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4-H AWARDS BANQUET HELD

The Sterling County 4-H Club Awards banquet Saturday night, November 9, recognized twentyone club members and their achievements in nine areas of 4--H Club work. In adidtion, club members received year pins de-noting satisfactory completion of a year's work. The awards were presented by Mrs. S.K. Horwood -woman leader honoree while S.K. Horwood-man leader honoree, presented year pins.

A sister and brother were named to receive the Gold Star Award, 4-H Club's highest recognition at the local level. The two were Lisa Horwood and Larry Horwood. Both have compiled acchievements in several different areas of 4-H Club work as well as being active in school, community, and chuch activities. They received further recognition at District 77 Gold Star Luncheon in San Angelo a the Goodfellow Air Base Oficers Club on November 12. Sponsor of this luncheon was the West Texas Utilities Co.

Lisa has been active in the livestock program of the club as the foods and nutrition field. She has fed steers and lambs which she has shown at all Texas' major livestock shows in addition to the couny show. In 1974, she exhibited the reserve champion Brangus steer of the San Antonio Livestock Exposition.

She was district winner in the 4-H Beef Cattle Record Book competition in 1974. In 1972 she was named outstanding beef cattle showman in the senior division of the Sterling County contest. She owns a herd of Herefords, is a member of the Texas Junior Hereford Association, and was named Texas Hereford Queen in 1974. She was also state winner in the Association's Public Speaking Contest in 1973 and represented Texas at the national contest in Kansas Ciy.

Lisa has served two years as president of the Sterling County club. She is presently serving as secretary-treasurer of the District 4-H Council. She has also served as a junior leader in the foods and nutrition group, a junior Share the Fun Leader, and recreation and games leader at the District Leadership Camp. A delegate to the Texas 4-H Congress, Lisa reported on this at the banquet. She was a member of the first place Junior Beef Cattle Business Symposium team at the district contests in 1971 and competed in the Public Speaking Contest in 1974. Lisa has awards in foods and nutrition and beef cattle.

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Larry has shown steers and lambs at the major shows through out Texas in adition to the local show. He exhibited the reserve champion steer of both the 1973 and 1974 Sterling County shows. In 1972, he was named winner in the junior division of the Sterling Beef Cattle Showmanship contest.

Larry has been a member of the county's junior rifle team for two years, the junior Livestock Judging team for one year, and the junior Share the Fun group for one year. He was one of the county's delegates to the 1974 istrict Leadership Camp. His 4-H Club awards include beef cattle, commodity marketing, agricultural program and safety.

Larry is a member of the Texas Junior Hereford Association. He has taken part in the showmanship and judging contests sponsored by the association.

Other award winners recog-nized at the banquet included Becky Hodges and Charles Blanek, achievement; and Victor Probandt, Eddie Probandt, and Fred Thomson, agricultural program. Beef cattle award winners were Deborah Miller, Scott Davis, Lenard Horwood and Lonnie

LIONS CLUB

State Highway Patrol Safety man Frank Perkins talked to the Lions Club Wednesday noon on Traffic Safety. Frank had been here for a bicycle safety program at the school that morning. The Lions Club is giving bicycle safey flags to students who ride bicycles to school. 33 were given out Wednesday and 25 more are to be bought and presented soon. Dr. Wm. J. Swann had proposed such a program.

Perkins said highway statistics on deaths and property damages had dropped significantly this year. He attributed such to the fact that highway officers are in a beefed up program to cut out or down on drunken driving; and the reduced highway speed to 55 miles per hour.

Art Hyman and Alfred Havin both with the Buffalo Trail Boy Scout Council, were present at the luncheon. They plan to be back here on December 19 and will reactivate the Boy Scouts in Sterling County.

It was announced that Curly Hays of Abilene, with the West Texas Utilities Co., would give a program next week for the club. Curly is an official of the Southwest Conference Football

It was announced that the Golf ABC Tournament would be held this Saturday, November 16. The tournament was cancelled last Saturday due to the wet golf

Mrs. Petra Gaitan Buried Tuesday

Mrs. Vincente (Petra) Gaitan, 81, died Sunday in the Sterling County hospital. Services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church with burial in the City Cemetery directed by the Ross Funeral Home.

She had been a resident of Sterling County for 52 years.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Fred Molina of Welch. Colo., Mrs. Moses Rodriguez and Mrs. Manuel Lujan of Sterling City and Mrs. Frank Paredaz of San Antonio; three sons, Manuel Gaitan of Lubock, Pilar Gaitan of Sterling City and Vincente Gaitan of Odessa; two brothers, Juan Gonzales and Fernando Gonzales, both of California; 33 grandchildren and 49 greatgrandchildren.

Wins Tape Player from Quarterback Club

James Salvato won the tapeplayer raffled off by the Sterling Quarterback Club this week. The drawing was Tuesday night and Loren Cantrell was the one who fished out the winning name.

Horwood. Patti Bynum and Russell Davis received the citizenship awards. Commodity marketing awards were presented to Paula Radde, Delmar Radde, Jr., and Wesley Hodges. Food and nutrition award winners were Amy Hodges, Lisa Horwood, Lisa Rich, Terri Templin and June Humble. Melinda Terry received the leadership award. Safety award winner was Larry Horwood.

Thirty--three club members were recognized for their participation in the 1974 District Elimination Contests. Eight of these were senior club members who competed in the state contests placing first in one contest and second in another at the state

The banquet was sponsored by the parents of the club members. In addition to the report on the Texas 4-H Congress by Lisa, Amy Hodges gave a slide presentation on her trip to the National 4-H Citizenship Shortcourse in Washington, D.C. this summer.

GOLF TOURNEY SATURDAY

The Sterling Golf Association will have an ABC Golf Tournament here this Saturday, November 16. The tourney was originally set for last Saturday, but was cancelled, due to the wet golf course.

The golf association will meet then on next Thursday, Novem-ber 21, at the school. Their meeting will follow the meeting of the Sterling Quarterback Club, it was said. All members are asked to attend.

FREE FOR KIDS

Immunization Shots

ON NOVEMBER 21

Ms. Margaret Blanck, nurse at the Sterling School, said that the free immunization shots for the students needing them would be given here next Thursday, November 21. Shots will be for diptheria, tetanus, whooping cough, maesles, rebella and polio, said Ms. Blanek.

FIRE RUINS McENTIRE RANCH HOME WEDNESDAY

Fire, of unknown origin, hit the Fowler McEntire ranch home southwest of town Wednesday at about 11:15 a.m. and practically destroyed the house and contents. Firemen said close to 98 percent of the house and furnishings were ruined in the blaze.

The McEntires were not at home when the fire broke out. They were in town.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAKES RUN TO REED RANCH

Wednesday night about nine o'clock the Sterling Volunteer Fire Department made a run to Mrs. Nick Reed's ranch house. Smoke was coming through the heating system vents and filling the house. A motor with some trouble was blamed with the trouble. No real fire was discovered, but it was a real scare for the family.

SHOWER SET FOR THE McENTIRES

The Wimodausis Club will sponsor a miscellaneous shower for the Fowler McEntires here on Saturday, November 23 from 2 to 6 o'clock, it has been announced. Everyone in the county is invited to participate, said Mrs. Alta McGibany, president of the

BASKETBALL NOTES

The Sterling City High School Eagles basketball teams will play Mertzon here next Tuesday, November 19 in ames. The A and B Boys will play and the A girls. Games start at 5 o'clock, said Milford Wiley, coach.

Then on Friday, November 22 the Eagles will play Robert Lee there. Game time for the starter will be 5 p.m.

Community Thanksgiving Service Set

NOVEMBER 24 AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sterling's Community Thanksgiving Service will be held this year in the First Presbyterian Church November 24 at 7 p.m. The Rev. Roy Wold, pastor of the First United Methodist Church will be the speaker for the service this year. Other participating pastors will have parts on the program.

The offering that will be taken is to go to the Salvation Army Fund here.

It is hoped that enough money will be taken in to carry on the work in that matter.

Eagles Lose Game to Bronte Friday

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week include:

Mrs. Sam Sanchez Jim Pate Marcus Estrada Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week were;

Mrs. Iver Mercer A. L. Jackson Cecelia Ybarra Petra Gaitan, deceased Mrs. W. B. Welch Mrs. Ralph Davis

HAVE EYE SURGERY

Mrs. Rachel Benge underwent an eye operation for cataracts in the St. John's Hospital in San Angelo last week. Mrs. Mary Foster also had cataract surgery there last week.

Charley McClure recently had cataract eye surgery at the same hospital.

All are back at their respective homes and doing o.k.

Mrs. Raymond Long of Rochester, New York, has been here for two weeks visiting her brother and sister in law, the E. R. Edwards.

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

(All Type A lunches served with 1/2 pint milk, bread and butter.) LUNCHES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Corny Dogs Pork and Beans Pineapple Salad Cookies

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 Hamburgers

Lettuce Tomatoes

French Fries Brownies

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 Beef Tacos Pinto Beans Salad Cake /

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 Turkey and Dressing Green Beans

New Potatoes Fruit Salad Cranberry Sauce

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22 Spanish Rice

Peas Fruit Jello Cookies * * * *

BREAKFASTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18 Scrambled Eggs Biscuits

Orange Juice TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 Cinnamon Rolls

Pears WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 Pancakes

Peaches THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 Doughnuts

Oranges FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22 Cereal

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LECTURESHIPS HELD The local Church of Christ

closed out a four day lectureship Thursday night with the final speaker being Dr. Joe Hedrick, of A.C.C.

The ladies of the church held a one day lectureship last Saturday. 185 ladies were present for their successful meeting.

To Sands Tonight for Final Game of Year

The top team in the district, the Bronte Longhorns, won over the Sterling City Eagles here last Friday night 46 to 7. The Bronte coach got all the mileage out of his first string, they were in the game until the last making points for the Longhorns. The lone Eagle TD came in the first quarter when Jeff Copeland got loose for a counter and Ronney Hord kicked the extra point,

Bronte had scored early in the first quarter when Nelson Coulter passed to Wayne Alexander for a TD and Barbee kcked the extra point. The first quarter ended with the score 7 to 7.

In the second quarter Bronte managed two more TDs one by Barbee on a run and one on a pass to Bailey. Barbee added both the extra points. The score at halftime was 21 to 7.

In the third quarter Barbee got loose for a TD and then repeated for another before the quarter was over. The try for extra points failed.

In the fourth quarter Coulter passed to Alexander for a TD and Barbee added the extra 1 with a kick and a little later Barbee broke through for one more TD giving the Longhorns 46 points.

The Eagles go to Sands tonight at 7:30 for the season's final. Bronte will most likely win the district and go on to higher victories. Forson will likely be second with Jayton third.

Golden Age Club

Women and men, who are 65 years of age or older, are invied to the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, November

The purpose will be to share in wholesome fellowship while playing games, partaking of refreshments, listening to music and the choice of taking part in a brief Bible study.

One may leave earlier but adjournment is set for 4:00 p.m. Bring your favorite gamedominoes, checker, cards or-

Mrs. Trinabeth Johnson will be in charge. You may phone her other information at 8-5271.

Pastor C. A. Tucker will also be present.

Mrs. Diana Asbill Dead

Mrs. Diana Asbill, 61 of San Angelo, died Saturday night in the Clinic Hosital in San Angelo. Services were held in San Angelo Tuesday and burial was in a San Angelo cemetery.

She was born April 3, 1913 in Indiana and was married to J.E. Asbill in 19477 in Mertzon. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in San Angelo.

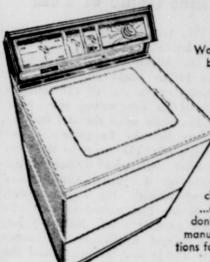
Surviors include her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Gay Fallis of Hollywood, Fla., a grandson. Tom Asbill of Sterling City was a brother-in-law.

W.O.W. MEETING ON NET THURSDAY

The Woodmen of he World Camp here will meet next Thursday, November 21, in the community center at 7 p.m. New officers will be elected and there will be a covered dish dinner for all mmbeers and their families.



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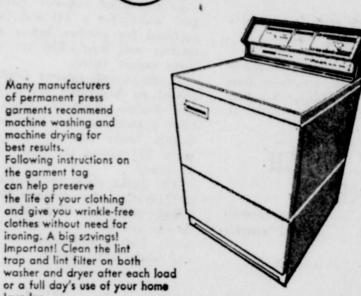
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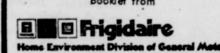


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