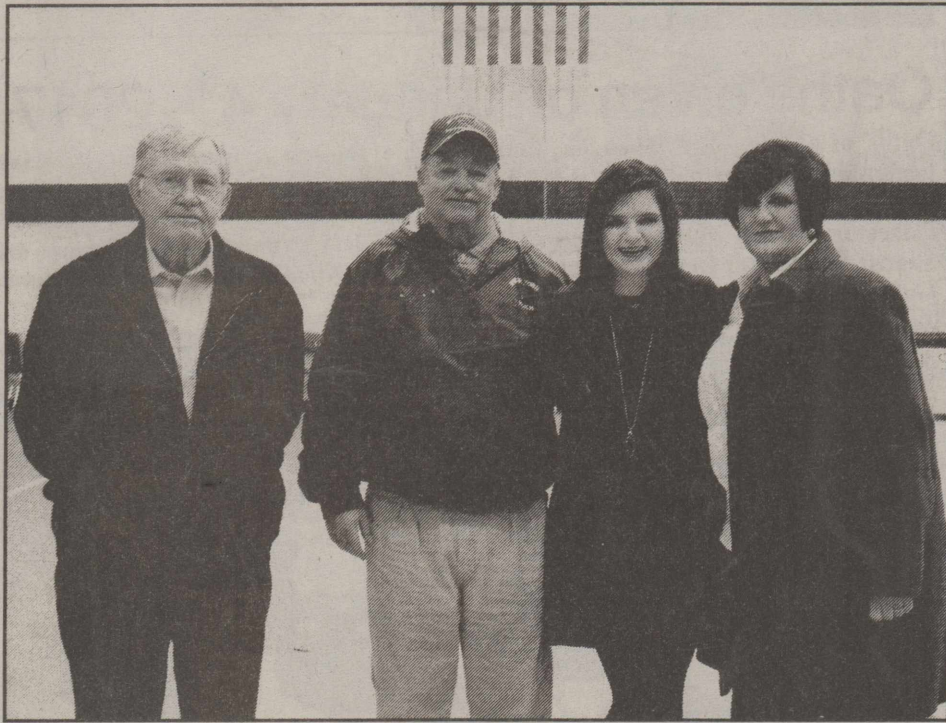


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Vincent Distinguished Speaker

Mazie Vincent, a 2014 graduate of Stratford High School and a junior at the University of Arkansas was the distinguished speaker for Stratford Education Foundation. Miss Vincent spoke to students of Stratford Jr. High and High School on Thursday, January 5, 2016. Shown with Mazie is B.A. Donelson representing Stratford Education Foundation and her parents Matt and Lorie Vincent.



What's Happening In Stratford 2017 TREE SALE

January 15th, Italian Lunch (Fundraiser)
Imagination Station
Ad elsewhere in this week's edition

Jazz Band-Feb. 11th
Imagination Station
Mother/Daughter Brunch
Under the Sea (Ariel)
Imagination Station
March 4th

Narcotics Anonymous-Every Tuesday
7 p.m. Church of Christ
Non-religious & confidential meetings

Storm Siren testing on
Wednesdays at 12 noon

Scot Hall Activities
(Listed elsewhere in paper)

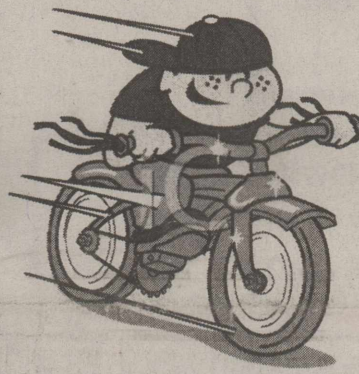
Time is here once again for Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual Spring Tree Sale. Order forms are ready and can be picked up at our office at 418 North 4th in Stratford, or we can mail it if you give us a call. We can also email the order form if you supply us with an email address. Just call us or email us at shermawcd@xit.net. While we try to list as many species that are available for this area, we cannot list them all. If you have any special wants or wishes as far as trees go this year, please call the office at 396-5517 ext. 3 and we will be happy to try and find what you need.

The District can also fill requests for drip irrigation supplies. We keep some drip supplies in stock, and will help in the design of your system and order exactly what is needed for you if we do not have it. Delivery is usually within three working days. You can also help your investment with the installation of weed barrier. We have this available also. This is especially important in windbreaks because we do not want the newly planted seedlings to have to fight with weeds and

grass for water. The barrier will help prevent the growth of weeds and grass and keep the moisture in the ground.

If you need a Tree Order Form, want to place an order for trees, irrigation supplies, weed barrier or have questions regarding the trees or planning for your particular needs, please do not hesitate to contact the District or the NRCS at 396-5517 ext. 3.

Thank you for your continued support of conservation in Sherman County.



Bike Winner at Mary Allen Elementary

Winner of the bicycle from Mary Allen Elementary from Clements Farmers Insurance for Perfect attendance is Ambrocio Favela. Shown with Ambrocio is Gary and Cindy Clements and Mary Allen Elementary Principal Jennifer DeAnda.

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PARKER HANNA

Parker is the 18 year old son of P.J. and Gwenda Hanna. His favorite class is Calculus and he is a member of the National Honor Society. Parker plans to major in mechanical engineering in college while continuing to play football.



RAELEIGH WILLBORN

Raeleigh is the 18 year old daughter of Barney and Sherry Willborn. She enjoys FFA and 4-H activities and plans to attend Clarendon College and continue Livestock judging while studying Agricultural communications.

Congratulations to our Stratford High School Students of the Month!

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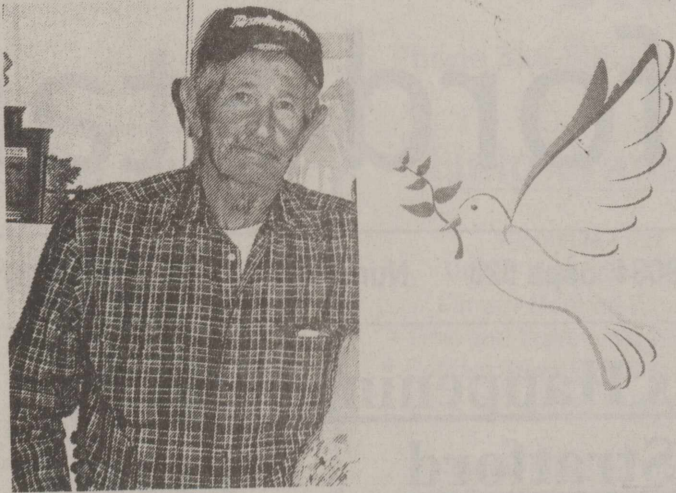
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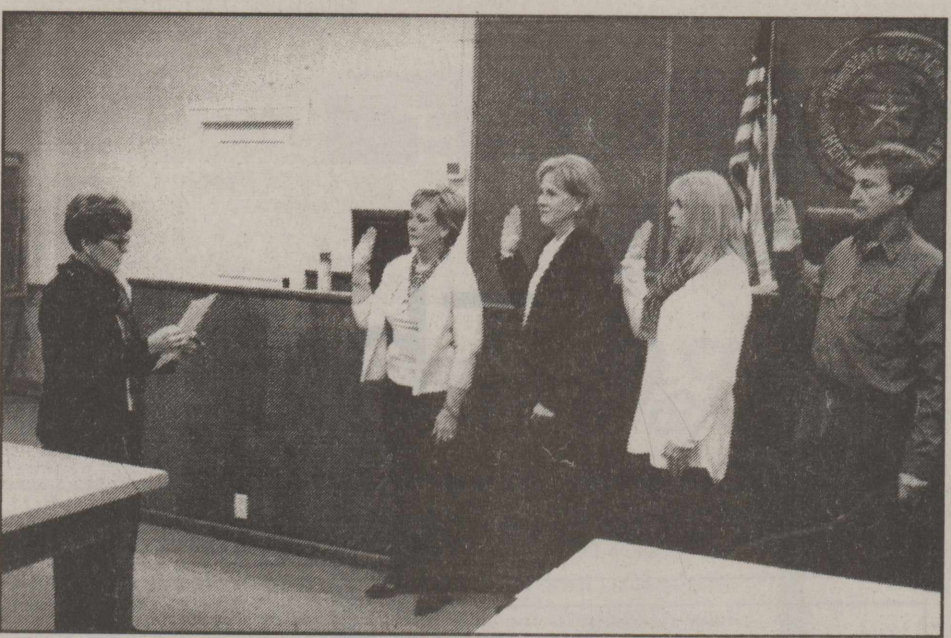


Howard Hart
October 4, 1932-November 8, 2016

Howard "Howdy" Hart, 84, passed away November 8, 2016. He was born October 4, 1932, in Stratford, Texas. He is survived by his wife Lin Hart, daughters Vicki Brunsweller and Donna Harmon, sons Brad and Dustin Hart, ex-wives Janet Latta and Vicki Hart, brother William "Glenn" Hart and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, William "Bill" Hart. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of Havasu. Howdy's service was held at 4 p.m. Saturday, December 3, 2016 at Lietz-Fraze Funeral Home. A celebration of life followed at American Legion Post #81. Services were by Lietz-Fraze Funeral Home. Thoughts and condolences may be sent to the Hart family at www.lietz-fraze-funeralhome.com

We would like to "Thank" each of the people that responded to our little oops Christmas Eve. Thank you to our neighbors, SCS Ted Allen, Stratford City Police Chief Randy Hooks, and the Fire Dept. Thank you! We appreciate each of you and are so blessed the damage was as minimal as it was. Again Thank You!

James & Susie Hale



Oaths given on January 4th, 2017

Oaths of Office were given on January 4th to those Sherman County officials beginning a new term. Shown above are Judge Terri Beth Carter administering the oaths to Commissioner Dana Buckles, County Attorney, Kim Allen, Tax Assessor-Collector Valerie McAlister and Commissioner Jeff Crippen. Shown below are Sheriff Ted Allen, Deputy Aaron Estrada, Deputy Alfonso Garay, Deputy Steven Guerra and K-9 Alik taking their Oaths of office



2017 Sherman County Stock Show

Thursday, January 26, 2017
4:30 Weigh In
Lambs, Goats, Swine

5:30 Exhibitor Meeting – Show Barn
Every Exhibitor Must Attend

7:00 PM
Lamb Show
Goat Show

Friday, January 27, 2017
8:00 AM
Swine Show

Cattle Show
Steer Show
Heifer Show

Saturday, January 28, 2017

5:00 PM – Exhibitors report to County Barn for Sale Meal

6:00 PM Sale Meal for Buyers

6:30 PM – Awards Presentation

7:00 PM – Sale Begins

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Men's Pool-daily 1 p.m. M-F

Ladies Mexican Train Dominoes-Mondays 1:30 p.m.

Ladies Chair Exercises-M-W-F 10:00 -10:30 a.m.

Ladies Yoga-Tuesdays 8:15-10:00 a.m.

Monthly Luncheon-4th Thursday-12 noon (covered dish luncheon)

Man is what he eats. —German Proverb

Hunger finds no fault with the cooking. —Proverb

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The Imagination Station

Sunday, January 15

11:30-1:00

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Salad; French bread; dessert

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(Insurance is more than one half of yearly expenses)



Engagement Announced

Bryan and Kendra Mungia of Stratford and Trey and Ginger Sheets of Texhoma are proud to announce the engagement of their children Justin Cole and Courtney Lynne Brooke. Justin is a 2012 graduate of Stratford High School and a 2016 graduate of Texas Tech University. Justin is employed by Stratford ISD. Courtney graduated from Texhoma ISD in 2012 and is currently majoring in Health and Sports Science. Justin and Courtney are planning to be married January 28th in Amarillo, Texas.

Remember The Stratford Star Classifieds Call 366-5885 or Email to stardm@xit.net or mail to PO Box 8 Stratford, TX 79084-Thank you



"Beary, Beary Christmas" Breakfast with Santa

The Imagination Station hosted a full house "Breakfast with Santa" Saturday, December 10. Santa's helpers serving breakfast of fruit, muffins, sausage, pancakes; decorating cookies and making Christmas ornaments were: Girl Scouts, Victoria and Jasmine Moczyzamba; Jessica & Myla Thompson; Sheryl and Levi Springer; Jeannie Bell; Russell Spurlock, Bret Barnard, Bryce Killian, Taylor Aduddell and Imagination Station Board; Laurie Spurlock, Nita Barnard, Jana Cliff, Jill Killian, Don & Gaynelle Riff

World War 1 Centennial

We are approaching the Centennial of our entrance into WW I. On April 6, 1917 The United States officially entered this war. For families with ties to Sherman County: Historical Commission would like to honor anyone who had a family member that served in this memorable war.

If you have the name of a family member, neighbor or friend who served please get names, stories and/or pictures to:

Ann Pronger Wells
C/O Sherman County
Historical Commission
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—Homer

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Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
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Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
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. Steve Ulrey 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.
Christiah 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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Thurs. Service 7:00 p.m.



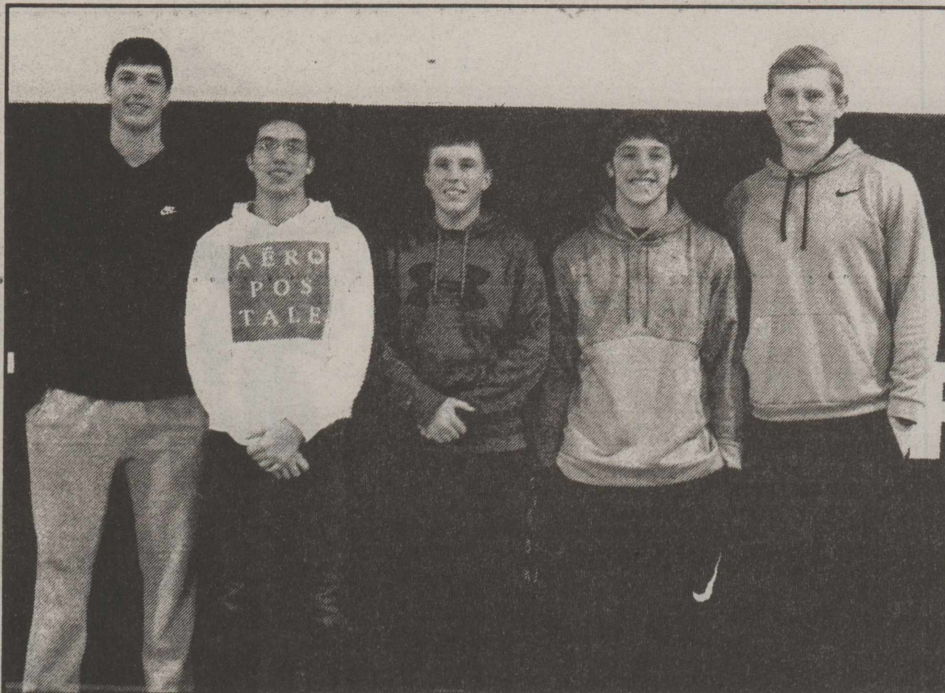
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Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

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10 a.m. Worship Service

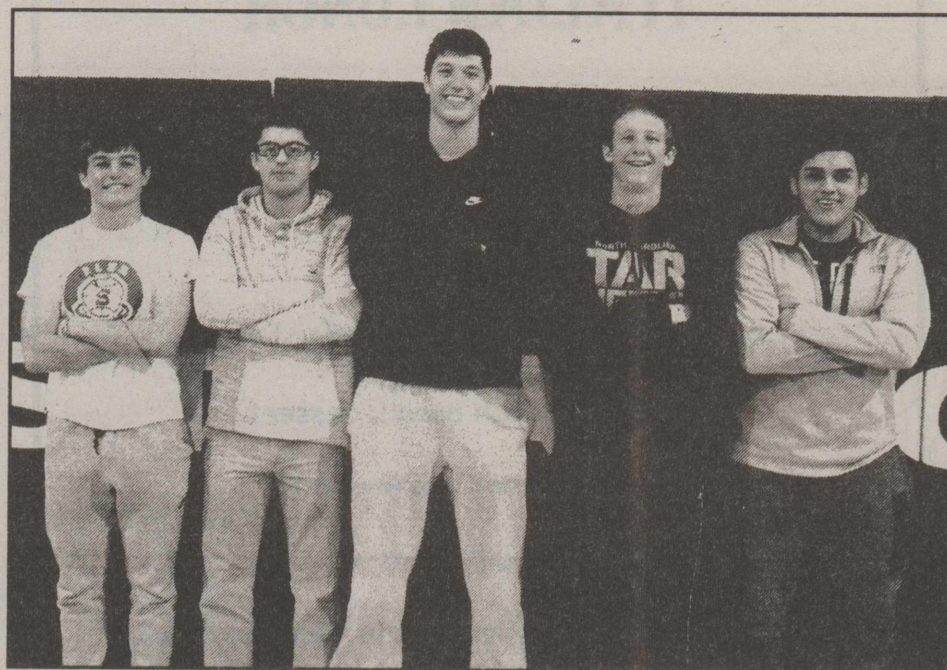
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SHS Academic All-Star Football

SHS Academic All-State Football from left: Russell Spurlock - 2nd Team, Fernando Jacquez - 1st Team, Bret Barnard - 1st Team, Gage Brooks - Honorable Mention and Parker Hanna - 2nd Team.



2-A All-Star Honorable Mention Football

2-A All-State Honorable Mention football selections from left: Shay Hess - Defensive Back, Daniel DeCasas - Defensive Back, Russell Spurlock - Defensive Lineman, Kade McBryde - Linebacker and Ruben Gonzalez - Offensive Lineman.

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Santa Visits Lollipop Junction

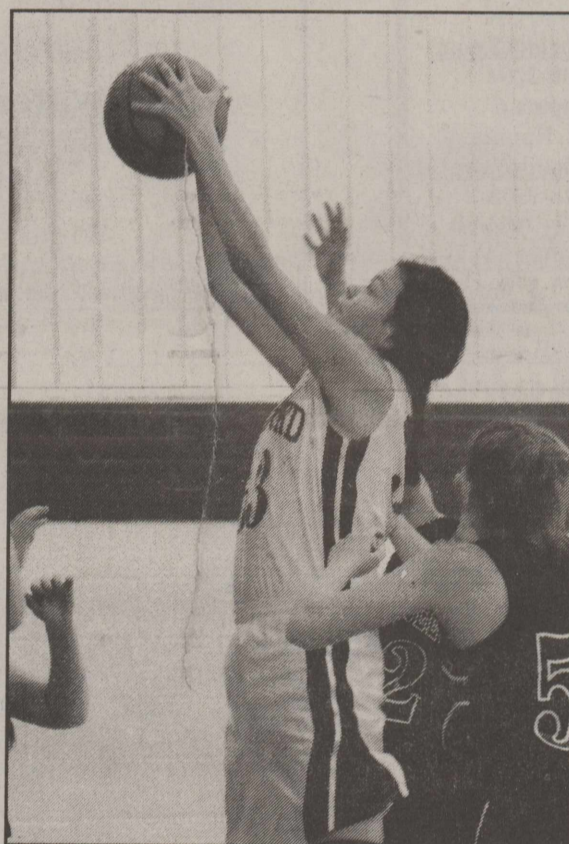
Santa Claus paid a visit to all of the good little boys and girls down at Lollipop Junction on Tuesday, December 13th. The children, staff and a handful of parents celebrated the Christmas season with gifts, festive treats, and a party with the big guy himself. Each child had their picture taken with Santa and had the chance to whisper Christmas wishes in his ear. While most of the boys and girls were glad to see him, a few did not know what to think about that hairy man in red.

Lollipop Junction is a non-profit child care facility and always appreciates the support of our community. If you would like to make an end of the year contribution, those may be dropped off with Suzanne at First State Bank or sent to Lollipop Junction, P.O. Box 411, Stratford, Texas 79084.

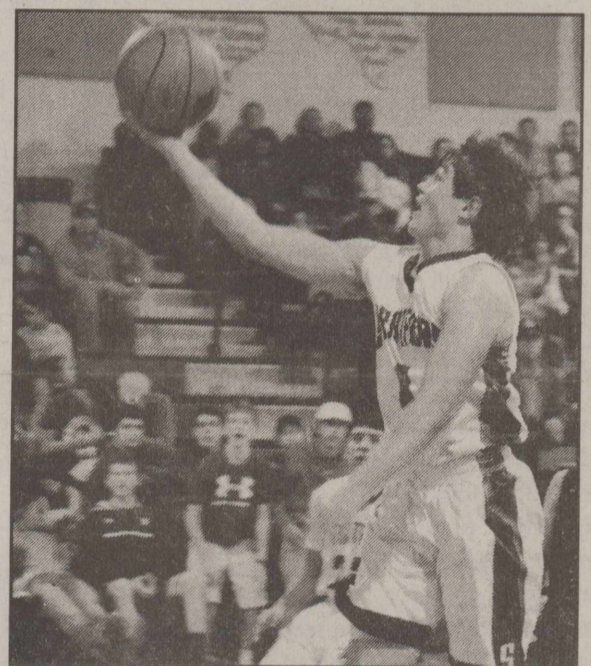
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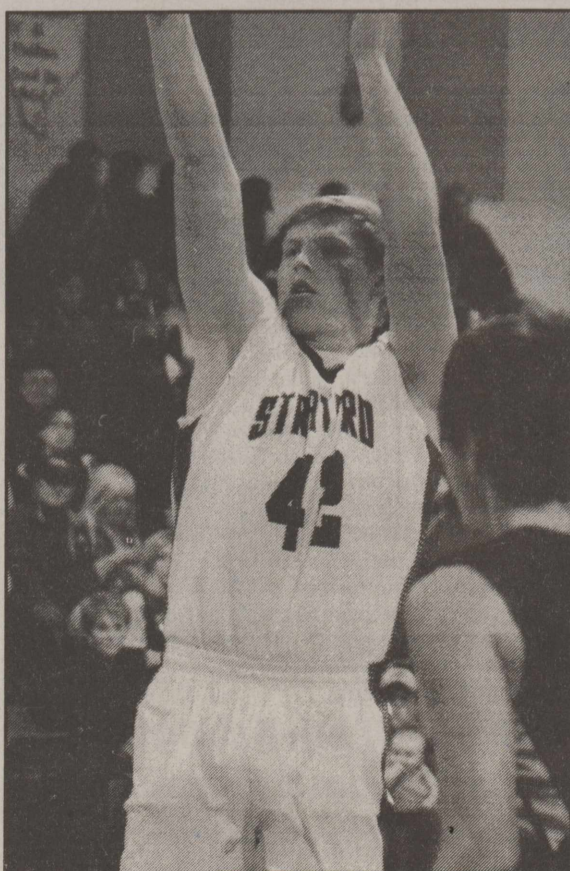
Lady Elk Shaylee Audrain sinks the three pointer in the win over Fritch.



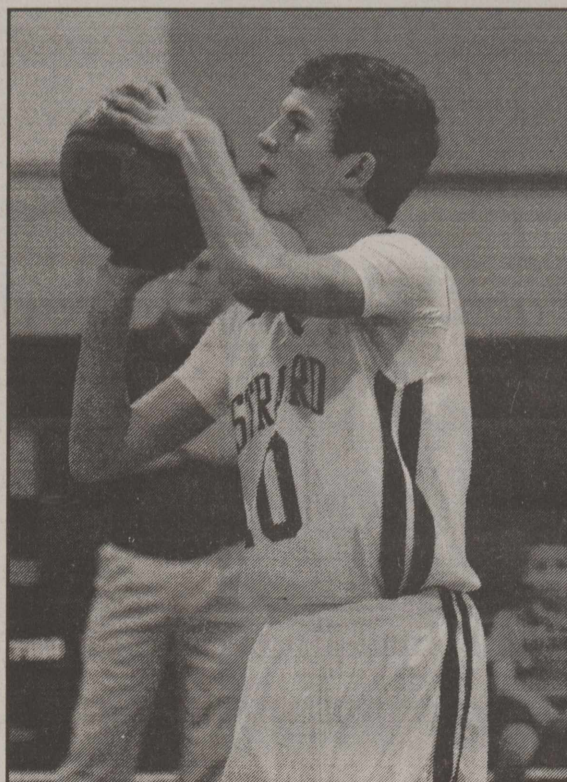
Stratford J.V. Lady Elk Elizabeth Martinez goes up for the shot in the Lady Elks win over Fritch.



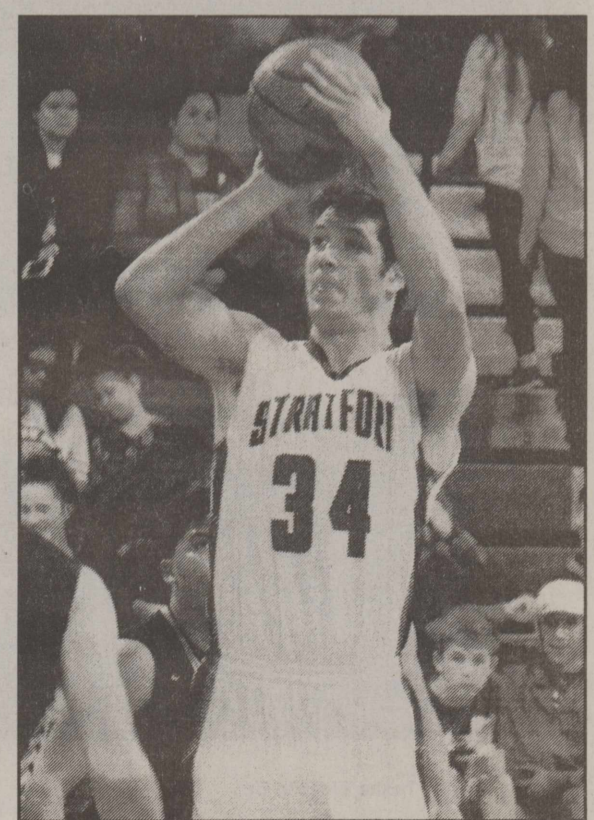
Stratford Elk Shay Hess scores on the fast break.



Stratford Elk #42 Parker Hanna goes up for the shot in the Elks win over Fritch.



J.V. Elk #10 Walker McBryde scores from the free throw line in the Elks win over Fritch on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.



Stratford Elk #34 Russell Spurlock scores from the inside.

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Attention Stratford Residents,

Please be advised the brown city dumpsters are for normal household trash. The green dumpsters are for grass clippings only. We have seen an increase of unauthorized items being put in the dumpsters. Please review the following sections from the City of Stratford Code of Ordinances;

Sec. 13.04.038(b) Duties of owner or occupant

Materials prohibited in brown containers-The following shall not be disposed of in city's brown containers: hazardous waste, liquid waste, used motor oil, used oil filters, lead acid batteries, yard waste (grass clippings, leaves, yard/garden debris, brush), construction/demolition/remodeling debris, lumber, shingles/roofing material, chairs/furniture, mattresses/box springs, waste tires (automotive/implement/truck/tractor), major appliances/fixtures, and dead animals.

Sec. 13.04.041 Dirt, concrete and rocks prohibited in containers

The disposal of dirt, concrete, and rocks in city trash containers is hereby prohibited. (Ordinance 970519, sec. 9, adopted 5/19/97)

Construction materials and shingles must be disposed by the company doing the work. Please inform any contractor that they are not to use the city dumpsters to dispose of any construction material/waste. The city does not accept shingles, batteries, tires or concrete in our dumpsters or at the landfill at any time.

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—Thomas Ernest Hulme

Winter Prep Advice

(NAPS)—Preparing your house for the seasonal closing of windows and doors can be a smart step toward health and energy savings.

How? By seeing that your home's heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) system gets a complete cleaning. This includes replacing the filter and cleaning the ductwork. By removing built-up particulates and contaminants, you improve indoor air quality and maximize system efficiency.

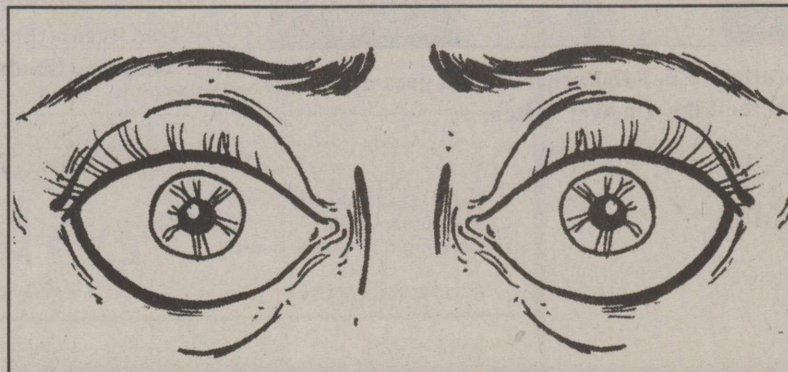


Homeowners can breathe cleaner air and create a healthy home winter ecosystem by cleaning and maintaining their HVAC system.

According to the United States Department of Energy, HVAC systems account for most of the energy use in a typical home. That's one reason proper maintenance and cleaning, as suggested by the National Air Duct Cleaners Association (NADCA), can mean an 11 percent energy savings.

In addition, dirty systems can contribute to poor indoor air quality and health issues, especially in people with respiratory conditions, autoimmune disorders or certain allergies. Contaminants are pulled into the HVAC system and recirculated some six times a day. The buildup in the ductwork creates continuous exposure that only duct cleaning can address.

Further facts and tips are at www.nadca.com. The locator there can help you find nearby NADCA-certified professionals. NADCA members adhere to a standard that ensures a quality cleaning.



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