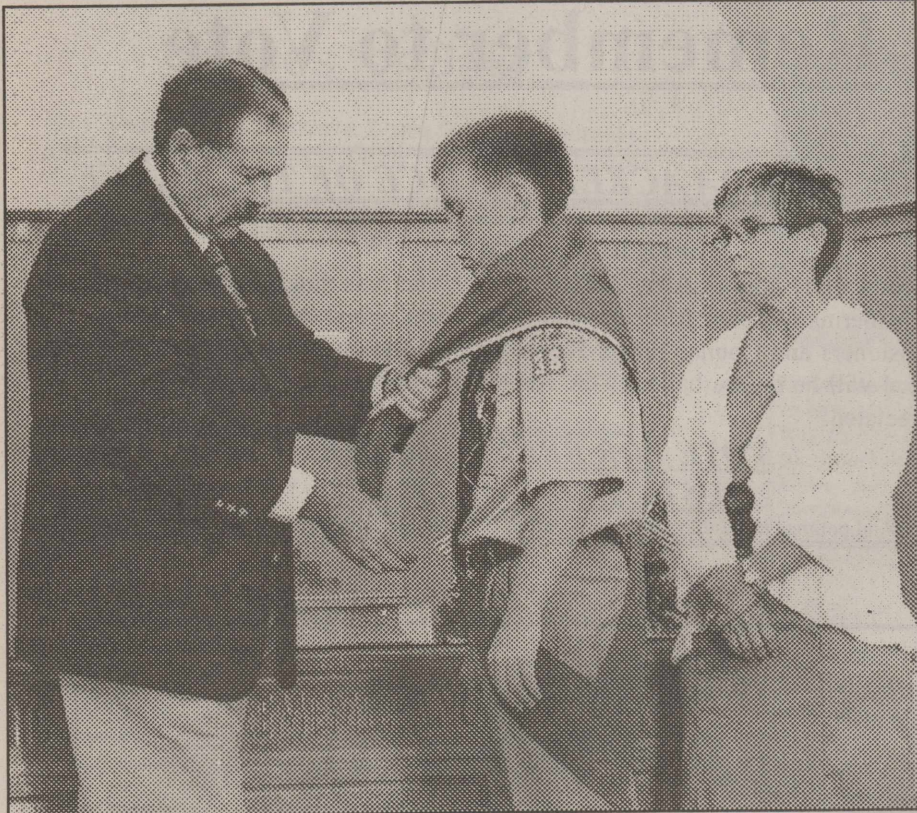


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Bret Barnard receives Eagle Scout Award October 21st, 2012

Bret Barnard, son of Pat and Nita Barnard received his Eagle Scout award on Sunday, October 21, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church of Stratford. Shown above (left) is Pat presenting his son with the Eagle Charge Award. Bret's mother Nita watches the presentation.



Chris Riffe presents Eagle Award

Shown above with Bret are Chris Riffe (leader) Pat, Bret and Nita Barnard.

On Sunday, October 21st at 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Bret Barnard was honored by receiving his Eagle Scout Ceremony. Welcome was given by his father Pat Barnard. Presentation of Colors was presented by Troop 38. Marihoward Engelbrecht played the Star Spangled Banner. Invocation was given by Dr. Jim Smith. A.J. Riffe and Russell Spurlock presented the Scout Law. Andy Riffe told about the 100th Year of Eagle Scouts.

THE HISTORY OF THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

This is the 100th year of the Eagle Scout Award, Scouting's highest rank. It is surprising that the Eagle rank was not a part of Scouting's earliest years. Robert Baden-Powell (the father of scouting) called for there to be a wolf badge which was a "reward for special distinction". This badge was so special that only one would be awarded each year.

After the Boy Scouts of America was founded in 1910, it was decided that America's National Bird should grace scouting's highest award. The 1911 "Handbook for Boys," the first publicly available edition, introduced the Eagle Scout award, as well as two lesser awards, Life and Star Scout.

At first, Life, Star and Eagle were not ranks, but special awards for earning merit badges. The Eagle Badge was earned when the Scout completed 21 merit badges. Arthur Rose Eldred earned his 21 merit badge in April of 1912. All that remained was a Board of Review. Eldred's review Board may have been the most intimidating in history, consisting of Chief Scout Executive James E. West, Chief Scout Earnest Thompson Seton, National Scout Commissioner Daniel Carter Beard and Wilbert E Longfellow of the U.S. Volunteer Lifesaving Corps. Eldred survived his high powered review and on August 21, 1912, West notified him that he was the Boy Scouts of America first Eagle Scout. He had to wait till Labor Day to receive his Badge because no medal had been created. Eldred's medal is now on display at the National Scouting Museum and has been the model for all the medals presented in the last 100 years. Incidentally, Bret earned his Eagle Award on August 23, 2012, 100 years and 2 days after Arthur Eldred.

Eagle Scout requirements have been strengthened steadily over the years and in 1965 the Eagle Service Project was added. In the words of the 1965 handbook, the Scout had to "Plan, Develop, and Carryout a service project helpful to his church, or synagogue, school, or community approved in advance by his Scoutmaster." The Eagle Scout Leadership service project was born.

The one-millionth Eagle Scout was awarded in 1982. To date, over 2 million boys have been awarded the Eagle Scout Award and approximately 50,000 boys their Eagle each year.

Bret talked about his Scouting Memories, and then Pat presented the Eagle Charge. Chris Riffe presented Bret's Eagle Award. All Eagle Scouts said the Eagle Pledge, Benediction was given by Dr. Jim Smith and Retrieval of Colors was presented by Troop 38. Refreshments were served in the Fellowship hall while folks in attendance congratulated Bret and his parents on his special accomplishment. Congratulations Bret, and thanks for inviting us. Glad to be there to help you celebrate your big moment.

Annual Veteran's Day Assembly Nov. 12th

On behalf of the Stratford High School Student Council, we invite you to our annual Veterans Day assembly. The assembly will be on Monday, November 12th at 10 a.m. in the Stratford High School gymnasium. We are privileged to host this assembly as a way for the young people in our community to honor, recognize, and thank our veterans for all the service and sacrifices they have made to allow us to live in this free nation. We would be honored if you could join us.

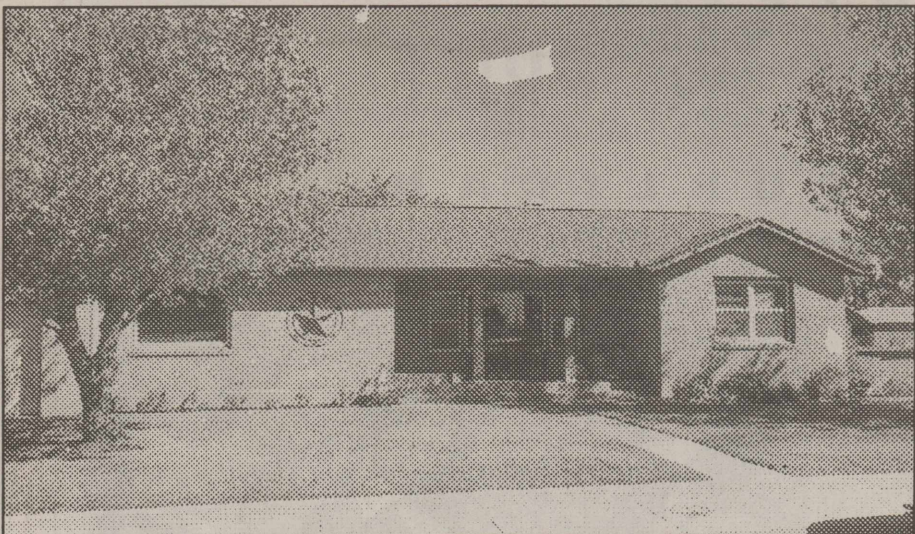
This year's speaker is Daniel Gade, he is being introduced by Kyle McAdams. Kyle McAdams, a Stratford Alumni, founded *Healing Waters* a program that assists in the physical and emotional rehabilitation of wounded soldiers. Daniel Gade, a former U.S. Army Major who was severely wounded in Operation Iraqi Freedom has participated in the Warrior 100K with George W. Bush and worked in the upper levels of the White House. Funding for Daniel Gade to come speak is sponsored by Brown Buick-GMC Subaru, Southwest Honda and Amarillo National Bank.

Once the ceremony has concluded, we would like to honor all of the attending veterans and their families with refreshments in the cafeteria. We hope you choose to participate in our Veteran's Day activities.

Remember to vote

Red Hats

Red Hats will meet Thursday November 1st at Ol' Biddys at 6 pm.



Fall Parade of Homes

Prospectus Study Club is pleased to announce that their Fall Tour of Homes will be on November 3, 2012. Home tour times will be from 9:30am to 11:30am. The four featured homes this year will be The Jamie Garza home at 1219 N. Olive, the Paul Uttley Home at 601 N. Main, the Matt Lovorn home at 600 N. Main and the Dusty Floyd home at 1215 Beaver. Several neat silent auction items will be placed at the Floyd home, so go make a bid! Ticket prices are \$10 and will be available at Acquisitions/Hissy Fits, from Laurie Spurlock or Michelle Lutes or at the homes the morning of the 3rd. All proceeds go toward scholarships and other activities that we do in the community. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Lutes. Shown is one of the featured homes - Above-Matt Lovorn House on main street

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From the Desk of
Chief Powell

It has been a long, tough week, here in College Station. This has to be one of the most intense law enforcement management schools I have ever attended. I want to say I am very proud of our officers back home for keeping things running smoothly. As usual, I have had no complaints and it seems to be business as usual. I don't make it a habit to brag, but I have spoken highly of our officer's and our community several times this week. Sometimes it takes coming to the "bigger-city" to realize just how good we have it at home. As I understand it, the Cub Scouts visited our Police Department last week and had a great time. We always welcome youth groups to stop by, and anyone else for that matter.

ATTENTION: Happy Halloween kiddo's. Your Stratford Police Officers will be at the Stratford Museum on the evening of Halloween for Trunk or Treat. Officer Cooley will be using D.J. "Chiefs" system and playing music. By the way, he likes to be called DJ. "5.0." Anyway, Detective Gabehart and Deputy Tanner will be handing out bags of candy. This is courtesy of YOUR Police Department. The first 200 kids to visit the museum will receive a bag of candy. I sure wish I could be there with you this year!!! Be safe and have a great time!!!

I also want to thank Johnny Pulliam for handling the animal calls now. To be honest, we didn't do the best job in the world with animal control and we will be the first to admit this. As a police agency, we had to prioritize our calls and there were times, we were pulled in several directions. Thanks Johnny, for what you are doing.

Don't forget to friend us on Facebook...we'd love to see you there!! I miss you guys and hope to see you soon!!

Chief Joe Powell

I would be honored if the voters and citizens of Sherman County would give me the opportunity to serve you as Justice of the Peace by voting for

**YVONNE MILLER
NOVEMBER 6, 2012.**



By electing me for the next Justice of the Peace, I would provide professional leadership, an excellent work ethic and build public trust and the community's support during my service as Justice of the Peace of Sherman County.

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VOTE BRENDA ACKER-JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Sherman County Voters

Please vote! Early voting started the 22nd of Oct. and runs thru the 2nd of Nov. I am your Sherman County Justice of the Peace-I was appointed by your County Commissioners and County Judge. Please give me the opportunity to continue this job. I will be on the ballot as the Republican Candidate. Your vote would be appreciated!

**VOTE FOR BRENDA ACKER
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November 11, 2012 at the Big County Barn
Time: 11 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Adults: \$8.00/ plate (3 or 4 beef or chicken enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, dessert and drink)

Children: \$4.00/ plate (1 or 2 beef or chicken enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, dessert and drink)

Red beef and green chicken enchiladas will be available.
Advanced tickets will be sold....contact GRACIE



VOTE Nov 6th
JOE POWELL
FOR
SHERIFF
A CAREER LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADER

A MESSAGE FROM JOE POWELL

Just a quick update on my class: Once again, I am currently in College Station at the Mays School of Business on the campus of Texas A&M. This is the first of three, three-week Leadership Command Modules. It is an intense law enforcement management school, and I have to say that even after many years as a law enforcement leader, I am learning a great deal more than I ever expected. We are being taught management techniques, leadership skills, and ways to keep the organization out of litigation and lawsuits. My wife and son are spending time with the grandparents in Missouri during my absence and I miss them greatly. I should be returning to the city on November 10th and hopefully, as YOUR next Sheriff.

As this campaign season slowly creeps to a close, I know you are just as excited as I am. It is that time of year where we need to be focusing our attention on things like giving thanks and spending quality time with our loved ones. I want to publicly thank my wife for standing by my side throughout this steep, uphill climb. It has been a long road, but as Vince Lombardi said; *"I firmly believe that any man's finest hour, the greatest fulfillment of all that he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle —victorious."* Sherman County, I have worked hard to earn your trust and your support. It is my hope that I have done a good job as a leader in our community. With your support, just one last time (this year), I am prepared to move our Sheriff's Office into the future by utilizing not only many years of knowledge and experience, but by simply offering up my public relation skills, family-man attributes, and most importantly, a servant leadership style that will shine bright and make each of you proud of your vote.

I need you to know I truly regret that I cannot be here for these next few weeks. The law enforcement management school I am attending will only help me lead our county into the future in a more professional and progressive manner.

My wife and I have made Sherman County our home. Give me this opportunity to serve you as your Sheriff and I know you will be pleased. I ask for your vote on November 6th.

Thank You.
Joe Powell

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Don't forget to Vote

Vote No!!!

As you may know there will be a question on the upcoming election ballot to allow alcohol sales in Sherman County. There is a great percentage of citizens that feel passage of this will cause many problems in our City. We are concerned about Safety, Law Enforcement needs, and mostly about our Children. If you would like to support the campaign to protect our rights and quality of life in Stratford, you can make donations to KAOS (Keep Alcohol Out of Stratford). Donations can be made at Happy State Bank or First State Bank in care of KOAS. If you would like to place a sign in your yard to show support, please contact Bill Mires or Doak Crabtree.



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Four



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Daffern honored with baby shower

A baby shower was held on Sunday, October 21, 2012 for Brittany Daffern in the home of Suzanne Trayler. Shown above left to right are Winnell Loe, Katy Moore, Lindy Moore, Lisa Moore, Brittany Daffern, Debbie Daffern, Chandler Daffern, and Lawanda Moore.

Singles to Meet

UnTied Singles Fellowship will hold their November meeting on Tuesday, November 6th. The topic for this meeting will be *American Indians* given by Richard Ragsdale. The group will meet at the First United Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. Bring your own supper. Plans for a November group activity will be discussed. Looking forward to the end of the year, plans for a big Christmas or New Years Eve party will also be presented. So, bring all your ideas for holiday events. All singles from Stratford or the area are welcome. For more information, contact Paula Nusz (806) 753-6589.

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Births

Bill and Merlene Dean and Curtis and Teresa Pylant are the proud grandparents of Treyten Dean Pylant. Treyten was born on October 4, 2012 in Amarillo, TX at 10:41 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds 3.9 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Treyten is still in the neo/icu unit at this time. We thank everyone for all the prayers, visits and in sharing the joy of our new baby. With love Lacey Dean and Patrick Pylant.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Kenna, Dempsey and Jackson Collums along with Peggy Hawkins and Angie Aguilar went to Amarillo and spent a wonderful weekend with Chandra Hawkins. While there Kenna and Dempsey spent Saturday at Camp Don Harrington Boy Scout Camp at their annual Spookerie.

Peggy Hawkins received a good report on her back surgery for her 2 week check-up.



To the people of Sherman County I want to thank everyone that were able to attend the forum on October 8th and for giving me a chance to answer your questions. I would like to remind everyone who were unable to attend the forum that I will still be having two more meet and greets in the upcoming weeks. The first will be on Wednesday October 17th at 7:00pm at the Texhoma Elementary School. The second will be on Wednesday October 24th at 7:00pm at the new county barn. I have not been able to get around the county as much as I would like with the inspection of the Sherman County Jail just around the corner, with the recent influx of inmates into the Sherman County Jail, and the number of inmates I will be transporting in the upcoming weeks, it has been difficult for me to get out and meet people door to door as is proper. I hope for anyone who has any questions I hope you will attend so you can see not only what I have to say for yourself but to see how I deal with being asked questions from the public who I hope to be serving as the next Sherman County Sheriff. Refreshments will be served and I will stay until I have answered and addressed any and all concerns. Please remember I will be running as a "write-in" candidate and as such if you do a "straight ticket ballot" you will not be able to write my name in on your ballot and you will not be able to vote for the liquor election or school board members. If you have any questions about the election any election official will be able to help you and as always if you have any questions for me please feel free to email me at iuddforshermancountysheriff@gmail.com you will always receive a response directly from me.

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The term "Freelance" comes from a knight whose lance was free for hire, i.e. not pledged to one master.



Wedding Shower Held for Carters

A Wedding Shower was held for Courtenay and Corey Carter on Sunday, October 21st at Tana Pembertons. Shown above left to right are Twila Carter, Lura Zimmerman, Jan Shields, Courtenay and Corey Carter, Mary Carter, Sherry Phelps and Carolyn Shields.

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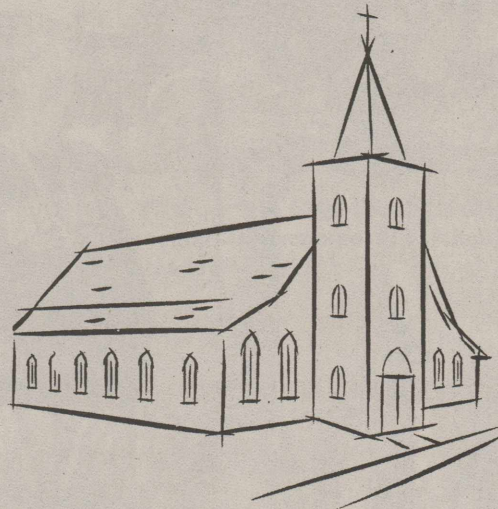
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No Sunday evening Worship Service

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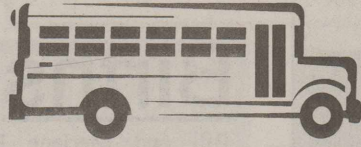
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Miercoles (Wednesday)
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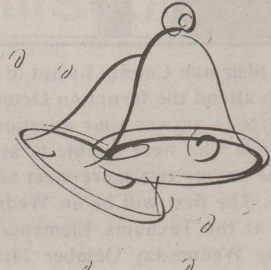
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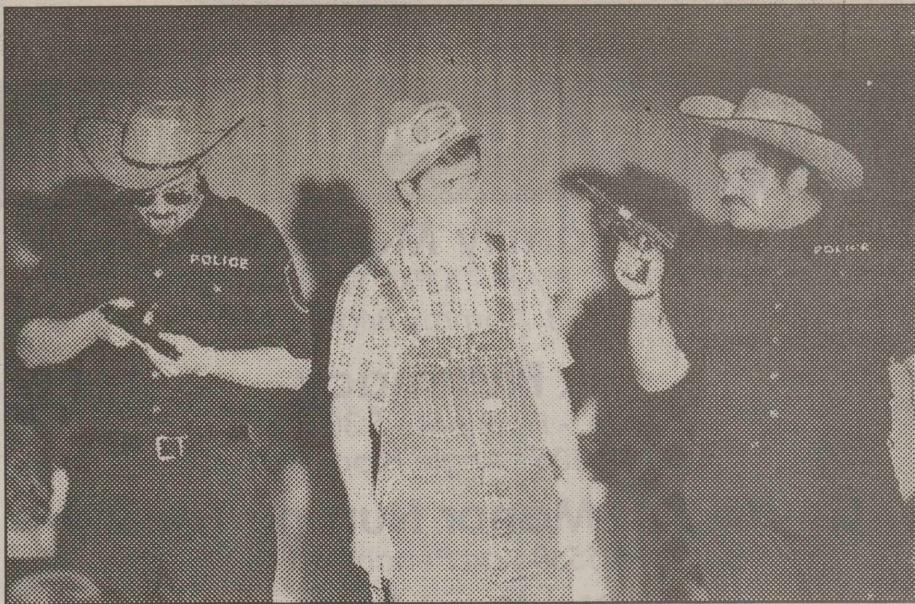
The Fall Production "Dearly Beloved" under the direction of Ronna Riffe and Stacy Metcalf performed for the public at their annual dessert theatre on Tuesday, October 23. They also held performances for the Jr. High and High School earlier in the day. Cast and Crew are B/F - L/R: Mary Ann Spurlock, Victor Castro, Branson Palmer, Taylor Wright, Katy Moore, Logan Uttley, Alexa Peregrino, Chesney Rendon, Diana Lopez, Tyler Seward, AJ Riffe, Adrian du Plessis, Mazie Vincent, Macy Everson, Hunter Everett, Ronna Riffe, Stacy Metcalf, Kaylee Sandvig, Jacie Seward, Allissa Palmer, Shyanne Acker, Val-mari du Plessis, Sidney Turner and Bethany Everett.



Mazie Vincent as Miss Geneva Musgrave in "Dearly Beloved".



"Dearly Beloved"



L/R: John Wayne Dipple (Branson Palmer, Dub Dubberly (Adrian du Plessis) and John Curtis Buntner (Victor Castro) in one scene from the fall production "Dearly Beloved".



Brent Spurlock and Walt Berry help auction off desserts at the Dessert Theatre held on Tuesday, October 23. Half of the proceeds from the auction were given to the Kenedi Groves Fund.

Good luck at Regionals Cross Country



The Jr. High Girls place 2nd at District Cross Country in Amarillo, Jr. High Boys Team placed 3rd and JV Girls team placed 1st. Regional Qualifiers Varsity Girls: 2nd Sam Gonzalez (she also placed 2nd and qualified individually for Regional's), Alexie Wright, Nohemi Ruedas, Karen Lazoya, Noemi Franco, Erika Robles, Yadhira Chavoya. Shown above back Grayson Gonzalez, Coach Ryan Tatum. Front (left to right) are Karen Lazoya, Yadhira Chavoya, Sam Gonzalez, Erika Robles, Noemi Franco, Alexie Wright, Nohemi Ruedas and Coach Tashea Thies



Shown above Grayson Gonzalez-Center, his sister Lilia Trayler (L) and Tashea Thies Coach. Grayson got 2nd in the District meet held on Monday, October 22nd in Amarillo and qualified individually for Regional's.

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Stratford Independent School

District News

Gifted and Talented Program Nominations

The nomination period begins on November the 6th and will end on November the 20th. Referral packets may be obtained from any of the campus G/T Coordinators. There will be an informational meeting on Monday, November 5th at 7:00 pm in the High School Library. Nominations are accepted from parents, teachers, and other staff and community members. Students (grades K — 12) who have not been identified for services in the gifted and talented program are eligible for nomination once a year.

Contact Information:
Cindy Franklin— SISD G/T Coordinator (366-3324)
Belinda Hamilton — Mary Allen G/T Coordinator (366-3340)
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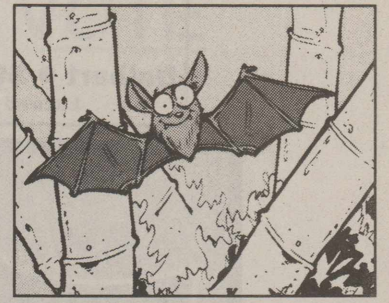
El periodo del nombramiento comienza el 6 de noviembre y terminará el 20 de noviembre. Los paquetes de la remisión se pueden obtener de cualesquiera de los coordinadores del campus Gil. Habrá una reunión informativa para todos los padres de noviembre el 5 en 7:00 pm en el High School Library. Los nombramientos se aceptan de padres, de profesores, y de otros miembros del personal y de la Comunidad. Los estudiantes (grado K— 12) que no se han identificado para los servicios en el programa dotado y talentoso son elegibles para el nombramiento una vez al año.

Información Del Contacto:
Cindy Franklin- Coordinador de SISD G/T (366-3324)
Belinda Hamilton - Coordinador De Mary Allen G/T (366-3340)
Barbara Haile - Coordinador Secundaria Menor de G/T (366-3320)
Paula Everett - Coordinador De ir: Secundaria G/T (366-3330)

SISD Education Foundation to hold Annual Meeting Nov. 12th

The Stratford ISD Education Foundation will be holding its annual meeting at 7 PM on Monday, November 12, 2012 at the Imagination Station. We will have students and teachers giving an update on the Rachel's Challenge program that is currently going on in our school. This is a program that was brought to the entire student body of Stratford ISD through a grant given by the Education Foundation. We are excited about what is going on in our school since the program was presented. Mr. Parham and Mr. Winn will also bring us an update on the Shrek Musical that they took some of their band students to last year. Blynn Weldon received Kindles for her reading program and we will hear how they have worked for her students in the classroom. Belinda Hamilton received new headphones for her musical keyboards that were granted to her several years back. This is one of the many grants that keeps giving to our students year after year.

Refreshments will be served and we would like to extend a welcome to everyone to come and join us. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of how you can give to the foundation to help continue to support the children of SISD through grants. You can make a donation in memory of someone as well as making a donation in honor of someone. Our local elevators have also graciously volunteered to help us by letting you donate grain to the foundation. We also want to remind you that we have a newsletter that we would like to send out to you by email. If you would like to receive the newsletter, please go to our website at www.stratfordeducationfoundation.com and contact us with your information. The Elk Express, our High School newspaper will also be posted in our newsletter. We hope to see you at our annual meeting.

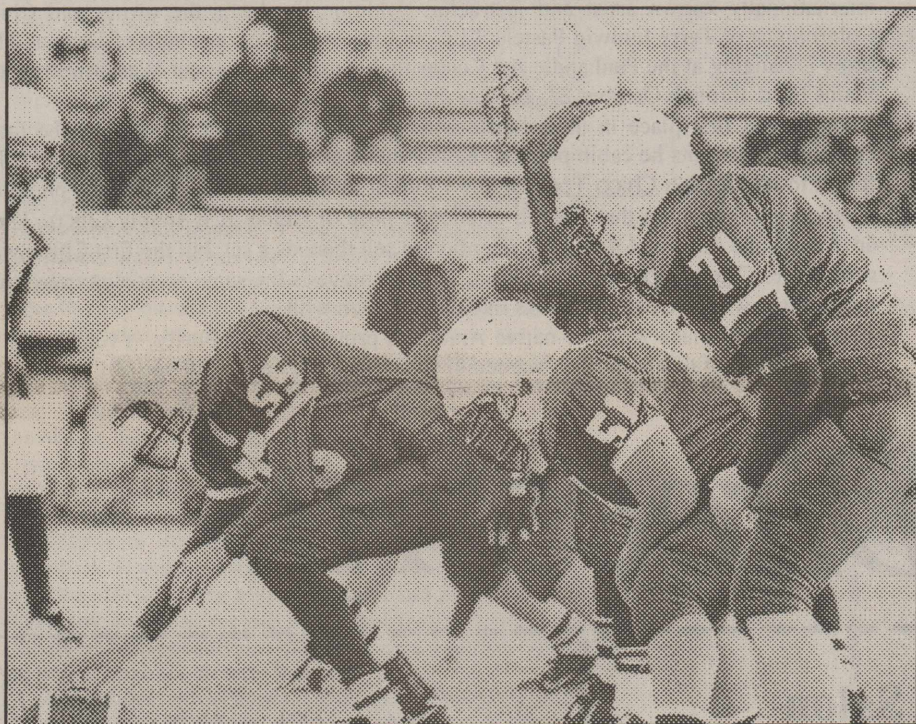


The smallest bat in the world is thought to be the Philippine bamboo bat. It measures about 1.5 inches in length and weighs about 1/20 of an ounce.



The Chihuahua, which weighs between 2 and 6 pounds and stands 6 to 9 inches high at the shoulder, is considered by many to be the smallest breed of dog.

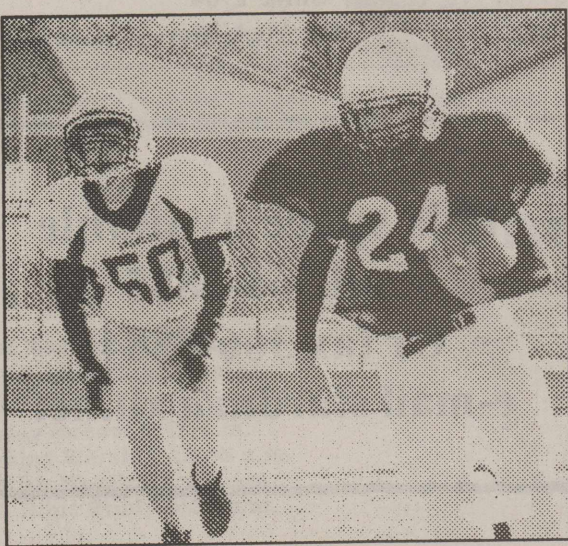
Football Time



#55 Russell Spurlock, center gets ready to snap the ball to quarterback Fernando Jacquez on Thursday, October 25. Other Elks shown on offense are #51 Alex Aldavaz & #71 Cole Smith.



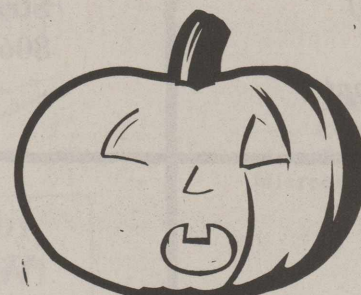
7th Grade Elk #64 Ruben Gonzalez closes in to help teammate Kade McBryde on the tackle.



7th grade Elk #24 Daniel DeCasas scores early for the Elks in their win over Clarendon on Thursday, October 25.



8th grade Elk Gage Brooks is able to break through and score a touchdown as #10 Fernando Jacquez and #11 Johnny Rivas clear the way in their victory over Clarendon.



The Mary Allen Kindergarten classes of Ronda Rutherford, Becca Boyd and Sabra Farabee recently attended the Pumpkin Patch. Shown are just a few of the Kindergarten class with Mrs. Rutherford.

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Sangster wins first place

On October 12, 2012 Yvonne Sangster attended the awards reception for the Lone Star Pastel Society Art Show. Yvonne is very pleased to announce that she won first place in the wildlife category and third place in the portrait category. There were 27 artists competing and near 100 entries. The judge was Terry Ludwig. Terry is an internationally known artist and instructor. Additionally, he is the owner and Chief Colorologist of Terry Ludwig Pastels, LLC, in Littleton, Colo., a suburb of Denver. The show is hanging at the Panhandle Art Center in Amarillo, Texas near Western Street on Plains Blvd. through October 27, 2012.

Yvonne won first place in the wildlife with Chico Too! This is a pastel of the little chipmunk that visits her cabin porch to be fed and is almost like a pet. Unfortunately she forgot to photograph Chico Too! Before I took it to the show, but she has the photo of another pastel painting that she did of another pose of Chico. It is simply Chico. They are framed the same and it was her intention to sell them as a set, but the first Chico was sold before Chico Too! was completed. The technique is the same so you can see from the painting what the painting looks like that she won with.

She won third place with her native American princess called Purity. Yvonne said "I am very proud of this honor and wanted to share my good news with you all!"

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Letter to the Editor



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Superintendent Appel selected for Leadership Academy

The Center for Executive Leadership at Lamar University has announced that, Hope Appel Superintendent at Texhoma Independent School District, Texhoma, Texas, is the recipient of a scholarship to attend the Lamar University Superintendent Academy, an advanced leadership training program on Lamar University's Beaumont campus. According to its Executive Director, Dr. Bob Thompson, participation in the Academy is by invitation only. The twenty-two superintendents in the 2012-2013 class were chosen from a list of approximately seventy-five nominees from Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. To be selected is an honor not only to the superintendent, Thompson said, but also to his or her board and district. Without the support of forward-looking boards, no superintendent could have achieved the level of success and recognition necessary to be selected to the Academy.

At the Academy, Appel will review the latest technology for enhancing student learning, participate in advanced leadership training from some of the nation's foremost trainers of company executives, and get training in the Decision Support Center, a high tech laboratory for improving the speed and quality of management decision making. Appel will also have an opportunity for field trips to visit other school districts to review practices that have helped make those districts be successful. And since the Superintendent Academy is a post-graduate program; the superintendents who complete the yearlong program will receive doctoral level credit for their work.

Thompson says the knowledge superintendents glean from work in the Academy is immediately applicable to any district, regardless of size or location. To assist districts in incorporating these management concepts, the Academy will host a three day Visioning session in the spring for Academy superintendents and their boards where they will be led through joint leadership training and planning activities. They will also meet with boards and superintendents from similar sized districts to share ideas for increasing student achievement and developing a vision for the future.

The year-long Academy is designed, Thompson says, to provide the most professional growth opportunities with the least amount of time away from the district. Appel just returned from New York City where she visited schools in Harlem, the Bronx, and in Manhattan. "The school of New York City work hard to be unique instead of similar to each other. Each school we visited was a "C" rated school by New York standards. However, we saw teachers and administrators working hard to do what is best for children." During the visit to New York City, Appel was able to participate in the St. John Fischer Comparative Education Seminar held at Columbia University.

"I am honored by the nomination and selection to participate in the leadership academy. I look forward to helping Texhoma Schools meet the demands of student achievement" says Appel. This is Appel's third year as superintendent at Texhoma, Texas school district.



A rat can go without water for a longer period of time than a camel can.

Dear Editor,
I am sick of politics!! I am sad about the bending of the truth, false statements, and general bad manners. While you have a right to voice your opinion, there are times it is not appropriate. I am saddened by the self-serving and sometimes criminal acts that tarnish trust. This is not only nationwide but also closer to home. It concerns me about the manipulation of voting machines so always check your ballot, "garbage in, garbage out". Paper ballots can also be manipulated but at least there are more people looking and you can go back and check. Misinformation about county voting from several sources: A straight party ticket vote prevents your vote for school board and liquor question is FALSE. I was wondering how the candidates for JP were placed on the ballot since neither were represented in the primary election. I guess we should ask to see a sample ballot long before voting, to question the information that goes into the machine.

Gaynelle Riffe

Dear Editor:

I would like to clear up some misleading information that has been circulating regarding voting a "straight party ticket." It was stated in a "paid political announcement" placed in the paper the last two weeks that if you voted a "straight party ticket" that you would not be able to vote for the liquor election or school board members.

I took advantage of early voting and voted last week. Although I voted "straight party" -- I was able to advance down the ballot & vote "NO" to the alcohol issue and was able to vote for my preferences for school board.

I would advise everyone to please check your ballot before clicking "Cast Ballot." Make sure that your choice was the box that was actually marked. If you click too close to the line the check mark may not check your choice but instead it can check the wrong box. When voting in the primary I had to correct my ballot as the wrong box had been inadvertently checked. I understand the same thing has also happened to several when they voted early in the general election. So check your ballot!!

ABOVE ALL, GET OUT AND VOTE!!

Karen A. Perrin

Dear Editor:

At the celebration of American values leadership forum on April 13th, 2012 some of our Nation's political leaders appeared before 6,000 NRA members and pledged to defend our second amendment rights without apology or compromise governor Rick Perry thanked Chris Cox NRA-ILA Executive director for his continued support of all of us who believe greatly in the second amendment. Governor Mitt Romney said this organization is sometimes called a single issue group and that is high praise when the single issue you're fighting for is freedom and you can be proud of your long and unwavering defense of constitutional rights and liberty. Governor Scott Walker said I want to thank Chris, Wayne and David you've got a great team, a great board, but most importantly great members and I'm one of them. Senator Charles Grassley said the constitution provides protection from the government to ensure, individual liberty and most importantly, the second amendment...the right to keep and bear arms, is a fundamental individual right...period. Over 200 years ago Thomas Jefferson said, No free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms maybe some one should let Obama know about this. Congressman Darrel Issa I pledge to you today I will not stop investigating the waste, the fraud and abuse in government ever but most importantly, our constitution liberties must be defended first and foremost and fast and furious can be seen as nothing else, but in fact, a needless attack on our rights to keep and bear arms. Senator Rick Santorum: the national rifle association is not just an association that protects the second amendment, it protects fundamental freedoms of which the second amendment guarantees they are that's what you folks do and I'm here to thank you for that. Congressman Darrel Issa I pledge to you today I will not stop investigating the waste, the fraud and abuse in government ever but most importantly, our constitutional liberty must be defended first and foremost and fast and furious can be seen as nothing else, but in fact, a needless attack on our rights to keep and bear arms. Senator Rick Santorum said the National Rifle association is not just an association that protects the second amendment, it protects fundamental freedoms of which the second amendment guarantees they are that's what you folks do and I'm here to thank you for that. Ambassador John Bolton stated with much emotion that, we've got today our first-post American president in Obama, you know, he's above all that patriotism stuff, he doesn't believe in American exceptionalism.. Former Ohio Secretary of State Ken Blackwell, ladies and gentlemen we are heirs to the legacy of Liberty for 236 years. America has been an exceptional-nation you and I and the NRA are here in American today to put the harness back on the growth of government and to take back our liberty. Speaker Newt Gingrich had this to say Thank you Chris I want to thank the NRA all of you as

members for their work that you do to make sure that we are in a position to preserve our right. Majority House Leader Eric Cantor stated that the NRA is a friend of freedom at a time when freedom in America needs all the support it can get, so I want to thank you very much for your patriotism. Governor Bobby Lindal stated that I had the privilege of meeting Chris eight years ago when I was first elected to congress. We've become great friends. I've gotten to know him well and I'm a big fan of him And the entire team here at the NRA we could not do without their

support. They do a good job in Washington in Louisiana and a great job across our country. Senator Roy Blunt said one of the great endorsement days of our Senate campaign what's usually and incredibly competitive state the day that Wayne Lapiere and Chris Cox spent with me so thanks for that and thanks for being here today at a critical time as we think about what we need to do to defend conational government.

Ken Forthman.

Good Luck Elks

GENERAL ELECTION
(Elección General)
SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS
(Condado de Sherman, Texas)
November 6, 2012
(6 de Noviembre 2012)
Official Ballot
(Boleta Oficial)

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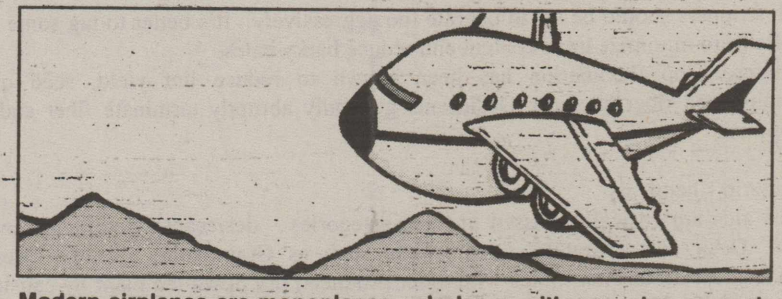
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November 6, 2012
(6 de Noviembre, 2012)
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Awards handed out at 4-H Banquet-2012



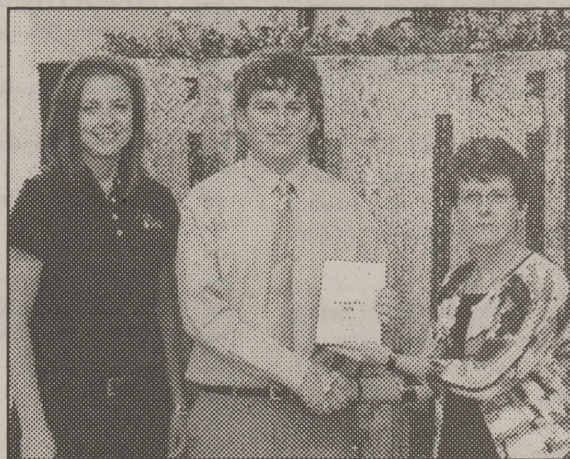
4-H Gold Star Winners presented with their Gold Star portraits which have hung in the First State Bank lobby this past year. Presenting the award are Dana Hess First State Bank and Judge Terri Carter.



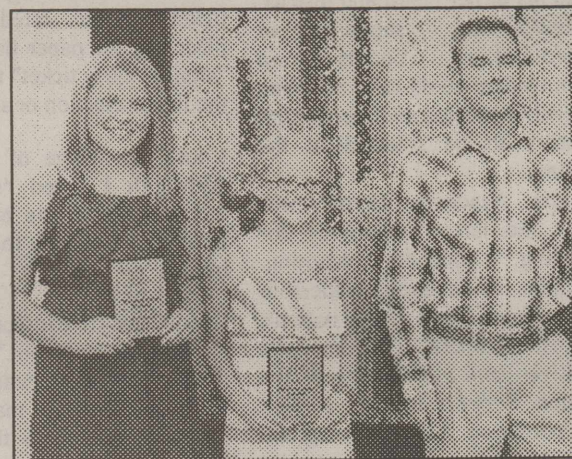
Trenton Stone, son of Rocky and Stacy Stone, 2012 Sherman County Gold Star winner with Dana Hess of First State Bank and Judge Terri Carter



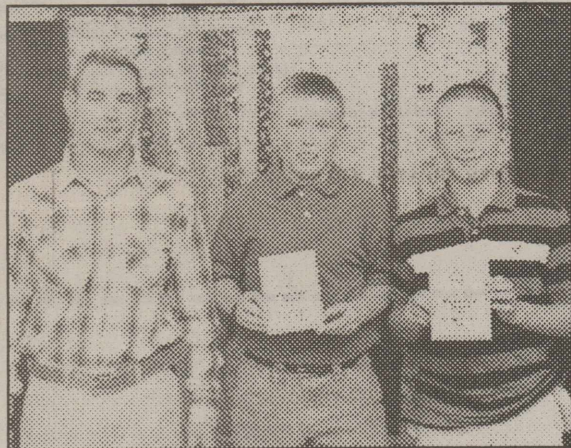
Mary Ann Ely was honored as the 2012 Leader of the Year with Trenton Stone presenter.



Connor Lowry, son of Jeff and Jan Lowry, 2012 Sherman County 4-H Gold Star Winner with Dana Hess of First State Bank and Judge Terri Carter



Carlee Metcalf and Kenlee McBryde were presented the Sherman County 4-H Bronze Star Award by Garrett Ely.



Garret Ely presented the Sherman County 4-H Silver Star Award to Winners-Bret Barnard and Kade McBryde.



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KEY STEPS OUTLINED FOR HARVESTING COTTON

By Brad Easterling

While harvesting is the final operation in cotton production, it is also the most important for achieving high lint grades. What works best in one year is not necessarily the best for the next season. There are several factors that affect the performance or lack of performance of harvest-aid chemicals.

Some factors that increase the performance of harvest-aid chemicals include the following:

- Warm, calm, sunny weather
- Soil moisture relatively low but sufficient to maintain cotton plant in active growth condition without moisture stress
- Soil nitrogen levels relatively low
- Leaves active and uniformly expanded on plants
- Little or no secondary growth evident on plants
- Plants with a high percentage of open bolls that have shed some mature leaves

Conversely, some of the factors which negatively affect harvest-aid chemical performance include:

- Applications made under cool (below 60o F), cloudy conditions
- Prolonged periods of wet weather following treatment
- Plants in vegetative growth state with low fruit set
- Plants severely moisture stressed with tough, leathery leaves at time of treatment
- High soil moisture and nitrogen levels which contribute to rank, dense foliage and delayed maturity
- Plants exhibiting secondary growth (regrowth) following a "cutout" period
- Improper calibration of application rates and poor spray coverage

CROP MATURITY

There are a number of key steps in cotton harvesting that will help produce a high quality crop:

- *Follow a good harvest-aid program. The acreage treated at any one time should not exceed harvesting capacity. Strive for good coverage with careful sprayer calibration, and do not apply harvest-aid compounds ahead of unsettled weather.
- *Harvest dry cotton. Seed cotton should be below 12 percent moisture for efficient harvest and safe storage. If seed coats are brittle and lint springs back after a hand squeeze, cotton is dry.
- *Do not mix damp cotton with dry cotton. Also, the lint portion can lose and gain moisture much more rapidly than cottonseed.
- *Brush strippers should be set to operate too aggressively. It's better to tag some cotton in the fields to minimize trash content and reduce baky bales.
- *Premature crop termination has been shown to reduce lint yield, seed quality, micronaire, and fiber strength. Desiccants generally abruptly terminate fiber and plant development.

Harvest-Aid Chemicals

Harvest aids are basically classed in three categories – desiccants, defoliant, and boll openers. Desiccants (paraquat formulations such as Gramoxone SL 2.0, Firestorm, Parazone and various tank-mixes with other products) dry down the plant by causing the cells to rupture. The old "rule of thumb" is that desiccants are normally applied when approximately 80 percent of the productive bolls are open, or at 2-3 nodes above cracked boll. However if sufficient numbers of bolls are mature, based on the knife test, then these chemicals may be applied to somewhat lower percent open boll fields.

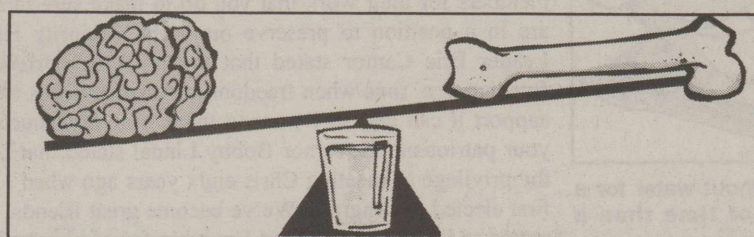
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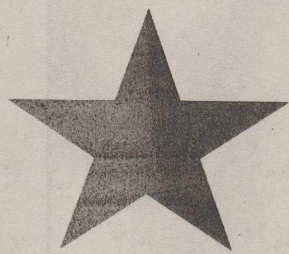
Ethephon based boll-opener products increase the boll opening rate to allow for more rapid harvesting of the crop. Primary ethephon materials include Prep and other related products such as Boll'd, Boll Buster, Setup, and SuperBoll. A few years ago, some enhanced boll opener-defoliant products were marketed. These include Finish 6 Pro and FirstPick which contain both ethephon and the synergists cyclanilide and urea sulfate, respectively. FirstPick is now being marketed by Nufarm. FirstPick is described as a "water soluble emulsifiable concentrate that has reduced corrosivity and different surfactants" than the older CottonQuik formulation. FirstPick performed similarly to CottonQuik in many trials in the High Plains. These chemicals affect natural plant processes associated with boll opening, but do not increase the rate of boll or fiber maturation. Once inside the plant, ethephon is converted to ethylene, a plant hormone which increases the rate of abscission layer formation. Many times, higher rates of ethephon products result in significant defoliation responses, but generally lower rates are used to obtain effective boll opening. The maximum labeled rate for ethephon products is 2 lb a.i./acre. Defoliant chemicals can be tank mixed with normal use rates of ethephon products to enhance defoliation. The response to ethephon is generally driven by temperatures. Under warmer conditions, reduced rates of ethephon may be used compared to cooler temperature regimes where higher rates are required to obtain similar plant responses. Ethephon product labels generally state that there should be "sufficient mature unopened bolls present to produce desired crop." Mature bolls are defined as "too hard to be dented when squeezed between the thumb and fingers, too hard to be sliced with a sharp knife, and when the seedcoat becomes light brown in color." Applications of boll opening products when bolls lack adequate maturity will likely result in reduced lint yield and micronaire. Results from several High Plains studies indicate that reductions occurred when applications were made at 25 percent open bolls, but not at 50 percent open bolls. Lint yields were reduced at least 10 percent, and micronaire was decreased by about 5 percent. A sequential application of paraquat (or other product with desiccant activity) is generally required to sufficiently condition the crop for stripper harvest.

These steps are generally only to be used for irrigated cotton unless we have had an unusually wet year and you are expecting a bumper dryland crop. Otherwise it is generally not practical or feasible to defoliate dryland cotton. Good harvest practices should still be followed.

For the complete Texas AgriLife Extension 2012 Cotton Harvest-Aid Guide feel free to give me a call or stop by the office and pick up a copy.



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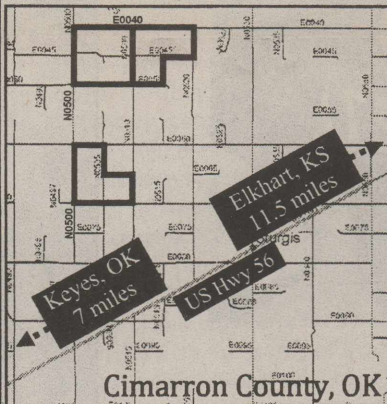
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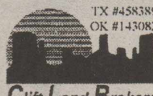
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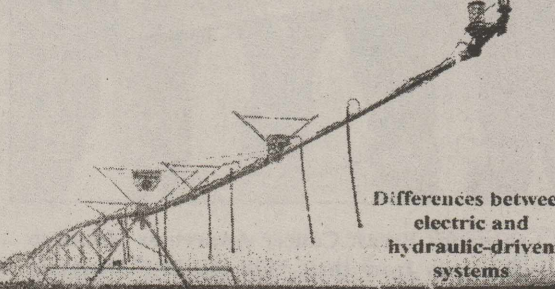
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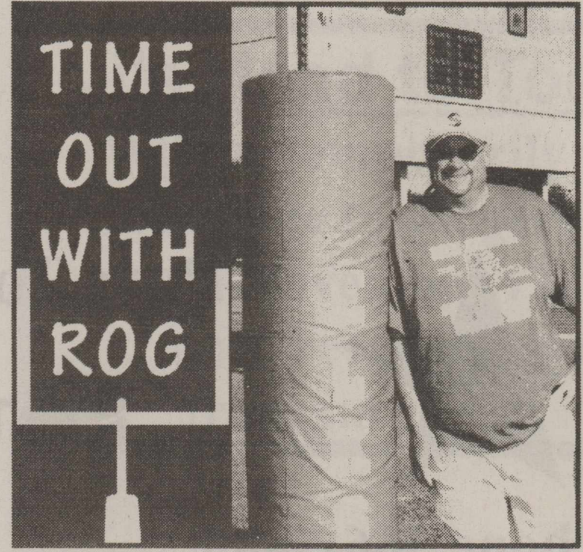
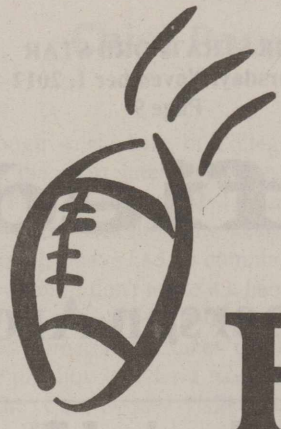
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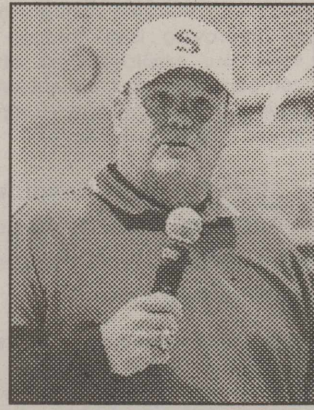
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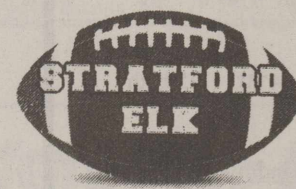
Fall is here, the wind is blowing the leaves off the trees and Stratford's Defense is a rolling. From Stratford to Clarendon is a 140 miles but to Clarendon it must of seemed a million miles! We played almost 4 quarters of perfect football! Colton Rendon you looked like your dad running that kickoff back. I'm real proud of all of ya! Stats Kelby, 26 yds, Alex 90 yds Garay 133 yds (that a boy) Colton 51 yds, Christian 59! Passing was Tanner Wright 5 out of 9, 132 yds, Sterling 3 for 62, Kelby and Logan 1 catch each! Ham hocks and beans (like our offense REAL GOOD!) By the way Cassidy Mizer at least my team won Saturday! Notre Dame, Really! Everyone come out Friday night and watch our Elks play our final home game. Let the Elk thunder roar! Please pray for Kenedi!!!! Once an Elk always an Elk!



Stratford Elk Alex Chavoya finds the hole and sprints into the end zone for a touchdown in the Elks district win over Clarendon on Friday, October 26.



Jim Bob Brown, retired Stratford Elk coach, gave the pep talk on Friday, October 25, 2012.



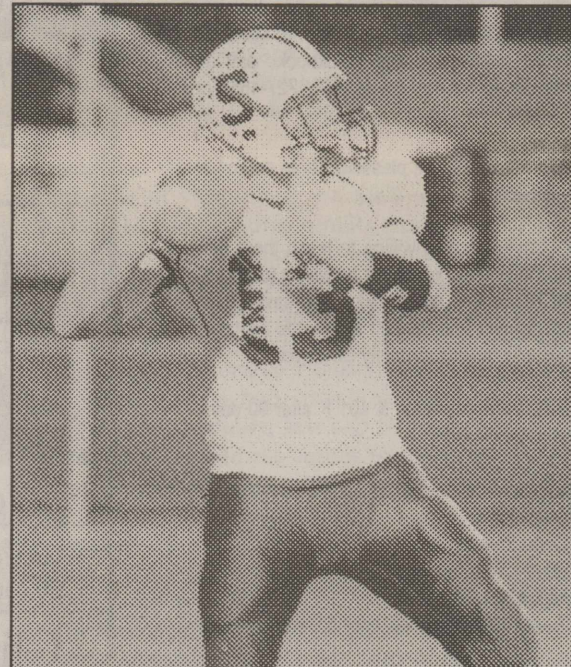
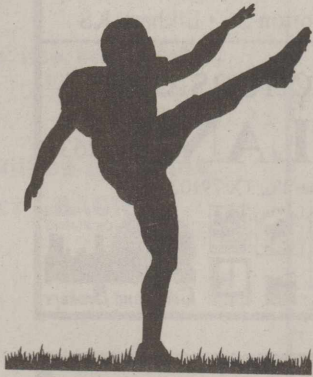
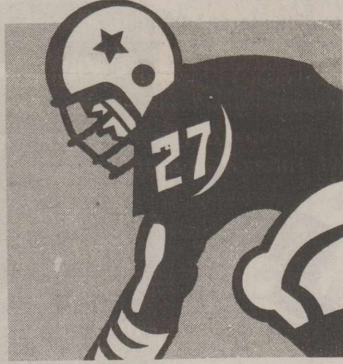
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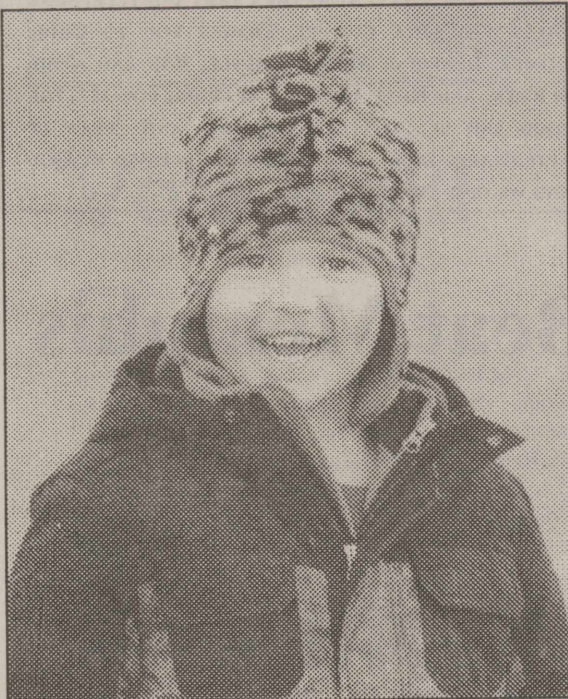
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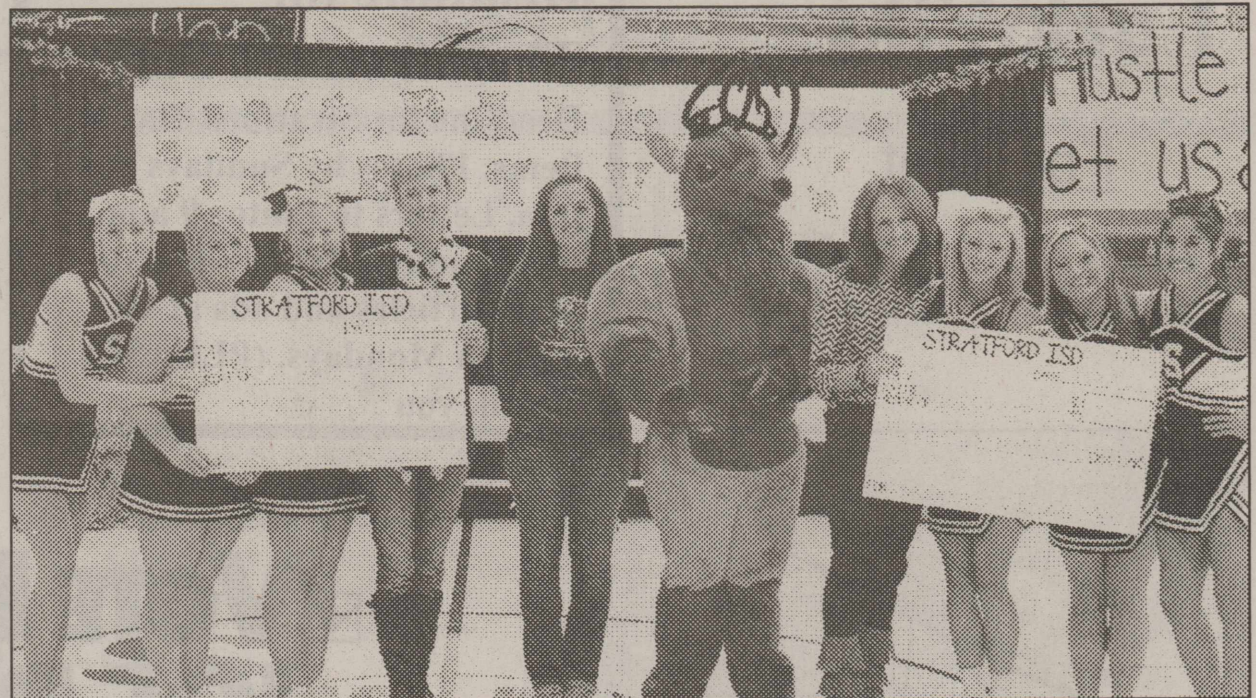
Stratford Elk Ricky Garay picks up some yards for the Elks on a fumble recovery on the Broncos kick-off.



Stratford Elk Quarterback Tanner Wright looks downfield for a receiver in the Elks 56-14 win against Clarendon.



Little Stratford Elk fan of the week is Jackson Wyatt. Jackson was bundled up and ready for some Elk Football on Friday, October 25. Jackson is the son of Trey and Candice Wyatt.



The SHS Cheerleaders and their sponsor Cassidy Mizer sold t-shirts for Breast Cancer Awareness Month to wear at the Pink Pep Rally on Friday, October 19 and also raised money from their "Fill the Bra" donation buckets to benefit "Circle of Friends" and the "Kenedi Groves Fund". A total of \$3,138.26 was raised! These funds were made possible from T-shirts \$2,525.50, donations from Stratford/Sunray Game -\$229.77, School Donations - \$283.09 and Cheerleaders donation - \$100.00. This money was split equally between Circle of Friends and Kenedi Groves Fund. They presented checks of 1,569.18 each to Tiffany Hudson, representing Circle of Friends and Kaci McBryde, aunt of Kenedi Groves. Shown from left: Alex Asher, Kaylee Mungia, Whitney Stone, Tiffany Hudson, Cassidy Mizer, Jessica Couch - Elk; Kaci McBryde, Meghan Brooks, Macy Everson, and Nohemi Ruedas.

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