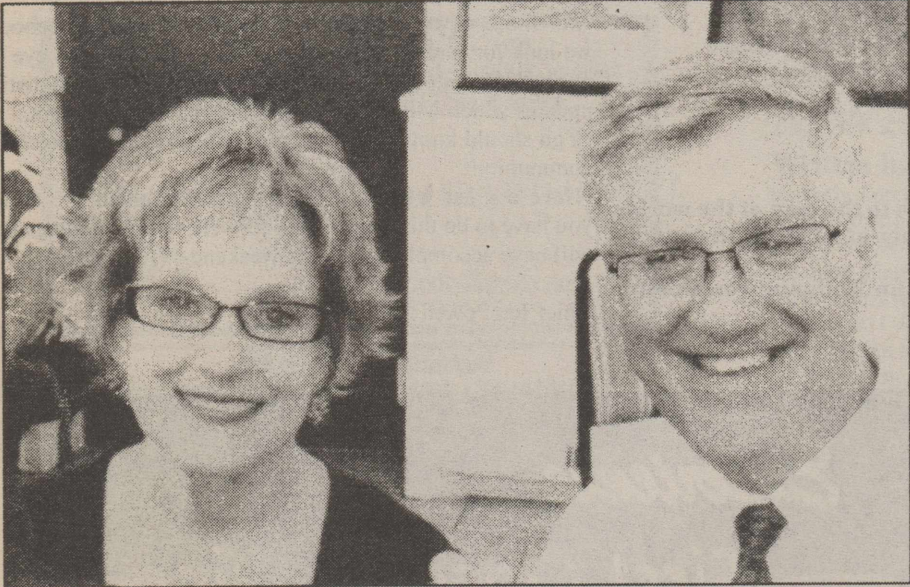


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1st Baptist Church welcomes Pastor Ron Whitt & wife Vicky as new pastor

The members of the First Baptist Church recently welcomed Pastor Ron Whitt and his wife Vicky as their new pastor. The Whitts have recently returned to the Texas Panhandle after serving the past five years in Anchorage Alaska. Pastor Whitt has also served at the Coulter Road Baptist Church in Amarillo, both Calvary Baptist Church and First Baptist Church in Canyon as well as First Baptist Church of Johnston City, IL. They served nine years as missionaries to Costa Rica and Mexico with the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Ron and Vicky have four grown children living in Alabama, Alaska and Texas, and seven grandchildren.



Happy 88th Joyce Ann

The daughters of Joyce Ann Lasley gave a party on Sunday September 23, 2012 to celebrate their mother's Joyce Ann Lasley 88th birthday. Cake and tea were served on a beautiful Sunday afternoon. JA said the best birthday present was all of her kids were here to help celebrate. Can't beat that. Orlanda Garoutte, Jacque McIver and Jode Anderton the daughters help serve cake and drinks to the folks who came out to help JA Celebrate. Happy Birthday Joyce Ann and many many more.

UNTIED to travel to Borger Museum

On Sat. Sept. 29th, UNTIED, The Singles Group will travel to the Borger Museum for their Annual Adobe Walls Event. It starts at 9:00 AM. We will leave the Methodist Church Parking Lot at 7:30 AM. This event features speakers and a trip to the Turkey Track Ranch where the Adobe Walls monument is placed. Everyone is invited. The monument is on private property and is open for this event once a year.

Ortega Graduates

Yadira Turasi Ortega of Stratford graduated from Oklahoma Panhandle State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology on June 30, 2012. Yadira is the daughter of Elizabeth Ortega of Stratford.

Lantelme Awarded Scholarship

Casey James Lantelme, a graduate of Stratford High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Lantelme received the J.O. Webb Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000, payable for the first year of higher education. The Webb Scholarship is awarded to a student who has participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet and who plans to enter the teaching profession.

This year the TILF awarded 464 new scholarships and will renew approximately 163 multi-year awards for a total of 627 scholarships being distributed during the 2012-13 academic year, with a value of nearly \$1.1 million. Recipients must attend any approved college or university in Texas.

Lantelme competed in headline writing at the 2011 UIL Academic State Meet. He also competed in UIL track & field, football and basketball.

Lantelme plans to attend West Texas A&M University and major in education.

Good Luck Elks

A fund has been set up for Millie Hacker due to a house fire on Friday night August 24th

It was a total loss.

It is the "Millie Hacker Fund"

at the First State Bank of Stratford

Pumpkin decorating contest At Happy State Bank

Pumpkin artists of all ages are invited to bring their masterpieces to be judged in a pumpkin decorating contest at Happy State Bank.

Contestants should bring their decorated pumpkins to the Texas Room at Happy State Bank on October 22nd (carved entries should be delivered on October 24th please). Judging will take place at noon on October 25th.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three pumpkin decorators in each of three divisions:

- *Ages 1-4th grade
- *5th grade-12th grade
- *Adult

Everyone is invited to come see the spooky, sparkly, strange and simply gorgeous pumpkins on display at Happy State Bank from October 22nd to 25th.

Pumpkins can be picked up after judging on October 25th.

Please call Happy State Bank at 806-366-2265 with questions about the pumpkin decorating contest.

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Call Brenda Bell @ (806) 753-7201 or

(806) 366-4446 (leave a message)

Deadline to order is October 22nd
(Will have orders in before Thanksgiving)

State Swine Validation Tag Orders

State Swine validation tags need to be ordered. Call Lance Horsford @366-3333 or 930-3299 to order your tags. 4-H and FFA tag orders must be submitted by September 26th.

REMINDER:

The Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District is now taking orders for their fall tree sales. Contact Terry at 396-5517 ext. 3 for order forms and information. Fall is a great time to plant trees to establish them over the winter for the spring growing season.

UTILITY BILLS TAKING ALL YOUR MONEY?

You might qualify! The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs provides services to make homes warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer through the Weatherization Assistance Program of Panhandle Community Services.

The Weatherization Assistance Program is not a renovation or rehabilitation program; therefore the program does not address cosmetic improvements or other work which *does not directly affect the energy efficiency of your house.*

The condition of every house is different. An assessment will be made of your house to identify the location of cracks, holes and areas where air escapes. In the winter this means cold air entering the house and the warm air escaping. Naturally in the summer this works in reverse, hot air enters and if you use an air conditioner or evaporative cooler, expensive cool air escapes.

The following work may be performed to decrease your house's air leaks and energy consumption:

1. Repair or replace windows
2. Installing storm windows
3. Repair or replace doors
4. Patching holes where air is entering the house
5. Weather-stripping around doors and windows
6. Installing threshold covers and door sweeps
7. Insulating attics and walls

Weatherization costs and the work done on a house will vary based on the condition of the house and availability of funds.

Applicants are required to qualify by income guidelines. For more information, contact the PCS office at (806)372-2531 or the County Judge (806)366-2021. Relay Texas 1-800-735-2988.

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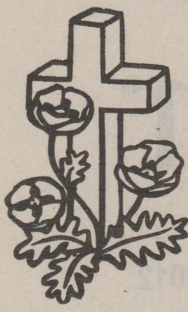
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OBITUARIES



Bobbie Wilson
October 23, 1943
September 19, 2012

Bobbie Ellen Wilson was born October 23, 1943 in Dalhart, Texas. She died September 19, 2012 in Amarillo, Texas. She grew up in Sherman County and attended the Stratford ISD Schools, graduating in the class of 1962. She graduated from Beauty School in Amarillo, Texas and worked as a beautician in Stratford, Dalhart and Canyon. She later enjoyed working as a Teachers Aid in Special Education at Canyon Jr. High School and at Mary Allen Elementary School in Stratford. For the past ten years and at her death she was a very active Avon Sales Representative in Stratford. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Stratford, Red Hats and Modern Woodmen of America.

Bobbie and Oscar Wilson were married on February 7, 1992. Together, in their loving manner they blended two families with each claiming and having loving concern of more daughters, sons, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents Bob and Minnie Burgess of Stratford, a brother Noble Lee Burgess of Stratford, a sister Bettie Ledbetter of Amarillo and an infant grandson, Nathan Corbitt of Canyon.

She is survived by her husband Oscar Wilson of the home, son, Joe Bob Corbitt and Wife Melissa Corbitt of Sachse, Texas, a daughter, Cathy Vogler and husband Brian Vogler of Hereford; Granddaughters, Jessica Caylor of Henderson, Texas, Landry Corbitt of Sachse, and Taylor Vogler of Hereford; Grandsons, Gage Corbitt of Sachse, and Kase Vogler of Hereford; Great-granddaughters Piper and Adelyn Caylor of Henderson; Stepdaughters, Angela Winter of Lewisville, Texas, Cynthia Powers and husband Billy Powers of Quannah and Sherie Williams of Lewisville, Texas; Brother, Rex Burgess and wife Jean Burgess of Spearman; Sisters, Flo Smith of Joplin, Missouri and Ann Johnson of Stratford; Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins scattered throughout the United States.

Bobbie was a beloved daughter, wife, mother, Granby, Great-Granby, sister and friend. Her warm smile, friendly nature and positive attitude will be missed.

Graveside services were held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 22, 2012, following at 3 p.m. a Memorial service was held at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Jim Smith, pastor of First United Methodist Church officiating with a reception following in the Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers the family request that you make a donation to either of the local funds. Stratford EMT Association at PO Box 106, Stratford Education Foundation at PO Box 108, The Lollipop Junction Playground Fund at PO Box 411, or the Stratford Memorial Cemetery Fund at PO Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084.

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items. Photos by Sundays at 4
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other articles and ads at 10
a.m. on Mondays. (PLEASE)
Thank you**

COMBINATION PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING And CANDIDATES FORUM

Monday, Oct. 8, 2012 at the Sherman County Barn

7:00 p.m. A representative from Texas Alcoholic Beverage Comm. will be here to answer questions about the Nov. 6th Election, when voters decide whether or not "All alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages" will be sold in Sherman County.

7:30 p.m. Candidates Forum:
Justice of the Peace race – Brenda Acker, Yvonne Miller
Sherman County Sheriff's race – Joe Powell, Derrick Judd
SISD School Board race – 3 spots open: Michelle Lutz (i),
Tres Hess (i), Greg Wright (i), Brad McBryde

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Amarillo, Texas, October 4, 2012 - Allegiance Behavioral Health, Panhandle AHEC, and Amarillo College will host a Senior Adult Mental Health Summit in Amarillo on Thursday, October 4th. This event will focus on: crisis and therapeutic interventions, depression and suicide prevention, mental health, dementia and the aging process, treatment options, legal rights and responsibilities and caregiver stress and burnout prevention.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness reports that seniors are most at risk for depression due to loss of loved ones reduced financial resources, social isolation, declining physical and mental abilities. Seniors experience significantly higher rates of mental illness and the lowest rate of access to help. Other mental health resources will be in attendance to provide education on their services for senior adults in the Panhandle area.

Continuing education credits will be available. For more information about this event or to register please contact Karen Russell at 806-651-3482 or krussell@gmail.com.

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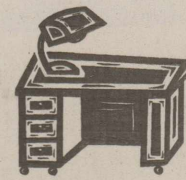


being of the person receiving care and help alleviate stress for the family. Services can be tailored to your needs. Learn more at www.WhatIsSolutionsForCaregivers.com and (877) 765-4473.

Good

Luck

Elks!!!!



From the Desk of
Chief Powell

END OF YEAR BUDGET REPORT FOR "YOUR" POLICE DEPARTMENT

With only one week left in our current budget year, you should know we have stayed well within the lines. As of September 1st, YOUR Police Department still showed a positive balance of \$31,327.50. This includes both the PD and ACO budgets. I am proud of the officers and the professional services they provide to our community as well as the fact we have shown diligence in the handling of YOUR tax dollars, while taking care of YOU and the needs of the agency.

For those of you who have yet to friend us on Facebook, we look forward to adding you. Also, please keep an eye on our website; <http://www.stratford> for crime statistics updates which will cover August and year-end numbers.

You should know we are so proud to serve and protect our community!!

Have a great week and "Don't grumble about the things you have to do this week look forward to all the things you will have accomplished by the weekend." (Julie Powell)

Chief Joe Powell

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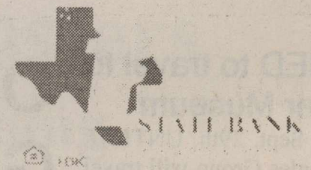
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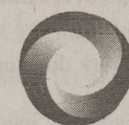
APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS MOBILE LOCATION

Stratford Family Medical Center Wednesday, October 10
1220 Purnell, Stratford 9:15 am - 5:30 pm

CALL NOW 1-800-377-4673

Call 1-800-377-4673 to schedule your mammogram the next time our mammography coach comes to your city or for an appointment at the Harrington Breast Center in Amarillo.

Businesses, clinics and hospitals throughout the region are encouraged to invite the Mobile Mammography Coach to come to their location to offer breast screening services.

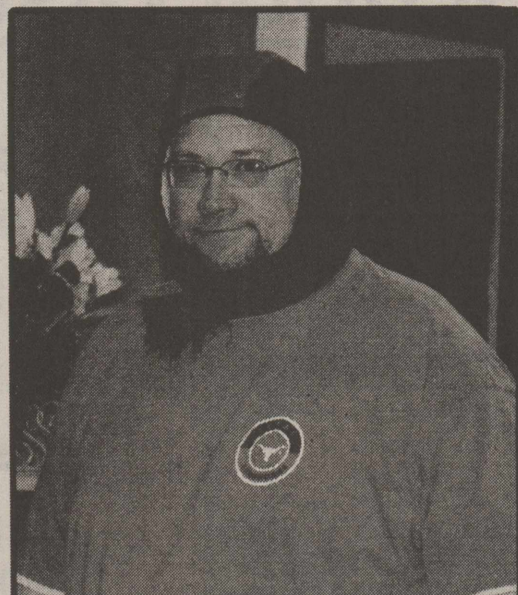
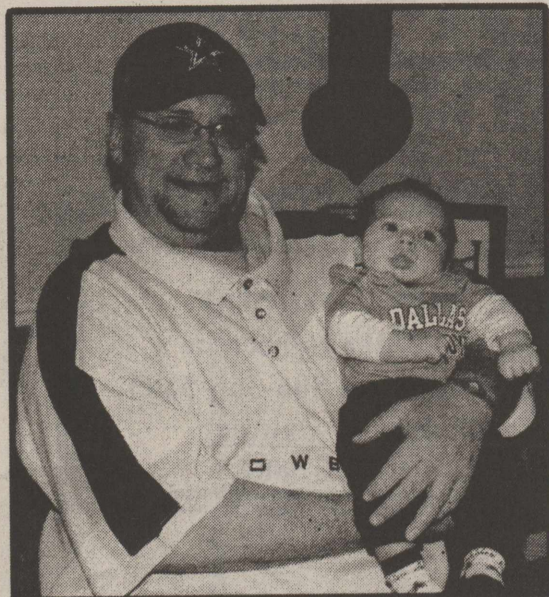


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*We Love You,
Gregg & Shari
Tyler, Brittany & Jackson
Scott & Cassi*



Thank you!

Words cannot express how thankful we are for the amazing generosity of our family and friends in Stratford and neighboring communities.

We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for the donations to the Kenedi Groves Fund.

The Steak Dinner and Auction was such a blessing! A special thanks to Jeff & Lynette Kautz for coordinating the event. We know it takes a village and we appreciate each and every person that made the fundraiser such a tremendous success!

Your prayers and loving support is what will get us through the days ahead.

Thank you so very much.
We love you all!

Kenedi

Bryan & Kelli Kennedy
Rob Groves

Ken & Barbie Wight

Brad, Kaci, Kade & Kenlee McBryde

Nathaniel, Ken, Klaire & Kooper Walden

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—TeacherLists.com offers an easy solution for getting school supplies for kids and classrooms. Paper towels and facial tissues, such



as Bounty paper towels and Puffs facial tissues, top teachers' wish lists for classroom supplies.

16 to 85 in a Blink! Happy Birthday on Oct. 10



Love U, Mama Marylou!

Homecoming 2012
See you Friday, September 28th
Good Luck Elks
Beat Lakin Broncos

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

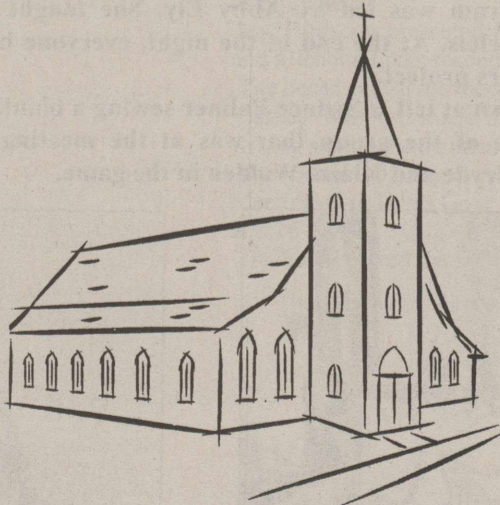
First Assembly of God
Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
Pastor Gary Smith
5th & Main
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (nursery)
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery)
No Sunday evening Worship Service

First United Methodist
Rev. Jim Smith 396-2178
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Junior & Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church
6th & Pearl
Rectory 366-5687
Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. (English) 9:30 (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass or t.
Christian Formation Classes K-6 Grade Wed. Afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High. Wed. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Pastor Ron Whitt
702 N. 3rd
Sun.-Coffee 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Children 6 p.m. youth 7 p.m.



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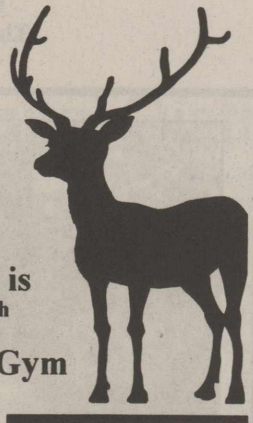
Church of Christ
Brad Beckett
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Bible Baptist
Pastor Rick Carter
302 S. Main
For more info-call 396-2212
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

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Asambleas De Dios
Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela
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205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287 268-2188
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m. - 12 noon
Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

Kerrick Community
Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
10 a.m. Worship Service

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Stratford Independent School District News

Homecoming Pep Rally is
Friday, September 28th
At 3:15 p.m. High School Gym



The Middle School and Jr. High students used an idea from Rachel's Challenge Speaker, Cody Hodges, to meet and enjoy some new friends at lunch. The 5th-8th graders sat at tables that were arranged according to their birth month. There was lots of laughter and conversation in the cafeteria.

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Rachel's Message being spread around!!!!

The Stratford High School Friends of Rachel have been busy with a couple of activities to help spread Rachel's message that was brought to SISD by Rachel's Challenge in early September. One project was to write encouraging messages and send them to Kenedi Groves as she awaits a heart transplant in Dallas. The messages were written on a beautiful drawing of hands by freshman Val-mari du Plessis. The second project was to create laminated Rachel's Challenge wallet cards for every SISD student to remind them of the 5 challenges Rachel gave us. Pictured here are just a few of the students who participated in these projects.



SHS Cross Country will run in
Lubbock Sat. Sept. 29
Meet begins at 10 a.m.

5th Quarter Sept. 28
First Christian Church
After football game

Good luck JV Elks
Beat Shamrock 6 p.m. here
Thursday, Sept. 27

7th & 8th vs. Guymon There
Thursday, Sept. 27 5:30 p.m
Good Luck

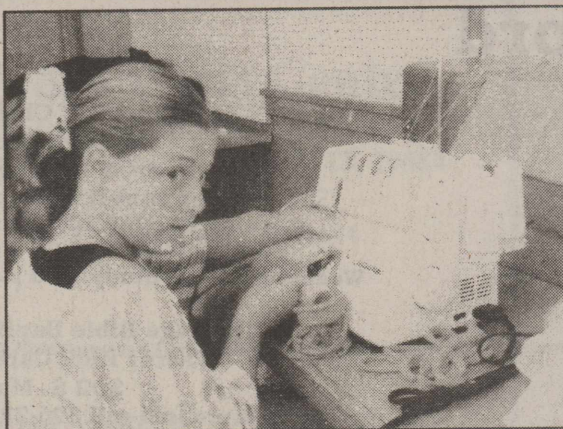
Senior Car Wash
Sat. Sept. 29 9 a.m.
High School
Class of 2013

Lady Elks Basketball girls to run in Race for the Cure in Amarillo

The Lady Elk Off - Season Basketball girls will be running in the Greater Amarillo Race for the Cure on September 29, 2012. For 22 years the Greater Amarillo Race for the Cure has made a difference in the fight against breast cancer. Please help the thousands of Panhandle area residents obtain much needed breast health and breast cancer care. The girls will be asking for donations for the cause and any amount will be greatly appreciated or for more information you can call: Coach Candice Wyatt 1-806-674-3512, Coach ViAnn Reed 1-806-753-7795 or the school at 806-366-3351.

Stratford Independent School Lunch Schedule

Grade	Time
AM Pre K	10:30 - 11:00
PM Pre K	12:10 - 12:40
Kindergarten	11:00 - 11:35
1st Grade	11:30 - 12:05
2nd Grade	11:15 - 11:50
3rd Grade	11:45 - 12:20
4th Grade	12:00 - 12:35
5th Grade	11:30 - 12:00
6th Grade	11:30 - 12:00
7th Grade	11:35 - 12:05
8th Grade	11:35 - 12:05



4-H FCS Club

By Nicholas Payne

On September 10, 2012 the 4-H FCS Club met at the county barn. The meeting was led by Russell Spurlock and Mary Ann Spurlock. The minutes from the last meeting were ready by Chantal Guel. The recreation part of the meeting was led by Katelin Berry. The program was led by Abby Ely. She taught the group to make woven parachute rope bracelets. At the end of the night, everyone had a chance to sew blankets for the Eveline Rivers project.

Shown at left is Sydnee Palmer sewing a blanket for the Eveline Rivers project. Bottom left some of the group that was at the meeting below is Katelin Berry who leads Kenlee McBryde and Klaira Walden in the game.

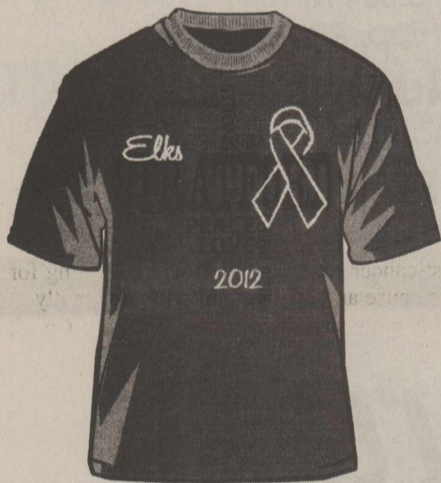
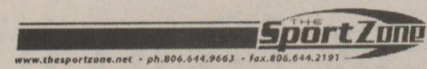


School District News

**Band Boosters
Homecoming
Enchilada Supper
Friday, Sept. 28th
5-7 p.m.
High School
Cafeteria
Tickets \$7.00 each
for all ages**

PINK DAY SHIRTS

The pink pep rally and game will be Friday,
October 19 against Sunray.



This year we are

going to split the proceeds between Circle
of Friends and Kenedi Groves. (Kenedi is
in Dallas waiting for a heart transplant.)

Name: _____

Phone Number _____

School: _____

	6-8	10-12	12-16	Small	Mediu m	Large	XLarg e
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Please add \$2.00 for 2X, \$3.00 for 3X, \$4.00 for 4X

2X	3X	4X	Total

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STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION September 18, 2012

The Stratford ISD board of trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, September 18, 2012. President Joe Reinart established a quorum of members present and called the meeting to order at 7:15 AM.

Board members present: Joe Reinart, Chet Everett, Tres Hess, Greg Wright and Michelle Lutes. Barney Willborn arrived at 7:30 AM.

DeWain Traylor was absent.

Staff present: Misti McBryde, Paul Uttley, Lynette Kautz, Dinah Horsford.

Guest present: Brad McBryde

Mr. Seward led the invocation.

Mr. Birdsong introduced Brad McBryde as guest.

Joe Reinart read a thank you note from the family of Tres and Danna Hess for the memorial contribution for Jake Hess. He also read a thank you note from the high school staff for the Back to School hamburger feed.

Mr. Birdsong gave the superintendent's report. He reported on the district enrollment. The TASB Fall Legal conference will be on October 24 and the TASB Legal Seminar will be on November 15th. Level II Training will be some time in February and the topic will be C-Scope. He passed out the survey from the faculty on staff development sessions. The activity bus is in. Travis is working on getting the decals put on the bus.

Lynette Kautz gave the business manager's report. Monthly expenditures are at 89.07%, revenue 100.41%, and all tax collections are delinquent. Transportation costs for the month was \$1.25. She then gave the quarterly investment report. SEE ATTACHMENT #1

Mrs. McBryde gave the elementary report. AIMS Web testing has been conducted on all students and they have been placed in their Tier groups for intervention. Progress reports and teacher qualification letters will be mailed this week. Terri Teig and Belinda Hamilton met with the teachers on programs offered through WOWW. MAE will be selecting a student of the month this year. She reported a campus enrollment of 271.

Mr. Seward gave the junior high report. He went over the special recognition for the month. He congratulated the Jr. High Cross Country teams. They represented SJH very well at their first meet of the year over in Perryton on Sept. 8th. Vanessa Gonzalez placed 10th overall. The girl's team placed 6th and the boy's team placed 9th. The following students were selected to be "Friends of Rachel" mentors on the Jr. High Campus. We appreciate their dedication to helping promote Rachel's Challenge at SJH and helping to start a "chain reaction" of kindness in our school and community. 7th Grade: Laynee Burr, Jazmine Castaneda, Vanessa Gonzalez, Noah Harris, Shay Hess, Erika Lopez, Kade McBryde, Carlee Metcalf, Brandon Mireles, Natalia Niave, Grady Pickens, Lucero Robles, Matthew Sandvig, Tucker Summers and Libbie Uttley. 8th Grade: Matt Arnold, Francisco Barajas, Marina Barajas, Julio Duran, Hannah Franklin, Tylor Genn, Amanda Harbour, Karina Henderson, Esperanza Hernandez, Juan Machado, Yasmin Medrano, Alex Spurlock and RaeLeigh Willborn. He reported a campus enrollment of 144. The students' response to the Rachel's Challenge assembly has been great. He thanked the Education Foundation for funding the assembly. Football season has begun and the junior high teams will play in Canadian Thursday night. He reported on the enrichment period that was added to the junior high schedule this year. The reading and language arts teachers are currently working with a representative from the service center in finding ways to improve reading and language arts skills. Progress reports will go out this week.

He reported that every teacher on the junior high campus is highly qualified. The junior high will attend the science collaborative again this year through the WOWW program.

Dr. Uttley gave the high school report. He went over the special recognition for the month: The Varsity Girls Cross Country team placed 2nd at Hooker - Samantha Gonzalez placed 2nd, Nohemi Ruedas placed 6th, Noemi Franco placed 7th, Karen Lozoya placed 19th and Erika Robles placed 20th. The Varsity Boys placing in the top 20 were Grayson Gonzalez-2nd, Kenny Ruiz-15th. The J.V. Girls placed 4th at Perryton meet. Ruby Torres placed 5th and Alexie Wright placed 6th. The Varsity Girls placed 9th at Perryton meet. Samantha Gonzalez placed 7th. The Varsity Boys placed 6th at Perryton meet. Grayson Gonzalez placed 6th. The Art 3 and 4 students are refinishing a desk for Mrs. Salazar. Students involved in the project have been Alex Chavoya, Kelby Hartman, Victor Acevedo, and Marcos Garza. He reported that Rachel's Challenge was very successful. The Grant was provided by the SISD Education Foundation. He thanked those who worked on the grant from the high school, Ronna Riffe and ViAnn Reed. Art work for cards to be sent from the school was done by Val-Mari du Plessis. The Fall Production Cast and Crew have been selected. They are Cast: -Mazie Vincent, Katy Moore, Shyanne Acker, Allissa Palmer, Adrian du Plessis, Mary Ann Spurlock, Kaylee Sandvig, Logan Uttley, Victor Castro, Branson Palmer, A.J. Riffe, Macy Everson, and Crew: Tyler Seward, Jacie Seward, Val-Mari du Plessis, Hunter Everett, Bethany Everett, Trenton Stone, Diana Lopez, Sidney Turner, Alexa Peregrino, Taylor Wright, and Chesney Rendon. Preston Burr placed 13th this summer in Rock Springs, Wyoming at the National Finals Rodeo. He reported that the stock trailer that the FFA built last school year won 1st place at the TriState Fair. The FFA donated all of the proceeds from the concession stand on Thursday night, September 13th to the Kenedi Groves fund. The total donation was \$1000.00. M'Lynn Wells placed 1st with her Cross pig at the TriState Fair. The Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) will begin their burrito sales for the year. Proceeds from the first sale will go to the Kenedi Groves fund. The Principles of Human Services classes are currently writing a children's book and will read it to the kindergarten and first graders at a later date. The Lifetime Nutrition classes are beginning to learn the basics of cooking including safety, sanitation and where equipment is located in their kitchen. They will soon begin to learn about nutrients and how they affect their body. Interpersonal Studies are learning about personalities and working on a personality study. The public speaking classes are working on their rhetoric speeches. The goal is to attend some tournaments this fall. The theater classes will be doing a production this year. Senior class sponsors for this year are Lance Horsford and Paula Everett and junior class sponsors are Eddie Metcalf and Tami King. He reported on the cross country results from the Hugoton meet. The JV football team is currently 2-1 and the varsity football team is 3-0. He reported on upcoming events at the high school and noted that there are 136 followers on the high school facebook page. He reported a campus enrollment of 172.

Greg Wright made the motion and Chet Everett seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Mr. Birdsong presented the Parental Involvement Policy. Tres Hess made the motion and Michelle Lutes seconded to approve the policies as presented.


The board canvassed the votes from the tax ratification election.

Barney Willborn made the motion and Tres Hess seconded to adopt the ordinance in writing setting the maintenance and operating tax at \$1.04.

The board adjourned into executive session at 8:00 AM pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act Texas Govt. Code Section 551.074. The board reconvened to open session at 8:16 AM.

The board toured the facilities.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:38 AM.



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Stratford Hospital District News

Elections are right around the corner, but you will not find candidates for the Stratford Hospital District Board listed on the ballot. The board had three positions available with one of the off-going board members signing up to run and two members of the community stepping up to the task. With only three positions available and three candidates, the Stratford Hospital District will not be having an election.

We would like to thank George Bonds for the dedicated years of service on the Stratford Hospital District Board and are looking forward to another two years as he has generously signed up for another term. We would like to welcome Cece Yelek and Leonda Fedric as our two new board members and look forward to working with them. Also, thank you to John Ashley and Janet Reinart who are working through their first term on the Stratford Hospital District Board.

Richard Chumley and D'Lynn Reed will be taking their leave from the Stratford Hospital District Board. We would like to thank these two for their hard work in the past years for serving this community and working on the board.

On another front that I think everyone is curious about, the Stratford Hospital District set its tax rate at the effective tax rate for this fiscal year. This means that the amount of taxes paid in will be approximately the same as last year. Since the tax rate was not set above the effective tax rate, the Stratford Hospital District was not required to publish or have any public meetings regarding the proposed tax rate. We are working very hard to spend the tax money we receive responsibly and continue working toward meeting the medical needs of the residents of Sherman County. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact me, Katie Page, the Stratford Hospital District CEO at 806-396-5568.

We would like to thank everyone that helped make the Kenedi Groves Benefit such a huge success. There are too many people involved to mention everyone, we would like to say a special thanks to everyone that donated items for the meal and also everyone that donated items for the auction. Also thanks to Joyce McBryde for getting all of the desserts taken care of and getting people to serve the drinks and desserts. Thanks to everyone that helped cook the meal, serve, set up and clean up. Thanks to Keri Walden and all the ladies that were a part of getting the auction together and making sure that it ran smoothly. When Jeff decided to do this he could never have imagined how big it would become. Thanks to the community that came out and supported us beyond our wildest imagination. As many have said before you just can't beat the heart of this community.

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A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE

Written by Terese 'Harris' Holloway

Recently Lorelyn Powers contacted me and ask if I would write a little something about the concession stand at the old drive-in that had burned! I thought long and hard about WHAT I could possibly say about this! So, I began to question myself and wonder what this could represent in the BIG scheme of things! I realized that this was only a representation of all the other things in Stratford that had ONCE been a part of most of our memories, slowly but surely disappearing over time! As my mind wandered, I thought of so many wonderful places and people in Stratford that would have been memorable to most of us. I walked down 'memory lane' and was so thrilled at what my mind had the ability to remember, even tiny details that I thought had been long forgotten!

Of course, my journey began right at Yates Drug Store where Floss and Robbie and Evelyn stood, as the old glass door swung open! Immediately I saw people sitting atop the soda stools enjoying a chocolate sundae! Evelyn, with her bright red lipstick, was always behind the great big push button cash register, ready to take your money! I remembered the huge glass containers of colored balls of bubble gum, and I do believe they were only a penny each! I saw the dusty glass cases of scattered items that seemed to be lifeless, like a time capsule that had been lost somewhere in time! Then of course, there was Robbie's Gift Shoppe that was connected through an opening between the two businesses! Robbie was always so gracious to greet every customer! Seemed there was always a bride's table set up in the front of the store, for the next big wedding that would take place, displaying the finest China and Crystal, ready to be purchased and wrapped for the upcoming shower. I would suspect that most everyone STILL has those very items ready to pass down to their next generation or even the NEXT!

Oh, what memories flooded my heart as I continued on down the street! Next stop was Jeffcoats Department Store. Oh, so many things for a little girls eyes-as I would walk in, hand in hand with my mother! One of my greatest memories there was the day my mother found an unidentified necklace in my pocket when we'd gotten home from a visit to Jeffcoats! She said, "Where did you get this?" I quickly responded, "Ronnie Dettle gave it to me!" My mother, having already raised three boys, did not buy into my story and ask AGAIN, "Where did you get this?!" So, I broke down and told her the truth, I said, "Mama, when we were in Jeffcoats, I was just walking by the counter and that necklace was just laying there and it fell OFF the counter and landed IN my purse!" Okay! know, you've figured out by now, that I embellished just a tad, so the REST of the story was, my mother marched me right back down to Mrs. Jeffcoat and I had to confess my crime spree and wait for the results! Of course, Mrs. Jeffcoat was most gracious and she let me go as long as I promised to NEVER do it again!

On down the walk I could still remember following my mom and stopping in the cleaners where Jo Ann Reno (before she married Rex), worked the counter, (I always thought she was the prettiest lady)! My mom's arms would be full of a bundle of clothing to be dropped off, cleaned and pressed! I guess everything back then had to be dry cleaned!

Of course, who could forget the Roxi Theater (we called it the 'picture show' back then)? What a piece to spend a Friday or Saturday night! The Roxi was owned by Delbert and Dorothy Cummings! I do believe it cost a quarter to get in and then you could spend a dollar at the concession stand and OD on all the sugar you got, the BIG slab of taffy, the huge pickle, a coke, a hamburger and even popcorn, so good! A lot of the seats were broken so you had to get there early if you actually wanted to sit with your friends! Three things usually happened during a Friday night and Saturday night showing, (1) the crowd would get loud, (2) so Dorothy would make her walk down the aisle and 'shush' each row, one at a time, she had a small space in her front teeth which allowed a tiny bit of spit to spray upon the first person in each row, (3) when that did not work, Delbert would shut off the movie, turn on the lights, lean out of the little projector hole, and scream, "SHIFT UP!" Oh, how we loved going to the picture show!

Across the street sat Albert's grocery store and the funeral parlor! Both hold great memory capsules in my heart; the funeral home because of the loved ones who lay in wait to be buried, and the store because that's where we got our groceries! remember you could even call in a list and they would get things ready for you! One day, we walked into the store and the rollers were a little sticky, I remember walking down the few aisles with my mom and we made it to the glass butcher counter in the back where Mr. Albert would cheerfully greet you! I remember looking behind the glass and all the meat was displayed with the price per pound on a metal stick implanted into the meat! He had a big bucket of ice where he would display the frying chickens! It was at the end of the day and he was down to one scrawny chicken, that no one had wanted AND the ice had melted into mush so the chicken was at the bottom of the bucket! My mom walked up to the counter and said, "Mr. Albert, I need a chicken for supper!" Well, he was thrilled as he had that ONE scrawny chicken he needed to sell. He reached his hand into the bucket and went around the bottom of the tub until he found the chicken and pulled it out! He put it up on the scale and said, "Looks like about a pound and a half, Cleo My mom, sort of scratched her chin and said, "Well, I needed one a little bit bigger!" So he threw the chicken back into the tub, ran his hand around again, pulled out the same chicken, threw it up on the scales (except this time, he added a little weight from his thumb) and said, "Well, looks like this one is about two pounder My mom looked satisfied and then she looked at him and said, "Okay, I'll take em BOTH!" Okay, okay, I made this story up BUT it could have happened, just like I said, and maybe, just maybe it did because that memory IS somewhere in the back of my brain

Back to the journey walk of Stratford! The Lawyer's office sat on the corner, down from Albert's Grocery Store, then many little stores, all the way down to Mr. Harding's little filling station! Mat a hangout that was, he had the coldest cokes in town and you could get that cold bottle of coke out of the chest coke machine, open it from the opener, and then fill it up with peanuts! Ummmmmm, now THAT was the life!

Across the street sat the old hotel that was run by Philip Cain's mom, I believe her name was Areace (so now we all know where Areace Bain, Phillip and Marty's (laughter, got her name)! Later, a portion of the old hotel was used by Gail Carter to teach dance to many of us! Then she would put on the most major productions at the high school auditorium, which helped raise money to build the Stratford Library!

Then there was the faithful water tower where many of us were initiated as freshmen, those are lasting memories that most of us will NEVER forget! Moving right along, when the NEW post office was built and forever, Frank Sutton, manned its counter! Of course, there has to be mention made of the old Stratford Bank, I remember walking into the lobby of that bank, that was back in the day of the 'counter checks', you KNOW you're old if you remember 'counter checks'!

I can't overlook McMahan's Furniture-Beauty Shop right off main street. Back then there were no curling irons or blow dryers, just rollers that you had to put in AFTER washing your hair and then sleeping uncomfortably on them til morning! I STILL remember when the electric rollers came out, what a BREAKTHROUGH in technology! So, the women of Stratford would go to the Beauty Shop once a week and have their hair done, they must have used a lot of Aqua Net back then to last you all the way to next week. The most memorial part of this business, was walking through the furniture store to get to the beauty shop! Occasionally my mother would stop and buy a piece of furniture on her way through, and I STILL have a little rocking chair in my home to prove it!

So many fun memories of Stratford and main street, as we grew older we put many miles on our parents car driving up and down that street, honking at every car that passed and making U-turns at every corner!

Stratford School sat at the end of the street and in ONE building we started 1st Grade and went all the way through (with all the same classmates) to 12th Grade! And who could forget the tennis courts and the indoor swimming pool at the back of the school? What fun! Kids, then had the run of the town, you were allowed to go out and not check in (we had NO cell phones as a matter of fact, at one point we had party lines on our home phones). Just had to be in by dark!

Stratford, Home of the Elk! Many fond memories of the football stadium (which was one of the nicest in all the area), and all the football games and rivalries! Same with basketball, track, and tennis! We had the greatest and most memorable teachers and faculty! Mr. Gilley appeared in EVERY picture of our class pictures for grade school. Most all the teachers had all your siblings in school and were ready for the next one to come along (I must say, I took a lot of heat for my brothers!) In first grade, Lee Pendleton and I had Mrs. Corley, and EVERY day as soon as we walked in, she said, "Lee, Teresa, GET IN THE LINE FOR THE BOOKROOM!" Let me just tell you, that was NOT to go read books; that was the place where she had a hidden ping pong paddle and those in the book line got to go to the 'bookroom' for their DAILY whipping!! Of course, Lee and I ALWAYS knew that it was because of all our brothers that went BEFORE us! I remember, looking at her one day and saying, "I haven't even done anything YET!"

We had our annual Easter Egg hunt at the City Park! The buses (or bus) would load us up and take us there, what fond memories to look out at that sea of colored eggs and every one getting ready, set, go! What a herd of kids knocking others down to try and find the 'prize' egg (I think it had a quarter in it)! At that same park, they had that tall metal slide that would heat up during the summer sun and literally take the hide right off your back side when you went down it! Also, at that park, during the summer, Joyce Ann Lesley, would bring a wheat truck and we'd all meet there to climb into the back of the truck, and she would drive us all to Girl Scout Day Camp out at the Billington Ranch!! Can you imagine NOW, allowing all those girls to ride in the back of that truck? It's a good thing there was no seatbelt law back then, well come to think of it, there were NO seatbelts! What fun we had as children!

I'm reminded of Stratford Days, the foot races, and turtle races, homemade goods, the parade and the barbeque in the park! People got to be a part of 'Community' and because of that, their lives would be bonded together with others (in memories) for the rest of time! I just took a little side track down main street but there are so many other places we'd all remember! The Queen O Cream, Lola's Cafe, Bain's Filling Station. The John Deer Place owned by ER Bell, the Farm Bureau and the County Barn, the old Greyhound Bus Station, Consumers, Boston's, the Sunset Motel, the Ranger Motel, the elevators (a lot of action goes on at those elevators, how we all survived it, I'll never know!) And the OLD drive-in out on the highway, which brings me back to the beginning of this story! So many of the places and people mentioned are like treasured deposit inside many of our hearts! I know that I missed so many other people and places that were also important to remember during these times, but these were just the ones that came to my mind as I went back in time and strolled down memory lane!

Most of these places and people are gone now, Yates (Hose, Robbie and Evelyn), Jeffcoats Department Store, the cleaners, Albert's Grocery Store, The OLD funeral parlor, the lawyers office, the OLD bank, Mr. Harding Filing Station and also Bain's Filling Station, The John Deere, the Queen O' Cream and Lola's Cafe, the school auditorium, tennis courts and indoor swimming pool, McMahan's Furniture/Beauty Shop, and the Roxi Theater! No more wheat truck rides to Girl Scout Day Camp, or getting old car hoods to pull behind the car on snow covered streets, and no more walks to the bookroom for Lee and I.

Seems time has been like the sand in an hourglass, that has rushed passed way too quickly. We don't really realize it's gone until it becomes only memories left to dwell in the hearts of all those who shared those same wonderful moments in time! Through the years, there have been fun times and sad times but through it all, people have drawn together and helped each other as they've laughed OR cried. It's just the way it is in hearts touching hearts!

Our memories are God's Treasure's to remind us of all the blessings we had growing up in Stratford, Texas! So, all I can say is Thanks for the Memories (and thank you, Lorelyn, for challenging me to write something about the drive-in concession stand! I hope you each enjoyed this trip down Memory Lane as did I.

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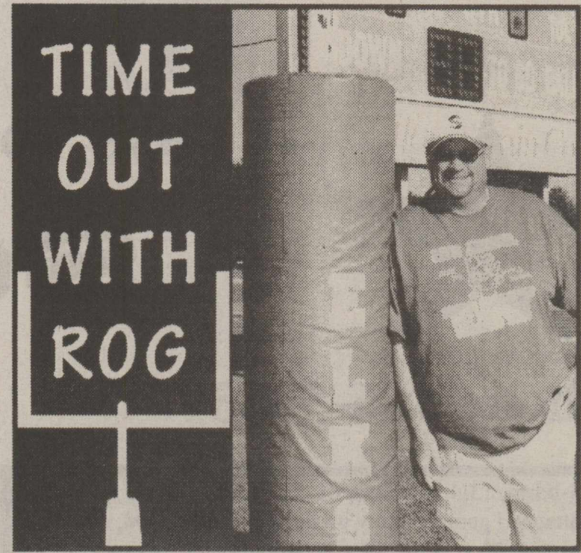
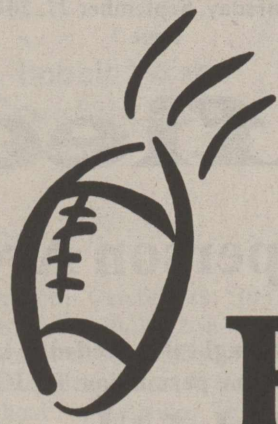
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Well Littlefield might have a little more steak and potatoes on their plate but we sure almost stole their supper!! It was a hard, fought, tough physical game but the Wildcats came away with a 27-21 victory Friday night in Littlefield. We had three mistakes that cost us the game. But boys there is nothing to hang your heads about! Work hard on the little things and the big things will come easier. By the way Alex, Earl Campbell would be proud on the way you run ball!

Marcus Lavake took Ashton, Mason, Kenlee and myself to Tokyo Japanese Steak house in Plainview, I got two words to say OH YEA!!!! This week we got the Lakin, Kansas Broncos for Homecoming! Come cheer the ole' Elks and beat the square heads! Once an Elk, Always an Elk!!!!



Stratford Elk running back Alex Chavoya carried the ball for 164 yards and two touchdowns in the Elks 27-21 loss to Littlefield on Friday, September 21, 2012.



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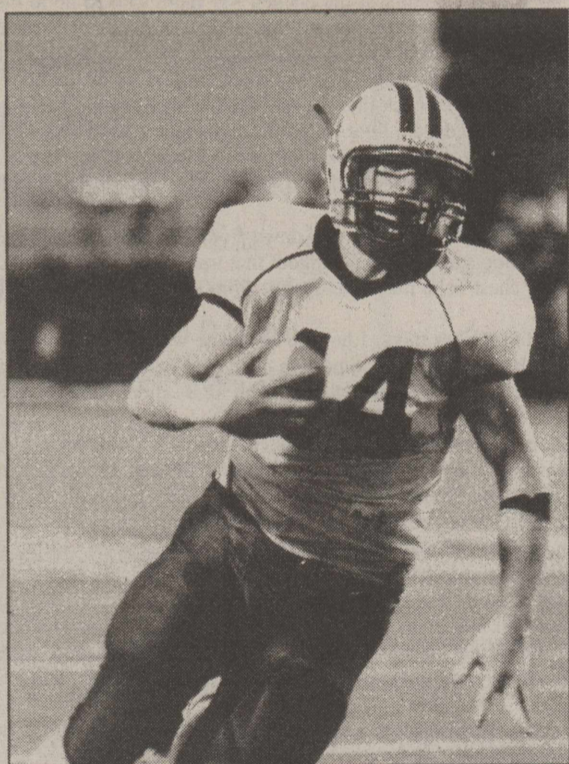
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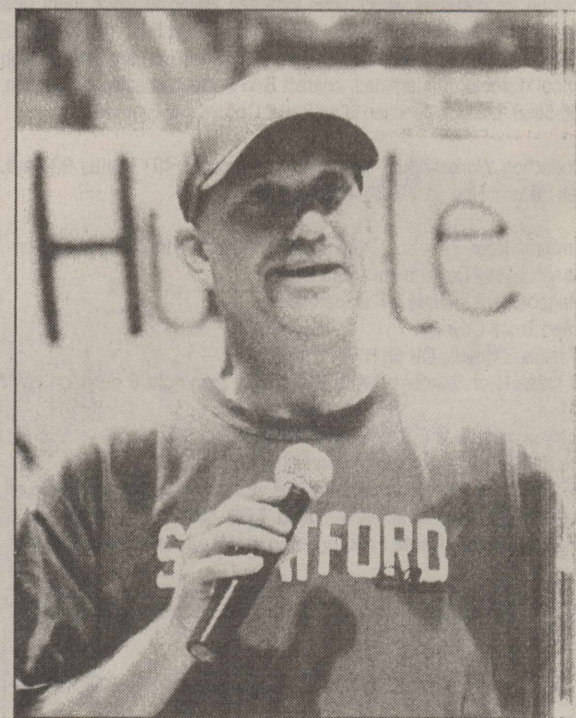
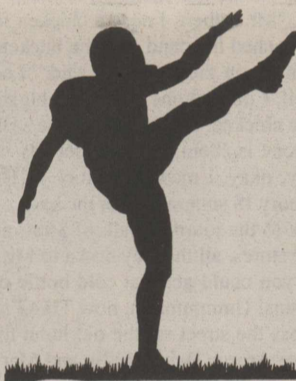
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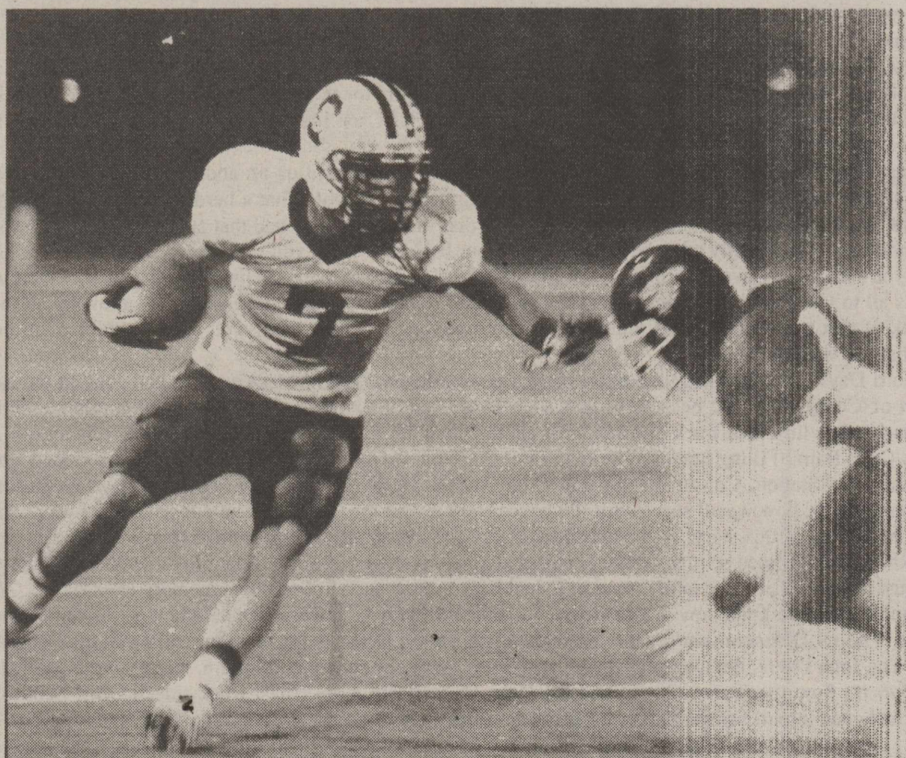
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Logan Uttley gains some yardage for the Elks in their loss against Littlefield.



Shane Palmer gave the pep talk on Friday, September 21, 2012



Sterling Audrain picks up some yardage for the Elks on a pass from Quarterback Tanner Wright.

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