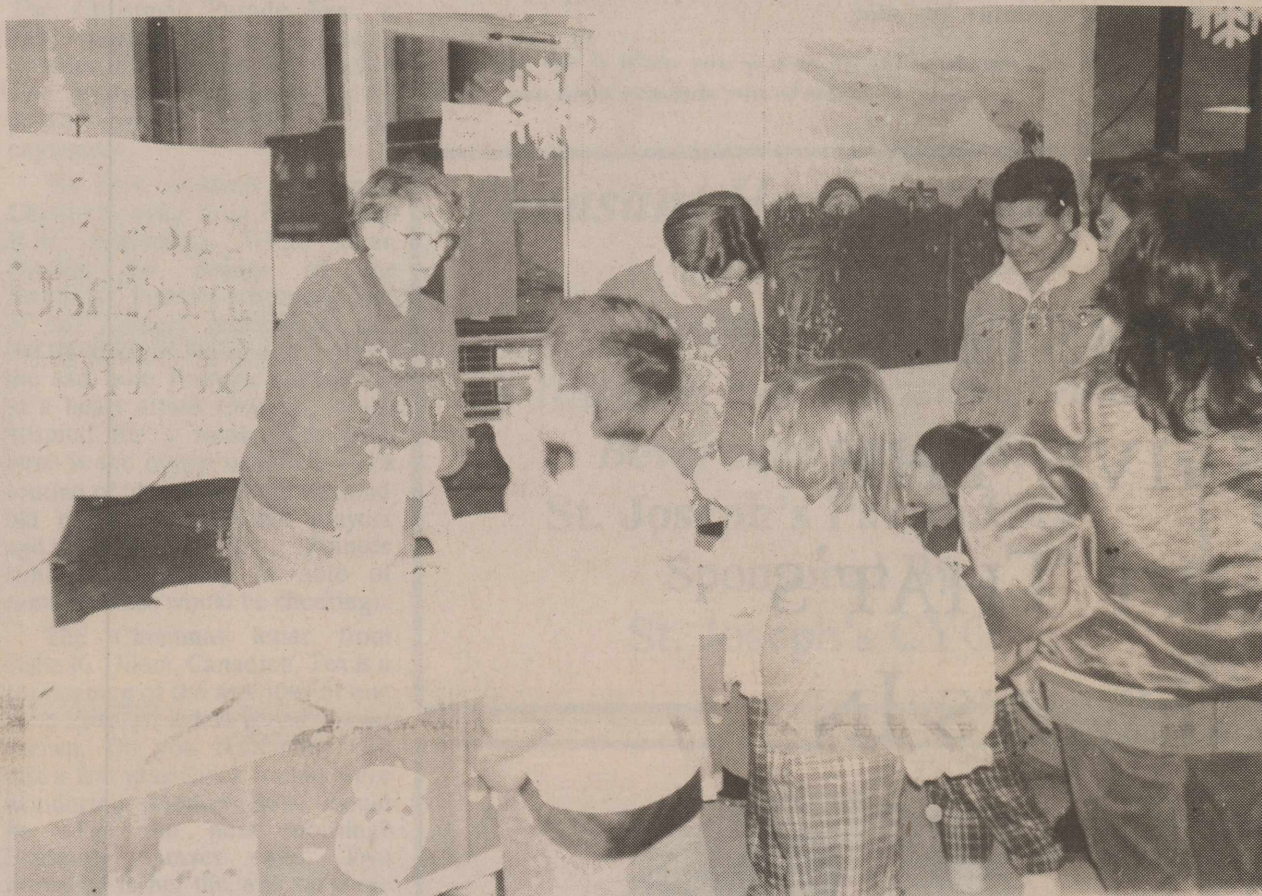
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The Imagination Station served Frito Pies after the Christmas Parade.



Miss Stratford Tami Davis, Junior Miss Thea James, Princess Miss Trisha Teig and Young Miss Amy Woods rode in the Christmas Parade held on Wed. Dec. 4, 1996.



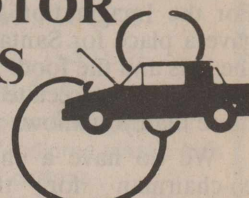
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Chamber Chatter

By J.A. Lasley

The cat is out of the bag. Meaning that folks are aware that J.A. Lasley is going to retire. Anyone interested in applying for the job of manager. Must be a people person, love Stratford and want to see it grow, be able to do bookkeeping, have some knowledge of a computer, and be able to keep records. It is a very rewarding and challenging job. Having lived in Stratford for the biggest majority of her life, J.A. states she will have blood in her eyes and her fists clenched if that person taking over her job does not love Stratford as deeply as she has and does. She will continue to work with and to promote Stratford. She needs to smell the roses and the Chamber needs new blood.

The parade is past history for this year. However the Chamber is already working on 1997. New projects are learning experience. We now realize we need a later time of the day for the lighted floats to really show up. Give this some thought, you readers. Does it need to be later in the month-a-different day. You that attend and watch we need your input. Speaking of the Parade just past. You cannot have a successful anything without a lot of people working with you and participating. A huge thank you to Mr. Randy Hunsaker and Mr. Jeff Witcher and the BIG BLUE MARCHING BAND. You were great and it was cold. The music was fantastic. It really set the mood. To all who walked, rode, whether a horse or on a float or in a wagon the Chamber says THANK YOU, THANK YOU! For the Imagination Station who gave a place for Santa, the art for the kids and the food. Wow! It was good. We appreciate all of you, more than you know.

We do have a chairman and co-chairman for the annual Stratford Youth Basketball 5th/6th grade tournament. Marie and Blake Sladek have agreed to serve in this capacity and have handed out slips to the 3rd, 4th, 5th/6th grade pupils who are interested in being participants. Those are to be handed in by the 11th of this month. The Basketball Tournament is scheduled for the 6th, 7th and 8th of March 1997. The Stratford Chamber of Commerce sponsors the Tournament. This will be the 5th year for this event. It brings in a lot of folks to Stratford and we have been complemented on how the tournament is ran. Good for Stratford, good for our youth and of course good for the Chamber. Jesse Resendes is the Recreation Chairman. for the chamber. This year referees will be paid and on Saturday when the Consolation and finals are being played there will be out of town referees.

Coming up Monday the 16th, there will be a Phase 11 Transportation meeting in Dumas, from 7-9 p.m. 310 East 1st Street. Last year, on Phase 1 and our meeting in Dumas we had a large turnout from Stratford. We would hope that as Highway users of 287

and 54 there would be a good turnout at this meeting. Numbers do count and a squeaky wheel keeps reminding those in charge there is a need.

Kevin Welch from the Amarillo Daily and Globe news was in Stratford last Tuesday visiting with Key people concerning the impact that the pheasant Hunt has on the economy of Stratford. Of course hunters coming in eat, sleep, gas their vehicle here, buy ammunition and possibly checks out the grocery store and other shops. For two weeks these fine folks visit our community. The impact is great but almost as importantly they keep coming back-and they know and will tell their buddies where Stratford is and what a good, clean, gracious and friendly town that it is. This is what it is all about. The Pheasant Hunters find out while they are here that we have prairie dogs and places to hunt them and they do a repeat on into the spring and summer.

1997 calendar is beginning to look like another fast and furious year is ahead. If you do not have your event on the calendar it



The word "amnesty" comes from the Greek word *amnestia*, meaning "a forgetting."

might be a good idea to get it there so as not to have conflicts.

Remember tonight to have your Christmas lights, Dec. 11th on residential and commercial. The Judges will be looking us over and the winners announced, with pictures the 18th!!

Lets look at what will be happening this next week in Stratford. Have a good week!

Thursday, Dec. 12 Scot 1 p.m. Pool, 7 p.m. Bingo, 8 p.m. Aa/Anon County Barn.

Friday, December 13th Scot 1 p.m. pool and ceramics. 7 p.m. games.

Sunday the 15- 9 a.m. Coldwater Manor Worship First Baptist church.

Monday, Dec. 16 Scot 1 p.m. pool and ceramics. 7 p.m. dance practice.

Tuesday, the 17th Scot pool.

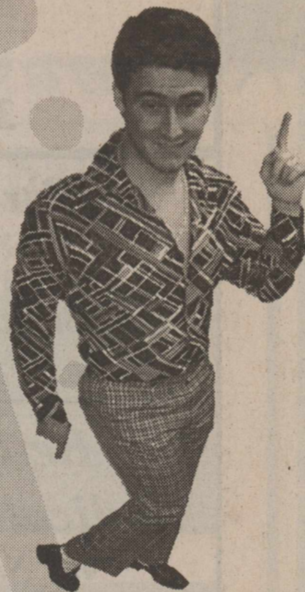
Wed. Dec. 18th Scot Hall 1 p.m. pool and ceramics, Coldwater manor Bible Study, First United Methodist



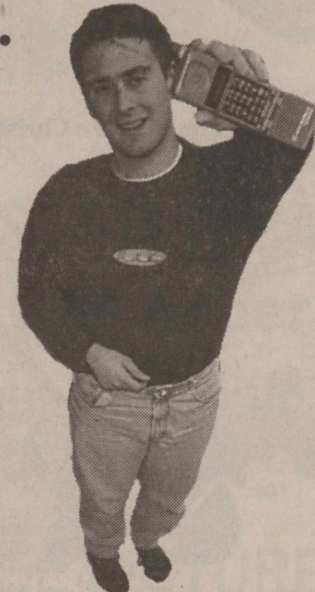
Helen Judd, right is shown above showing her daughter, Michele James of Boise City, some of the exhibits at the Sherman County Depot Museums' Open House held Sunday, December 8th.



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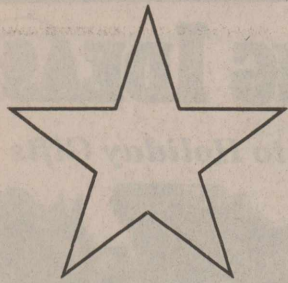
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In looking through my cards for Christmas, I found all my nice get well cards that all of you sent me when I had my stroke. I'm beginning to remember better now so I re-read them. Thank you again they mean so much to me. My neurologist has asked me to quit Avon-after 20 years, so thank you so much for your support.
Love Jane Willey

The Spanish III class would like to express our appreciation to everyone who helped in the Christmas card project and the beef raffle. We appreciate your support and we hope for more continued support throughout the year. P.S. there will be many more fund raisers. These funds will be going toward a trip to the Yucatan Peninsula during June. We hope this trip will further educate us in the Spanish culture. Thanks again!
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Thanks Stratford! We could not have made it without your support. We appreciate your prayers, calls, visits and cards. We are home now and doing fine. Your response during this difficult time has been a blessing.
Joe & Von Ann Wells

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Estate of J.N. Bridwell, Deceased, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas

Notice To All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate Of J.N. Bridwell, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of J.N. Bridwell, were issued on December 4, 1996, in Cause No. 1963, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to Wallace N. Bridwell and Jacqueline Bridwell Freeman.

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Attorney at Law
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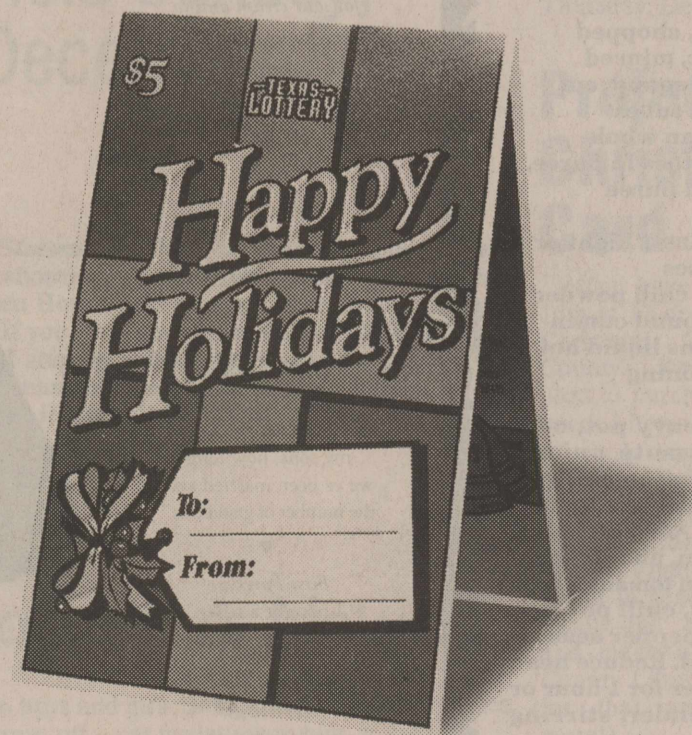
Jon P. King, Attorney for Applicant.

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By: Richie Brotherton, NRCS

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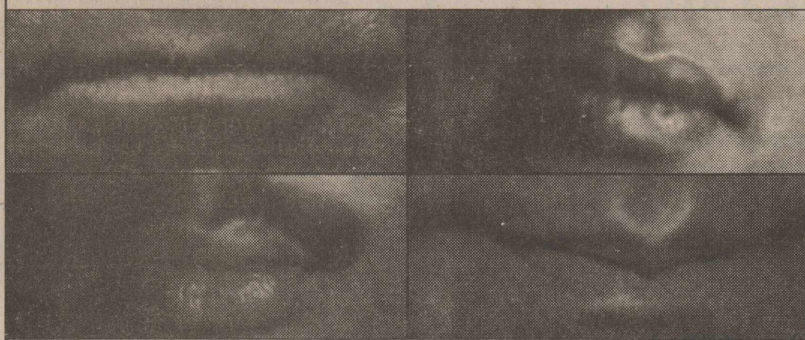
Some folks don't seem to mind the work, but can't seem to find the time. Other folks just can't seem to believe that we can raise trees here.

Well, ever so often good news comes along. Not only can we raise trees in Sherman County but we can get the Texas Forest Service to plant windbreaks for us if we get our name in the pot soon enough. Shoot, with their tree planter and weed barrier applicator we can plant about 100 trees an hour.

The NRCS staff will help you plan and design a windbreak. If you're running cattle on wheat pasture you should plant a windbreak to protect them from the ruthless north wind and blizzards. There's never a blizzard behind a windbreak.



Before blood pressure medication can work, it has to get past a major obstacle.



Next time you forget to take your blood pressure pills, remember this: stroke and heart attack are much harder pills to swallow. To learn more, contact your nearest American Heart Association at 1-800-AHA-USA1 or online at <http://www.amhrt.org>

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In most cases, a lithium battery will last as long as four alkaline batteries and an alkaline battery will last as long as ten carbon-zinc batteries.

TEXAS STYLE BEEF CHILI

- Makes 6 Servings
 1½ cups chopped onions
 1½ cups chopped, green peppers
 6 slices bacon, chopped
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 2 pounds beef round, cut into ½ inch cubes
 1 (28-ounce) can whole peeled tomatoes in puree, chopped and puree reserved
 ¼ cup BRER RABBIT Light or Dark Molasses
 2 tablespoons chili powder
 1 teaspoon ground cumin
 1 to 2 teaspoons liquid hot pepper seasoning

In 6-quart heavy pot, over medium heat, sauté onions, green peppers, bacon and garlic until vegetables are tender, about 3 minutes. Add beef cubes; cook until brown, about 5 minutes. Drain. Stir in tomatoes with puree, molasses, chili powder, cumin and hot pepper seasoning; heat to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 1 hour or until meat is tender, stirring often. Serve hot.

The evening of life brings with it its lamp.

—Joseph Joubert

85 YEARS OF GIRL SCOUTS

March 12, 1912

March 12, 1997

March 12, 1997 will mark 85 years of Girl Scouts in America!

Yucca Girl Scout Council is conducting a search for anyone (currently living in our community, or a former member of our community) who has ever registered as a Girl Scout. Stratford is planning a reunion for former Girl Scouts to Celebrate our 85th Anniversary!

GIRL SCOUT SEARCH

Please print your name, address, and phone number.

Were you a Girl Scout? _ Girl Scout Leader? _ Other? _ What capacity? (check all that apply)

At which age? Daisy _ Brownie _ Junior _ Cadette _ Senior _ Adult _ Lifetime _

Where were you living at the time of your membership?

What years did you belong to Girl Scouts?

Do you feel that Girl Scouts influenced your life? How?

Do you have any fond memories that you would like to share with us?

Please give us the names and addresses of other former Girl Scouts so we can include them in our Celebration. (We want our list as complete as possible)

All information is appreciated. Return to:

Ann Wells
 P O Box 809
 Stratford, Tx 79084
 (806) 396-2527

Stratford Star Christmas Holiday Schedule

We will close at 12 noon Wednesday, December 18th. We'll re-open Friday December 27 at 8 a.m.

There will be NO paper on Thursday December 26th. Christmas Edition is Thursday, December 19th edition

Merry Christmas!!!!



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GIFT GIVING IDEAS

Turn Treasured Photos Into Holiday Gifts

(NAPS)—A gift made from a photo truly speaks "a thousand words" and can be as much fun to make as it is to receive.

Here are extra-special gift suggestions from Eastman Kodak Company:

- 1. Start a family tradition with personalized ornaments.** Have each family member create a keepsake ornament with a photo of themselves. Simply place a photo into a miniature picture frame, add colored ribbons and hang! As weddings and births occur, new ornaments can be added, keeping a running chronology of family history.
- 2. Create fun picture frames to enhance favorite photos.** Using an inexpensive, clear acrylic frame, add notions that correlate to the photo. If it's a photo of a pet dog, glue "doggy biscuits" as a border; if the photo is of dad practicing his cooking skills, glue fun shapes of uncooked pasta to the frame.

- 3. Photo magnets are easy-to-make and a great way to decorate a home or office.** Simply glue photos to cardboard and cut into fun shapes. Paste a small magnet to the back and voila! Photo pins and jewelry boxes are equally simple to make.
- 4. Photos make terrific bookmarks.** Just cut people or interesting objects out of a photo, paste on cardboard, then laminate. (The photo cut-outs also make great "puppets" for kids when pasted on popsicle sticks!)

- 5. Create a special wreath with a photo of the entire family.** Take a favorite photo, enlarge and mount inside a store-bought wreath.
- 6. Friends and family members are sure to love a special gift basket they can use for their favorite activity.** If dad's a fisherman, wrap up a new tackle box filled with some bait and a waterproof Kodak Fun Saver Weekend 35 one-time-use camera.

- 7. What child wouldn't love a t-shirt, sweatshirt or school bag with a photo of himself/herself on it?** All can be easily made with photo transfers, available at most photofinishers and mall kiosks.
- 8. Frame it.** A simple photo enlargement of a special time or place makes a great gift for anyone, when presented in an attractive frame.



- 9. Any little girl will love a personalized hair ribbon or barrette.** Cut a photo to fit inside a round frame, or paste directly on a piece of cardboard. Laminate, then add colored ribbons, beads, barrette clips or elastics.
- 10. Photo keychains make great stocking stuffers for everyone on the list.** Cut a favorite photo into a rectangular shape and simply insert in an acrylic key chain holder.

- 11. Imagine how grandparents will respond to a special calendar featuring all their grandchildren, or dad's reaction to his face on the cover of a favorite magazine!** Turn traditional photos into extra-special gifts with Kodak photo impressions systems. Three systems, available at photofinishers nationwide, let consumers personalize photos by enlarging and adding text, graphics, borders and more. No need to spend hours searching for negatives—all Kodak photo impressions systems accept images directly from prints.
- 12. Consumers can also get creative with their gift distribution.** Instead of writing a recipient's name on a gift, create photo cards. Cut photos into fun holiday-oriented shapes like stars, trees, dreidels or snowmen and paste on a slightly larger piece of colored paper cut in the same shape. On Christmas morning or when the Hanukkah menorah is lit, everyone looks for photos of themselves.

As you begin this year's holiday list-making, remember to stop by your local dealer of Kodak products. Trained personnel can help inspire ideas and new opportunities for gifts that will be unusual, personal and remembered long after the New Year.

For more information, call 1-800-242-2424.

There isn't much to be seen in a little town but what you hear makes up for it.

—Kin Hubbard

Children stand more in need of example than criticism.

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