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Way of the Cross Held On "Good Friday"

The Stratford Ministerial Alliance presented a Community "Way of the Cross" on Good Friday, April 21st. It began in front of the First Baptist Church. The processional walked with a large wooden cross through nearby streets with 15 "stations" that commemorate Christ's carrying of the Cross in the Gospels. Prayers at each station were led by the ministers of Stratford, with reflections offered by various lay persons. Shown above is Rick Reinart, carrying the Cross.



Johnny Ray Watson

Watson To Lead Morning Worship Service At FUMC

Johnny Ray Watson will lead the worship service at First United Methodist Church on May 7, 2000 beginning at 10:40 a.m. Johnny Ray is familiar to many in the community, having led worship services and sung concerts in churches in Stratford. The community is invited to attend both the morning worship and a concert on Sunday night, May 7, at 7:00 p.m.

childhood, was severely tested in the years following an injury that cost him his basketball career at McMurray College in Abilene and his dream to be a professional basketball player. John was, however, inducted into the McMurray College Hall of Honor in 1993.

Johnny Ray has been the featured artist by some of America's greatest ministries, including the Billy Graham Crusades, the Professional Athletes Outreach, the America for Jesus Rallies, Moody Bible Institute, Bill Glass Prison Ministries and numerous churches and organizations. Several Stratford citizens have heard Johnny Ray sing at the prayer breakfasts during the Cattle Feeders convention. He always sends his love back to his friends in Stratford.

The First United Methodist Church invites Johnny's old friends to hear him sing and hope he will make many new friends and will touch many hearts during his visit to Stratford on May 7.

God has gifted Johnny Ray with a beautiful voice. His smooth, southern gospel style is artistically marvelous and spiritually moving and will bless and refresh you like few vocalists can. His is music that heals the heart.

Johnny's sincere love for people and comfortable country personality make him seem like an old friend. He comes by this naturally. He was raised in small-town Lorenzo, Texas, population 1500, by loving Christian parents. He has known Jesus as his personal Lord and Savior since the age of 12.

Johnny Ray's faith, held since

Director's Election To Be Held May 6th

Stratford Hospital District will conduct a Director's Election on Saturday, May 6, 2000. Three directors' terms are expiring: Gary Hudson, Les Dodson, and Ineta Cheshier. Directors whose terms continue for another year are Margaret Reed and Wayland Brown.

Names will appear on the ballot in this order: Ineta Cheshier, Lloyd King, Haywood Vaughn, and Rick Reinart. All registered voters are encouraged to vote in this election.

Job Interview Seminar Held

Junior and Senior students of Stratford High School learned from three area human resource department supervisors information needed to be successful in a job interview. Benny Jarrett, Philtron of Borger, Tim Hicks, Vall, Inc. of Texhoma and Russell Barber, United Supermarkets of Dumas were guest speakers at the seminar.

Each speaker informed the students on the application process for their respective business, what employers look for and expect from perspective employees, importance of first impressions, and immediate turnoffs during a job interview.

The seminar sponsored by the Sherman County 4-H and Youth Committee a part of the Sherman County Extension Program a.m. on the First State Bank of Council was an extension of Career Day held earlier this year. Extension educational programs are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

City Of Stratford Awarded Grant

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs has informed the City of Stratford that they have been awarded a grant in the amount of \$249,525 for water system improvements.

This award is made available through the Texas Community Development Program. A representative from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs will be in contact with the city in the near future concerning the contract agreement.

Depot Museum Open House

Coffee, Sweets & Open House this Sunday 1-4 p.m. at the Depot Museum. Come and see the largest collection of mugs and coffee cups ever assembled in Stratford, Texas. Your friends and neighbors have brought in everything from the beautiful to the bizarre. Delicate China to hand thrown pottery, business advertising, cups from A&I to XIT.

The Museum board and volunteers look forward to showing you the flowers & butterflies art work and to serving you your choice of coffee and treats.

Lions Club Broom Sale

Stratford Lions Club will hold their annual Broom Sale on Friday, May 5, 2000 starting at 8 a.m. on the First State Bank of Stratford Parking Lot.

Vote May 6th

City Council Minutes

COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 9, 2000

Stratford City Council met in Regular Session Thursday, March 9, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor David Brown presiding and the following council members present: Craig Bell, Randy Williams, Ken Forthman, Jim Taliaferro.

Also present were: Ric Walton, City Administrator; LaRita Butler, City Clerk; Jim Dewees, Chief of Police; Eddie Williams, Fire Chief; Jon King, City Attorney and Jack Gore.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

Randy Williams motioned to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2000 with changes, Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor, and motion carried.

Eddie Williams, Fire Chief, was present to discuss repairs on the Mack Truck. Details were given. An estimate on the cost for repairs has been made at \$6,116.32; the company made this estimate were the truck was bought. Eddie stated he is on the Commissioners meeting agenda to discuss funding from the County regarding Fire Station financing.

Kristine Olsen and Gaynelle Riffe to give presentations, but were not present at the time, item moved to later in meeting.

Consider vacation policy revisions, regarding more than 20 years service with the City of Stratford. Discussion took place on the current policy. No action taken.

Consider policy/ordinance regarding disparaging comments. Mayor Brown feels the City could look into this, but any current litigation going on in other cities, needs to be out of the way.

Kristine Olsen arrived at 8:08 p.m.

Consider amending City of Stratford's Investment Policy. LaRita Butler explained the changes to the policy. Jim Taliaferro moved to approve the policy, Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor motion carried.

Consider resolution/ordinance regarding cross-connection and back flow prevention (EPA/TNRCC MANDATE). The City is now required to have back flow devices on any new water hook-up. Not every meter in town has to be changed. Mayor Brown states the city would probably have Main Street project. The to increase water connection fees. Enhancement program needs to be in by August. The bid for curbs, exempt from this, due to the low gutters and sidewalks was population, but is no longer approximately \$340,000.

exempt. Randy Williams questioned on how this came about. Ric Walton stated, water and sewer inspections made in November 1999 by Texas Natural Resource Conservation Committee (TNRCC). Also there were no customer service inspections taking place. Discussion took place. Ken Forthman asked if there was a time limit, Ric states no. Randy

then asked Jon King if he had any problems with the resolution/ordinance. Jon stated no. Ken Forthman questioned on the enforcement of this ordinance, Ric stated only on new or remodeled houses. More discussion took place on the ordinance. Randy Williams moved to approve the resolution/ordinance, Ken Forthman seconded, with Jim Taliaferro opposing, motion carried.

Consider amending/repealing plumbing ordinance #133(1950) and consider adopting, by ordinance the 1997 Southern Standard Plumbing Code. Ken Forthman moved to approve both ordinances, Craig Bell seconded, with Jim Taliaferro opposing, motion carried.

Consider adopting, by ordinance, the 1997 Southern Standard Building Code. Discussion took place regarding ordinance. Ken Forthman moved to approve the ordinance, Randy Williams seconded, with Jim Taliaferro opposing, motion carried.

Consider adopting new water service contract (TNRCC model). A new water service contract will now have to be signed by any new water service (any turn on). Ken Forthman moved to approve the contracts, Craig Bell seconded, with Jim Taliaferro opposing, motion carried.

Gaynelle Riffe arrived 9:00 p.m.

Consider amending City of Stratford's Investment Policy. Gaynelle Riffe spoke on Ports-to-Plains. Gaynelle stated since changes to the policy. Jim Taliaferro moved to approve the policy, Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor motion carried.

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Stratford's match would be 20% of \$340,000, which is \$68,000. If the City applies and is accepted, the city would have three years to get the job completed. Gaynelle then thanked the council for their time.

Kristine Olsen, with Sherman County Development Committee was present to discuss Clean-Up campaign. The focus of this campaign would be trash and alley clean up and removal of abandoned vehicles and old appliances. A letter for the paper will be written with more details.

Gaynelle Riffe had the trees at Pendleton Park trimmed. Gaynelle asks the council to consider putting tree-trimming expenses in next year's budget.

Discuss Cemetery Fund being included in the Parks Department was tabled.

Consider resolution regarding partial financing of Mowing Tractor. Percentage rate of loan would be 6 3/4 %. Ric Walton will check on financing through Moore Implement. Ken Forthman moved to approve the resolution, Randy Williams seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Selection of logo contest winner. All entries were reviewed and one selected as the new logo. Winner was Shanda Davis. All entries will be displayed at local restaurants.

Council adjourned into executive session under Section 551.074 to discuss personnel issues and litigation at 10:25 p.m.

Council reconvened out of executive at 11:01 p.m. with no action taken.

Craig Bell moved to approve the bills, Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor, and motion carried.

Jim Taliaferro moved to approve the financial statement, Craig Bell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Jim Dewees reported on officer McDaniel's training. Jim requested permission from the council to give officer McDaniel a \$25.00/month raise. Randy Williams asked for details on officer McDaniel's work, with the school children. Jim Taliaferro asked Ric Walton if \$50.00/month was in the budget, Ric answered yes. Consensus of the council was to give officer McDaniel a \$50.00/month raise. Jim Dewees also reported that the City of Stratford Police Department is second on the list for a Juvenile Grant of \$8,600.00

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Walton To Compete At State UIL Academic Meet In Austin

Jessie Walton, a senior at Stratford High School and daughter of Ginger and Ric Walton, will be competing in ready-writing at the state UIL academic meet in Austin.

The last three of her four years of high school Jessie has advanced to regionals in ready-writing and the last two years in headline writing as well. The event consists of writing an essay on a quote revealed at the time of competition.

Jessie is a member of the national honor society and a four year honor student. After graduating in May she plans to attend Texas A&M and major in journalism.

Election Sat. May 6

Trustee Election candidates for SISD are Greg Wright, Jeanne Bell, Scott Buckles, Jesse Resendes, Dwayne Plunk, Gareed McBryde, Ronna Riffe and Max Christian.

Directors Election at Stratford Hospital District-candidates are Ineta Cheshier, Lloyd King, Haywood Vaughn and Rick Reinart.

Cars are not babysitters.- Summer sun beating on a parked car can generate dangerous heat inside. It's no place to leave children. (Texas Department of Human Services).

Obit

Roy Ervin Chamberlain Sr.

Roy Ervin Chamberlain Sr., 78, died Sunday, April 23, 2000.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 26th in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark Metzger officiating. Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday in Memorial Gardens Cemetery at Colorado Springs, CO., by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell St.

Mr. Chamberlain was born in Logan, KS. He moved to Stratford in 1973 from Colorado Springs. He was an engineer in the 45th company in World War II.

He was a grain truck driver and a member of Dumas Lodge No. 1009 AF&AM and First United Methodist.

He married Loretta Chamberlain in 1941 at Luka, KS.

Survivors include a daughter, Lela M. Reynolds of Grove, OK; three sons, Roy E. Chamberlain Jr. of Stratford, Charles L. Chamberlain of Stratford and Leland M. Chamberlain of Colorado Springs; two sisters, Ila Rose Stamps of Cheyenne, WYO., and Fern Hesseltine of Mount Vernon, Wash.; three grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, Parsonage Fund, Stratford, Texas; or Baptist-St. Anthony Hospice and Life Enrichment Center.

Annual Stewardship & Awards Banquet Friday, April 28

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District has set its Annual Stewardship and Awards Banquet for April 28, 2000. The Banquet will be held at noon at the County Barn. The speaker for the luncheon will be Senator Teel Bivens.

Along with a steak lunch catered by K-Bob's of Dumas awards will be given for the Conservation Farmer, Conservation Homemaker, the Essay Contest, Poster and Coloring contests.

OPSU Students Win At National Competition

The Oklahoma Panhandle State University student chapter of the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP) traveled to Florida last week and returned to Goodwill winners.

Members of the OPSU student chapter attended the AITP National Collegiate Contests and Conference March 30 through April 2, 2000 in Tampa, Florida. Clint Augustine (Perryton, TX) and Ken Cunningham (Yarborough, OK) brought back the first place prize, out of 47 teams entered, in the National Webmaster Site Development contest. Julie Breeden (Texhoma, OK) and Carolee Langer (Guymon, OK) finished seventh in the same competition. The OPSU team competing in the Chapter Web Page Contest finished in ninth place nationally. This group is comprised of Cunningham, Augustine and Chad Williams (Guymon, OK). The OPSU chapter web page can be viewed at <http://cisnet.opsu.edu/@aitp>. The

Coaches Still Needed For Summer Baseball Season

We still need coaches for the 2000 Summer baseball season for all 3 leagues-T-ball, Machine pitch and little league. We also need a volunteer to be in charge of the 4th of July booth at the park. Please call Ronna Riffe at 366-2180 if you are interested in helping out.

Imagination Station Needs Your Help With These Items

The Imagination Station needs the following items for the Week of the Young Child program by April 28th. Black or Brown socks, single or pairs, Black or Brown buttons, toilet paper & paper towel rolls, and Gallon cans. Please call Kristi Walden at 769-4467 or Ronna Riffe at 366-2180.

EQIP Signup Period Is Now

We are now in the EQIP signup period for the year 2000. Producers that want to sign up for the EQIP program should call the NRCS office at 396-5517 ext. 3 for an appointment. The program is for water quality practices such as irrigation pipeline and sprinkler conversions. The signup period runs through May 5.

Scot News

By Jack Gore

Last weeks activities consisted of birthday party which was well attended, Bingo was down in attendance, but it was good to have our Bingo caller back in action.

Saturday night's dance was lower than usual for the attendance mainly because of Easter weekend. This week's activities include board meeting and luncheon. Be sure to wear your Easter Bonnet to the luncheon and hopefully you can win a prize. Entertainment will be some ladies from Dumas. Bring a dish, a friend and come to a fun time and great food.

team spirit banner created by Tammy Smith (Guymon, OK) earned a 4th place national finish.

Steve Martin, one of two AITP faculty sponsors making the trip, stated "Our teams finished ahead of many large universities. Like rodeo and livestock judging, the programming contests do not have divisions or classes. We competed against and beat many large universities including Texas Tech, Our Lady of the Lake in San Antonio, University of Mississippi, Western Carolina University, University of Houston-Downtown, DeVry Institute, and others. There were 749 attendees from 92 universities at this conference."

AITP faculty sponsor Diane Murphey, who also made the trip commended, "I am very proud of my students. The Webmaster contest involved combining knowledge from programming, database design, HTML, web design and logic classes. These students did a great job of combining knowledge from many classes into one useful and excellent project. This indicates to me that at OPSU they learned not just particular things for some job they will have someday, but they have learned to think so that they can do anything they want to do."

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

- April 22-23 Easter Pageant Kenton Oklahoma
Sat. 8:00 p.m. Sun. 8:00 a.m. (Mountain time)
- April 21-29 "Einstein" Stage Right Theatre
4418 S. Washington St. Amarillo 806-353-7888
- April 26-30** "Successful Strategies" comedy 806-651-2798 or 2804
WTA&M University Branding Iron Theatre, Canyon
- April 27-29** "Our Country's Good" drama
May 4-6 Amarillo College Experimental Theatre 806-371-5359
- April 27 "The Secret Garden"
May 14 Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- April 29 The Harrington String Quartet
Northern Hall WTAMU 806-376-8782
- April 29-30 "STOMP"
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- May 4-6 Greater Southwest Musical Festival
Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-4297
- May 5 Clay Walker
Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
- May 6 Star Jazz Trio
LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646
- May 12-14 "Big River" Musical
Amarillo College Theatre School for Children 806-371-5353
- May 12-13** Palo Duro Canyon Symphony Pops
Amarillo Symphony 806-376-8782
- May 19-21 "Greater Tuna" 8:00 p.m. 2:30 Sun. Mat.
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- May 20 Ty Herndon & Ricochet (proceeds going to Crime Stoppers)
Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096

TRTA Holds Meeting In Dalhart

An informative, commorative, and entertaining meeting were all themes of the combined February, March and April meetings of the Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore unit of the Texas Retired Teachers Association. They met at St. James Episcopal Church in Dalhart. The earlier meetings were cancelled due to weather.

A memorial service was held for two former members who died during the passed year. Mary Jo Ondracek prepared the service in honor of Nannie Belle Graves of Dalhart and Anna Mae Pulliam of Stratford. A complete report on this service will be published in a later issue of the paper.

Father Jerry Sneary opened the meeting with an invocation. The retirees and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Mildred Bosler accompanied the group in singing the National Anthem.

A beautiful program of religious songs were presented by Elissa Peterson and Ashley Taylor. The selections included: "Lord I Believe In You", "Stand", and "Adonai".

The guest speaker was Shirley Grace, a retired teacher who has wide experience teaching in several states. She described her experiences in Alaska, the beauty of the state, but also the severe weather, the establishment of a high school in a remote Eskimo village. She selected the books, planned the curriculum, and taught her group of adolescents to merge their heritage and modern civilization.

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Winner of the 5th six weeks perfect attendance drawing at Mary Allen Elementary was Kindergarten student Erika Robles. Erika was treated to lunch at Betty's Place last week with Principal Mr. Taliaferro.

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Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, citizens this ideal Monday morning April 24, 2000.

Regular SCOT meeting with regular instruction for food and invitation for prospective members on Thursday, April 27, 2000.

Other important announcement are Mark Metzger asked all Stratford attenders to be at St. Stephens United Methodist Church in Amarillo for Wedding ceremony at 5:30 Saturday, April 29, 2000 for special seating.

On Sunday, April 30, 2000 the museum board will have the coffee pot on for their showing of pots and mugs, lets go dunk a mug a cup of Java and conversation.

Voting time Saturday, May 6, 2000 for local election, hospital board and school board.

We tender Scotter and personal best wishes and Christian concern to all grieving friends trusting that they will find consolation on their personal belief. Amen.

Lillie Galloway accompanied by her daughter Darla Harbenson are attended a seventh school reunion of Goltry, OK.

Best wishes and love to all happy people, engaged in wedding, Anniversaries, baby showers and wedding shower and other events.

Timi received E mail from Joe & Rose and Joe Shane and Pat Clarence Graves, for a happy Easter. Betty R. Brown received picture from Carrie Austin.

Lorelyns Easter guests from Amarillo were Matt Powers, Joy, Devan, Joel Aro, attended church for the Easter Cantata First Baptist Church were Matt Powers, Lorelyn Powers, Joy & Devan Aro, and Timi Brown.

Report from the Stratford Ministerial Alliance Egg hunt at Pendleton Park on April 23, 2000 approximately one hundred fifty adults and children attended.

The Baskins and Jim Bob Browns dined at the cafe in Conlen, TX.

Having reported on community Easter activity there's little to write to our peers so as usual scatter encouraging shoulder pats and luv 1 among our citizens an peers.

Golfers Support The Alzheimer's Association

Amarillo and Area Golfers are encouraged to sign up for the Alzheimer's Association 4th Annual "Swing Into Spring" Golf Benefit on Saturday, May 13, 8:00 a.m. Shotgun at the Ross Rogers West Golf Course.

Funds raised at the tournament will be used by Alzheimer's Association of the Texas Panhandle for educational programs, materials and support services for over 10,000 families coping with Alzheimer's disease in the 26-counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Play is 4 person scramble. Entry fee is \$180.00 per team which includes green fee, cart and lunch buffet. Entry deadline is May 5th or first 25 paid teams. Lots of door prizes and special prizes for longest drive and closet to the pin. Grand prize is \$10,000.00 Cash for hole-in-one.

For more details on the Golf Benefit or obtain a registration form, call 372-8693 or 800-687-8693 outside Amarillo. Registration Deadline is May 5th.

Delta Kappa Gamma Society Holds Meeting

Installation of officers, roll call with each member briefly describing a book she had recently read, a ceremony honoring the founders of Delta Kappa Gamma and the early state presidents of the society, and a report on global concepts of early childhood educations were all outstanding features of the April meeting of the Gamma XI chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma society who met at Sunray Middle School.

President, Mary Jo Ondracek, called the meeting to order and asked each member to respond with a brief description of a book she had read recently. They covered a wide variety.

Shirley Hendrix gave the treasurer's report and Ann Hormel read the minutes of the last meeting which were approved.

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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Palmer/Taylor Wedding

Before immediate family and a few close friends, Pamela Palmer of Waco, TX., and Douglas Taylor, Kerrick, were united in marriage on March 25 at eight o'clock in the evening. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Rob Chandler in the chapel of the First Christian Church in Stratford.

Attendants for the couple were Nicole Jordan, Waco and Jeremy Palmer, Kerrick, daughter and son of the bride.

The couple are at home on the Taylor farm west of Kerrick.

Congratulations to Doug and Pamela, Kerrick newlyweds.

Lonnie Eslinger, Amarillo, received an award as Outstanding Student in Pre-Med Nursing. He is the son of Florencia Eslinger.

Brady Schoonover got stuck with a needle in an arm while working cattle last week. It went through a nerve, artery and hit the bone. Every cattleman's nightmare! Fortunately, he is doing well.

Tuesday night bowling league was won by Gary Hudgens, Pat Boren, both of Kerrick, Mark Boyette of Spearman, Ben Buck and Mike Hennigeer of Dalhart.

Opening season of Rockies baseball was a fun time for Marylou & Patti McDaniel. They have been season ticket holders for four years. They have been friends with Mike Easler for 27 years. He is batting coach for St. Louis Cardinals. Although the Cards hit very well, the Rockies won 3 of 4 while in Denver. Sharon, Sarah & Kristen Powell, Conner, a friend of Sarah's, Patti & Marylou & Easler went out for Chinese the 15th. He provided seats for all behind home plate for the double header on the 16th. Conner's brother, Parker, went with them Sunday. Mike gave team signed balls to the girls, one of Tony LaRussa for Parker and Mark McQuire for Patti. The group met many of the Cardinals team. It was fun/fun.

Also met Rick Hummel, Sports Writer for St. Louis Post Dispatch and Bob Gebhardt, Ass't Manager of the Cards who was General Manager of Rockies last year.

A bountiful Easter dinner was held Sunday at the community center. Ralph, Minnie, Ralph James & Annette Hampton were hosts. The Rev. Rob Chandler returned thanks.

From Amarillo were Mildred Crabtree, Mark & Karen Greer. Stratford persons were Tonya & Cheryl Chandler, Winnie Dunlap, Joyce Ann Lasley, R.J. & Mary Hill, Bud & Frankie Shields, John, Terri, Nicholas, Shelby McDaniel.

Also present were Brenda Taylor, Denver and Donna Baker, Colorado City, CO., Geneva & Joyce Wells of Griggs.

Kerrickites were Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Marjory Munden, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Bill & Pat Boren, Jo June McDaniel, Bill, Donna & Kaylee Gillenwaters, Mike & Marylou McDaniel.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters hosts Saturday night supper for Brenda Taylor, Donna Baker, Jo June McDaniel, Bud & Frankie Shields.

NEW GRANDBABY

Ryan Landry Boren was born April 21 at St. Louis, MO. His

parents are Joe Bill & Jennifer Boren. (and yes, he is named for baseball & football greats!) He weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Ryan has two big brothers, Will & Brice, who are four years old and a sister, Callie, 1.

Grandparents are Bill & Pat Boren, Kerrick & Andy & Gay Wilkerson of Grapevine.

There was a family wedding shower for Jon & Mary Olsen April 22 at the home of Martha & Donnie Ellison in Stratford. Mary is the former Miss Odell of Boise City.

Minnie Hampton and Martha were hostesses for the event that was attended by a "noisy bunch" of family.

Then the birthdays of Donnie Ellison and Katie Norris were celebrated.

Hey, Polanco of St. Louis Cardinals, hit a grand slam Sunday. He's one of the players we met and shook hands with a couple of weeks ago. Just sorry it was against the Rockies!

Easter dinner at Linda & Poe Keener's was enjoyed by Nita Taylor, Buck Weaver, Mark Kelsey & Clinton Keener, Jere, Maria, Michael & Dylan Keener. Doug & Pam Taylor, Jeremy Palmer, Richard & Carolyn James.

Felecia Parker and three girls, Amarillo, spent Thursday-Sunday

with her mother, Florencia Eslinger. Florencia's grandson, Jeb, 2 1/2 is in hospital with pneumonia which his parents, Lonnie & Susie also have!

Word was received Monday of the death of Clyde Harbour, former Kerrick, then Dalhart resident. He was 95 years old. Services were to be Thursday at Sweetwater, OK. Survivors include

a daughter, Donna Clyde Kellogg of Betheny, OK, and two sons, Jack & Dean Harbour and stepson, Rex Darnell, Panhandle, TX. and several grandchildren.

Donna's address is Donna Kellogg, 2316 NW 36th, Betheny, OK. 73008.

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Wed. Royal Rangers (Straight arrows & Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday School 9:45 am
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Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

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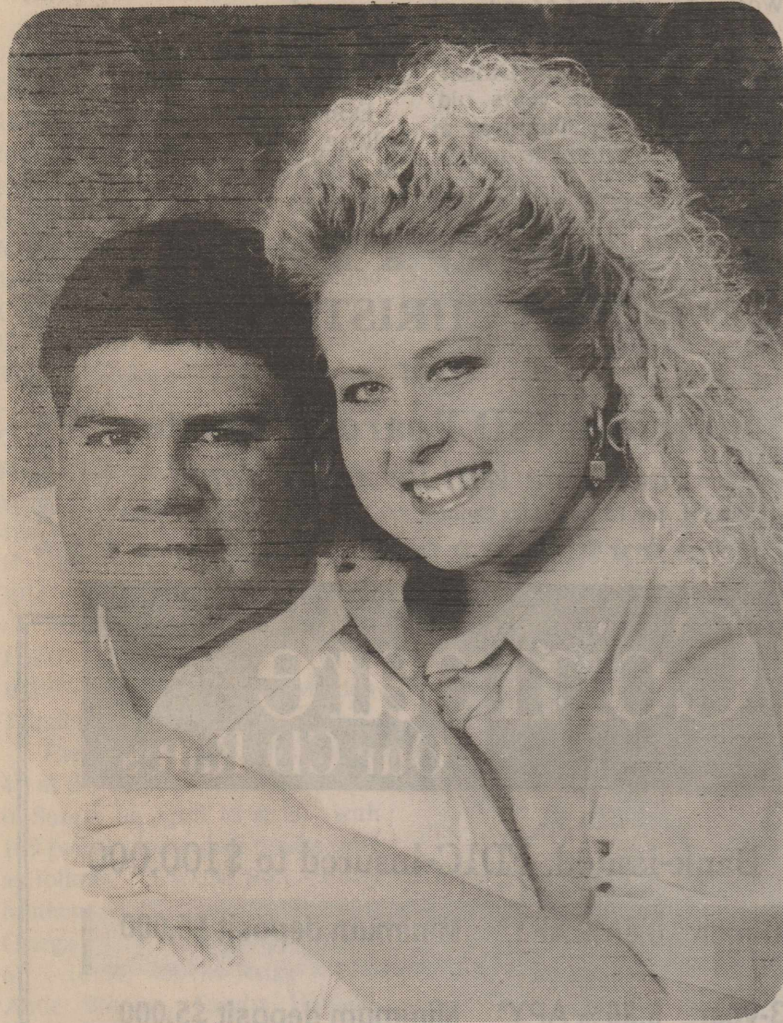
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Engagement Announced

Jennifer Koch, daughter of Latica Parker of Dumas and Howard Koch of Stratford and Frank DeAnda, son of Silvano & Mercy DeAnda of Stratford announce their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple will wed July 22, 2000 in Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Dumas. The bride graduated from the University of NE at Kearney in Kearney, NE and works at Stratford ISD. The groom is employed at the Texas Highway Dept. in Stratford.

Study Club Officers To Be Installed

Officers for TFWC/Prospectus Study Club will be installed on Sunday, April 30, 2 p.m. at Sherman County Library.

"Prospectus Study Club--Yesterday" will be told by Mattie Baskin, Helen Taylor and Oline Caraway.

A "Beautiful Bouquet" installation is by D'Lynn Reed, Top of Texas District President. Officers for 2000-2002 are Marsha Wright, President; Laurie Spurlock, President-Elect; Michelle Lutes, 1st Vice-President; Mary Lou Albert, 2nd Vice President; ViAnn Reed, Secretary; Patti Vincent, Treasurer; Marylou McDaniel Reporter; Linda Haynes, Parliamentarian.

Friends and club members are invited to attend.

Hostesses are members of the Social committee, Michelle Lutes, chairman.

Manor Friends To Meet May 1st

According to plan, Manor Friends Volunteer Organization will meet in the Conference Room of Coldwater Manor at 10:00 a.m. Monday, May 1; the first Monday of an odd numbered month. Anyone interested in doing volunteer work at the Manor is welcome to attend.

Reed, Nominee for Amarillo Area Women's Forum Distinguished Service Award

The Amarillo Area Women's Forum invites everyone to attend the Distinguished Service Awards Luncheon, Saturday, May 6, 2000, 12:00 noon at the Ambassador Hotel, Amarillo.

The luncheon will celebrate all nominees, but particularly the winners of DSA from among the following nominees: Doris Alexander, Toni Banks, Bev Harris, Sally Manning, Dr. Deann Creighton Merchant, Sharon Miner, Harriet Nichols, Margaret Payton, all of Amarillo; Koma Jo Baker and Sue Bartolino of Canyon; Lorelee Cooley, Pampa; Helen Estlack, Clarendon; Pauline Hammons Johnsey, Memphis; Nancy Josserand, Hereford; Helen Piehl, Bushland; and Margaret Reed, Stratford.

Entertainment will be provided by the Amarillo Boy Choir.

Reservations are required. Contact Janie Noble, by mail at 4328 Summit Circle, Amarillo, TX 79109, or by phone at (806) 358-7172. Price for the Luncheon is \$20 per person. RSVP and pay by Saturday, April 29.

"The DSA committee hopes you will attend to help honor these outstanding women," said Jane Juett, DSA Chairman. The award recognizes and publicizes the visible examples set by women who pave the way for others to follow.

Winners of the Distinguished Service Award are selected on the basis of an individual's significant impact on the Panhandle through their communities.

Amarillo Area Women's Forum is a local branch of the Governor's commission for Women. The organization works to coordinate local and state efforts to identify and respond to the needs, including the encouragement of qualified women to serve on appointed and elected local and state boards and commissions.

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- () MACHINE PITCH - BOYS: Must be 8 before 8/1/00 and not 10 by 8/1/00. Check shirt size Youth M L Adult S M
- () MACHINE PITCH - GIRLS: Must be 8 before 8/1/00 and not 11 by 8/1/00. Check shirt size Youth M L Adult S M
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Check pant size Youth M L Adult S M L
- () LITTLE LEAGUE - GIRLS: Must be 11 before 8/1/00 and not 13 by 8/1/00. Check shirt size Adult S M L XL
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If 2 or more children from the same family will be playing in the same division, you must specify on each child's form if you want them to play on the same team within that division. Please make a note under the box checked. **Absolutely no changes will be made after the draft.**

PARENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO HELP IN THE CONCESSION STAND! Each team will be responsible for running the concession stand at least one night.

In addition, help is needed in the following areas. Please check one.

- () Coach
- () Umpire
- () Field Maintenance
- () Official Score Keeper
- () 4th of July Booth - We need someone to be in charge of this.

Please plan to attend the work day on Saturday, May 20 to get the field ready for the first game.

THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR EACH CHILD IS \$20.00 FOR T-BALL AND MACHINE PITCH AND \$25.00 FOR LITTLE LEAGUE. THIS FORM MUST BE TURNED IN TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE/PLACES BY NO LATER THAN 3:30 ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 3.

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FORMS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED! THE REGISTRATION FEE MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THE FORM. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS!

CHILD'S NAME _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____ WORK PHONE _____ HOME PHONE _____
ADDRESS (STREET AND BOX #) _____

This year, the fee is \$20.00 for t-ball and machine pitch and \$25.00 for little league and must be turned in with the form by 3:30 on May 3. However, at this year's season kick-off night or your child's first practice, he/she will receive 10 raffle tickets for ½ beef to be sold for \$1.00 each. If your child sells all 10 tickets for a total of \$10.00, that money is yours to keep. The drawing for the ½ beef will be on the first game night - Tuesday, May 30.



Scot Birthday Party Held

April birthday honorees at SCOT Birthday party held last Thursday, April 20th were from left, Bess Stone, Betty Carter, Margie Moore, Helen Judd, and Beverly Pemberton.

Bedding Plants & Lawn Care Workshop

A bedding plants and lawn care workshop will be held at Texhoma High School, Ag Building and greenhouse. Johnnie James, Texhoma Ag Science Instructor will be putting on the workshop. The workshop will start at 3:30 p.m. on May 10, 2000. If you are interested, please call Johnnie James at 580-423-7371 or the Sherman County Extension Ag Agent, Sam Nusz at 806-366-2081 for more information.

Make it a point to do something every day that you don't want to do. This is the golden rule for acquiring the habit of doing your duty without pain.
—Mark Twain

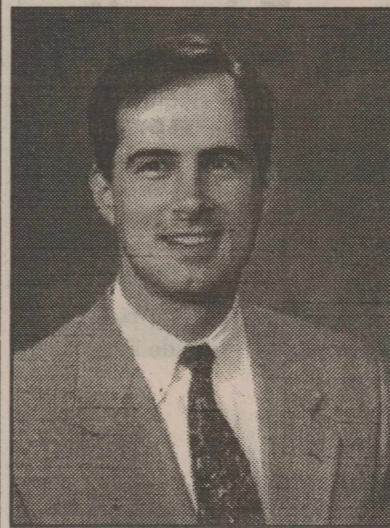
Not many sounds in life, and I include all urban and all rural sounds, exceed in interest a knock at the door.
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Ten gymnasts from Kelly's Gymnastics competed at the National Qualifier Meet in Levelland on April 1st. Those competing and their individual results were from left: Kayla Robertson - 6th Tumbling, 3rd Trampoline, 7th Double-Mini, Kristen Crabtree - 5th Tumbling, 1st Trampoline, 1st Double-Mini, Heather Robertson - 7th Trampoline, 8th Double-Mini, Kelsey Stein - 6th Tumbling, 6th Trampoline, 2nd Double-Mini, Ashton Robinson - 8th Tumbling, 7th Trampoline, 8th Double-Mini, Meghan Brooks - 4th Tumbling, Kira Downs - 1st Tumbling, 3rd Trampoline, 1st Double-Mini. Not pictured: Conner Vincent - 1st Trampoline and 1st Double-Mini, Alicia Adams - 2nd Tumbling, 1st Trampoline, and 2nd Double-Mini, Kimber Hedkins - 8th Tumbling, 1st Trampoline, 5th Double-Mini. Kristen Crabtree hit mobility on tramp and DM and qualified for Nationals on Tramp and DM. Kelsey Stein hit mobility on DM and qualified for Nationals on DM. Conner Vincent and Alicia Adams qualified for Nationals on Trampoline. Congratulations! The next meet for Division II gymnasts is in Midland on May 6th.

Honor Roll

Mary Allen Elementary "A" Honor Roll 5th Six weeks.

Patty Browns class-James Daniels, Sinead Everett, Nathan Kimbrough, Margarita Rocha Zubia.

Shanda Davis class Stephanie Bell, Manuel Chavoya, Chandra Hawkins, Kaleb Horsford, Clayton Johnson, Justin Lanning, Deborah Molina, Becky Rosales.

Sonja Ragsdale class Kristen Leyva, Jennie Spurlock.

SHS Recognized For Yearbook Excellence

Dallas(special)- The Stratford High School yearbook staff has been recognized by Taylor Publishing Company with an Award of Merit honoring its accomplishments in yearbook design and coverage. The adviser of the year 2000 Stratford High School yearbook is Tami King.

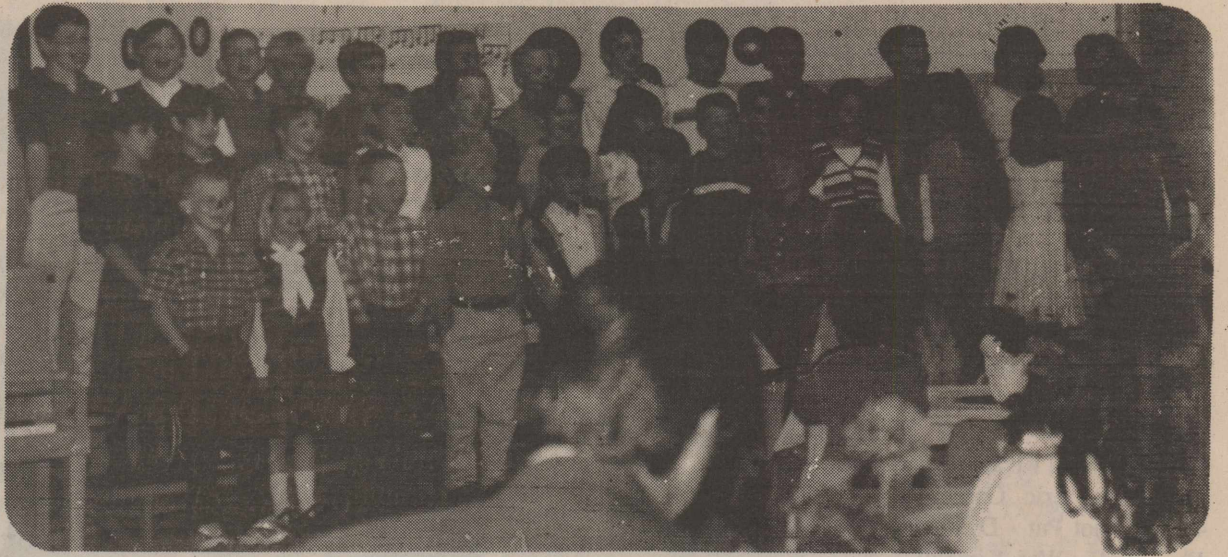
Yearbooks published by Taylor between October 1998 and October 1999 were evaluated for excellence in one or more of the following areas: cover design, theme development and page design.

"The Award of Merit is given each year to a select group of yearbook staffs throughout the nation who have demonstrated excellence in yearbook design and coverage," said Britt Thompson, Director of Marketing at Taylor Publishing. "We applaud these staffs for their outstanding work and support their efforts in scholastic journalism."

Taylor Publishing, headquartered in Dallas, Texas, also operates facilities in San Angelo and El Paso, Texas and Malvern, Pennsylvania. Taylor is a major publisher of yearbooks nationwide and is the industry's technology leader in digital innovation. Taylor provides training, technical support and printing services to elementary school, middle school, high school and college yearbook staffs.

The Stratford High School 1999 Yearbook has been honored with an Award of Merit from Taylor Publishing Company. Congratulations to Tami King and her staff. The 1999 Yearbook Staff included Jasmin Sanchez, Tai Ann Brownlee, Carrie Newcomb, Mandi Bell, Julie Kimball, and Joy Burkhalter.

The 2000 Yearbook Staff members are Brandi Pearce, Jessica King, Veronica Leyva, and Thea James.



2nd grade students under the direction of music teacher Belinda Hamilton entertained the crowd with a few songs at the Chamber of Commerce banquet held on April 11th.



Joe Zak, Paula Nusz, Trisha Schoonover, Carla Pugh, and Julie Berry members of Leadership Sherman County have successfully graduated from the seven month course. Rob Chandler, Steven Tillery, and Blake Confer other class members were unable to attend the team building session.

Leadership Sherman County Graduates Class

LEADERSHIP SHERMAN COUNTY, class of 2000 graduates completed course requirements this past weekend. Class members Julie Berry, Joe Zak, Paula Nusz, Carla Pugh, Trisha Schoonover, Blake Confer, Rob Chandler, and Steven Tillery have spent the past seven months developing leadership skills.

Class members have gained knowledge and skills in the development of leadership qualities, explored local issues and needs, and team building to improve Sherman County. Class members participated in clinics, workshops, seminars, tours, field trips, and panel discussions during the course sessions. The group learned about county, city, and state government, education and social services, the economy of the county, the unique town of Texhoma and its ability to promote unity, and team building.

Sponsored by the Sherman County Extension Program Council the program is designed to identify and prepare future leaders to face issues of our county. Extension educational programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion,

The fourth class will be offered in the Fall of 2001 and interested persons are encouraged to learn more about the program from LEADERSHIP SHERMAN COUNTY graduates of Susie Spurlock at the Sherman County Extension Office located in the courthouse annex.

Gamma
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A report was given on the selection of the grant in aid money which will be awarded to a senior girl in the area who plans to enter the teaching profession. A Dumas graduate was chosen, her name will be revealed on graduation night.

Awards were given to members of the local chapter who have been members for over thirty years. Members recognized were: Addirree Bryant, 56 years; Frances Holden, 56 years; Mildred Bosler 54 years; Portia Dees 46 years; Letha Lucas 38 years; Frances Wardlaw 33 years; and Sandra Carter 30 years.

The ceremony honoring past state presidents was based on an original script written by Ondracek. Each member read a brief summary to the achievements of the state society



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Parent's Name _____
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Wednesday, May 3 9:30-10:45 1:00-2:15

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during the tenure of the president. Frances Holden led the members in singing several songs. She was accompanied by Mildred Bosler on the piano.

New officers for the biennium of 2000-2002 were installed. They included: Mary Jo Ondracek, president; Janet Pipkin, 1st vice-president; Kathie Altman, 2nd vice-president; Beverly Hendrix, 3rd vice-president; Mary Weatherford, recording secretary. The nominating committee included Viola Kautz, Beverly Hendrix, and Nelda Askey.

Nina Morton gave an informative and inspiring talk on

early childhood education in several countries including Denmark, which has a literacy level of over 99%, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Mexico and others. American educators can learn from their counterparts in other nations. Interested teachers may wish to call or write Nina Morton at the Sunray School.

Janet Pipkin reported on the button project, she will deliver the buttons to the schools.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song. Refreshments were served by Sunray members.

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District Track Meet Held

The J.V. boys competed at the District track meet held on April 18th & 20th at Sunray, TX. Individual results were as follows: High Jump - Scott Zak - 3rd; 400 M Relay - 4th - 50.56 - Eric Gardea, Migual Rivas, Wesley Hunsaker, Javier Licon; 800 M Run - Denton Crabtree - 4th - 2:29.3; 400 M Dash - Eric Gardea - 5th - 59.9; 300 M Hurdles - Wesley Hunsaker - 2nd - 48.0; 1600 M Run - Denton Crabtree - 2nd - 5:53.6; 1600 M Relay - Migual Rivas, Javier Licon, Scott Zak, Eric Gardea - 3rd - 4:06.8; Shot Put - Dylan Everett - 1st - 40'4"; Wes Kimball - 4th - 39'4"; Discus Throw - Nick Ashley - 1st - 122'7"; Dylan Everett - 3rd - 116'0"; Wes Kimball - 6th - 103'9"; Triple Jump - Mathew Taliaferro - 6th - 34'1 1/2".

The Varsity Lady Elks placed 4th at the District Track meet held in Sunray on April 18 & 20th with 109 points. Individual results were as follows: 3200 M Run - Carly Mathews - 2nd - 14:19; Veronica Ortega - 4th - 15:39; Darcy Garza - 6th - 16:54; 400 M Relay - 4th - Amie Witcher, Candra Holland, Robin Daniels, Ivonne Hernandez, 56.72; 800 M Run - Carly Mathews - 2nd - 2:37; 100 Hurdles - Thea James - 1st - 16.23; 800 Relay - 3rd - Amie Witcher, Candra Holland, Heather Ashley, Jessica Young - 1:55; 300 Hurdles - Jessica Young - 4th - 52.42; 1600 M Run - Veronica Ortega - 4th - 6:32; 1600 M Relay - 3rd - Jessica Young, Thea James, Heather Ashley, Carly Mathews - 4:25; Discus - Ashley Brown - 3rd - 99'7"; High Jump - Lynz Browning - 1st - 5'4"; Carla Bell - 5th - 4'8"; Shot Put - Ashley Brown - 1st - 33'7"; Ivonne Hernandez - 2nd - 32'3"; Triple Jump - Carly Mathews - 5th - 30'6.5".

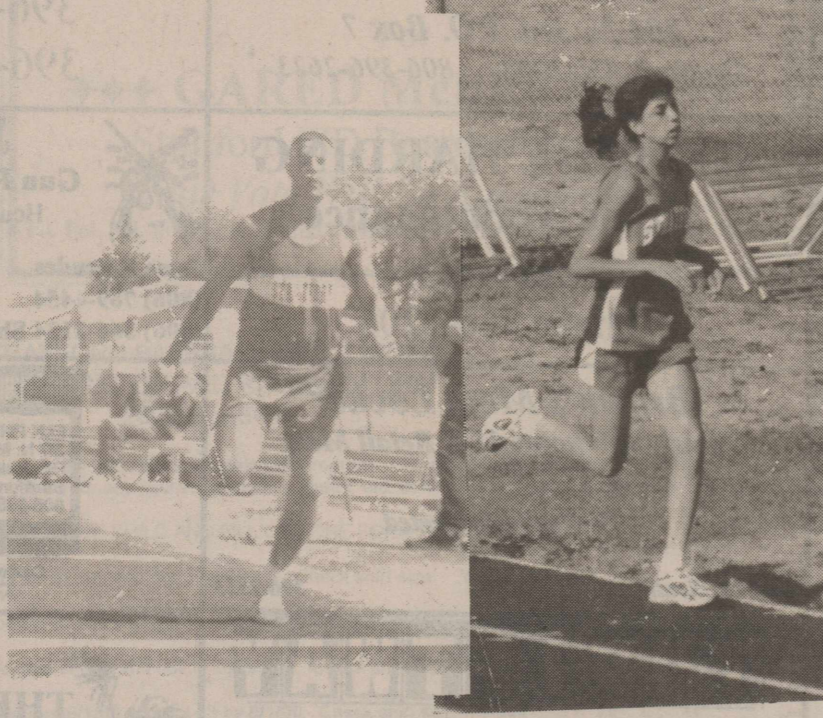
The Varsity boys placed 2nd at the District Track meet held in Sunray with 129 points. Individual results were as follows: Adam Bell

- 3rd - 5'10"; 3200 M Run - Corry Williams - 2nd - 11:24; Andy Witcher - 6th - 12:04; 400 M Relay - 1st - 44.59 - Adam Bell, Roy McCracken, Parker Wells, David Hunsaker; 110 M Hurdles - David Hunsaker - 2nd - 14.7; Sklyer Walden - 5th - 16.43; 100 M Dash - Roy McCracken - 2nd - 11.12; 400 M Dash - Parker Wells - 2nd - 52.7; 300 M Hurdles - David Hunsaker - 3rd - 42.5; Adam Bell - 4th - 43.7; 200 M Dash - Roy McCracken - 1st - 22.7; Parker Wells - 4th - 23.6; 1600 M Run - Andy Witcher - 2nd - 4:56; Corry Williams - 3rd; 1600 M Relay - 6th - 3:51:06; Shot Put - Cody Brotherton - 1st - 57'3"; Discus - Cody Brotherton - 1st - 161'7"; Triple Jump - David Hunsaker - 2nd - 42'4".

Varsity boys and girls advancing to Regionals are Carly Mathews, Thea James, Lynz Browning, Ashley Brown, Ivonne Hernandez, Corry Williams, Andy Witcher, Adam Bell, Roy McCracken, Parker Wells, David Hunsaker, and Cody Brotherton. Congratulations and good luck to these athletes this week-end.

Regional qualifiers in field events competed at the Tascosa Regional Qualifier meet held this past Friday. Lynz Browning won 1st place in the high jump with 5'4". Ashley Brown won 1st in the Shot Put and set a new school record of 35'0". Ivonne Hernandez placed 3rd with a throw of 31'6". Cody Brotherton set a new school record in the Shot Put with a throw of 57'5" and placed 5th in the Discus with a throw of 158'0". Ashley Brown placed 2nd in the Discus with a throw of 108'11".

Congratulations to all of the Regional Qualifiers and GOOD LUCK AT REGIONALS!!



TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

UIL REGION II-A AND I-AA

RUNNING EVENTS			
FRIDAY, April 28			
9:00 AM	3200M Run	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys
11:00 AM (rolling schedule)			
400M Relay	A Girls		A Boys
100M Hurdles	A Girls		A Boys
110M Hurdles	A Boys		A Girls
100M Dash	A Girls		A Boys
800M Relay	A Girls		A Boys
400M Dash	A Boys		A Girls
300M Hurdles	A Girls		A Boys
200M Dash*	A Girls		A Boys
1600M Relay	A Girls		A Boys
4:00 PM (rolling schedule)			
400M Relay	AA Girls		AA Boys
100M Hurdles	AA Girls		AA Boys
110M Hurdles	AA Boys		AA Girls
100M Dash	AA Girls		AA Boys
800M Relay	AA Girls		AA Boys
400M Dash	AA Boys		AA Girls
300M Hurdles	AA Girls		AA Boys
200M Dash*	AA Girls		AA Boys
1600M Relay	AA Girls		AA Boys

FIELD EVENTS			
FRIDAY, April 28			
10:00AM	High Jump	AA Girls	
	Discus	AA Girls	
	Long Jump	AA Boys	
	Triple Jump	A Boys	
	Shot Put	AA Boys	
12:30PM			
	High Jump	AA Boys	
	Discus	AA Girls	
	Long Jump	AA Boys	
	Shot Put	AA Girls	
3:00 PM			
	High Jump	A Girls	
	Discus	A Girls	
	Long Jump	A Girls	
	Shot Put	A Boys	
	Pole Vault	A Boys	
5:00 PM			
	High Jump	A Boys	
	Discus	A Boys	
	Long Jump	A Boys	
	Shot Put	A Girls	
	Triple Jump	A Girls	

SATURDAY, April 29			
11:00 AM A Finals			
2:30 PM AA Finals			
11:00/2:30	400M Relay	Girls	Boys
11:15/2:45	800M Run	Girls	Boys
11:30/3:00	100M Hurdles	Girls	
11:40/3:10	110M Hurdles		Boys
11:50/3:20	100M Dash	Girls	Boys
12:05/3:35	800M Relay	Girls	
12:15/3:45	400M Dash	Boys	Girls
12:30/4:00	300M Hurdles	Girls	Boys
12:50/4:20	200M Dash	Girls	Boys
1:00/4:30	1600M Run	Girls	Boys
1:20/4:50	1600M Relay	Girls	Boys

SATURDAY, April 29			
10:00 AM	Triple Jump	AA Boys	
NOON			
	Triple Jump	AA Girls	
	Pole Vault	AA Boys	

*There will be a thirty-minute break after the conclusion of all divisions in these events.

END OF GAME NOTICE

Announcing the end of this Weekly.

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GAME 3

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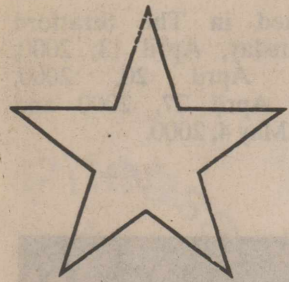
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11-25-tfn

For Sale: Used real nice Whirlpool refrigerator. \$200.00 Call 396-2042.
4-27-2xp

For Sale: 1989 4 door Chevrolet Caprice Classic Auto. This is a well maintained car. Joe Flores - 396-5538 work, 396-5389 home.
3-9-tfn

For Sale: Farm Fresh Eggs. Gathered Daily. Call 396-2408. \$1.00 a dozen. Will deliver in town.
3-30-tfn

For Sale: 24'x6' "Gooseneck" brand goose neck cattle trailer. Many extras & very great condition. Also a single axle older horse trailer. Joe Flores - 396-5538 work, 396-5389 after dark.
3-9-tfn

Spring Cleaning Sale on selected Hair & Make-up Products at Hair Creations 396-2809.
3-23-8xc

Moving sale: Amana Range less than 5 years old, formal dining room suit & buffet, some antique furniture, piano. Call 396-2724.
4-20-2xc

New arrangements weekly. Larger arrangements and special orders on request. See flower arrangements by Kathy's Klassic at the Community Chest.
4-27-1xc

For Sale: 1989 Toyota Pick-up with camper shell. 5 spd, good condition, to settle estate. \$4490.00 396-2285.
4-27-2xc

For Sale: Roto-tiller, Troy-Built Horse, 6 HP rear-tine, 20 in. width, 8 in. depth, original manual & parts list. \$350.00 396-2802.
4-27-2xp

For Sale: AKC Pembroke Welsh Corgi puppies. Deide Ziemann. 384-3096.
4-27-4xc

Shower selections for Lily Cano, bride-elect of Richard Dennis are at THE General Store. Free delivery to the shower.
4-27-tfn

THE General Store has shower selections for Holly Husmann, bride-elect of Peter Cook. Free delivery to the shower.
4-27-1xc

THE General Store Greenhouse is now open!
4-27-1xc

For Rent

For Rent: 1 Bedroom furnished apt. 6th & Fulton. Call 396-5541 daytime, 396-5692 at nights.
1-28-tfn

House for Rent: 601 N. Grace, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$425.00 a month. Call 366-2555.
4-27-2xc

For Rent: 2 Bdrm, 1 bath, dining room, kitchen, living room, 203 S. Chestnut. Call 396-5507.
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4-4xc

Horsford Lawn Service. Call 366-2219.
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Help Wanted

House Parents
Cal Farley's Boys Ranch (36 miles from Amarillo, TX) and Cal Farley's Family Program (near Borger, TX), provide nurturing homes, education and other opportunities to disadvantaged youth. We are currently seeking married couples for our child care team! From the moment you and your spouse take up residency, you will make a difference in these children's lives. Starting salary is \$37,856/couple, with an isolated apartment with a group youth home, utilities, meals, extensive training, and a 6 day on/3

day off rotation. Must have a stable marriage of several years and no more than 2 dependents (none preferred). Relocation allowance for qualified applicants. Must possess HS diploma/GED; college preferred. Excellent benefits including 401(k) w/company match. Visit our website at www.calfarleysboysranch.org. For more information, contact HR at (800)687-3722 or (806)372-2341. (EOE).
4-27-1xc

Cards of Thanks

I would like to thank the voters of Precinct 1 for your support in the run-off election. I am looking forward to the general election in November, and hope to visit with each of you regarding our concerns and plans for the future of Sherman County. Thanks again for your support.
Sandy Tillery *

Lost & Found

Lost: Silver Pulsar Ladies watch on Thursday, April 20th, possibly at El Rancho in Etter. Turn into The Stratford if found.
4-27-1xc

Lost: Set of keys 3 miles S. on FM 2014. REWARD OFFERED!. If found, please call 366-5885.
4-27-1xc

Lost: Real toddlers' golf club - about foot & half in length - metal. Possibly left at THE General Store. If found, please call 366-2207. Will make a little boy very happy to have back!!!
4-27-1xc

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3-12-tfn

Ants have five noses. Each one smells a different odor.
4-27-1xc

Garage Sale

Garage Sale: Sat. April 29th, kids clothes, 514 N. Fulton. 9 a.m. to ?
4-27-1xc

5-Family Garage Sale: Saturday, April 29th from 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 30th from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Kid's computer, Nintendo, toys, golf clubs, furniture, hardware, exercise bike, sewing machine, boy's bike, tires, jelly, odds & ends. 919 N. Maple.
4-27-1xc

Council Minutes

Cont. from page 1

Ric Walton reported that the trailer park on the North side of town has another water leak.

The City is looking at purchasing a 5-foot Bush Hog mower for the New Massey Ferguson tractor. The money could possibly come from the Sale of Assets account.

LaRita Butler has been asked several questions concerning grave covers in the Mary Riffe Addition of the Stratford Cemetery. LaRita then briefed the council on one situation where there were existing grave covers in the same lot. Owners of the lot want to place two additional grave covers on two new graves, but permission must be granted by the City Council, due to the current status of the Cemetery Ordinance. Consensus of the Council was to allow the additional grave covers on this lot.

Ken Forthman would like to commend the Animal Control officer for a job well done.

There has been a problem with sewer back up on North Maple Street, into one's bathroom. This is 100% City's of Stratford's responsibility, due to the situation with the clean out in the alley.

Mayor Brown has heard of possible street repair money available through another entity. LaRita will get a copy of the entity budget to verify the information.

There is a problem with citizens mixing chemicals at the water tower on North First Street.

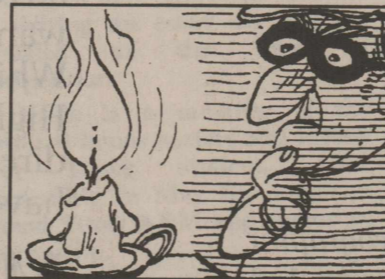
Grand Opening of the Recycling Center is set for April 1, 2000, 12:00 noon.

Meeting adjourned at 11:54 p.m.

Ric Walton City Administrator
David Brown, Mayor, City of Stratford

Want To Buy

Want to buy exercise bike. Call Glenn White 753-4467.
4-20-2xc

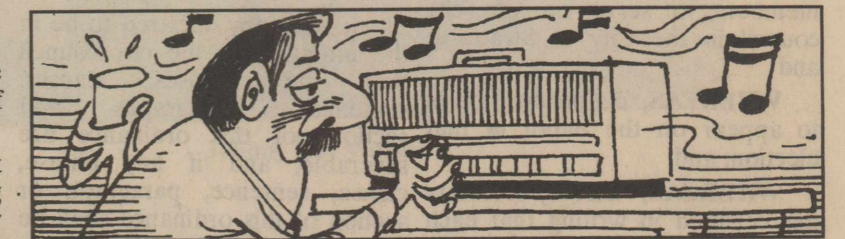


According to folklore, when a candle burns too fast, there is said to be a thief in the house.

Houses For Sale

For Sale: Older 3 bdrm, 2 bath, huge walk-in closet over 1600 sq. ft. Needs a little TLC. WILL NOT RENT. Appt. only \$25,000 - \$33,000. Call 366-5011, leave message.
4-20-tfn

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May Scholarship List

This will be the last month for seniors to apply for scholarships. Check the list below carefully to see which scholarships your senior student is eligible for. Make sure to get your applications in before the deadline expires! For more information on these or any other scholarships, please contact Misti McBryde at 366-3322.

Slough Scholarship	All seniors who have completed the FAFSA application	May 1
Dalhart Elks Lodge	All seniors	May 15
College Bound Magazine Student of the Year Contest	All seniors	May 15
Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation	All seniors who have taken the ACT or SAT	May 31
Dalhart Knights of Columbus	All seniors with a B or better average	May 31

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Legal Notice

ORDINANCE #20000413 declared elected to office, and shall be issued a certificate of election:

David Brown
Craig Bell
Jim Taliaferro

SECTION 2

The city secretary is directed to post a copy of this ordinance at each designated polling place on May 6, 2000.

SECTION 3

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Stratford, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4

It is hereby declared to be in the intention of the city council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the city council without the incorporation in the ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 5

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2000.

David Brown, Mayo
Attest: LaRita Butler, City Clerk.

SECTION 1

The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 6, 2000 general election, is hereby

CERTIFICATION OF CITY SECRETARY

I hereby certify that I am the city secretary of the City of Stratford and the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared for the May 6, 2000 election. I further certify that the following candidates are unopposed for the election to the office of Mayor and Council Members in the May 6, 2000 election:

David Brown for Mayor
Craig Bell for Council Member
Jim Taliaferro for Council Member.

City Secretary
LaRita Butler
April 13, 2000.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, April 27, 2000.

Bid Notice

The Sherman Co. Sheriff's Office is currently accepting sealed bids for a 2000 or 2001 patrol vehicle. Specifications may be picked up at the Sherman Co. Sheriff's Office, 701 N. 3rd, P.O. Box 526, Stratford, TX 79084 or call (806) 366-5551. Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Sherman Co. Commissioner's Court on May 8, 2000 at 11 a.m. Please mark sealed bid on the envelope.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: The Unknown Owners(s) of \$19,390.00 in U.S. Currency.

You are commanded to appear and to answer before the 69th District Court in the Courthouse in Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, being at or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday, the 22nd day of May, 2000, then and there to answer the petition of The State of Texas in Cause Number 4346, styled "The State of Texas vs. \$19,390.00 in U.S. Currency" in which the State of Texas is plaintiff and The Unknown Owners(s) are

defendants. The petition filed on April 5, 2000, discloses that the nature of the suit is as follows:

The State seeks forfeiture of the seized currency.

If this claim is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT on this the 5th day of April, 2000, at Stratford, Sherman County, Texas.

M.L. Albert
Sherman County District Clerk

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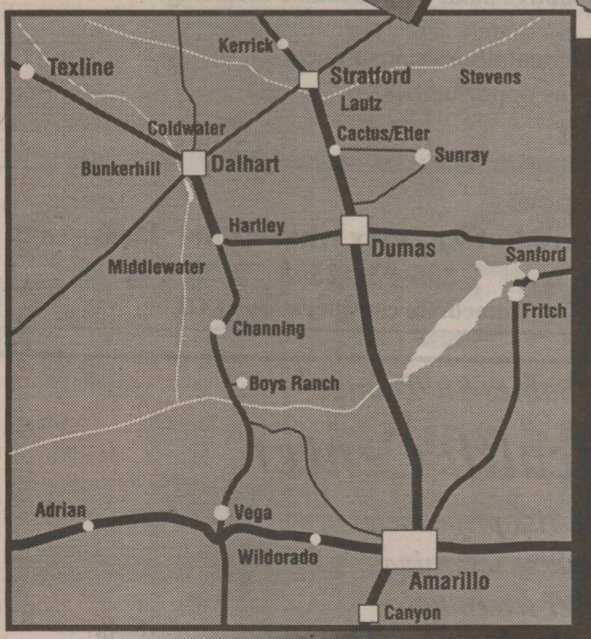
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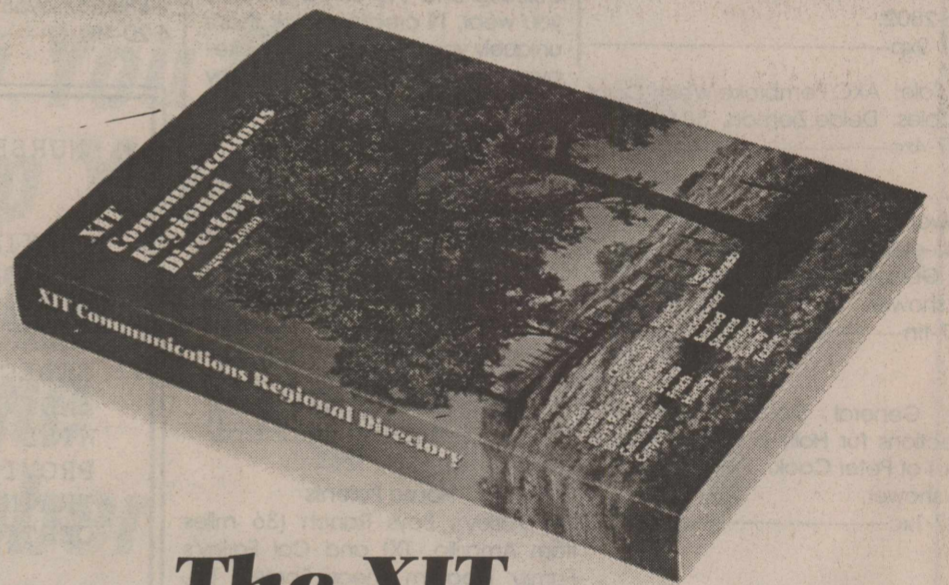


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