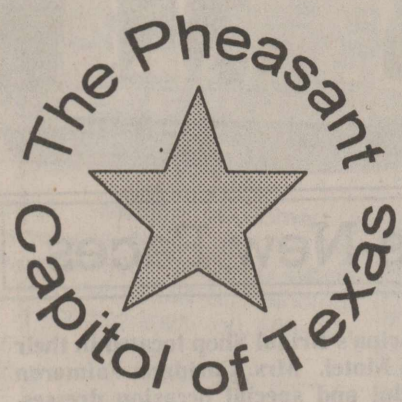


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School Board Election

The Stratford Ind. School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 6, 2000. The first day to apply for a place on the ballot is February 21, 2000 and will continue through March 22, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 503 N. 8th Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. School will be closed for Spring Break March 13 through 17, 2000, and information concerning applications during this time will be posted on the window at the school.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 19, 2000 and continue through May 2, 2000. Early voting will be conducted in the Superintendent's office from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Show Your Elk Spirit

SHOW YOUR ELK SPIRIT! Spirit Flags are now on sale by GFWC/Prospectus Study Club members. Club members want the flags to fly for football games, basketball games, track, UIL scholastic events, in other words, anytime there is a cause for celebration!

Large 3 ft. x 5 ft. flags (especially good for businesses) are \$50.00. House flag size is 2 1/2 ft. x 3 ft. they are \$30.00. Student flags are 14" x 18" and \$20.00.

If a member doesn't find you, call Laurie Spurlock at 366-2772 or contact a Study Club member.

Stratford Offers Night Classes

Stratford ISD would like to offer the following night classes. Classes will be on Monday and Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for eight weeks. The cost of each class will be \$25.00. There must be at least 10 people sign up to offer the class. Please call 366-3300 if you wish to sign up for a class. We must know by Wednesday, March 1, if you wish to take the class. This will give us time to contact everyone if we are going to have the class or not.

Classes will begin Monday, March 6 and end Thursday, May 4. There will be no classes during Spring Break, March 13-17. The following six classes will be offered:

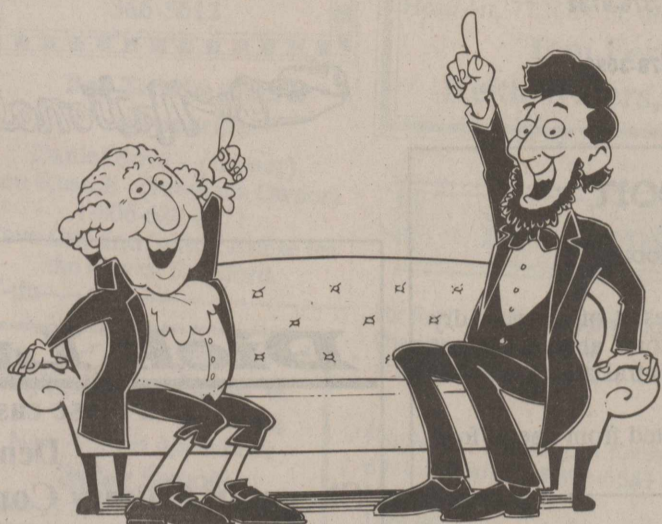
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- Beginning Spanish
- Conversational Spanish
- Basic Computer Operations
- Word
- Power Point and Internet Use
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- Arlene Baker - 366-5318
- Joyce Dodson - 366-5608
- Patsy Harland - 827-7568
- Viola Kautz - 396-2058
- Mark Metzger - 396-2013
- Michal Meyer - 827-7453

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PRESIDENT'S DAY MONDAY FEBRUARY 21ST

Bond Election Results On Saturday

Results in Saturdays Bond election For 243: against 120. Bond election passes.



Irlbecks Hold Private Audience With Pope Paul II

Randy Irlbeck, Mary 2, Lisa and Kelly Ann 1, were in a private audience with Pope John Paul II in Rome just before they returned to the States to make their home. Randy, who had worked for the University of Dallas in Rome for 13 years, was acting as host to about 100 persons from a dozen countries. Randy & Lisa had also been blessed by the Pope at the time of their wedding. Ted & Joyce Irlbeck made two trips to Rome and shook the Pope's hand both times. For a little corner of their world, this has been indeed unusual! (Photo courtesy of Vatican City Photographer)

TRTA To Meet Thursday, Feb. 17

The Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore unit of the Texas Retired Teachers Association will meet Thursday, February 17, at 2:00 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church in Dalhart. The church is located at the corner of Denver Avenue and Eighth Street.

Father Jerry Sneary Will give the invocation and there will be a short musical program by Pastor Rusty Hancock of Lincoln Street Baptist Church.

A business meeting will follow and proposed legislation affecting retirees will be discussed. There may be a report on volunteer hours performed by members during 1999. Mildred Bosler, of Dumas, was honored at the district meeting last year for the most volunteer hours served by a member from the local unit.

Mary Beth Willard from Coon Memorial Hospital will be the guest speaker at the meeting.

Refreshments will be served by hostesses: Lois Gossett, Addierre Bryant, Betty Chalker, Nancy Woods, and Darlene Stanley.

As always, the meeting is open to the public.

Republican Primary March 14

The County Commissioners race for Precinct 1 in Sherman County looks to be a horse race with three local candidates running for the Republican representative spot for the General Election to be held in November. The three candidates are Gary Dettle, Boyd Spurlock, and Sandy Tillery. All three candidates have lived in Stratford most of their lives. Jeff Meyer of Texhoma is running for County Commissioner Precinct 3. Valerie McAlister, incumbent, is running for Tax Assessor/Collector and Kim Allen, incumbent, is running for County Attorney.

All voters should make note of some important dates. Anyone can request a ballot by mail but it must be returned no later than March 7, 2000. To vote in person early, you may go to the County Clerks office in the Sherman County Courthouse between the dates of February 28, 2000 and March 10, 2000. Voting will take place during normal business hours. General Primary Election Day is March 14, 2000. All voters for Precincts 1, 2 & 4 vote at the County Barn in Stratford. Precinct 3 voters will vote in Texhoma.

Community Awareness Meeting

There will be a Community Awareness Meeting for Special Olympics on Friday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m. at Sherman County Barn. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

Sherman County Quarterly Transportation Meeting To Be Held

Sherman County Quarterly Transportation Meeting will be Thursday, February 17, 2000 at 12 noon at Rendon's Headquarters (Dutch Treat-eat before, during, after or not at all).

Learn of TxDot plans, time tables, possibilities for Stratford and Sherman County. Kenneth Petr, Area Engineer.

Tree Orders Still Being Taken

REMINDER: The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District is still taking orders for windbreak and landscape trees. The deadline is the first of March. Come by the office or call as soon as possible.

Der West Fest Dinner Held Sunday



St. Joseph's Der Wurst Fest was held on Sunday, February 13th at the Stratford High School Cafeteria. A good crowd was on hand to enjoy the wonderful meal as always.



Artho A Winner

As a sponsor of the 2000 Calf Scramble Event at the 51st Annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, H-E-B along with the Calf Scramble Committee are helping the youth of Texas grow and prosper in their agricultural endeavors. Nicholas Artho was a winner in the February 5, 2000 7:30 p.m. performance. Shown congratulating him are (L to R) Committee Chairman Joe Ernst, Superintendent Mark Medbury, #1 Nicholas Artho, Isaac Cardends, Team Captain Rub Riedel, & Kim Winton.

Women's Forum Nomination For 2000 Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award honors outstanding women who have helped shape the development of the Texas Panhandle through their contributions of talent and skill. The award recognizes and publicizes the visible examples set by women who pave the way for others to follow. Since 1975, recipients have been selected from arts, business, finance, education, health care, law science, volunteerism and other fields.

Individuals or groups/organizations may submit nominations for Texas women who are legal residents of the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle and have not previously received this award. Nominate individuals who have had a significant impact on the

Panhandle of Texas through their local communities. The impact should extend beyond professional achievements.

Nominating Criteria and Forms may be obtained at the Stratford Chamber of Commerce or from Marillyn Albert Harkins, Gaynelle Riffe or Jane Juetz, Amarillo 806-355-0603. Nominations deadline to the Women's Form is March 15.

Nominations are welcomed and encouraged for those previously nominated but have yet to be a recipient.

Past Recipients for Stratford Area: 1984 Marillyn Albert Harkins, 1985 Timmie Brown, 1987 Lynn Wells, 1993 MariHoward Engelbrecht, 1998 Gaynelle Riffe.

Crop Production Clinic

Goodwell-There will be a Crop Production Clinic held on Thursday, March 2, at the Oklahoma Panhandle research and Extension Center, Goodwell. The clinic will start at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. Call 580/349-5441 on or before February 24, to make reservations.

CEUS's approved for the clinic are Nutrient Management, one hour; Pest Management, one hour; and Crop Management, four hours.

Speakers and topics will include Dr. Tom Royer, OSU, Insect Control in Corn and Sorghum; Dr. Gene Krenzer, OSU, Wheat Production and Management; Dr. Gordon Johnson, OSU, Micronutrients in Crop Production; Dr. Ron Sholar, OSU, Soybean Production and Management; Dr. John Caddel, OSU, Alfalfa Production and Management; and Mr. Rick Kockenower, OPREC, Corn & Sorghum Hybrid Selection.

Obit

Mrs. Ruby Yates Gabbert

Coleman, Texas-Mrs. Ruby Yates Gabbert, age 92 died Saturday, February 12, 2000 at Ronger Park Nursing Home.

Services were held on Wednesday, February 16, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. at Walker Funeral Chapel with the Rev. David Jenkins, pastor of Central Baptist church officiating. Interment was in Santa Anna Cemetery Under the direction of Walker Funeral Home of Coleman.

Mrs. Gabbert was born in Louisiana to Ed and Jonie Hester. Married L.B. Yates, Sr. on March 16, 1922 in Coleman, Texas. He preceded her in Death in 1974. She married Tom Gabbert in Coleman in 1984 and he preceded her in death in 1994.

Mrs. Gabbert was a Baptist. She lived most of her life in Coleman.

Survivors include 3 daughters: Dorothy Robbins of Stratford, Texas, Verdell Armstrong of Portland, Ore. Ruby June Elkins of Abilene, Texas. two daughters and one son preceded her in death. One son L.B. Yates Jr. of Beaumont, Texas. Two Sisters: Mrs. Reba Hartman of Midland, TX and Mrs. Glyde Potter of Richland Hills, Texas. two brothers Edward Hester & Walter Hester, both of Angleton, Texas. 25 grandchildren. Several great grandchildren, several great great grandchildren. Grandchildren were the Pallbearers.

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Get "Jazzed" Up

Yucca Girl Scout Council is sponsoring a "mini" jazz dance clinic Saturday, February 19, 2000 at the Sherman County Barn, 501 S. Maple, Stratford, Texas.

The jazz dance clinic is open to ALL 1st through 6th grade girls in Stratford, Dalhart, Hartley, Channing and Texhoma. The cost is \$5 per girl. Dance instructor, Lori Garrett of Dumas will teach the clinic.

The 1st-3rd grade clinic will be 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. the 4th-6th grade clinic is 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Please wear tennis shoes, loose clothing and pull your hair away from your face. Pre-register by calling 1-800-546-2478 by noon on Friday February 18. Parents are welcome to stay and watch.

If you have any questions please call Sharen or Ivy at 1-800-546-2478.

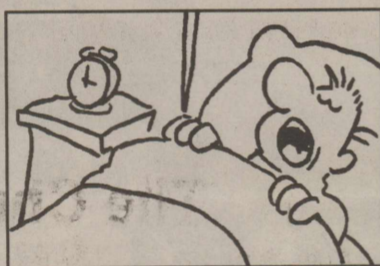
Scot News

By Jack Gore

Coffee Bar, exercise, ceramics, and very little pool playing were the activities last week. Thanks goes out to Joyce Dodson for her work with the coffee bar. No domino games were played last week.

This week will be board meeting Tuesday. Bingo Thursday.

Dorothy will be out of the office this week due to the death of her mother. Our thoughts and prayers will be with her. I hope everyone got their Valentine wish this week. Next will be luncheon on Thursday and Dance on Saturday night. Also I hope that the new board will give us now direction and leadership.



In 1900, the average American slept 9 hours, 20 minutes per night. Now it's 7 hours, 20 minutes.

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

- Feb. 18-20
25,26 "Nunsense Jamboree" Musical
Guymon Community Theatre 338-6760
- Feb. 19 Amarillo Symphony-Joseph Silverstein, violin
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- Feb. 27 "Spirit of the Dance"
Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-3096
- Feb. 29 "Annie"
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- March 1-5 "The American Story" Musical
Branding Iron Theatre, WTAMU, Canyon
- March 2-11 "Death Of A Salesman" drama
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- March 4,5 "Nunsense Jamboree" Guymon Players
LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646
- March 4 The Harrington String Quartet
Westminster Presbyterian Church 806-376-8782
- March 4 Ohio Ballet "Kings of Swing" Lone Star Ballet
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463
- March 6 "Avalon-Anointed" Christian Contemporary
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- March 1*** "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"
April 1 State Right Theatre, Amarillo 806-353-7888
- March 11*** Amarillo Symphony-Copland & Ellington
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- March 16*** Disney on Ice "Wizard of Oz"
Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096



New Places-New Faces

New Place-New Face is Carina's Bridal Shop located in their new building at the La Siesta Motel. Mrs. Caridana Falmeron has a great selection of bridal and special occasion dresses. Come by and visit this new business at their Open House on Thursday, February 17th from 4-5:30 p.m.

National Dental Month

AgriPartner Report

Week of February 7, 2000
Dallam, Sherman, Hartley & Moore

Dryland wheat continues to decline as a result of the very dry conditions and heavy greenbug infestations in some areas. Heaviest infestations of greenbugs exist in the north central and southwest areas of the Texas Panhandle.

A few Russian wheat aphid are being reported from one of four fields being checked in Randall County.

STRATFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Invites The Community To Attend The Open House

for
CARINA'S BRIDAL SHOP - Wholesale and Retail
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Thursday, February 17, 2000 4-5:30 p.m. in their new building at the La Siesta Motel.

Mrs. Caridana Falmeron has a great selection of bridal and special occasion dresses as well as necessary accessories. She also carries a stock of party decoration. Come by and visit this great new business in Stratford.

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Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, readers, citizens this Happy Valentines Day Monday, February 14, 2000.

63 degrees F. for a Beautiful Monday.

While in therapy Susie Harlow came to visit with us.

Visiting with us Wednesday, February 9 was Esther Ferguson while we were in therapy. On Feb. 11, while we were on our daily roll, we dropped down the hall central and John Waggoner was in with shoulder surgery. Albert Leroy Judd has had hip replacement.

Saturday, the 12th Anita and Donna Beth Judd stopped to see Timi and Lorelyn. Donna son Judd was married around Christmas time which made it a wonderful family time for all the Leroy Judd family.

On Sunday afternoon we went to the nursing home to see Beulah and Garland Bardwell, they are doing fine.

On the way to see Georgia Lavake, Kent Cartrite from Sunray was in the hall and he said Timi Brown, I was wondering about you. They were joined by Faye Cartrite and Lahoma Hunt, all of Sunray. Kent told us that Marshall Cator is in his 90s and will be entered in the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City in April of 2000. We hope and wish our peers and friends everywhere not to have forgotten to pat shoulders and tell folks you luv them.

Check Out The Library

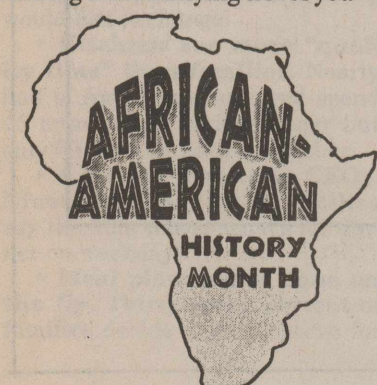
By Sandy Baskin

The library has just received a new shipment of large print books on loan to us from the Texas Panhandle Library System. These books will be at our library until June allowing our patrons plenty of time to check each one out.

The newest Oprah Book Club selection *Gap Creek* by Robert Morgan has arrived at the library. In this novel, Morgan returns to the vivid world of the Appalachian high country to follow Julie and Hank Harmon in their new life on Gap Creek and their efforts to make sense of the world in the last years of the nineteenth century. Scratching out a life for themselves, always at risk of losing it all, Julie and Hank don't know what to fear most—the floods or the flesh-and-blood grifters who insinuate themselves into their new lives.

Inspired by a long fascination with Galileo, and by the remarkable surviving letters of Galileo's daughter, a cloistered nun, Dava Sobel has written a biography unlike any other of the man Albert Einstein called "the father of modern physics—indeed of modern science altogether". *Galileo's Daughter* also presents a stunning portrait of a person hitherto lost to history, described by her father as "a woman of exquisite mind, singular goodness and most tenderly attached to me." Using letters which Sobel has translated from their original Italian and masterfully woven into the narrative, the daughter's presence graces her father's life now as it did then.

Battle Born by Dale Brown has veteran navigator-bombardier and brigadier general, Patrick McLanahan, back in action. The U.S. Air Force has sent McLanahan to a B-1B Lancer unit in Nevada to develop and train a tactical strike unit designed to seek out and destroy enemy missiles. As time is running out for the team, the fragile peace in Asia is shattered when what was supposed to be a joint U.S.-Japan-South Korea mock bombing raid turns lethal. Thus begins a conflict that threatens to embroil all of Asia. Enter McLanahan's raw audacious team. Relentlessly paced, filled with the you-are-there feel of supersonic flight, *Battle Born* delivers the technology, action and drama that Brown fans savor. It is this marvelous storyteller's most exciting and satisfying novel yet.



Kimberly Lynn Brostad and Clinton Harris Parsons were united in marriage on Saturday, July 24, 1999 at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Katy, Texas. The double ring ceremony was officiated by Reverend Stephen Cooney of Brainard, Nebraska.

The bride is the daughter of Jay & Karen Brostad of Katy, Texas. The groom is the son of Larry & Doris Parsons of Stratford, Texas.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a gown designed by Moonlight. The gown was of white regal bridal satin with beaded and sequined Alencon lace. The halter style bodice was covered with beaded and sequined Alencon lace appliques. The straight sheath skirt was accented with a detachable cathedral length train. Her chapel length veil was held by a band accented with teardrop pearls.

Kimberly carried a bouquet of white silk roses and greenery. A family heirloom handkerchief belonging to her great-grandmother and her mother's rosary were intertwined in the roses.

For her maid of honor the bride chose her friend, Christina Benbow of Katy, Texas. Bridesmaids were Heather Brostad of Katy, Texas, sister of the bride, Ashley Elliott of Stratford, Texas, sister of the groom, and Nicole Lorsch of Lincoln, Nebraska, friend of the bride. The flower girl was Danielle Gulliver of Katy, Texas, friend of the bride.

The attendants wore a-line gowns of celeston green crepe. The gowns were accented with short sleeved bolero jackets of coordinating celeston green lace. The attendants carried bouquets of yellow and white lilies.

For his best man the groom chose his friend, Lee Wall of Amarillo, Texas. Groomsmen were Jay Cloyd of Amarillo, Teas and Kendall Bonds of College Station, Texas, friends of the groom, and Thad Parsons of Stratford, Texas, brother of the groom. Ring bearer was Payton Elliott, nephew of the groom.

Ushers were Guy Loneragan of Fort Collins, Colorado, Shane Pennington of Nachodoches, TX and Troy Benbow of Katy, TX.

A reception dinner and dance was held at the Elks Lodge in Katy, Texas. Host couple for the reception were Art & Pat Rodgers of Katy, Texas, aunt and uncle of the bride.

Kimberly is a graduate of Katy High School and Texas A&M University. She is employed as an elementary teacher in New Deal, Texas and is currently enrolled in a masters Degree program at Texas Tech University. Clinton is a graduate of Stratford High School and Texas A&M University. He holds a Masters Degree from Colorado State University, and is currently pursuing a doctorate degree at Texas Tech University.

Clint is employed with Cactus Feeders, Inc.

After a honeymoon on the East Coast, the couple are residing in Lubbock, Texas.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Hope you have seen the picture of Randy Irlbeck family with the Pope. The group that was staying on the University of Dallas campus was Tertio Millennium Seminar with persons from the U.S. Canada, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and others. The Irlbecks accompanied them to the private audience with the Pope at Vatican City on Jan. 3.

Melvin Irlbeck of Dallas, Randy's brother, spent a couple of weeks in Rome with them before they left Jan. 17.

If one thought the road between Kerrick and Stratford was rough, it's really bumpy since they filled the cracks! Now, if they would just put something smooth on top!

Several from Stratford attended the Valentine Dinner hosted by Dumas Masons for widows of Master Masons Saturday night. At one table were the Kenny Palmers, Garland Bardwells, Gladys Arnold, Joyce Ann Lasley, Lillie McAdams and Marylou McDaniel.

The hosts had taken a bus to Dumas Rest Homes and brought those widows to the event. June Frizzell was among them and was looking good.

The program had a man and his guitar and a "rural" poet. Sorry, no names.

Jo June McDaniel came home Thursday night from Wheeler

where she had been with Mr. & Mrs. Bob Wills. Jo June had her toes operated on Jan. 25 and they took good care of her, she says.

She was glad to go to church Sunday. Said that the bell choir with flute was outstanding and wished everyone could have heard them.

Kerrick Community will be having lunch at the Center at noon on Wednesdays. Money made over the cost of preparation will go toward center utilities. Meals will be simple but ample. Barbara Schoonover prepared the Feb. 9 meal.

Marylou McDaniel was in Denver Feb. 3-8 with daughter Patti, and Sharon, Sarah, Kristen Powell. They attended the theater production of "Swingtime Canteen". The show takes place in a quonset at an airfield in England in 1944. The U.S.O. troupe lets

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them sing dozens of the songs of the time. (I even knew most of the words!).

Eight month old Kylee Gillenwaters stayed Saturday night with her grandparents, Bill & Donna, while her parents, Jimmy & Sunday sent to Clayton for supper. Also going were Dr. Alisa Ward, Brady & Trisha Schoonover.

Jody Avent, former resident of Kerrick and daughter of Boots & Rene Avent of Stinnett, had her name mentioned in two Amarillo Daily News sports articles last week. Jody, a junior, plays guard for ENMU. They had a eight game winning streak that West Texas Lady Buffs broke Friday night.

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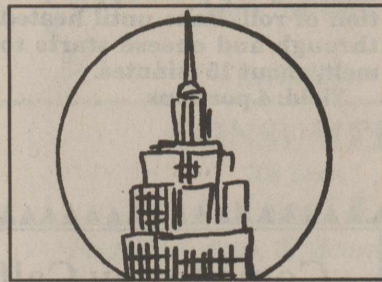


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(Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.

Wed. Missionettes - 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm

First Christian

Rev. Rob Chandler

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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Church of Christ

Mike Talley

N. 3rd & Chestnut

Sunday School 9:30 am

Morning Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 5:00 pm

Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Calvary Baptist

John Widner

302 S. Main

Afternoon Worship 2:30 pm

Children's Active Learning 2:30 pm

No Evening Worship

Thurs. Bible Study & Fellowship 7:30 pm

First Baptist

Bro. Jerry Stewart

702 N. 3rd

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.

Church Training 6:00 p.m.

Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Domingo-(Sunday)

Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

Servicio De Adoration 11:00 am

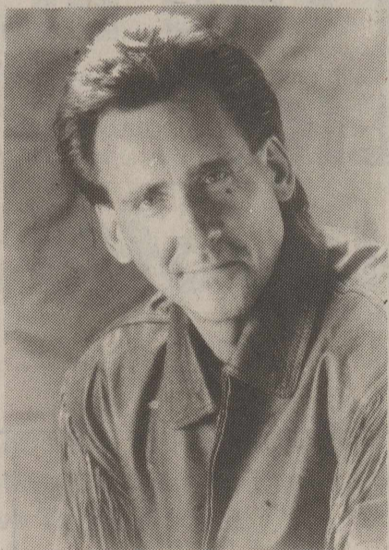
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Births

Pike Langford is happy to announce the birth of his brother Montgomery Luke Langford born February 10, 2000, 3:13 p.m., weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz and 19 inches long.

Parents are Adi & Monty Langford of Amarillo, Texas.

Grandparents are Elaine & Wayne MaGouirk and Joe Cluck all of Amarillo and Robert and Margaret Langford of Grandbury, Texas.

Great grandparents are Nola Cummings of Amarillo and Cease & Skeeze Riley of Gruver.



Engagement Announced

Ricki Carter & David Carter, both of Canyon, announce the engagement of their daughter, Nickki Michelle, to Cory Cluck, Cluck is the son of Elaine and Wayne MaGouirk and Joe Cluck all of Amarillo and the grandson of Nola Cummings of Amarillo and Cease & Skeeze Riley of Gruver. The couple plan to be wed May 20 at Country Home Bed & Breakfast in Canyon. The bride-elect works part time as a customer sales representative at Amarillo National Bank. She plans to receive an elementary education degree in December from West Texas A&M University. The prospective groom served four years in the U.S. Navy. He is an orthopedic sales representative for Desert Mountain Medical & Rattan Medical.



Mrs. Heather Husmann Hormel (Mrs. Ken Hormel) was honored with a shower Saturday, February 12, 2000 in the home of Mrs. Connie Reinart. Shown above is Ann Hormel, Heather and Lois Husmann. The couple was married January 29, 2000.

Warm Ham, Swiss And Fresh Tomato Rolls

- 2 fully ripened fresh Florida tomatoes (about 1 pound)
- 6 ounces sliced ham, cut in strips (about 1 1/2 cups)
- 6 ounces Swiss cheese, shredded (about 1 1/2 cups)
- 3 tablespoons prepared creamy mustard blend (like Dijonnaise)
- 1 tablespoon prepared white horseradish (optional)
- 4 large hard round (Kaiser) rolls, cut in halves

Preheat oven to 400°F. Cut stem ends from tomatoes; slice in large chunks; set aside. In a medium bowl, combine ham, cheese, mustard blend and horseradish (if using). Gently stir in tomatoes. Remove the inside from the bottom portion of each roll, leaving 1/2 to 3/4-inch thick shells. Place on a baking sheet. Fill each shell with about 1 cup of the tomato mixture; top with upper portion of roll. Bake until heated through and cheese starts to melt, about 15 minutes.

Yield: 4 portions



Pam Lovell, bride elect of Brent Lane, was honored with a shower Saturday February 12, 2000 in the home of Mrs. Carolyn Tarver. Shown above is Ruth Lane from Dumas, Sue Lovell of Fort Worth, Pam, also of Fort Worth, and Arnita Lane of Stratford.



Misty Bruns (Mrs. Phillip Luther) was honored with a shower Saturday February 12, 2000 in the home of Mrs. Sherry Phelps. Shown above is Reba Davis, Karen Luther, Misty and Dora Bruns. The couple was Married February 4, 2000.

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Coldwater Manor Birthdays



The Kindergarten classes of Mrs. Koch, Mrs. Burr, and Mrs. Walker, under the direction of music teacher Belinda Hamilton sang a few songs at the Coldwater Manor birthday party on Tuesday, February 8th.

Six Coldwater Manor residents celebrated February birthdays when GFWC/ Prospectus Study Club members hosted the party Feb. 8. They were Laura Pipkin, Louise Long, Nell Tucker, Lena Miller, Jake Kirk and Frank Sutton. Each received a gift from Belinda Hamilton. Club members provided angel food and chocolate cakes, ice cream and punch. Servers were Michelle Lutes, chairman, and Marsha Wright, Laurie Spurlock, Dorothy Haile and Oline Caraway.



Celebrating February birthdays at Coldwater Manor birthday party on Tuesday, February 8th were L/R: Frank Sutton, Nell Tucker, Laura Pipkin, Jake Kirk, Lena Miller, and Louise Long. Also shown are Russell and MaryAnn Spurlock who were there at the party. Hosts for the party were Prospectus Study Club members.

Stratford Students Compete At UIL Practice Meet

While sleep was most on their minds Saturday morning, several members of the Stratford High School UIL team traveled to Canadian to participate in a UIL Invitational Practice meet. The UIL District meet is not until next month, but many hardy souls thought they needed to polish their skills. Those willing to make the long trip to Canadian were Mary Bass accompanying Chance Lowery, Robin Daniels, and Jarred Nusz. These young people competed in Poetry and Prose competition. The students taking the science test included Dylan Everett, Ginger Crabtree, Erich Taylor and Adam Reed. Sponsor, Mrs. Everett, cheered them on and then got to help grade ALL the papers!

Corey Naugle was the lone participant in Computer Science but Corey paired up with teammate, Erich Taylor, for a test in Current Issues and Events. Students competing under the direction of Mrs. Stoy in Spelling & Vocabulary consisted of Matthew Taliaferro, Aracely Perez, Ashley Brown, Amie Witcher, Candra Holland, and Cody Hamilton. Mrs. Stoy shepherded three freshmen through their first attempts at Literary Criticism. Those students included Jarred Nusz, Tiffany Duke, and Alicia Adams.

The four journalism teams saw quite a bit of action. The teams consisted of Lori Wilhelm and Adam Bell, Newswriting; Kara

Brownlee and Adam Reed, Feature Writing; Erich Taylor, Lori Wilhelm and Matthew Taliaferro, Editorial Writing; and Robert Walton, Corey Naugle, Ashley Brown and Matthew Taliaferro writing headlines. The Ready Writing team consisted of Robert Walton, Jessica Walton and Lindsey Marshall.

Those placing in the contest are as follows: Chance Lowery earned a gold medal in Poetry; the Spelling team comprised of Cody Hamilton, Matthew Taliaferro and Ashley Brown received silver medals with Cody Hamilton winning an individual silver medal; Lori Wilhelm earned a bronze medal in News Writing; Corey Naugle earned 6th place in the computer science competition; Erich Taylor was 6th in the Current Issues and Events Contest; Adam Bell was 6th in News Writing; and Kara Brownlee was 5th in the Feature Writing Contest. At press time, results were unknown for the Editorial and Headline portion of the contest.

Sponsors accompanying the students included Mary Bass, Judy Stoy, Paula Everett and Linda Young. Travis Melton was our bus driver. Each sponsor would like to thank the students who took time from their busy schedules to spend a long day at Canadian. Also a tremendous thanks to the parents who support these young people and their sponsors in practice meets.

Consumer Corner

Making Money Online

(NAPS)—Consumers are tired of having their personal information sold and used without their permission, and receiving nothing but junk mail in return.

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Detweiler describes her company as a broker acting on behalf of consumers. "This information ultimately belongs to consumers," she says. "It's only fair that they have control over how it is used, and that they are fairly compensated."

In basketball slang, an "air-craft carrier" is a player you bring in to win the game, a "big gun."

What's For Dinner In America?

New Survey Reveals Families Value Eating Dinner Together—And Make Time For It At Least Five Times A Week

(NAPS)—Car pools and dance lessons. Business meetings that run late and rush-hour traffic that doesn't move forward. Most American families can agree that their family moves at a hectic pace—and often in different directions. With so many places to be and things to do, it can be a challenge to find time for family.

A surprising seven in 10 Americans, however, are still sitting down to dinner at least five times a week, according to a new survey conducted by Kraft Foods, Inc. and Yankelovich Partners (1999).

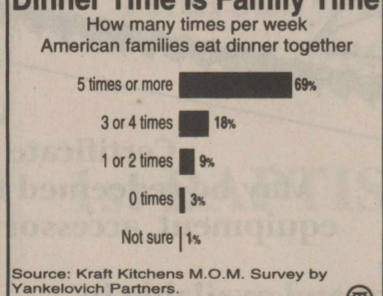
Almost three in four respondents to the Kraft Kitchens M.O.M. Survey said bonding with family is a top priority at mealtime. The survey, which polled 1,000 Americans primarily responsible for their family's meal planning and preparation, also found that 89 percent said their family traditions are born during mealtimes. Although they made time for family meals, Americans admit there are aspects of mealtimes they would like to change:

- **Kitchens see more "quality time" than families.** Nearly half of Americans surveyed spend 45 minutes preparing dinner but only 30 minutes eating together.

- **Kids are mealtime CEOs.** Ninety-four percent of families say the kids choose what's for dinner on weekdays.

- **Meal planning is done on the fly.** Thirty-seven percent of families decide what to serve for

Dinner Time Is Family Time



dinner only minutes before they begin cooking.

- **Mealtime satisfaction comes with seasoning.** Gen-Xers' feel a "time squeeze" when trying to schedule dinner with the family—one in five say they delay dinner until after 8 p.m. Boomers cite conflicting schedules and after-school activities as a dinner-time challenge. Seniors are the most satisfied with mealtimes—they eat earlier and have established mealtime rituals.

- **There's room for more.** More than 50 percent of families would like to spend more time eating together and feel dinnertime could be a more relaxed experience.

- **The dinner bell rings late.** Thirty-eight percent of families eat after 7 p.m. If they had their druthers, 25 percent would prefer to eat earlier.

"Americans know what they want to get out of mealtimes, but encounter some hurdles along the way," said Joanne Hoff of the Kraft Kitchens. "We're taking

what we've learned from the survey and helping make mealtimes easier for families by talking with them, listening to their frustrations and encouraging them to exchange solutions."

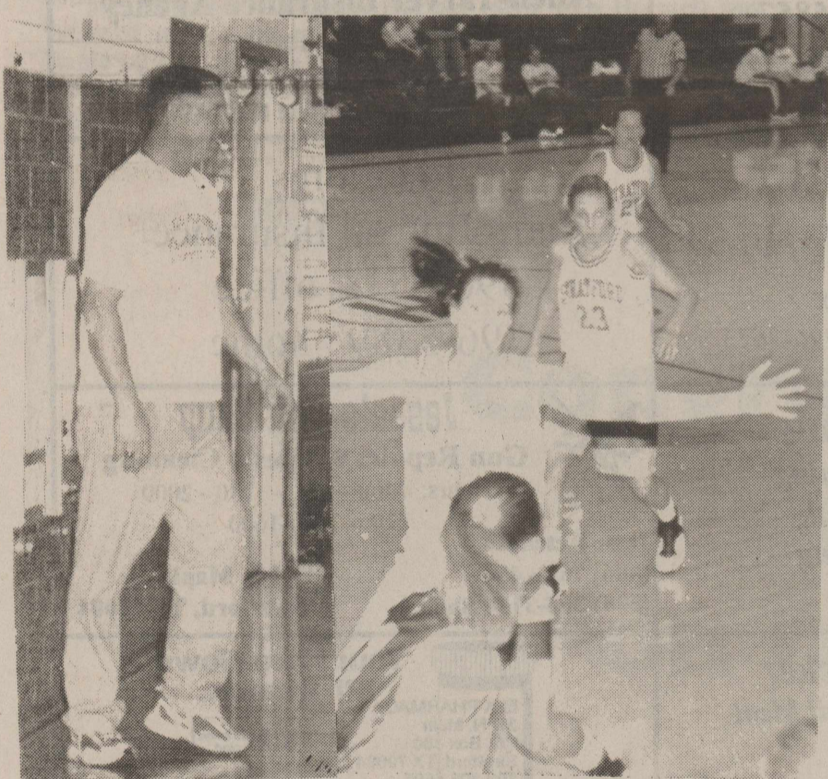
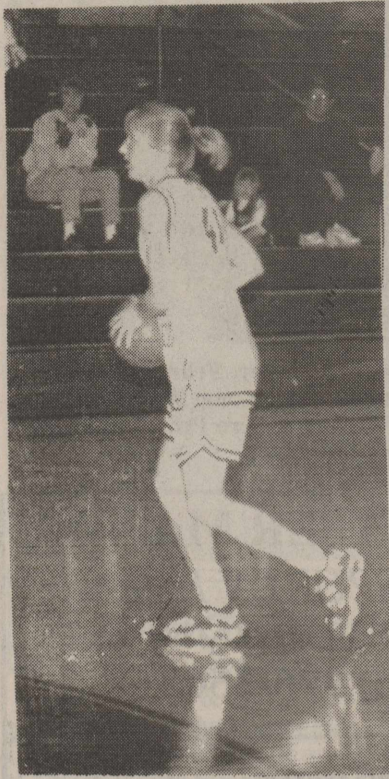
Kraft Foods, the largest packaged food company in the country, has visited four cities over the past months—Baltimore, Charlotte, Chicago and Phoenix—to host the Kraft Kitchens M.O.M. (Moms on Mealtime) Connections events to learn from M.O.M.s first-hand what their mealtime challenges are and to share ideas for taking mealtimes from mundane to magnificent.

The result of this dialogue with M.O.M.s from across the country will be the composition of the Kraft Kitchens M.O.M. Report, a collection of the top 365 tips and ideas for spending time with favorite people over their favorite foods. The report will be available to M.O.M.s early next year and will provide them with an "encyclopedia" of mealtime ideas from other M.O.M.s much like themselves.

The survey is part of the Kraft Presents M.O.M. program, a comprehensive exploration of how American families come together at mealtime. The Kraft Kitchens has been a resource for American families for nearly 75 years. Developing recipes and timesaving tips, the Kitchens has amassed more than 40,000 recipes over the years to help make mealtimes easier for American families.

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Basketball



The 7th grade Lady Elks beat Spearman 38-21 on Monday, February 7th to become the District Champs. The Lady Elks finished the season 9-0 in District and 14-1 overall. Deidre Tarver led the Lady Elks against Spearman with 23 points followed by Jamie Valenzuela and Ashley Duke with 4 points each. Lindsay Stein and Katy Bench added 2 points each. Congratulations Lady Elks!

The 7th grade Elks also beat Spearman 33-32 on Monday, February 7th to become the District Champs. They also finished the season 10-0 in District and 15-1 overall. Chris Ortega led the Elks with 15 points followed by Josh King with 10 points, Asbell Gomez with 6 points and Corey Rendon with 2 points. Congratulations Elks!

The 8th grade Lady Elks lost 23-42 to Spearman on Monday, February 7th. Alisha Sladek and Erin Ashley led the Lady Elks with 7 points each followed by RoAnn Lopez with 3 points, Mimi Ruiz and Audrey Navarrete with 2 points each. The Lady Elks finished 7-8 overall and 5-5 in District.

The 8th grade Elks beat Spearman 33-28 on Monday, February 7th. Carlos Jacquez was high point with 10 points followed by Jason Ashley with 9 points, Marcus McAlister with 8 points, Levi Artho with 6 points. The 8th grade Elks finished 11-4 overall.

The J.V. Lady Elks beat Spearman 25-20 to become the District Champs on Tuesday, February 8th. The J.V. finished 20-3 overall and 8-1 in District.

Carly Mathews led the Lady Elks against Spearman with 9 points followed by Ashley Brown and Robin Daniels with 6 points each. Amie Witcher added 3 points and Heather Ashley added 1 point. Congratulations Lady Elks!

The J.V. Elks lost 31-63 on February 4th to Sunray. Dalton Sladek was high point with 8 points followed by Scot Plunk and Corry Williams with 7 points each. Dylan Everett added 6 points, Scott Zak 2 points and Eric York 1 point. On February 8th, the J.V. Elks lost 21-56 to Spearman. Leading the Elks in scoring were Scott Zak, Dalton Sladek, and Corry Williams with 4 points each. Scot Plunk added 3 points followed by Mathew Taliaferro, Eric York, and Dylan Everett with 2 point each.

The Lady Elks beat Spearman 50-47 on February 8th to finish 15-8 overall for regular season and 5-3 in District (tie for 2nd in District). At press time the Lady Elks faced Clarendon for Bi-District. Lynz Browning led the Lady Elks with 21 points followed by Jessica King with 10 points. Keri Wight added 6 points followed by Missy Sikora with 5 points, Oralia Vital with 3 points and Jessica Young with 2 points. The Lady Elks beat Memphis 71-39 in a warm-up game on Friday, February 11th. Oralia Vital led the Lady Elks with 13 points followed by Lynz Browning with 12 points and Jessica King with 10 points. Jessica Young and Carla Bell added 8 points each followed by Thea James with 6 points, Kara Brownlee with 5 points, Keri Wight 3 points, Ashley Brown,

Missy Sikora, Carly Mathews with 2 points each.

The Elks beat Sunray 51-41 on Friday, February 4th. Martin Acevedo led the Elks with 14 points followed by Adam Bell with 11 points and Rene Vital with 10 points. Carlos Ortega added 9 points followed by Skyler Walden with 6 points and Andy Witcher with 5 points. On Tuesday, February 8th, the Elks beat Spearman 74-71. Skyler Walden led the Elks with 28 points followed by Adam Bell with 17

points and Martin Acevedo with 13 points. Rene Vital and Michael McAlister added 5 points each followed by Andy Witcher, Carlos Ortega, and Nick Ashley with 2 points each. At press time the Elks played in Borger to determine seeding for play-offs.

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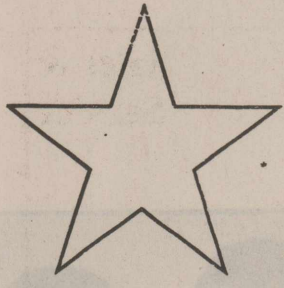
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2. Using remaining pie

crust, cut with your favorite cookie cutter. Decorate pie edge. Brush decorations with egg wash*.

3. Bake for 40-45 minutes or until crust is golden brown.

*If you prefer, bake cut-outs separately and arrange before serving.

Fun Facts About Past Presidents

- George Washington always went to bed by 9:00 p.m.
- Abraham Lincoln holds the record as the tallest American President at 6 feet 4 inches.
- Franklin D. Roosevelt served hot dogs at a fancy dinner party.
- George Washington never lived in the White House.
- Abraham Lincoln was the very first American President ever to grow a beard.

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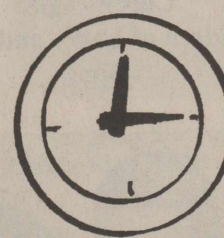
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Cards of Thanks

With an abundance of humility and gratitude, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the students, staff and administration to thank you, the taxpayers of Stratford ISD, for approving the Bond Issue. The students, the staff, and the taxpayers are the winners in this endeavor. We have a school that we can all be proud of and these changes will make us even prouder. I would like to thank the Study Club, Community of Kerrick, Scot Hall, NuBeta Sorority, Lions Club, and the citizens attending the community forums for allowing us to present our message to you.

Once again, thank you for your continued support and loyalty to Stratford ISD.

Vernon Paul, Superintendent of Schools

I would like to thank the Southside FCE Club, 4-H Parent Leaders, Walter Spurlock, James Spurlock, 1st State Bank, Stratford Grain, and the Area Foundation for their support and contributions to the 4-H sports club. Also to Wesley & Susie Spurlock for all their help and to Frank Vaughn for always being there. We could not help so many youngsters without people like these in our community.

Thank You,
Jimmy Gillenwaters

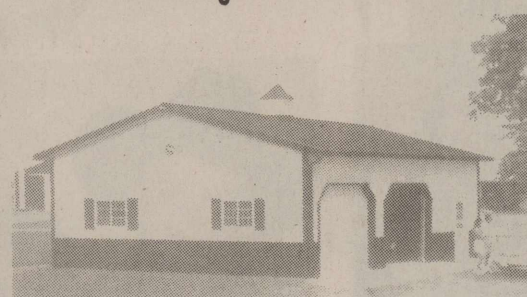


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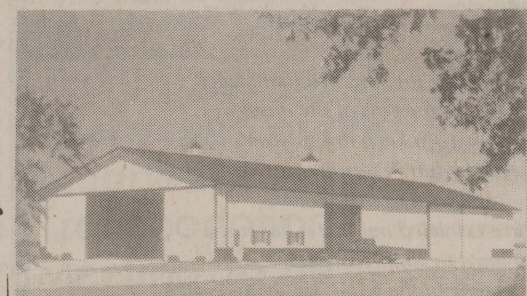
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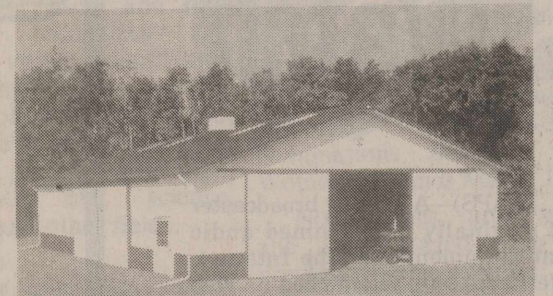
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- 2' Gable Overhangs
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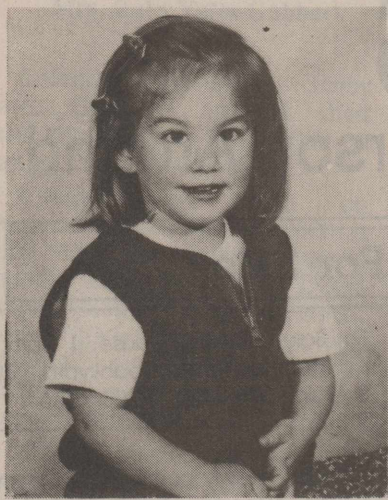
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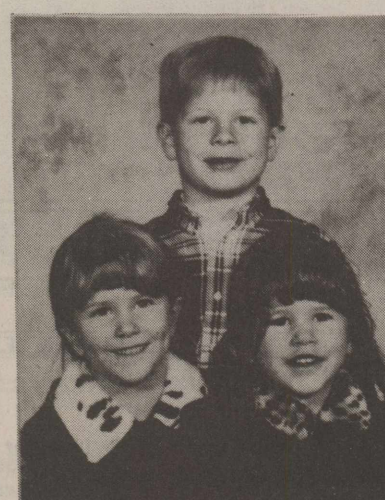
Jackson - age 2 1/2
Son of Gared and Misti McBryde



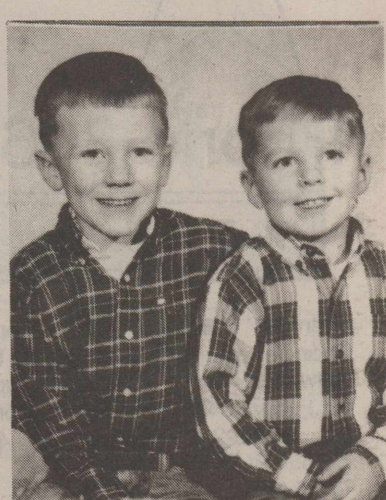
Mazie Rae - age 4
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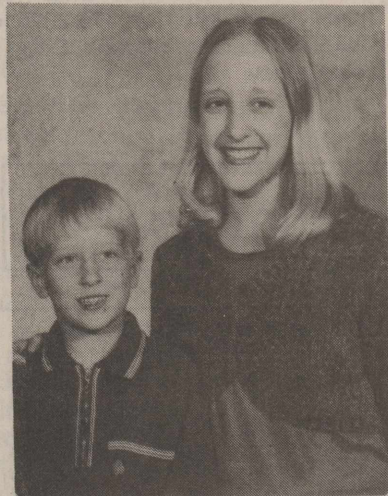
Meghan MacKenzie - age 4 and
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Justin - age 6, Kaylee - age 5,
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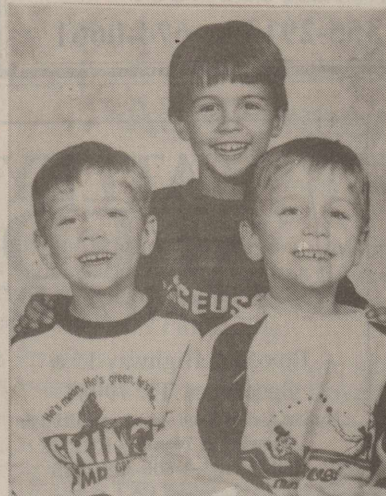
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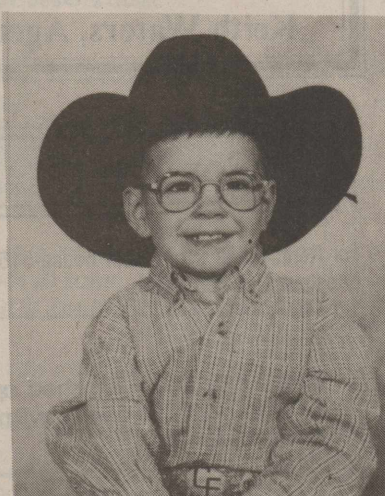
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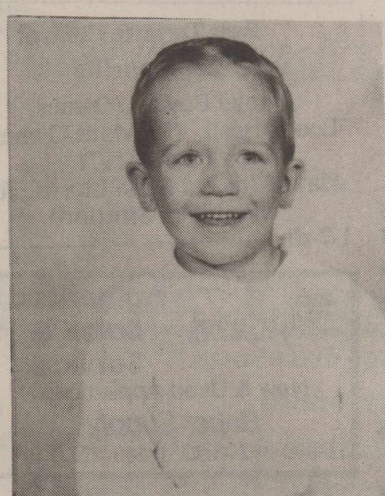
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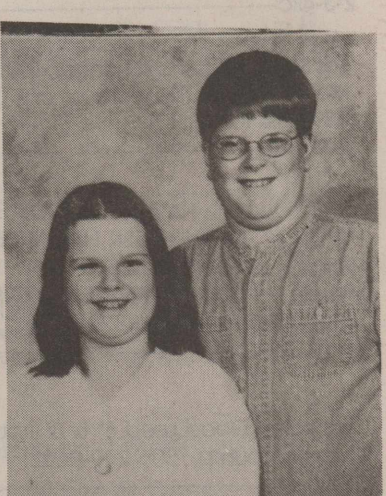
Layne - age 5, Zakary - age 5,
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Children of Larry and Jamie Sims



Brady - age 2
Son of David and Mary Cross



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Brandon - age 11, Nicole - age 10
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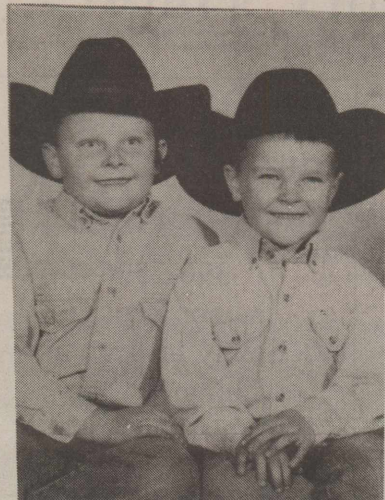
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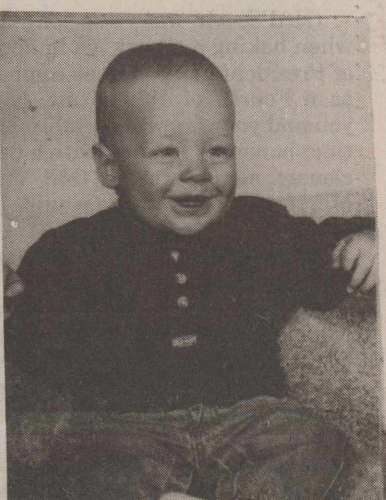
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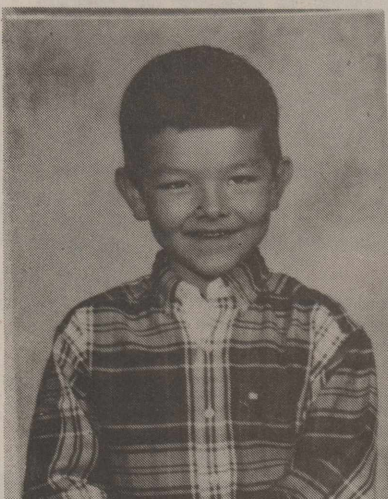
Nathan Bennett-Farris - age 4
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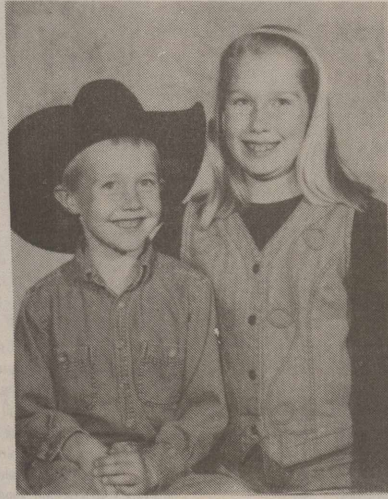
Rowdy - age 7, Ransom - age 5
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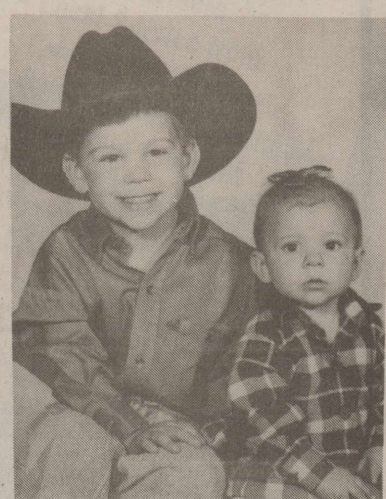
Kade - 7 1/2 mo.
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Chance - age 6
Son of Chad and Darlene Walker



Hailey and Haden Long
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Preston - age 4, Laynee - age 7 mo.
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Former White house economic advisor Lawrence Kudlow is the consulting chief economist at American Skandia, one of the nation's leading financial services organizations. He can be reached at www.LarryKudlow.com.

Blizzard Fencing
by Jerry (JB) Brutton
March, 1998

It was 1998 and the blizzard had struck and fear was the call of the day. There's no way to keep dry, warm, or safe nor keep the harsh weather away.

Cattle are crowded against a haystack trying hard to simply survive. Death is close in the wind, snow, and cold and protection means staying alive.

Four people and a car are in a snowdrift near panic with no help in sight. The gas tank is low. All they see is snow, sensing doom on this cold winter night.

Two pheasants are crammed in tight to a post trying hard to make it, shield the gale. The only cover available to the young hen as she huddles up tense by the male.

Survival is hard in a land with no trees or shrubs to protect from the snow. If they're planted right, they'll work hard for us. Safe haven from the arctic powered blow.

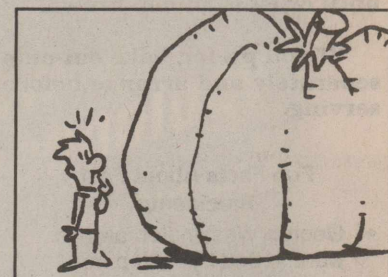
Just down the road, where folks think smart there are barriers made to handle the storm. They're living snow fences of trees and shrubs that keep all of nature from harm.

Windbreak Trees

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District is still taking orders for windbreak and landscape trees. The information from one of the suppliers has finally arrived and orders can now be placed for one and five gallon junipers, pines, spruces, shade and fruit & nut trees. Also available are 3-4" b&b junipers, spruces and pines.

Orders for seedlings are due by March 1 and the larger trees by March 29. REMEMBER stock runs low as deadlines near and is already depleted for some species. Contact the SWCD office as soon as possible. Come by or call 396-5517 ext. 101.

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