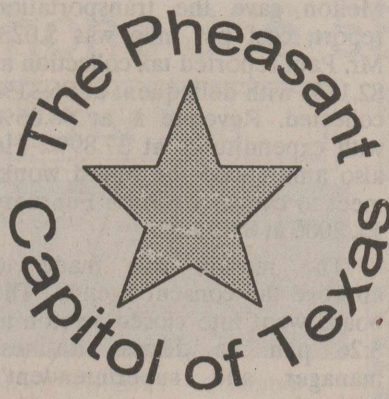


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## Sherman County Crimestoppers

On Sunday, January 23, 2000 person or persons unknown set at least five separate fires on CRP land. The first was by Keys, Ok., the second northeast of Kerrick in Oklahoma and three north of Stratford in Sherman County. Arson is a second degree felony. Anyone with information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons or persons involved will be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00. Call the Crimestoppers answering machine at 366-TIPS and leave a code name and telephone number. All calls remain confidential. Or contact the Sheriff's Office at 366-5551.

## Coaches Needed

Coaches are needed for the Stratford Youth Basketball program - 3rd & 4th grade boys & girls and 5th & 6th grade girls & boys. If you are interested in helping coach or refereeing, please contact D'Lynn Reed at 366-2427 or Kristi Walden at 769-4467.

Stratford Girl Scouts  
Will Take Orders For  
Girl Scout Cookies  
January 21-February 7.  
To Order, Talk To A Local  
Girl Scout  
Or Call Gale Shafer 366-2294.

## Der Wurst Dinner Feb. 13th

St. Joseph's Catholic Church will be hosting their annual Der Wurst Fest Dinner on Sunday, February 13th. The dinner will be held at the Stratford High School Cafeteria from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meal will be a traditional German Sausage Dinner with all the fixings. Tickets are Adult \$6.00 and children ages 5-12 \$3.00. Children 4 and under eat free.

Also available at the dinner will be a Special Line for Take-Out dinners and a Country Store (cakes, cookies, breads, etc.) AND you will also be able to purchase sausage by the pound.

Buy your tickets in advance and save time waiting in line the day of the dinner!

## Attention Stratford

Attention Stratford! The SHS Senior Class needs your help. If you wrote a check to the senior class, and it has not yet cleared the bank, please call the school at 366-3330.

## Scot Luncheon Thurs. Feb. 3

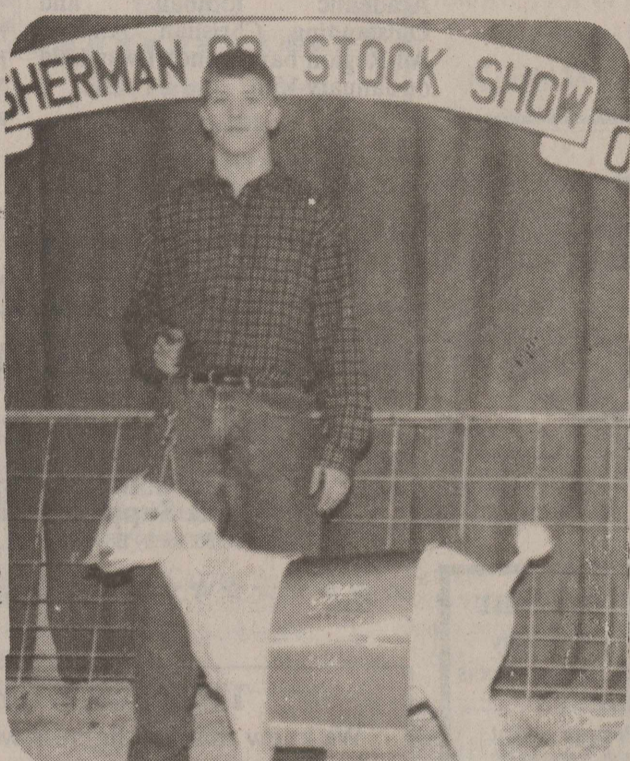
The Scot Luncheon that was postponed last Thursday has been rescheduled to this Thursday, February 3, 2000.

## 4-H Horse Club Schedule Meetings

The 4-H Horse Club February and March meetings will be moved to the first Sunday of the month - Feb. 6 and March 5 at 2:00. Bring your horses - we will ride inside if the weather is bad.

## Souper Bowl Sunday Totals

Souper Bowl Sunday Totals was 305 non-perishable food items and \$379.44. All of this goes to The Pantry.



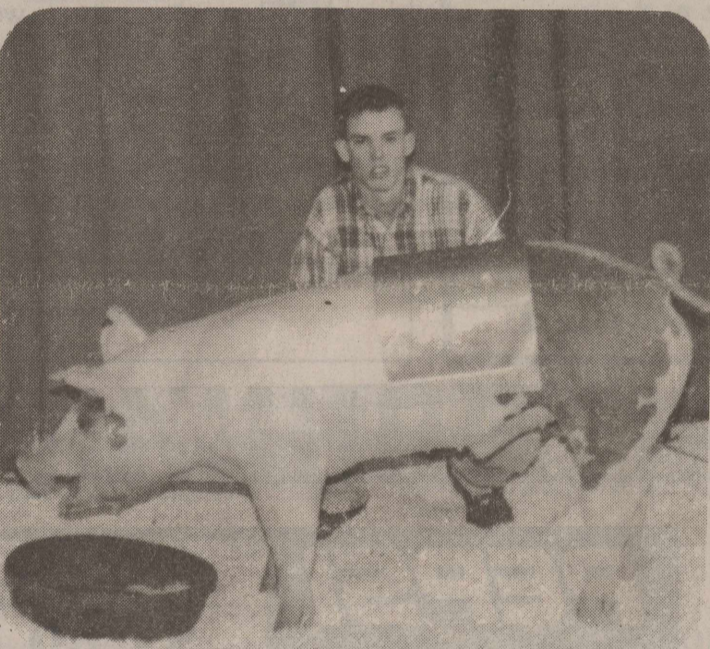
Sherman Co. Livestock Show & Sale was held this past week-end. Shown above is Dalton Sladek with his Grand Champion Goat.



Reserve Grand Champion Goat was won by Adam Witcher, buyer Hartley Feeders - Mike Shafer representing Hartley Feeders.



Grand Champion Lamb was won by Chelsea Christian, buyer Collingwood Grain. Shown representing Collingwood is C.A. Green.



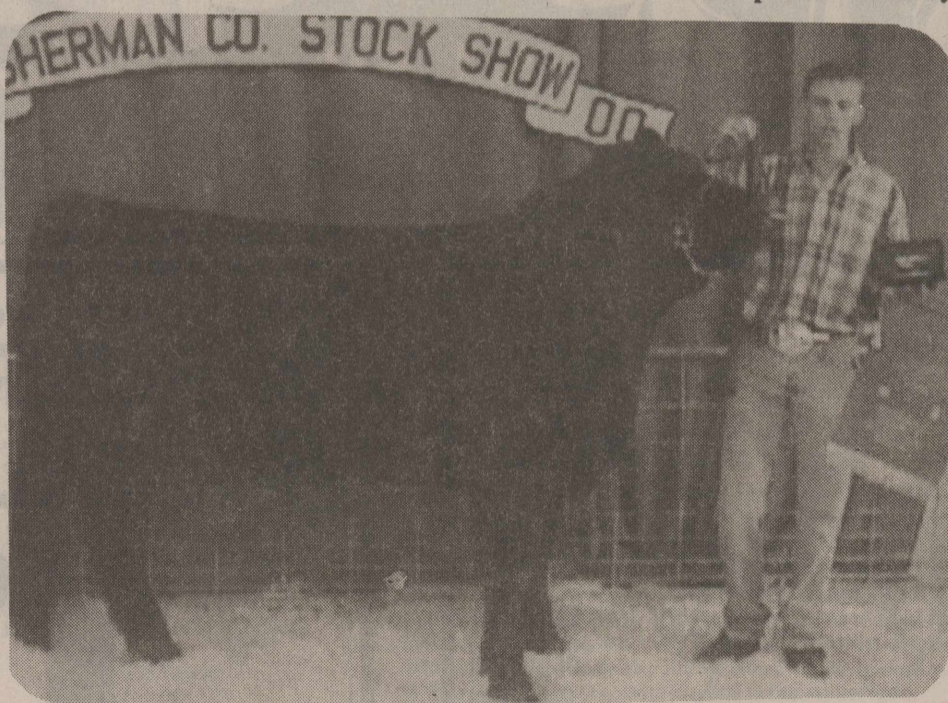
Grand Champion Swine was won by Brock Swain, buyer - Stratford Contributor's Fund.



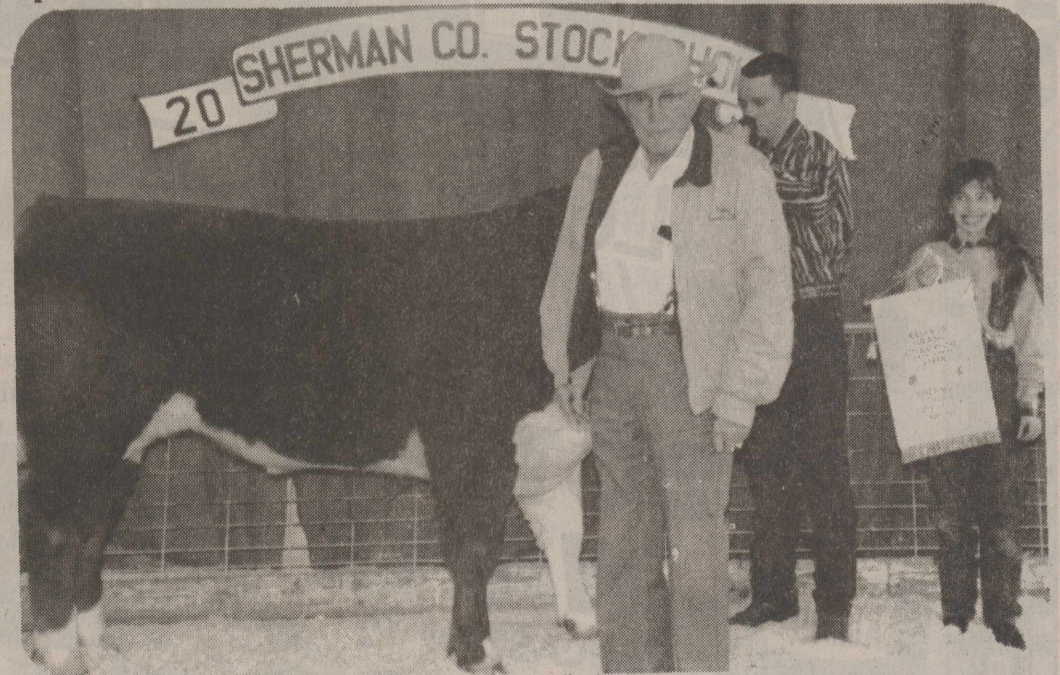
Reserve Grand Champion Swine was won by Morgan Crabtree, buyer Sunray Co-op. Shawn Claypool, shown above represented Sunray Co-op.



Reserve Grand Champion Lamb was won by Teneke Reagan. Buyer was Vogel Brothers.



Grand Champion Steer was won by Brock Swain.



Reserve Grand Champion Steer was won by Jarrett Ricketson, buyer Walter Lasley and Sons. Shown above is Walter Lasley. Sydney Shipp is shown holding the banner.

## Pemberton Announces

I Steve Pemberton would like to announce my candidacy for Sherman County Commissioner for Precinct 1.

I graduated from Dumas High in 1974 and attended Texas Tech for 3 1/2 years, coming to Stratford in 1977 to help with the farming because of illness in the family, and decided to stay and Make Stratford my home.

This makes me the fourth generation of Pemberton's and the 4th generation of Smith's to call Stratford home. I have been farming and ranching for the last 22 years.

I have served as President of Casa - 69, Lions Club, & Consumers Co. I have served on the boards of Sherman County

Farm Bureau & Sherman County Tax Review. I currently serve on the Panhandle Plains Production nominating committee & on the board of directors for the Sherman County Soil & water District #159. I was awarded the outstanding Conservation Farmer of the year for 1990.

Tana & I have two sons, Ramey of Guymon & Jaret, a sophomore at Stratford High. Tana is employed at First State Bank.

I would appreciate your vote in the coming elections. I am looking forward to serving the people of Sherman County.

Paid Pol. Ad paid for by Steve Pemberton, P.O. Box 1141, Stratford, TX 79084.

## Tillery Announces

I Sandy Tillery, am announcing my candidacy for Sherman County Commissioner, Precinct 1. I have lived in Sherman County all my life, and have resided in Precinct 1 for twenty-eight years. After graduating from Stratford High School in 1964, I attended Clarendon Jr. College and Panhandle State University. In 1967, I enlisted in the United States Army serving in Viet Nam, where I received the Bronze Star for Meritorious Service. After being discharged I returned to Sherman County and have been involved in agriculture since that time. Presently I am employed by Goodpasture, Inc. My job requires that I travel over the county on a daily basis, and in doing that, I am able to keep in touch with the needs of county residents.

My wife, Ellen, also a Sherman County native, and I have been married thirty-four years. We have three daughters, Roxan Bowman, of Ballinger, TX., Trisha Schoonover of Kerrick and Kendra Mungia, of Stratford. Because five of our Seven grandchildren are being reared in and around Sherman County, I have a vested interest in the future of this county.

Sherman County is a great place to live. Much progress has been made in the past, and it would be a privilege to serve the people of Sherman County and Precinct 1, as your County Commissioner, as we move into the new millennium.

Paid Pol. Ad paid for by Sandy Tillery, HCR 2 Box 10, Stratford, TX 79084.

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## Obit

Dennis Scott Harris

Dennis Scott Harris, 53, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 28th in Follett Methodist Church with the Reverend Scott Richards officiating. Burial was in the Follett Cemetery with services conducted by Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Harris was born in Shattuck, Oklahoma On May 12, 1946. He graduated in 1964 from Follett High School and attended West Texas State University, Canyon, Texas for three years. He attended Okmulgee Trade School for two and a half years where he received his certificate in Diesel Mechanics.

He worked for Haliburton Company in Woodward, Oklahoma until he was drafted in October 1969. After his basic training in the Navy Seabees in Gulfport, Mississippi, he was sent to Mechanical school in California for eleven months. At the completion of the course he was flown to Vietnam along with fifteen others to repair and operate machinery. On January 24, 1972, he was released from Active duty and stationed in California until he was discharged from the Reserves in June 1975.

On returning home he resumed working for Haliburton Company in Perryton, Texas for a few years. He then moved to Spearman, Texas to work for Permian Oil Company. Later he worked for Baker and Taylor Company of Spearman, Texas for eight years, until health problems forced him to retire. At an early age he became a member of the Follett Methodist church, later he joined the Spearman Union Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd Harris, in June 1998. Survivors include his mother, Irene Harris, one sister, Patricia Brown and her husband Jim Bob Brown of Stratford, Texas, a niece Ashley Brown and one nephew, Caleb Brown, both of Stratford.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Follett Methodist Church, Darrouzett American Legion Post, or to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Friends

Mary Woodford Kidwell Wisdom was kind enough to send me a page from the Stratford Star in which Stratford people listed early settlers they thought helped shape their town. I'm just sorry my folks couldn't see the paper as they always loved Stratford and would be so honored to be remembered. For Johnny Blackwell, my Uncle, there was no place like Stratford. He and my father, Dick Blackwell, told so many stories about the people listed in the paper my husband Joe and I feel completely familiar with them as though they were old friends.

Dick & Jane Blackwell, my parents, visited the John Kidwells until their deaths. This yearly visit to Stratford & seeing old friends was a wonderful time for them.

Thank you for your fun page-by the way in the Martin Blackwell & Co. Store, picture the man second from the right is John Blackwell, an early Sherman Co. Sheriff and the uncle of Johnny, Dick and Raleigh Blackwell, and introduced all of them to Sherman, County.

We will be thinking about all of you and know in September the wagons coming from old Coldwater town to Stratford will be a great sight!

Again Thank you

Sincerely,

Rosemary Blackwell Sheppard

Sideburns got their name from General Amrose Everett Burnside, who was easily identified by his mutton-chop whiskers. This style was first known as burn-sides.

## Arts in the Area

By Geynelle Riffe

\*\*\* denotes new listing

- Feb.4-12 "The Clouds" Stage Right Theatre, Amarillo 806-353-7888
- Feb. 4 Randel Chamber Orchestra /Joanna Mendoza, viola Trinity Baptist Church 806-376-8782
- Feb. 5\*\*\* "Lift Every Voice" Amarillo Opera Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Feb. 6\*\*\*\* WTAMU Faculty Chamber Orchestra 8:00 p.m. St. Thomas Catholic Church 4100 S. Coulter (Free)
- Feb. 10-11-12 Circus Gatti Amarillo Civic Coliseum
- Feb. 12 Red Stegall Valentine Show LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646
- Feb. 12 Jose Greco II Flamenco Dance Co. Lone Star Ballet Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463
- Feb. 16 Sam Donelson Distinguished Lecture Series Amarillo Civic Grand Plaza 806-378-3096
- Feb. 18-20 25,26 "Nunsense Jamboree" Musical Guymon Community Theatre 338-6760
- Feb. 19 Amarillo Symphony-Joseph Silverstein, violin Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- Feb. 27 "Spirit of the Dance" Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-3096
- Feb. 29 "Annie" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- March 1-5\*\* "The American Story" Musical Branding Iron Theatre, WTAMU, Canyon

## Stratford Offers Night Classes

Stratford ISD would like to offer the following night classes. Classes will be on Monday and Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for eight weeks. The cost of each class will be \$25.00. There must be at least 10 people sign up to offer the class. Please call 366-3300 if you wish to sign up for a class. We must know by Wednesday, March 1, if you wish to take the class. This will give us time to contact everyone if we are going to have the class or not.

Classes will begin Monday, March 6 and end Thursday, May 4. There will be no classes during Spring Break, March 13-17. The following six classes will be offered:

- English as a Second Language
- Beginning Conversational Spanish
- Basic Computer Operations
- Word
- Power Point and Internet Use
- Desk Top Publishing



In music, the term *rubato* means "with a freedom of tempo."

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## SISD Holds Regular Session

The Board of Trustees of the Stratford ISD met in regular session on Thursday, January 20, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Steve Johnson, Ted Allen, Sandy Baskin, Philip Walden, Kenton Kimball, Joe Reinart, Ricky Reed and Vernon Paul. administrative team members present were Steve Haynes, Brad Thiessen and Travis Melton. The invocation was given by Steve Haynes.

Mr. Haynes gave his report on the high school. Juniors will be receiving ASVAB Test results, stock show coming up, TAAS Night has begun for Sophomore students. The First State Bank provided pizzas for the event. He reported that David Hunsaker received 2 honors: All-State Academic football and Outstanding Christian Athlete. All-Region band concert was held on January 15th.

No report on the Mary Allen Elementary and Middle School as Mr. Taliaferro and Mr. Hunkapiller were returning from meetings in El Paso. Travis Melton gave the transportation report; cost per mile was \$.023. Mr. Paul reported tax collection at 82.18% with delinquent at 96.31% collected. Revenue is at 68.06% with expenditures at 37.89%. He also announced the board would meet to canvas votes on February 15, 2000 at 8:00 a.m.

The motion was made to approve the consent agenda. The board went into closed session at 8:26 p.m. to discuss business manager and superintendent's evaluation.

The board came back into open session at 10:15 p.m.

The motion was made to give Mr. Paul a one-year extension to his contract giving him a new 3-Year contract. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

## ELECT

◆◆◆ BOYD SPURLOCK ◆◆◆

County Commissioner Precinct 1

8 yrs experience & credits in County Government

Your Vote & Support would be greatly appreciated

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Boyd Spurlock, HCR 1 Bx.200, Stratford, TX 79084

## THANKS, GUYS AND GALS

We knew that fire fighters were great, but it's hard to fully appreciate that greatness until you have a CRP fire. This happened to us last Sunday, January 23. We went out to check out where the fire was, since we had heard Kerrick mentioned. When we got there, we discovered that it was OUR fire. Firemen were already there, and the fire was pretty much controlled.

We don't know who all was there, but we appreciate everyone - all the fire department people, all the good Kerrick neighbors who were standing by, those from Perkins-Protho who brought their water tank and tractor. The list probably goes on and on, and we thank every one of you.

Mary and R.J. Hill

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### Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, readers, citizens this bleak 24 degrees Fahrenheit Monday morning the last day of the first month of 2000. Since Timi is concentrating on leaving adult care in Dumas Hospital to come home to Stratford our writing will be short.

We wish to tender Christian and personal support from Scotters to Mrs. Lloyd Harris and Patty (Jim Bob) Brown in the loss of Denny Harris, brother of Patty and others we have not heard of but need the Lords comfort. We want our peers to remember each other with a shoulder pat and luv.

Marjorie Pilch had a full house Dec. 20th with family and friends. It was an early Christmas for us all. Russell, Andrea, Lauren, Sgt. Glenn Slaton from Milford. Glenn came home Dec. 9th from Keora after 13 months over seas. We all were very happy. He is stationed in Brogg, North Carolina now. He brought Mary Peach and grandma Pilch Christmas gifts from Keora. They are beautiful. Mary and Kenta Cook were missed. Marys daughter, Angela came with Andrea. She was a joy to us.

Also present, Jane and Russell Guthrie and children James and Clara of Goodwell, Ok. Rodger and Vicky of Lubbock. Lille McAdams and Mary Peach.

I rode back with Andrea's family to Arlington to go with Mr. and Mrs. David Osborns, Cara's folks, to catch a ride to Liberty, Mo. for rest of Christmas with Michael, Cara and grandchildren Jena Brooks, Matthew and Nicholas, also Judy & David and Cathy, a cousin of Judys. Few days later Michael and Matthew drove me home. The holidays were perfect.

My dad, Carl Cooper from Colorado, Springs, Co. took me out Thanksgiving Day dinner in Dumas on his way to visit brother and sisters in Oklahoma.

### Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Someone ran into a train at the Oklahoma crossing at Kerrick early Monday morning. Understand he was driving a maroon & black pickup and from Felt, Ok. It was dark and very foggy. Nobody was hurt.

Big Brothers & Big Sisters held their annual bowling event in Dalhart Saturday. Pat Boren participated in it.

Jimmy, Sundy & Kylee Gillenwaters were in Amarillo over the weekend visiting with Sundy's mother, Donna Ryan.

Hope everyone read their XIT Connections last week! Nita Taylor was featured in an article.

Terry & Barbara Schoonover attend funeral services for Bryan Charles Burge, 31 of Amarillo on Jan. 25. He was a first cousin of Barbara's. He was killed in an accident that also injured his fiancée, Desiree Luttrull.

Bryan was a grandson of Charles and Lu Grice of Dalhart. He was a self-employed auto mechanic.

Services were held in Memorial Park Funeral Home with the Rev. Willie Thrash officiating.

Survivors include his parents, Charlene and James Burge of Amarillo; a sister, Jodi Lynn Ferguson, Amarillo; brother James William Burge, Amarillo and his grandparents.

### Girl Scouts Taking Orders For Cookies

Stratford Girl Scouts will take orders for Girl Scout cookies January 21 through February 7.

In addition to being a delicious tradition, the Girl Scout cookie sale teaches girls basic business, marketing and goal-setting skills. Girls gain confidence when they promote cookies to the public and reach individual, troop, and council goals. Girls also earn "cookie dough", which they may use to purchase Girl Scout items or to pay all or part of camp fees.

The eight cookie varieties include Thin Mints, Samoas, Trefoils, Do-S-Dos, Tagalongs, Striped Chocolate Chip, Lemon Drops, and reduced fat Apple Cinnamon.

Cookies will be delivered March 6-21. Girl Scout cookies cost \$3.00 per box, with payment due at the time of delivery.

Cookie sale profits fund Girl Scout program activities throughout the year and help pay for leader training and support services in the five state area. To order Girl Scout cookies, talk to a local Girl Scout or call Gale Shafer 366-2294.

The term "bowdlerize," meaning "to remove objectionable or vulgar material from a work," is named for Thomas Bowdler, an English editor of an expurgated edition of Shakespeare.



Barbara Hill Moore

### "Lift Every Voice" Spiritual Concert

Amarillo Opera's BRAVO! announces Amarillo Opera's 6th Annual "Lift Every Voice" Spiritual Concert to be presented Saturday, February 5, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. Special guest artist will be world renowned soprano Barbara Hill Moore. Also featured will be Ramone Diggs, Derick Amos, and Afton Battle. The "Lift Every Voice" Choir, conducted by Donnell Hill will present spirituals and gospel music.

According to Mila Gibson, Amarillo Opera Founder/Director, this event will be inspiring, uplifting and entertaining. Proceeds will benefit the Amarillo Opera Outreach/Education programs.

Tickets are available through the Civic Center Box Office at (806) 378-3096. For BRAVO! membership information call the opera office at 372-7464.

Don't miss this exciting evening of some of the best spiritual and gospel music you will ever hear.



Writer Christopher Morley's explanation for naming his cats Shall and Will was, in his words, "Because no one can tell them apart."

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### 1999 Oilseeds Program (OP)

"Pub. L. 106-78, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000", provides authority for the 1999 OP. This Act provides:

\*\$475 million for producers who planted 1999 crop flaxseed, sunflowers, safflower, soybeans, rapeseed, mustard seed, canola, or crambe

\*that a producer's payment will be based on the higher of the 1997 or 1998 planted acreage of each specific oilseed, or for new producers, the 1999 crop planted acreage of each specific oilseed

\*that producers may use the higher of the county average yield or the producers actual yields to determine payment quantity.

Not much is known about this program yet, but we will let you know just as soon as we hear more about it. What is known is that you must report to this office if you planted eligible oilseeds in 1999 but you did not report all of your acreage for those oilseeds in 1997, 1998, or 1999. So, in short, if you planted these oilseeds in '97, '98, or '99, and did not report (certify) these acres to the FSA office, please come in by February 18, 2000. When reporting acres for past years, you must provide us with acceptable evidence of existence and disposition of the crop. Proof of evidence can include: seed receipts, receipts for cleaning/treating, written contacts and sales documents.

### Foundation Grants Request

The Stratford Area Foundation approved a grant request for a safety cover at Texhoma's Municipal Pool. Water will remain in the pool to keep the pool's new surface from cracking this winter. The pool cover was placed by Jay Snow's Pool Plastering out of Oklahoma City at a cost of \$6,500.00. The J.B. Riffe Endowment for Sherman County & Texas County provided \$3,000.00 to this beneficial project. The Town of Texhoma contributed \$3,500.00 to the remaining balance on the cover and an additional \$600.00 towards chemicals applied to the water to keep the water free of algae and incapable of freezing. Grants such as these are made possible through the generosity of organizations and individual gifts to the Stratford Area Foundation

### Scot News

By Jack Gore

Due to cancellation of Last weeks luncheon. We will reschedule to Thursday, Feb. 3rd for our makeup luncheon.

All Scotters need to be at the luncheon to vote on 10 new board members for this new year.

Also Ted Allen, School Board members will be here to answer any questions about the school bond issue.

New form of Newsletter coming out thanks to the computer age and Vicki Gore.

Remember dues and new members.

Bring a guest to lunch and lets tell them what SCOT is all about. Who knows! they may even want to join us.

Bingo is Thursday, Feb. 3 at 7 p.m.

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Evening Worship 6:00 pm - Youth Serv. - 6 pm.-Sun.  
Wed. Royal Rangers (Pioneers) 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Royal Rangers (Straight arrows & Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.  
Wed. Missionettes - 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm

### First Christian

Rev. Rob Chandler  
5th & Main  
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
No Sunday Evening Worship  
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

### First United Methodist

Rev. Mark Metzger  
520 N. Main  
Sunday School 9:40 am  
Morning Worship 10:50 am  
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm  
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm  
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for  
Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

### St. Joseph Catholic

Father Darryl Birkenfeld  
6th & Pearl  
Rectory - 366 - 5687  
Sunday Liturgies: Sat. Evening - 7 p.m. (Bi-lingual)  
Sunday morning: 8:30 a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:30 p.m.  
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:25 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Church of Christ

Mike Talley  
N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Worship 5:00 pm  
Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

### Calvary Baptist

John Widner  
302 S. Main  
Afternoon Worship 2:30 pm  
Children's Active Learning 2:30 pm  
No Evening Worship  
Thurs. Bible Study & Fellowship 7:30 pm

### First Baptist

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

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### But It's Not Fair

No one likes unjust suffering. It happens a great deal. You get a bad wrap at school or at work. Someone else does not do their share on a project. The boss calls you on the carpet. "It's not fair," you say. Look at what the Bible says. "It is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong" (1 Peter 3:17). When you suffer for doing something wrong, you should accept it, not grumble and complain, reform, and get on with living. What about suffering for doing what is right? It is actually far better. You should not do wrong and then have to suffer for it. The example is Christ, "who committed no sin" (1 Peter 2:22). The Romans "spat in His face and beat Him with their fists; and others slapped Him" (Matthew 26:67). "After twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they knelt down before Him and mocked Him" (Matthew 27:29). Then they nailed him up on a cross (Matthew 27:35). This was all God's will (Acts 2:23). Think about it. Did Jesus Christ suffer and die to pay for your sins? You should not grumble about petty inconveniences that seem so unjust to you.

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Meir Co Les Serv De Ador 5 p.m.

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Pastor Roy Harris  
Community Building  
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday



### Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Rittgers of Johnston, Iowa announce the engagement of their daughter Julie Rittgers to Craig Sladek. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sladek. Miss Julie Rittgers attended Drake University, Des Moines, with a Master's Degree in Higher Education. She is employed with Athletes in Action, Cincinnati, Ohio. Her fiance' is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas with a degree in physical Education. He is employed as the Men's USA Basketball Director with Athletes in Action. A May wedding is planned.

### Births

Caroline Sharon Austin of Dallas, Texas is pleased to announce the arrival of her new baby sister Anastasia Lee Austin. Ana Lee was born on Saturday, January 8, 2000 at 2:57 p.m. at Columbia Medical City Hospital in Dallas, Texas. She weighed 8 pounds and 3 ounces and was 20.5 inches long.

Proud parents are Carrie and David Austin of Dallas. Grandparents are Sharon and Si Perkins of Guymon, Oklahoma, Rose and Joe Ray Brown of El Paso, Texas and and Charles W. Austin of Houston, Texas. Great grandparents are Dean Smith and Betty and Baskin Brown of Stratford, Texas and Bud Perkins of Guymon, Oklahoma. Great grandmother is Timmie Brown of Stratford, Texas.

Heath and Laura Starnes are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Taylor Mackenzie, born January 17, 2000, at Dodge City, Kansas. Taylor weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Brent and Jeanette Magouirk of Dodge City, KS. Great grandparents include Loree Maxwell of Dodge city and Bernice Magouirk of Cimmaron, KS.

Paternal Grandparents are Danny and Cheryl Starnes of Stratford, Texas. Great grandparents are Peggy and Dwayne Plunk, Harley and Daina Starnes, all of Stratford and Jimmy and Jenny Everson of Dumas. Great great grandparents include Irene New of Amarillo and Maybelle Everson of Crowell, Texas.

### Cards of Thanks

I would like to thank the Contributor's Fund for purchasing my Grand Champion Swine. The money made from stock shows this year will not be used to buy more animals, but will go into my college account. I appreciate all the help I've received in my years of showing. Showing has been a part of my life for 13 years and I will really miss it. Thanks again.

Brock Swain

I would like to thank everyone for the flowers, words, thoughts and prayers from all my friends in Stratford during my successful operation.

Ted Martin

Sherman County 4-H would like to thank everyone who supported the concession during the Livestock Show and Sale. A special thanks to Cindy Russell, David White, and Leslie Reagan for coordinating the fund raiser. Thanks to Allsup's, Moorman's-Ted Allen, Express Lanes, Thriftway of Stratford, Kountry Doughnuts of Dumas, and United of Dumas for their donations in this endeavor. A special thanks to all the 4-H members and families who donated food and worked their assigned times during the three day concession. A big thank you is extended to Shirley Durham for her assistance in the set up and supervision in the clean up of the concession and barn facility. Everyone's support will enable Sherman County 4-H to provide educational experiences to assist youth in the development of skills needed to be successful in life.



### Engagement Announced

Lisa Godsey, daughter of Gale & Randy Godsey and Eric Newcomb son of Jack and Roxie Newcomb plan a March 4th wedding at 1:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau building. The Bride to be is currently a Freshmen at Oklahoma Panhandle State University.



### Vincent Receives Degree

Clint Vincent graduated from Texas Tech University on December 18, 1999 with a B.S. Degree in Civil Engineering. He is currently working at Carter & Burgess Engineering in Ft. Worth, Texas. Clint is the Son of Patti and the late Mike Vincent of Stratford.

### 4-H Clothing Project Begins Feb. 9

Sherman County 4-H Clothing Projects will begin Wednesday, February 9th at the Sherman County Exhibit Building in Stratford. The workshop will be conducted from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Youth interested in participating in the workshop will have an opportunity to learn the many ways they can participate in the project, learn the proper use of sewing tools and how to operate a sewing machine and serger, and the importance of good grooming skills. The group will also learn how good personal appearance begins with good nutrition.

Volunteer leaders will be working with Susie Spurlock, Sherman County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences in the project. All interested youth ages 9 through 19 are invited to come and learn regardless of race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Youth who would like to attend are asked to call the Sherman County Extension Office by Tuesday, February 8 so that adequate materials will be available at the workshop. For more information, contact Susie Spurlock at 806-366-2122.

### One Act Play Needs Props

This year, the Stratford Speech Department will be putting on a one act play that is set in the early 1900's. The name of the play is *The Small World of Millie McIvor*. We are in need of several pieces of furniture that we are asking to borrow for this play. We are looking for a small couch or love seat from this time period. Also, we need 2 stools, one footstool, a fern stand, and a small standing mirror. If anyone would be willing to let us borrow these items for the play, we would be greatly appreciative. also, we are always willing to accept donations.

### SCOT Coffee Bar

SCOT Coffee Bar is now open...So let the fun begin!

New Hours for Coffee Bar will be from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.  
Monday through Friday

Get up! Get out!...and Get with it!  
Dominoes and Cards available  
Jig Saw Puzzle Table for all puzzlers  
(There has to be puzzler or two out there)

If we haven't got it, you suggest it and we'll try to get it.

SCOTers would like to invite anyone from the community to take advantage of using the coffee bar at any time-Come, be our guest.

FEBRUARY 14th

Please mark this date for a "special" coffee bar day

Celebrate Valentine's Day at the coffee bar

Hostesses will be on tap to serve you special refreshments

Bring your sweetheart - If you don't have one, maybe you'll find one there.

LOVING EACH OTHER IS WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT!

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(The Coffee Bar will be closed on Thursday & Friday the week of the luncheon, opened again the following Monday.)

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**Valentine Bagged Candy.**

- Miniatures, Snickers, 3 Musketeers, Milky Way
- Hershey's or Reese's, 13 oz.
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30-32 ct. Non-mailable envelopes included.

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- Luv Pops. 6 oz.
- Elmer's Red Wrap Heart. 3 oz.
- Sweet Blossom Rose. .75 oz.

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7-Stem Decorator Bushes.  
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Sun.: 12 Noon to 6 p.m.



WTAMU President Dr. Russell Long, making a trip through the panhandle, stopped for an informal visit at the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday, Jan. 25. Dr. Long was accompanied by staff, Dana Olmstead. Dr. Long informed those present of opportunities for Area residents to take advantage of two degrees, MBA and Educational Technology, to be offered on the Internet. The University will possibly offer some classes at the Amarillo College campus in Dumas and the Clarendon College campus in Pampa. Dr. Long expressed his appreciation for the support West Texas A & M University receives from Stratford and Sherman County. Shown L/R Kristine Olsen - SDC, Paula Nusz - Chamber Manager, Dr. Long, Dana Olmstead, Don Riffe and Wayne Smith, Chamber Chairman. Photo by Gaynelle Riffe.

## Swain Receives Trip To Washington D.C.

Brock Swain received a trip to Washington, D.C. because of winning the 4-H State Record Book contest in the Veterinary Science program. The trip was called ExCELL for Experience, Citizenship, and Examples of Leadership for a Lifetime. There were 10 State 4-H winners from Districts I and 2 plus three County Agents as chaperones. The trip was November 26 through November 30, 1999. The weather cooperated except for some rain on the first day and the 4-H'ers realized why they needed a good pair of walking shoes. It was an experience of a lifetime. Following the trip, each person had to write a paper about the trip and their experiences. This is Brock's paper.

### My ExCELL Trip to Washington, D.C.

I have seen some exciting and interesting places in my life but Washington tops them all. To see where most of the government activities for our country take place is awesome. Seeing the buildings, museums and monuments overwhelmed me. My ExCELL (Experience, Citizenship, and Examples of Leadership for a Lifetime) trip to Washington, D.C. with ten other State 4-H Record Book winners was a trip of a lifetime. The Washington trip followed Thanksgiving from November 26 through November 30, 1999. Our school's Veteran's Day program had really psyched me up for the trip and I anxiously waited for November 26. During this time, our Stratford ELKS football team was making its way into the state play-offs so I knew I had a major decision to make. I had to choose between two things I deserved to participate in: football playoffs with teammates and the trip to Washington, D.C. Even though the trip was special, leaving Stratford was probably the hardest thing I have ever done. I chose Washington with the knowledge that my teammates were planning to defeat Iraan and we would all get to play more football.

Arriving in Washington was exciting, but at that point I questioned whether I had made the right decision. Everywhere we hurried to make the next gate or the next Metro train (subway) and it was raining. The National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland, was our home away from home and after settling in, we went to downtown Washington to look at various sights. We later had time to take a closer look at the memorials and to take tours. We visited the offices of Congressmen Mac Thornberry and Larry Combest and toured the Capitol during our trip. We had some free time to shop, time to explore historical sites, and also times to meet as a group.

I only knew one person prior to the trip, but I enjoyed getting to know my roommates and other new friends. We all got along and had fun on the trip. I enjoyed visiting Baltimore because the harbor area was so refreshing, especially for people from a land-locked area. I enjoyed watching the sailboats and the people, eating at the noisy and crowded Hard Rock Cafe, and touring Fort McHenry, realizing that was the place where Francis Scott Key

wrote the words to the National Anthem. The evening we attended the "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Burn Brae Theater was actually more enjoyable than I had anticipated, even though my mind kept wandering to Plainview, Texas, where the ELKS were playing Iraan. My parents had permission to talk to me after the game, but it seemed like forever before we got connected. Learning that the ELKS defeated the Braves in the Regional game made my trip that much better because I could relax and take in the sights, and still be confident that there would be more football when I got home.

I go to church every Sunday, but never to one as big as the Washington National Cathedral. It was huge, and I wondered how people kept from getting lost inside. The church service was similar to my aunt's church and one of my roommates told us to just do what he did since the Cathedral's service was similar to his church. That afternoon we toured the Smithsonian or at least parts of it. The Holocaust Memorial certainly made an impression on me since I had the name of a Jewish victim to carry with me on the tour. This helped me understand more about the atrocities of World War II that these people faced. One treat was dinner at the Columbia Country Club where we learned about the work of lobbyists. The food was good, the room was elegant, and the cost of dinner was outrageous. Our host picked up the tab of \$1200 for our group. I had never eaten at a high-priced place like that but it was an interesting experience.

I learned about the Lincoln Memorial statue. One side of Lincoln shows him as young and happy while the other side represents the older, stressed Lincoln. There are images of Lee and Grant in Lincoln's hair also, and these are things I never knew before. The Iwo Jima Memorial meant a lot to me because my Grandad was there soon after the second flag was raised. I colored

over a name of a war casualty at the Vietnam Memorial and brought it home, realizing how grateful I am that none of my family members have their names there. I guess the thing that stuck in my mind the most was the Arlington National Cemetery. I have done research papers on Robert E. Lee and his home of Arlington, but that information never really meant that much to me before. After seeing all the white grave markers stretching out in row after row, I felt pride and sadness for the many who have paid the price for our country's freedom. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Eternal Flame at President Kennedy's grave touched me deeply and made me proud because they represent America at its best and give honor to our fallen soldiers.

We seemed to be on constant GO and didn't get much sleep at night, but my ExCELL trip to Washington will be a memory of a lifetime. I learned about the foundations of our country's government, and the shrines and memorials to the people who have enabled our country to be the greatest country in the world. After I arrived home, I shared with my parents about the tough decision that I had to make, and that I was fortunate to have an experience like Washington. I made the correct decision for me and I would not trade those five days with anyone. Washington, D.C. is a place like no other and all Americans should feel pride in it.

My 4-H experiences have meant a lot to me but the ExCELL trip to Washington is one of the greatest experiences I've ever had.

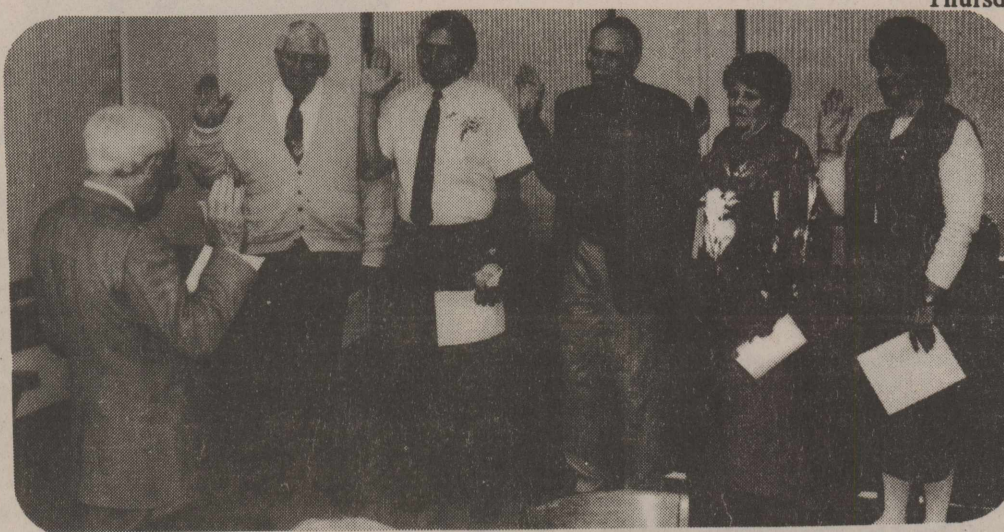


The poinsettia is named for Joel Roberts Poinsett, an American diplomat.

## February Scholarship Deadlines

Scholarship Name	Deadline
The following scholarships for juniors and seniors will be due during the month of February. Please mail your applications before the deadline!!	
ESA Foundation-seniors	Feb. 1
Jaycee War Memorial Fund-seniors	Feb. 1
Texas Leaders Scholarship-entering UT freshmen	Feb. 1
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority-seniors	Feb. 1
Helium Litigation-specific majors	Feb. 1
Sybill B. Harrington-seniors	Feb. 1
West Texas A&M-entering WTAMU freshmen	Feb. 1
Society of Petroleum Engineers-engineering majors	Feb. 11
Horace Mann-parents employed by a school	Feb. 12
Easley National-seniors	Feb. 15
Cargill Program for Rural Americans-farm families	Feb. 15
*Democracy Essay Project-juniors and seniors	Feb. 15
FFA Scholarship for Farm Bureau-FFA member, family must carry Farm Bureau Insurance	Feb. 15
FFA Organization-FFA members	Feb. 15
USA Today 2000 All-Academic Team-top 20%	Feb. 25
Pantex Plant-math, science, engineering majors	Feb. 29

\* - Scholarship for junior students  
For more information on any of these scholarships, please contact Misti McBryde at 366-3322.



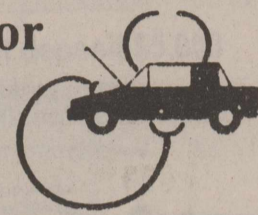
CASA 69, Inc. (Court Appointed Special Advocates) welcomed five new board members at the Annual Board meeting held January 17, 2000, at the Dallam County Courthouse. These board members are Bill Riffe, Sherman County, Joe Villasenor, Dallam County, Tom Ferguson, Moore County, Dory Washington and Anita Ralston, Hartley county. Judge Bill Sheehan, CASAS 69's founder, was present to participate in the new board training and to administer the oath to the new board members. CASA 69, Inc. is a non profit organization that provides trained volunteers to advocate for children in our community that are in foster care due to abuse and neglect.

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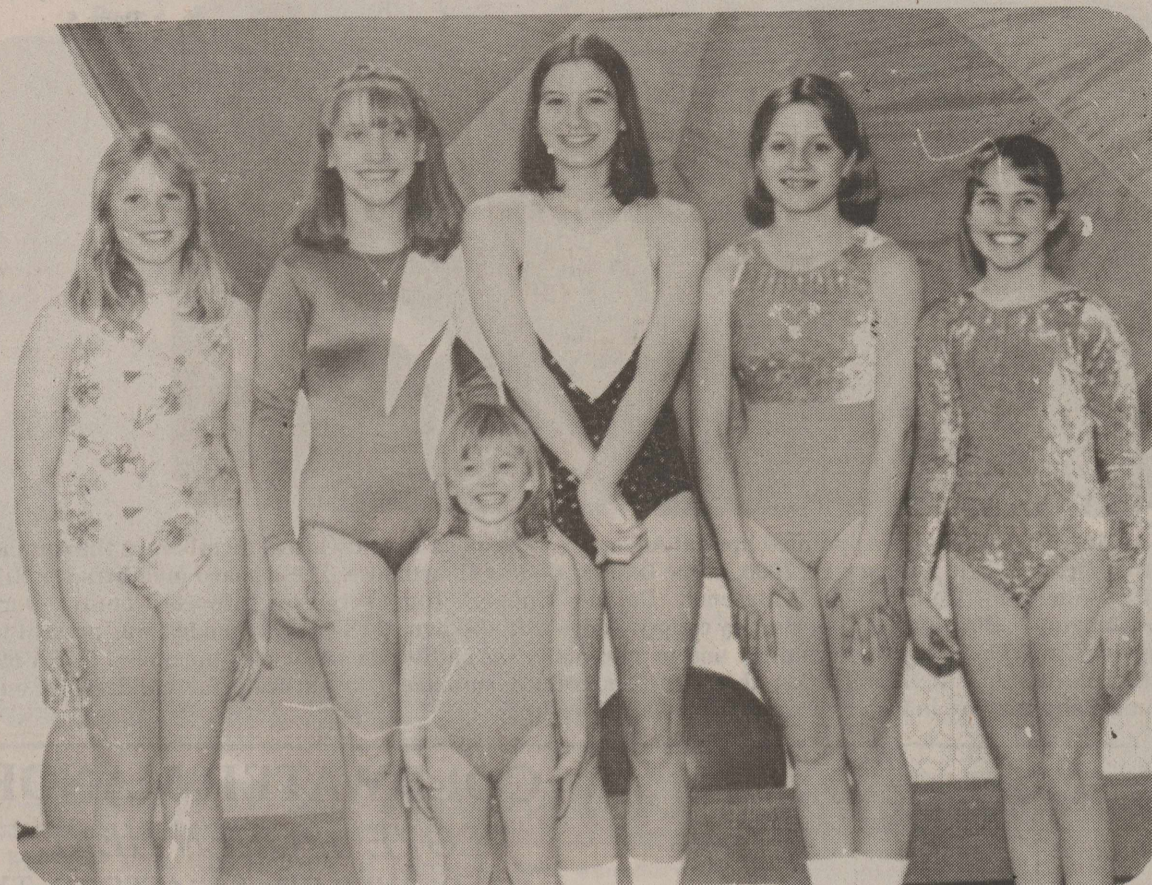
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Story at right.



The 1st session of Story Time at the Sherman County Library was held last Wednesday, January 26th. Children at Story Time will be learning about the six parts of character. Shown above are the three and four year olds that attended last week.

### The Imagination Station Looking For "Someone Else"

"Successful communities depend on dedicated volunteers to ensure their long-term viability...One of the common factors you'll always find is a committed core of leaders." Columnist Don Taylor of the *Amarillo News-Globe* recently made these statements as he reported on the death of a hero known only as "Someone Else."

The Imagination Station, a local non-profit educational

museum, depends on "Someone Else" to maintain creative, dynamic, and progressive hands-on programming for all residents in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles.

Whenever there is a tough job to do we say, "get someone else to do the job."

The Imagination Station needs "Someone Else" to become a volunteer board member. Each year, new board members are

needed to replace the outgoing "Someone Else."

As Mr. Taylor stated, "Will we lost our momentum? Or will someone take his place? Will that someone be you? Could you step into Someone Else's shoes?"

This "Someone Else" is a friend to all of us, their word is good, and you can always count on them. Whether you are a long-time

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Eight team members of Kelly's Gymnastics competed at the Millennium Madness Gymnastics Meet held in Shamrock, Texas on Saturday, January 22nd. Team members competing and their scores were: Meghan Brooks - 9.0 Tumbling; Kimber Heddins - 8.2 Tumbling, 6.2 Trampoline; Kristen Crabtree - 9.4 Tumbling - 7.5 Trampoline; Scott Hudson - 9.4 Tumbling, 6.8 Trampoline; Connor Vincent - 7.0 Trampoline; Kira Downs - 8.3 Tumbling, 7.6 Trampoline; Alicia Adams - 7.8 Tumbling, 7.6 Trampoline; Brittany Hudson - 9.4 Tumbling. Shown from left: Kimber Heddins, Brittany Hudson, Alicia Adams, Kira Downs, Kristen Crabtree and Meghan Brooks in front. Not pictured Scott Hudson and Connor Vincent.

## END OF GAME NOTICE

# Scratch 'em while you can.

**PIÑATA PAYOUT**  
Match 3 like amounts and win that amount.  
If 3 like amounts win DOUBLE that amount.  
TOP PRIZE \$1,000!

**SLAM DUNK**  
OVER \$20 MILLION IN PRIZES!  
WIN UP TO 4 TIMES!  
PRIZE \$4,000!

**Coffee Cash**  
Match 3 like amounts or 2 like amounts and a \$1 symbol, win that amount.  
Scratch Donut Bonus, get a \$1 symbol and win DOUBLE the prize.  
DONUT BONUS

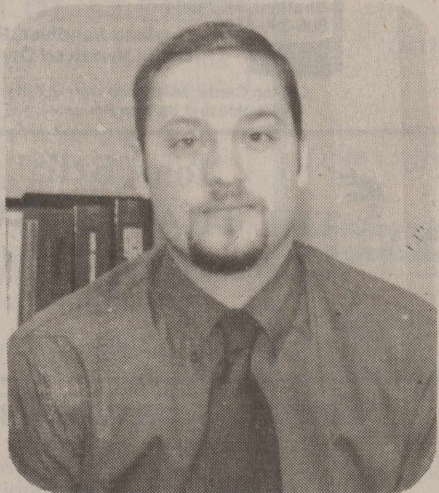
On March 1, 2000, three Texas Lottery instant games will close - Slam Dunk, Piñata Payout and Coffee Cash. You have until August 28, 2000, to redeem any winning tickets for these games. You can win up to \$4,000 playing Slam Dunk, win up to \$1,000 playing Piñata Payout and win up to \$500 playing Coffee Cash. You can claim prizes of up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable at one of the 24 Texas Lottery claim centers or by mail. Questions? Just call the Texas Lottery Customer Service Line at 1-800-37-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).

**SCRATCH OFFS**  
- TEXAS LOTTERY -

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Overall odds of winning Slam Dunk, 1 in 4.72. Overall odds of winning Piñata Payout, 1 in 4.74. Overall odds of winning Coffee Cash, 1 in 4.83. Must be 18 years or older to purchase a ticket. © 2000 Texas Lottery.

## FIRST STATE BANK WELCOMES NEW EMPLOYEE

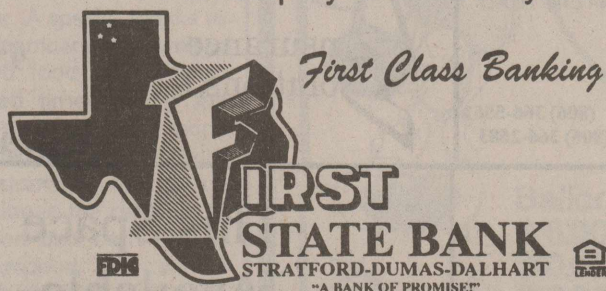


Kyle Altmiller, Ag Loan Officer

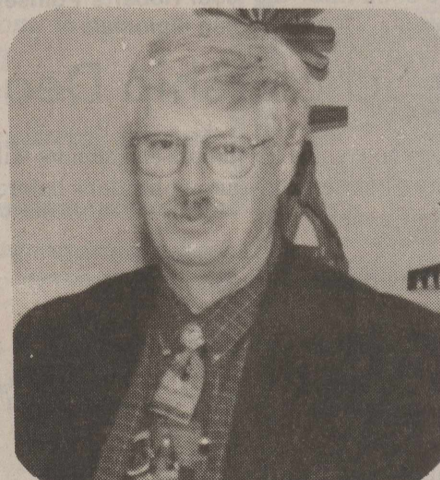
First State Bank  
is pleased to  
introduce  
**KYLE ALTMILLER**  
as an  
Ag Loan Officer.

Kyle grew up in Darrouzett and graduated from Follett High School. He received a Bachelors of Business Administration in Finance from Oklahoma State University. Kyle's wife, ShaNelle is from Follett. She is currently enrolled at Panhandle State University in Goodwell.

We are proud to have Kyle and ShaNelle as part of our bank family and of our community. We hope that you will take time to stop by and meet Kyle in person.



## FIRST STATE BANK ANNOUNCES PROMOTION



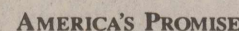
Rick Reinart, Exec. Vice President

First State Bank  
is pleased to  
announce the  
promotion of  
**RICK REINART**  
to the position of  
Executive Vice President

First State Bank is proud to announce the promotion of Rick Reinart to the position of Executive Vice President. Along with his promotion, Rick was also given the title of Advisory Director.

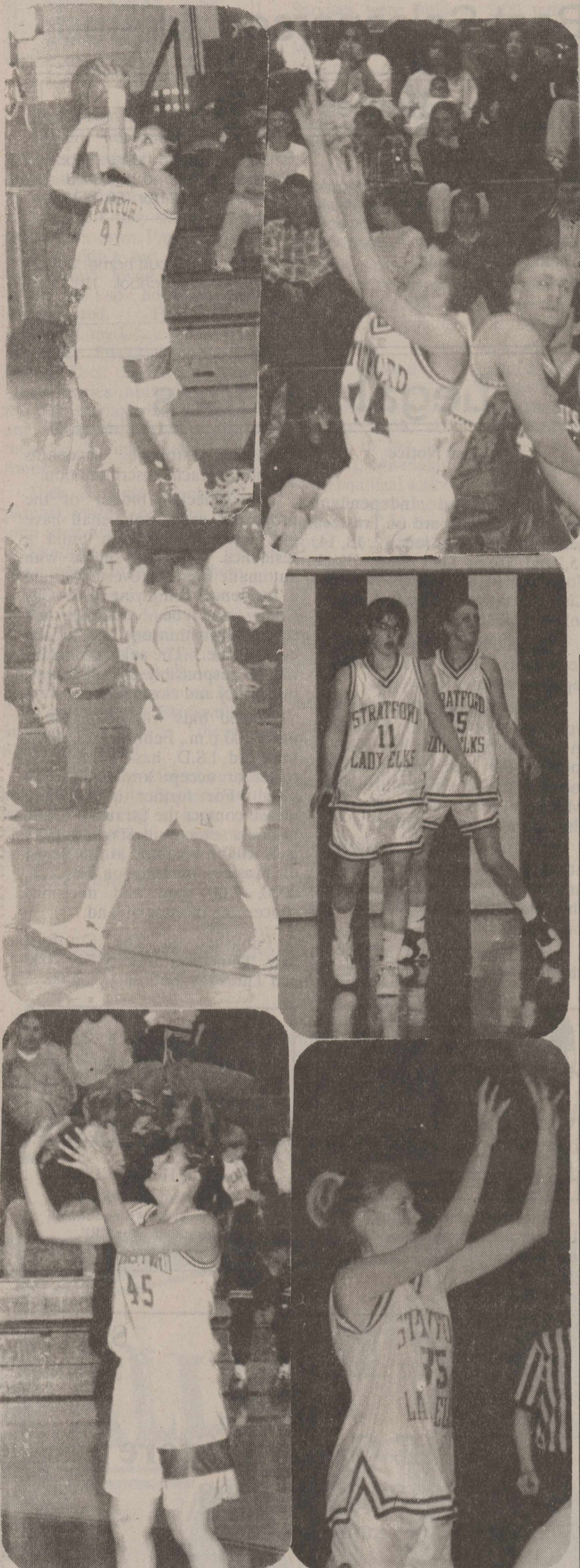
Rick has been with the bank since March of 1986. He and his wife, Connie, have four children, Marcus, Tiffany, Heather and Jenny.

Stop by the bank and have a cup of coffee and, while you're here, congratulate Rick on a job well done!





## Basketball



The 7th Grade Lady Elks beat Canadian 23-18 on Monday, January 24th. Deidre Tarver led the Lady Elks with 8 points followed by Brittany Hudson with 5 points. Also scoring for the Lady Elks were Lindsay Stein with 4 points, April Kautz with 3 points, Ashley Duke - 2 points and Katy Bench - 1 point.

The 7th grade Elks beat Canadian 45-25 on Monday, January 24th. Leading the Elks in scoring were Tyler Haynes with 21 points and Chris Ortega with 15 points. Also scoring for the Elks were Josh King with 4 points, Adam Gomez with 3 points and Craig Reinart with 2 points.

The 8th Grade Lady Elks lost 19-37 to Canadian on Monday, January 24th. Amber Larance was high point with 9 points followed by Erin Ashley with 4 points. Adding points for the Lady Elks were Alisha Sladek with 3 points, Mimi Ruiz - 2 points and Tanya Whatley with 1 point.

The 8th Grade Elks beat Canadian 38-31 on Monday, January 24th. Josh Williams led the Lady Elks with 10 points followed by Levi Artho with 9 points. Also scoring were Carlos Jacquez with 6 points, Marcus McAlister - 5 points, Jason Ashley and Carson Buckles - 4 points each.

The J.V. Lady Elks beat West Texas 38-17 on Tuesday, January 25th. Carly Mathews led the Lady Elks with 13 points followed by Jessica Young with 10 points. Robin Daniels added 5 points followed by Ashley Brown and Valerie Valenzuela with 4 points each and Heather Ashley with 2 points each.

The J.V. Elks lost 17-75 to Spearman on January 21st. Dylan Everett led the Elks with 8 points followed by Scot Plunk with 6 points. Mathew Taliaferro added

2 points followed by Eric York with 1 point.

The J.V. Elks lost 6-52 to West Texas on January 25th. Scoring for the Elks with 6 points each were Dalton Sladek, Scot Plunk, and Dylan Everett.

The J.V. Elks lost 24-36 to Boys Ranch on Friday, January 28th. Dalton Sladek led the Elks with 13 points followed by Dylan Everett with 7 points and Mathew Taliaferro and Denton Crabtree with 2 points each.

The Lady Elks beat West Texas 63-41 on January 25th. Jessica King led the Lady Elks with 21 points followed by Lynz Browning with 11 points. Carla Bell, Oralia Vital, and Thea James added 6 points each. Also scoring were Ivonne Hernandez with 5 points, Missy Sikora and Keri Wight with 3 points each and Kara Brownlee with 2 points.

The Elks beat Spearman 72-55 on January 21st. Martin Acevedo led with 24 points followed by Skyler Walden with 20 points and Michael McAlister with 12 points. Adding 8 points each were Adam Bell and Rene Vital with 8 points each.

The Elks beat West Texas 64-36 on January 25th. Martin Acevedo led with 19 points followed by Adam Bell with 14 points and Rene Vital with 10 points. Michael McAlister added 8 points followed by Skyler Walden with 6 points and Carlos Ortega with 5 points, and Andy Witcher with 2 points. The Elks beat Boys Ranch 45-43 on Friday, January 28th. Skyler Walden and Martin Acevedo led the Elks with 11 points each followed by Adam Bell with 7 points, Michael McAlister with 6 points, Andy Witcher with 5 points, Carlos Ortega with 3 points, Rene Vital with 2 points.



Prospect Study Club Members from left Sonya Kendrick, ViAnn Reed, and Linda Swain presented Middle School Principal Mr. Jerry Hunkapiller with a check for the proceeds received from their Book Fair held last Spring.

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Feasts must be solemn and rare, or else they cease to be feasts.  
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## Scot Scribbles

By Mary Hill

Hey, I guess it's time to wake up and start a new year—a new millennium! Things have been pretty quiet at SCOT Hall, but surely we will get activities going again.

The board did meet on January 25, and decided to start the coffee bar again. It will be open Monday through Friday, from 1:30 to 3:30, with refreshments for everyone, starting Monday, January 31. So, if we can postpone the afternoon naps a little, surely we can get down there to visit and have coffee. The puzzle table will be up, also, so there will be puzzle-working. Maybe other activities will pop up—who knows?

Also there will be a birthday party each month on third Thursdays at 2 p.m. More refreshments! Come on down!

Due to weather conditions, the January luncheon was canceled. Good to have the moisture, but bad that the luncheon committee was all set up and ready. They had already worked hard!

There's sort of a push for new members here at the beginning of the new year, so if you know anyone who would like to join SCOT, bring them down.

One thing that happens at SCOT Hall is the ceramics painting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Anyone who likes to paint ceramics, or would like to try it, now is a good time to do so. It's a good visiting and coffee time as well.

And, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, there is an exercise group at 4 p.m. This would probably be good for all of us!

We don't want to forget bingo night on third Thursdays at 7:00. Anyone who is a Bingo player should not miss this.

Our dance group is very small, but we think we're great! We would invite anyone who likes country western dancing to come join us on fourth Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and you don't have to be so old! Now and then there are younger guests who seem to have a great time. We depend on our out-of-town guests to keep us going, but we would certainly welcome some home-town folks, too, and at any age.

Hope to see you at SCOT Hall.

It just came to my attention that the Scot Luncheon will be held this Thursday, February 3rd. See you there.



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