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Local
News

No Stratford Star The Week of Dec. 31, 1992

There will be no Stratford Star on Thursday, December 31, 1992.

Santa Claus Letters Deadline

Deadline for Santa Claus letters will be Friday December 18th at 12 noon. Mail Box for Santa Claus letters is at Mary Allen School or they may be dropped off at the Stratford Star. Letters will be in the Christmas Edition, Thursday, Dec. 24th.

4th Grade Musical Dec. 10th

The 4th Grade musical will be Thursday, December 10, 1992 at 7 p.m. at Mary Allen Elementary Cafeteria. This year's program is entitled "The Curious Case of Christmas Caper".

Open House At Sheriffs Office

The Sheriff's office with contributions from the courthouse offices will be hosting a Christmas Open House at the Courthouse, Sheriffs Office, in Stratford, On Tuesday, the 15th of December, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to come visit. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Sheriff Jack Haile invites everyone to come and see us.

Tax Office To Be Closed

The Sherman County Tax Office will close at noon on December 24, 1992 and will not be open the week after Christmas. This is being done to facilitate closing out in preparation for Zelda Pickens, Tax Assessor Final Audit.

Scot Depression Supper Has Been Rescheduled

SCOT Depression Supper has been cancelled and will be rescheduled for a later date.

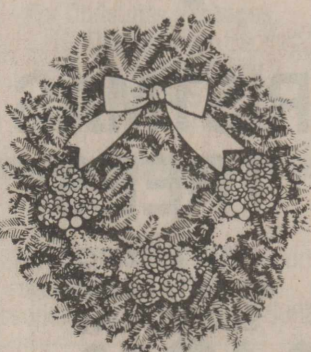
Coaches Needed

Youth Basketball Association needs Coaches, contact Jeanne Bell if you can help out. 396-2576. See article in This weeks Stratford Star.

The Living Nativity

Christian Youth Fellowship of First Christian church will be presenting The Living Nativity on the front lawn of the church, Wednesday night, 7 p.m., weather permitting. CYF Cordially invites everyone to share in the Christmas story.

Shop Stratford



15 Shopping Days
Until Christmas
"Shop At Home"

Santa Visits Stratford



Aaron Harbour eagerly told Santa what he wanted for Christmas. Santa Visited the Imagination Station last Thursday, Dec. 3rd. The children were delighted to see and visit with Santa.



Stratford Fire Dept. To Give Away Grill

Stratford Fire Dept. will be giving away a Barbecue Grill on Saturday, December 19th during the Chamber give away. This will benefit their Scholarship Fund. Tickets are on Sale now. The grill is a Charbroil gas grill with sideburner. Karen Pulliam is shown above with the grill.

SAYCA Annual Report

The Stratford Area Youth Care Agency, Inc. recently conducted its annual meeting and it is with pleasure we share with the Stratford community its accomplishments.

Since its formal organization in November 1992, the association has accomplished the following:

1. Recognized by Texas Secretary of State's office as non-profit corporation and authorized to use the assumed name Lollipop Junction. Recognized by IRS as a 501c3 not for profit organization.

2. Identified property suitable for a day care center. Utilized expertise of Children's Learning Centers of Amarillo and Texas State Technical College Drafting Instructor for building renovation plans. With \$22,000 grant from vice president since 1985. Amarillo Area Foundation with Donelson also served as senior funds from the supporting vice president and trust officer organization, The Don and Sybil and as assistant vice president Harrington Foundation, after joining the bank in 1967 as purchased the building and paid an agriculture officer.

3. Organization raised \$6,000 through fund raisers; received Southern Methodist University, donations of \$8,876.00 Of past president of the North donations received \$2,750 from Panhandle Bankers Association Stratford Area Foundation and former executive committee from First United chairman of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas.

4. Donelson has been an administrator for the Stratford Area Foundation since 1979. He also is involved in the Stratford Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce and is a former Stratford City Council member. He maintain membership in the independent Bankers Association of Texas, the Texas Bankers Association and the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

James Presley-Dumas Memorial Hospital. Rex Tillery is home from High Plains Baptist.



Hospital

Project Christmas Card

There's plenty of time to get your donation for Project Christmas Card to The First State Bank! GFWC/Prospectus Study Club and The Stratford Star urge you to participate in supporting Sherman County Library.

They ask that you give to the fund what you would normally spend in sending cards to your friends locally. County up the people, cost of cards and stamps and maybe add a little more, and give to the fund instead. Then in the Christmas paper your greetings will be passed on to all.

Deadline to be in the Christmas edition is Monday noon, Dec. 21. Your support in the past years have been greatly appreciated! Let's top the nearly \$2,000 donated last year!

Brisket Dinner Sunday Dec. 13th

A Brisket Dinner will be served this Sun. Dec. 13th 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of First Christian Church. The menu will include brisket, beans, coleslaw, potato salad, bread, apples for dessert, and tea and coffee. A free will offering will be received for the dinner. The dinner is being served by Christian Youth Fellowship. Proceeds will be used by this senior high youth group to help Jolina Garoutte to attend the Church's International Affairs Seminar in New York City and this year is from December 12 Washington, D.C., March 12-20, through December 27, with the 1993. CYF adult leaders are Jim Dewees, Susie Harlow and Linda Young. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Blood Drive To Be In Texhoma

Coffee Memorial Blood Center wants to say a special "Thank You" to the "Heroes" of Texhoma who support the community blood donor program by sponsoring AA "Holiday Hero" Blood Drive on Monday, December 14th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the First Christian Church.

There will be refreshments and a specially designed "Holiday Hero" T-Shirt available to each individual who donates blood.

When we give of ourselves, we give the best possible gift of all. Each gift of blood gives another tomorrow for those less fortunate in health. The more tomorrows we can give; the more hope for possible cures for many illnesses.

Make your Christmas Gift list complete by giving blood at this special Holiday Hero Blood Drive.

Blood donors are the BEST "Heroes" of all.

A good book is the best of friends, the same today and forever.

—Martin Farquhar Tupper

The illusion that times that were are better than those that are, has probably pervaded all ages.

—Horace Greeley

Pheasant Season Opens For Sherman County



A Pheasant cock strolls along a county road. Sherman County has a big crop of pheasant this fall.



Deer, especially mule deer, are making a strong return to Sherman County.

By Mary Wilder, SCS

A wet spring and a cool, moist summer has provided Sherman County with a bumper crop of pheasant this fall. Hunting season this year is from December 12 Washington, D.C., March 12-20, through December 27, with the usual limit of 2 cocks per person per day.

We can't control moisture and humidity factors which are most critical for good pheasant and gamebird breeding, but we can promote gamebird and wildlife with a few simple procedures. Most important for all forms of wildlife is water. Placing watering sites near to breeding and feeding areas is critical for wildlife enhancement. It takes a little planning and a certain amount of commitment, but the payoff is actually a crop of the land. Wildlife is a crop of the land, and it can be made profitable with only a little planning. Stop by the Soil Conservation Office for a few ideas on planning and maintaining wildlife water.

Another important element in pheasant and gamebird breeding is providing hiding and breeding areas. These areas are most easily

provided by leaving a few weedy areas adjacent to your pasture or cropland. Another better plan, especially on range or CRP land, is to plan to plow and plant areas with sorghum or other wildlife food sources, like Egyptian wheat. Quail eat croton and snow on the mountain in abundance, and an area of these weeds can be promoted by lightly disking a small area of pasture or range land.

By far the most effective way to provide protection and food sources for wildlife is to plan and maintain permanent wildlife plantings by use of windbreaks and shrub plantings on different areas of your land. Many shrub species available for sale at the Sherman County SWCD provide food and shelter for deer as well as beautifying and enhancing your land. Deer and antelope are making a strong return to our county, and they need hiding and protective places to breed. Also, a well placed windbreak provides good protection for all livestock types.

Stop by the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District office located with Soil Conservation Service at 418 N. 4th. Trees and shrubs are available for order now. All services provided by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, are offered without regard to race, religion, sex, marital status, handicap, national origin, or age.



Basketball

Stratford Varsity boys played Texhoma on Tuesday November 24, 1992. Final Score was Texhoma 73 and Stratford 69.

Individual scoring for Stratford was Donny Gray 15; Marcus Lavake 8; Clint Vincent 7; Matt Brotherton 11; Heath Starnes 4; Albert Aguilera 23; Colby Wheeler 1.

Stratford played Bovina on Thursday Dec. 3 and won by a score of 48 to 39. Individual scoring was Donny Gray 13; Marcus Lavake 12; Clint Vincent 6; Heath Starnes 2 and Albert

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Chamber Chatter
by J. A. Lasley

Last Weeks was a busy one what with getting permits for leased land to hung pheasants, Market and Craft Days, three basketball tournaments. The weather was not our best friend.

The Chamber is all set up, hopefully for our annual Pheasant hunt. Again I would like to thank all of the farmers who have been so generous with leasing their land to the Chamber. To the hard work of Donnie Ellison and Andy Riffe. They are the Chambers Agriculture and Pheasant Chairmen. They have been busy fellows.

Santa has been and gone. The Chamber wants to thank Thriftway for giving Ole' Santa the Candy to give away to the youngsters, Fred is a true blue friend always giving or helping out in anyway that he can. The Chamber calls on him alot for numerous favors and he never turns us down. Thank you Fred Velasquez of Thriftway.

Market & Craft Days have come and gone as well. The cold does not seem to deter folks. What better way to spend a day looking, visiting, then in the confines of where there are more people, good fellowship and good food, what could be better.

Check out what use to be M's Meet and Eat. I will admit i really hated for that eating place to shut down. It was so convenient, but I'll swear I do not know where in the heck Martha had all of those clothes! That room is full and to think that she had everything, just about, in the gift and flower shop, at any rate we are glad for Martha to have Women's clothing and we wish her the very best.

Coming up this weekend will be the annual Pheasant Hunt. Breakfast, with the Lions, Saturday morning. All you can eat for \$5.00, then at lunch you can go eat all of he Barbecue with the Catholic Men's organization at the Parish Hall. Included in that Barbecue they will be serving Barbecue Elk and deer, sausage, and beef. The cost \$6.50.

The chamber is in need of about three guides to take the out of town hunters out and show them where the Chamber has posted land. Any takers just drop by the office or give me a call 396-2260.

The first of three drawings was held Saturday. This drawing was held at the County Barn. The next two will be held at the Chamber office at 2 p.m. the 12th, and 19th. On the 19th we will be announcing the winner of the trip for two and the drawing for the \$300.00 and \$200.00 Tip Top Bucks. Have you bought your ticket yet? The Elks Pharmacy has sold all of theirs, but Family and Friends, Ellie's Thriftway, The General Store, The Texas Maid, D.Q. Gophers, Duncans, Stratford Grain, Brooks Video, Stratford Printing and A & I still might have some. There were only 400 tickets on sale.

It'll work! Lets all have a positive approach to everything that this community is working on, Results! Why man, I have gotten alot of results. I know several thousand things that won't work. Thomas A Edison quote, and by the same token alot that will if we give it 100% everyone's idea!

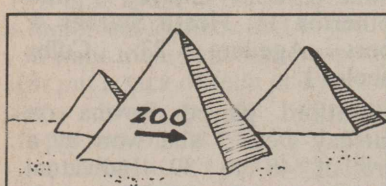
Tip Top Buck winners the 5th were Marlene Hurt \$50.00, Betty McMillion \$50.00, Betty Wiley \$20.00, Mrs. Rex Williams \$20.00 and Rhonda Mathews \$20.00

Basketball Cont. from page 1

Aguilera 15. Stratford played Vega on Friday December 4. They won by a score of 69 to 39.

Individual scoring was Donny Gray 6; Clint Craig 1; Marcus Lavake 6; Clint Vincent 14; Matt Brotherton 4; Heath Starnes 4; Chan Smith 12; Albert Aguilera 14 and Colby Wheeler 8.

Shop Stratford



The earliest known zoo was established by Queen Hatshepsut of Egypt about 1500 B.C.

Obit

Edith Ann Miller, Texhoma-Edith Ann Miller, 83, died Friday, Dec. 4, 1992 in Amarillo.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Harold James, a retired pastor, and the Rev. Winston Curtis, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Miller, born in Indiana, moved to the Texhoma area in 1914. She married Albert Miller in 1931 at Guymon. He died in 1942.

Survivors include three daughters, Patsy Ruth Cook of Cleveland, Okla., Janice Ann Sorrell of Dumas, Texas and Alma Jean Slaughter of Perryton, Texas; three sons, Dannie Lee Miller of Keyes, David Ray Miller of Oklahoma City and Albert Rex Miller of Guymon; a sister, Jennie Miller of Atlanta; nine grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Texhoma Cemetery.

Prospectus Study Club

Dorothy Haile hosted GFWC/Prospectus Study Club on Dec. 4. Roll Call was answered to "My Favorite Texas Author". The topic provided several interesting stories by those present. Linda Haynes, president, conducted the business session. A thank you note was read from Daisy Scouts for club donation.

Although the scheduled program wasn't held, Texas Heritage was well covered with those speaking of the various Texas authors.

Margaret Reed, Top of Texas District President, spoke briefly on the history of General and Texas Federation. She had been scheduled to speak at the busy November meeting.

Speaking at the November meeting was Lt. Troy Green about D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education.)

Marion Gamertsfelder of Dalhart, Texas Federation 2nd Vice-President, spoke to members on "Planning for Progress".

Club members were reminded to support Project Christmas Card!

Co-hostesses were Linda Haynes, Patti Vincent, Linda Swain, Barbara Chumley, Becky Crockett.

Doris Hughes was a guest of daughter Becky Crockett. Others present were Jimmie Pronger, Oline Caraway, Mary W. Wisdom, Kathy Altman, Mattie Baskin, Marylou McDaniel, Susie Spurlock, D'Lynn Reed for a total of 14.

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Open House Friday, December 11th

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Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Older Texans Friends, Neighbors, Scotters this 11 degrees F. Monday A.M. The low was 9 degrees (Simmons T.V.) but at 8 a.m. the sun is shining on a snow covered expanse, promising encouragement to clear out. The street in front of our house is snow and ice packed. Thanks to Joy and Matt Powers for last week and Joel Hart this week our walk and driveway have been cleared, even so, we have had to step into 6 to 8 inches of snow to pick up the paper. Words can't express our thankfulness for the care and thoughtfulness that is showered upon us. The telephone is a fine companion during times like this!

Cordea Pleyer, Cleve Garrison, Betty Lou O'Brien, Elsie Pickens, Timmie Brown enjoyed an afternoon of 88 with Opal Bryant on Thurs. p.m. Dec. 3 and joined several others for Bingo at Scot Hall Thursday evening. BUT Scot Depression Supper had to be cancelled on Saturday Dec. 5.

Rescheduled after the holidays.

Activities at Scot Hall will be resumed when advisable and we trust that by Friday evening Dec. 11th we can meet for birthday party and games. Some B.D. people are Clyde Pittman, John Woods Dec. 10, Al Hacker, Alda Mitts, Doris Hughes, Charlene Oquin, Ruby McNeal Christmas Dec. 25.

The Dancers plan to enjoy a Christmas Party at Director Jack Gore house tonight. Jack & Vicki own the Elmer Hudson House 319 N. 9th Street (or really old timers, the Al Allen House) The house is a lovely home, lots of fond memories!

Thanksgiving Day guests at Betty Lou O'Briens were Ruby McNeal, Bill and Zennia Green, the J.W. Smith, Jack Smith, Tom Brown. On Friday following Mary Peach Smith, Wayland Green, Tom Brown and Betty enjoyed a family luncheon.

Sandy Baskin (Mrs. Steve Baskin) has been in Austin attending classes in instruction for the position of Emergency Management Coordinator. This position was vacated by Terry Wagoner. It is under the direction of Judge Bill Fesler. Ms Baskin became Fesler's secretary in Oct.

Among Stratfordites attending the Las Vegas World Rodeo are Jack Vincents, The Bill Blains, the Baskin Browns, Paul Aduddell, Roy Mitchell, Sherman Co. Pioneer king, Jody Lasley is celebrating her birthday in Las Vegas, also.

We read with interest Globe-News staff writer, B. Scott Hunt, interview with Lorrie Vincent, secretary of Sherman Co. Economic Development committee Inc. which appeared in Amarillo News Sat. Dec. 1992. Matt Vincent son, of Johnnie and Walter Vincent is Lorrie's husband AND great grandson of the late Walter G. O'Brien. Best wishes, Lorrie from Scots and personally. We noted Mary Lovett's letter to Amarillo News Thursday Dec. 3, 1992 questioning whether the public (You and I will get an accounting of where the lottery proceeds are spent.

Mrs. Maurice Campbell, Amarillo, who is Ken Campbell's Liberal mother has the misfortune to sustain a fractured hip Tuesday Dec. 2, Ken is married to Carolee Baskin Campbell, Mrs. Campbell is doing well.

We are happy to report that Rex Tillery and Lucille Phillips are recovering from hospital confinements. Both are at home and doing nicely.

Sunday we enjoyed the locally televised cantata, "A Day in the Manger", presented by the Young people and children of First Baptist Church and the Young peoples program from the Methodist Church. Scot's and



Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

Secret Pals will have their annual Christmas Party at Donna Gillenwater's Dec. 10, 7 p.m. Co-hostesses are Jo June McDaniel and Barbara Avent.

NOTICE: Those in the area having young children, PLEASE teach them a little verse or song to sing at the Kerrick Christmas Party on Saturday, Dec. 19th 7 p.m.

CLEANUP DAY is Thursday, Dec. 17th, 1:30 p.m. The tree is to be decorated and treats recently ordered by Santa will be sacked. Men & Women are needed!

Thanksgiving weather changed a lot of plans, but there was still a lot of activity.

Jo June McDaniel was hostess to her brother Penny and Linda Whitson, Linda's mother Faye Daniell, Linda Kaye Swaggerty and children, Jennifer, Lena and Scott, all of Clayton, and Terri Nicholas and Shelby McDaniel of Stratford. Whit McDaniel's family of Dumas were sick and Kay had to work!

Then on Nov. 28, Jo June and Terri attended the wedding of Macy Danielle Whitson to Travis Wesley Poling at Clayton.

Thanksgiving Day had several area people at Dick & Marjory

Munden in Claude. Going were Virgie Mathews, Mary & R.J. and Keith Hill, Geneva & Joyce Wells, Terry, Christy, Teresa & Lori Wells. Also present were Dr. Gary Mathews of Austin of Austin, Winnie & Kay Dunlap of Truth of Consequences, N.M., Mark & Karen Greer, Amarillo, Cindy Stoval, Dallas, Richard and Angie Munden, Claude.

Brenda & Franny Taylor had a quiet day at home. Brenda of Denver spent Wednesday to Sunday with her mother.

Nita Taylor and Doug Taylor had Thanksgiving dinner with her daughter, Linda & Poe Keener in Stratford. Also enjoying the day were Jere Don Keener, Mark, Kay Lynn, Kyler and Klinton Keener

and Melba Keener. Anita & Mandy Taylor couldn't make it from Amarillo. The Poe Keener fire occurred the next week.

Ian Weems spent the holiday with relatives and friends in Amarillo.

Ralph, Minnie, Ralph James and Annette Hampton were at Larry & Verlie Norris' Thanksgiving evening with other Crabtrees for supper and games.

The R.P. Crabtree family gathered at Judy and Lyman Potter's for their celebration. There were 40 in attendance. From Kerrick were Kenneth and Lynn Wells, Derrek Wells, Paul, Sandi, Ashley, Colter Wells. 12 of those present were under the age of 12.

Guests at Ted & Joyce Irlbecks were their daughter & family, Belinda & Jim Roberts and children, and her mother Bessie Palmer.

Bill & Pat Boren were at Moscow, Ks., with their daughter, Kerry & Kelly Carlisle. Bill went to Ingalls, Ks. Friday night to see Kerry's basketball team win 63 to 28. He drove home in the storm!

Jennifer Boren's 9th grade basketball team at Navasota has won all eight of their games.

Dec. 4 was Mildred Carroll's 92nd birthday. Pat took her mother to lunch that day.

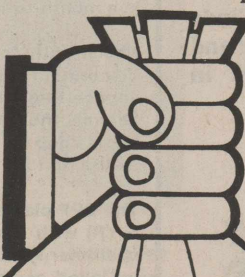
Showing at Craft Day in Stratford Saturday were Jo June McDaniel, Pat Boren and Barbara Schoonover. It was bad driving into Stratford Saturday morning—a white out!

Kerrick got six inches of snow Saturday.

Patti McDaniel of Denver spent Thanksgiving holiday with her parents, Fred & Marylou McDaniel. They had their big dinner on Friday with Mike and Merilee McDaniel and Myron Leedy also present.

First Christian Church

10:45 a.m. Christmas Concert
12:00 p.m. Free Will Brisket Dinner
6:00 p.m. All Church Hayride & Caroling



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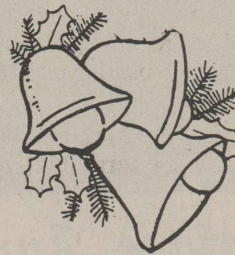
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A Concert of Christmas

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ACHURCH FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Directed by: Mike Helton

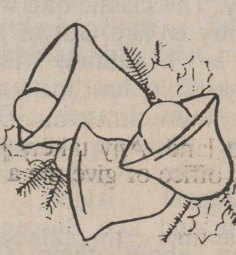
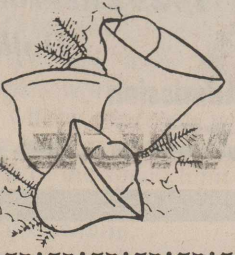
Everyone is invited to attend this Christmas Cantata by Stephen Elkins. Nursery provided through 4 year olds.

7:00 PM Frist United Methodist Church
302 N. Main
396-2178

NEW NATIVITY

Directed by: Jim Taliferro

Come and receive a blessing as we proclaim to you the good tidings of great joy in the Christmas Season.



Attend Services

The Churches of Stratford Welcome Your Family

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Mike Leonard

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Super Church 10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Teletcast Sunday 4:00 p.m. Channel 3
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday-Youth Service 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
David Stites

N. 3rd & Chestnut St.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST
Tony Roe

302 S. Main St.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
Dr. Derrel Lewis

702 North 3rd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN
Rev. David Harker

5th & N. Main St.
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Adult Choir 8:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
Rev. John Wagoner

520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Junior High UMY 5:30 p.m.
Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
6 p.m. Cable Channel 3
Morning Worship Service

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Sunday 11 a.m. Spanish Mass

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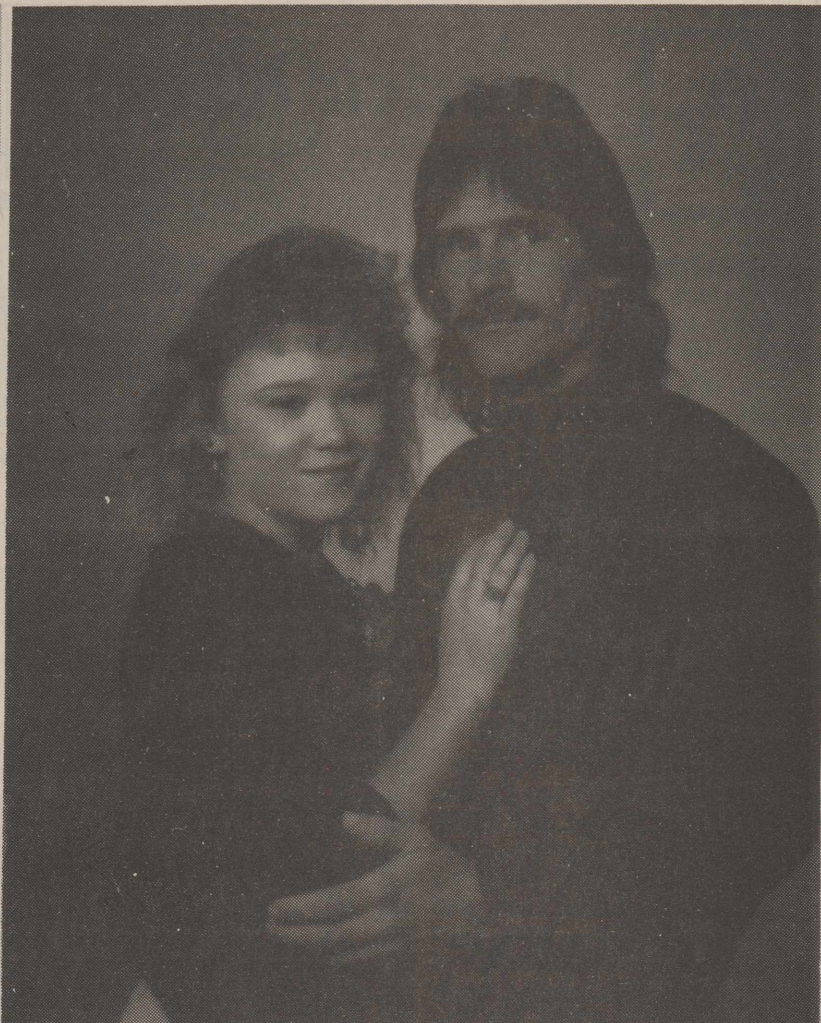
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Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Vance B. Morris of Gruver, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Renee to Billy Ray Boyd, Jr., son of Mrs. Mary Nell Boyd, of Canadian, Texas. The wedding will take place in February 1993, in Amarillo, Texas. Miss Morris is currently employed at Northwest Texas Hospital as the weekend charge nurse in the surgery department. Mr. Boyd is a Third Class Petty Officer Radio Man in the United States Navy on Board the USS La Salle, stationed in the Persian Gulf. He will be returning home in December of this year to crossover in to the United States Coast Guard.



Marriage Announced

Jeannie Kaye McKinney and Steve Warren were married November 20, 1992 at 2 p.m. in Littlefield, Texas. The couple is residing in Littlefield. Mother of the bride is JoAnn McKinney of Lubbock, Father of the groom is Charles Warren of Bellflower, Illinois. Jeannie is Cindy Larance's sister. Jeannie works in the office of Marine Automotive and Diesel in Lubbock and Steve works as a Machinist at V.T.S. in Littlefield.



Check Out The Library



Births

By Dorothy Haile

Some Wonderful Christmas stories are to be found in the library. The classic one written by O'Henry is The Gift of the Magi and is beautifully illustrated. Joanna Cole has written A Gift from Saint Francis, The First Crèche. Children will enjoy Why The Chimes Rang, by Raymond MacDonalld Alden. Truman Capote and Leo Buscaglia have written about their Christmas memories. A book for very young children is Christmas Secrets.

A 16 volume set of books that is new to the library is about the amazing animal world. These books provide a real-life look at their amazing but true behavior. Each book is chockful of fascinating facts, with photos so lifelike you can almost feel a leopard's fur or touch the scales on a lizard.

Steven Kellogg has written a fun series of stories about Pinkerton, his big white dog. Steven Kellogg is a great illustrator who had done art work for many other books as well as those he has written. Stories about Jimmie's Boa written by Trinks Hakles Nobel are illustrated by Steven Kellogg.

Another favorite children's author is Eric Carle. The Grouchy Ladybug, Dragons, Dragons, The Very Busy Spider, The Very Quiet Cricket, and Rooster's Off To See The World are new for the children's collection.

Christmas Traveling Safety Tips

The Christmas holiday season is just about upon us. This is one of the most celebrated holidays of the entire year. People will be travelling the streets and highways in abundance. With the increase of traffic, there also comes the increase and the danger of more accidents.

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminds us, "Christmas is a very special time for all of us. We, the Department of Public Safety, want to urge everyone travelling our streets and highways to use extreme care, so that they will arrive at their destination safely."

Major Cawthon reminded us that the best thing we can do is to adjust our attitudes, as we sit down behind the wheel of our vehicles and as we fasten our safety belts. Without a good attitude, we cannot be a defensive driver. Defensive driving is the key to arriving at our destination accident free.

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...at a lot of people celebrate the

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PUBLIC NOTICE

GTE Southwest Incorporated (GTSW) and Contel of Texas Inc. (Contel) have filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to seek approval to provide two new private line services and to change rates for existing services. GTE's intraexchange DS1 Service will be offered pursuant to the rates proposed with this filing and will no longer be available through concurrence with GTE's interLATA access tariff rates which are lower. Contel's intraexchange DS1/DDS Service will be offered pursuant to the rates proposed with this filing and will no longer be available through Contel's current private line tariff rates. Existing customers with DS1/DDS Services will not be affected by these rate changes. DS1 1.544 Megabits per second (Mbps) Service and Digital Data Service (DDS) will normally be used for the transmission of data communications or large volumes of voice communications between two locations. These services are optional and will not affect the existing rates of customers who do not order these services. The estimated annual effect on GTE-SW's revenues in the first year is \$1,080,567. The estimated annual effect on Contel's revenues in the first year are \$42,383.

DS1 Service

DS1 Service is an intraLATA Private Line Service which provides a dedicated, high capacity channel which may be used for simultaneous two-way transmission of voice data or other digitally encoded customer information signals. DS1 Service provides a transmission speed of 1.544 Mbps and is designed to provide an average performance of at least 95 percent error-free seconds of transmission over a continuous 24-hour period.

DS1 Service is available in and between all exchanges of GTE-SW and Contel where digital facilities exist. DS1 Service is available on a point-to-point intraLATA basis between two Customer Designated Locations (CDL), between a Serving Wire Center (SWC) and a CDL, between a CDL and a point of connection with another service provider or between two SWCs.

IntraLATA DS1 Private Line Service is comprised of three rate elements: DS1 Local Loop, DS1 Transport and DS1 Transport Termination. Each element is described below.

DS1 Local Loop

This rate element is for the cable facilities from the CDL to the SWC. The customer has two payment options for the purchase of DS1 Local Loops. There is a month-to-month plan or term contract Optional Payment Plan (OPP).

The month-to-month payment basis allows the customer to establish and disconnect DS1 Services, without penalty, other than to meet the minimum service interval of one month's service, as needed. Under the month-to-month service, the additional DS1 Local Loop rate applies only when the additional DS1 Local Loop (s) is (are) ordered at the same time and between the same two CDLs as the first DS1 Local Loop.

The OPP plan allows the customer to select a term of service (1 YR, 3 YR and 5 YR) with lower monthly rates associated with longer term contracts. If the customer selects an OPP, additional DS1 Local Loops may be ordered and installed at the Additional DS1 Local Loop rate between any SWC and CDL covered by the OPP, at any time during the term of that OPP.

DS1 Transport

This rate element is for the mileage sensitive charges for transporting a DS1 signal between Serving Wire Centers. Transport occurs only when the two CDLs being connected are served by two different SWCs.

DS1 Transport Termination

This rate element is for the equipment to terminate DS1 Transport at the SWCs. This charge applies only when DS1 Transport is required for the service configuration of the customer. One transport termination charge applies at each end of the DS1 Transport.

Proposed Rates and Charges for DS1 Service are as follows:

	Nonrecurring Charge	Monthly Rates
DS1 Local Loop		
Month-to-Month		
First System	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 298.00
12-month term		
First System	-0-	\$ 283.00
36-month term		
First System	-0-	\$ 255.00
60-month term		
First System	-0-	\$ 226.00
Additional System	\$ 130.00	\$ 130.00
DS1 Transport		
Per airline mile	-0-	\$ 16.00
DS1 Transport Termination		
Per Termination	-0-	\$ 40.00

Digital Data Service

Digital Data Service (DDS) is an intraLATA Private Line service which supports synchronous, full-duplex transmission between the CDL and the SWC or the point of connection with another telephone company at transmission speeds of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2 and 56 kilobits per second (Kbps). DDS provides a transmission path for digital data signals within the same LATA.

DDS Service is available in and between all exchanges of GTE-SW and Contel where digital facilities exist. DDS Service is available on a point-to-point intraLATA basis between two CDLs or between a CDL and a point of connection with another service provider.

IntraLATA DDS Private Line Service is comprised of three rate elements: DDS Local Loop, DDS Transport and DDS Transport Termination. Each element is described below.

DDS Local Loop

This rate element is for the cable facilities from the CDL to the SWC. The customer may establish and disconnect DDS Local Loops without penalty other than the minimum service interval of one month's service, as his/her needs demand.

DDS Transport

This rate element is for the mileage sensitive charges for transporting a DDS signal between SWCs. Transport occurs only when the two CDLs being connected are served by two different SWCs.

DDS Transport Termination

This rate element is for the equipment to terminate DDS Transport at the SWCs. This charge applies only when DDS Transport is required for the service configuration of the customer. One transport termination charge applies at each end of the service.

Proposed rates and charges for DDS are as follows:

	Nonrecurring Charge	Monthly Rates
DDS Local Loop		
2.4, 4.8, 9.6, & 19.2 Kbps	\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00
56 Kbps	\$ 85.00	\$ 95.00
DDS Transport		
Per airline mile		
2.4, 4.8, 9.6 & 19.2 Kbps	-0-	\$ 1.60
56 Kbps	-0-	\$ 3.20
DDS Transport Termination		
2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2 & 56 Kbps		
Per Termination	-0-	\$ 20.00

This filing has been assigned Consolidated Docket Nos. 11408/11435. The deadline to intervene in this docket is January 1, 1993.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information, should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas, 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Information Division of the Public Utility Commission at (512) 458-0256, or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.





Jeannie McKinney Warren was honored with a shower Saturday at the Church of Christ. Shown above is JoAnn McKinney of Lubbock, Jeannie and Cindy Larence of Stratford.

Snow Sculptors



Honey Hutson was honored with a baby shower Saturday, December 5th in the home of Bobbie Cummings. Shown above is Dottie DeMeulenaere of Meade, Okla, Honey, Joyce Hart and Robin Hart.



Lots of folks were out trying their hand at building works of arts out of snow over the weekend. We had reports of between 6 to 8 inches of snow that fell Saturday.



Andy Bolf, left is shown above presenting Jerry Baker the certificate for \$100 worth of Groceries that Nu Beta Sorority gave away recently. This will benefit their scholarship fund. Jolene Skaggs was also present. Andy had sold the winning ticket.

Holiday Hints

Christmas In Hawaii

Snow is scarce in Hawaii, but Christmas is a warm, family holiday and a popular time for visitors, say the experts at Pleasant Hawaiian Holidays, the largest travel company serving Hawaii.

Hawaiians greet each other with "Mele Kalikimaka" (Merry Christmas) and "Hauoli Makahiki Hou" (Happy New Year).

Winter snow can be found at the summits of Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa on Hawaii. But Santa arrives more frequently in an outrigger canoe wearing an aloha shirt, shorts and a flower lei.

Norfolk pines are often the Christmas tree of choice in Hawaii

Tips

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holidays by drinking alcoholic beverages in excess. He stated, "If you drink, don't drive and if you drive, don't drink. Drive friendly, the Texas way."

"We will have all available troopers working this season and they will be especially watchful for those drivers that are driving in excess of the speed limit and those that drink while driving," stated Major Cawthon.

The best defense you can have inside a vehicle is to wear your safety belt. Remember, your chances for survival, if involved in an auto crash, are twenty-five times greater if you can remain inside your vehicle.

and ornaments are frequently fashioned from leaves, nuts or flowers. To find out about visiting Hawaii at Christmas time or anytime, contact a travel agent or call 800-2-HAWAII.

Windbreaks, Wildlife & Livestock Protection



Here is an example of a well planned windbreak. In a few years, it will be big enough to provide protection for wildlife and livestock, and provide many seasons of beauty.

By Mary Wilder, SCS

Trees are now available for sale from the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District located at the Soil Conservation Service at 418 North 4th. These trees and shrubs can serve many useful purposes as well as adding beauty to any area.

The recent snow storms and high winds we have recently experienced point out the most practical use of a well designed shelterbelt. Shelterbelts can be fenced off to protect tree growth and still provide protection from high cold winds for livestock. Two rows of evergreen trees can provide enough protection for a large herd of livestock as well as providing protection and a food source for game birds and other wildlife.

For those interested in promoting wildlife of all types in our area, shrub and tree plantings placed near water sites and feeding areas give quail and pheasant a place to hid and breed. Deer are making a comeback in

our county and shrub plantings, especially on CRP ground, may promote this return.

Windbreaks are also useful in protecting homes and surrounding out buildings especially corrals and other livestock areas. Naturally these plantings help beautify these living areas while providing protection and reducing heating and cooling costs.

Now is the time to plan your windbreak or shelterbelt. Place your order as soon as possible to get the best selection of available trees and shrubs. Also check to see if there is a program available for your needs through the ASCS office. All programs of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, are offered on a non-discriminatory basis, without regard to race, sex, age, national origin, religion or handicap.



Monday-Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, English peas, salad, spice cake, milk.

Tuesday-Chili dogs, cole slaw, w/k corn, oatmeal cookies, milk.

Wednesday, Stew, Tossed salad, corn bread, jello/fruit, milk.

Thursday, Turkey, dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, sweet potatoes, rolls, pumpkin and milk.

Friday-Sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes Tatar tots, ice cream, milk.

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Dec. 10, 11 and 12th

Thursday			
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Gruver	vs	Stratford	
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Sunray	vs	Stratford	AC
Gruver	vs	Spearman	

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Cathy Lemons stopped to look at Chris McAdams display of Discovery Toys at the Market Arts and Craft days held Saturday at the County Barn.



A good crowd turned out despite the snow and cold Saturday at the Market and Craft days held Saturday at the Sherman County Barn. Shown above is Mary Hill at her booth.



Tips & Topics

by Susie Spurlock
County Extension Agent

Planting spring bulbs in the fall is as natural as falling leaves and football games. It is a grand opportunity often neglected by the home gardener if he or she does not include some of the hardy, easy-to-grow spring beauties in the garden this fall.

Spring-flowering bulbs, including: Tulips, Hyacinths, Daffodils, Crocus and Dutch Iris are truly some of the simplest of flowers to grow. All they require is fall planting to reward you with weeks of early spring color, fragrance and beauty.

One's success with spring bulbs will depend to a large extent on the selection of healthy, top-quality bulbs. Second-rate bulbs, or bargain bulbs, produce second-rate flowers and often first-rate disappointment. To be assured of top quality bulbs of the best varieties, make your selections at your local nursery or garden center soon.

If you purchase bulbs now, store them in a cool dry place until planting time arrives in late November. Excessively warm temperatures will cause the bulbs to dry out and result in injury to the flower bud inside the bulb.

As with any gardening you do, it's always wise to plan before you plant. Here are some pointers that should help you get the most from your flowering bulb dollar:

Planting:
*Know what colors and types of bulbs you'll be using. Also know where and how many you will need.

*Choose varieties that will give an extended blooming season. Some flowers will pop out at the first promise of spring, while others will hold back for weeks. By selecting your varieties carefully, you can have blooms for as long as five or six weeks.

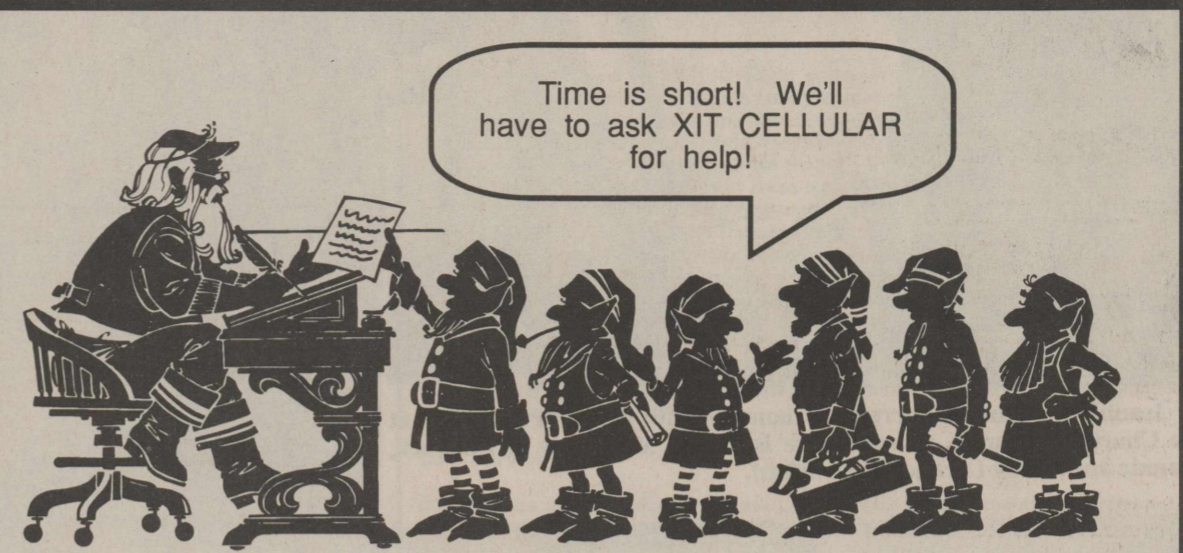
*For the most effective display, mass colors together in the beds. Try all red, all pink or all yellow in a single bed. Mixed colors just don't show up as dramatically.

Planting:
*Special attention should be given to the location of the bulb bed. Most bulbs prefer a sunny site. The growth is more vigorous and the colors sharper.

*Prepare the soil carefully. Drainage is of utmost importance. Spade the soil thoroughly to provide the loose texture and good drainage necessary. Use coarse sand, peat moss or other organic material to loosen heavy, tight soil.

*Lay out the bulbs on the soil according to your plan. Most large bulbs should be spaced from 6 to 8 inches apart, while the smaller ones should be at 3 to 6 inch spacings.

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SAFEPLACE HOTLINE

By Phyllis Melton

The most important resource available to a victim of family violence is your local domestic violence program. Such programs, can give you information about and help you gain access to other resources for legal help, counseling, housing, employment, etc.

Many domestic programs offer in-person advocacy; that is, in-person assistance by a trained individual to provide peer counseling and emotional support to help you obtain needed services. Advocates will also help you with law enforcement and judicial systems and provide court accompaniment if needed. An advocate is really a friend who is knowledgeable about family violence and who is familiar with social services, legal options, and judicial procedures.

Most programs also offer emergency shelter, a safe place for you and your children to stay while you obtain needed services and make decisions about your future. Counseling, support groups and special children's programs are available in many areas.

Family violence programs across the country differ widely in structure. Some are grass roots, volunteer organizations with few or no paid employees. Others are large agencies which employ professionals such as lawyers and psychologists. Some areas do not have formal shelter facilities but use a network of volunteer safe homes or an alternate means of providing victims a safe, secure place to stay.

Despite the differences, there are some things that domestic violence programs have in common. Your family violence program should support your right

★ Miscellaneous

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to seek a life which is free of abuse. People involved with the programs are knowledgeable and have accurate understanding of the dynamics of spouse abuse. You will be given an opportunity to make your own decisions about what is best for you and be helped to gain the skills and resources necessary to carry out those decisions.

You are assured of complete confidentiality. When you share with an advocate or crisis line worker intimate details your life, those facts will not be revealed to anyone without your express permission. Lastly, you receive services and in a respectful and compassionate way regardless of your age, race, sex, religion, differing ability, lifestyle, or sexual orientation.

It is most important to know that you can receive the services of the program when you are still living with your abuser or if you make a decision to return to him. In many areas there are abuser programs; ask your family violence program about availability.

In order to end the violence in your life and to heal from the pain of being abused, you need a strong support system. That support system which might include your supportive family members, children, employer, and empathetic friends will be strengthened when you make use of the services provided by your local domestic violence program. Safe Place, Inc. serves, Moore, Dallam, Hartley and Sherman Counties. In Dumas, Sunray, or Cactus call 935-2828. Outside of Moore county call (800) 753-7553. This is our 24-hour crisis hotline answered by trained volunteers or staff.

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★ Legal Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **Kenneth Carl Connolly**, were issued on December 2, 1992, Cause No. 1882 pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to:
James N. Oakes, Jr.

The residence of such Executor is Guymon, Texas County, Oklahoma. The mailing address is:

James N. Oakes, Jr.
203 NW 5th
Guymon, Okla. 73942

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to JAMES N. OAKES, JR. or to his attorneys, MOORE, LEWIS & RUSSWURM, P.C., P.O. Box 718, Dumas, Texas 79029.
DATED this the 2nd day of December, 1992.

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Methodist Church Missions fund. These monies and parents fees have been used as seed money for start up cost such as legal expenses, licensing, renovation costs and operating costs of facility.

4. Developed and approved policies governing the use and operation of the facility.

5. Employed director for the Center with qualifications as determined by Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS), who is accountable to the governing board and responsible for supervising all programs and employees.

6. Employed three full-time and two part time qualified care givers to meet staff-child ratio as determined by TDHS.

7. Currently serve 28 children daily; forty six other children have completed enrollment forms on file for care on an irregular basis.

8. Have operated under a provisional license with TDHS for the care of 51 children. Will receive permanent license in December.

94. Vendor for Child Care Management System administered by TDHS for families who need financial assistance.

10. Contractor with USDA Child and Adult Care Food program which provides partial, reduced or free meals to children who qualify.

11. Contracted bookkeeping service through Trust Department of the First State Bank of Stratford.

12. Open House conducted November 19, 1992 attended by over 70 residents who visited the center and observed the daily activities of children.

Other individuals and groups who have supported the center with gifts include:

- * First United Methodist church-loan of children's tables, chairs and cribs.
- * Jack Gilley-donation of 2 tables for center use.
- * First State Bank-office furniture
- * Oscar Wilson-office furniture
- * Jim Taliatferro-kitchen equipment
- * First Christian Church-kitchen supplies
- * Joyce Ann Lasley-Office furniture
- * Sherman County Extension Homemakers Council-sponsorship of kitchen shower
- * Sherman County Commissioners Court-use of county facility for fund raiser and sand for outdoor play area
- Jacque McIver-freezer
- * Larry Norris-outdoor playhouse
- * Ellie M's-cinnamon rolls.

The governing board recognizes that much has been accomplished and strives to fulfill its mission of promotion, developing, and encouraging and supporting a child day care center offering parents an affordable and accessible opportunity for quality child care.

Improving outdoor play area by providing more space and play ground equipment is a goal identified to be achieved within the next six months time period. Maintaining the financial stability of Lollipop Junction in order to provide this service to the community is another important goal as well as looking toward the future of meeting the changing needs of parents for child care.

Terri Teig, Cindy Russell, Chris McAdams and John Wilson have been elected to serve three year terms for retiring directors Arnita Lane, Linda Haynes and Jacquie McIver. Reverend Brian Adams had been elected to fulfill the unexpired term of Rev. John Wagoner. These individuals will join other board members, Jim Taliatferro, Jim Bob Brown, LeRinda Wright, Michelle Lutes, Mike Sheedy, Steve Booth and Susie Spurlock.

Individuals who wish to assist the board of directors in fulfilling the goals of the organization are encouraged to visit with any of the named board members or Trisha Schoonover, director of Lollipop Junction. THANK YOU Stratford for your support of this community development project.

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Ibarra Completes Basic Training
Navy David F. Ibarra, son of Hilario B. Diaz of Stratford, recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, San Diego.
During the cycle, recruits are taught general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on the job training in one of the Navy's 85 occupational fields.
Studies include seamanship, close-order drill, naval history and first aid.



Monday at the Stratford Lions Club meeting a program was given by David Smith, left, Game Warden for Sherman and Moore Counties. Also in picture is Jack Haile, who was in charge of the program.



Susie Spurlock and Jean Everett are shown above giving a "Visions of Sugar Plums" program at United Methodist Women's Christmas program Dec. 2. This was also given at Lunch-and-Learn the next day.

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Letter On 4H Program

The 4H Program means different things to different people. The Sherman County Extension staff hopes that the 4-H Program is a meaningful experience to those involved.

The following letter was written to the editor of the Albany News by Commissioner of Agriculture, Rick Perry, during National 4-H Week. This letter expresses some very positive things about what 4-H is trying to do.

Dear Editor: Some of my best memories while growing up in Paint Creek in Haskell County were associated with my 4-H club activities. In fact, I would suggest that our 4-H work helped instill in every member of our club a sense of responsibility and dedication. These are qualities that I have tried to carry with me into my adult life, and ones I hope to pass on to my children, Sydney and Griffin.

National 4-H Week, October 4-10, gives us a time to reflect on a program that brings a practical learning experience to the youth of America. The cornerstone of this youth organization, "learning by doing," has withstood the test of time.

Today, one out of every 10 Texas youngsters is involved in 4-H, and many of their learning experiences revolve around animals. Whether it's raising a pen of rabbits or feeding and grooming a market steer for the show ring, these young people are learning a strong sense of satisfaction and commitment that comes with tending and caring for an animal. Walk through a county fair or regional livestock show this fall and you will see that sense of duty and pride beaming from ear to ear.

But today, we also find that more than 2/3rds of our children live in an urban setting, and so 4-H has changed with our shifting population trends. Nowadays, you might find a group of youngsters in downtown Dallas tending to a roof top garden, or kids in Houston working with natural resources or wildlife programs. Or it may be that group of youngsters in Austin learning leadership skills and group planning on a County recreational team.

4-H embodies all that is right with our country's young people--embodies their hopes and dreams for the future. But what's more, 4-H is helping them turn their hopes and dreams into fact and reality.

Texas agriculture is proud to take this opportunity to salute 4-H and all the extraordinary people who make it a shining success.

Sincerely,
Rick Perry
Commissioner of Agriculture

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*Check a bulb planting chart so that proper depth is observed. A rule of thumb is to plant the bulb in the ground about three times the width of the bulb.

*Water the beds after planting and "as needed" during the winter months.

A final note about tulips and hyacinths. Don't make the mistake of planting them before they have been pre-cooled in your refrigerator for five to six weeks. This time spent in the refrigerator is important to them, and to you, if you want them to bloom properly. Just put a sack of tulip or hyacinth bulbs down in the vegetable crisper out of the way, then mark your calendar for mid-December planting.

Remember that bulbs planted this fall will set the stage for next spring's flower show in your garden.

Chamber of Commerce Annual Pheasant Hunt

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