

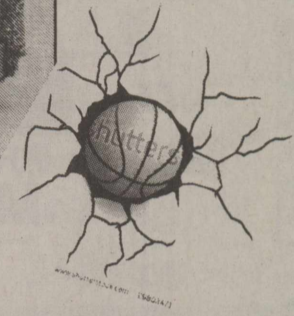
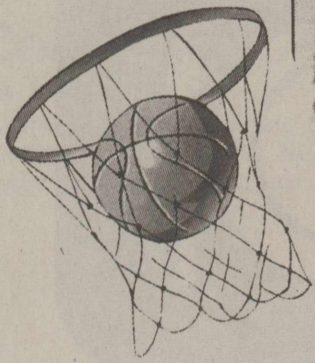
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Stratford Elks Capture Area Win

The Stratford Elks captured the Area win over Post 59-35 on Friday, February 23, 2018. Standing from left: Coach Justin Mungia, Coach Seth Slover, Sergio Guerrero, Pedro Ortega, Baruc Ortega, Noah Harris, Walker McBryde, Kade McBryde, Ty McBryde, Coach David Lantelme, Jaci Brown, Head Coach Trey Wyatt, and Daniela Valdez. Kneeling from left: Jackson Wyatt, Iuden Romero, Blake Rios, Shay Hess, Colten Lanning, AV Villegas, and Chase Lantelme. At press-time the Elks faced Sanford Fritch in the Quarter-Final round of Play-offs against Sanford Fritch.

Officer involved Shooting in Stratford.

On February 21st, at approximately 7:30 p.m., the Stratford Police Department requested the assistance of the Texas Rangers to investigate an officer involved shooting that occurred in Stratford, Texas. A Stratford Policeman identified a stolen vehicle traveling eastbound on US-54. A traffic stop on the stolen vehicle ensued at a convenience store in Stratford. During the process of arresting the occupants of the stolen vehicle, both of the arresting officers fired their service weapons striking the driver. The 22-year old male driver died as a result of his injuries. The 24 year old male passenger was arrested without incident and booked into the Sherman County jail. The deceased driver was identified as 22-year old Darion Baker, of Memphis, Tennessee. The passenger was identified as 24 year old Gregory Dees, also of Memphis, Tennessee. Dees was charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle by the Stratford Police Department. The Texas Rangers continue to investigate the shooting. (Release by Sergeant Cindy Barkley-Texas Department of Public Safety)

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FEBRUARY 2018 POLICE REPORT



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TRAFFIC STOPS: 81

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Howard Norvell Green Post 262 regrets to announce that the annual Hamburger Feed Fundraiser for the Boys State/Girls State Program has been cancelled for this year. At the present time, we simply do not have the capability to put on the fundraiser. Therefore, we will not be sending any candidates to Boys State/Girls State this year. Hopefully, the situation and circumstances will improve so that we can resume the program in the future. We want to thank the entire community for the support, encouragement, and generosity we have received in the past and we will continue to work toward resuming the program in the future. Thank you!

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2018 TREE SALE REMINDER - DEADLINE MARCH 9, 2018

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 - 418 North 4th in Stratford.

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 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 396-2211 ext. 3, or email us at shermwcd@xit.net.

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



OBITUARIES



Patti McDaniel

Born November 12, 1950

Died February 25, 2018

Patricia (Patti) Irene McDaniel passed February 25, 2018 near her home in Aurora, Colorado following complications from heart surgery. Patti was born in Junction City, KS on November 12, 1950, and raised in Kerrick, Texas. She attended college at SMU, and then transferred to the University of Denver in 1970 where she graduated. She remained in the Denver area and worked numerous jobs where she made life-long friends at each one.

Her greatest joys were her family and friends including her niece Merilee McDaniel, long-time friend Sharon Martensen Powell and Sharon's daughters' Kristen and Sarah and their families. Having only 3 first cousins, Patti was very close to cousins Sherri, Ron and Scott Hutchison and their families. She was a huge sports fan, especially of the Colorado Rockies, and enjoyed the family cabin "Fred's Spread" with family and friends in Southern Colorado.

Patti was preceded in death by her parents Marylou and Fred McDaniel of Kerrick, and recently by her Aunt Thelma McDaniel Smith of Dumas, TX. She is

survived by her brother Mike McDaniel of Kerrick, TX and niece Merilee McDaniel of San Antonio, TX.

Patti was the daughter of Marylou McDaniel of Kerrick, TX who wrote Kerrick News for the Stratford Star for many many years.

No services are scheduled at this time. The family suggests memorial be made to the Stratford Education Foundation, P0 Box 108, Stratford, TX

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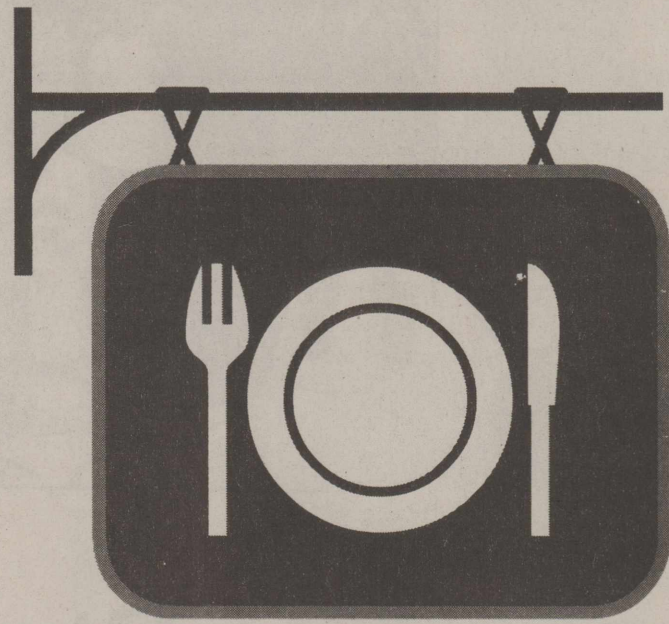
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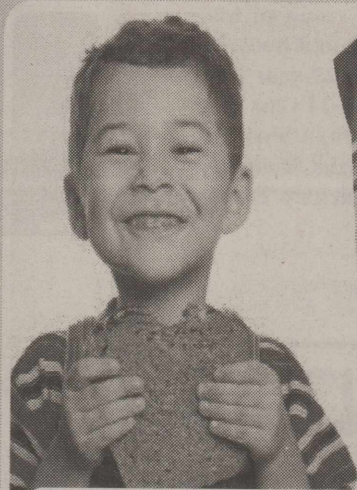
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Xcel Energy named one of the World's Most Admired Companies for fourth consecutive year

Minneapolis February 22, 2018— Xcel Energy, headquartered in Minneapolis, has been recognized by Fortune magazine as one of the World's Most Admired Companies. This is the fourth consecutive year that the company has earned this distinction, ranking fourth this year as most admired electric and gas utility.

"We're honored to be recognized as a leader in our industry by Fortune. It's another indicator of the value we're delivering and is a direct result of our hardworking employees and their dedication to serving our communities and providing the very best experience for customers," said Ben Fowke, chairman, president, and CEO, Xcel Energy.

Xcel Energy, a national leader in wind energy for more than a decade, is ranked highly for its innovation, social responsibility and long-term value when evaluated by peers at other utilities.

The magazine surveys executives, directors and industry analysts about companies in their industry then ranks companies based on nine attributes: innovation, people management, use of corporate assets, social responsibility, quality of management, financial soundness, long-term investment, quality of products/services and global competitiveness.

Fortune collaborated with Korn Ferry on this reputational survey of the 1,000 largest U.S. companies ranked by revenue, along with non-U.S. companies in Fortune's Global 500 database with revenues over \$10 billion.

About Xcel Energy

Xcel Energy (NASDAQ: XEL) provides the energy that powers millions of homes and businesses across eight Western and Midwestern states. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company is an industry leader in responsibly reducing carbon emissions and producing and delivering clean energy solutions from a variety of renewable sources at competitive prices. For more information, visit xcelenergy.com or follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

67th Annual XIT Rural Telephone Membership Meeting Announced

The 67th Annual Membership meeting of XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative Inc. will be conducted on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. The meeting will be held at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum in Dalhart. Registration for rural members (customers whose landline telephone numbers begin with a prefix of 343, 362, 377, 384, 727, 753 and 769) and guests who receive an invitation from XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will begin at 11:00 a.m., and a luncheon catered by The 10 in Texas Woodfire Grill in Dalhart will begin at noon. The sit-down lunch will again be served by XIT's management and employees.

The recipients of the 2018 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program will be announced. This is the nineteenth year that XIT has offered the program to graduating high school seniors of our rural members. Seven area seniors have been chosen this year to each receive scholarships.

The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door prizes.

Approximately \$4,000 worth of door prizes will be given away to members. There will be six grand prizes awarded: 1 - \$500 cash prize and 3 - \$300 cash prizes and 2 - \$100 cash prizes. There will also be a kids' drawing. This is for members' children or grandchildren who are 0-12 years of age. Members are reminded that they must be present to win prizes.

The purpose of the annual meeting is to elect directors, to present for approval the financial reports for the previous fiscal year, and to transact any other business that needs to be brought up during the meeting.

According to the bylaws, a written notice must be mailed from XIT Rural Telephone not less than ten days, nor more than twenty days, before the meeting. The notice was mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 23, 2018.

A quorum must be present in order for the business meeting to convene. Based upon the total number of the Cooperative's members, fifty members or two percent of the members attending, whichever is larger, constitutes a quorum.

Current officers and board members include: J.W. McClellan, President; Walter E. Lasley, Vice President; Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer; Marcia French, Nick Olson, Steve Baskin, Gareed McBryde, Barry Poling and Larry Kemp.

On February 1, 2018, Nominating Committee members consisting of Sharon Taylor, Mike Diller, Jeremy Lenz, Charles Traylor, Jack Haile and Brent Spurlock met to submit nominations for three director positions. Jeremy Lenz was selected as chairman of the Nominating Committee. Nominations for the following districts were: District I, Dallam County - Barry Poling, District II, Hartley County - Gary Finch, and District III, Sherman County - Steve Baskin.

Members can vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside, or the district in which they have telephone service. All members must be present at the annual meeting to vote. No proxy voting is permitted. Either a husband or wife is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but there is only one vote allowed per membership.

XIT rural members please mark your calendars and plan to attend the XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. 67th Annual Meeting!

2018 Pinewood Derby

Stratford Cub Scout Pack 38 would like to announce that plans are underway for the 2018 Pinewood Derby. This year, we will have an open division where anyone is welcome to build a car and come and race. Cost to participate will be \$10.00, which covers the cost of the car and as well as a donation to Pack 38. There will be a practice run and weigh-in on March 2, 2018 from 5pm to 6:30pm. The race will be Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the Imagination Station. Check in time is 2:30pm - 3pm. If you would like to enter or have questions, please contact Jesse Mariscal 806-753-6587.

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Two years ago, the Amarillo Area Foundation started a giving day that coincided with #GivingTuesday, an international day of philanthropy on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. This year we're going bigger. We are excited to announce that the Amarillo Area Foundation has contributed \$100,000 to enhance your organization's fundraising efforts during this campaign. This means your favorite organization could qualify for a portion of this contribution by participating in The Panhandle Gives 2018.

Encourage your favorite nonprofit to register to learn how their organization can benefit from the \$100,000 contribution from the Amarillo Area Foundation.

Here's where to register: bit.ly/panhandlegive. Complete the online registration and return the agreement via email: thePanhandleGives@aaf-hf.org or mail to Amarillo Area Foundation, 801 S. Fillmore, STE 700, Amarillo, TX 79101 by 3/30/18. The \$75 registration fee is due by 4-25-18.

Organizations with questions can visit our FAQ page: https://www.amarilloareafoundation.org/file/GT_Nonprofit-FAQ-2018.pdf

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Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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5th & Main
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Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery)
No Sunday evening Worship Service

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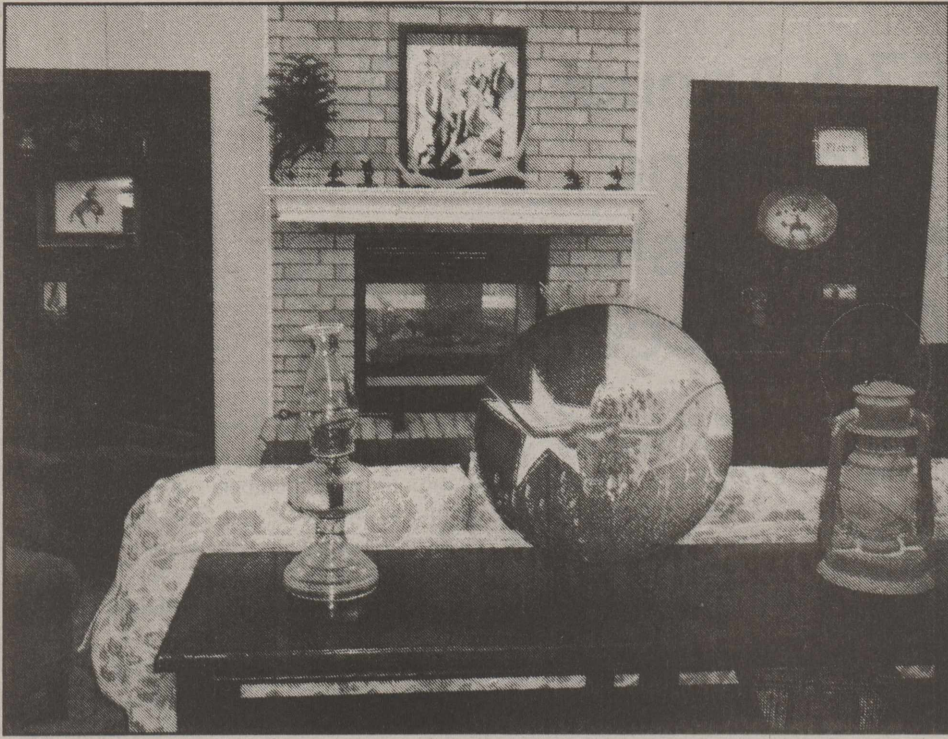
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Decorations for Santa Fe Trail

Legacy Passes Mid-way for Walk the Santa Fe Trail

Legacy Assisted Living residents and staff members have passed the mid-point for the 2465 mile trek of the Santa Fe and Camino Real Trail system. The walk started from Independence, Missouri on January 8th. This past week, ending on February 16th, the group had traveled 1,202.76 miles. The Susan Magoffin staff team is leading the contest with 1,077.33 miles, and the Kit Carson resident team has 125.43 miles. The contest will end March 29th. What does all of these miles really mean as to a location on the map? "Officially" the group is now 9 miles south of Juarez, Mexico, and heading to the goal of Mexico City, Mexico.

Legacy common areas have now been decorated to show different aspects of life along the trail. One display is of items that could have been used in their chuck wagon. A display of items that represent Mexico City is in the dining room. Santa Fe, Mexico, has two displays: one of the Catholic mission influence and one of native Indian artifacts. A display of typical cowboy dress items are on one wall. The living room bookcases and the mantle show western items and art pieces (including 2 Kenneth Wyatt western art prints). Along one wall of the living room is a display of Trail Treasures – items that could have been found along the trail (such as devil's claw) or items that were left along the trail (such as broken wagon wheels). There is even a small display of items that could be used for laundry! Legacy staff members contributed these display items as well as borrowed them from friends and family. Legacy invites the public to visit and see the displays. These items will be on display until mid-April.



Morillon & Wells Advancing to State

Congratulations to SHS band students Jennifer Morillon, left and Lara Wells, right on making a 1st Division on a Class 1 vocal solo on Saturday, February 21, 2018. They both will advance to State Solo & Ensemble contest. Lucius Haile, center played the piano for their accompaniment.

The first of two road trips is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27th. This trip will be to Boise City, Oklahoma, and to Clayton, New Mexico, to see the artifacts at their museums and to view the landmarks and wagon ruts in the landscape. This will be a wonderful trip revealing local history that can be tied to a period of national expansion of trade and culture. Many residents have lived in this area for their whole lives and have never seen these historical treasures. The second trip will be to Elkhart, Kansas, in March.

Walk the Santa Fe Trail has been informative and fun. The Texas Cooperative Agri-Extension office has been providing *Walk & Talk* educational programs about topics such as the food availability on the trail, health issues, water issues, and native American/Mexican foods. Upcoming topics include dried meat (jerky), gazpacho, pico de gallo, Mexican Hobo meal, and Mexican torta (sandwich). An average of 10 residents have been attending these sessions.

The group will continue their trip and will celebrate on their arrival in Mexico City, hopefully by the end of March. Thank you to everyone who contributed display items for this project. Legacy Assisted Living is located in Dalhart, Texas.

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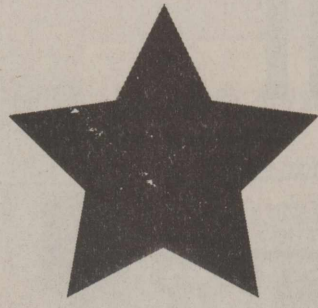
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History Class to be at Coldwater Cemetery March 7th

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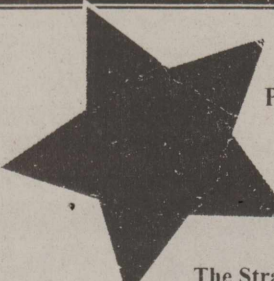
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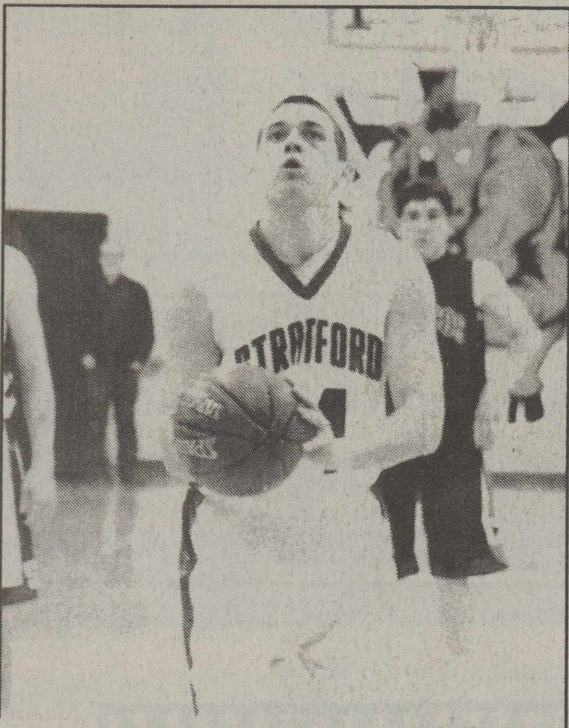
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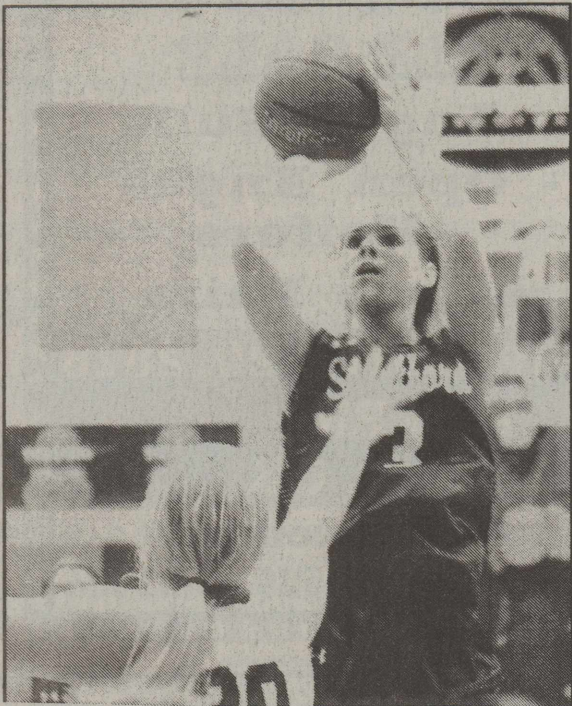
Sr. Elk Colton Lanning at the free throw line in the Elks Bi-District win over Clarendon on Tuesday, February 20, 2018.



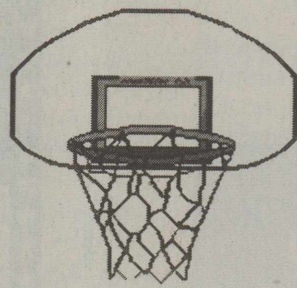
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Stratford Elk Sr. Baruc Ortega shoots over Clarendon defenders in Elks Bi-District win.



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