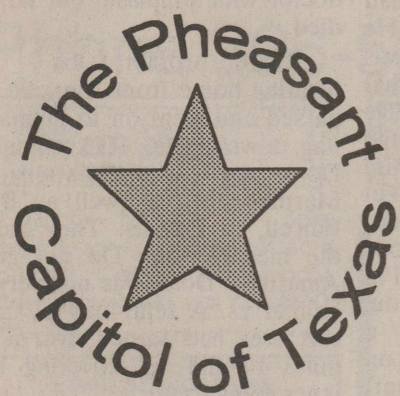


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Thanksgiving Dinner At Scot Hall Thursday

SCOT Will have their Thanksgiving Dinner at noon Thursday, Nov. 20, at SCOT Hall. Hostesses for the event are members of Prospectus Study Club.

Something new this year is that SCOT members are asked to bring only desserts. All other food will be provided by Study Club and other donors.

Third grade elementary Music classes, under the direction of Marietta Combs, will present a Musical program, "Pride of America." Singers from Lollipop Junction will also perform.

Christmas Lighting Contest

The Women's Division of the Stratford Chamber of Commerce will once again sponsor the Christmas Lighting contest. The three categories to be judged are Commercial, Residential, Religious, and Residential Secular.

First, second third place winners in each category will be selected. The lighting will be judged on the evening of Thursday, December 11, 1997.

For additional information, contact Teresa Edmond 396-5566 or the Chamber office 396-2260.

Major Stock Shows Entry Nights Set For November 17th & 24th

4-H members planning to show at a major livestock show (Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston, or San Angelo) can enter their projects during Entry Nights on Monday, November 17th and 24th. The Extension Office will be open from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. to take major stock show entries. Information needed to properly complete entry cards include 4-Hers name, address, social security number, and signature of 4-H member and parent. Please bring this information and a check to pay entry fees when you enter. Rules and entry information from all the major stock shows are to be available.

All entries must be turned-in to the Extension Office by Monday, November 24th. This will allow us enough time to process the entries and mail them to the major livestock shows before the entry date. For more information, contact Michael Clawson, Sherman County Extension Agent, at (806) 396-2081.

Citizens' Collection Station Winter Hours

The City of Stratford Citizens' Collection Station located at the City's former landfill site will be open from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8:00 to noon on Saturdays. These hours will be in effect until spring.

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1997 Pheasant Season Begins Dec. 13, 1997

The 1997 Pheasant Season begins Saturday, December 13th and continues through Sunday, December 28th. The Stratford Chamber of Commerce sponsors a hunt each year by contracting with landowners and/or operators to lease land for the two week season and issues a limited number of hunting permits for a fee. Presently the opening weekend slots have been filled.

The Chamber office has responded to more than 100 requests for pheasant hunt information. A significant number of the inquiries are a direct result of the Chamber's placement ad, which was funded by the Motel Tax. The local motels and most of the RV spaces are booked for the opening weekend, so there is an opportunity for merchants, crafters, artists, etc. to take advantage of the potential shoppers.

With the present amount of leased land, the maximum number of opening weekend permits have been issued. The bird population is much larger than in the recent past so additional huntable land would allow several more hunters. Huntable land is defined as ground covered in stalks or with sufficient coverage and grain to attract pheasants. Fifty percent of the net profits from the hunt will be distributed to those landowners/operators who lease their land to the Chamber for the Pheasant Hunt.

To discuss leasing of huntable land or for additional information, please contact Clawson 396-2081, Brad McBryde 396-2723 or the Chamber office 396-2260.

Stratford Lions Club Selling Peanuts As Fund Raiser

The Stratford Lions Club are selling bags of peanuts to raise funds for community projects sponsored by the Club. Peanuts can be purchased in 5, 10, or 50 pound bags and in five different flavors-raw, roasted, salted, taste of southwest, and Rajun Cajun. Prices range from \$6.00 to \$66.00, depending on number of pounds and flavor.

Money raised from the peanut project will be contributed to various organizations and activities. Some projects supported by the Stratford Lions Club include CrimeStoppers, Girlstown Coat & Shoe Fund, Christmas Angels, Blind Institute, Cripple Children's Camp, and eye glasses for local youth.

To purchase peanuts, contact a member of the Stratford Lions Club.

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

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4th Grade Musical will be December 16th at 7 p.m. "Christmas At The OK Corral"

A Reminder-Don't forget to buy your bricks for Bonar Park!!!!

First State Bank To Host Art Display

First State Bank will be hosting a one-day art display featuring nationally acclaimed western artist, Dino Cornay. The display will be in conjunction with Thanksgiving Open House Friday, November 21, 1997.

Dino Cornay is a fourth generation rancher from the Folsom, New Mexico area. He and his wife and two daughters live on the ranch and Dino is still an active partner in the ranching business. Dino's wife is a coach at the school in Des Moines, New Mexico.

The 39 year old graduate of Kansas State University has been a professional artist for 17 years. Dino has shown his work at the Nita Stewart Haley Western Art Show in Midland, Texas; Pendleton Round-up in Pendleton, Oregon; and the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado.

Although Dino has experimented in other mediums, pencil art is his favorite. He is known for the detail realism of his art and people are amazed at the detail that can be achieved with a pencil. He features the modern day southwestern cowboy as his subject and also enjoys drawing children, horses and wildlife. He has sold out 20 additions of limited prints and will have 3 new additions in the near future.

Stop by the First State Bank Friday, November 21 from 9:00 until 5:00 and view this wonderful display of pencil art.

School To Serve Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanksgiving Dinner at the School will be served Thursday, November 20th. If you want to eat at the school check for times at the schools.

Scot Luncheon

Thursday November 20 Turkey and Dressing Luncheon by Prospectus Study Club.

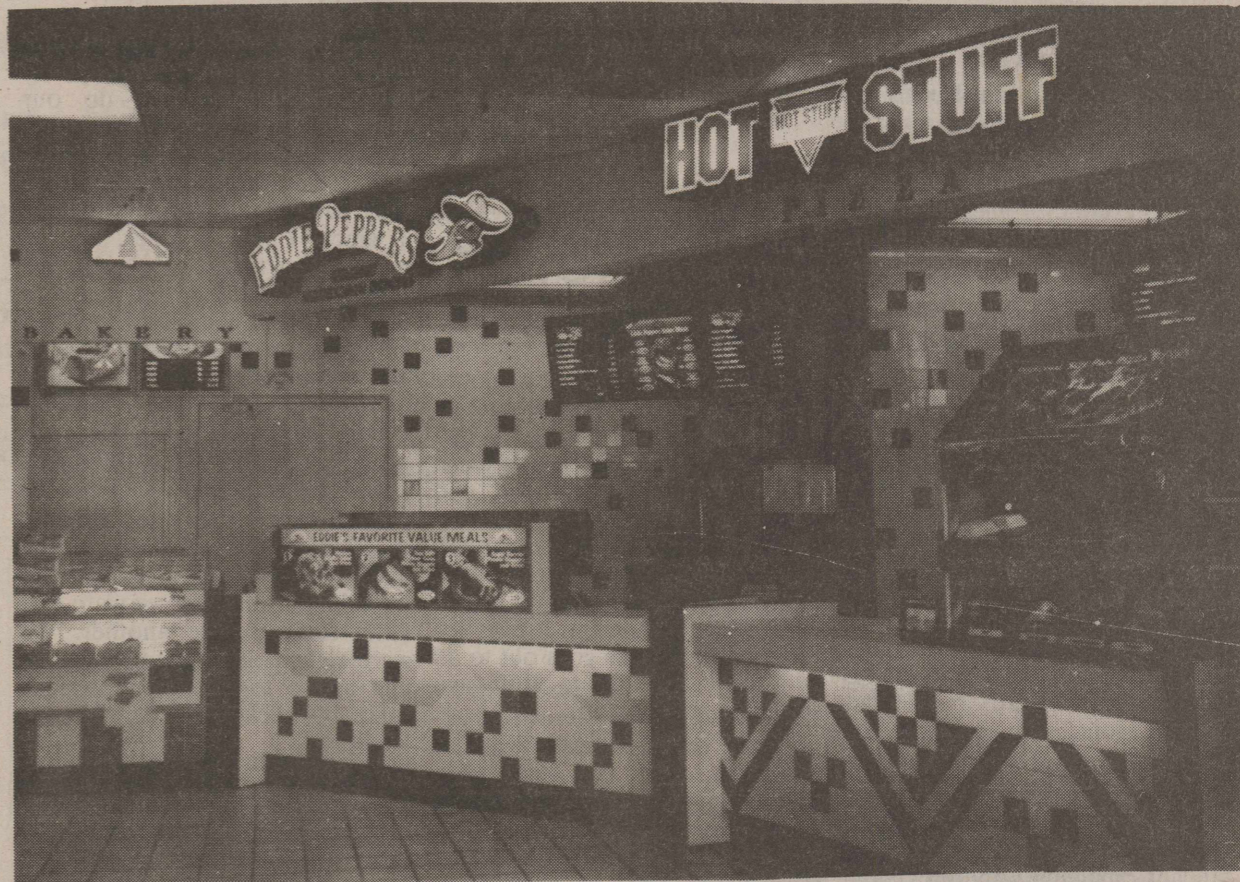
Join The Christmas Parade

The official beginning of the Christmas season in Stratford will be the Christmas Parade on Monday, December 1st. The parade will start about 5:30 p.m. at the north end of Main Street and proceed south to 1st Street. The bell choir from the First Christian Church and the First Baptist Church choir will be singing along the Main Street sidewalks in the business area.

Businesses, organizations/clubs, and individuals are invited to join the festivities. All are encouraged to join the parade, feature holiday items, or extend Christmas shopping hours for that day. Plan now to take an active part in the holiday events in Stratford.

The community Christmas tree will not be in place this year. The community tree continues to be an active project and will actively continue in order to have the tree for Christmas 1998. There will be a brief ceremony at 3rd and Main Street to celebrate the city's 90th year of incorporation.

Santa Claus will also be here for the parade. At the end of the parade, Santa will visit with the children in the Depot Museum Parking lot.



Gopher's Travel Center Adds Nationally Known Fast Food Brands

Gopher's Travel Center ADDS NATIONALLY-KNOWN FAST FOOD BRANDS Convenience and great taste combine at the Gopher's Travel Center with the introduction of nationally-known fast food brands from Orion Food Systems, Inc. Conveniently located at 119 E. Texas in Stratford, Gopher's is now serving Eddie Pepper's Great Mexican Food, Hot Stuff Pizza and Cinnamon Street Bakery. A grand opening celebration is planned and details will be announced in the near future.

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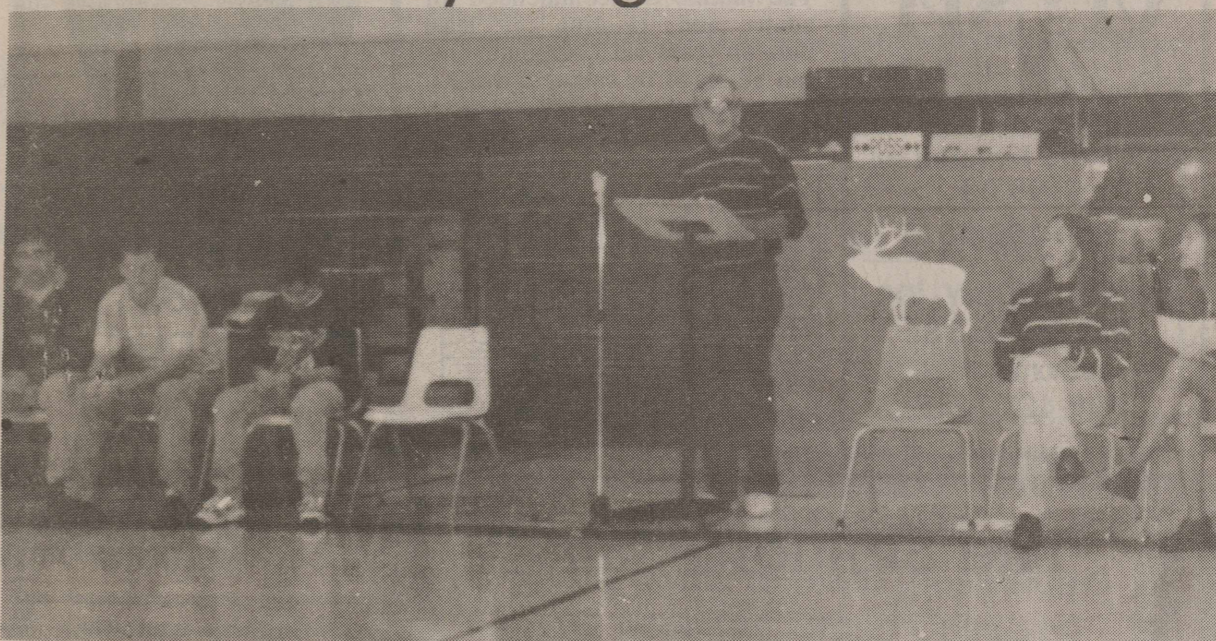
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Based in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Orion Food Systems, Inc., offers a variety of quality fast-food products, backed by the best operational marketing support system in the business.

Veterans Day Program At School



Veteran Dick Davenport spoke at the Veteran's Day Program held at the Stratford High School Gym on last Tuesday, November 11, 1997. Student Council members also helped with the program along with the Stratford Big Blue Band playing a few selections in honor of the Veterans.

Stratford Centennial 2001

Stratford 90 years of incorporation in 1997 begins the plans for Stratford's 100 years as county seat of Sherman County. Over twenty interested persons met Tuesday, November 11 at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for lunch. Joyce Land, Dumas presented material from the Moore County Centennial. She gave ideas on

funding, organizations and activities. Anyone interested in the planning for Stratford's Centennial will want to attend the next meeting January 14th at noon.

Things to think about: Type of organization; Chairman, Secy. and Treasurer; Task Force Areas of events and chairman; Ways to finance the celebration; Updating God-Grass-Grit; Logo;

Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday

The Community Thanksgiving Service will be Sunday, November 23, 1997 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church with tl Rev. Syd Carnes is preaching.

Looking Ahead

Chamber Calendar

- November**
 21-Extension Program Council Annual Meeting
 23-Community Thanksgiving-Syd Carnes speaking
 27-THANKSGIVING
- December**
 1-Christmas Parade
 7-Depot Museum Open House
 Tour Of Homes
 11-Judging of Christmas Lighting
 12-SCOT Chili Supper
 13-Pheasant Season Opening
 Lions Club Breakfast
 CYO Mexican Food Lunch
 22-School Holiday Begins
 25-Christmas Day
 28-Pheasant Season Ends
 29-31 Stratford Basketball Tournament
- January 1998**
 1-New Year's Day
 2-School Holiday Ends
 16-SCDC Annual Meeting
 30-Sherman County Livestock Show

Letter To The Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY FOR PUBLICATION: All letters will be accepted provided they are not anonymous and a bonafide address is given. We will not print letters in the Star anonymous or name on file. Name will appear in paper. We will not print statements that are obscene or libelous per se. This paper assumes no responsibility for content and all views are strictly the views of the writer. Copies of letters which have been submitted to other newspapers will receive a low priority for publication. The newspaper reserves the right to edit letters with respect to length or potentially libelous material.

We were heading to Amarillo on Friday, to attend a yearly meeting, and then to do our Christmas shopping. We left early, at 3, to get there before dark, as we weren't sure about the road. Rick had twice mentioned having a wreck. I had a quick stop to make along the way, as well. We were glad to see the road was clear to Dumas as it been icy when Rick left for work. We made the stop and continued on, seeing a clear road ahead.

We were past Masterson, just in front of the flashing arrow where the road narrowed due to construction. Rick let several vehicles pass before we moved into the left lane, as they were travelling faster than we were and fairly close to one another. We were right behind them, however and as we topped the hill, Rick said, "It's slicker out here than it looks."

Suddenly, two of the vehicles ahead of us flipped and a third one tried to but righted itself. We were driving a little slower and further behind them and although we skidded out of control for a moment, Rick stopped the jeep before hitting one of the vehicles ahead of us. He glanced in the rear view mirror as I turned around and just then a red pickup behind us flipped onto the passenger side near the bar ditch. As they came to a stop, a yellow pickup flipped in a full circle, at least 12 feet into the air and landed on the right front and then righted itself, onto it's tires.

Rick grabbed the cell phone as a women from the vehicle in front of us, which had righted itself, ran past toward the red truck. I grabbed my coat and ran as well. Everything happened so quickly, there was no time to be afraid. As I reached the red truck the woman ran toward the yellow truck. Charles Harbour and his wife Juanice and a passenger had gotten out of the red truck and were standing up. I ran on toward the yellow pickup but turned back when two people yelled for an ambulance. The driver was injured. I ran back to Rick, who was talking to 911, and told him the man was injured, we needed an ambulance. As I ran back toward the yellow truck, a white transport truck flipped into the median, then a pickup flipped or skidded into him. Both were moving and the pickup and truck both looked as if they might hit the yellow pickup. I ran back toward the jeep, hoping to be out of the way. They sopped, however and I headed to the yellow truck. A man had helped the driver out of his truck and he was leaning weakly against it. He had a head injury. The woman who had gotten there ahead of me had found a blanket in the truck and he was holding it against his head. The woman was a nurse and we got the man into our jeep, in the back seat, to warm him up and to try to keep him from going into shock. He had two large gashes in the top of his head and a huge lump and cut on his right forehead. The nurse ran

We learned that our "patient" was Robert Lascano. He worked in Cactus and lived in Amarillo. He'd been headed home when he hit the black ice. We kept him talking and Rick reached his brother's family in Amarillo. Mr. Lascano had not touched his brakes and didn't remember flipping, but his seat belt had broken. He had had it on. He seemed pretty badly hurt and was in terrible pain but we thing that seat belt helped keep him alive before it broke. I leaned over the back of the front seat, helping him hold his arm up with the blanket to his head. All I could do, otherwise, was to pat this poor man on the other arm and say "I'm so sorry I can't do more for you, Mr. Lascano. "It was such a helpless feeling. Rick stayed on the line with either 911 or Robert Lasano's brother, David. I can't seem to remember as much these days, but I may never forget Robert, David, Rebecca and Gina Lascano and their telephone number. It's engrained.

The nurse reported a broken arm at one of the vehicles behind us and we learned the people in the two vans ahead of us had gotten out safely. Everything happened so very quickly, but Rick thinks one of the vans may have flipped all the way to the bar ditch on our side from the opposite side of the highway I don't know. I only saw it in midair in front of me. It had landed on it's top which had flattened, collapsed in. Everyone got out of it and was okay. The nurse said she didn't see how any had gotten out of any of the vehicles without more injuries. I answered, "Angels." She said it was a miracle and she had never believed before, but maybe there were angels. It had indeed been a miracle. The passenger side of

Charles Harbour truck was demolished, windshield shattered, metal bent, windows gone. They had walked away from it. Poor Mr. Lascano had the worst injuries, although his truck looked as if it had the least damage. I imagine everyone was stiff and sore on Saturday, perhaps headed to the doctor with whiplash, but no one died.

Rick's brother, Joe was heading home from Amarillo. He passed and went on to Dumas to flag down traffic. Rick contacted Doak and Lisa Crabtree and Martha Mitts, as well as Brent Futrell, in Dumas. They passed the message on, "Do not go to Amarillo." Doak was not very far behind us. A semi-load of Cattle carcasses had turned over a few miles behind us, covering both lanes going south.

It seemed forever for the highway patrol and fire dept. to reach us. It had kept snowing and the roads were slick behind us now. The ambulance stopped to load the man with the broken arm and a paramedic ran to us to check on Mr. Lascano. It had been at least an hour since he'd been injured. His head had begun to clot and he hadn't gone into shock, but he was in a great deal of pain. It took another 20 minutes at least for the ambulance to get to him. They had a tough time getting him out of the jeep as his body had stiffened up and he had additional pain in his right shoulder and back. He had a former injury as well, as he had screws in his left knee. It hurt him to put the collar on and then to get him onto the back board. We had had to keep him warm, or he might have died from the cold. It

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Obit

James Patrick Webb

Canyon-James Patrick Webb, 92, died Friday, Nov. 14, 1997.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, 1997 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Price, pastor, and the Rev. Genoa Goad, chaplain of Clements Unit officiating. Burial was at 3 p.m. in Fairlawn Cemetery in Elk City, Okla. Arrangements were by Holley Funeral Home.

Mr. Webb was born in Quanah. He married Hazel Creswell in 1929 at Leedey, Okla. He worked as a farmer and rancher, machine operator, and had a lawn service business in Stratford. He was a member of First Baptist Church, where he was a deacon for many years.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Carolyn Sadler of Amarillo and Kaye Harris of Canyon; a sister, Maydelle Jones of Fort Worth; six grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Canyon or Faith City Mission of Amarillo.

Scot News

By Jack Gore

Last Friday Depression Supper and Auction was a great success even though we had cold bad weather. Over a 100 people came to enjoy beans, cornbread and desserts. Also a great time was had at the auction sale. Lots of work was done by lots of people too many to name but I would like to acknowledge Dorothy & Sisty for their work. Thanks goes out to all who brought stuff-ate stuff-gave stuff, and bought stuff.

This coming week will be board meeting Tuesday 18th, nominating committee will report on new names to be suggested to serve on Scot Board for the next three years. Vote on new board members will be Thursday, Nov. 20th luncheon.

Prospectus Study club will do their thing again for Scotters we all look forward to the annual Turkey and Dressing luncheon, program & door prizes that are furnished by this club.

Next week will be Thanksgiving Holiday and then Saturday Nov. 29th. Will be our dance of the month. Music by "Remington Run" by Beaver, Ok.

"Mrs. California" To Be Presented

Saturday, Nov. 22-Theater Arts Class presents "Mrs. California" at 7:30. Admission is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Sunday, Nov. 23-A matinee performance of the play will be presented at 3:00. The price of admission is the same as Saturday.

Payne Graduates

Kyle Payne has graduated from Spartan, School of Aeronautics, Tulsa, Ok. CPOC May 26, 1996, MER August 30, 1996, CFI April 30, 1997, MEI July 16, 1997 With a degree as Commercial Pilot Certification. He enrolled at Spartan School May of 1995.

Planned Parenthood Offering Flu Vaccine

Planned Parenthood will be offering the Influenza (Flu) vaccine after September 20th, 1997 at their clinic in Dalhart. The vaccine is recommended for adults and children at least thirteen years old. Appointments can be made by calling 249-5635. The cost of the vaccine is \$5.



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Timi's Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, Friends this sunny morning A.M. Nov. 17, 1997. Among our first thoughts today is that of Nov. 17th is the birthday of our brother the late T.F. Baskin Jr. Our next concern is for our friends. The J.P. Webb families and Mack Carter and son Douglas, Dumas, as they say good bye to the physicals remains of their loved Mr. Webb, Canyon and Ms. Belva Carter died early Sunday a.m. Their memorial services are today, our prayers and love are with them.

The Scot Bean supper and silent auction seems to have been successful. We have no reports and cannot offer a personal opinion due to the fact that icy streets and common sense kept us at home safe and well.

Sunday was a beautiful but cool day weather-wise and a rare Sunday for us. We were impressed by our local First Baptist church services which consisted of an unusual presentation of The Lord's Supper. Personally we were blessed spiritually, we admit that we should have made preparation to be in the church building.

Old Timer George Allen, Stratford, is very ill and is in Baptist Hospital, Amarillo. His wife, Claudine (McQueen) Allen had surgery scheduled before George was stricken and the families decision decided to go on as planned with Claudine's surgery. Keep them (patients and family) in your prayers.

Now let us turn to our calendar of activities. Remember that on Thursday, Nov. 20, 97 at noon Prospectus Study club will host their annual Thanksgiving dinner at SCOT hall for Scotters and their guests.

This is one of the big social event of the year and we are looking forward to it with great pleasure remember scotters are to bring desserts, and lots of cheerful conversation for visiting.

The Annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church on November 23, 1997 Sunday. Rev. Syd Carnes to be the speaker.

What about your family Thanksgiving Day?

This finishes Nov. 1997.

Turning to December calendar Opening of Pheasant Season on Dec. 13, 1997. Most important local event is Dec. 1, 1997 5:30 p.m. is Christmas Parade. Dec. 7, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Depot Museum Open House. Tour of Homes is on Dec. 7, 1997 also. Dec. 12, 1997 S.C.O.T. chili/stew supper time 6 p.m. Public invited including visiting hunters if you would like to help in the event call Sisty Vincent 5388. Bernice Christian 5300 and or Mary Wisdom 5945. Director Jack suggest it might be fun to help. Dec. 22, 1997 school out holidays.

Betty Brown will be in (Plano, TX) for back surgery on Monday Nov. 24, 1997. Baskin will be with her Nov. 24-29 at hospital stay.

On the Texas reporter the town of Channing, TX and its post mistresses and rural postal delivery person were featured Ms. Ethel Hunnicut fills both positions and has done so for many years. She is now 87 years of age and could easily be in the 60's. Congratulations to Mrs. Hunnicut. We add congratulations to our beloved friend, Viola Hamilton Bryan 90th birthday. Viola's party was in Hartley, Texas, Viola, did you happen to be in Ethel's post office at the time for story was being filmed? Some woman appeared and we understood Ethel to say "Come in, Viola". After all Hartley and Channing

Extension Program Council Meeting Friday-21st

The annual meeting of the Extension Program Council will be held Friday, November 21, 1997 in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church. Joe Frank Wheeler of Borger will be the keynote speaker addressing, "Life is Like a River" during the noon luncheon.

Joyce McBryde, Chairman of the Extension Program Council states the annual event is a time to reflect on the accomplishments of the Sherman County Program Area Committee and their work toward the 1995-1999 Long Range Extension Plan and recognize volunteers who serve as advisors to County Extension Agents, Susie Spurlock and Michael Clawson.

During this year's meeting, officers for the 1998-1999 term will be elected. The luncheon is sponsored by the Executive Committee members of the Extension Program Council. Members are Joyce McBryde, Cindy Miller, Jean Everett, Jesse Resendes, Johnny Garza, Lorie Vincent, Dana Hess, Kim Crippen, David Hass, Selma Pendleton, Mark Metzger, Joyce Ann Lasley, and Johnny Mungia.

All members of Extension Program Area Committees are invited to attend. For more information, contact the Sherman County Extension Office.

4-H Food Show Winners Named

Six 4-H'ers will be advancing to the District 4-H Food Show after winning the Sherman County 4-H Food Show held Saturday, November 15th. Representing the county at the district event will be Josh Kautz, Intermediate Main Dish, Trisha Teig, Intermediate Nutritious Snacks, Mikel Tucker, Junior Main Dish, Mark Miller, Junior Nutritious Snacks, Walter Spurlock, Fruit and Vegetables and Brooke Ingham, Junior Breads and Cereals.

Named alternate winners were Brandon Davis, Junior Main Dish, and April Kautz, Junior Fruits and Vegetable.

Honors for the best interview were awarded to April Kautz and Tiffany Knight, Juniors, and Trisha Teig, Intermediate.

Rookie Awards went to Brooke Ingham, Mikel Tucker and Harrison Walden.

Whitney Kautz also participated in the achievement event. Serving as volunteer leaders for the project were Lynette Kautz, Alicia Law, Dana Hess, Zandie Potts, Sherri Ingham, and Terri Teig.

Sponsors of the Food Show were Sherman County 4-H Parents and Leaders Association, Sherman County Family & Community Education Council, West Texas Gas Company, Lasley & Sons Feedyard, Brown's Meat Locker, Thriftway of Stratford and Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Kerrick Thanksgiving Supper is Friday night, Nov. 21, 7 p.m. Bring a favorite dish if you haven't been asked to bring a specific dish. (Please put food in the dish!)

Friday's storm changed lots of people's plans! Most stayed close to home this week.

Ole & Audriene Olson, Amarillo, visited Sunday with Kenneth & Lynn Wells at their future home near Stratford.

Heard Monday that George Allen was better at BSA Hospital in Amarillo. He went by ambulance Thursday.

Kayo & Jo June McDaniel hosted a domino party Saturday night for Bud & Frankie Shields, Stratford, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters.

Made the Amarillo News Sunday via Bob Wylie's Word for Word column! He wanted songs with titles of girl's names. Sent him 31 and have found 9 more since!

Bill & Pat Boren spent the night of Nov. 11 with grandson Kevin while his parents, Kelly & Kerry Carlisle, Liberal, were busy with parent-teacher meetings at school. Sunday they bowled at the Pepsi tournament at Borger Bowl.

Swine Validation

Swine validation for Sherman County has been set for Sunday November 23, 1997 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. on these dates.

All show pigs for the Sherman County Livestock Show and Major Livestock Shows must be brought to the County Barn and validated on November 23rd. There will be no pigs validated at an exhibitors house or swine pen. Exhibitors need to bring their pigs, address, and social security number. Exhibitor's signature is required on major stock show validation forms. The cost to validate pigs will be \$3.00 per head for major shows and \$1.00 per head for county show.

If you are unable to attend the validation, you need to find someone to bring your pig(s) to the County Barn on the 23rd with all needed information, November 23rd is the last day that a pig can be validated; therefore, all pigs must be bought and on feed by the 23rd. If a pig is not validated, it will not be eligible for the Sherman County or Major Livestock Show.

If you have any questions, contact Michael Clawson, Sherman County Extension Agent, at (806) 396-2081.



Your chance to pipe in. People will lapse into silence, on average, after every twenty minutes during conversation.

Check Out The Library

By Dorothy Haile

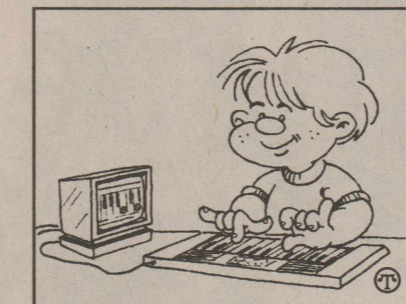
The M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, which is a part of the University of Texas, has provided the library with two copies of a video entitled What I Would Do. Breast Cancer Treatment Options. One is in ENGLISH and the other is in SPANISH.

What I Would Do..Breast Cancer Treatment Option provides one with information to understand ones situation, learn about ones treatment options and make a right decision. Subjects covered are: what is breast cancer, types of breast cancer, how breast cancer is diagnosed, treatment options for breast cancer, and other women's decisions.

These videos may be obtained from the library. They carry a 1997 copyright. An internet address is: <http://utmdacc.mda.utmc.edu/> This may be used for information or to make an appointment contact New Patient Referrals 1(800) 392-1611.

Breast Cancer: Myths & Facts-What You Need To Know is by S. Eva Singletery, MD and Alice E. Judkins, Rm, MS. Both are with the Cancer Center at M.D. Anderson.

Web Sites To Watch!



(NAPS)—For information on how the Taxpayer Relief Act might affect you, see the KPMG Peat Marwick LLP Web site at <http://www.us.kpmg.com/taxact>.

For information about the SHAR Plus circuit in the Miracle-Ear hearing aid, see the Web site at <http://miracle-ear.com>

- Assembly of God**
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Wed. Youth Service 6:30 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm
- First Christian**
Dr. Syd Carnes - Interim Pastor
5th & Main
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm
- First United Methodist**
Rev. Mark Metzger
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service
- St. Joseph Catholic**
Rev. David Contreras
6th & Wall
Rectory - 5687, Parish Hall - 2298
No Saturday Mass
Sunday English Mass 9:00 am
Sunday CCD 10:00 - 11:00 am CYO - Wed. 7:00-8:00
Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am
- Church of Christ**
Jon Heatwole
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm
- Calvary Baptist**
Gerald Clark
302 S. Main
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Children's Active Learning 10:30 a.m.
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Wed. Bible Study & Fellowship 7:30 pm
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Bro. Jerry Stewart
702 N. 3rd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Church Training 6:00 pm
Evening Worship 7:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
- Roca de Salvacion**
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Estuela Dominical 9:45 am
Servicio De Adoration 11:00 am
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The idea of an official national anthem dates from about 1825 when the patriotic English song "God Save the King" was called "the national anthem." It had been performed as early as 1745 and is considered the world's oldest national anthem.

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"God Speaks to YOUth about Dating, Sex, and Marriage"
7:30PM: "A Role for Every Family Member"

Sunday, Nov. 23
9:30AM: "What Every Child Needs" (Godly child rearing)
10:30AM: "Pay Day Someday"

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A bridal shower for Laura Magouirk, bride elect of Heath Starnes was held Saturday, November 15th in the home of Orlanda Garoutte. Seated are Laura Magouirk and Jenny Everson. Standing Front row- Loree Maxwell, Daina Starnes and Cheryl Starnes. Back Row is Jeanette Magouirk, Irene New, Peggy Plunk, Bernice Magouirk.



Shown above members of Kelly's Gymnastics that will be competing in Boise City, OK this coming Saturday. Shown from left to right - front row to back: Taylor Miller, Jennie Witcher, Sunny Russell, Keira Marshall, Jordan Johnson, Kaylee Mungia, Justin Mungia, Lauren Anders, Kimberly Melton, Coach Kelly Brooks holding daughter Meghan, Rebekah Griffin, Chelsea Christian, Deidre Tarver, Whitney Ricketson, Lindsay Stein, Kristen Leonard, Candie Bell, Haley Long, Juliana Taliaferro, Brailey Palmer, Alicia Adams, Heather Robertson, Kayla Robertson, Erin Ashley, Brittany Hudson, Merilee McDaniel, Jessica Lucero, Scott Hudson, Kelsey Stein, Pamela Griffin, Evan Haile. Not pictured: Amanda Keener, Dustin Thrasher, Lyndi Berry, Tawna Pickens, Channing Burgess, Lyndsi Thiessen, Chandra Johnson, Kristen Crabtree, Chelsie West, Jake Sangster & Holly Sangster.

Births

Randy and Lisa Irlbeck announce the birth of a daughter Mary Eilenn Irlbeck,

Born October 27 at 3:30 p.m. in Rome Italy. She weighed 8 lbs. and 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Ted and Joyce Irlbeck of Kerrick Charles and Pat Pelletier of Ft. Worth, Texas

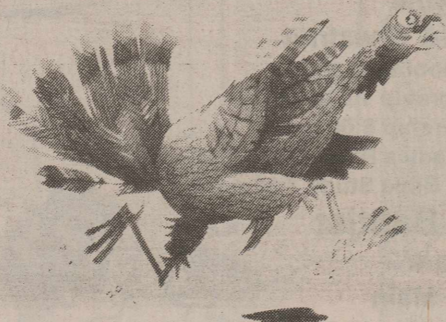
Great grandmothers are Bessie Palmer of Stratford and Mary Jeanette Flavin of Detroit, Michigan.

Shane and Kim Dyess of Alexandria, Virginia, are happy to announce the birth of their son, Daniel Shane Dyess, born on Sunday, November 2, 1997 at 8:37 a.m. Daniel weighed 6 pounds and 11 ounces. He was 18 and 1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Bill and Glenda Dyess, Springfield, Virginia, and Gary Straub, Alexandria, Virginia. Great grandparents are Doris Dyess, Stratford, Texas, Daisy Steele, Hereford, Texas, Edythe Straub, Emporium, Pennsylvania and Francisco Fuentes, Deltona, Florida.

Arts In The Area

- Nov. 21-Holiday Band Concert OPSU Goodwell 7:30
- Nov. 22-Amarillo Symphony featuring Area Choruses Civic Center 376-8782
- Nov. 22-23 SHS Theater Arts "Mrs. California" Nov. 22 7:30 Nov. 23 3:00
- Dec. 4-Christmas Choir Concert OPSU, Goodwell- 8:00
- Dec. 5-6-7 Living Christmas Tree "I Give You Jesus" 7:30 Peoples Church, Dalhart
- Dec. 7-"The Christmas Party" 6:00 F.U. Methodist Children
- Dec. 12-Musical/Comedy Colleen Mallet, LaRita Theater, Dalhart 249-5646
- Dec. 12-14 "Nutcracker" Lone Star Ballet 373-2463 Amarillo Civic Center
- Dec. 14-"Home for the Holidays" Baptist Church 10:50 a.m.
- "The Gift of Christmas" also bell Choir Christian Church 10:45 a.m.
- "A Savior is Born" First United Methodist church 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 16-"Christmas at OK Corral" 4th Grade 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 18-School Band Concert 7 p.m.
- Notice: "Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat" Jan. 13 Civic Center 378-4297.



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Paula Gibson, Jim Taliaferro, Michelle Lutes, Vernon Paul, were welcomed by Sonja Kendrick to her home where Prospectus Study Club met Nov. 12. Ms. Gibson brought information about Women's Health and Paul spoke about the school bond issue.

Prospectus Study Club Holds Meeting At Sonja's Kendrick's

A video about osteoporosis, breast cancer and menopause was shown to Prospectus Study Club Nov. 12 at the home of Sonja Kendrick. Paula Gibson, Dumas, Director of Women's Center, Harrington Caner Center, Amarillo, brought information to the club with lots of handouts. She was introduced by Michelle Lutes, Home Life Coordinator.

Roll call was answered to "What I have done to improve my health".

In a question and answer session Vernon Paul, SISD superintendent, spoke about the Nov. 15th school bond election. He was accompanied by Jim Taliaferro, principal.

Business session was conducted by Marylou McDaniel, president. Letters of resignation of active membership were read from Evelyn Schmidt and Tanya Thiessen. As per their request,

they were placed on the Associate Member list. Also a note of

appreciation from 1997 Old Timer Queen, Elsie Lasley.

Plans were completed for SCOT Luncheon Nov. 20. All SCOT members are asked to bring desserts. Study Club members will be furnishing the rest of the food. Marsha Wright, chairman, assigned "duties" and food dishes to members.

Dorothy Haile thanked club members Marsha Wright, Mary Woodford Wisdom and Laurie Spurlock for their assistance at Library Storytime.

Co-hostesses Ronna Jo Engelbrecht and Misti McBryde

served refreshments to Oline Caraway, Ann Johnson, Connie Paul, LaVell Haggard, Marty Bain, Mattie Baskin, Liz Sanders, Margaret Reed, Patti Vincent, ViAnn Reed, Linda Swain, Marsha Wright, Michelle Lutes, Mary Woodford Wisdom, Dorothy Haile, Sonja Kendrick and Marylou McDaniel.

Prospectus Study Club News

Prospectus Study Club meets Wednesday, Dec. 3, 4 p.m. at the home of Michelle Lutes. The program is "Fire & Monoxide Safety" by Eddie Williams, Stratford Fire Chief. Short Albert is Public Affairs Coordinator.

Co-hostesses are Patty Brown, Dorothy Haile and Cynthia Schoenhals.

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aren't far apart.

Our morning has been so full of memories of the past that it has been difficult to concentrate on the present. We are hard pressed to decide which past or present is the more interesting. BUT the PRESENT is more demanding. So let us O.T.s be about the business of patting shoulders and saying words of cheer and luv to people we meet, also get about our business of making life worth living.



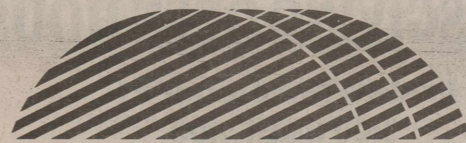
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Memorial To Mary Roberson Highlight DKG Meeting

A memorial to charter member, Mary Roberson, was an important part of the November meeting of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society which met at the First Christian Church in Stratford. Her contributions to the founding of the Gamma Xi chapter in 1940 and her many activities related to the Society. A red rose was placed across an open Bible with lighted candles on either side.

Names of prospective members were submitted to the group, voting was done on these by secret ballot. All were unanimously approved. They will be notified of their selection and initiation will be held at the December meeting in Dumas.

Mary Jo Ondracek and Nina Morton presented a skit about membership. Hotshot Salsa was an over eager prospective member; Morton explained the qualifications for membership and Hotshot reluctantly decided to wait until she had completed the requirements for membership.

The meeting was called to order by president, Margaret Parsons; minutes of the October meeting were read by secretary, Billie Terrell. The treasurer's report was given by Shirley Hendricks, both were approved.

The meeting was closed with the singing of the National Anthem, Star Spangled Banner and the Delta Kappa Gamma Song. Frances Holden led the singing accompanied by Mildred Bosler at the piano. The group wishes to extend a special thank you to Bosler who was playing with an injured right hand. The accomplished pianist continues her accompanist work for church, civic, and social organizations despite the injury, weather and other incidents that might discourage a less dedicated member.

The Stratford hostesses served delicious refreshments of stuffed baked potatoes and pumpkin pie.

Members present, other than those previously mentioned, were: Dumas; Frances Wardlaw, Kathryn Vinyard, Claudine Terry, Beverly Hendricks; Dalhart; Pat Garrison, Nelda Askey, Portia Dees; Sunray; Janet Pipkin, Cindy Carter; Stratford; Viola Kautz, Kathie Altman, Barbara Haile; guests; Virginia Bowers, Mrs. Rudd.

Holiday Hospitality "Southern-Style"

SPICY SAUSAGE BITES

- 1 pound bulk fresh pork sausage or Italian sausage removed from casing
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 cups buttermilk baking mix
- 4 tablespoons Jim Beam Bourbon
- 1 teaspoon dried sage
- 2 teaspoons fresh parsley, minced
- 2 tablespoons shallots or scallions, minced
- salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400°F. Combine sausage, cheese, buttermilk baking mix and Jim Beam Bourbon in mixing bowl. Mix well. Add remaining ingredients and blend well. Form walnut-sized balls and place on rack on cookie sheet so that sausage fat drains off. Bake at 400°F for 20 minutes until golden brown. Remove from rack immediately and serve. Makes 60 sausage bites.

Victorian Christmas Open House

The Panhandle Plains Museum will host its 21st annual Christmas Open House December 5-7. Activities will include musical entertainment, storyteller's corner, Santa in an antique sleigh, an antique toy exhibit, interpreters in Pioneer Town, Victorian Christmas decorations and traditions, and a model train exhibit.

The Victorian Open House will be held at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon. The museum will be decorated throughout the Christmas season. The Open House hours are Friday, December 5 from 7-9 p.m.; Saturday, December 6 from 7-9 p.m.; and Sunday, December 7 from 1-4 p.m.

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was freezing, snowing and now turning dark. The road ahead was solid ice. The paramedics didn't want to travel that road, but in the end they headed toward N.W. Hospital. It must have taken another hour to get there with Mr. Lascano in such pain. There were 8 other accidents areas between ours and Amarillo. Not 3 vehicles, 8 accident areas. No one was seriously injured at any of them.

Doak drove as far as we were, to see if he could be of any help. It was almost taken care of, by then, so we all turned back for home. We had had our warning. We were unharmed and unscratched, right in the middle of it all. Doak just couldn't get over the fact that we escaped unharmed. Neither could we.

As we turned toward Dumas and followed Sabrina Bonds, Rick mentioned the stop we had made earlier. It had been at The Serendipity House, the no Bed and Breakfast just outside of Dumas. I had picked up the Door prize I had won at their Open House, the previous Sunday. Just before Rick had slowed down, and said, "This road is slicker than it looks", I had opened the box to find 3 beautiful angel ornaments. I had put them on the back floorboard so nothing would happen to them and then Rick spoke.

Some believe and some don't but I believe in angels. I truly believe we were in the company of angels, Friday evening and not just the ones on our floor board. I believe they were posted at that flashing arrow and on the icy road ahead. It seems to me that each vehicle flipped high enough in the air to be borne on angels' wings and their falls were cushioned. No one died. No one was critically injured. I believe we were each touched by an angel.

Saturday morning I called the owner of The Serendipity House and thanked her for our angels. She said I was very welcome. No, I told her we were really thankful for the angels and explained Friday.

Rick and I have seen many wrecks in our lives but neither of us has ever seen anything like the ones on Friday. If there had been music and a film crew, it could have been part of an orchestrated action movie. I hope we never see anything else like it, unless in a movie, where they mean for it to happen. Please keep this story in mind when you drive on our roads this winter. Remember that the road was fine, until the instant that it wasn't. Stay safe.

Mr. Lascano was released from Northwest and at his brother's house when I called on Saturday. A happy ending.

Why Do We Honor Veterans?

Editors Note: Journal entries from Barbara Hailes 7th and 8th grade English classes. On Veteran's Day they wrote on the topic "Why Do We Honor Veterans?" Here are some of their thoughts...

By Gaby Garcia: Why do we honor veterans? We honor them because of how brave they were and because they left everything they had just to fight to protect America. I know it was hard for their families to let them go. Some of them didn't come back to their homes. Some did come back--happy and desperate to kiss and hug their families.

I don't know if girls go and fight in wars too, but if they ever call me, I will say "Yes" because America has given me so many things that of course I will go and fight.

We honor them because they just had a big heart for America. They left everything just to go and fight even though they knew they might never see their families again...

By Adam Bell--we have Veterans Day to remember the men and women who fought in the United States armed services. We honor them because they fought in World War II. This day is a time to remember the ones who lost their lives for us and the ones that are still alive because they fought for us and for our country, so we could live the way we do. We honor these people because they were willing to sacrifice their lives for their country, because they loved it so much. I respect all the people who fought in World War II especially all the people who died. All of them showed courage from the people who took care of the injured to the people who fought in the battles. That is why we honor Veterans Day.

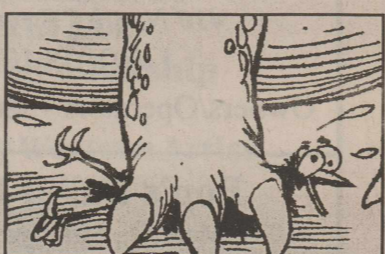
By Matthew Taliaferro- We honor veterans for the freedom that we have. They fought to keep that freedom alive. Both of my grandfathers are or were veterans. I don't know exactly what they did, except that they both fought in World War II. My uncle was in the Air Force until he retired just a couple of years ago. Veterans fight, because they love their country.

It is important to honor veterans to recognize the sacrifices that they made. They had to be away from their families for long periods of time. Most lived under horrible conditions with the constant fear of being captured. Some gave the ultimate sacrifice. They gave up their lives so that we could be sitting here today free. That is why we take one day out of the year to remember their sacrifices.

By Lori Wilhelm-The Veterans did so very much for this country. They died and fought hard. They gave us our freedom. We should probably thank them more than we do. If it weren't for them there is no telling where we would be, and what the world would be like. I don't think many people really give much thought

this day. This day is probably one of the saddest days for people, not just in the United States but all over the world. All these people are brave and deserve more respect than they get.

By Amy Witcher-I think we honor veterans because they gave so much up for us to be free; some even gave the ultimate sacrifice, their life. It really makes me mad to think about the students not even trying to understand or caring about what the veterans went through. They just say "Oh this is boring," and just don't even listen. The veterans gave them a freedom to go shopping at the mall, come to school, and lay basketball. I think they should be grateful for all the veterans did for them so that they could be free to do what ever they want, say whatever they want, and be whatever they want. But most are too worried about getting to gym to play basketball to even realize that without the veterans, they probably wouldn't even know how to play basketball.



Not all dinosaurs were huge. The smallest were about as big as chickens.

STRATFORD BASKETBALL 1997 - 1998

DATE	opponent	SITE	JVG	JVB	VG	VB
DEC. 9	DALHART	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
DEC. 11,12,13	SUNRAY TOURNAMENT	T			TBA	TBA
DEC. 19	MIAMI	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
DEC. 29,30,31	STRATFORD TOURNAMENT	H			TBA	TBA
JAN. 6	BOISE CITY	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
JAN. 8, 10	GUYMAN JV TOURNAMENT	T	TBA	TBA		
JAN. 9	HEREFORD	TBA			TBA	
*JAN. 13	WEST TEXAS	T	5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*JAN. 16	BOYS RANCH	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
Jan. 16	Channing	H			6:30	
*JAN. 20	SUNRAY	T	5:00	5:00	6:30	6:30
*JAN. 23	SPEARMAN	T	5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*JAN. 27	CANADIAN	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*JAN. 30	WEST TEXAS	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*FEB. 3	BOYS RANCH	T	6:30	5:00		8:00
*FEB. 6	SUNRAY	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*FEB. 10	SPEARMAN	H	4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00
*FEB. 13	CANADIAN	T	5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00

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LANCE HORSFORD - GIRLS COACH

1997-98 STRATFORD JR. HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

**All games begin at 5:00 PM

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
JANUARY		
12	West Texas	Girls Here Boys Here
19	Boys Ranch	Girls Here Boys There
26	Sunray	Girls There Boys Here
FEBRUARY		
2	Spearman	Girls There Boys Here
9	Canadian	Girls Here Boys There

NEWS

Progress Against Alzheimer's Disease

(NAPS)—More has been learned about Alzheimer's disease in recent years than at any time since it was first identified in 1906, according to the Alzheimer's Association. And a new consumer brochure summarizes Alzheimer's disease research and advances—a decade of progress and hope for the future.

"This is a golden age for Alzheimer research," said Zaven Khachaturian, Ph.D., director of the association's Ronald & Nancy Reagan Research Institute. "We want to help people sift through all the available information on Alzheimer's disease to become more informed and involved."

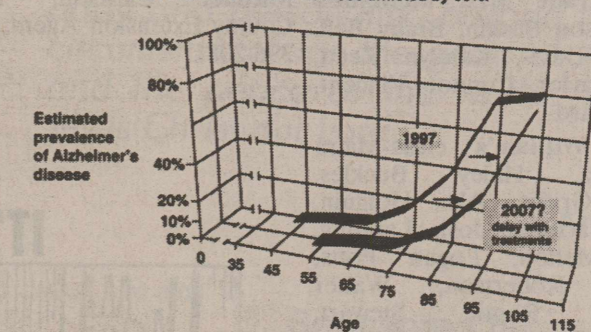
The Alzheimer's Association now has available a brochure titled, "A World Without Alzheimer's Disease: A Dream Within Reach." Sponsored by an educational grant from Bayer Pharmaceutical Division, the brochure outlines the major trends and most promising developments in Alzheimer research. Copies of the brochure can be obtained through your local chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, or by calling 1-800-272-3900.

According to Khachaturian, "This brochure helps people understand the latest developments and promising new directions in Alzheimer research that may ultimately lead to a cure for this devastating illness."

It is estimated that four million Americans have Alzheimer's disease and 19 million Americans say they have a family member with the disorder. Americans are living longer, and as a result, age-related diseases are more common. The National Institute on Aging projects that 31 million Americans will be 85 or older in the year 2050, triple the current official projection of 9.6 million. Many people will live to be 100. Leading the growth curve are the Baby Boomers, now ranging in

Delaying the Onset of Alzheimer's Disease

Treatments that delay onset of symptoms by five years can reduce the number of those afflicted by 50%.



age from their 30s to 50s.

According to Khachaturian, it is a top priority of the association, through its Ronald & Nancy Reagan Research Institute, to accelerate the discovery of treatments that can intervene before symptoms appear. Recent research has shown positive results for estrogen, anti-oxidants and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as ibuprofen, for slowing the progression or delaying the onset of Alzheimer's disease. All these substances need further investigation before they can be recommended as treatments for Alzheimer's.

"If Alzheimer's disease symptoms can be delayed by five years, the number of people afflicted would be cut in half," Khachaturian said. "We could add five years of independence to people's lives, and save billions of dollars in healthcare costs."

The association and the Reagan family launched the Reagan Institute in 1995 to speed the discovery of effective treatments and preventions for Alzheimer's disease. The Alzheimer's Association is the only national voluntary health organi-

zation dedicated to conquering Alzheimer's disease through research and providing support and assistance to those afflicted with the disease and their caregivers. Having awarded more than \$58 million in research grants, the association is the largest private funder of Alzheimer research.

For more information about programs to assist people with Alzheimer's disease and their families, call your local chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, or call 1-800-272-3900.

"There's been some important research on Alzheimer's and I think we're starting to turn the corner, but it's not enough. Victims and families are suffering with the cruelty of this disease every single hour of every day, and we must do more until we find not just the cause, but the cure."

—Nancy Reagan former First Lady, excerpt from "A World Without Alzheimer's Disease: A Dream Within Reach"

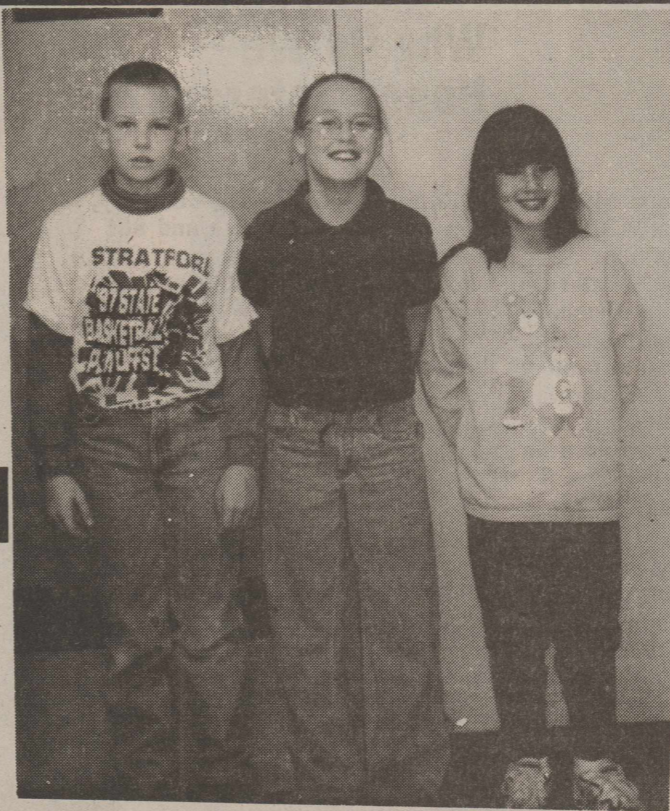
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Veronica, Ginger, Lorie, Mark,
Pepe, Amy, Carlos, Maribel,
Chris, Lecretia, Toni, Dawn,
Jack, Juan, Tori, Aucencio,
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Teresa, Josiah, Luis, Megan

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Employee Appreciation Banquet Held



Shown at left: Mary Pat Williams received the first year presentation of the T.E.A.M. award.



Shown above poster winners of the Choices Program - Choose Against Crime that was held recently at Mary Allen were from right to left: Chelsi Thiessen - 1st place, Haley Buckles - 2nd place and Josh Lanning 3rd place.



Poster winners of the Choice program held at the middle school were left to right: Rocio Molina - 2nd place, Johnna Ewers - 1st place and Roy Escamillia - 3rd place.



Teachers honored at the SISD Employee Appreciation banquet were from left to right: Terry Davis - 5 year service award, Terri Teig - 15 year service award, Linda Haynes - 20 year service award and Kathie Altman - 10 year service award. Not pictured Debbie Spurlock - 5 year service award and David Brown - 10 year service award.



Presidents Franklin and Theodore Roosevelt were fifth cousins. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt was married to Franklin Roosevelt and was a niece of Theodore Roosevelt.

Honor Roll

Honor Roll 1st Semester-2nd weeks

3rd grade-Mrs. Brown's class-Candice Bell, Janette Carrera, Tiffni Drake, Ryan Ewers, Merilee McDaniels, Abbie Potts, Steven Rueda, Rustin Russell, Bryce Wright.

Mrs. Davis's Class-Mary Cook, Brant Cummings, Rhiannon Everett, Shadley Hawkins, Krista Reta, Harrison Walden.

Mrs. Ragsdale's Class-Victor Garay, Evan Haile, Aly Keener, Alex Marquez, Eric Riffe, Jaqueline Rueda, Denise Ruiz, Juliana Taliaferro, Mikel Tucker.

4th Grade Mrs. McBryde's Class-Allison Baskin, Brady Bell, Brandon Davis, Katelyn Reed, Jordan Taylor, Connor Vincent, Kody Willard

Mrs. William's class-Maira Argomaniz, Haley Buckles, Thomas Griffin, Alex Holguin, Viviana Jacquez, Josh Lanning, Richie Melton, Logan Potts, Heather Robertson, Walter Spurlock, Ramie Stewart, Cheyenne Ziemann

Mrs. Stacy Metcalf-Caleb Brown, Casey Crabtree, Rebekah Griffin, Emily Shafer, Francis Tenorio, Chelsi Thiessen.

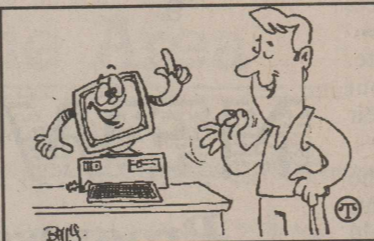
4-H Shooting Sports Meeting To Be Held November 20th

A 4-H Shooting Sports meeting will be held on Thursdays November 20th at the Stratford Pistol Club Shooting Range. Two sessions will be held to accommodate 4-H members who have "Elks in Action" practice on the 20th. The first session will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The second session will be from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

During the sessions, 4-H members will learn the parts of a gun and start working on gun safety. 4-H members interested in participating in the shooting sports programs are encouraged to attend one of the sessions. Parents who assist with the program is also encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Michael Clawson, Sherman County Extension Agent, at (806) 396-2081.

Web Sites To Watch

(NAPS)—A ballot question in Texas could amend the Lone Star State's constitution to allow lenders to expand the kinds of loans available using a home as security. To find out more, visit the Beneficial Management Corporation of America Web site at www.beneficial.com.



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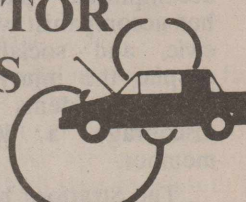
Did You Know?

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STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types
For the Year Ended August 31, 1997

Exhibit A-2

Data Control Codes		Governmental Fund Types			Totals (Memo Only)
		100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	600-699 Capital Projects Fund	98 August 31, 1997
	REVENUES:				
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 3,025,952	\$ 69,612	\$ -	\$ 3,095,564
5800	State Program Revenues	864,656	30,995	-	895,651
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	324,814	-	324,814
5020	Total Revenues	<u>3,890,608</u>	<u>425,421</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,316,029</u>
	EXPENDITURES				
	Current:				
0010	Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	2,046,302	231,870	-	2,278,172
0020	Instruction and School Leadership	205,978	4,675	-	210,653
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	420,377	177,939	-	598,316
0040	Administrative Support Services	261,355	-	-	261,355
0050	Support Services - Non Student Based	744,288	-	-	744,288
0060	Ancillary Services	24,275	-	-	24,275
0070	Debt Service	110,479	-	-	110,479
0080	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	13,315	-	-	13,315
6030	Total Expenditures	<u>3,826,369</u>	<u>414,484</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,240,853</u>
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	64,239	10,937	-	75,176
7000	Other Resources	66,441	-	-	66,441
8000	Other (Uses)	-	-	(65,371)	(65,371)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other (Uses)	130,680	10,937	(65,371)	76,246
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	722,826	35,563	65,371	823,760
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	<u>\$ 853,506</u>	<u>\$ 46,500</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 900,006</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Board Meeting Dates Changed

The Board of Trustees of the Stratford Independent School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, November 10, 1997. The following members and guests were present:

Vernon Paul, Kenton Kimball, Sandy Baskin, Philip Walden, Karen Riffe, John Wheeler, Roy McAlister, Barbara Chumley, Steve Haynes, Jim Taliaferro, Brad Thiessen, Billy Joe Potts, ViAnn Reed, Linda Young, Ricky Reed and Coy Barton.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Kenton Kimball gave the invocation.

In Open Session Steve Haynes and Jim Taliaferro gave their reports on their campuses. Supt. Vernon Paul gave his report on transportation, tax collection which is at 70.88% and the Employee Appreciation Banquet that will be held on Thursday, November 13, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. The claims and accounts for the month were approved for payment and the minutes were approved as read. Coy Barton of Keeney, Hembree & Company presented the audit for the 1996-97 school year, the board approved the audit as presented.

Teresa Edmond of the Sherman County Appraisal District wrote Stratford ISD a letter concerning tax rolls, taxable values and tax levy, the board approved the tax rolls, taxable value of \$227,641.00 and the tax levy less tax ceiling loss of \$2,720,094.75.

After discussion on lowering ceilings of new classrooms at the Mary Allen Elementary the motion was made to table the idea until the next meeting.

Due to conflicts with basketball games the following board meeting dates have been changed from December 8 to December 16, January 12 to January 15 and February 9 to February 12.

Discussion was held on purchasing a String Light Christmas Tree, item died due to lack of a motion. Board went into closed session at 8:40 p.m. Board came out of closed session at 10:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

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Prince & Princess
3rd Grade
Scott Hudson & Candie Bell



Crown-bearers
Kindergarten
Luke Haile & Sunny Russell



1st Grade
Jason Rice & Emily Valencia



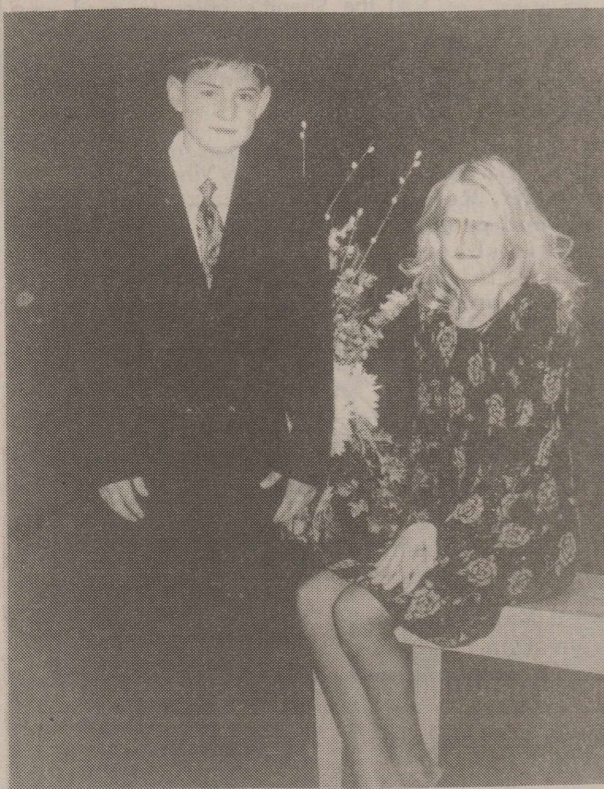
2nd Grade
Richard Keener & Kelsey Stein



4th Grade
Johnny Gonzales & Cheyenne Zieman



5th Grade
Chris Ortega & Kyla Bell



6th Grade
Chance Crowl & Erin Ashley



7th Grade
Carlos Rivera & Norma Rosales



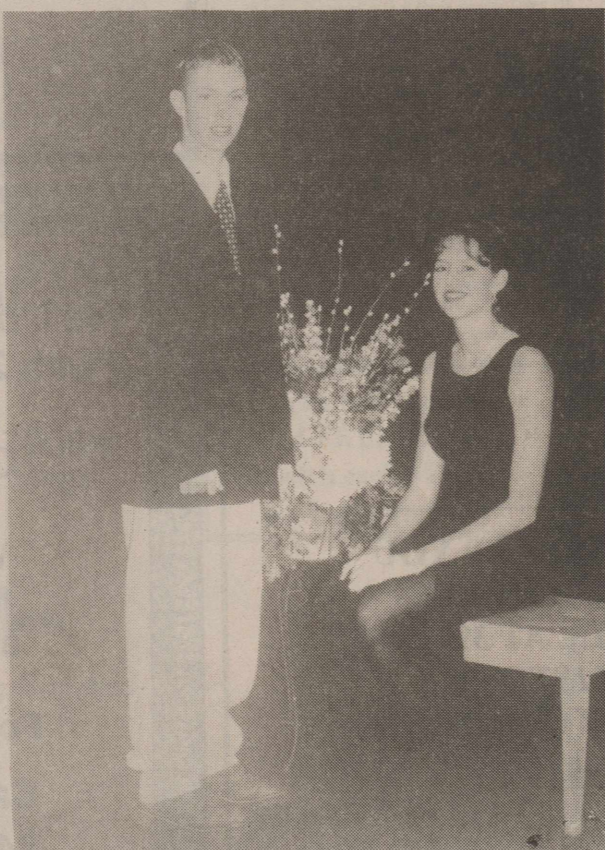
8th Grade
Jesse Porras & Valerie Valenzuela



9th Grade
Corry Williams & Jessica King



10th Grade
Roy McCracken & Brandie Pearce



11th Grade
Garret Wiley & Tai Ann Brownlee

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