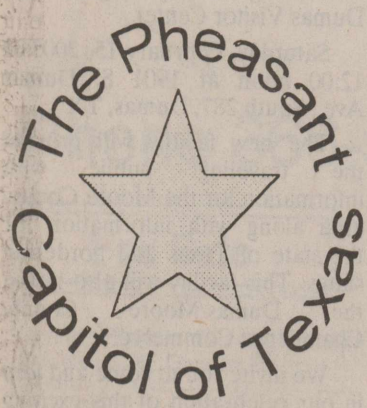
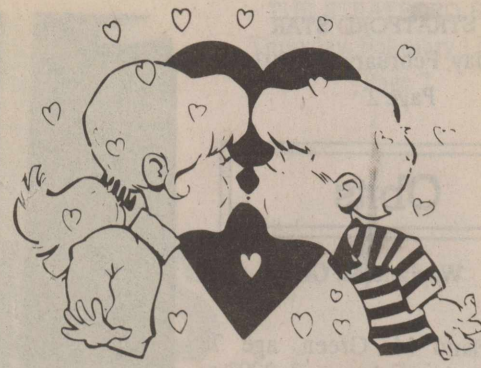


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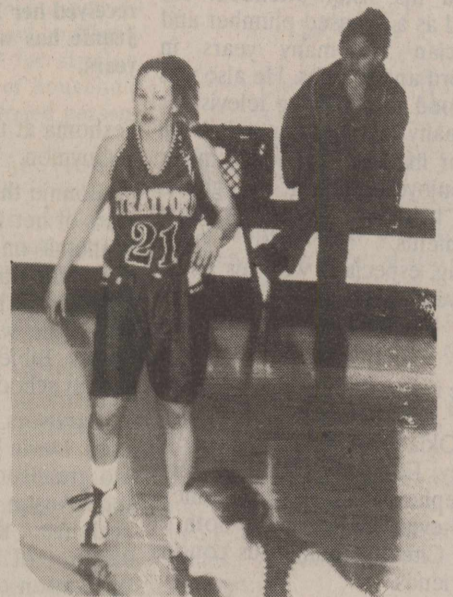
Elks & Lady Elks Advance To Play-Offs



The Stratford Elks beat Gruver on Friday night February 7th to win District and advance to the play-offs. Shown kneeling from left, Case Crabtree, Chris Ortega, Travis Soto, Brady Bell, Tyler Haynes, and Matthew Taliaferro. Standing from left, Dylan Everett, Corey Rendon, Dalton Sladek, Jason Ashley, Josh King, Asbel Gomez and Adam Witcher. Congratulations and Good Luck!



Congratulations to the Stratford Lady Elks who at press time were to play Shamrock for Bi-District on Tuesday, February 11th. Lady Elk Erin Ashley shown far left waiting for pass from Lady Elk Amber Larance in District game against Booker.



Lady Elks #21 Amber Larance and Alisha Sladek, bottom against Booker on Tuesday, February 4th.

FFA Trailer Stolen In December

Sometime in December of 2002 someone took the Stratford FFA trailer from the FFA farm south of Stratford. The trailer is white in color, 18 feet long and vive feet wide, has tandem axles and a full top and had Stratford FFA painted on it.

Sherman County Crimestoppers needs your help with this felony. Please remember that the Crimestoppers telephone number, 366-TIPS, goes to an answering machine to protect your identify. You must leave a call back number and code name so that we can contact you. If you need to contact a person call the Sheriff's Office at 366-5551 or the Police Dept. at 366-3051.

If you have any information regarding the persons responsible for the above listed crime or any other felony crimes please contact Sherman Co. Crimestoppers answering machine 806-366-TIPS (8477), the Sherman Co. Sheriff's Office or the Stratford Police Dept. Crimestoppers will pay up to \$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons involved.

Cowboy Church Meets Wednesdays

Cowboy Church will meet every Wednesday at the County Barn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcomed.

Free Bone Scan

Concerned about OSTEOPOROSIS and brittle bones? Osteoporosis is a gradual thinning and weakening of bones, which can lead to bone fractures. Over 28 million Americans, 80% of whom are women, have or are at risk of developing this condition. Since osteoporosis is often referred to as a "silent disease", many are less likely to find out they have it until they suffer a painful bone fracture.

Now there is a safe, simple, painless test that can assess your risk of developing osteoporosis. Postmenopausal Women over age 50 are invited to receive a FREE Bone Scan on February 25, 2003, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Coldwater Manor - 396-5568.

Trustee Election

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 3, 2003. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may do so from February 17 through March 19, 2003 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 12 through March 14, 2003, and candidate applications may be filed at The Sherman County Public Library with Sandy Baskin. Hours are as follows: Wednesday-Thursday 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Friday-Closed, Saturday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 16, 2003 and continue through April 29, 2003. Early voting will be conducted in the Administrative office Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Board members whose term will expire are Max Christian, Ronna Riffe, and Gared McBryde. Holdover members are Joe Reinart, Ricky Reed, Steve Johnson and Ted Allen.

Single Parenting Seminar To Be Held

Single Parenting Seminar "In His Steps" will be held Saturday, March 8, 2003 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. Cost is \$10.00 (Scholarships Available).

Adult-Workshops
Children-Sessions
Door Prizes, Lunch Provided.
Child care by reservations only.
RSVP to Penny at PTCC-353-6615.

ATTENTION: 8TH GRADE & JUNIOR PARENTS

IT'S PROM TIME AGAIN!!!!

We will begin decorating Monday & Thursday evenings beginning Monday, February 3rd at 6:30 p.m. until further notice at the Old Lumberyard Bldg. located at 2nd & N. Pearl!

Please bring box cutter knives, scissors, paintbrushes, pencils and yardsticks.



Everett Signs Letter of Intent

Dylan Everett, son of Mike and Reyna Everett signed a letter of intent to play football for West Texas A&M. Shown with Dylan at his signing on Wednesday, February 5th is Coach Brad Thiessen and Dylan's parents Mike and Reyna. Congratulations and Good Luck Dylan!

Women's Forum Seeks Nominations for Service Awards

The Amarillo Area Women's Forum is seeking nominations for the annual Distinguished Service Awards. The Distinguished Service Awards honor outstanding women who have helped to shape the Texas Panhandle through their talent and skill.

The award recognizes the visible examples set by women who pave the way for others to follow. Since 1975, honorees have been selected in the categories of the arts, business and finance, civic leadership and public service, education, health care, law, science and other fields. To be eligible for the award, a nominee must be a Texas woman who is a legal resident of the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle and has not previously received the award. It is encouraged to re-nominate women who have been previously nominated but not selected. Winners of the award will be selected on the basis of the

individual's significant impact on the Panhandle of Texas through their local communities. The impact should extend beyond professional achievements, according to the award criteria. An anonymous panel of judges, representative of the Panhandle area, will select recipients on the basis of their lasting contributions and achievements.

The nomination deadline is February 28th. There will be a presentation of the awards during a luncheon on Saturday, April 5, 2003 at the Amarillo Country Club. Co-chairs for the 2003 awards are Natrele Long and Becky Zenor. The 2003 President of Amarillo Area Women's Forum is Jane Juett.

For nominations forms or other information, call Gaynelle Riffe, 396-5303, or Becky Zenor, 806-358-4870 or Natrele Long, 806-651-2003. The nominations should be sent to Becky Zenor at 2210 S. Bonham, Amarillo, TX 79109.



Clint Adams



Dylan Everett

Adams & Everett Will Play In The 2003 Down Under Bowl

Clint Adams and Dylan Everett have been invited to play in the 2003 Down Under Bowl this coming June. The Down Under Bowl is an annual event (now in its 15th year) hosted each summer in Australia.

There have been football teams from Texas representing their state for eleven years in the Down Under Bowl. These players will be representing their families, communities, the state of Texas, and most importantly United States of America. These players must be of high character, a graduating Senior football player, All-State, All-District, or come highly recommended by a coach. International Sports Specialists, Inc. sponsors the Down Under Bowl and their goal is to continue to provide athletes who excel in their sports the opportunity to experience the culture, beauty, and grandeur of the land Down Under all within the framework of spirit and intense competition in many different sports.

Clint and Dylan would like to invite the community to enjoy the fellowship of their upcoming fundraising events and ask for the community's support in their effort to raise funds for the cost of this trip.

Golden Nail Awards Seeking Nominations

Golden Nail Awards planners are now seeking nominations from a 12 city area of those who have provided extraordinary support for the fine arts in the Texas Panhandle during 2002. The Golden Nail Awards is sponsored by the Arts committee of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce.

Recipients of the Golden Nail Awards include individuals, businesses and foundations that will be honored at the ceremonies held Saturday, April 12, 2003 at the Amarillo Civic Center. The gala will be held in conjunction with the Amarillo Symphony's concert "MOHT zart" featuring old American songs of Aaron

Copland and Mass. C minor K. 427 from Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart performed by Christine Brandes, soprano: Sarah Booth, soprano: Joe Bolin, tenor, Tim Kennedy, bass-baritone and the Amarillo Civic Chorus, Steve Webber, director and WTAMU Chorus, George Biffle, director.

Nominations are invited from individuals as well as organizations. Nomination forms are available at the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce office, 1000 S. Polk in Amarillo, Mrs. Gene Hendrix, Dalhart or Mrs. Don Riffe 806-396-5303 Stratford. The deadline for the nominations is March 3, 2003.

Obits

Wayland M. Green

Wayland M. Green, age 78 died Monday, February 3, 2003 at Boise City, Oklahoma.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, February 5, 2003 at Stratford Cemetery at 2 p.m. with Rev. Bob Sweeten, pastor of First Christian Church of Stratford officiating.

Mr. Green was born June 15, 1924 in Stratford, Texas. He was a lifelong Stratford resident.

He was a member of First United Methodist church in Stratford, Texas. He was a farmer.

Waylon attended a country school in Stevens, Texas until it was time to enter high school at Stratford High School, where both he and his sister attended. He worked as a licensed plumber and electrician for many years in Stratford and Dumas. He was also very good at repairing televisions and many people depended on him for his help. He loved music and enjoyed playing the guitar, banjo, trombone and many other instruments. He also loved dancing, especially with his sister. He loved to fish and work with his cattle. Most of all, he loved his family.

He is survived by his one sister: Mary Lee Montgomery, Boise City, Oklahoma. One niece: Kelly Henley, Edmond, Oklahoma and two nephews: Wayne Montgomery and Steven Montgomery, both of Boise City and numerous cousins and friends.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

Cleva Garrison

Cleva Garrison, age 98 died Sunday, February 9, 2003 at Stratford, Texas.

Graveside Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 11, 2003 at Stratford Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Sweeten, pastor of the First Christian Church of Stratford, Texas officiating.

Mrs. Garrison was born November 24, 1904 in Billings, Missouri. She was a homemaker.

She was a member of First Christian Church in Stratford, Texas.

She married Russell Garrison in 1922 in Windsor, Missouri. He preceded here in death in 1981. She was also preceded in death by a son Bill in 1961 and daughter, Marcella Gillis in 1989.

She is survived by three granddaughters: Sharon Herbert, Mission Viejo, California, Connie Quin, Stratford, Texas, Brenda Tanner of Allen, Texas. One grandson: Russell A. Garrison, San Diego, California. Nine great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren.

Memorials may be to First Christian Church, P.O. Box 626, Stratford, Texas 79084, or Stratford Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084 or Coldwater Manor Activity Fund, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Bonnie Nadine Tomlinson Bridwell

Texhoma, OK-Bonnie Nadine Tomlinson Bridwell, 73, died Thursday, Feb. 6, 2003 in Spearman, Texas.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 10, 2003 in Texhoma First Christian Church with Mike Hughes officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bridwell was born Oct. 11, 1929, in Hough, the daughter of Percy and Delia Steinkuehler Tomlinson. On March 3, 1951, she married Wallace Bridwell of



Bryson Receives 15 Yr. Service Award

Jeanie Bryson of the Sherman County FSA Office has just received her 15 year service award from the Texas State FSA Office. Jeanie has worked at the Sherman County FSA for a total of 17 years.

Texhoma at the Nazarene Church of Guymon.

Bonnie then spent the next 51 years of her life 12 miles south of Texhoma on their farm. Bonnie was a longtime member of First Christian Church in Texhoma, where she was active in teaching Ladies Bible Studies and many Sunday school classes.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Devin Bridwell of Texhoma; two grandsons, Marshall Bridwell and Austin Bridwell, both of Texhoma; three sisters, Eileen Pierce of Guymon, Jackie Williamson of Nanoose, British Columbia, and Billy Revis of Grand Junction, CO; two brothers, Percy Tomlinson of Burnsville, MN and Max Tomlinson of Guymon; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Mark Freeman, Luke Freeman, Paul Freeman, Marshall Bridwell, Austin Bridwell and Jack Johnson.

The family suggests memorials be to Texhoma First Christian Church; or Hansford Hospice of Spearman.



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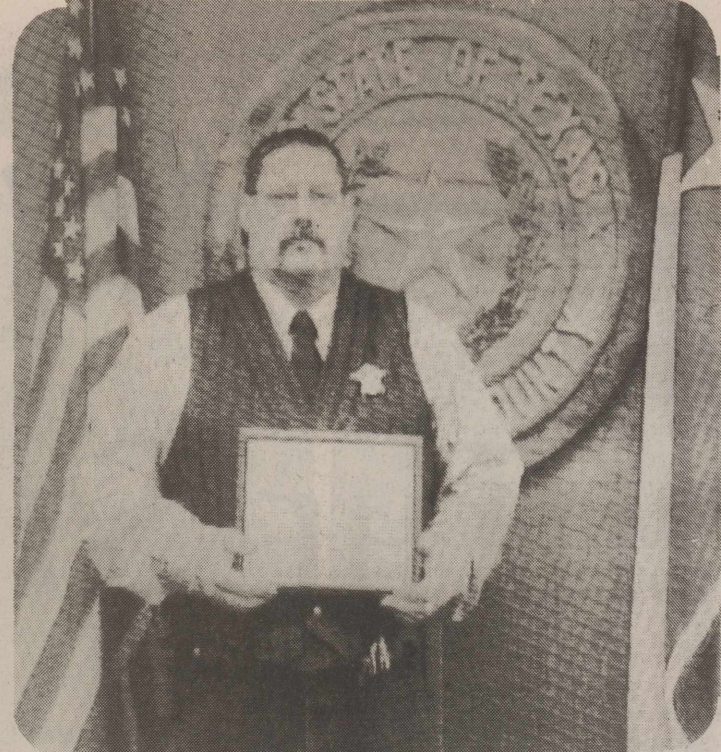
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Haile Receives Master Peace Officer's License

On January 29, 2003 Sheriff Jack Haile received his Master Peace Officer's License. This is the highest honor the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education awards to its most highly trained officers. The criteria for selection is based on years of service and education.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

There has been a new chapter of "The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys," started in our area. All dues have been paid and we are an official chapter. The fellowship is for everyone-men, women (old or young), kids, and especially families. Guess what? You don't even have to be a cowboy/cowgirl. This fellowship is based on the cowboy way of life with special focus on Christian teaching and Christian music. At present we're not set up for you to bring your horse (Hope to be there soon), but we are set up for you to bring your Bible, your heart and most especially your friends.

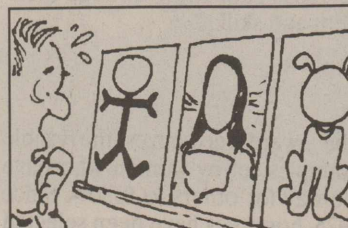
The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys will be having their 2nd meeting on Thursday, February, 2003 at the Texhoma Livestock Barn (heated). We will be meeting from about 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. cowboy time. Last month the activity for the month was how to teach your horse a horse trick. Pat Hooks brought cutter, and Cutter did a great job doing his trick. However, after doing the trick about three times he let Pat know that he was thoroughly tired. He and Pat talked it over and Pat agreed that Cutter's idea was the best, but Cutter did agree to do the trick one more time. I tell you, you just gotta love Cutter. The activity for the February meeting will be learning how to tie knots. I'm not sure who will be teaching this activity???? Come and be surprised. It might even be you. Surprise!!

The 1st organizational meeting was last month, January 16th with 101 in attendance. Pretty overwhelming, huh? Let's double that this month. Special plans are already being worked on to have some special events up in the Kenton area. Leon Apple has the facilities to accommodate a pretty big group. Most of all, Leon has a big heart for the Lord, and He's the Guy (The Lord) that can make it all happen.

Here's some cowboys to contact for more information: Pat Hooks 580-423-7482; Gary Blain 806-827-1382; Mike Hughes 580-423-7347, Leon Apple 580-261-7576.

Hope to see you there.

Joyce Dodson (I told you that you didn't have to be a cowgirl).



In 18th century America, artists journeyed from town to town with paintings of men and women, complete in every feature but the faces. A person wishing to sit for a portrait had to select the body he liked best and let the artist fill in the missing hair and face.

Fall seven times, stand up eight.
—Japanese proverb

Never advise anyone to go to war or to marry.
—Proverb

Dumas/Moore County Chamber & Visitor Center-Grand Opening

Please join the Dumas/Moore County Chamber of Commerce for the grand opening of the Dumas Visitor Center

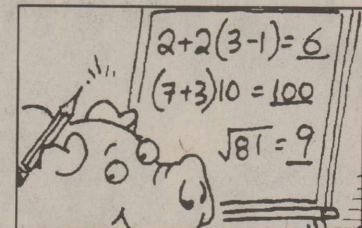
Saturday, February 15, 2003 at 12:00 noon at 1901 S. Dumas Ave., South 287, Dumas, TX

The new facility will provide the traveling public with information for the Moore County area along with information for the state of Texas and bordering states. This facility will also house the Dumas/Moore County Chamber of Commerce.

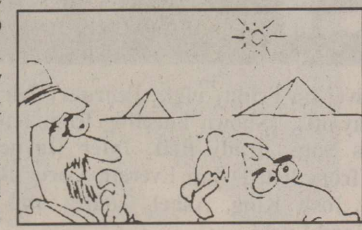
We invite you to come and join in our celebration of this exciting new addition to the Dumas/Moore County Area.

TRTA To Meet Feb. 20th

The Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore unit of the Texas Retired Teachers' Association will meet Thursday, February 20, at St. James Episcopal Church in Dalhart, 2 p.m. The Church is located at the corner of Denver and 8th Streets. Invocation will be given by Rusty Hancock of Lincoln Street Baptist Church, who will also give a short musical program. There will be reports from all committee chairmen. The legislative report should be heard by all retired educational personnel. Dr. Melanie Thompson of Advance Eyecare will give an informative talk on diseases of the eye affecting older people. The public is cordially invited to hear Dr. Thompson and have their questions about eye care answered. Hosts and hostesses for the meeting are: Nelda and Bob Askey, Bertie Hall, William Jones, Christine Albright, Frances McMurry, and Vera Hancock.



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Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** note new listing

- Feb. 13-22 "Chicago" Musical 8:00 p.m. Sun. 2:30
Amarillo Little Theatre Adventure Space 806-355-9991
- Feb. 13 Amarillo College Distinguished Lecture Series
"Remember the Titans" Herman Boone
Amarillo Civic Center 806-
- Feb. 14 LaRita Dinner Theatre presents LSB Stars over Texas
Dalhart Community LaRita Theatre 244-5646
- Feb. 12-15, Sun. 16 "Company" 7:30 p.m. [16-3:00]
Branding Iron Theatre WTAMU 806-651-2881
- Feb. 14-16 "An evening of Short Plays" 7:30 Sun. 3:00p.m.
20-22 Amarillo College Experimental Theatre 806-371-5343
- Feb. 18 Lone Star Ballet "AEROS" Hungarian Dance Troupe
Amarillo Civic Auditorium (806) 378-3096 or 372-2463
- Feb. 21-23 "I never Saw Another Butterfly" 7:30p.m.
Amarillo College Theatre for Children 806-371-5353
- Feb. 27 Willie Nelson & Family 7:30
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
www.panhandletickets.com
- March 5-6 Broadway Series "South Pacific"
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- March 7 "Cinderella" One-Act Play Dinner Theatre 7:00 p.m.
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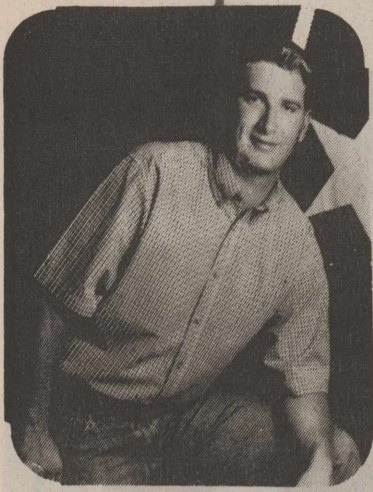
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Ryan Eady

Eady Selected To Attend NYLF/DID

Washington, D.C. - Mr. Ryan Eady of Hutto, has recently been selected to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy (NYLF/DID) from February 4 to February 9, 2003 in Washington, D.C. Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career related to national security, Eady will join approximately 400 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America at the Forum.

"By participating in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy, students like Ryan Eady will develop a keenly educated perspective on the United States' role in global conflict resolution," said Donna Snyder, executive director of NYLF. "We introduce these young leaders to the masterminds behind our country's international relations communities. Students also take part in a series of simulations. The combination of interacting with professionals and other students, in addition to our superior curriculum is equipping our country with a very bright future."

The NYLF/DID curriculum is based on actual world events, which allows its participants to learn from the examples set by previous generations of leaders, while encouraging them to develop a perspective and tenacity unique to upcoming generations of leaders. Throughout the Forum, students will examine how the U.S. plans for peace and prepares for crisis. Students will meet with leaders from key agencies and institutions.

In the past, NYLF/DID has visited several government institutions and military installations, including: the U.S. Department of State; the U.S. Marine Corps Combat Development Command at Quantico; the Defense Intelligence Agency; the U.S. Naval Academy; embassies, and others.

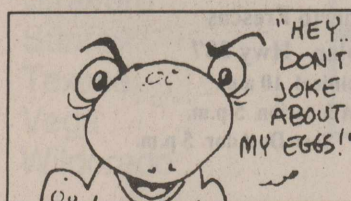
NYLF is a nonpartisan, nonprofit educational organization that sponsors highly specialized career-oriented programs for outstanding high school students who demonstrate leadership potential. For additional information on NYLF programs, visit us on the Internet at www.nylf.org.

Ryan is the son of Bob and Tonie Eady formerly of Stratford and the grandson of Joan Palmer, and the late Rex Palmer, and is the brother of Ashley (Eady) James. Ryan also participates in football and baseball at Hutto High School and has been nominated to attend the Presidential Classroom Forum in Washington D.C. this summer.



"ONE HOT CHOCOLATE WITH MARSH MALLOW."

Marsh Mallow is a plant that grows in meadows and marshes of eastern Europe. It is now grown in the U.S. During famines, people have eaten its roots. The root was once used as an ingredient in the candy called marshmallow.



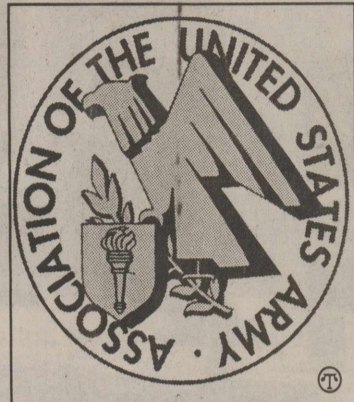
"HEY... DON'T JOKE ABOUT MY EGGS!"

Two toads of central and southwestern Europe are called midwife or obstetrical toads because the male helps care for the eggs. The male fastens them to his legs and carries them until they hatch. He usually hides under a stone or some other place while carrying them, but comes out after dark to bathe the eggs in a pond or stream.

AMERICA'S Defenders

Supporting The Army On Its New Course

(NAPS)—For the U.S. military, the events of 2002 were not "business as usual" as it prosecuted the war on terrorism, while transforming itself to meet the emerging challenges of the 21st Century.



A private, non-profit educational organization is building public support for the U.S. Army.

That's the key message of an organization that works to foster public support for the Army's role in national security.

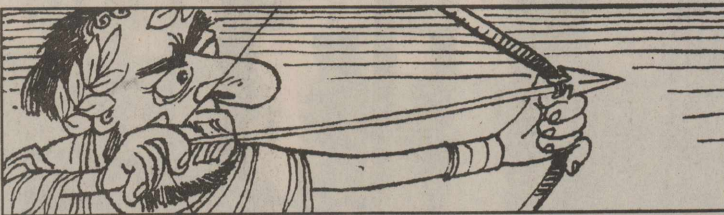
The organization—the Association of the United States Army (AUSA)—has created a number of resolutions that set its agenda for the coming year. These include supporting the increase in size of the active force, maintaining the current size of the guard and Army Reserve, improvement in pay, housing for Army personnel and an increase in defense spending.

AUSA is a private, non-profit educational organization that supports America's Army—Active, National Guard, Reserve, Civilians, Retirees and family members.

To learn more, visit the Web site at www.ausa.org.

Courage mounteth with occasion.

—William Shakespeare, King John



The Roman Emperor Donitian, it is said, was such a good shot, he could put four arrows between the spread fingers of a man's hand.



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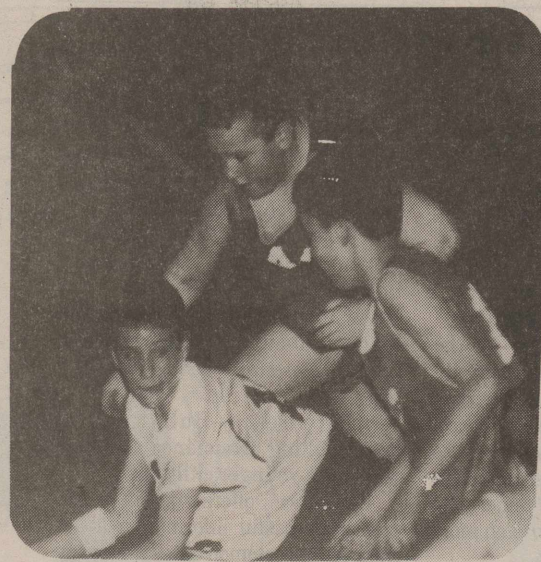
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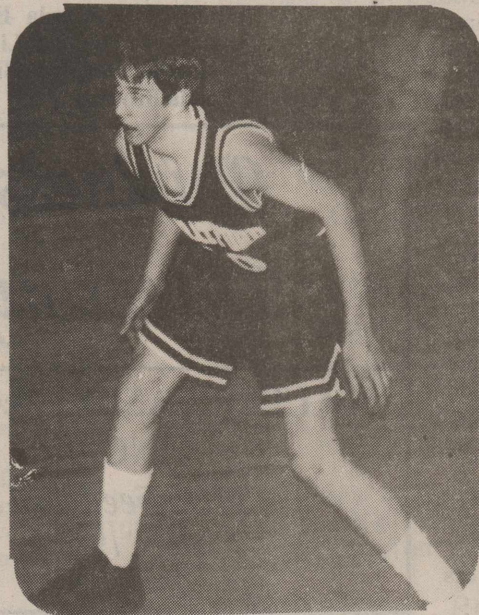
J.V. Lady Elks from left, Katelyn Reed, Kayla Robertson and Haley Buckles



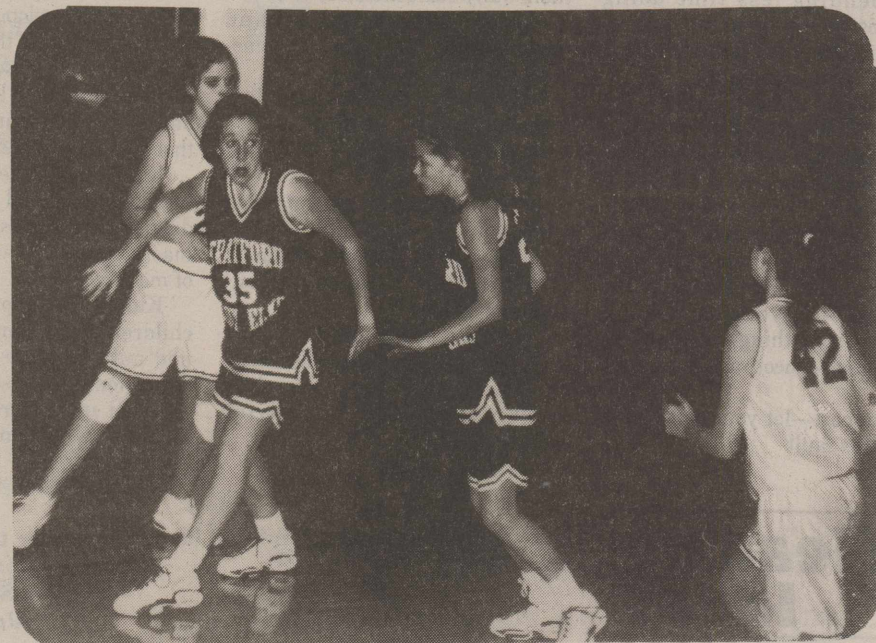
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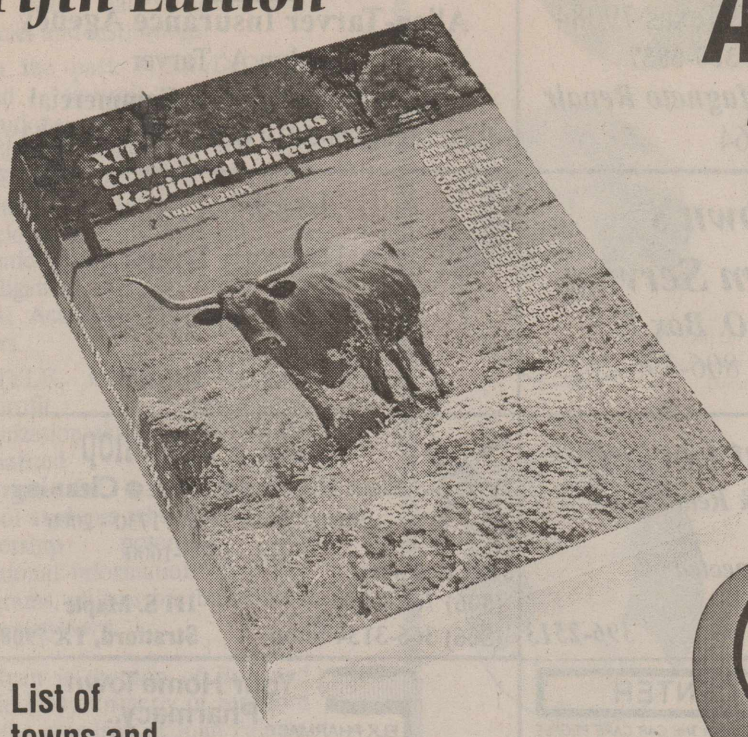
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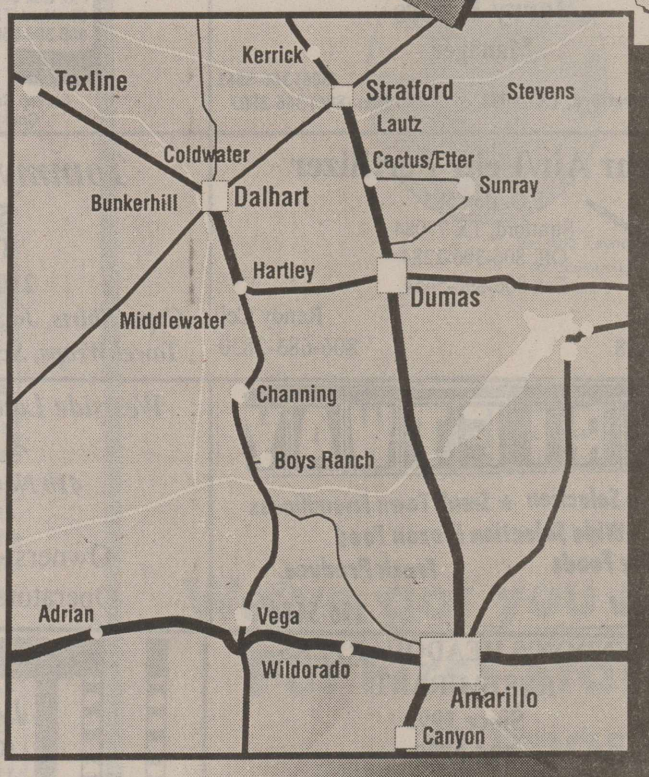
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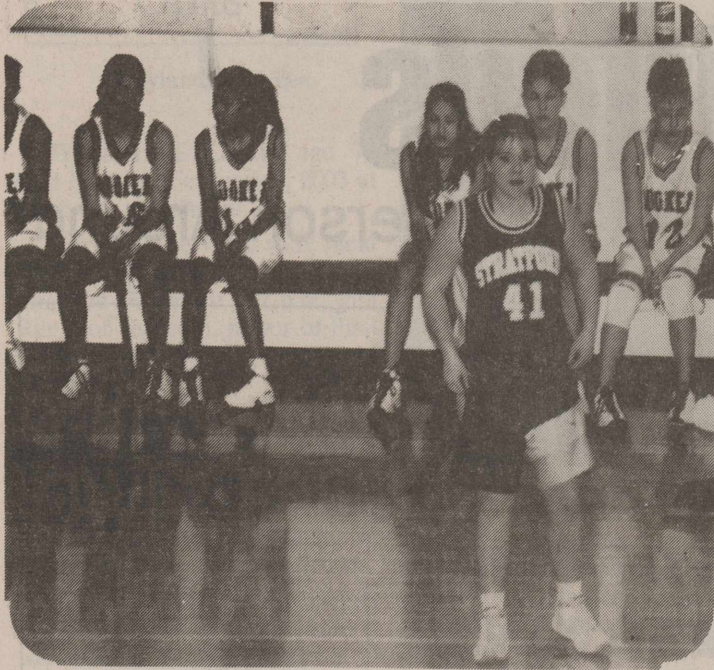
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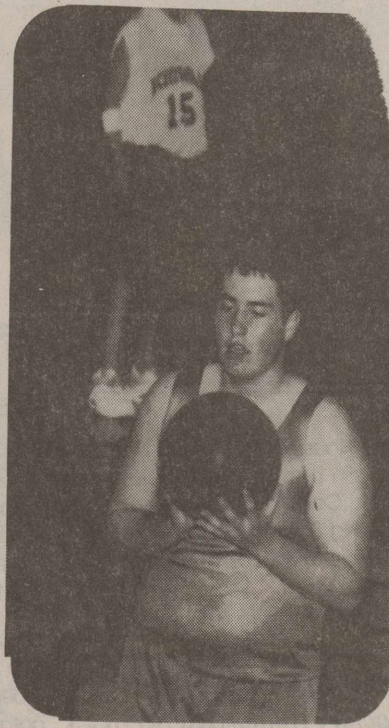
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J.V. Lady Elk #41 Heather Robertson



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8th Grade Elk Harrison Walden

The 8th grade Lady Elks beat Booker on Monday, February 3rd to become the District Champs with a 8-0 record. Rhia Everett and Shadley Audrain led the Lady Elks with 14 points each followed by Merilee McDaniel and Krista Reta with 4 points each. Also scoring were LaRissa Luna, Candie Bell, and Janet Carrera with 2 points each and Crystal Peregrino with 1 point.

The J.V. Lady Elks finished their season with a 32-13 win over Booker on Tuesday, February 4th and finished with a 8-2 record. Katelyn Reed led the Lady Elks with 12 points followed by Brittany Hudson and Kayla Robertson with 6 points each. Haley Buckles added 4 points followed by Cheyenne Ziemann and Gina Mattocks with 2 points each.

The Lady Elks beat Booker 31-25 on Tuesday, February 4th. Deidre Tarver was high point with 7 points followed by Alisha Sladek and Amber Larance with 6 points each. Also scoring were Amie Witcher and Yadira Ortega with 3 points each and Erin Ashley, Veronica Ortega and Allison Baskin with 2 points each. At press-time the Lady Elks played Shamrock on Tuesday, February 11th for Bi-District.

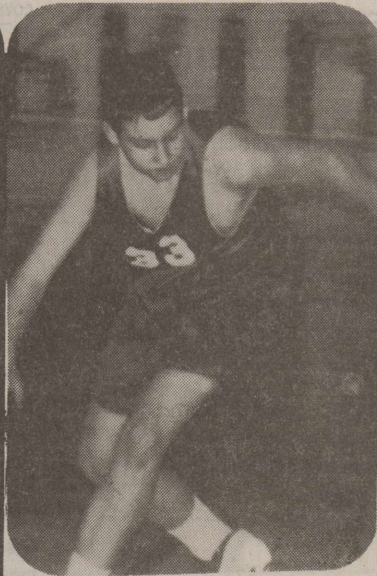
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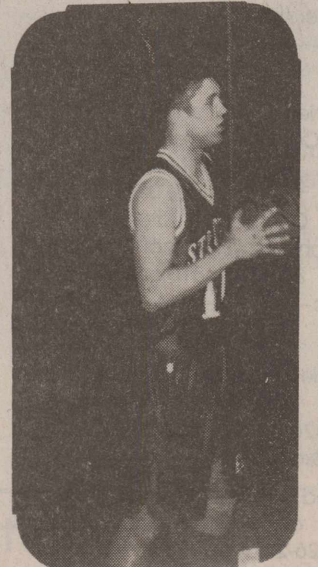
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