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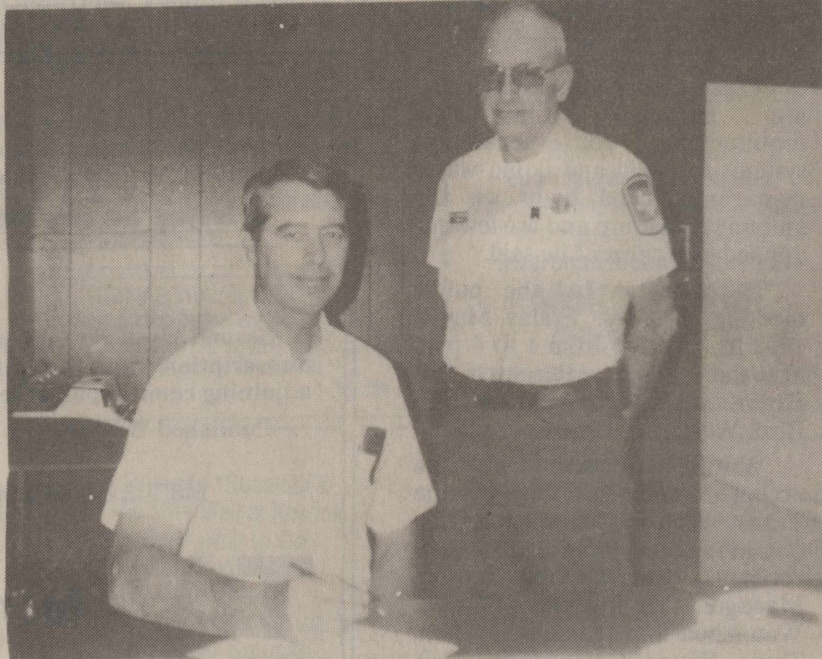
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Local News

Emergency Medical Services Week May 10-16, 1992



Pro-tem Mayor Ronnie Pickens is shown above signing a Proclamation proclaiming May 10 thru the 16th as Emergency Medical Services Week. Shown with Ronnie is Dee Brannan of the Stratford Ambulance Service.

Last Meeting For PTA 91-92 School Year

Last Meeting for PTA for 91-92 school year, May 7th 7:00 p.m. County Barn. Kristi Walden will be in charge of program. Mrs. Allison will present her UIL Oral Readers at the meeting. Babysitting services will be provided.

Stratford Lions Club Annual Broom Sale

Rex Sladek announced today that the Stratford Lions Club will be conducting its annual Blind Made Broom and Mop Sale on Friday, May 8th beginning at 7:30 a.m. In addition to providing jobs for the blind who make all of the products, proceeds from this sale will be used for Local Community Projects. The Caravan truck will be located at First State Bank Parking Lot, where you may make your purchase directly or contact Rex Sladek at 396-2374 to have your order delivered. Thank you for your support.

Public Service Announcement

A service of Affirmation and Hope for Survivors of Sexual and Domestic Violence and their family and friends. May 17, 1992 Sunday 7:30 p.m. at Polk Street United Methodist Church, 1401 S. Polk, Amarillo. A non-denominational service for any person who has ever been, cared about, or supported a survivor of sexual abuse, rape or domestic violence. This will be followed by a "Take Back the Night" Rally in Sanborn Park, 14th and Taylor. Co-hosted by Rape Crisis/Domestic Violence Center and Polk Street United Methodist Church.

Scholarship Fund Started

Friends of Oleen Judd have started a scholarship fund in her memory. Memorials to the fund may be deposited to: First Assembly of God Church of Stratford. "Oleen Judd Scholarship Fund". Memorials to this fund will also be accepted at the church.

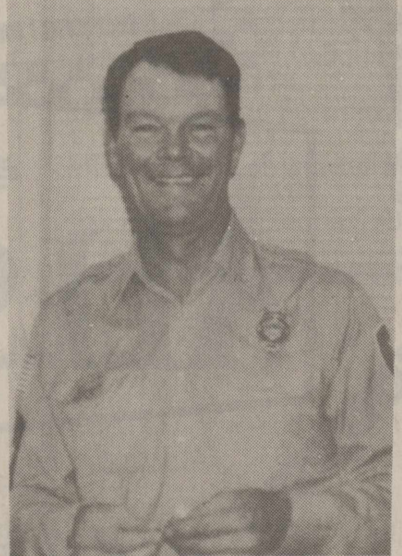
A prejudice is vagrant opinion with no visible means of support. —Ambrose Bierce

Stratford Fire Dept. Annual Banquet



Sandy Williams received a one yr. pin and was also honored as "Firefighter of the Year". She is shown wearing the sweatshirt that was presented to her as Past president of Fire Department Auxiliary.

Stratford Fire Department held their annual Banquet Saturday April 25, 1992. The banquet was catered by the Cattle Call Restaurant and followed by an award program honoring firefighters for 1991. All firefighters received pins for number of years in the fire service. Four fire fighters were honored as "Firefighter of the Year". Those honored were David Davis, Johnny Pulliam, Justin Coaly and Sandy Williams. Firefighter of the



Mike Mathews was given a 15 year pin.



Stratford Fire Chief Eddie Williams is shown presenting Johnny Pulliam "Firefighter of the Year" award and he also received a 20 yr. pin. Eddie Williams also received a 20 year pin.



Receiving one year pins were Malcolm Long, Karen Pulliam, Sandy Williams, Tammi Lermon, Jenny Alexander, Cindy Larance and Dora Bruns.

Election Results

The Election results in Saturdays elections May 2, 1992.

Mayor Doug Reese receiving 203 votes.

City Council-two vacancies: Ronnie Pickens-217; Johnny Garza-152; Jack Osborn-137; and Robert Randall-59.

School Trustee, two vacancies: Rick Reinart-220; Rusty Craig-155; Steve Baskin-122; Jeanne Bell-98; Johnny Mungia-94 and Lynn Allen 84.

Stratford Hospital Board-three vacancies. Gary Hudson-353; Mary Lovett-226; Kathleen Altman-216 and Ricky Keener-194. Congratulations to all the winners.

year Award is determined by the number of hours spent in training, number of fire and rescue calls and the number of meetings attended.

One year pins were given to Karen Pulliam, Jenny Alexander, Sandy Williams, Tammi Lermon, Dora Bruns, Malcolm Long and Cindy Larance. Three year pin was given to Kevin Payne. Six year pins were presented to Ray Lermon, W.R. Larance, Andy Alexander, Eugene Griffin. Ten year pins were given to Justin Coaly, Jack Gore and David Davis. A Fifteen year pin was presented to Mike Mathews. Twenty year pins were presented to Johnny Pulliam, Keith Borth and Eddie Williams.

For the past year there was a total of 36 fires and 11 rescue calls.



Middle School Honorees

Stratford Middle School is proud to announce the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the 1991-92 school year. Jim Taliaferro, principal, stated the competition was extremely tough and added that 32% of the class finished at the 90 or above grade average and that 85% of the class was at the 80 or above grade average.

Casissa Carol Reinart is the Valedictorian with an average of 97.775 for two years of work. She is the thirteen year old daughter of Joe and Janet Reinart.

Carissa has been involved in activities such as All-Region Band for two years, track as an eighth grader, basketball for two years, Gifted and Talented classes in her eighth grade year, and she has been participating in UIL contests

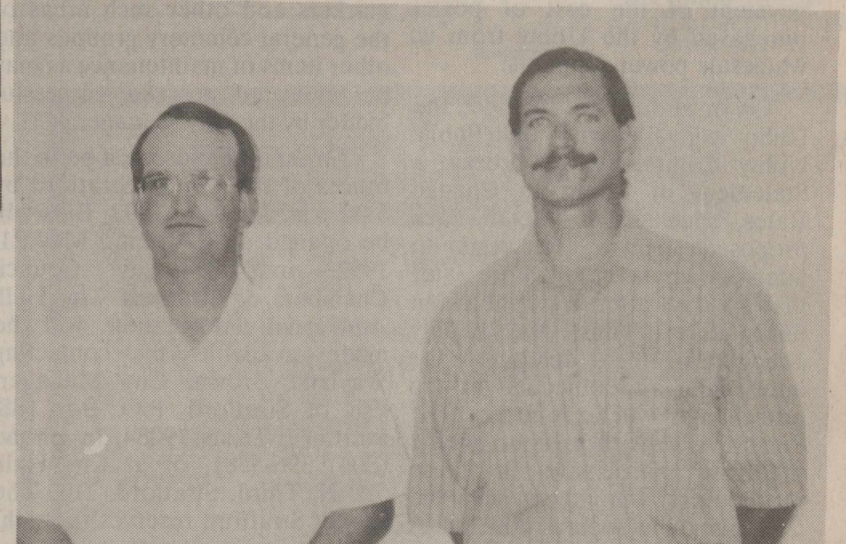
since third grade. Some of Carissa's goals are to do well in her high school years, and then she would like to go to college to further her education.

Alicia Beltran is the Salutatorian with an average of 97.488 for two years of work. She is the fifteen year old daughter of Martin and Paulina Beltran. She has attended Stratford School since fourth grade. She has been involved in track, basketball, UIL, All-Region Band, and twirler. She attends Baptist Mision Cactus,

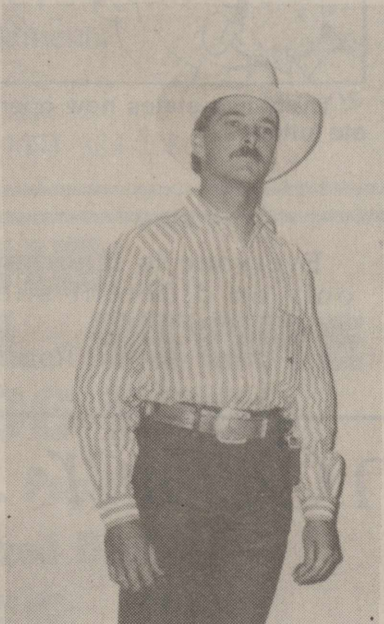
Texas. Her favorite pastime is reading and listening to music. Her goal for the future is to graduate from Stratford High School and go to college to become specialized as a teacher for blind people.



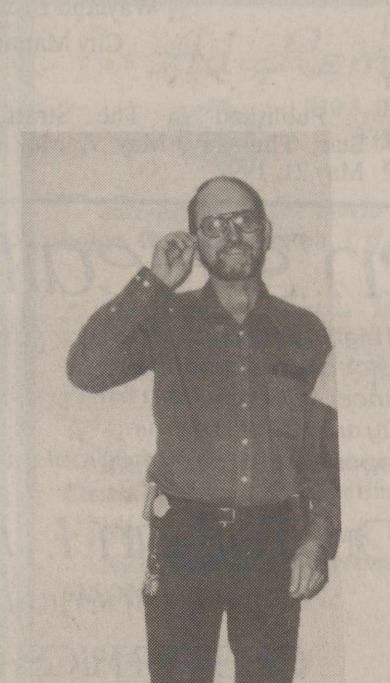
Receiving six year pins were Andy Alexander, Ray Lermon and W.R. Larance. Not pictured is Eugene Griffin.



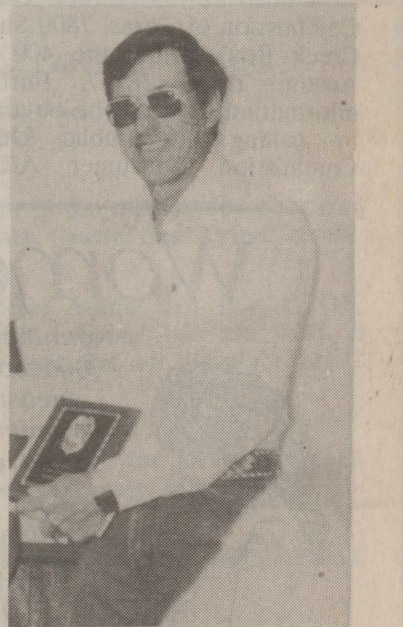
David Davis and Justin Coaly were honored as "Firefighters of the Year" at the Banquet. They also received ten year pins.



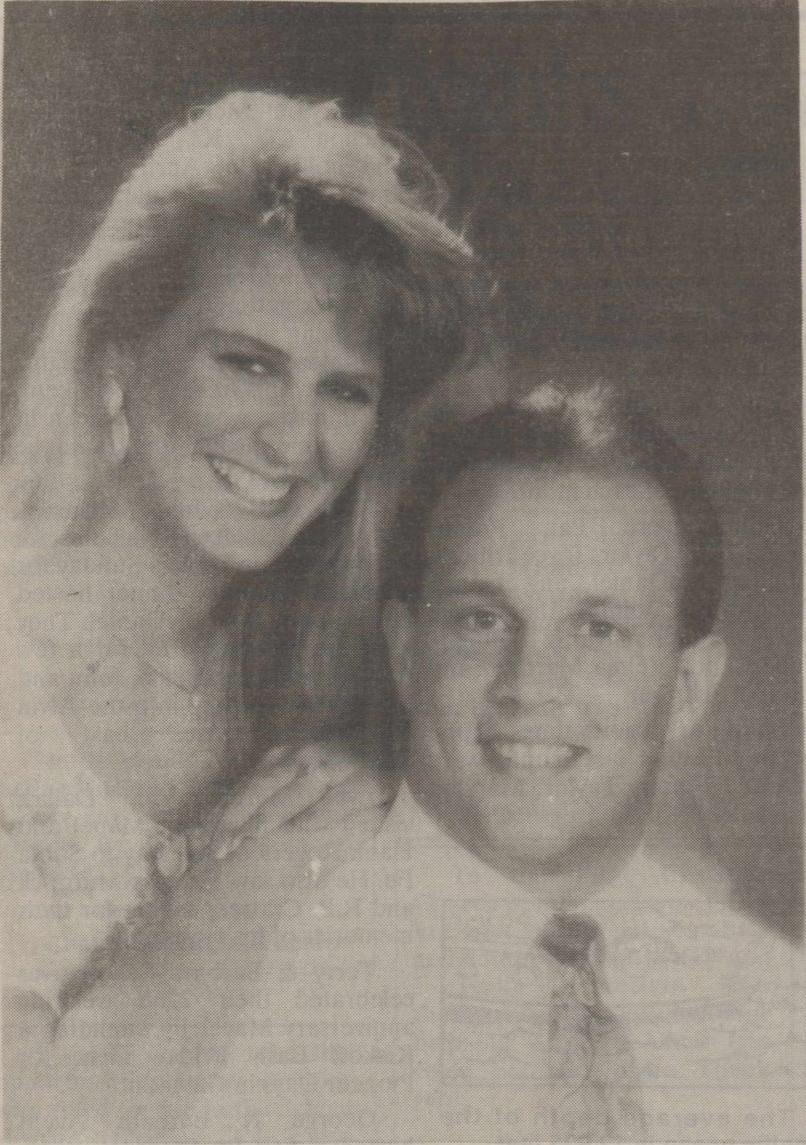
Kevin Payne received a three year pin.



Jack Gore received a ten yr. pin.



Keith Borth received a 20 year pin and a plaque of appreciation for his many years of service to the department. Keith recently retired from the Stratford Fire Dep.



Couple To Wed

Howard and Diane Lewis and Bill and Kay Mires would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Jeana M. Lewis of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Doug Mires of Stratford. The date of the wedding is set for July 18, 1992 at Oklahoma City First Church of the Nazarene. The Bride to be graduated from Bethany High School 1988 and UCO in 1992. She is a Funeral Director at Gene Adams Funeral Service. The Groom graduated from Stratford High School in 1985 and SWC Kansas in 1990. He is a Claims Rep. at Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

Leona Woods Winner In Quilt Show

Leona Woods' "Champagne Candlewicking" quilt was the Viewers' Choice winner in the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild Quilt Show held April 25th in the M.K. Brown Convention room of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, Pampa, Texas. The quilt was in competition with quilts from many Texas Panhandle and Oklahoma towns. A quilt from Austin, Texas, and one from Charlotte, North Carolina were also shown. There were 120 quilts and wall hangings entered in the

show. The winning quilt is ecru with each block framed by two-inch lace. Delores Bunch, Stratford, did the quilting. She was highly praised for the beautiful stitches.

Mrs. Woods also showed a quilt called Embroidered Tapestry. It is an overall embroidery pattern worked in shades of oranges, brown and yellows. The quilting on it was done by the Miami Quilting Ladies.

The Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild was formed four years ago and has members from Pampa, Miami, Amarillo, Clarendon, Skellytown, and Borger. There is a wide range of ages from young women to senior citizens. They hold the quilt show every two years. Jean McCarley, president, is a professional quilter and conducts workshops and classes in the Texas panhandle, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico.



Krisann Reese, bride elect of Kevin Tuel was honored with a Bridal shower Sunday, May 3, 1992 in the home of Mrs. Elaine Lundberg. Shown above is sister Shelly Reese, Krisann, Mother Cheryl Reese and sister Stacy Reese. Hostesses were Betty Wiley, Arnita Lane, Carolyn White, Karen Perrin, Linda Haynes, Dorothy Haile, Elaine Mungia, Carollee Waters, Barbara Dettle, Elaine Lundberg, Nell Summerour, Marihoward Engelbrecht, Kay Mires, Betty Fesler, Marty Bain, Pat Johnson, Louise Dettle and Arlene Baker.



Carter Honored With Dinner

A retirement dinner was given by TSTA to honor Lugenia Carter, right. Mrs. Carter is a lifetime member of TSTA, a professional teachers organization that works for improvement in education. Terri Teig, president is shown presenting Mrs. Carter a plant in appreciation.



Nylon has been around since 1937.

Heredity can be defined as the traits that a disobedient child gets from the other parent.
—Laurence Peter

FINANCES

Say You Can't Save? Expert Tells You How

(NUF) — Theodore J. Miller has some advice for everyone saying the current recession, a too-modest income or too-large debt thwarts their efforts to save money.

Simply put: invest. No matter that the 1990s are off to a rocky financial start, Miller says in his new book, "Kiplinger's Invest Your Way to Wealth — How Ordinary People Can Accumulate Extraordinary Amounts of Money." He believes almost anyone can accumulate a great deal of money in 20 years or less by following the book's prudent investment program.

Start with as little as \$50 a

month — try going out to dinner a couple times less to save the money. From that modest beginning, you can build a sizeable nest egg for college tuitions, retirement or a down payment on a house, Miller says.

The way to begin is to set good investment goals, determine an acceptable amount of risk and make diversified investments, according to the book.

"You can still accumulate substantial wealth — if you know how," Miller writes in the book's introduction. "The '90s will be a decade of solid growth."

Miller, editor of the well-respected Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine, uses everyday language to describe the ins and outs of a variety of investments, and his tips are geared to the average person who wants to start investing.



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Track



Stratford Girls Track Teams are front Sarah Ortega and Wendy Palmer. Standing Sunny Lasley, Jolina Garoutte, Elly Rhoades and Lea Shuping.

The Stratford Elkettes reaching deep into the effort bag pulled out two sparkling performances in qualifying the 800 and 1600 meter relays for the state meet in Austin. Members of the relay teams include Elly Rhoades, Lea Shuping, Jolina Garoutte, and Sunny Lasley. Superb performances were also turned in by the Elkettes two freshmen distance runners as Wendy Palmer took 5th in both the 1600 meter run and the 3200 meter run with Sarah Ortega taking 7th in both races. Along with her two leg on the relays, Sunny Lasley just missed qualifying in the triple jump as she finished 3rd overall. Here are the local results from the regional track meet.

Jolina Garoutte-2nd-800 relay 1:48.65 and 2nd in 1600 relay 4:07.10 and 400 m. dash 63.45.

Sunny Lasley took 2nd in 800 relay 1:48.65 and 2nd in 1600 relay

4:07.10 and 6th in 400 m. dash 63.35 and 3rd in triple jump 36 ft. 6 inches.

Elly Rhoades took 2nd in 800 relay 1:48.65 and 2nd in 1600 relay 4:07.10 and Long Jump 16 ft. 10 inch and triple jump 33 ft. 7 inch.

Sarah Ortega took 7th in the 3200 m. run 13:38.30 and 8th in 1600 m. run 6:03.10.

Wendy Palmer took 5th in 3200 M. run 13:23.85 and 6th in 1600 M. run 5:57.45.

Lea Shuping took 2nd in 800 M. relay 1:48.65 and 2nd in 1600 M. Relay 4:07.10. 200 m. dash 27.10.

Michael Brooks had the fastest preliminary time in the 400 meters 50.15 but took 5th place in the finals with a time of 51.16. In the 200 meters he finished 7th with a time of 22.60.



Golf



Jennifer Haynes

Girls Golf Ties For Second

The Stratford girls golf team tied for second place with Post at the Regional Golf Tournament in Abilene. Stratford was in fourth place with a 397 after the first round. The girls came back with a 377 the second day to tie Post and move ahead of Sundown who was in second place after the first day. The girls lost on a first hole play-off to keep them from going to the state meet. Jennifer Haynes also tied for second place medalist, but won on the first hole to earn a trip to the state meet in Austin. The girls did an outstanding job and they shot the two best rounds of the season. Individual scores: Jennifer Haynes 86-77=163, Jalane Rhoades 99-98=197, Amber Woolsey 106-97=203, Melissa Beattie 106-105=211, Kaci Wight 117-118=235.

The Stratford Boys Golf team competed in the Regional Golf meet in Abilene for the first time in several years. The boys played the best two rounds of the season. They placed 14th in the meet. This should be a great start for good things to come in the future. Individual scores: Chan Smith 78-82=160. Donny Gray 86-84=170, Greg Vandiver 94-90=184, Clint Vincent 95-96=191, Marcus Lavake 114-99=213.

Message from The Star

If you have brought pictures for announcements, birthday ads or other news please come by and pick them up. Thanks

Graduation exercises at Clarendon College for the Ranch and Feedlot Operation Program were held Friday, April 24th, in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center. The Class of 1992 had 25 students who successfully completed the program, designed to help students cope with today's complex agriculture problems in a time of increasing technological demands on the beef industry.

Ranch and Feedlot Operations graduates from Stratford was Sammy Ellison, son of Nina and Butch Ellison.

Sanchez Presents Research Paper



Lupita Sanchez

Oklahoma Panhandle State University student Lupita Sanchez, a senior from Guymon, Oklahoma, recently presented an undergraduate research paper at the University of Minnesota's Sixth National Conference on Undergraduate Research.

Lupita's research project was a continuation of the program she attended at the University of Missouri-Rolla last summer under the direction of Dr. Billy E. Gillett, computer science faculty. The summer program titled "Research Experiences for Undergraduates" was sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the Department of Computer Science, University of Missouri-Rolla.

Ten students from across the nation were chosen to attend the summer 1991 computer science undergraduate research program at Rolla. Of the 10 students who attended (5 study groups) only 2 groups presented a paper at the conference. The paper will be published in Volume II of the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Engineering, Mathematics and Technology and Physical Sciences.

Lupita and her partner in the project Flo Stuckwisch, a student from Peru State College at Peru, Nebraska, presented the paper "Implementation of a Knapsack Algorithm on an Intel IPSC/2 Hypercube". The main focus of the research paper was to understand how parallel processing works through the implementation of a parallel algorithm. In eight weeks they studied the working environment of the IPSC/2 hypercube and researched a sequential algorithm for the Knapsack problem and developed a parallel algorithm from the sequential algorithm.

The National Science Foundation supported Ms. Sanchez by also providing a \$100 scholarship for travel expenses to present her paper in Minnesota.

Lupita will graduate in the fall of 1992. She plans to do her graduate research in computer information systems at the University of Missouri-Rolla or Texas Tech.

Ms. Sanchez is the daughter of Paula Montoya of Stratford.



Lezli Zimmer Named D.E.C. Youth Tour Winner

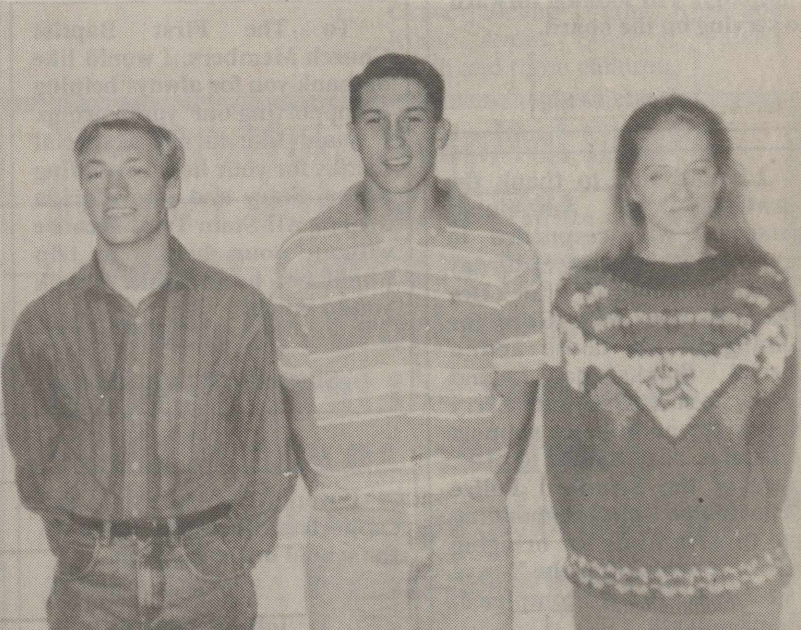
Lezli Zimmer, Jayton High School junior, was named a winner in the annual Dickens Electric Cooperative-In-Action Youth Tour contest. She will be able to go to Washington, D.C. on an all expense paid trip for two weeks. Each contestant was required to present a five-eight minute talk on the subject "Electricity: A Value Unequaled."

Following their speeches they were asked questions on the rural electrification program and Dickens Electric Cooperative, a panel of judges then scored each student and selected the winners. There were 30 students competing from area counties.

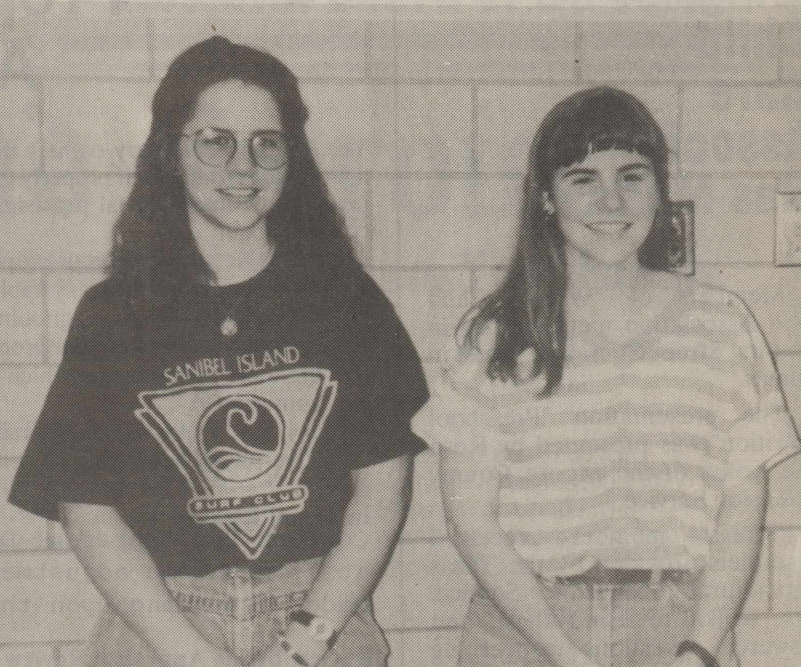
Lezli will travel to Washington, D.C. by bus in June. While in Washington they will visit such sites as the Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, Viet Nam memorial, Arlington Cemetery, the Smithsonian Institution and many other points of interest. They will also visit their congressmen and tour the White House.

Lezli is the daughter of Kim Zimmer of Jayton, Texas and Bill Zimmer of Stratford, Texas.

Lezli's maternal grandparents are Jim and Deanie Matthews of Jayton. Paternal grandparents are Albert and Elizabeth Zimmer of Stratford, Texas.



Saturday, May 2, left to right Shannon Norris, Greg Vandiver and Heather Husmann competed in the Texas State JETS competition. The sponsors were Mr. Cagle Kendrick and Mrs. Linda Young. Greg took the test in Computer Science, Shannon in physics, and Heather in Math. These students were competing against students from 1 A schools through 5 A schools.



Sarah Graham, left took 3rd place in regionals in Persuasive speaking and Emily Graham took 1st place in ready writing at Regionals, Abilene Christian on April 25th. They will compete at University of Texas Saturday, May 9, 1992. Sponsors are Mrs. Lugenia Carter-Ready Writing and Mrs. Kay Hudson-speech.

Ellison Graduates



Sammy Ellison, Stratford, left has successfully completed the Ranch and Feedlot Operations Program at Clarendon College. His parents Nina and Butch Ellison attended the recent graduation exercises in Clarendon.

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Cards of Thanks

We want to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and visits to the hospital. For your love and concern and food after we came home, a special thanks to John Wagoner, who came and sit with us during the operation and his visits to the hospital. Thanks to the quick response of the Ambulance Service and the paramedics, who rushed Bill back to the hospital Friday night.

God Bless all of You
Bill & Elsie Lasley

Words cannot express the feeling in our hearts--so we simply say thanks to all our friends for all thoughts of kindness.

Charley & Virginia Lamb

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who voted for me in the School Board Election. I also appreciate all of the encouragement and support given to me during my campaign. I'm looking forward to serving on the board.

Rusty Craig

I would like to thank the Stratford Ambulance personnel who responded to my need this past Saturday morning. Thanks to Dee Brannan and Jack Gore for coming to the house and a special thanks to Leland Lewis, Rex Sladek and Larry Norris for ambulance support to Dumas. Also thanks to Mike Hare of the Stratford Police Department for responding and to Arta Muir for bringing me home again after the X-rays and tests were completed. Thank you all.

Ann Muir

I appreciate the voters who put their trust in me on Saturday. I will do my best to represent the interests of this Hospital District. My door is open for your concerns and questions.

Kathie Altman

To the United Methodist Church Members: I would like to thank you for your support and donations in helping send Sasha, Stacy and I to attend the All-State Choir. Without your help our trip would not be possible. Thanks again.

Sincerely, Wendy Allison

To the First Christian Church Members: I would like to thank you for all your help and concern. Sasha, Stacy and I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. Without your help our All-State Choir trip could not take place. Thank you!

Sincerely, Wendy Allison

To The First Baptist Church Members: I would like to thank you for always helping & supporting our youth group. I would like to say a special thanks for your help in sending Sasha, Stacy and I to Florida for our All-State Trip, because without your help our trip would not be possible. Thank you so much!

Sincerely, Wendy Allison

I would like to thank my supporters for their votes in the school board election.

Johnny Mungia

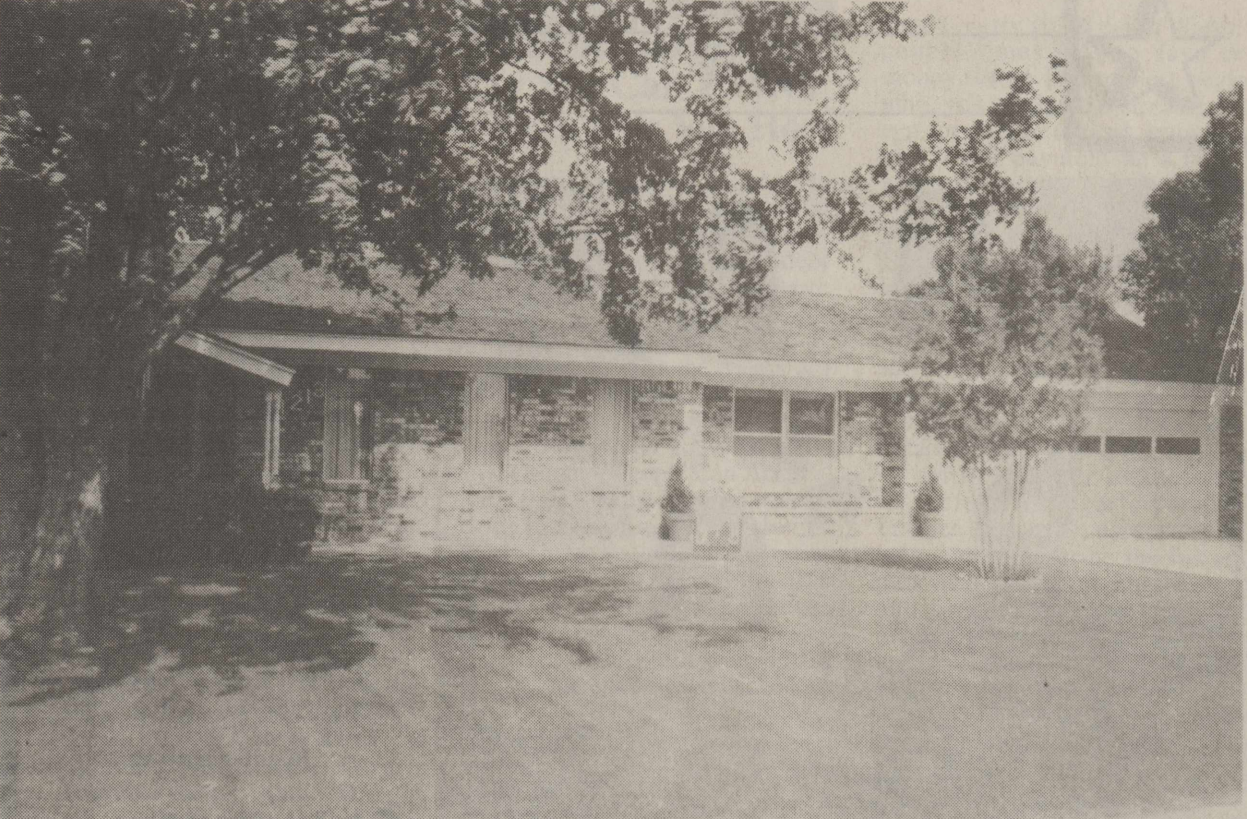
Scholarships Available

Over 100,000 collegiate athletic scholarships are available each year to male and female high school and junior college student athletes. Contrary to popular belief, students don't have to be all state to qualify. Much of this money goes unused. A new publication with forms, sample letters and tables of factual information is available for student athletes. It takes them step by step through the important process of getting an athletic scholarship and includes college and conference listings.

For information on how to get a collegiate athletic scholarship, send a #10 self addressed, stamped envelope to the National Sports Foundation, 611A Willow Drive, P.O. Box 940, Oakhurst, NJ 07755.



Lake Ontario, the smallest Great Lake, is 193 miles long and 53 miles wide.



Yard of the Month

Doug and Joyce McBrydes home at 1213 Butler was chosen as Yard of the Month.

The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer somebody else up.

—Mark Twain



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Wings Child Care Association Has Meeting

Members of "Wings" Child Care Association met Tuesday in the First Street Church of Christ in Dumas.

The presentation "Preschool Nutrition" was presented by Rosa Lee Kolka of the Moore County Extension Service.

"Wings" members received pamphlets provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Mrs. Kolka reviewed these and answered questions concerning nutrition. Program topics included nutrition advice for the family; the major dietary contributions, food grouping and suggested daily servings. Nutrition update; feeding your preschool child, and pleasing picky eaters. A daily Food Guide for variety and balance, choosing a diet low in fat, saturated fat, and cholesterol, the importance of calcium, and maintaining a healthy weight. Members were encouraged to eat lean meat, not only is it healthy for our families, and our preschool children, beef is a major factor of our community. Mrs. Kolka also discussed ways, foods may become unsafe, and she recommended cookbooks by the American Heart Association, cookbooks for diabetics and other healthy problems, which might be found at the library or the Moore County Extension Service. Members attending the meeting and receiving 1.5 clock hours were Sherrie Landers, Mellonee York, Maria Gutierrez and Brenda Ford.

We are planning a family picnic and calendar schedule for our next meeting. We will be voting on topics we are most interested in for future meetings to receive required clock hours. It will be at McDade Park in Dumas at 7:30, May 12th. Registered Family Home Care Providers in our counties are encouraged to attend. More information may be obtained by calling the following: Dumas area, Brenda at 935-6480, Dalhart Area; Gay 249-6386, Fitch Area Rebecca 857-9019 Stinnett Area, Teri 878-2862. Stratford Tammie 396-5975.

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the value placed on your property
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the cancellation of an agricultural appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- any action taken by the appraisal district that adversely affected you.

Informal Review
Contact the Appraisal District and it is possible adjustments can be made, depending upon the problem.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board
If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 402 N. Third Stratford, Texas 79084
Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at \$1,000,000 or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within 15 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

More information
You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district 402 N. Third, Stratford Texas 79084. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at 4301 Westbank Drive, Building B, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746-6565.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline
On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

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Commencement For 167 PSU Seniors Sat. May 9th

Commencement for 167 Oklahoma Panhandle State University seniors will be held in Guymon, Oklahoma on Sat. May 9 at 10 a.m. This year's commencement and reception will be held at the Texas County Activity Center.

Sara Jane Richter has been chosen by her graduation class of 1992 to deliver the commencement address. The presentation of the J.R.P. Sewell Award will be made by Frank A. Sewell following the commencement address.

Dr. Ray Brown, vice-president of academic affairs, will present the class of 1992 and Dr. Theodore W. Wischropp, president, will confer the degrees and present the diplomas.

The invocation and benediction will be given by Reverend Mike Neal of the Panhandle Centenary United Methodist Church.

Graduating from PSU from Stratford will be Daniel Ray Law, Jr. who will be receiving an associate of applied science degree in Farm and Ranch Management.

A bachelor of science degree in Agribusiness will be awarded to Jay Justin Lane.

Receiving a bachelor of science degree in Elementary Education will be Sheri Manette Bullock Ingham.

Trisha Lesli Tillery of Stratford will receive an associate of applied science in Child Care.



The median age for a first marriage for men in 1990 was 26.1 years. For women it was 23.9 years.

Gamma Xi Installs New Officers

Gamma Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International met Saturday, May 2, 1992 at the Methodist Fellowship Hall in Stratford with Mary Dowell, president, presiding.

Following the business meeting, the new officers for the next biennium were installed. They are president, Ann Hormell; first vice-president, Sandra Carter; second vice-president, Janet Pipkin; recording secretary, Syndi Kneller; corresponding secretary, Mary Weatherford; parliamentarian, Mary Dowell; treasurer, Shirley Hendricks.

Jeanette Foshee, Chairman of the Ceremonials Committee, led the members in an impressive Founder's Day Program.

After the meeting was declared adjourned, the Stratford hostesses provided refreshments and the members enjoyed visiting.

Those present were: Belinda Foreman, Billie Terrell, Joyce Marsh, DiAnn Brown (and little grandson), Eula Vick, Letha Lucas, Kathryn Vineyard, Frances Holden, Mildred Bosler, and Karen Watkins of Dumas; Mary Jo Ondracek, Nancy Young, Nelda Askey, Shirley Hendricks,

Surprise Reception



A surprise reception was held April 28th honoring Gary Lundberg's 25 years of service with ASCS. District Director John Fuston was on hand to present Gary with a certificate and tie tac. Many friends, past and present county committee members, employees and other co-workers came by or called to offer their congratulations. Many expressed sincere thanks to Gary for the good job he has done in Sherman County. The reception was quite a surprise to the guest of honor and a good time was enjoyed by all. The girls at the office would like to thank everyone for coming by and helping them to keep the surprise.

and Pat Lee Garrison of Dalhart; Syndi Kneller and Jeanette Foshee of Texline; Ann Hormel, Addieree Byant, Mary Weatherford, and Ann Green of Hartley; Sandy Purcell Carter,

Janet Pipkin and Mary Dowell of Sunray; Wanda Riffe, Donna Gillenwaters, Leona Woods, Jeanie Carter, Kathie Altman, Mary Pat Williams and Viola Kautz of Stratford.

FRUIT SWIRL COFFEE CAKE

- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup margarine or butter, softened
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 4 eggs
- 3 cups Gold Medal all-purpose or unbleached flour*
- 1 can (21 ounces) cherry, apricot or blueberry pie filling
- Glaze (below)

Heat oven to 350°. Generously grease jelly roll pan, 15 1/2x10 1/2x1 inch, or 2 square pans, 9x9x2 inches. Beat sugar, margarine, shortening, baking powder, vanilla, almond extract and eggs in large bowl on low speed 30 seconds, scraping bowl constantly. Beat on high speed 3 minutes, scraping bowl occasionally. Stir in flour. Spread two-thirds of the batter in jelly roll pan or one-third in each square pan. Spread pie filling over batter. Drop remaining batter by tablespoons onto pie filling.

Bake about 45 minutes or until light brown. While warm, drizzle with Glaze. Cut cake in jelly roll pan into about 2 1/2x2-inch bars; cut cake in square pans into about 2 3/4-inch squares. 30 bars or 18 squares.

Glaze: Mix thoroughly 1 cup powdered sugar and 1 to 2 tablespoons milk.

*If using self-rising flour, omit baking powder.

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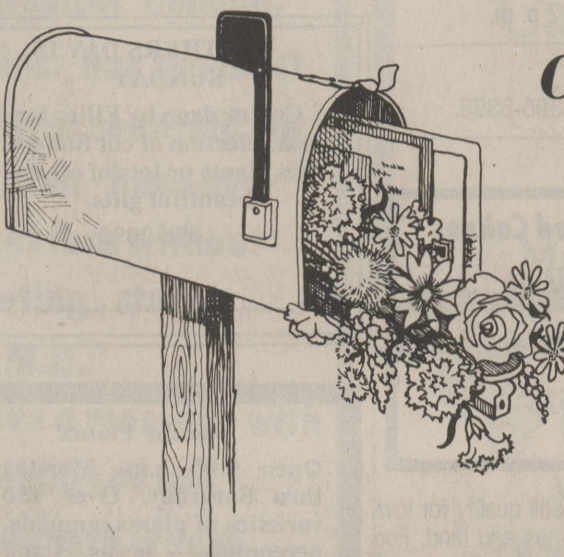
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If you have information please call;

Crime Stoppers 396-2600 or Sheriffs Office 396-5551

or Walter Lasley & Sons Inc 753-4411