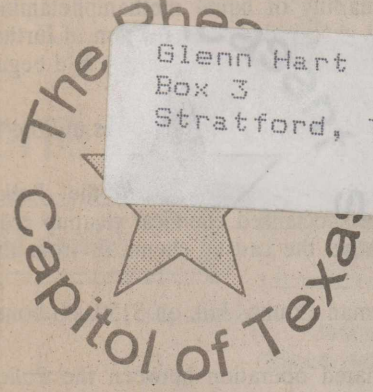


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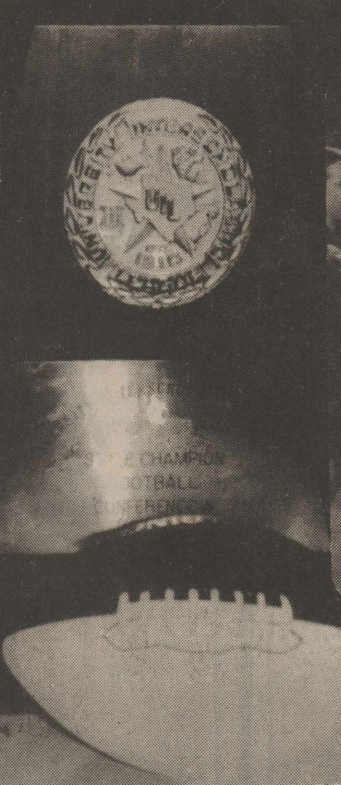
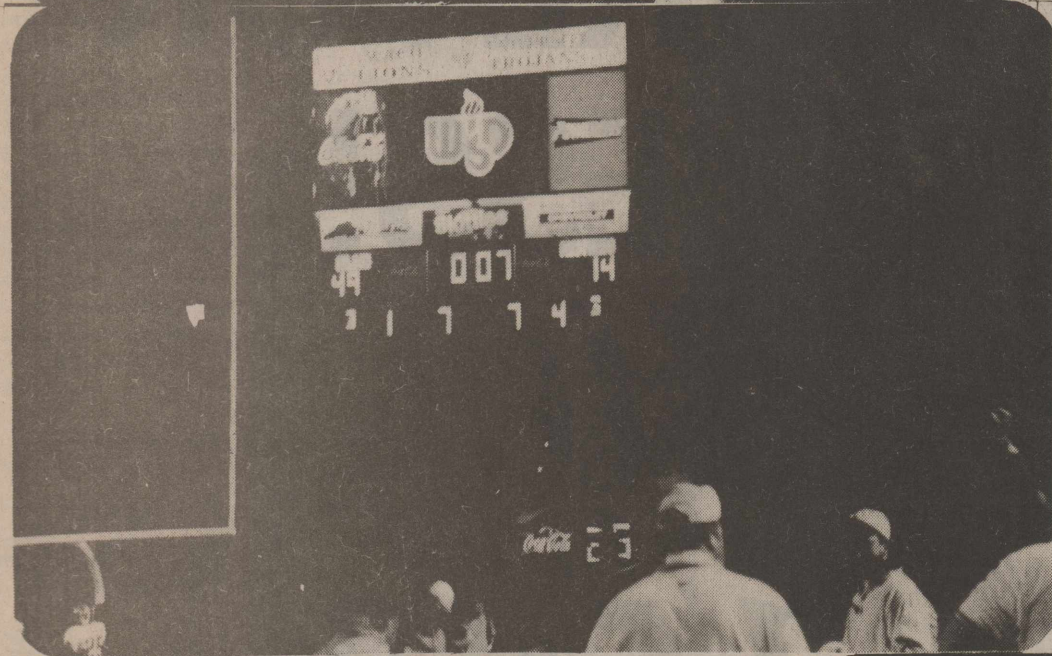
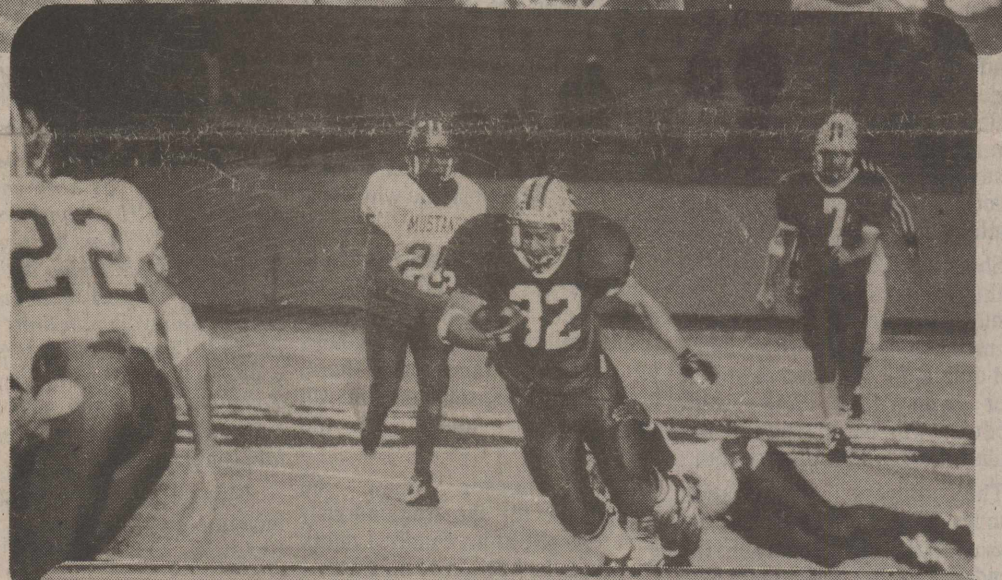
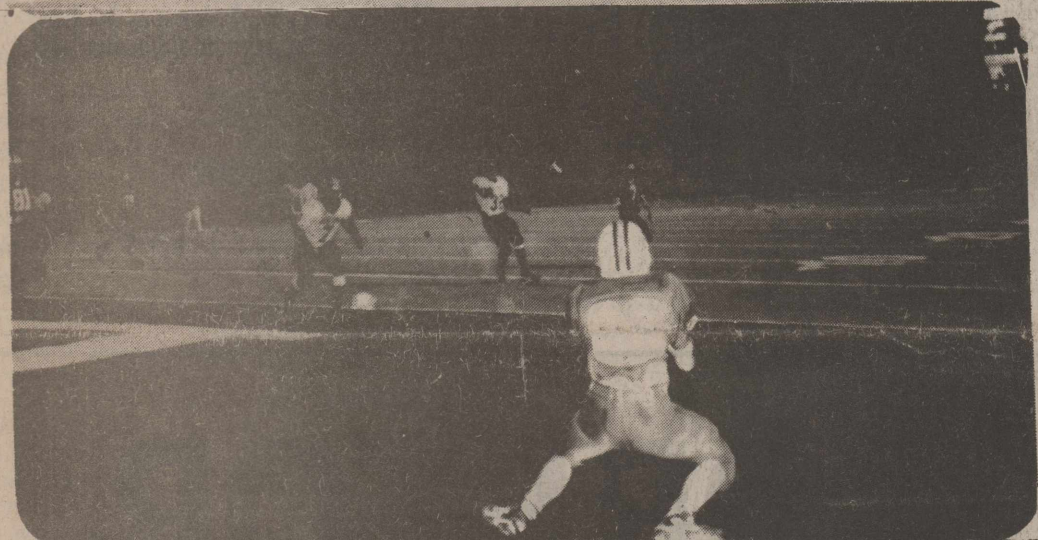
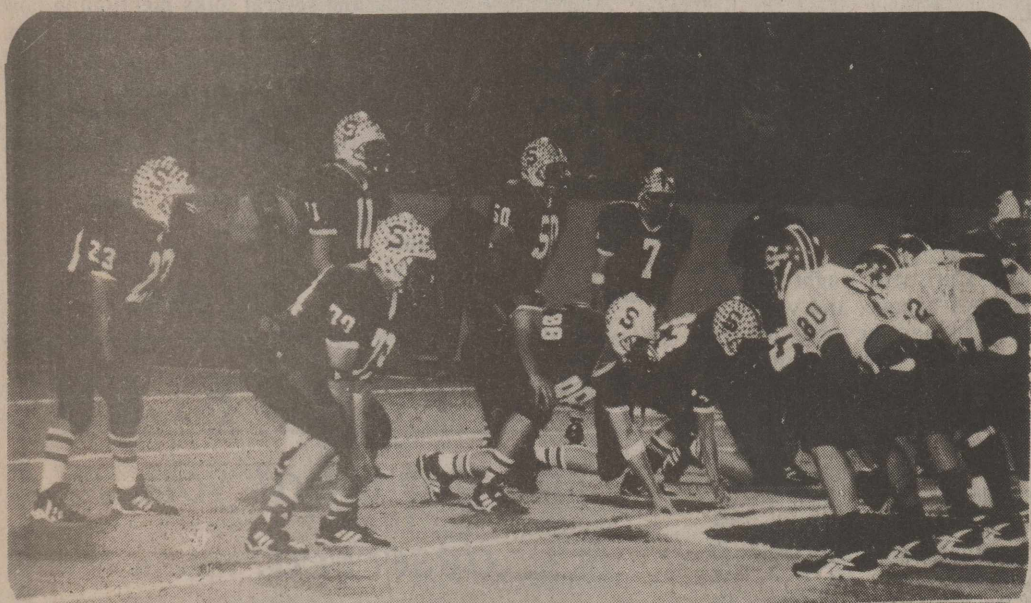
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## Letters To The Editor

### Obits

#### Charles "Charlie" Beaman

Charles "Charlie" Beaman, 80, died Monday, December 18, 2000, 7:07 p.m. in Mount Pleasant, Iowa at the Park place Long Term Care Unit.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 27, 2000 at First Baptist Church with the Ray Lee Beaman, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Jerry Stewart of First Baptist Church of Stratford. Interment was in Stratford Cemetery.

Mr. Beaman was born May 7, 1920 in Windsor, Missouri to Forest Walter and Lelia Beaman. He was a former long time resident of Stratford, Texas. A retired mechanic of 28 years of small engines, cars, trucks, & large diesel irrigation motors.

He attended Harmony Bible Church of Mr. Pleasant Iowa and a veteran of WWII Army Air Corps.

Charlie was married to Louise Lee, Kahoka, Mo on November 1, 1942. Married Teresa Snook Williams on October 28, 1962 at Clayton, NM. She died June 21, 1985.

He is survived by one son Ray Lee (Vicki) Beaman of West Burlington, IA. 4 grandchildren 7 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wives, parents, younger brother and youngest and oldest sons.

### County Livestock Show Update

January has arrived and the Sherman County Livestock Show and Sale will be conducted January 24-27. Youth exhibitors need to be aware of deadlines associated with this event.

All entries must be received no later than Monday, January 8th. After that date a late charge will be added to the entry fee and no entries will be received after January 15th. Letter with information about the county livestock show and entry fees were mailed to Sherman County 4-H members in mid December.

Sherman County 4-H will be hosting the concession during the event. The planning committee will meet on January 5th to make final details for the fund raiser. A letter with food and work schedules will be mailed to 4-H families the week of January 15th.

The Buyers Appreciation Banquet is set for February 1st. Please mark this date on the calendar and be looking for the food assignment letter to be mailed the week of January 22nd.

For more information, contact, Jack Swain, Jackie Burkhalter or the County Extension Office.

### Center To Conduct Annual M\*A\*S\*H\* Blood Drive

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will conduct its 19th Annual M\*A\*S\*H\* Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 5 and 6, at the Texas Army National Guard, 2900 Tee Anchor Blvd. NBC4, the Texas Army National Guard and KGNC Radio AM/FM are this year's sponsors.

The M\*A\*S\*H Blood Drive is the area's largest promotional blood drive with a goal of collecting 450 units of blood. Donations are traditionally down during the holiday season and this special event helps to keep the Panhandles blood supply at a safe, adequate level as we enter the new year. Five hundred pints of blood are needed to meet the needs of children and adults in the Panhandle very week.

Volunteer blood donors will receive a specially designed M\*A\*S\*H T-shirt for giving the gift of life. Donors will also have the opportunity to view episodes of the television series, M\*A\*S\*H\* and enjoy the military-style decor.

For more information, contact Coffee Memorial Blood Center at 358-4563.

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Experience is not what happens to you; it is what you do with what happens to you.  
—Aldous Huxley  
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Dear Marty,

Have you ever noticed how kids can bring a community together? Case in point, the Stratford Elks. This whole adventure into championship athletics has made me very proud to have been raised in a small Texas Panhandle town, especially Stratford. The way this entire community supported these kids made me proud. It did not surprise me, because I have seen it before. It just always makes you proud when you see it happen. I am glad to have been a part of it.

I want to congratulate the entire team of players, coaches and managers for accomplishing something no other team in the Texas Panhandle has ever done. The band, the school, the fans, the parents are all to be congratulated, also. You did it with class! There have been lots of us who have tried to accomplish this feat, but you have done it. For the rest of us who have tried and got close, we thank you for the trip. It was the most fun I have had in a long time.

The only thing that I regret is that the down state sports writers let politics get in their way in selecting first team All-State players. I guess they thought second team would be good enough. Well, when you think about it, there are many good players in Class A in Texas, so to be picked in the first or second team is an honor in itself. Congratulations to all those fine young men who made All-State, you deserved the honor.

A proud Alumni.

Lynn Allen  
Amarillo, Texas

Dec. 18, 2000

Dear Editor,

I would like to share a story of good will. My wife called me on the bus this morning and asked if I would like to hear some good news. I said "Definitely!" She said "Remember the Christmas cards we received on Saturday? Well, I just opened them and one of them-with no return address-had a large sum of money in it!" I'm glad it was early on the bus route, before any children got on, so they wouldn't have to ask me why I was crying.

There are times in a man's life when he has done all he can to meet an obligation or a responsibility, and he still comes up short. At times like these, occasionally a special person will step in and "make up the difference."

To whoever may be responsible for the tremendously generous gift to my family, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I believe that this sort of thing is exactly what Jesus Christ did for each of us. I also believe that the spirit of Christmas is the spirit of Jesus Christ. Thank you for blessing our home with that spirit.

And now, if I may, I'd like to share a Christmas story that I believe is applicable. It is a simple story, somewhat of a parable. I do not have the author's name.

*Years ago there was a little one-room schoolhouse in the mountains of Virginia where the boys were so rough that no teacher had been able to handle them.*

*A young, inexperienced teacher applied, and the old director scanned him and asked: "Young fellow, do you know that you are asking for an awful beating? Every teacher that we have had here for years has had to take one."*

*"I will risk it," he replied.*

*The first day of school came, and the teacher appeared for duty. One big fellow named Tom whispered: "I won't need any help with this one. I can lick him myself."*

*The teacher said, "Good morning boys, we have come to conduct school". They yelled and made fun at the top of their voices. "Now, I want a good school, but I confess that I do not know how unless you help me. Suppose we have a few rules. You tell me, and I will write them on the blackboard."*

*One fellow yelled, "No stealing!" Another yelled, "On time." Finally, ten rules appeared on the blackboard.*

*"Now," said the teacher, "A law is not good unless there is a penalty attached. What shall we do with one who breaks the rules?"*

*"Beat him across the back ten times without his coat on," came the response from the class.*

*"That is pretty severe, boys. Are you sure that you are ready to stand by it?" Another yelled, "I second the motion," and the teachers said, "All right, we will live by them! Class, come to order!"*

*In a day or so "Big Tom" found that his lunch had been stolen. The thief was located-a little hungry fellow, about ten years old. "We have found the thief and he must be punished according to your rule-t. stripes across the back, Jim come up here!" the teachers said.*

*The little fellow, trembling, came up slowly with a big coat fastened up to his neck and pleaded, "Teacher, you can lick me as hard as you like, but please, don't take my coat off!"*

*"Take your coat off," The teacher said. "You helped make the rules!"*

*"Oh, teacher, don't make me!" He began to unbutton, and what did the teacher see? The boy had no shirt on, and revealed a bony little crippled body.*

*"How can I whip this child?" He thought. "But I must, I must do something if I am to keep this school." Everything was quiet as death.*

*"How came you aren't wearing a shirt, Jim?"*

*He replied, "My father died and my mother is very poor. I have only one shirt and she is washing it today and I wore my brother's big coat to keep me warm."*

*The teachers with rod in hand, hesitated, Just then "Big Tom" jumped to his feet and said, "Teacher, if you don't object, I will take Jim's licking for him."*

*"Very well, there is a certain law that one can become a substitute for another. Are you all agreed?"*

*Off came Tom's coat, and after five strokes the rod broke! The teacher bowed his head in hands and thought, "How can I finish this awful task?" Then he heard the class sobbing, and what did he see? Little Jim had reached up and caught Tom with both arms around his neck. "Tom, I'm sorry that I stole your lunch, but I was awful hungry. Tom, I will love you till I die for taking my licking for me" Yes, I will love you forever!"*

May we all remember the true meaning-the true Gift-of Christmas.

Jeff Witcher

Dear Editor

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior this Christmas season, there are some truths, and traditions about this great event we need to look at.

All of Luke chapter one should be read. Here, let's look at some key points. Luke 1:23 says when Zechariah (Elizabeth's husband) finished his order of service, he would return home and she would become pregnant. Verse 26 tells us that when Elizabeth was in her sixth month the angel Gabriel went to Nazareth to talk to Mary. In verse 35 & 36 the angel tells Mary she will have a child to be called the Son of God. He then tells Mary her cousin Elizabeth is six months pregnant.

We can see by these verses that John the Baptist born of Elizabeth and Jesus born of Mary are six months different in age. Now,

when was John born? Luke 1:23-24 says when his order of service was completed he returned home, and Elizabeth became pregnant. You say well, when was that? Verse 5 tells us he belonged to the priestly order of Abijah. But, when was that?

Let's go to 1 Chronicles 24 for that answer. Verse 10 says Abijah is the eighth order. The orders started each year at the beginning of the month of Nisan, which is about the first of April on our calendar. The Jewish historian Josephus says each course lasted one week, from Sabbath to Sabbath. Eight courses then would take eight weeks, that brings us to the first of June. All of the priest served together on the three feast weeks of Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles. Zechariah then stayed on one more week for that was the time of Pentecost. That puts us to the eighth of June.

Zechariah lived some thirty miles from the temple. By the time he gets home it will be close to the middle of the month of June. Nine months after June 15 is March 15, when John is born. Since Jesus is to be born six months after John he must be born about September 15. That is the time of the feast of Trumpets which is a logical time for Christ to be born. The Jews came to Jerusalem for the Feast of Trumpets, that why all the rooms were full.

I want to make it clear, I am not saying to change the time of year we celebrate Christ birth. I do believe the truth needs to be taught. The Bible will stand the test. If we don't have any bible truths to teach our children we'll tell them fairy tales.

I believe Christians ought to know what they believe, and why they believe it, and be able to separate tradition from truth. Even if you reject Christianity you ought to know the difference between traditions you are rejecting and what the Christians base their belief upon which is solid fact in history, and truth from the new testament. Jesus says you shall set you free.

So.....why do we celebrate on Dec. 25th? To be continued.

Elliott Crabtree

## Drug Raid-Two Arrested

On Friday, December 22nd, at 0130 a.m., an early morning narcotics operation by officers of the Stratford Police Department and the Sherman County Sheriffs Office, resulted in the arrest of two men for delivery and manufacture of a controlled substance. The arrests were made at Manny's Motel, North Poplar Street in Stratford. The raid resulted in the seizure of an quantity of liquid methamphetamine, powdered methamphetamine and chemicals for production of further methamphetamine. Information indicates that the meth lab had begun production on Thursday when the raid occurred.

The Sherman County Sheriffs Office K-9 dog "Ricky" was utilized to verify information, and assisted during the operation.

Drug Enforcement Agent Ron Hansen assisted the Police Department, with arranging for a specialized chemical cleanup crew from Guthrie, Oklahoma, to remove the caustic chemicals from the location.

Both men remain in the Sherman County Jail, on \$150,000 bond each, at this time.

The operation was a coordinated operation between the Police Department and the Sherman County Sheriffs Office. The operation was directed by Chief of Police Jim Dewees and Sherman County Sheriff Jack Haile. Officer Garold McDaniel, Police Cadet Robert Newburn of the Police Department and Deputy Mike Allen were involved in the operation.

Information concerning the drug lab was received and rewarded through the Sherman County Crimestoppers Program.

## Dear Readers

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Just wanted to share with you something I thought was neat! Kina Davison of the Whitesboro News-Record called me last week and asked if I would send her a copy of our paper of our game against Collinsville and Burkeville. She had sent me a copy of her paper. She lives 9 miles from Collinsville and saw that game. She said she and several others sitting in the same area at

the game said we are watching the Next State Champs. They are an excellent team. She said they were so good. I appreciate her calling and several folks mentioning how well behaved our kids are. Parents, coaches, players and anyone else involved in this great year, thanks for the most fun I have had in a long time, All I can say it was "AWESOME". Congratulations again and THANK YOU.

Marty

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# Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Holiday news next week,  
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## Study Club News

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club meets Wednesday, January 3rd at 4:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Library. The Texas Heritage program is on Windmills. Margaret Reed, hostess, says bring change for "Smile" cake. Also, soaps, shampoo and used eye glasses for missions.

## PREDCI Elects Officers

At its December meeting, PREDCI (Panhandle Regional Economic Development Coalition, Inc.) elected officers for the next twelve months.

Ron Strecker, CEO of Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc., EagleNet and PTSI, was reelected President of PREDCI. Jim Bostwick, CPA, also was reelected as Vice President. Mr. Bostwick represents the Hooker Chamber of Commerce on the PREDCI board. Pat Rendon of Southwestern Public Service Company will serve as Secretary/Treasurer as he was reelected.

Before the regular meeting, PREDCI's members held its annual meeting. Part of the meeting's agenda included the appointment of the Board of Directors for the fiscal year.

Appointed board members, including the officers already mentioned, are: Wayne Hill, City of Guymon; John Nye, Texoma Chamber of Commerce; Al Chill, Guymon Industrial Foundation; Rod Avery, City of Boise City; Don Scott, Guymon Chamber of Commerce; Vienna Lee, Morton County Economic Development (Elkhart, Kansas); Bill Greenfield, Beaver County Chamber of Commerce; Doug Little, Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce; Kristine Olsen, Sherman County Development Committee (Stratford, Texas) and Troy Campbell, MidFirst Bank.

It was noted in the coalition's annual progress report that PREDCI had a significant role in the transportation efforts in the region. Testimony was given before the Texas Transportation Commission in support of improvements on US Highway 54 which traverses the coalition's territory. Meetings in Kansas and New Mexico were attended also on behalf of the highway's improvements. It is also important to mention that PREDCI also has worked with the improvement efforts of US Highway 287.

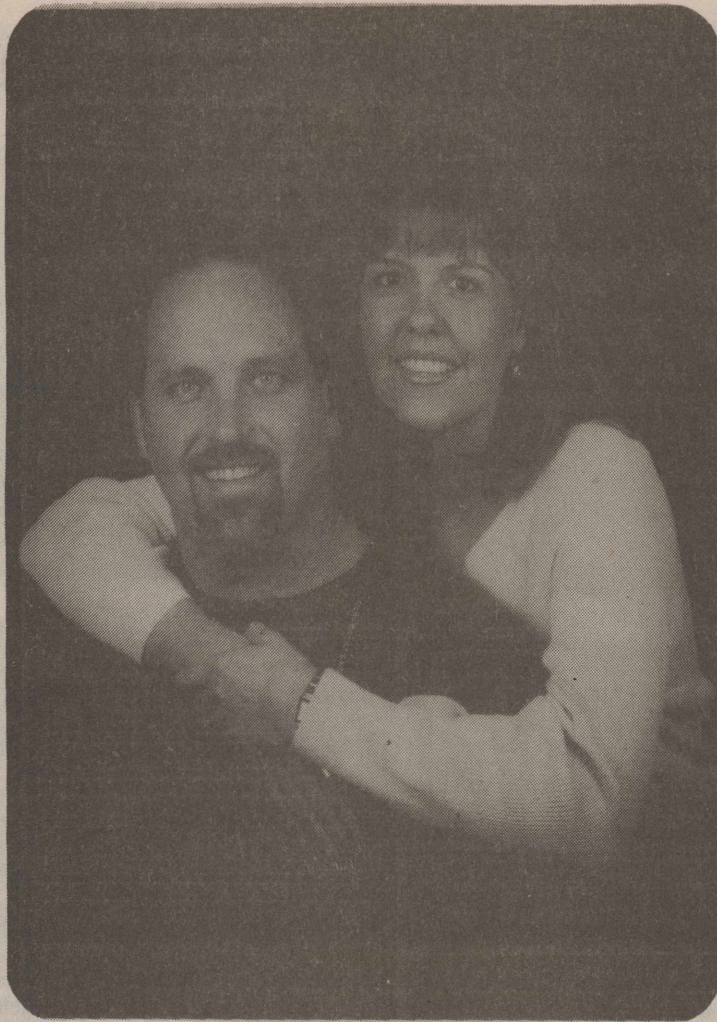
Assistance given to companies located in the region such as Sargeant's Wholesale Biologicals and Envirotech are just two examples given to illustrate PREDCI's never-ending pursuit of helping new and expanding businesses. All totaled, Executive Director Sam Cartwright, indicated that the coalition has assisted or responded to 14 regional business prospects and 15 prospects which were a result of a national trade publication advertisement.

Another accomplishment according to Mr. Cartwright, is the fact that PREDCI welcomed three new partners into the coalition this past year: Sherman County Development committee located in Stratford, Texas; the Laverne, Oklahoma Area Chamber of Commerce and MidFirst Bank which has a branch in Guymon and other places throughout Oklahoma.

PREDCI is available to counsel with existing businesses which may be looking at expanding or anyone who may want to start a new business in the region. Civic club presentations concerning economic development topics are also available by calling Mr. Cartwright at 580-338-8500. He can also be reached by email: predci@ptsi.net.



New York was the first state to require the licensing of motor vehicles. The law was adopted in 1901.



## Engagement Announced

Ardith & Dorothy Rolan of Stratford, TX would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Vickie Lynn Rolan to David Brooks Gish. Dave is the son of David & Marilyn Gish of Reno, Nevada. Vickie is a Missionary Assistant to the University of Nevada, Reno with Chi Alpha Campus Ministries. Dave is General Manager for RFI in Reno. The couple have a planned a February 17, 2001 wedding in Reno, Nevada and will reside in Reno.

## 4-H Swine Showmanship Workshop

All Sherman County 4-H members are invited to attend a Swine Showmanship Workshop on Saturday, January 13, 2001. The workshop will be conducted from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Animal Building located at the County Exhibit Building Complex. Several volunteer leaders will be assisting 4-H members in learning skills for showing their swine project at the county stock show.

An Animal Project Record Form training will be conducted from 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the County Exhibit Building. Parents of 4-H'ers are encouraged to attend the workshops along with their child. For more information, contact the Sherman County Extension office at 366-2122.

## Younger Texans 4-H Club News

Younger Texans 4-H Club will meet on Thursday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Western Organics, Inc. located next to Thriftway. The program will be on Feeding Our Feathered Friends by Sandy Williams. The meeting will conclude by 7:30 p.m. Fifteen minutes following the club meeting, Susie Spurlock will be conducting a training on Animal Project Records at the County Extension Office. Members and parents are invited to attend the 45 minutes training.

## NOTICE

Sherman County Livestock Show entries are due January 8th. Additional fees will be charged on entries after January 8th with no entries accepted after January 15th. All livestock exhibitors are asked to abide by these deadlines.

## Cards of Thanks

For all the prayers, cards, food and encouraging words since I've been home and while in the hospital "Thank You." A special "Thanks" to my two sons for coming and holding "Mamas hand" during the surgery and to Jr. and Wilma Ireland, Gale Sims, Connie Kiefer and her friend for staying with Betty also. I'm up and about some now, so hope to see all my friends at the coffee shop again real soon.

Sincerely T.J. Carter



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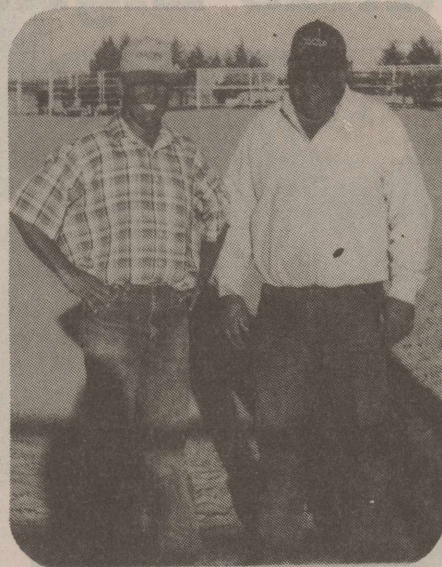
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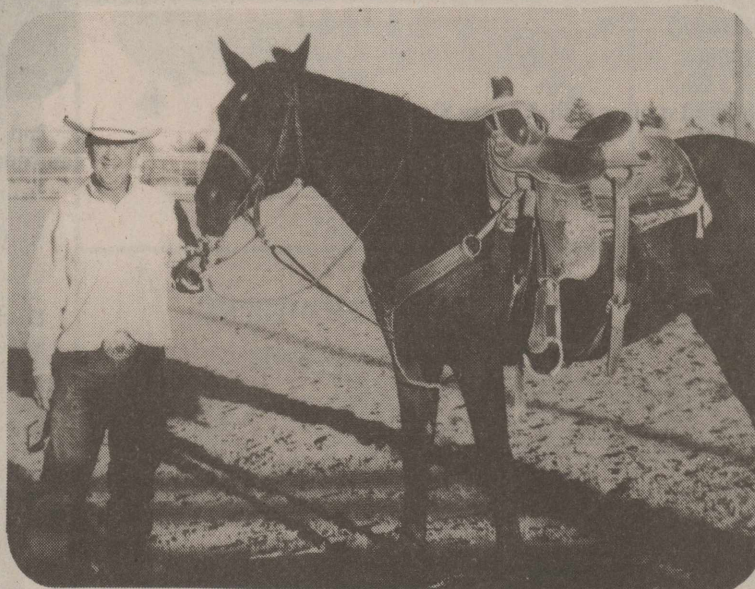
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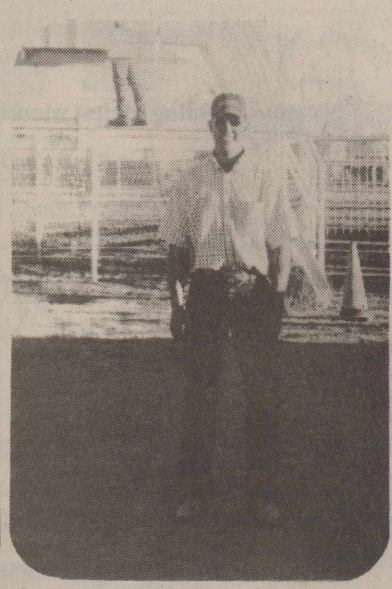
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

## First Christian

Rev. Bob Sweeten

5th & Main

Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
No Sunday Evening Worship  
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

## First United Methodist

Rev. Mark Metzger

520 N. Main

Sunday School 9:40 am  
Morning Worship 10:50 am  
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm  
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm  
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Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

## Church of Christ

Mike Talley

N. 3rd & Chestnut

Sunday School 9:30 am  
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Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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302 S. Main - 806-376-4553 lv. message

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Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Bro. Jerry Stewart

702 N. 3rd

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Church Training 6:00 p.m..  
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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## A Goal For The Year Ahead

Saul set his heart to demonize and persecute Christians. Christ took hold of Him on a lonely desert road outside Damascus, Syria. Without sight for three days, he contemplated this Jesus he so vehemently opposed. A man named Ananias went to Saul and spoke to him about Jesus. "Why do you delay? Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name" (Acts 22:16). Saul became the well-known apostle Paul. Paul was now a committed follower of Christ. There were new goals and priorities. He was willing to go to jail and even to die for the cause of the Savior. After decades of service to Christ, Paul had the same great goal. "Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:12-14). We can embrace the words and the goal of the apostle Paul. They can set the tone in our lives in the year ahead.

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Community Building  
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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday

# Christmas Lighting Contest Winners



Christmas Lighting contest winners were 1st place Gail & Larry Sims, at 1401 Purnell,



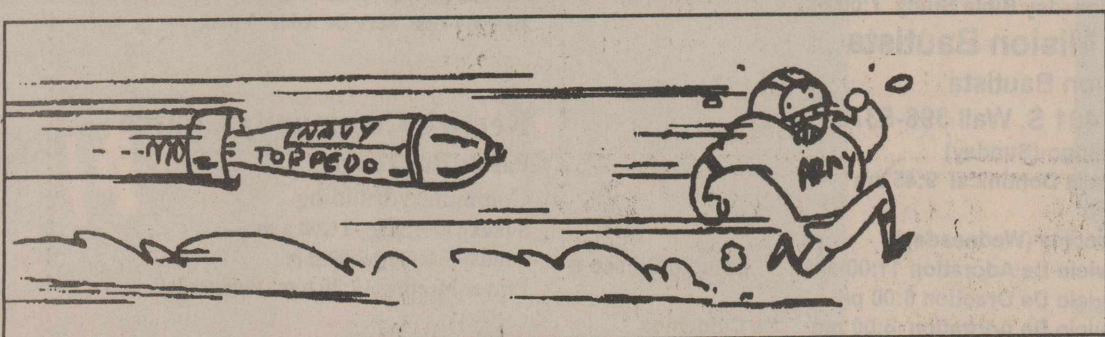
2nd Place winners ViAnn and Don Reed at 709 N. Chestnut. (This house doesn't look the same after someone drove in on Tuesday, January 2 in the early morning hours. More details in next weeks edition.



3rd place winners Tammie & Ray Leron at 501 N. 4th.



A Christmas snow came, but Stratford only got 3 to 4 inches compared to Amarillo and other areas 20 inches or so. Some of the snow and ice is still on the ground. Hope everyone made it to and from families for the holidays safely. Happy New Year.



The first Army-Navy football game took place on November 29, 1890. Navy sank Army by the score of 24 to nothing.

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Decide promptly, but never give your reasons. Your decisions may be right, but your reasons are sure to be wrong.  
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—Lord Mansfield

## CITIZEN OF THE YEAR SPECIAL AWARDS GUIDELINES (REVISED MARCH 13, 2000)

1. SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL BE COMPOSED OF GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS. THE GROUP WILL CONSIST OF A MAJORITY OF ELIGIBLE MEMBERS.
2. ACCEPT ONLY SIGNED NOMINATIONS RECEIVED BY DEADLINE. NO VERBAL NOMINATIONS IN COMMITTEE MEETING ARE ACCEPTABLE.
3. BASE CHOICE ON MERIT - NOT ON NUMBER OF LETTERS RECEIVED.

### CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

- CONSISTENT COMMUNITY SUPPORT (GIVE CREDIT FOR LENGTH OF SERVICE)
- NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED ( GIVE CONSIDERATION FOR THOSE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN MORE THAN ONE COMMUNITY ACTIVITY)
- CONTINUED PERSONAL GROWTH
- PROGRESSIVE IDEAS
- PROJECTS A POSITIVE COMMUNITY ATTITUDE

APPROVED BY WAYNE SMITH - PRESIDENT  
PAULA NUSZ - SECRETARY

NOMINATION FORM  
STRATFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
2000 AWARDS

CITIZEN

Noninee: \_\_\_\_\_

(First) (Middle) (Last)

Family Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifications/Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

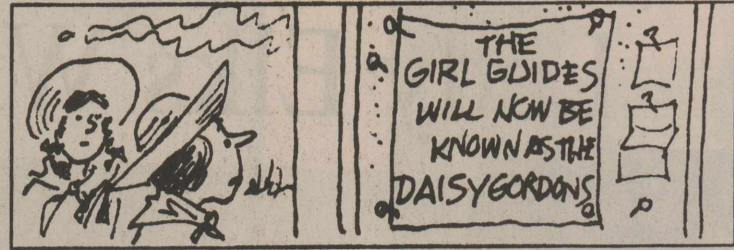
Community Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

name and phone number of nominator:  
Signature

Type or print brief explanations. Additional information may be submitted as an attachment.



The 4th grade class presented the musical "Surfin Santa" under the direction of music teacher Belinda Hamilton on Monday, December 18, 2000. The cast and crew did an excellent job!!



The Girl Scouts were founded under the name the Girl Guides in 1912. The name was changed the following year. Daisy Gordon was the first Girl Guide in the United States.



Angel Tree Project party was held on Monday, December 18th at First Assembly of God Church. Santa and his helpers pictured above are Heather Seiler, Michelle Lutes, Mayrene Aduddell, Santa (Jerry Hunkapiller, Mrs. Claus (LeRayne Donelson) Marsha Wright, Gail Allen and Kendra Mungia. Seated Patsy Batis.



## January 2001



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year Christmas Holidays	2 High School Basketball Perryton (H) JVG - 4:00 JVB - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00	3 2nd Semester Begins	4 VG/VB At Beaver, OK Tournament JHG/JHB at West Texas Tournament	5	6 Frona Speech Tournament	
7	8 7th & 8th Basketball Dalhart (T) 7G-5:00 8G-6:00 7B-5:00 8B-6:00 High School Basketball Frona (H) VG - 6:00 VB - 7:30	9 3-8 PRACTICE TAAS READING	10 3-8 PRACTICE TAAS MATH	11	12 High School Basketball Happy (T) JVG - 4:00 JVB - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00 U.S. All-Region Band - WTAMU	13
14	15 STUCO Blood Drive 9:00 - 4:00 7th & 8th Basketball Poy's Ranch Girl (H) Boys (T) 7th-5:00 8th-6:00	16 High School Basketball Guyton (T) JVB - 4:00 JVG - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00	17 8th/HS Career Day Early Release	18 Regular Board Meeting 7:00 PM 7th & 8th at Spearman Tournament	19 High School Basketball Gruver (H) JVG - 4:00 JVB - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00	20
21	22 7th & 8th Basketball Dalhart Girls (T) Boys (H) 7th-5:00 8th-6:00	23 MAE Reading Celebration 2:30 PM High School Basketball *Boys Ranch (H) JVG - 4:00 JVB - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00	24	25	26 NO SCHOOL High School Basketball *Booker (T) JVB - 5:00 VG - 6:30 VB - 8:00	27
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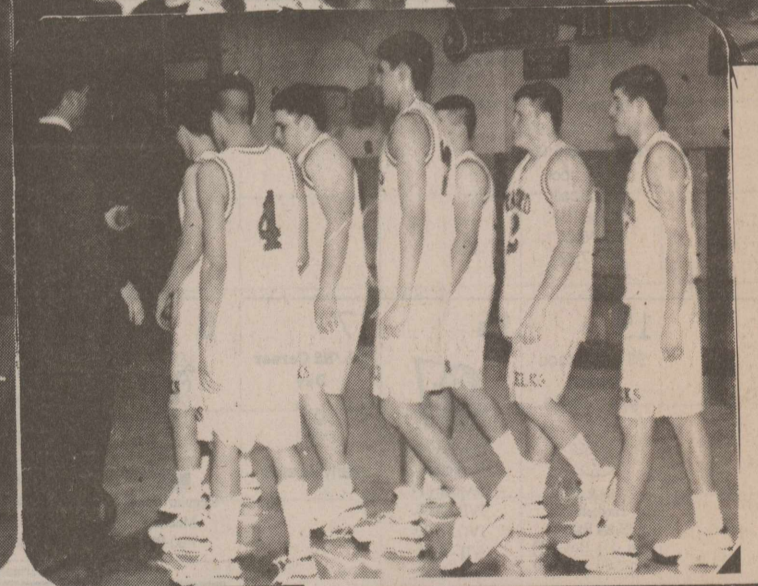
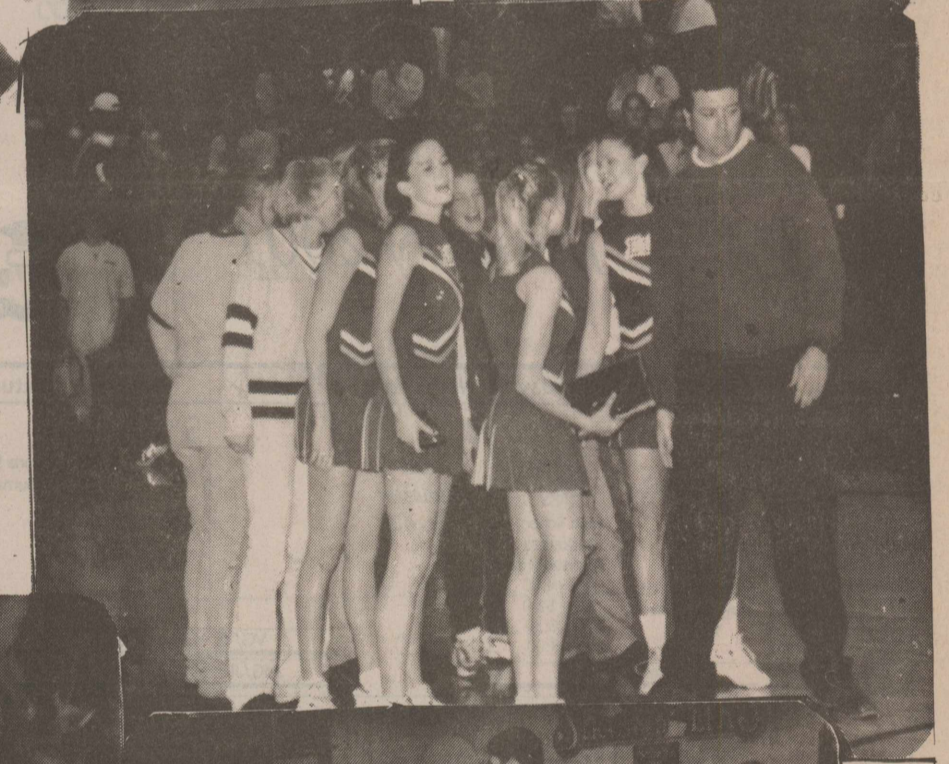
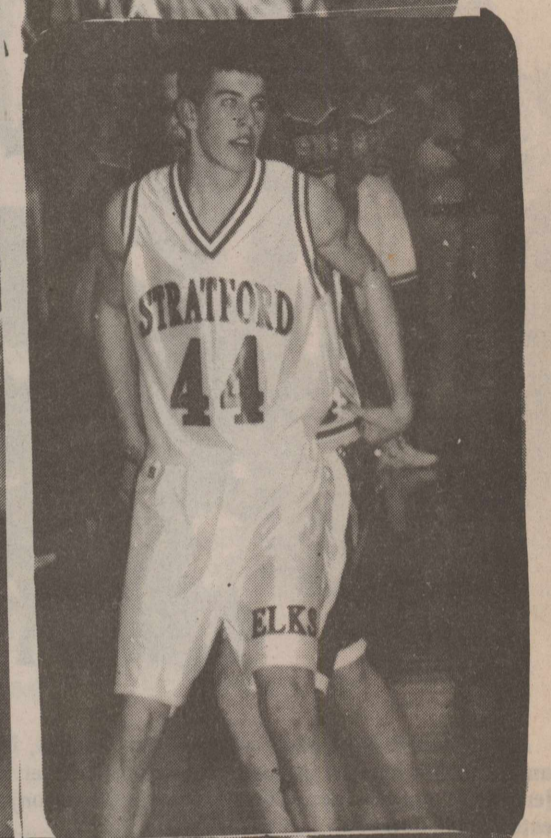
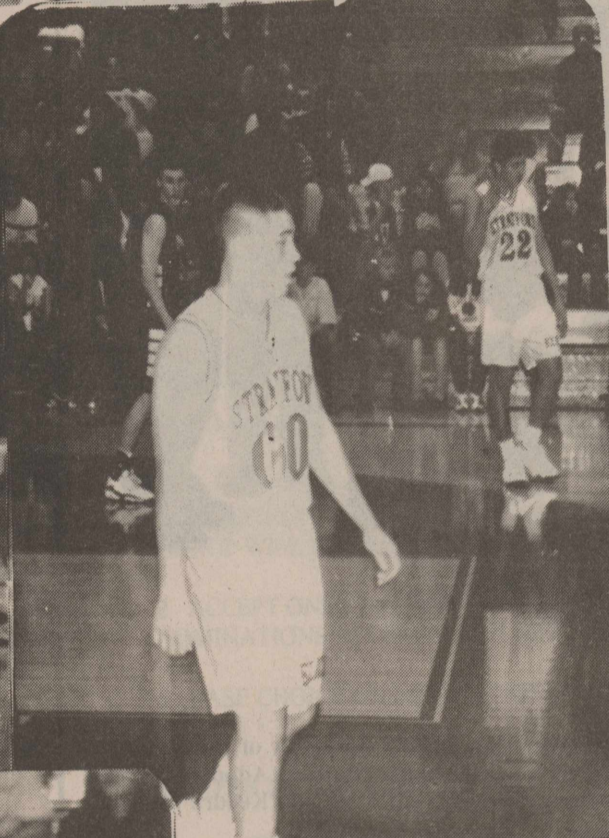
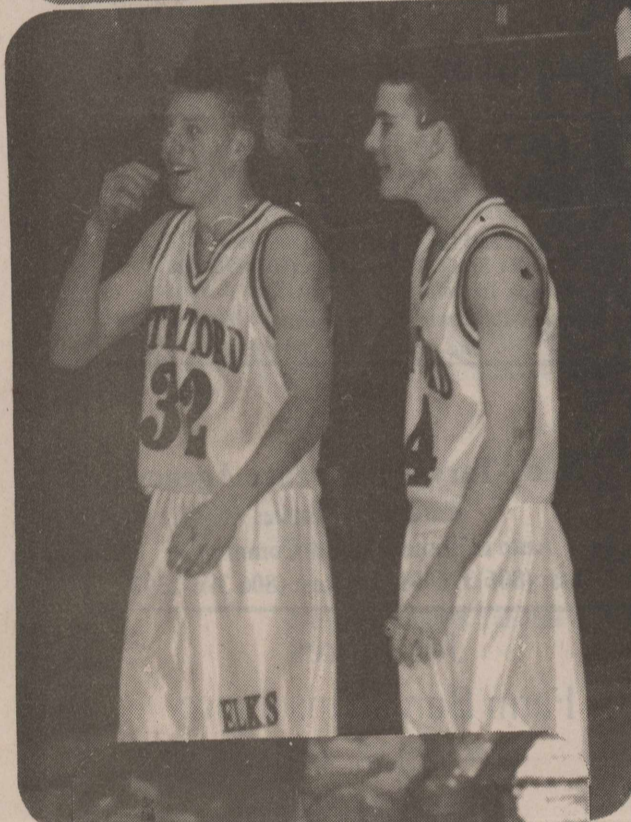
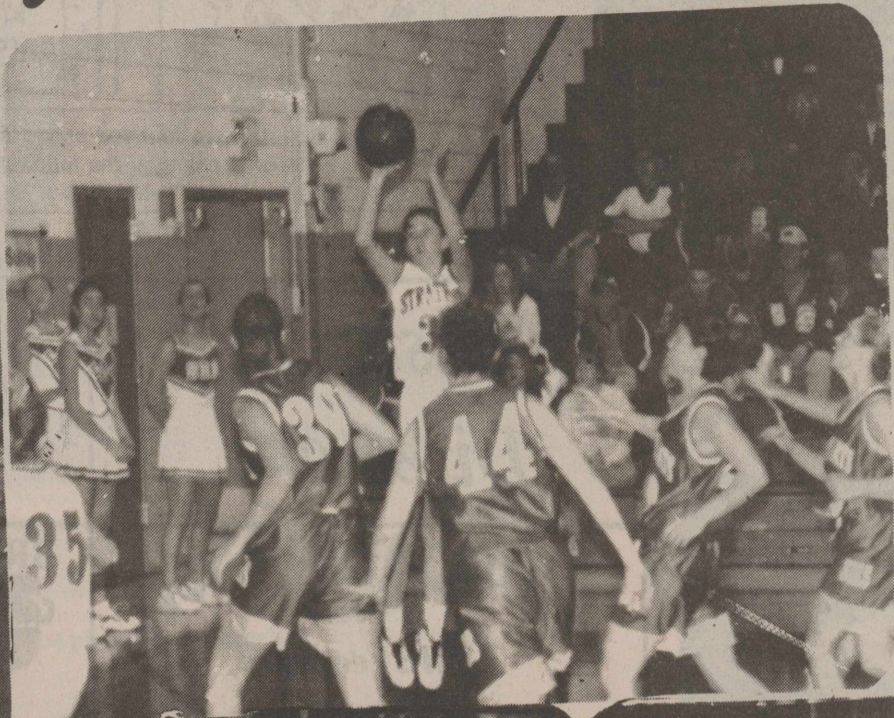
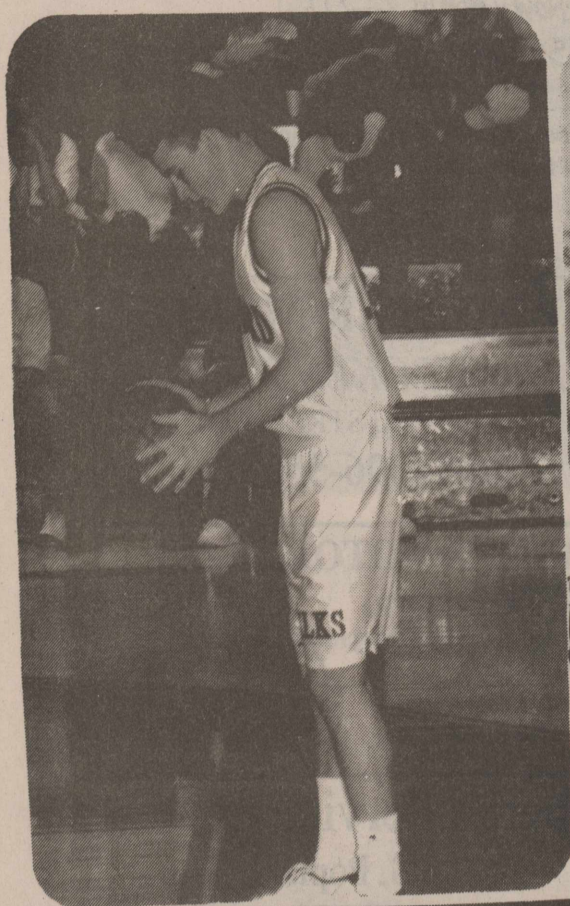
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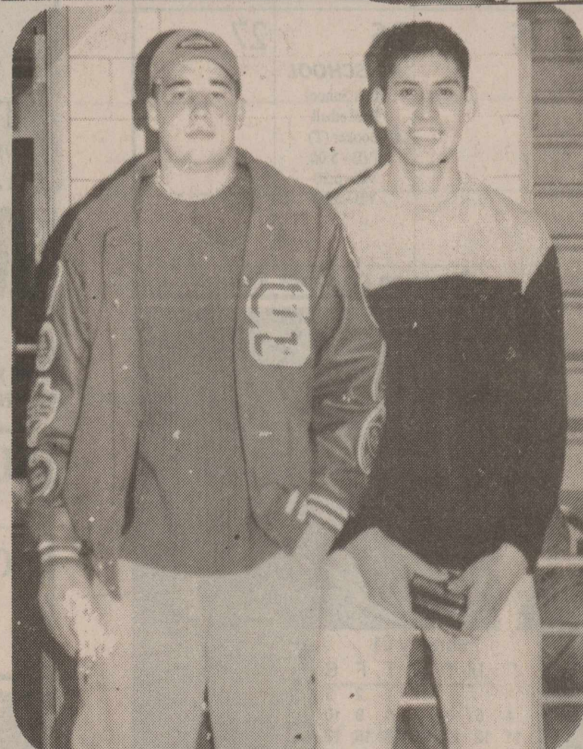
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# Stratford Tournament Shots

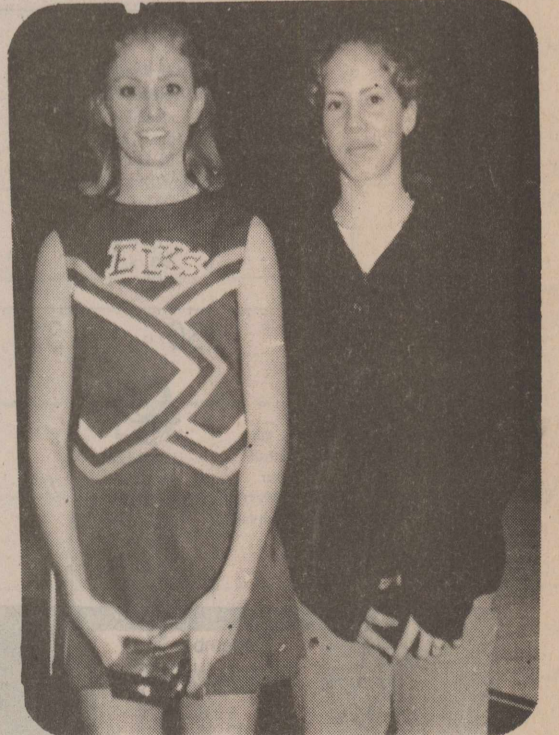
## Lady Elks Win 1st - Elks Win 2nd!



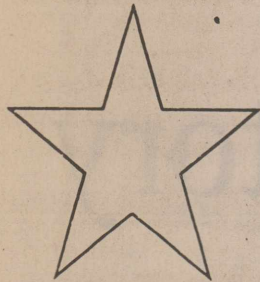
Scores  
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Named All-Tournament were Skyler Walden and Rene Vital at the Stratford Tournament held.



Carly Mathews, left was named All Tournament and Jessica Young was named MVP at the Stratford Tournament held December 28-30.



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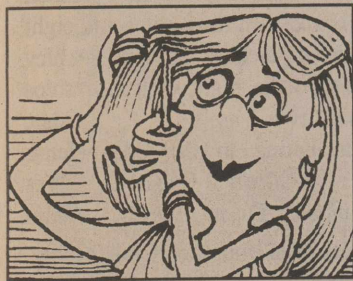
## Broccoli and Cheese Biscuits

Prep Time: 15 minutes  
Cooking Time: 7-9 minutes

2 cups Bisquick® Baking Mix  
¾ cup milk  
1 package (10 ounces) BIRDS EYE frozen Chopped Broccoli, cooked according to package directions and drained (pat dry with paper towel)  
4 ounces mild shredded cheddar cheese

In large bowl, combine baking mix, milk, broccoli and cheese; stir until soft dough forms. Turn onto lightly floured surface and knead about 10 times. Roll dough to ½-inch thickness; cut with 2½-inch cutter; place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake in preheated 450°F oven 7-9 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 12 biscuits.

For more great-tasting kids' recipes, visit [www.birdseye.com](http://www.birdseye.com).



In England, bobby pins are known as Kirby grips and rubber grips are known as Wellingtons.

Nothing is more dangerous than an idea, when it is the only idea we have.

—Alain

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The dollar coin and half-dollar coin were first issued in 1794; the quarter in 1796.

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Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.  
—Oscar Wilde

# 2000

## Stratford Elk State Champions

N.O.	NAME	WEIGHT	POSITION	CLASS
7	Adam Bell	160	QB	Jr.
11	Corey Naugle	190	QB	Sr.
13	Craig Moore	160	WR	Jr.
13	Zach Miller	140	WR	Soph.
16	Isaac Chabolla	135	WR	Jr.
16	Miguel Rivas	135	WR	Jr.
19	Denton Crabtree	150	B	Soph.
20	ERIC York	130	WR	Soph.
22	John Tims	155	B	Fr.
23	Javier Licon	180	B	Jr.
23	Levi Artho	135	WR	Fr.
24	Matthew Taliaferro	100	WR	Soph.
25	Jason Ashley	145	QB	Fr.
25	Brian Kimbrough	100	WR	Fr.
27	Wes Hunbaker	175	B	Jr.
30	Chance Lowery	130	WR	Soph.
30	Jamie Casares	120	B	Fr.
32	Sid Resendes	200	B	Sr.
33	Carlos Jacquez	155	B	Fr.
33	Jason Roberts	110	WR	Fr.
40	Chance Crowel	140	B	Fr.
50	Skyler Walden	200	C	Jr.
52	Nick Ashley	255	G	Jr.
52	Chris Lopez	165	G	Fr.
53	Wes Kimball	255	G	Jr.
58	Scott Zak	145	C	Soph.
60	Gilbert Gutierrez	250	T	Sr.
60	Brad Reed	170	G	Fr.
64	Kevin Walls	145	G	Fr.
64	Manuel Maldonado	135	G	Fr.
65	Jared Nusz	155	C	Soph.
66	Clint Adams	185	G	Soph.
67	Carlos Flores	160	T	Fr.
67	Brian Booth	150	T	Fr.
71	McLain Pool	175	T	Sr.
72	Josh Williams	150	T	Fr.
72	Geovany Ortega	175	T	Fr.
76	Adam Witcher	155	T	Fr.
77	Adrian Jacquez	165	T	Fr.
79	Adam Reed	210	T	Jr.
79	Bill Walker	130	C	Fr.
80	Dalton Sladek	160	WR	Soph.
81	Rene Vital	210	WR	Sr.
83	Michael McAlister	170	WR	Jr.
83	Marcus McAlister	125	WR	Fr.
85	Johnny Larance	150	WR	Sr.
86	Jaret Pemberton	165	WR	Jr.
86	Carson Buckles	140	WR	Fr.
88	Dylan Everett	235	WR	Soph.

## BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

### Save Time And Money Through Automation

(NAPS)—The Internet's impact on productivity is a hot topic these days. Just ask Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board.

In recent talks, Greenspan noted that the country's recent productivity boom caused by the automation of routine manual tasks has been a key factor in staving off inflation. In addition to the benefits of decreased inflation, automating monotonous tasks also saves companies time and money.

So, how can your company use technology to improve productivity and save money? Extensity, a company that provides Internet-based software that frees employees from the hassles of time-consuming and costly administrative tasks, offers these three steps to get you there:

1. Move away from software that sits on your computer to software stored on the Internet.
2. Equip employees with mobile devices to help traveling workers maximize their time on the road.
3. Automate the flow of information through the company to help employees make informed

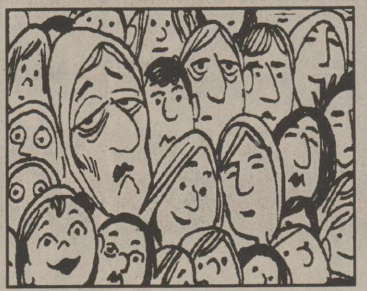
decisions. With these steps accomplished, your company can reap impressive savings: streamlining expense reporting procedures can reduce the cost per report from nearly 40 dollars to less than eight dollars. Even better, the time it takes for an employee to complete a report drops from 55 minutes to less than 15 minutes. In the case of purchase requisitions, the cost per requisition drops from over 100 dollars to close to 30 dollars.

"Automating administrative tasks such as expense reporting and time tracking can provide powerful results to any organization looking to cash in on the benefits of Internet technology," said Elizabeth Ireland, vice president of marketing for Extensity. "It's a great way for enterprises to increase the amount of valuable business activities accomplished while saving time, effort and money."

For more information on how your company can jump on the productivity boom and discover the value in automating paper-based reports for itself, visit the Web site at [www.extensity.com](http://www.extensity.com).



On May 26, 1959, Joe Adcock of the Milwaukee Braves hit a home run with two men on base in the bottom of the 13th inning of a scoreless game. But because Adcock passed another runner on the basepaths, he was only credited with a double, making the final score 1-0.



During her lifetime, Mrs. Fyodor Vassilyev gave birth to 16 sets of twins, 7 sets of triplets, and 4 sets of quadruplets—69 children in all.

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# 2000 Stratford Elks Make History



## Great Job Elks!!

### Elks Beat Burkeville 49-14

The Stratford Elks achieved for the first time in history a STATE CHAMPIONSHIP in football for Stratford. The Stratford Elks accomplished their goal on Saturday, December 23, 2000 in Waco, Texas where they beat the Burkeville Mustangs 49-14 to bring home the 1A State Championship trophy. Also setting a record for the Elks and for the Panhandle-area was running back Sid Resendes who set an all time high rushing record for the year with 2,914 yards which surpassed the old record of 2,890 set in 1988 by Quanah's Setrick Dickins. The Elks not only won the State Championship but they also became the first Panhandle football team to win 16 games. The Elks finished their big season 16-0 and won the state title by the second largest margin in area history and set a single-season Texas Panhandle scoring record with 731 points.

Corey Naugle led the Elks defense with five solo tackles and three assists. Skyler Walden followed with three solos and eight assisted tackles. Nick Ashley finished the night with four solos and two assists. Also, contributing to the Elk defense were Gilbert Gutierrez, Wes Kimball, Dylan Everett, Adam Reed, Wes Hunsaker, Craig Moore, Javier Licon, Jaret Pemberton, Michael McAlister, Johnny Larance, Rene Vital, Carlos Jacquez, Adam Bell, Jason Ashley, and McLain Pool.

Congratulations to Coach Brad Thiessen - 1A Coach of the Year and Sid Resendes - 1A Player of the Year. Named to the Amarillo Globe News Golden Spread Super Team were Sid Resendes and Nick Ashley for Offense and Adam Bell was named Utility Player of the Year. Congratulations to these young men. In next edition All-District honorees and pictures.

Congratulations to an Outstanding group of young men and their coaches (Brad Thiessen, Eddie Metcalf, Russell Ashley, Mark Keener, Jim Bob Brown, and Lance Simpson). You are to be commended for your performance on and off the field this season. Also congratulations to Senior team members Gilbert Gutierrez, Rene Vital, Corey Naugle, McLain Pool, Johnny Larance, and Sid Resendes - what a way to end your last high school football season!!  
**LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT FOOTBALL SEASON IN 2001!!**

### Congratulations Elks on your State Win

**Don & Gaynelle Riffe  
 Ralph, Minnie, Ralph James  
 and Annette Hampton  
 Blake & Tiffany Conler &  
 Family**

**Rex & Bernice Christian**  
 (These folks were left off of our special page-We apologize to them)

