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Stratford's Finest Honored



Rev. Ken Metzger

Billy Bell and future farmer, Christopher



Debbi and Gayland Vandiver

There was a good crowd Friday night, March 27th at the Chamber of Commerce banquet. The big winners were Ken Metzger, Citizen of The Year; Billy Bell, received Farmer of The Year; Gayland and Debbi Vandiver, Elk Pharmacy for Business Persons of The Year. Sherri Butler, Manager of Chamber of Commerce received a special award "Citizen Extraordinaire" for the excellent work she has done as chamber manager.

"Shine" was definitely the "theme" as everyone seemed to have a good time. Harold Oquin was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening and did have the audience in the palm of his hand most of the time.

The guest speaker for the evening was Aaron Alejandro. Aaron is a very enthusiatic young man. He is a sophomore Agricultural Education/Communication major at Texas Tech. Being young has not stopped Aaron from accomplishing many areas already. He gave a very positive and uplifting

Citizen of the year, Ken Metzger, pastor or First United Methodist Church is not a Texan by birth. Early in Ken's life he attended Navajo Indian School in Farmington, New Mexico.

Later graduating from high school there. He continued his education at McMurry College in Abilene, Texas and Perkins Seminary at S.M.U., Dallas; and has put in many hours learning to excel as an EMT.

Ken and his wife Sue have 2 children. Mark who has graduated from Angelo State University and plans to attend Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky and a daughter, Marci who is a student at McMurry College.

Before moving to Stratford in 1980, Ken ministered to people in Dalhart, Post, Vega and other places in

Ken is on the board of directors of SCOT. Member of Lions Club and the Ministerial Alliance.

Farmer of The Year Billy Bell was raised on a farm with 4 brothers. he has been a farmer since 1955. First on the past president of the St. Joseph's Catholic Men Association. He is currently the president of the Gas Users Association and a director of the Stratford Chamber of Commerce. Billy headed up the 1986 Chamber of Commerce Pheasant Hunt

He encouraged his mother Geneva Bell to move to Stratford in 1983 and make her home here. He has 4 sons and 1 daughter.

Billy definitely approaches farming with enthusiasm. When he was a high school senior the school canceled Senior Day but this enterprising young man took the day off anyway--but he ended up plowing all day, was expelled for "playing hooky" and still graduated as Valedictorian of his class.

The 1987 Business Person of the year is again 2 people instead of one.

Gayland and Debbi Vandiver, Owners of Elk Pharmacy have shown an agressive and enthusiastic attitude in their service to this community and surrounding area. There is always a cordial greeting and sincere desire to help you with your needs. This year they have completely refurbished their store and have added new lines of merchandise to serve the Stratford area.

They have been active in serving their community in activities outside their busi-



Sherri Butler

For

ness such as City Council, Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Stratford Little Leaque, Miss Stratford Pageant, Cub Scouts and more.

Gayland graduated from Channing High School where he was an outstanding athlete, and Debbi graduated from Dalhart High School where she was dedicated to cheerleading. They met while attending West Texas State University and were married August 22, 1970. A change of study caused a move to Southwestern State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma where Gayland graduated. They have one son, Greg a student in Stratford Middle

These business persons have come out many time during the night to fill prescriptions, get crutches, etc. for customers and never complain, whatever the time may have been. If you have a question about a prescription Gayland is ready with a courtious answer.

School.

Time Change

Daylight savings time will arrive early this year. DST will go into effect this year on Sunday, April 5. This is the time that clocks are set forward one hour. The actual time change is at 2:00 a.m. Sunday but most find it more convenient to reset clocks before going to bed Saturday

Notice

There will be CPR Classes given Thursday, April 9th and Monday, April 13th from 6-10 p.m. If anyone is interested please call 396--2157 or 396-2844 to sign up.

Judge Frizzell will be in Texhoma at City Hall on Monday, April 6 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon to deliver commodities.

NOTICE

Lautz 4-H Club will meet Wednesday, April 8 at 4:30 p.m. at the Lautz Elevator. Guest speaker will be Korky Kiser from Dumas speaking on Photography. Everyone is invited. For more information you may call the Extension Office.

Past Masters Night, Stratford Masonic Lodge #874 cordially invites all Mason and Eastern Star with samilies to a meal and entertainment honoring all Past Masters, Saturday, April, at Stratford Masonic Hall at 7:00 p.m.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

To the qualified voters residing within the boundaries of Texhoma Memorial **Hospital District:**

Election will be held in said District at the school house in Texhoma, Texas on the 4th day of April, 1987 for the purpose of electing two directors.

Charles Roach, Secretary

Sladek Announces Candidacy

Rex Sladek has recently announced his candidacy for the office of City Council. He is currently self employed as an Independent grass seed salesman and custom farmer. Rex moved to Stratford in 1967. He graduated from Stratford High School. Rex married Gina Hunter from Dumas in 1983. They have two children Shane and

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Schoolboard South Plains and then in **Two Places Open** Colorado where he was PCA Farmer of the Year. He moved to Stratford in the **Incumbent, Doug McBryde** early 70's. He is a member of The Baptist Church and is **Jimmy Chesher**

Rick Decker Billy Bell Ronald Brooks John Lavake Robert Randall

Steve Dettle

Election Information

City Council Three Places Open

Incumbent, Wanda Riffe **Roger Jeffries Robert McGinnis Justin Coaly Doyle Kirkwood Eddie Haggard Rex Sladek**

Don Williams

Hospital Board Two Places Open

Incumbent Scott Buckles Incumbent V.O. Lasłey Wayne Merrill Frank Sutton

Wayland Brown

Remember To Vote April 4,1987

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nity Gayland Debbi Vandiver

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The Stratford Chamber of Commerce is initiating an "EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH" recognition with the first award to be presented April 13. Nominations will be considered from every sector of employment, that is retail, service, cierical, etc. Individuals submitting a nomination should give reason[s] for their nominee being considered. The "Employee of the Month" will be featured in a news article and receive a certificate of recognition. Nomination forms will be published monthly in The Stratford Star or may be picked up from the Chamber Office.

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ease return this [or similiar form] to the Chambe Commerce office by noon, Wednesday, April 8, 1987.

Dear Readers

change will become effective. Be sure and move clocks forward Saturday night refore retiring.

Also want to remind you to fill out The Employee of The Month form and mail or take it to the Chamber of Commerce office.

Congratulations to all the winners Friday night at the

Chamber Commerce Banquet.

Vote-Saturday, April 4. List of candidates on front page.

The Star's sympathys are with Sherri Butler and her family on the loss of her

Congratulations Eddie Williams, on being a DAR Good Citizen.

Letters To Editor

Dear Marty (and all)

Have read with interest your and the Amarillo Globe News (Gee, Stratford has sure made the Amarillo papers recently) account of the School Zone situation in Stratford.

Apparently the crux of the article is the big mystery as to WHY the then City Council took no action on the State Hwy office in 1974. I believe I can solve that mystery.

Stratford has always been a pretty independent little community and we have tried to stand on our own feet. At that time the council consisted of businessmen and a mayor who felt that way and who wanted to "Do It Ourselves Mom" without outside 'intervention. Now the present council sees it a different way and that is their privilege-so its up to our citizens to abide by their decision and accept whatever rules the State wants to set for School Zones in our communities city limits. Change is constant. So Be It! Hope this solves the

> Annell Wall X "Old Gray Mayor"

To the editor:

mystery.

There come times in our lives that are especially significant: that time when you know you have a saving relationship with Jesus Christ; that moment of finding that the special person you love loves you too!; the birth of your first child; along with memorable experiences from school days.

Then there comes a moment, a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence, unexpected and for which you are completely unprepared. Such happened to me last Friday evening as I was awarded "Citizen of the Year."

Someone really ought to tell you these things so that you can have something significant to say at the time. But since that is not the case, I want to express my sincere appreciation for such a tremendous honor.

When I think of citizens of Stratford, the exceptional quality of our population, it adds to the honor. Stratford is a unique place in which to live, boasting some of the best people around. It is an very special thing to be so honored by such, and I am overwhelmed by the award.

Ken Metzger

Letter to Editor

Thank you.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the folks of Stratford for their kindnesses during the recent days of inclimate weather.

During the first "seige" of snow that isolated Stratford, several hundred motorist were stranded here. However the pastors of local churches opened their doors to these weary people and allowed them to find refuge inside the churches during the time the roads were closed.

Many different stories are told of local citizens who offered food, blankets, homes and other comforts to help make an otherwise difficult situation into an almost pleasant situation. Without this help, I am convinced that the cold weather would have taken its toll on these motorist.

Sincere cooperation was the key to the entire affair-cooperation on the part of citizens, churches, pastors, businesses and emergency personnel.

Also, I was very impressed with the efficiency demonstrated by both the City of Stratford street crews and the State Highway Department crews in their efforts of removing snow from the streets and highways.

I will close by repeating earlier praises for Stratford and Sherman County Residents. You truly are a special people; people that follow closely the admonition of the Bible--"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them:...

Sign me, a proud resident of Stratford, Dennis Davis.

It's A Small World

During road closure of U.S. 287 because of high winds and snow in Colorado this happened to the Bill Deutschendorf's last Sunday. 8 a.m. Vicki Erickson and her neighbor's son Trace, stopped by the S.D.H. office and asked for a place to stay and wait out the storm. Bill invited them to their house and put her car in the garage because of the wind and cold. Vicki had been to Austin to attend the basketball tournament, Trace to visit his Dad.

11:30 a.m. Autumn Mitchell and Amber her two year old grandaughter stopped by the roadblock and asked for a place to wait out the storm. She had been to Ft. Worth to visit her daughter. Bill took them to his house and when Mrs. Mitchell was half way through the door she stopped with a stunned look on her face and pointing to Trace said "thats my son".

Two families, who were neighbors in a suburb of Denver, found the same home in Stratford, Texas to wait out the storm. Trace had lost his billfold, he thought around Headquarters Cafe. A call to Odell Arnold produced the billfold found out in the street, money and all intact.

Opportunity For Community Service

Kindergarten swimming helpers needed. Beginning Apri: 27, Monday, Wednesday, Fridays, until May 15th.

Eight persons willing to get their face wet and be patient and smile a lot plus four persons as substitutes

Scholarship Winners

The North Plains Groundwater Conservation District has completed the judging for the 1987 essay contest on "Why The Importance Of Water Conservation''.

The winners are follows: 1. \$500.00 Scholaship-Kristi 2.\$300.00 Scholarship-Christie Chumley. 3. \$200.00 Scholarship-Lori

will be needed to have a

successful program. If you

would be willing to help,

please contact Steve Haynes,

principal Mary Allen Ele-

mentary, Gaynelle Riffe or

LeRayne Donelson.

4. \$100.00 Scholarship-Thad Parsons. All of these young people are from Stratford.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Janis Tillery

Notice is hereby given that Stratford City Council will meet in regular session Thursday, April 2, 1987, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Meeting Room of Stratford City Hall. AGENDA:

1. Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting. 2. GTE representative to give update of current activities and what will be happening in 1987.

3. Discuss the sale of used equipment. Discuss putting a basketball goal at South

Chestnut Park. 5. Discuss seal coat. 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION-Under Article 6252-17 Section 2 g concerning evaluation of City employees.

7. Discussion of policies, complaints, and matters of urgent necessity arising subsequent to the posting of this notice. 8. Review bills for payment.

Wayland E. Brown,

City Manager.

RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING NO **PARKING ZONE**

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas, has determined that a portion of U.S. Highway 54 be designated as a school

Whereas, to insure that the motorists are able to see the flashing school zone signals, it is necessary to create a no parking zone to allow visual access to the signals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS, that parking of motor vehicles shall be prohibited on that northeast right of way of U.S. Highway

54 from a point ninety-nine (99) feet northeast of the intersection of the center line of Pearl Street and the northeast right of way of U.S. Highway 54 to a point eleven (11) feet southwest of the intersection of the center line of Pearl Street and the northeast right of way line of U.S. Highway 54.

SIGNED this 19 day of March, 1987.

THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS By: Leland Lewis, Mayor

Attest: Wayland Brown, City Secretary

(Published in The Stratford Star Thursday, April 2, 1987.)

First State **Bank To** Host **Art Show**

Beginning April 6th thru April 10th, the First State Bank will be displaying the

Sladek Cont. from Pg. 1

Jennifer. Rex is an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Stratford and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Rex has also been an active member of the Stratford **EMT** Association for the past five years.

In 1983 Rex was elected to the City Council but had to resign his post due to a change of employment in which he had to move from Stratford.

"On April 4, the people of Stratford will have an opportunity to elect three people to the office of City Council. I feel that my previous experience on the Council will be a geat asset if I am elected to the council and the operations of the City of Stratford.'

VOTE FOR Robert Randall Trustee for

Stratford Independent School District

Your vote will be appreciated

Paid Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Robert Randall

Vote For Doyle Kirkwood

Your vote will be appreciated for **Stratford City Council**

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Doyle Kirkwood, Treas. P.O. Box 323, Stratford, Texas 79084

VOTE FOR

STEVE DETTLE

Candidate for TRUSTEE, STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT April 4, 1987

Your Vote Will Be Appreciated

Pd Pol Adv, Pd for by Steve Dettle, Stratford, TX

VOTE FOR

Rex Sladek

Candidate for City Council

April 4, 1987

Your Vote Will Be Appreciated

Pd Pol Adv, Pd for by Rex Sladek, Stratford, TX

Star Dates

5 p.m.

Thursday, April 2

District Extension Homemakers Meeting

2:30 p.m. **Happy Hour Extension Homemakers** 7:30 p.m. City Council 4-H Council 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon

Friday, April 3

SHS Track at White Deer **SHS Tennis Dumas Tournament** 1:00 p.m. **SCOT Quilting** 2:00 p.m. Extension **Homemakers** Council

art work of five Texas artists. The show will include works by Greta Byars, Mary Jane Whitehurst, Don Hickmott, Richard Hogue and Arvis Stewart.

Greta Byars was born and raised on a ranch in Nebraska, and moved to a rural area near Clayton, New Mexico, living there for nearly 20 years until she moved to Amarillo in 1980. Mrs. Byars uses the traditional method of painting which has been almost completely lost in the twentieth century. feeling of depth and true color in her paintings are achieved by painting from real life and not from photographs, as are many of the decorative paintings for sale today.

Mary Jane Whitehurst is a professional artist from Amarillo. Born and raised on the Golden Spread, Mary Jane has painted since age 14. Although she prefers Cont. on page 3

Saturday, April 4

Remember to VOTE **SHS Track** at White Deer **SHS Tennis**

Dumas Tournament

Scramble nite Country Club Covered dish

7:00 p.m. Couples Bridge **Country Club**

OBITUARY **Netta Daniel Powell**

Netta Daniel Powell, 61 died Sunday, March 29.

Services were held Tuesday at 4:30 at the First United Methodist Church in Dumas with Dr. Jim T. Pickens, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were Wednesday, April 1 at 2 p.m. at Santa Fe National Cemetery in Santa Fe, N.M., by Morrison Funeral Direc-

Mrs. Powell, born at Mosquero, N.M., moved to Dumas in 1952 from Lakin; Kansas. She was a housewife and was a member of First United Methodist Church and Moore County Girl Scout board of trustees. She was married to William G. "Bill" Powell in 1944 at

Albuquerque. Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Sherri Butler of Stratford, Judy Rice of Austin and Barbara Trevino of Beeville; a sister, Sarah Baker of Liberal, Kans; and six grandchildren.

Re-Elect DOUG McBRYDE

TRUSTEE, STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Your Vote and Influence Will Be Appreciated

April 4, 1987

Pd Pol Adv, Pd for by Doug McBryde, Stratford, TX

State Better Living Show

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Sponsored by the Guymon Chamber of Commerce and Kathy Bryant.

SCOT Notes

S.C.O.T. who were not able to attend Scot Hall dinner March 26th missed one of the best meeting we have enjoyed lately.

The hall was decorated with Scot quilted letters (S.C.O.T.) and posters used at Sherman health Fair. The tables were decorated with Jonquils and cut-out shamrocks making such a fitting background for the delicious meal we enjoyed.

Hosts were Minnie Reeder, Ruby McNeal, Dicy and Max Stephenson, Sue and Ken Metzgers, Dolores Bunch, Bub Parvin, Georgia Cook, Chris and Howard Ethridge. All 88 people attending thank them for taking care of us so nicely.

Special guests were the KVII-Channel 7 crew composed of Yvette Perez, Promotion Director, Jackie Smith, Production Mgr.; Gary Mariott, Sales Service; Buddy Aquires, Seven Who Care Program Consultant; and Vicki Brooks, Volunteer Action Center (United Way). They were here filming our LeRayne Donelson (1987 Recipient of Seven Who Care Award) in home surroundings for the TV production to be aired on KVII April 22. Watch for the Program. LeRayne is one of the "big wheels" whose work helps keep things running so effectively for County Older Sherman Texans. We thank her and lover her. We hereby express Scots and personal appreciation of love for her husband, B.A., who supports LeRayne wholehearted in her many civic activities.

The days activity was concluded by Hal Crawford who sang for us. Hal is a nephew of Bill Durham and has lived in Stratford about 7 years. . He and wife Cathy have two children Hally and Cody. The songs Hal sang were "He's Still Working on Me" and "He Touched Me" Both are the kind of songs Sherman County Older Texans love and understand so Hal landed squarely into our hearts and lives on the strains of his Christian

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by Timmie Brown

Testimony, which we know is true. Thank you, Hal, We expect you to visit again.

Weather the 28th Saturday night, was hard on the scheduled Scot Dance. The musician, Dennis Hawley, was snowbound so some tapes were produced for music. Folks who could "make it" to Scot Hall had a good time and left a free-will offering.

On March 20th the "Quilters" met for the usual all-day quilt-meet and had an enjoyable day.

On April 9th-Thursday, Scot folks plan to attend the Dinner Theater in Amarillo. Let Ethel know if you wish to attend. The cost is \$16.95 each plus tip; be at Scot Hall seated in the bus ready to roll at 4:00 o'clock p.m. April 9th Reservations have to be confirmed-so be sure Ethel is informed by the 8th of April.

HELP-Where are Scot's cameras? Whoever knows get in touch with President Bernice Christian, Phone 396-5300-Now! This is urgent-because of the following announcement.

S.C.O.T. "Easter hat (Bonnet) Parade'' Time: April 23, 1987 noon at Scot Hall. Theme: Hat or Cap, Catagories are 1. Prettiest hat 2. Most appropriately decorated for the Easter occasion. 3. Most typical Cowboy Hat. 4. Oldest Hat and 5. Most Outlandish. Under direction of Oline Caraway. The camera is

operate it is needed, too. Leona Woods has volunteered to take care of the Scrap-book and earnestly

essential. A volunteer to

request aid in this project. Two of our favorite people who have been out of pocket for a few days are found. We are speaking of Bill and Selma Pendleton. They have been visting to see "Papa" Rob Pendleton-as Christian church folks call him-and all their children. Bill said all. Father Rob Pendleton celebrated his 95 birthdy in March. He is faring quiet well. Maybe his steps falter a bit but his awareness doesn't skip a beat. Bill also reports that his aunt-Olive Finch of Dalhart is recuperating in Coon Memorial Home

after a bout in the hospital. If by chance Rob and Olive read our "notes" we send our love and best wishes from Sherman County Older Texans and personally to

Art Show

heart."

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oils, she is also accomplished

in pastels and acrylics. Her

favorite subject is children.

Paintings by Mary Jane are

often characterized as "gen-

tle" and "straight from the

Don Hickmott is an

Amarillo artist who has been

painting professionally for 2

years. He has had many

ribbons, merit, purchase,

and people's choice awards

in the 5-state region. Don

has also had three magazine

covers in 86-87 for Muzzle-

loader magazine and has

been featured in Accent

West, as well as, Arts and

Entertainment in Amarillo.

What began as boyhood

adventures in the Canadian

River breaks of the Texas

Panhandle led artist Richard

Hogue into latterday adven-

tures--through volumes of

research books, trips to

historic sites, and visits to

art museums. His oil

paintings, rich in detail and

style gained from years of

study and experience, cap-

ture moments of times past,

moments of solitude, or

fleeting moments of action.

His works portray the

heritage of a historically

significant part of the

Arvis L. Stewart's basic

interest lie in nature and

history and he trys to use

these elements in any

painting. Some of his fondest

memories are those of

roaming through the can-

yons of his grandparents

farm near Turkey, Texas,

where he was born. As a

young boy they seemed deep

and mysterious. Many of

Arvis Stewart's paintings

feature the danger, shelter,

solitude, mysterious, and

ever changing scenery of

This wide variety of art

styles and subjects should

have something for every-

one. Make plans to attend

this showing, April 6 thru 10,

in the lobby of the First State

Please note carefully the

call for the cameras!

those canyons.

Bank.

Southwest.

Joyce Brooks and Bessie Palmer enjoyed a wonderful trip to Hawaii March 12-24. Joyce said they took advantage of all entertainment offered. That is the way to have a good time, Isn't it?

Mary Peach Smith and Betty Lou O'Brien leave Thursday to visit South Texas from Austin to San Antonio.

We met Margaret McIntyre of Cactus at the Sherman Co. Health Fair. Margaret's parents are the Wilbur Wilson's of Cactus. She reports that the Wilsons are doing fine.

Attending the Dalhart Country Club Bridge Tournament Thursday March 26-were Alma Lee McMahan, Reba Pittman and Margurite Terrill.

Alvin and Aline Judd are visiting their daughter Cheryl in St. Louis.

Neighbor Naomi Sanders experienced a disagreeable time last week for a senior citizen. Naomi was in Bowie visiting her brother, John Sanders, when she contracted a severe cold. Naturally she decided she must get home to see her doctor. The bus she was on was marooned by snow south of Amarillo, Monday, March 23. The bus-driver left the vehicle and passengers to get help. After six hours on a cold bus, Naomi got a ride into Amarillo in a pickup with a man who offered help. Later a bus brought other passengers and Naomi to Allsups in Stratford. She gave us this account during the week. We are informed that Naomi was hospitalized Sunday March 29 in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Her brother John is living alone since his wife's death. He is

not too well. Dovie Fedric is home and making some progress. So fas as we are informed our other sick folks are making progress health-wise.

Doris and Roscoe Dyess are in Mississippi. Penny and Harold Bennett are in Stratford-home again. Juanita Bolster is now a guest at Coldwater manor.

VOTE FOR

Robert McGinnis Candidate for City Council

April 4, 1987

Your Vote Will Be Appreciated

Pd Pol Adv, Pd for by Robert McGinnis, Stratford, TX

RE-ELECT **SCOTT BUCKLES**

FOR STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT **APRIL 4, 1987**

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd . for by Scott Buckles Stratford, Texas

VOTE FOR

Ronald Brooks

Candidate for TRUSTEE, STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on your School Board.

Pd Pol Adv, Pd for by Ronald Brooks, Stratford, TX

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Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

A St. Patrick's covered dish supper was held a day late, March 18, when the storm delayed it. Hosts were the Kayo McDaniels and Ben Tom Jameses. Shamrocks and other appropiate decorations were used. Attending were the R.J. Hills, Don Ellisons, Newt Crabtree, Bethany Craig, Warren Millers, Nita Taylor, Franny Taylor, Ted Ir!becks, Ralph Hamptons, Annette Hampton, Ralph James Hamptons, Fred McDaniels, Rogerses, Joshua Rogers.

Joshua Rogers, Amarillo spent his spring break with grandparents, Hank and Mabel Rogers, then lan Weems came from Oklahoma City the next week.

After being home for two weeks, John McDaniel has returned to Tennessee where he has been working.

Spring has sprung with a giant leap backwards! Spring went backwards, but the clocks jump forward Saturday night!

Minnie and Annette Hampton visited No-Man's Land Historical Museum at Goodwell where they saw a quilt display by Mary Olson, Minnie's sister. Included in it were quilts she had made over the years. A special one was a State quilt. She was co-artist with Bill Schallert of Guymon who had charcoal drawings on display. Sorry to say, the display is now over.

Gayla and Ben Tom James attended the recent Dalhart Chamber of Commerce banquet where Bob Lilly was the speaker. Lilly and Gayla are second cousins and they caught up on some family news. Gayla said they were without electricity for a day and a half during the recent storm. They were glad they had a fireplace.

Dr. Gary Mathews, Austin, and Marjorie Munden, Claude, visited Thursday and Friday with their mother, Virgie Mathews.

Franny Taylor has a new grand-nephew, William Patrick Baker, born March 17 in Denver. His parents are Eric and Melody Baker. Grandmother Donna Baker lives in Denver.Colorado City, Co.

Rose and Cap Williams were honored with a wedding reception Friday night in Boise City. Hosts were her daughters, Darla Cummings, Stratford and Peggy Hart, Boise City and his daughters, Caroline Vaverka, Dewey, Ok., and Sue Topper, Christy Quimby, both of Boise City.

Among those attending were Nita Taylor, Franny Taylor, Dr. Gary Mathews, Marjorie Munden, Mary and R.J. Hill, Keith Hill, Linda & Poe Keener, Mark Keener, Shelia Hawkins, Brett Cummings, Wayne Cummings, Shawna and Carlton Baugas and Taylor, Buck Christy and Debbie Hart.



Re-elect V. O. Lasley For **Stratford Hospital District** April 4,1987

Paid Pol. Adv. Pd. for by V. O. Lasley

The Churches of Stratford Welcome Your Family

PEACE...

Acts 1:7 "And he said unto

them, it is not for you to

know the times or the

seasons, which the Father

hath put in his own power".

Some things are for us to

know, some things are not

for us to know. Wise is the

man who learns early which

is which. Most of our

unhappiness is caused by not

knowing what we should know and by trying to know

what we are not to know.

often we think of the Christian life in terms of

rules and doctrines and

church activities and forget

that it is a personal faith in

and fellowship with the

Living Christ. We can know

a lot about Christ and do a lot

for Christ and not know him.

as your personal Savior?

Paul said in 1 Corinthians

2:2, "For I am determined

not to know anything among

you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified." Put first

things first and let the Spirit

of God reveal what you need

after you first know Christ as

your personal Savior.

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Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Gary Steinberger, Follett are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karlynda Gayle to Ron Shrader, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Shrader, of Electra, Texas. Karla is the granddaughter of Mrs. Lester Plunk and Mrs. Fritz Steinberger of Stratford.

TOPS 897

Tops 897 met March 24th at the County barn for weighing in, then we went to Headquarters for our business meeting, election of officers was held. New officers are: Leader-Maurine Wilson, Co-Leader-Rose - Wells, Treasurer-Geneieve Wilson and Secretary-Elsie Lasley. Weight recorder is Geneva Bell.

We went to Dumas for dinner at K-Bobs to honor our ten year Tops member, Elsie Lasley-she received her 10 year sapphire necklace. Then we adjourned to Myrtle Ellison's home to install our new officers. They were installed by our out going leader Myrtle Ellison. We also completed plans to go to the State meeting in Dallas.

Study Club Meets Friday April 3

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club meets this Friday, April 3, 4 p.m. at the home of Margaret Reed. Marie Sladek, Public Affairs Chairman, will introduce Bud Nelson, Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo. He will speak on services offered to chemically dependent people in this area.

April is General Federation of Women's Clubs Month. GFWC will be celebrating 100 years in 1990 and area clubs are planning for that year. April 24 if GFWC Day.

Texas Federation of Women's Clubs annual convention is April 21-23 in Waco.

Annual Spring Board Meeting

The Annual Spring Board meeting of the First District Texas Federation of Music Clubs was held Thursday in the Women's Federated Club Rooms in Amarillo. Mrs. John R. Yows of Borger, recording secretary of the District, presided at the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was an overall review of the work of the District Federation, including that of the fifty Chairmanships, as outlined in the Directory of the Texas Federation of Music Club. After much discussion the members present voted on a tentative plan (on a trial basis) the following plan:

Have one District Convention the second year of each two year administration (formerly one was held each

year.)
Each club will plan one activity the First year with another club called "Special Guest Day", the purpose to exchange information about the Federation and have ajoint program.

Change the Chairmanships down to 18 by combining related ones, and eliminating those not related to the interest of First District. Three Chairmanships assigned to each of the six clubs: Amarillo, Borger, Gruver, Dawn, Hereford, and Stratford. The District Convention will be streamlined:

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The District Board meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. with the Convention beginning at 10:30. Opening ceremonies will be eliminated, District Reports will be presented before the noon luncheon. the performing Art's program will immediately follow the luncheon, ending with adjournment. The Juniors who will perform on the program will be guests at the noon luncheon.

Requirements for the Mae Von Darden Gold Cup attendance Trophy were updated.

Delay any revision of the District By-Laws until the trial period is over. District Board meetings will be called by the District President as she deems necessary.

Officers who will serve for 1987-89 are: President-Mrs. Jewel Keith, Borger; Vice-president-Fay Gillespie, Gruver; Recording Secretary Mandy Derrington, Gruver; Treasurer-Mrs. Helen Caraway, Dawn; Historian-Daisy Allison, Amarillo; Parliamentarian-Marihoward Engelbrecht, Stratford; Auditor-Marlene Morris, Borger.

Women's Division Board Meets

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce Women's Division Board met on March 17, 1987 at the Sherman County Museum. Members present were: Penny Boyd, Lisa Crabtree, Sherri Butler, Terry Kennedy, Vicki Gore, Judy Griffith, Andrea Norris, Connie Reinart, and Ellen Tillery.

Andrea Norris conducted the meeting which included discussion of the following upcoming events: the basketball tournament on April 6-11; the Chamber of Commerce banquet on March 27; the ribbon cutting for Ronnie Pickens "General Store" on April 11; and the Depot Doin's on June 6.

Recognition goes to Connie Reinart for the very attractive bulletin board in the King Equipment windows downtown. A special feature in the windows comes from the high school art classes. Students contributing art this month were Oscar Cano and Jamie Garza. It's o nice to have our young people involved in the beautification of our town.

Texas Tech News

Students on the President's Honor List earned a perfect 4.0 (A) grade-point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a grade-point average of 3.5-3.9 qualified for the Dean's Honor List.

Students from Stratford were: Brian K. Kendrick on the President's List and Brent Lee Holman on the Dean's List.

Good job, guys!

Beginning in April the Retail Merchants will promote an "Employee of the Month Award" for Stratford businesses. Seldom do these fine employees receive recognition for their contributions to the trade and commerce in our town, so please participate in this award by voting for the employee of your choice using the newspaper form, or by coming by the Chamber of Commerce in person.

Also coming up in April is the "Yard of the Month" honor. Lisa Crabtree and Connie Reinart will be searching for an outstanding yard for this award.

The next meeting for the Women's Division Board of Directors will be held on April 21 at the museum. All members are urged to attend.

Happy Hour

Happy Hour Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Virginia Wells. Meeting was called to order by Elsie Pickens, with 4 members present. Virginia Wells read the roll call. Roll call was on How Long Have I been In Club. Elsie Pickens read the council report.

The meeting was adjourned with delicious refreshments served to 4 members.

The next meeting will be with Dorotha Allen April 16, 1987. Present were Dorotha Allen, Myrtle Ellison, Virgigina Wells and Elsie Pickens.

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Births

Jerry and Brenda Ewers are proud to announce the arrival of their baby son, Jared Ray. He was born on March 18th at 2:33 a.m. and weighed 8 lbs 12½ ozs. and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith, great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Smith all of Stratford and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Livingston and Lorraine Livingston of Keyes, Oklahoma.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ewers of Stratford. Great grandparents are Kati DeVorss of Yoder, Colo.; and Jose Ewers of Rocky Ford, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans of Texhoma would like to announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Shaw Evans. Nicholas weighed 8 lbs. 9 ozs. and is 21 ½ inches long and was born on March 24 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Maternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Stork of Gruver, Paternal Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob D. Evans, Texhoma, Maternal Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Fortin of Umbarger and Paternal greatgrandparents Mrs. Gladys Evans of Texhoma.

Nicholas has a brother Aaron Robert age 2½.

Darryl and Gayle White are proud to announce the birth of a daughter Allison Joy, she weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz and is 21 inches long. Allison was born March 23 in Irving, Texas. She is welcomed by one sister.

A school of fish is also known as a shoal or draught.



Joshua Kautz would like to announce the birth of his sister, April Amelia born March 5. She weighed 6 lbs 6 ozs. and was 18 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Willie Artho, Paternal Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kautz, all of Stratford. Maternal great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Huseman of Stratford, Paternal great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Al Velasques of Liberal and Joe Fuentes of Stratford.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Kautz would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Whitney Dawn born March 27th. She weighs 7 lbs. 14 1/4 oz and is 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hensley of Texhoma and Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kautz of Stratford. Maternal greatgrandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L.W. Castler and Paternal great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Al Velasques of Liberal, Kansas and Joe Fuentes of Stratford.

Menu

Monday-Frito pies, w/k corn, slaw, peach cobbler.
Tuesday-Steak finger, mashed potatoes, green beans, peanut brownie, rolls.
Wednesday-Taco pizza, lettuce, tomatoes, mixed vege-

tables, jello fruit.

Thursday-Bake Weiners,
macaroni and cheese, english peas, rolls and rolled oat
cake.

Friday-Hamburger, cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, tator tots and cinnamon rolls.

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Cards of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our friends and neighbors who supported us in our Garden City Sale. We really appreciate your being there to support us. Thanks again.

Bobby & Karla Edmond

We sincerely appreciate the honor of being chosen Businesspersons of the Year. We fully realize that without the support of the community, our employees, family, and friends this recognition would not have been possible. Thank you again.

Gayland and Debbi Vandiver

Thank you to the person who nominated me, to the people who voted for me and to the community for all their nice words of congratulations. Being "Farmer of the Year" is indeed an honor and a privilege.

Billy Bell

I wish to thank the person who nominated me and the committee who voted for me and to everyone in the community for your words of congratulations. I deeply appreciate the honor of being selected "Citizen of The

Ken Metzger

The family of Fannie Brown wish to express our appreciation for the telephone calls, cards, flowers, donations and food since the loss of our mother. Your concern and thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

> **Wayland Brown Family** Carl Brown Family Milton Brown Family **Lewis Bailey Family**

Parent-Child **Cooking Class Offered**

"Partners in the Kitchen" a parent-child cooking class will be offered each Tuesday evening during the month of April.

The cooking class designed for youth ages 6-9 and their parents will offer hands-on food preparation skills and teach food and equipment safety and nutrition knowledge. The class will be promoting cooking as a fun activity.

Participants in the four part cooking class will learn the following:

How To Make Bread In A Bag-April 7 Microwave Foods-April 14 Easy Snacks-April 21 Fajitas-April 28

The class will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the old County Barn and is open to all' persons regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.

Class size is limited and interested persons are encouraged to pre-register for the class by calling the County Extension Office at

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What's Happening!! Health Fair



Gordie Ramon is getting his blood pressure checked by Ken Metzger at the Stratford Red Cross Booth.

In spite of bad weather the day before, nearly 500 persons of all ages came to the Health Fair held March 24 at the County Exhibit Building.

Six of 27 exhibitors who planned to be present were cancelled because of wea-

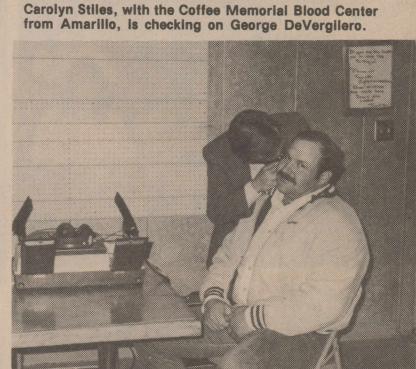
Coffee Memorial Blood Center had collected 42 pints of blood from noon until 4 p.m. and were receiving more up to 5 p.m.

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club served barbeque sandwiches, doughnuts, chips, tea and coffee all day. They have sponsored the Fair three times, every other

Dorothy Haile, D'Lynn Reed and Marie Sladek planned the event with other club members acting as greeters, hostesses, cleanup and at the food booth. Twenty members participated at various times during the day.

Among those visiting were kindergarten classes, students from Mary Allen, Middle School students, High School Biology classes.

Health Fair **Poster Winners**



Bill Roberts at the Clarke hearing Aid booth.



In The resource rooms, the winners were Honorable Mention-Wade Plunk, 3rd place-Neal Hauser, 2nd Jennifer Artho and 1st place Sherry Ritch.



Jimmy Chesher, left of Stratford, president of the Sherman County Farm Bureau, visited the Texas Farm Bureau headquarters in Waco Wednesday, March 25, on a one-day orentation trip with other county presidents from this area. Gene hall, Director of Radio and Television Services explains radio facilities in the organization's state office building. The Texas Farm Bureau is organized in 217 counties in Texas and has a membership of 324,000 member families.

Students in the fifth and sixth grades participated in a poster contest sponsored by Prospectus Study Club. Each student made a poster on some topic related to health in conjuntion with the Health Fair. The winners in the sixth grade were 1st. Lachelle Burton, 2nd Clint Parsons, 3rd Mandy Taylor and Honorable mention-Jolina Garoutte. The fifth grade winners were 1st Sarah Graham, 2nd Kyle McAdams and 3rd[tie] Catalina Ortega and Nick Phelps. Shown with the winners is Mrs. Dorothy Haile, Prospectus Study Club.

D.I.A.L. Screen **Mary Allen School**

The Stratford Independent School District will conduct a pre-school screening for children, ages 3 through 5 years of age.

The screening will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 1987 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m in the Mary Allen Gym.

This screen is designed to survey skills in the areas of gross and fine motor skills, concept and communication skills. Your child's speech,

vision and hearing are also assessed. This screen is very beneficial to your child.

Early diagnosis and early intervention are important for a child's progress.

Call Chris McAdams, DIAL coordinator, or Steve W. Haynes, elementary principal, at 396-5305 if you have further questions concerning the screening process.

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UIL Contest

Stratford High tallied 199 points to clinch second place at District UIL Literary Meet at Spearman Saturday. In all, 16 students qualified for regional UIL at Big Springs April 25. Students competed in speech, journalism, science, math, English and business events.

Rounding up first places were Stefanie Harrison-poetry, Kristi Blake-L.D. debate and headline writing, Chris Riffe-informative, Wes Allison-persuasive, Mary Rodriquez- spelling, Dirk Davistypewriting, Jan Phelps-literary critisism.

Second place winners were Kay Lynne Spurlock, L.D. debate, Mike Powers, informative, Duane Mungia-

persuasive, Leigh Bass-poetry, Becky Young-feature writing and Jon Engelbrecht number sense.

Those receiving third places were Leigh Bass-ready writing, Katrina Plunk-L. D. Debate, Sami Oakley-prose, and Michelle Durham-spelling.

Alternates were Sheri Bullock, Becky Young, Chase Griffin, Chris Riffe, Bobby Chesher, Stefanie Harrison, Michael Lunt, Patti Sizemore.

Other participants include Lani Merrill, Sharon Meyer, Mark Durham, Doug Pittman, Scott Riffe, Renne Allen, Ronna Jo Engelbrecht Candy Kirkpatrick and Thad Parsons.



Seated I to r - Lea Shuping, Kelly Canada, Chris Haynes, Tracy Roberts, Josh Marshall, second row-Jennifer Haynes, Jeremy Brooks, Heath Starnes, Toby Diamond, and Sarah Graham, back row Victoria Montoya, Melinda Rendon and Shane Sawyer.



Shown above is Shannon Norris, Greg Vandiver and



Seated Enedit Baeza, Cherise Davis, Kyle McAdams, Anna Cano, back row, Courtney Dettle, Richard Chumley, LaQuita Vaughn and Heather Husmann.

Prospectus Study Club

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club walked away with the most awards at the March 21 Top of Texas District Convention in Borger! They were awarded 20 first places and eight seconds. Attending the event were Margaret Reed, Oline Caraway and Marylou McDaniel. This was the first year the organization had a one day only convention and it proved to be a success.

About 140 registered for the annual event. Jean Burchett, author of "Daze of Our Lives", was the entertaining luncheon speaker. Borger Barbershop Belles furnished musical numbers.

Karen Lewis, Dumas, was elected President-Elect to replace Mrs. Tom Serrett

who has been seriously ill. The club's yearbook was awarded Judge's Choice for a score of 100. Lorraine Mehner is Program & Yearbook Chairman. By three points they were second in the Club Scorecard to 1924 Wellington Study Club.

Firsts were for Outstanding Club Program and Project (SCOT Thanksgiving); Outstanding Federation Day Program & Project; Girlstown, U.S.A., also a certificate for Girlstown Endowment; M.D. Anderson; GFWC Centennial Celebration.

Education Department Literacy Program Emphasis report received first as did Leadership, Programs & Projects and School Issues. Continuing Education Projects received a second.

The Arts Department reports were first in projects

and programs of Literature & Drama (Old Timers & Student Reader's Theater); Music and Dance (Coldwater manor Sing-a-Long, SCOT, etc.) They were given a second for the Arts Dept. Emphasis. Oline Caraway won second for a poem entitled "Small Town".

Public Affairs awards were first in programs, Crime Prevention Division, and second for the National Drunk & Drugged Awareness window display, Safety Division.

International Affairs, Trade & Aid, received firsts

for Program & Project. Texas Heritage, Texas Women Divison, was given second place, projects. Conservation, Evironmen-

tal Education, program was awarded a second. For club's activities during

Texas Sesquicentennial, they were awarded second.

Stop Elder Abuse, TFWC President's Speical Project, won a first for Prospectus. This was the Bunco program shown to SCOT and other groups.

in the Arts and Crafts Show, Joyce Ann Lasley won a first and Judge's choice and a third for China

Painting. Mary Hill won a first in Oils and a second for a watercolor.

Glennell Dettle made a collar for the Country Store that was quickly sold. Proceeds from this go to the Texas Clubhouse in Austin.



Students from Stratford Middle School and Mary Ellen Elementary placed second in the District 1-AA literary contest held last Friday and Saturday in Spearman. The students represented our school and community very well.

Shane Sawyer placed third and Jennifer Haynes placed fifth in the Jr. High Oral Reading division. Mrs. Terri Teig was their coach and instructor. The Music Memory team placed fourth. The students on the team were Tracy Roberts, Jeremy Brooks, Heath Starnes, Kelly Canada, and Victoria Montoya. Mrs. Jerilyn Laramore was their coach and instructor. Melinda Rendon placed 3rd in the Jr. High division of Ready Writing, and Lea Shuping placed 3rd in the elementary division. Mrs. Daina Starnes coached Melinda and Mrs. LaNell Waldrop coached Lea. Chris Haynes placed 6th in the elementary story telling division. His coach was Mrs. Kathy Switser.

We were especially proud of our elementary and middle school number sense students. Six students went to contest in the number sense division and all six students placed. Toby Diamond placed 2nd, Josh Marshall placed 4th, and Sarah Graham placed 6th in the elementary division. The middle school division of number sense provided the only clean sweep of the contest as Gary Laramore placed 1st, Greg Vandiver second, and Shannon Norris third. Gary's score on the 80 question test was 337. Greg scored 295, and Shannon 256. Larry Norris coaches and works with the number sense students in both the middle school and elementary divisions.

Spelling Bee Students from Stratford Middle School also participated in the School Spelling Bee last Thursday. Anna Cano won the 5-6 grade school championship. Other spellers in the Jr. division of the spelling bee were Cherise Davis, Kyle McAdams, Enedit Baeza, Richard Chumley, and Courtney Dettle. Mrs. Susan Wheeler coached the Jr. Bee spellers. Heather Husmann won the school championship in the Sr. division. LaQuita Vaughn also participated in the Sr. Bee. Mrs. Luella Johnson coached the girls in the Sr.

division of the spelling bee.

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Birdies and **Bogies**

By Eddie Haggard

Good day to everyone!! Well, our golf season for 1987 got off to a good start. On March 21, our Saturday nite scrambles had a total of 19 golfers out for an evening of fun and fellowship. We: were able to compile 5 teams out of those present. Team captains were Joe Valdez, Dwight Brooks, Bill Riffe, Jerry Dyess and Pancho Rojas. Remaining participants are Raymond Dyess, Mary Brooks, Dario Garza, Karen McMillion, James Young, Dennis Rojas, Eddie Haggard, Ted York, Melissa Haggard, Gary McMillion; Ken Metzger, David Williams, Rod Kern, Sheldon Hoffman. After a 9-hole scramble, the results were: Jerry Dyess's 3-man team (one less man didn't bother them), 1st with a 34, Bill Riffe's team, 2nd with a 35, and Pancho Rojas's team 3rd (after a pitch-off with Joe Valdez's team), 3rd with a 36. There were some exciting events during the scramble, one was Dario's downfall?. It seems Mary Brooks outdrove Dario on the #1 teebox. Did Mary spot Dario a "gotcha"? Then, during the pitch-off for 3rd between Pancho and Dario, Pancho put the pressure on Dario with a pitch to within 15 inch of the cup. Dario came up short (really about 3-4 yards) and Pancho's team were the winners. Also, we understand there is another "long knocker" at SCC. James Young drove off #9 tee right up to the "frog hair" of the green. What a shot!!!Well, a good time was had by all anyway, and we are only "funnin" Dario. He's a good sport. I'm looking forward to another Saturday nite scramble coming up this weekend, April 4. Let's all pray that the weather turns favorable. We will start this Saturday's Scramble at 5 p.m. also instead of the time shown on your social calendar. Let's make this a covered dish affair and come out for good golf and fellowship. See ya' on the links!

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enough of it is genius. Josh Billings

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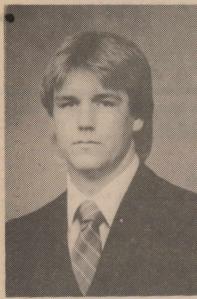
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DAR Good Citizens



Eddie Williams

The 1987 Good Citizens of Molino de Viento Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Dalhart, will be honored with a reception in the auditorium of the Dallam-Hartley Historical Museum on Sunday, April 5, at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. Ruby Smith, Chairman of the Good Citizens Committee, said that the chapter cordially extends an invitation to everyone to come help honor these outstanding high school seniors.

The reception will be held in conjunction with the XIT Museum's regular "First Sunday" activities. museum, located at 108 East 5th Street, will be open from 2 until 5 p.m. for visitors who wish to see the exhibits.

The Good Citizens are seniors who were chosen by their schools in the Fall of 1986. The qualities that make up a DAR Good Citizen are Dependability, service,

leadership and patriotism. Mrs. Smith stated that these qualities have been well exemplified by these stu-

The students chosen for this honor are: Glenn A,. (Corky) Kiser, Dumas High School; Bonnie Buckner, Dalhart High School; Brad Green, Hartley High School; Brent Collier, Sunray High School; Julie Thompson, Channing High School; Jamie Atha, Texline High School and Eddie Williams os Stratford High School.

Eddie Williams, son of Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Williams, is the DAR Good Citizen from Stratford High School.

Eddie was Captain of the varsity football team of which he has been a member all four years in High School. He has also been a member of the track team, in FFA, Regional qualifier in UIL Persuasive Speaking. He is now serving as Senior Class Vice Presdent and was Class Favorite as a Sophomore, Class Treasurer as a Junior and a member of the Student Council and 4H.

Eddie plans to attend Texas Tech following graduation and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Viola Kautz, school coun-selor, said, "Eddie is a student that makes teaching pleasant. He represents the forgotten student, the student who is too busy being responsible and staying out of trouble. He is dependable, honest and loyal to his school and his country. He represents the cream of the crop in the nation.'

Other DAR Good Citizens from Stratford High School have been Kathy Durham, Berry Summerour, Brent Holman and Janet Pleyer.

Stratford Little Dribblers Tournament At Griggs



The Stratford Girls team took the consolation trophy. Shown above bottom row first left to right if Angie McGuiness, Lisa Ford, Wendy Allison, JoAnna Robertson, Jennifer Artho. 2nd Row-Enedit Baeza, Melissa Beattle, Michelle Haggard, Anna Cano, Brandi Brown, Cherise Davis. Third Row-Alicia Miller, Joy Powers, Sherry Rich, Shelby Harris, Teresa Zinck, Sonny Jo Lasley, Jalane Rhoades, Jolina Garroute, Coaches Kerry Boren and Bill Boren.



Stratford Boys team took 4th place in the tournament. Botom row left to right is Matt Thompson, Tyler Donelson, Richard Chumley, Fred Powell, Neal Hauser, Wade Plunk. 2nd row-Clint Parsons, Third Row-Larry Simms, Toby Diamond, Michael Brooks, Dennis Plunk, Daniel DeAnda, Alberto Aguilla, Matt Brotherton, Coaches, Rich Brotherton and Thomas Reed.

Chapman Completes Training



Pvt. Alva B. Chapman, son of Maurine Wilson of Stratford, Texas, has completed one station unit training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

OSUT is a 12-week period which combines basic combat training and advanced individual training.

The training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, landmine warfare, field communications and combat operations. Completion of this course qualifies the soldier as a light-weapons infantryman and as an indirect-fire crewman.

Soldiers were taught to perform any of the duties in a rifle or mortar squad.

His wife, Dalene, is the daughter of Darlene Hickox of Guymon, Okla.

He is a 1976 graduate of Pierce City High School, Mo.

vation activities," the researchers say. After 1986, expenditures for soil and water conservation activities are limited to expenses consistent with a conservation plan approved by the

Soil Conservation Service or a comparable state agency. Expenses such as cleaning or filling wetlands, land preparation for the installation or operation of center pivot irrigation systems, or clearing land are no longer deducted, and must

Some of the provisions of the bill are favorable for at least some segments of agriculture.

land, the economists say.

be added to the taxpayer's basis in the

Farmers whose debts to nonrelatives are forgiven after April 9, 1986 will not have to report that as income. This will greatly reduce the income tax liabilities for solvent farmers who receive debt forgiveness from a lender, the researchers say.

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will be treated as capital gain income until September 1, 1987.

While the average annual taxable farm income for the crop farms studied declined as a result of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, the lower tax rate set forth in the bill is often offset by its other provisions.

Crop farmers with taxable incomes greater than \$40,000 benefitted more from the reduction in the income tax rates than they lost from the elimination of the investment tax credit and depreciation rule changes.

The same is not true for crop farmers who earn less than \$40,000. Because small-scale crop farmers have a relatively greater investment in machinery and generate less profit, the loss of the investment tax credit makes them relatively worse off.

Editor's Note: Any question regarding this column should be addressed to In addition, any gain dairy farmers Science Writer, Department of Agrirealize from the sale of dairy cattle cultural Communications, Texas under the U.S. Department of Agri- A&M University, College Station,

County Agent

by Jim Allison,

New Tax Laws Tell Farmers To Get Big or Get Out

Changes in federal tax laws over the past 10 years generally have been favorable to agricultural enterprises, but the Tax Reform Act of 1986 has given a new signal to commercial crop farmers: Get big or get out.

Farmers who normally have taxable incomes over \$40,000 will have reduced taxes under the new bill, while those who earn less will have greater tax liabilities, according to Clair J. Nixon and James W. Richardson, agricultural economists with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

The 1986 tax law is the most radical change in federal income tax law in recent history, according to Nixon and Richardson, who recently studied how changes in the law will affect agriculture.

Using a computer model to simulate different sizes of farms of different regions of the country, the economists analyzed the tax outlooks under the new tax law.

One of the most sweeping changes under the bill results from the new passive loss rules, which prohibit deduction of losses in excess of farm income for nonfarmer investors. This could lure investors, who play an important role in money-losing enterprises (such as beef production), away from agriculture toward more profitable investments, Nixon and Richard-

If that happens, consumers can expect to pay more for some agricultural products.

"In the past, investors in agricultural enterprises have been able to deduct farm losses against other sources of income. The agriculture tax shelter activity has been especially attractive to high tax bracket individuals, who, before 1987, were able to take advantage of the many favorable tax benefits available to agricultural invest-

ments," the researchers say. The passive law changes, in addition to the repeal of the capital gains deduction, will hit hardest in cattle feeding and orchard development, the researchers say.

The repeal of the long-term capital gains deduction also hurts individuals who sold their farmland on an installment basis, hoping to receive capital gains treatment throughout the term of the contract, Nixon and Richardson

This provision greatly increases the taxable incomes of dairy and beef producers, two members of the agricultural community who do not need any more financial adversity.

The elimination of the investment tax credit and changes in depreciation methods provide for a generally less generous investment climate than under previous law, the economists

Changes in depreciation or expensing methods will most directly affect farm operators with large investments in special purpose buildings, such as poultry houses, silos, and again, dairy

"With the elimination of the investment tax credit, there is a strong likelihood that expensing (depreciation) will be heavily utilized by profitable farming operations," Nixon and Richardson say.

But expensing is not allowed for farm operations purchasing more than \$210,000 of equipment annually. The amount of expensing is limited to the taxable income generated from

Income averaging also has been repealed under the new bill, which will most directly affect those farm operators who have highly variable incomes from year to year, the researchers say.

The new tax law also does not bode well for some conservation efforts. "The modification of soil and wa-

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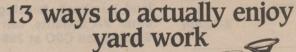
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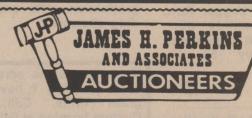
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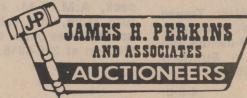
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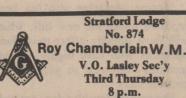
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