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City-Wide Clean Up Day a Success

By Bailey Naugle
On October 20th volunteers set out on a mission to clean up Stratford. The group assembled early Saturday for coffee, provided by Personal Touch. The volunteers then split up into five groups and hit areas along Highways 287 and 54 where they picked up trash, mowed grass, cut weeds and removed large pieces of debris. A large, roll-off dumpster was filled with trash and several trips were made to the dump. Some scrap metal was even collected to be recycled. The groups also trimmed trees on individual properties where a number of dead limbs were removed. At noon, 50 plus attendees gathered at the Stratford Grain Feed Store and enjoyed a lunch prepared by Lynn Alien. Hot dogs, provided by Lehr Fertilizer, and sausage, donated by Elk Pharmacy, were served. The Community Enhancement and Improvement Committee would like to thank the following volunteers and business for their contributions. The project could not have been such a success without your hard work and generosity.

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The committee would also like to extend a special thanks to the businesses that allowed them to hang posters in their windows, and to all the individuals who participated in the day of clean-up by cleaning their own properties.

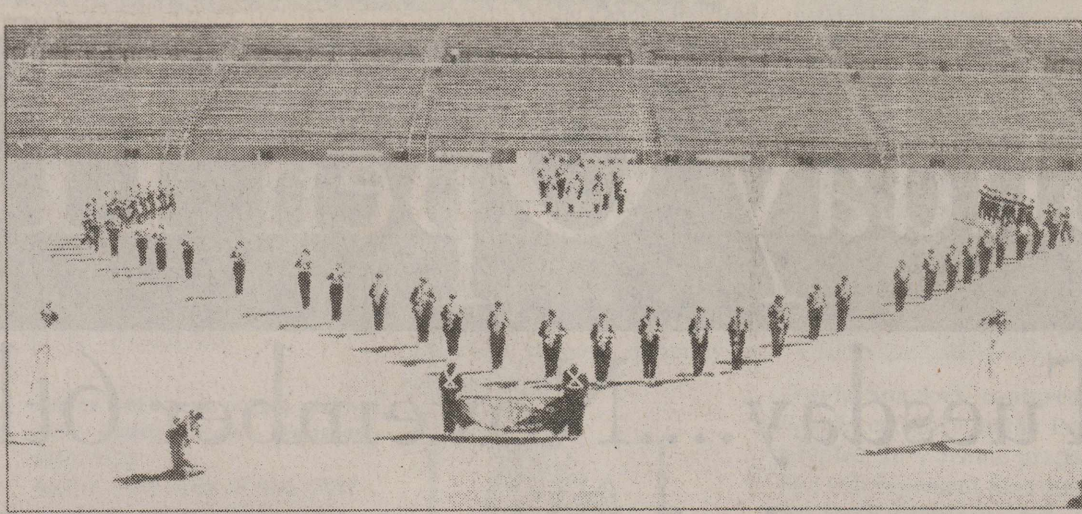
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Three Advance to Regionals

Advancing to the Regional Cross Country Meet this coming weekend in Lubbock are Kristen Crabtree, Kelsie Keener (not pictured) and Wesley Anderson. Kristen won the District 1-2A Cross Country Meet in Canadian on October 22 and Kelsie finished 4th in the Varsity girls division and Wesley finished 7th in the Varsity boys division. CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK!!



Big Blue Band Makes Finals

The Big Blue Band under the field direction of Courtenay Sells and Deborah Molina competed at the Area Marching Contest in Lubbock on Saturday, October 27. The band made the finals but did not advance to state. Way To Go Band!!!!



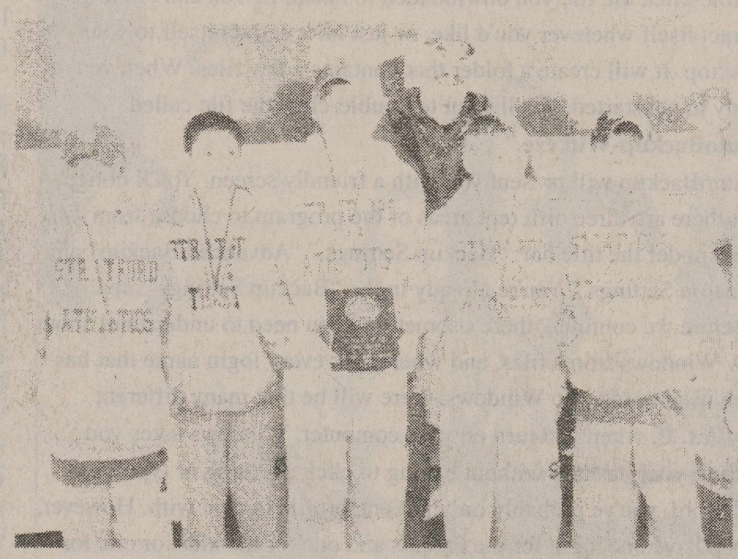
Clean up day Saturday, October 20th

Volunteers pitched in October 20th to clean up Stratford by trimming trees, cutting weeds and picking up trash.

Animal Issues Committee Meeting

Animal Issues Committee Meeting on November 5, 2007, 7 p.m. at Stratford Fire Station.

Don't forget Time Change this coming Weekend!!!!
Fall Backward (Turn Clocks back)



JUNIOR BOYS WIN DISTRICT

The Junior Boys Cross Country team captured the District Championship on Monday, October 22, 2006 at Canadian. Shown from left, Reed Schoonover, Alex Chavoya, Justin Mungia, Coach Terry Davis, Kelby Hartman and Grayson Gonzalez. Congratulations!

Don't Forget To vote on Tuesday, November 6th

EQIP SIGNUP

An EQIP signup is underway in Sherman County EQIP is a program the NRCS utilizes to cost share conservation practices on farms and ranches. The signup will continue through November 16, 2007.

Please call the NRCS office at 396-5517 ext 3 for an appointment. The program is available for watering facilities for livestock, grass seeding, cross fencing, irrigation pipeline, sprinkler conversions and new sprinklers. This year we will also add a cost share for replacing a sprinkler that is over 20 years old. New sprinklers are available to convert row water to sprinkler irrigation.

Conservation of our resources is our top objective. Make it yours also.

Community Volunteer Responders Meeting

Community Volunteer Responders meeting on Monday, November 5, 2007 at 5 p.m. Stratford Fire Station. Chief Larry Penfold will present the program. Please contact Sandy Williams at 753-7331 for more information.

TDA Pesticide Training

The Texas Cooperative Extension office in Sherman County is attempting to determine the need for a local training session for persons needing to obtain or maintain their Texas Department of Agriculture pesticide license, said David Graf, agriculture and natural resources Extension agent.

Several individuals have indicated an interest in this training, Graf said. Now is the time to contact the Extension office if you have a need for this training. When the number of individuals and type of training needed has been determined, the Extension office will contact the TDA representative and establish a date for the session(s).

Individuals who may need this license can range from agriculture producers and employees, to city or county employees, to business people doing pesticide applications with specific classes of chemicals, Graf said.

General-use chemicals are specified as such on the label of pesticides and do not require any license or training for their use, he said. Graf cautioned to always read and follow label instructions. A description of the laws and regulations are available on the TDA Web site at www.agr.state.tx.us or a brief summary of the guidelines can be obtained at the Extension office.

Call 806-366-2081 or come by the Extension office to get on the list or to get more information. Interested persons will be contacted if a class will be offered locally.

Red Hats to Meet-Nov. 1st

Red Hats will be held at Elk Junction on Thursday, November 1, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Come join us, serving turkey, dressing and trimmings for \$6.00 a plate. Fun and fellowship are planned! Bring your favorite bottle of perfume and share an intriguing story behind it.

Lots of prizes to give away, and we are going to auction off two "new" Red hat dresses. The proceeds will go to the Jason Elerick fund at First State Bank, See you there.

Short-Term Irrigation Well Use Can Be Costly

XCEL ENERGY ELECTRIC RATE

By David Graf

Producers may be in for a surprise when using irrigation wells to water cattle during the fall and winter months. "In case you do not yet know nor fully understand Xcel Energy's new electric rate for irrigation wells, it can create sizeable billing for short-time use," said David Graf, Texas Cooperative Extension agriculture agent for Sherman County. He explained that the rate includes a monthly demand charge for any well use between electric meter readings.

According to Xcel Energy, the monthly demand charge is \$7.40 per kilowatt October through May. It is \$9.29 per kW June through September. "A monthly kW demand charge is generated in as little as 30 minutes of pumping," Graf explained, "There is no demand charge if the well is not used at all."

He said, "A 50-horsepower, three-phase electric motor that powers an irrigation well can create a 42 kW demand charge and a \$307 monthly bill by pumping cattle water for 30 minutes. The minimum monthly billing for a 100-horsepower electric motor will be about \$615."

Graf said that the demand charge is created only one time per monthly billing period.

To find out what day of the month any electric meter will be read contact the Xcel Energy Business Solutions Center at 800-481-4700. They will need the number found on the face of the electric billing meter or on previous bills.

"Smaller single-phase electric motors up to 10 horsepower are usually not billed on the Xcel Energy rate that includes a monthly demand fee," Graf said.

He also warned producers to investigate the reconnect charge before temporarily Disconnecting electric service for a pump that may be needed for irrigation next season.

ATTENTION READERS

Editors Note: If you have someone serving in the military and would like to have someone's picture and address put in the paper, please leave it with us and we will put it in for you. We will start putting addresses in and they will stay in every week. Call 366-5885 or fax to same number or e-mail stardm@xit.net

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Ask the Geek
By Kevin McDonald

Blessed are the Pessimists – Part Two

Continuing with last week's discussion about home backups, we left off talking about a free program called "Fab's AutoBackup." You'll find the program to download here: <http://fabs.dyndns.org/>

A quick note: I've only used this program with Windows XP, and the developer doesn't state whether or not it runs under previous versions of Windows. Because of the way it backs up files, it *should* work under Windows 2000, but I honestly don't know if it will work under Windows 98 or ME. Your mileage may vary.

After you download the Windows version (*not* the "PE" version), double-click the file you downloaded to install it. You can tell it to extract itself wherever you'd like, or just let it extract itself to your Desktop. It will create a folder that contains a few files. When you're ready to get started, you'll want to double-click the file called "AutoBackup-Win.exe."

AutoBackup will present you with a friendly screen. You'll notice that there are three different areas of the program to choose from listed under the title bar: "Backup Settings," "Advanced Backup" and "Restore Settings." You're already in the "Backup Settings" area.

Before we continue, there's something you need to understand about how Windows stores files, and where. For every login name that has been used to log into Windows, there will be that many different *profiles*. If, when you turn on your computer, Windows takes you right to your desktop without having to click anything or type a password, you've probably only got one profile to deal with. However, if you have one login for the parents and one for the kids, or one for each spouse, whatever, please understand that you will need to do this procedure while logged into *each individual login you use*. If I use AutoBackup while logged in as "Parents," it's only going to backup what is in the "Parents" My Documents folder. It will only backup the "Parents" Outlook Express email, etc. It won't back up those things that the "Kids" see when they're logged in as "Kids."

Ok, on to the next section of AutoBackup, "Select items to backup." Here you'll be able to put a check mark in everything that you want AutoBackup to copy for you. If you aren't able to put a check in the box, it's because AutoBackup can't detect that you have anything like that to back up. For example, you can't tell AutoBackup to backup your "Opera Bookmarks" if you don't even have Opera (another web browser) installed.

Finally, click the "Browse" button to choose a place for AutoBackup to backup the files to. If you're putting it on your hard drive to copy elsewhere later, *don't select* your Desktop, My Documents or any other location that AutoBackup is *backing up!* More next week.

Kevin McDonald lives in Stratford with his wife and three children.

He owns and operates Definition Computers: 806-366-7637

Do you have a burning computer question (or perhaps, a burning computer)? Email Kevin at askthegeek@definitioncomputers.com.

Sherman County Public Library to Host Book Fair

The Sherman County Public Library will host a Scholastic Book Fair on November 1st-3rd & 5th -6th, during the regular hours of the library, to purchase books for children and classroom libraries. Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the Book Fair. This is a great opportunity to start your early Christmas shopping and to help the teachers of our school system build their classroom libraries by purchasing books from the Classroom Wish List.

The Book Fair will be held daily Thursday & Friday, November 1 & 2 from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Saturday, November 3 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; Monday, November 5, from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Tuesday, November 6, from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Sherman County Public Library is located at 719 N Main in Stratford.

The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current bestsellers from more than 150 publishers.

For more information call Sandy Baskin at 366-2200.


Creativity represents a miraculous coming together of the uninhibited energy of the child with its apparent opposite and enemy, the sense of order imposed on the disciplined adult intelligence.

—Norman Podhoretz

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Mexican Pile-On-5:00-7:00
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*** Door Prizes**
*** Refreshments**

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Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour this weekend. Fall Backwards!



Couple Honored with Baby Shower

Mindy & Jackie Laranca were honored with a baby shower Sunday, October 28, 2007 in the home of Sherry Phelps. Shown above left to right are Doris Laranca, Cassie Smith, Mindy Laranca, Jackie Laranca, Cindy Laranca and Linda McKinney. Standing in front William Laranca.

Kerrick News By Marylou McDaniel

Plans are being made for the community Thanksgiving dinner. It will be Sunday, Nov. 18, 1 p.m. at the community center. If you haven't been asked to bring a certain dish, bring one of your choice.

Turkey, dressing, gravy, ham, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes have been taken care of.

Mark your calendar. Well, it was great having the Rockies in the World Series! Have had several ask if I were going! I didn't but daughter Patti was at Sunday night game! Maybe next year!

Mike McDaniel was in Lubbock for Dad's weekend at Texas Tech with his daughter Merilee.

Bill & Pat Boren watched as Will & Brice won their championship football game Saturday. The 12 year old twins also had their other grandparents, Andy & Gay Wilkersons there.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters tried but didn't make it to church Sunday. They had a flat tire and then the "doughnut" was flat, too!

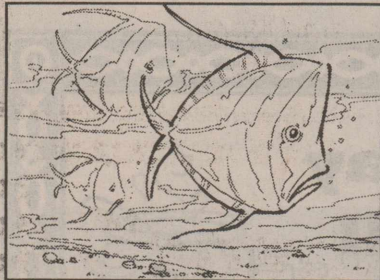
Mindy Nemoede of Boston has been visiting her mother Florecia Eslinger and other relatives

THERE ARE NO FREE RIDES.

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XITV Watch BIG 12 action on XITV channel 19. November 10 starting at 11:30 am.



The X-ray fish is a small carnivorous fish that lives in the lower reaches of the Amazon River. It gets its name from its almost transparent body.

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Jordan Confer is a member of the lady elk basketball and golf teams. She is also a cheerleader. Jordan has also been active in UIL events and 4-H activities.

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Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
No Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wed. Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m.,
CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.
- First United Methodist**
Rev. Gene Weinette
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Sunday School 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
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- Church of Christ**
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Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.
- First Baptist**
Pastor Jason Stone
702 N. 3rd
Sun.—Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Children—6:00, youth—7:00
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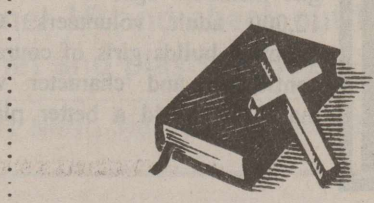
As you think about your life, your needs, as you think of dear ones you would see healed and blessed, think about the power of God that is in you and in those for whom you pray. This power is a healing power, a guiding power, a life-transforming power, a providing, prospering power.

God's power is never limited. When you pray, have faith in the miracle-working power of God. Have faith that the answer to your prayers will be above and beyond your fondest expectations.

"Have faith in God."—Mark 11:22

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

THE HIGH GROUND OF TEXAS HOSTS ANNUAL REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The High Ground of Texas will be hosting their Annual Meeting & Special Membership Events on Tuesday, October 30 at Reese Technology Center in Lubbock, Texas.

The High Ground of Texas is a regional marketing coalition that covers more than 60 counties in the great state of Texas! In addition to facilitating successful and diverse marketing initiatives, the organization is involved in supplying economic development education, providing a common voice on regional issues, and nurturing relationships with state and federal agencies. The High Ground also instills an environment of networking and generous sharing of knowledge among our members for the purpose of continued regional prosperity.

Annual Meeting events will begin with a tour of the Institute of Environmental and Human Health located at Reese Technology Center. TIEHH is a joint venture between Texas Tech University and the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. The institute's goals are to educate Texas Tech students on environmental and human health issues and to investigate environmental and human health effects caused by toxic chemicals. A goal of TIEHH is also to create teams of researchers who develop quality science and technology to evaluate the impact of toxic substances on the environment and human health and to develop and enhance education and research through partnerships with both industry and government.

The tour will be followed by a Networking Buffet Lunch. The Annual Business Meetings of the High Ground of Texas and the High Ground of Texas Education Foundation will immediately follow the Luncheon. The Annual Meeting program will feature a presentation by ROI-Research on Investment on a recent Marketing Study.

An afternoon Economic Development Workshop is called "Memorable?? Of Course I Am - Aren't I?" *Keys to Tripping Down Memory Lane* presented by renowned speaker Jerry Gerson, of The Gerson Group. A Partner Showcase & Reception will feature Tabletop booths and helpful information hosted by our many Resource Partners. A Silent Auction will benefit the new High Ground of Texas Education Foundation.

The Featured Keynote Speaker at the Banquet is Dr. Lowell Catlett, Regent's Professor of Economics, Agriculture and Genetic Engineering at New Mexico State University. A nationally sought-after presenter, he will be speaking on "Why Fear Fails and Actions Triumph".

For more information about this event, please call 806.683.2553.

Gifted and Talented Identification Meeting

There will be a meeting on Monday, November 5th for parents who are interested in learning more about the gifted program at Stratford I.S.D. This meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

Characteristics of gifted children will be discussed as well as the nomination process for referring students into the gifted and talented program. Parents will also be given some helpful tips on recognizing and dealing with giftedness in their children.

Anyone wishing to nominate a student for the gifted and talented program can submit their nominations to the following G/T campus coordinators beginning November 8th and ending November 22nd: Mary Allen Elementary - Desine Garza (366-3340) Stratford Junior High School - Barbara Haile (366-3320) Stratford High School - Carla Griffin (366-3330)

For more information, contact Cindy Franklin at 366-3324.

Reunion dotada y talentosa de la identificación

Habra una reunion el lunes, el 5 noviembre para los padres que estan interesados en aprender mas sobre el programa dotado y talentoso en Stratford I.S.D. Esta reunion comenzara a las 7:00 P.M. en la biblioteca de la High School secundaria.

Las características de niños dotados serán discutidas tan bien como el proceso del nombramiento para referir a estudiantes en el programa dotado y talentoso. Darán los padres también algunas extremidades provechosas en el reconocimiento y tratar de giftedness en sus niños.

Cualquier persona que desea nominar a un estudiante para el programa dotado y talentoso puede someter sus nombramientos a los coordinadores siguientes del campus de G/T que comienzan el 10 de noviembre y que terminan el 21 de noviembre: Mary Allen Elementary - Desine Garza (366-3340) Stratford Junior High - Barbara Haile (366-3320) Stratford High School - Carla Griffin (366-3330)

Para mas información, haga contacto con Cindy Franklin en 366-3324.



ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

This week in Mrs. Rackley's 3rd grade math we learned how to solve part-part-whole story problems using a story mat. We learned how to divide numbers into 2 equal parts. We are practicing how to tell time. We are also learning how to add more than 1 number together at a time.

In Social Studies, we are learning about people that influence communities. Throughout the year we will be making a book about these people. This week we are adding Christopher Columbus and Lewis and Clark.

The Band Council initiated our new concession stand last Friday. They fixed hamburgers for the SISD staff for lunch. It was delicious and makes your mouth water for basketball season! Thanks, guys!

One Act Play tryouts were held Monday. The Employee Appreciation Banquet sponsored by SISD School Board was on Tuesday evening. Lem and Cindy Russell, et al, prepared and served the meal. Delicious!

Our 7th, 8th, and JV football teams will play West Texas on Thursday. Junior high pep rally will begin at 3:15. The varsity team will play West Texas High at Stinnett on Friday. The pep rally will be at 3:10. The Regional Cross Country meet is on Saturday in Lubbock. Our three students running in the meet are Kristen Crabtree, Kelsie Keener, and Wesley Anderson.

Saturday evening at Stratford High School. Times and events are listed elsewhere in this paper.

Quote of the week: "To accomplish great things, we must dream as well as act."

Good luck, Kids!

The Fall Festival is this

Becky Burton to Head New Area Girl Scout Organization

Becky Burton of Lubbock, Texas has been named Chief Executive Officer of the merging Girl Scout councils in northwest Texas and the Oklahoma panhandle, Ms. Burton, a native of Abilene and graduate of Texas Christian University, was previously CEO of Girl Scouts of Caprock Council in Lubbock. She has 21 years career experience with Girl Scouting and has served in three councils across the country. Her expertise in building community partnerships positions her well to lead the merger integration process and align functions across the new 81 county region.

Beginning January 1, 2008 the four councils that have served counties in northwest Texas and the Oklahoma panhandle will officially merge and be renamed Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains, Inc. Though corporate headquarters will be in Fort Worth, regional offices and service centers will continue to serve girls throughout this large area which covers 28% of the land in Texas, Maria DeBrango Stickel will continue to oversee operations of the former Five Star council area based in Amarillo.

The councils that are joining together are Girl Scouts - Circle T Council (Fort Worth), Girl Scouts of Caprock Council (Lubbock), Girl Scouts - Five Star Council (Amarillo) and Girl Scouts - NorCenTex (Wichita Fate). These councils have worked together to produce a blueprint for success

for Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains.

Ms. Burton and the merged council are making changes for the next generation of Girl Scouts along with an organizational transformation across the country. Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. is set to make the non-profit organization into the provider of the world's best leadership development experience for girls. This council currently serves more than 26,000 girl members ages 5 - 17 and 12,000 adult volunteers. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place,



4th Grade Webelos Scout Den Complete Service Project

The 4th grade Webelos Scout den completed a service project to fulfill a requirement for their citizen badge last Thursday night. They went around a few neighborhoods trick or treating for food items for the local pantry. Pictured here are AJ Riffe, Kevin Hernandez, Wesley Allen, Branson Palmer, Jack McBryde, Ty Hess, Michael McKinney and Holton Butler. After the food drive, they enjoyed a good scare at The Imagination Station's haunted house.

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However, we would never have been able to give them the opportunity, had we not received so much support from the Stratford, Sunray, Dalhart and surrounding communities. You are directly responsible for the Stratford Patriots winning at State and for this we Thank You! A special Thanks to the Stratford ISD for allowing us to use their pool on a regular basis for practice & to Trenda Maiwald for being our lifeguard.



Matt Powers, second from left, receiving his medal for the 50-meter backstroke.

The Stratford Patriots are:
From Stratford
Matt Powers
Tyler Pickens
Brian Zinck
Wade Plunk
Linda McKinney

From Dalhart
Seth Kimbrell
Steven Kimbrell
From Sunray
Ross Sims
From Griggs
Jordan Ferguson

If see one of them please give them a pat on the back and a Congratulations.

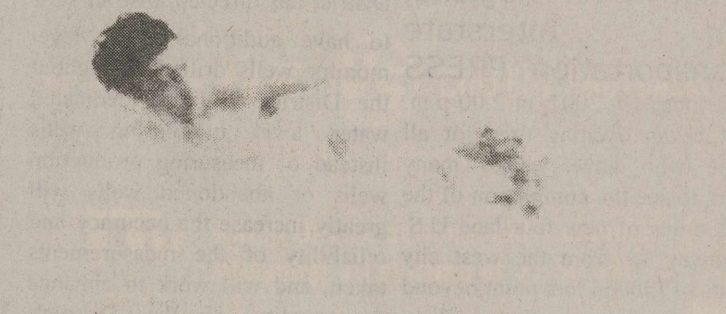
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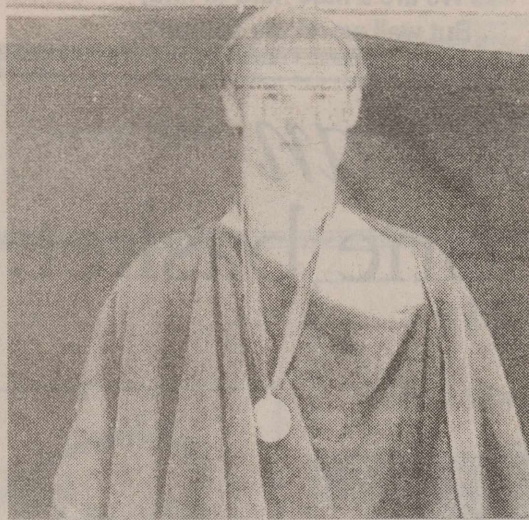
Seth Kimbrell in the 15-meter flotation race.



Ross Sims after receiving his medal for the 25-meter freestyle.



Brian Zinck participating in the 25-meter freestyle competition.



Steven Kimbrell receiving his medal for the 25-meter flotation.



Linda McKinney working hard in her 15-meter flotation swim.



Group Picture of The Stratford Patriots and Coaches at 'Opening Ceremonies'

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(NU) - Healthy hydration, especially during the warmer months, is of the utmost importance. On hot days, your body naturally uses more water, and health experts say you should replenish every ounce you lose.

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Tea, which naturally contains flavonoid antioxidants, is another option. Bob Greene, exercise physiologist and trainer to Oprah Winfrey, recommends Lipton tea in his book *The Best Life Diet*, and for a refreshing drink in minutes, Lipton Cold Brew brews directly in cold water — healthy hydration made easy.

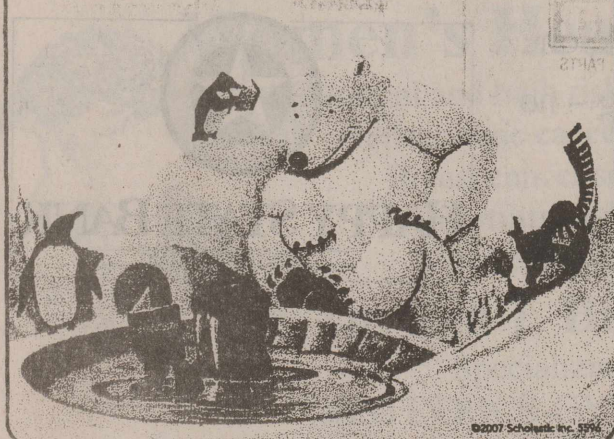
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Library to Host Book Fair

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S.P.I.R.I.T. - U.S. Highway 54 (Southwest Passage Initiative for Regional and Interstate Transportation PRESS

November 19, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. will be an exciting time for all those who have waited many years to see the completion of the four miles of new four-lane U.S. Highway 54 from the west city limits of Liberal to a point beyond the Oklahoma State line. S.P.I.R.I.T., the Kansas Department of Transportation and the General Contractor, J & R Sand, will host this event to celebrate the completion of a project which will provide a safer and more efficient entrance to Liberal - and to Oklahoma. On August 14, 2006, a groundbreaking was held to kick off the construction of this project. U.S. Congressman attended and said "In 1997, I was anxious to secure federal funds to demonstrate the safety and commercial needs could be addressed for once, starting in the west and moving east. This project is a step in the right direction in providing Southwest Kansas with safe and reliable roads that connect with the rest of the country".

Deb Miller, Kansas Department of Transportation Secretary also attended along with several others from the Department in Topeka. She had been very instrumental in moving this project forward to provide a much safer roadway in Southwest Kansas. She said "Here's to looking at more good transportation years to come". More KDOT projects are moving forward in the Pratt County/Kingman County area, plus a new project being engineered and designed to go through the city of Greensburg all on U.S. Highway 54.

Please mark it on your calendar and plan to join S.P.I.R.I.T., KDOT and J & R Sand to celebrate a great event. More information will be coming your way soon about additional features to this Ribbon Cutting.

It is by believing in roses that one brings them to bloom.
—French Proverb

Faith is an assent of the mind and a consent of the heart, consisting mainly of belief and trust.
—E.T. Hiscox

Without risk, faith is an impossibility.
—Soren Kierkegaard

District Seeks to Drill Additional Wells for Water-level Monitor Program

Collecting information about a hidden resource deep underground is not an easy task, but it is one that North Plains Groundwater Conservation District must complete yearly. How do we know what is happening to our groundwater supply in the Ogallala aquifer? One way to get information about the aquifer is to take water level measurements in multiple wells across the Panhandle. These measurements are typically taken in the early months of the year at a time when agricultural irrigation is not taking place, so that water levels have had time to level out without the effects seen from draw-down in the aquifer caused by heavy pumping. This data is then used to determine declines or increases in the water level in the aquifer over the past year.

Some of the measurements are taken from wells that are also used for agricultural production and irrigation, and some are wells that are designated as monitoring wells, and others have no pumping taking place. The overall trend seen for the Panhandle, however, is that water levels in the aquifer are declining, and it is becoming even more important to get accurate measurements each year in order to monitor the groundwater usage from the Ogallala.

With this in mind, the Board of Directors of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District has directed District staff to have additional water level monitor wells drilled throughout the District. Utilizing dedicated water level monitoring wells instead of measuring production wells or abandoned wells will greatly increase the accuracy and reliability of the measurements taken, and will work to enhance the quality of the District's already existing monitor well program. The District will be drilling many new monitor wells over the next several years.

Landowners who are concerned about the Ogallala aquifer and wish to help in the effort to study and better manage our groundwater resources now have the opportunity to participate in the monitor well program. The District will be seeking permission and easements from certain District landowners who to drill and maintain water level monitoring wells on their property. The District will pay the costs to drill and maintain the monitoring wells, or will cover the costs of drilling a test hole for a property owner who agrees to allow the District to use that test hole for a monitoring well.

If you would be willing to have a water level monitor well located on your property and one of the three conditions below apply please contact Dale Hallmark (District Hydrologist) at 806-935-6401 for details.

1. If you are planning to drill any test holes and are willing to have one of them turned into a permanent monitor well, and the test hole is located in an area where a monitoring well is needed, or
2. If you have an unused well that you would be willing to have turned into a permanent monitor

well or
3. If you would be willing to allow the District to drill, equip and maintain a permanent monitor well on your property

Not all properties may be located where an additional water level monitor well would be useful or beneficial, however all responses from District landowners about property available to drill and maintain monitor wells on will be deeply appreciated. The groundwater beneath our feet is a precious resource, and it is the goal of North Plains Groundwater Conservation District to protect and preserve that resource for as long as possible and to try to ensure that there is a dependable supply of water for future generations.

Sherman County 4-H Swine Club October 23, 2007

The Sherman County 4-H Swine Club met on Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the county barn. President Kaleb Horsford called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM.

Fourteen members, ten leaders and David Graf, County extension agent was present. Dinah Horsford welcomed everyone and briefly went over the purpose of the club.

Sarah Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and RaeLeigh Willborn led the 4-H pledge and motto.

Barney Willborn went over a project checklist and asked members of any questions or problems they were having. He went over a list of important dates and explained the validation process and major stock show sign up night. The club will take a project tour on Saturday, November 17, 2007. We will meet at the county barn at 1:00 PM.

The club elected officers for the 2007-2008 year. They were: Kaleb Horsford - President/Council Delegate, Kyle Horsford - Vice President, RaeLeigh Willborn - Secretary/Reporter/Treasurer.

Kyle Horsford read the club bylaws. Kaleb Horsford made the motion to accept the bylaws as presented and Britten Pickens seconded. Motion carried and bylaws were accepted.

David Graf went over the project forms. He explained that the forms need to be completed and turned in at the end of the project. He went over the 4-H and FFA Exhibitor Ethic form.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, November 17th at 1:00 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Faith is the subtle chain which binds us to the infinite.
—Elizabeth O. Smith

SHERMAN COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS TO COMPETE

Sherman County will be represented at the Panhandle District 4-H Roundup scheduled for November 3 on the West Texas A&M University campus. 4-H members will be competing in the Share the Fun and Beef Quiz Bowl contest.

Bailey Naugle is the coach for the Junior Share-The-Fun team who will be performing, "4-H is For Characters". Team members are Landry Davis, Jacie Seward, John McBroom, Ashton Sellers, Mary Ann Spurlock, Desinya Garza, Dillon Sellers, Tyler Rouse, and RaeLeigh Willborn. Bailey is assisted by Jolie Asher and Shannon Sellers.

Nathan White, Natalie White, Zachery White and Ryan Dahl will be competing in the Senior Beef Quiz Bowl contest. Carolyn White is the coach for this team.

The Panhandle District 4-H Roundup is the qualifying event for Texas 4-H Roundup scheduled in June on the Texas A&M University campus.

Good luck to each of these youth at the contest.

4-H is the national youth program sponsored by Texas Extension Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.


Don't Forget To vote on Tuesday, November 6th

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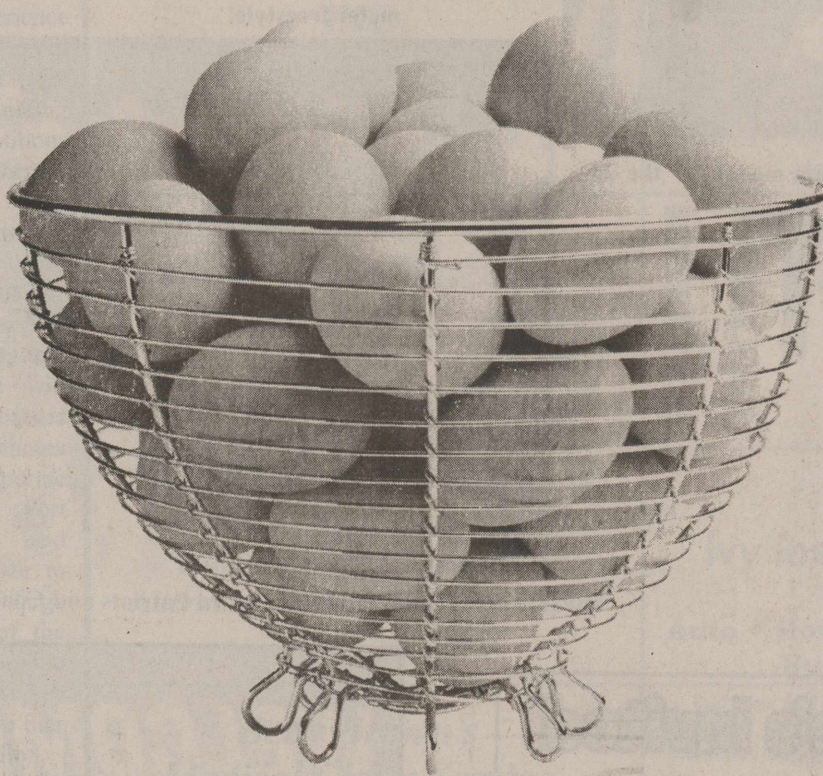
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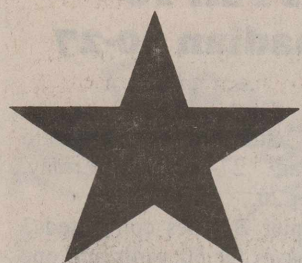
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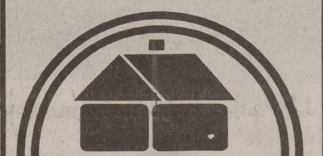
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DISTRICT 4-H FOOD SHOW RESULTS

One hundred nineteen 4-H'ers from the top 21 counties in Texas gathered at Bushland High School in Amarillo for the Panhandle District 4-H Food Show October 20, 2007. Each participant earned the privilege of competing at the district level by placing first in county food show.

Youth prepared a dish, served it to a panel of adult judges, and answered questions in an interview format. 4-H'ers were asked about preparation skills needed to make their dish, food safety concerns involving the preparation and storage of their dish, the key nutrients in the product as well as their community services and leadership activities in the foods and nutrition project. Food Show participants representing Sherman County were Russell Spurlock, Mary Ann Spurlock, Mazie Vincent, Catheryn Griffin, Eric Burton, and Jennie Spurlock.

Top four Intermediate medalists (ages 11-13) from Sherman County was Mazie Vincent in the Main Dish category.

Jennie Spurlock was named the top winner in the Senior Nutritious Snacks division. She will represent Sherman County and the Panhandle District at the State Food Show. The state Food Show will be held in June during Texas 4-H Roundup.

Eric Burton placed 2nd in the Senior Breads and Cereals division. He will be the alternate to the state Food Show. Senior contestants' ages are 14-19 years old.

Sponsors of the Panhandle Food Show included Arrowhead Mills of Hereford, Texas Extension Education Association, Morrison Milling Company, and Texas Cooperative Extension.

4-H is a national youth program sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



Sherman County 4-H Food Show was held Monday, October 8 in Stratford. Intermediate participants were Mary Ann Spurlock and Mazie Vincent. Senior 4-H members were Catheryn Griffin, Eric Burton and Jennie Spurlock. Junior 4-H members participants Desinya Garza, Landry Davis and Russell Spurlock.



Jennie Spurlock captured first place in the Senior Nutritious Snacks category at the Panhandle District 4-H Food Show held October 20th. Jennie prepared Shrimp Salsa for the competition. She will represent Sherman county and the Panhandle District at the State 4-H Food Show to be held during Texas 4-H Roundup on the Texas A&M University campus in June 2008.

4-H FOOD SHOW WINNERS NAMED

Eight 4-H'ers will be advancing to the District 4-H Food Show after winning the Sherman County 4-H Food Show held Monday, October 8th. Eric Burton, Teen Leader served as Master of Ceremonies at the Awards Ceremony and was assisted by Landry Davis, Mazie Vincent, Catherine Griffin, Russell Spurlock, Mary Ann Spurlock, Desinya Garza, and Jennie Spurlock.

Representing the county at the district event will be Landry Davis, Nutritious Snacks; and Desinya Garza, Junior Main Dish. Russell Spurlock was named Alternate Winner in the Nutritious Snacks and will represent the county in the Jr. Breads and Cereals.

Intermediate representative will be Mary Ann Spurlock in Fruits and Vegetables; and Mazie Vincent in Main Dish.

Senior representatives will be Eric Burton, Breads and Cereals; Catheryn Griffin, Main Dish, and Jennie Spurlock, Nutritious Snacks.

Honors for Best Interview were awarded to Landry Davis, Junior; Mary Ann Spurlock, Intermediate, and Eric Burton, Senior.

Rookie Award went to Russell Spurlock.

The 4-H Food Show is the achievement event of the Foods and Nutrition Project in which 4-H'ers learn food preparation skills, food buying, meal planning, food safety, social and cultural roles of food, and nutrition. Twenty-four 4-H members completed project work. The Food Show allows youth to prepare a dish of their choice and to be interviewed on the nutritional knowledge of their diets and of their selected dish. Serving as volunteer judges were Karen Russell, Moore County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Agent and Brandon Mitchell, Dallam County Extension 4-H Agent.

Serving as volunteer leaders for the project were Connie Burton, Mary Ann Ely Laurie Spurlock, Katie Killian, Eric Burton, and Jennie Spurlock.

Sponsors of the Food Show were Stratford Grain Company, Walter Lasley & Sons Feedyard, West Texas Gas Company, Moore's Food Pride, Sherman County 4-H Parents and Leaders Association, and Texas Cooperative Extension.

The Sherman County 4-H Food Show supports the state goal for developing responsible, productive, self-motivated youth and adults and the county Long Range Extension Program of Enhancing Skills for Quality of Life.

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- To check the availability of these items go to www.hlc-lib.org/stratford Next click on Search the catalog and search Sherman County Library. Call 366-2200 and we will be happy to place a hold on the item for you.

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. has the following opportunity currently available for qualified applicants in the Stratford area: Outside Plant Technician position in the Stratford Customer Care Center. Applications may be picked up at any of the XIT Customer Care Centers. XIT is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
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Lollipop Junction is searching for a new director. Also need dependable adult. Must be 18 years of age w/high school diploma or equivalent. Must love children. Hours may vary. Send resume to Box 411 or contact Wesley Spurlock-Board present at 753-7215.
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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS! Certified Scrub Tech and Registered Nurse needed for Surgery Department at Dallam-Hartley Counties Hospital District, Dalhart, Texas. Call 806-244-9263 or visit our website, www.dhchd.org
For more information
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IMMEDIATE OPENING! Dietary Manager needed at Dallam-Hartley Counties hospital District, Dalhart, Texas. Call 806-244-9280 or visit our website, www.dhchd.org, for more information.
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For Sale

For Sale or Lease: 212 N. Poplar 40' by 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585.
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2 BR apartments, close to school, new appliances. \$425-450 month, plus deposit, tenant to pay utilities. 806-244-3418
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Weekend!!!!
Fall Backward (Turn
Clocks back)

Legal Notices

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Stratford Fire Department will accept sealed bids until 7:30 p.m. Monday, November 12, 2007, for 1977 F600 Ford Truck. It has 16' ft. bed with hoist. ONLY 27,100 mile on it, runs good. This truck can be seen at 101 N. Pearl and N-First Street. From Fire Station contact Chief Eddie Williams 753-7330 or Dean Hauser 753-6623.

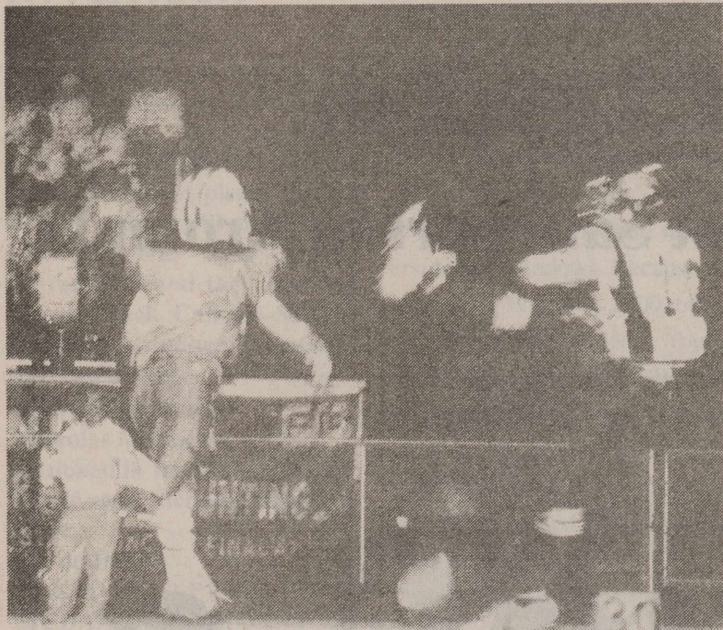
Bids will be opened and considered at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at the Regular meeting at 101 N. Pearl Fire Station. Bids may be delivered to City Hall, 518 N. 3rd Street or mailed to PO Box 45 Mark-Bids. Late bids will not be considered.

Stratford Fire Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
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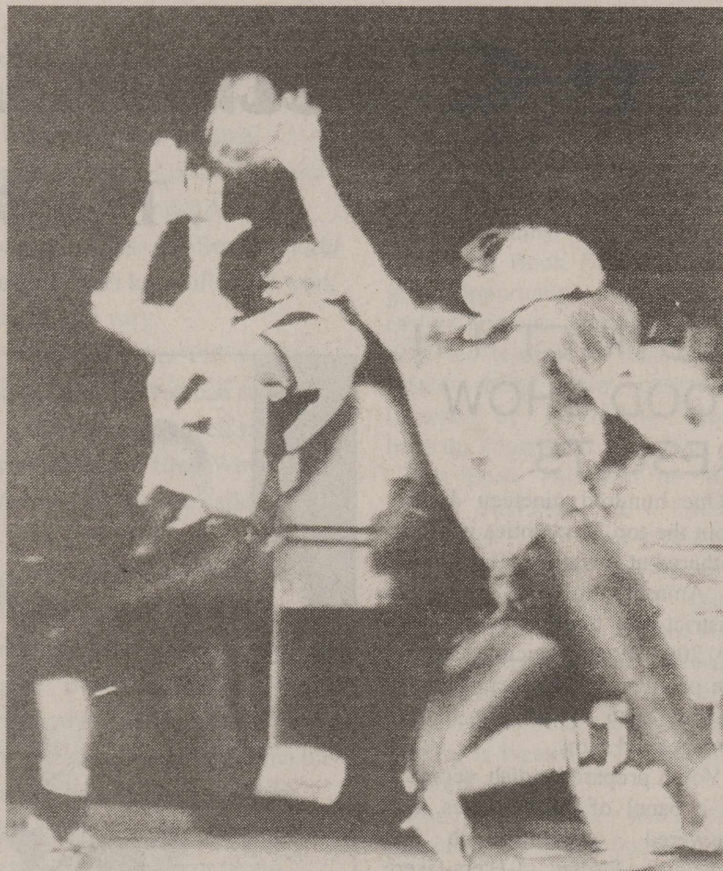
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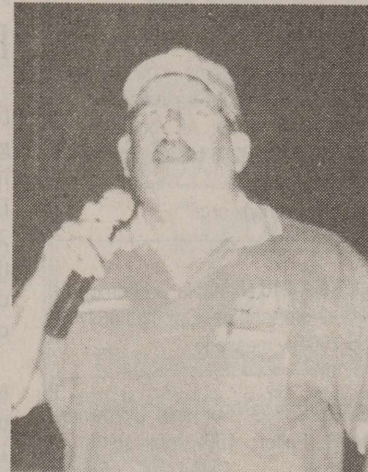
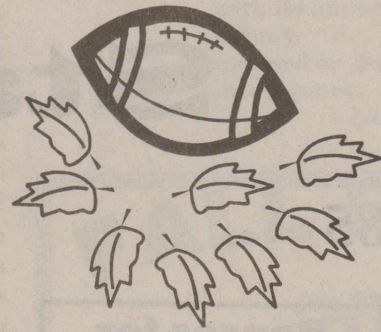
Elks Fall To Canadian 20-27



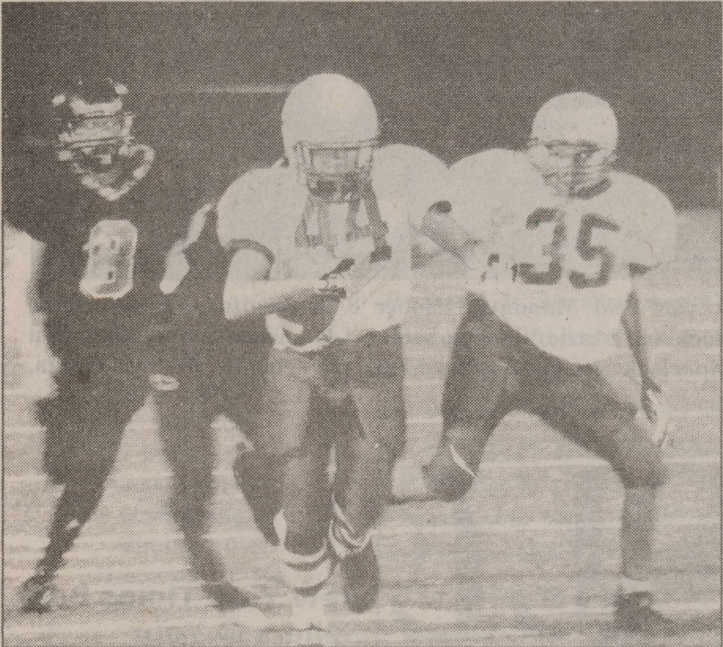
Hunter Buckles #5 blocks Canadian's punt and scores a touchdown for the Elks on Friday, October 26.



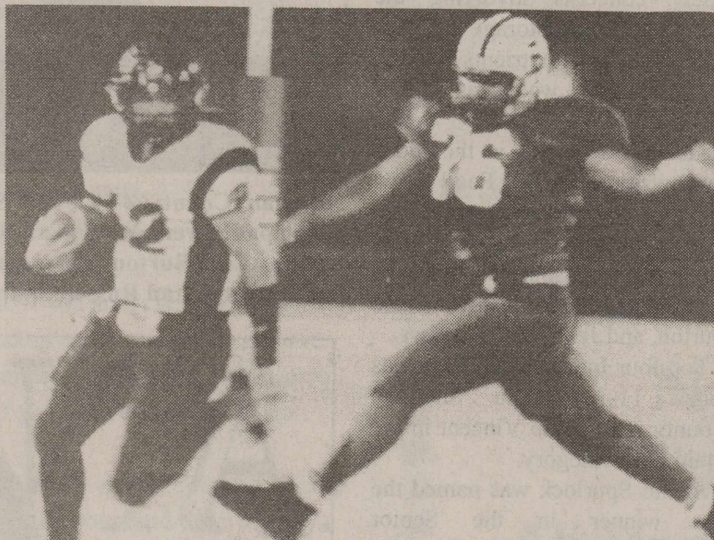
Stratford Elk Manual Chavoya #35 breaks up a pass.



Jimmy Lanning gave the pep talk on Friday, October 26.



J.V. Elk #44 Justin Lanning hauls in a great catch and sprints toward the endzone.



Stratford Elk #76 Sandro Gomez closes in on Canadian player.

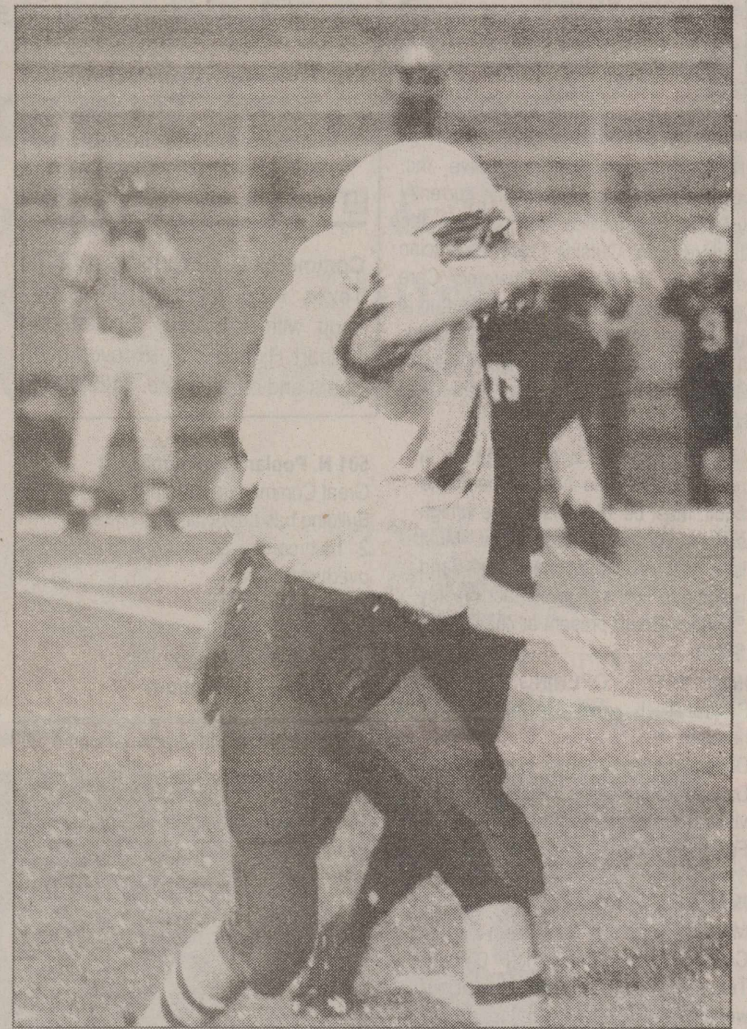
The Stratford Elks lost to Canadian 27-20 on Friday, October 26.

Hunter Buckles completed 3 of 8 passes for 60 yards and one touchdown and carried the ball for 12 yards on 9 carries and scored one touchdown on a blocked punt. Craig Kautz carried the ball for 30 yards on 11 carries followed by Jesse Lopez with 19 yards on 8 carries. Angel Resendes led in receptions with 46 yards on 1 catch followed by Julio Ramirez with 16 yards on 1 catch. Victor Carrera scored 2 Pat's for the night.

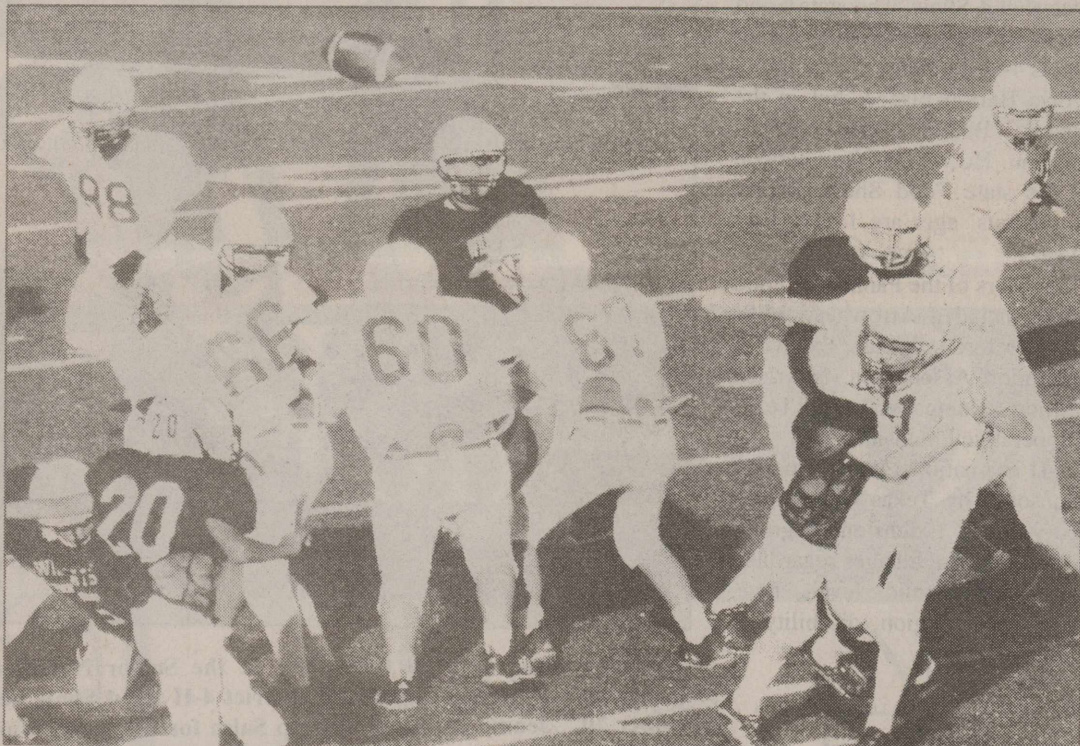
The Elks defense was led by Hunter Buckles and Craig Kautz with 5 tackles followed by Jorge Robles, James Smith, Manual Chavoya, and Julio Ramirez with 4 tackles each. Also contributing to the Elks defense were Michael Frizzell, Sandro Gomez, Angel Resendes, Joey Reta, Klinton Keener and Brent Reed. Gomez and Resendes each had an interception for the night.

The Elks will face West Texas there on Friday, November 2nd.

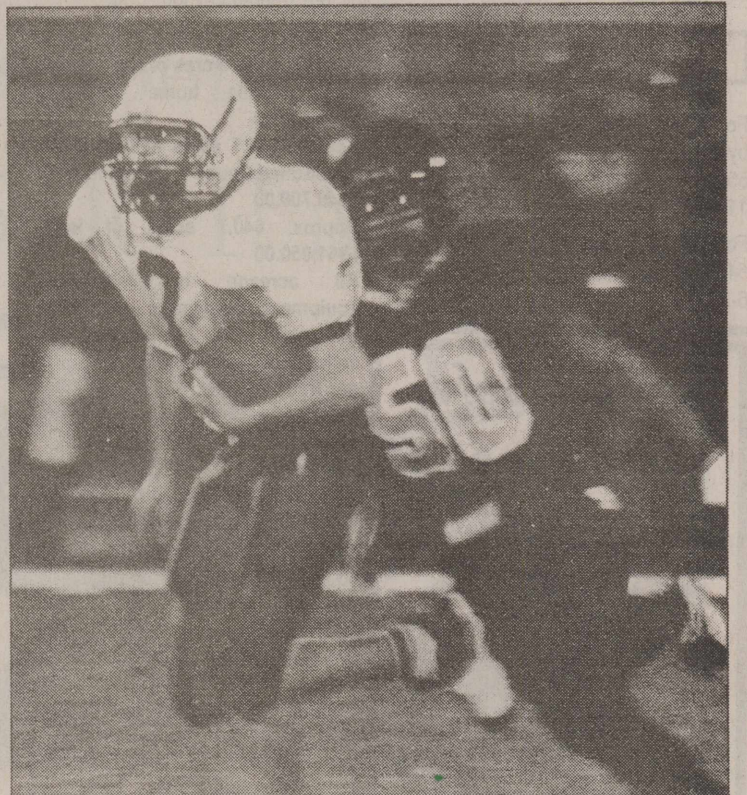
Players of the Week:
Defensive Back - Craig Kautz,
Defensive Line - James Smith
and Special Teams - Hunter Buckles.



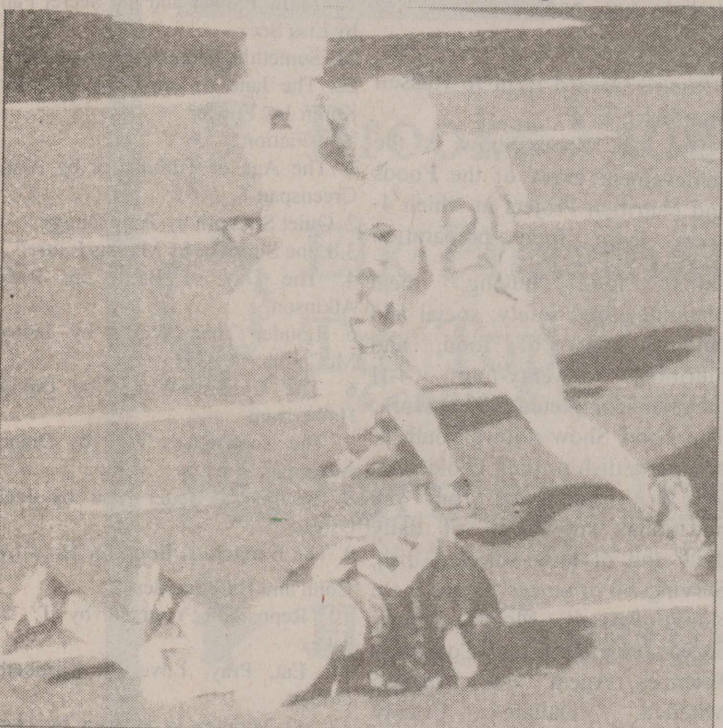
8th grade Elk #11 Braiden Palmer looks down field.



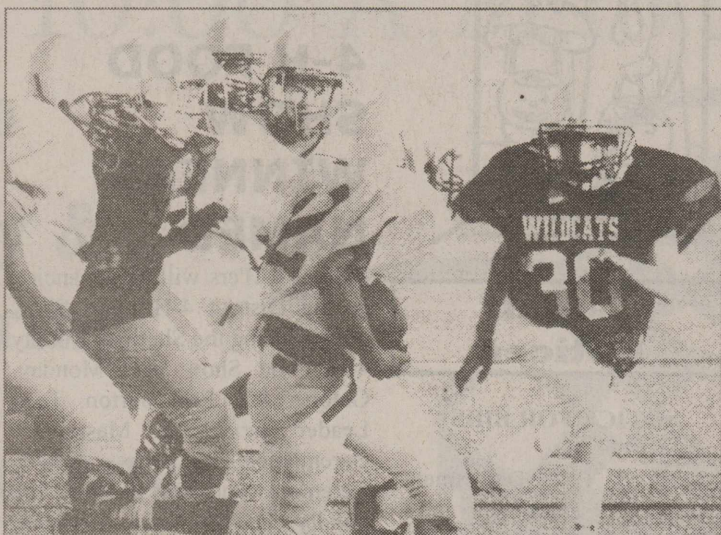
Tanner Wright #11 feels the pressure as he passes to Colten Rendon #24 for a 30-yard touchdown against Canadian.



J.V. Elk #7 Bryce Cummings breaks away from a Canadian defender.



Colten Rendon #24 scores a touchdown on 30 yard run for the 7th grade Elks.



7th Grade Elk #12 Alex Chavoya carries the ball. Also shown Tyler Seward and Brandon Moreno.

Attention Football Fans

Stratford Sports Network is now streaming on ARNet in Amarillo. We think this has fixed the problems we were having with TSRN. Just go to www.stratfordsportsnetwork.com And click the big red button on the screen. You can't miss it.

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