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Notices

**Crimestoppers
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396-2600

**911 Is In Service
For Sherman Co. as
Of Dec. 16, 1991.**

Please pick up the 911 pamphlet at City Hall or Court house and fill out the questionnaire and send it in so you can be placed in the computer. You never know when you may need to call for help.

**Rape Prevention
Program To Be Given**

A rape prevention program will be conducted at the Sherman County Library Thursday, January 16, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. The program is open to anyone that would like to attend. The program is being presented by the Rape Crisis Center and sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Statistics show that one out of three women are raped in the United States annually. In order for that not to happen, one must be prepared so that we don't become a victim.

**Adult Education
Classes To Be Given**

Adult Education classes will be given at the Texhoma Middle School. There will also be classes on improving math and reading skills. There will be an organizational meeting at the Texhoma Middle School in the Josten Lab Room., January 16th at 7:30 p.m. Time and dates will be set up then. Meeting should last 2 to 2 1/2 hours long. If interested call 806-827-7322.

**Special Quilt
Being Shown
At Bank**

Come by the Bank and see the quilt given to Leroy and Oleen Judd for their 50th Wedding Anniversary. The quilt was made by their children, Lanita, Donna, Faith and Mary Catherine.

**Fund Raiser
Date Changed**

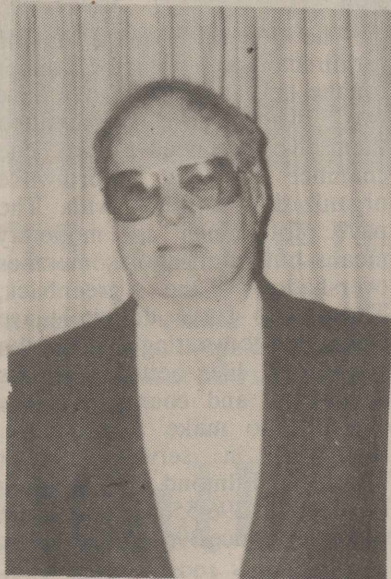
The initial date that was set for the Spaghetti Dinner for January 4th, has been changed due to several conflicts. The Board of the Child Day Care now announce that the new date for the Spaghetti dinner will be held on January 26, 1992 at the Sherman County Barn. We will begin serving at 12:00 noon. The charges for this will be as follows: \$5.00 adults, \$3.00 6 to 12 yrs. old. and under 6 yrs. of age no charge.

**Comptroller
To Be Here
Jan. 23**

The Comptrollers office will be at the Sherman County Courthouse on Thursday, Jan. 23rd from 1 to 3 p.m.

**Winter League
Starting Jan. 8, 1992**

The Stratford Rifle & Pistol Club will hold a Business meeting and start the Winter League January 8, 1992 at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome to come and compete, shooters use a handicap system in scoring.



Jack Barton

Barton Announces

I have paid my filing fee to run for another term as your County Attorney.

This March will make six years that I have served. Even though the office is part time, I have been steadily increasing the work load, and I want to see it through. I have seen a complete turn over in all area law enforcement officers, New sheriff, new deputies, new police chief, new officers, and new State troopers. They are working together, and working more-much more. Therefore, so am I. And I like it.

I have also seen new judges, two new Justices of the Peace, new County Judge and new District Judge. I am no longer the "new kid on the block." And I want to keep it that way a little while longer. Please give me your support, and let's keep the crime rate going down. Thank you.

Immunization Clinic Jan. 8th

The Texas Department of Health will offer an immunization clinic on Wednesday January 8th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn, 501 S. Maple. Immunizations against the diseases of influenza, haemophilus influenza, polio, tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, pneumococci, measles, mumps, and rubella will be available at this clinic. Parents planning to attend are encouraged to bring their child's shot records with them so that immunizations are not duplicated. The Health Department is assessing a nominal fee for this service. It is on a sliding scale from \$0.00 to \$15.00 depending on family size and income. We will take cash, check or money order.



Shown above is Daniel Odneal, Program Specialist, Pamela Nielsen, Program Director for 911 and Sheriff Jack Haile. A questionnaire is on page 2, please fill it out and return to the address at the bottom of form. 911 is available in Sherman County as of Dec. 16th, 1991.

Daniel Odneal, Program specialist and Pamela Nielsen Program director for 911 were at Sherman County Court House December 16 for the beginning of the 911 service in Sherman County.

911 is the universal emergency phone numbers to give citizens the ease of contacting the police, fire dept. or call for medical help.

If you haven't picked up a 911

Bennett Announces



Piper Bennett

I Piper Bennett, am announcing my candidacy for Sheriff of Sherman County. I grew up in Stratford and would appreciate the support of the residents of Sherman County.

I attended Angelo State University where I majored in Psychology. In 1987, I joined the U.S. Air Force where I served as a Communications-Computer Systems Operator. While in the Service, I qualified with the M-16 rifle, was granted six awards, one medal, was selected for the Selective Re-enlistment Program, and served as Stateside support during Operation Desert Shield. I was also a member of the Montgomery Jaycees and volunteered to help with the Selma flood victims in 1990. I was granted a Honorable Discharge from the Air Force in December of 1990 and have been employed with the HB Farms for the past year. I currently hold a Top Secret-SCI Security clearance from the Air Force. I am also enrolled at Panhandle State University working on a degree in Law Enforcement.

The support of the residents of Sherman County would greatly be appreciated.

Paid Political Announcement paid for by Piper Bennett, P.O. Box 839, Stratford, Tx. 79084.

ASCS Announces Disaster Payment Program

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service will administer a crop disaster assistance program to compensate eligible producers for crop losses caused by drought, flood, and other natural disasters in either 1990 or 1991.

Thriftway Deserves A Big Thank You



Sara Valesquez is holding a check for \$306.52 that was presented to Stratford PTA by Fred Valesquez of Thriftway. Looking on were PTA members Jim Bob Brown, principle of Mary Allen and Cara Dawn Macias. Money was raised thru the saving of Thriftway receipts by school children and other gracious people in the community. Keep up the good work.

Thank You Everyone Project Christmas Card Has A Great Year

Project Christmas Card that is sponsored annually by Prospectus Study Club for the benefit of the Sherman County Public Library is appreciated by the patrons of the library. The donations have amounted to \$1953.75. The full page "greeting card" provided by the Stratford Star is another free gift. Thank you for your generosity.

The Library Board would like to express its gratitude to the many friends who used this method to wish their friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. There were 77 individuals, families

or businesses who participated in this years greeting.

Because of the continued support by the local citizens, Sherman County Public Library is able to expand the collection and services offered. This is your library. You are encouraged to use the library and take advantage of the opportunities provided.

Hours that the library is open: Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Closed on Friday; Saturdays 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m.

and expects to begin issuing payments to farmers by April 16. Further details of the disaster payment program will be available at a later date from your local ASCS office.

**Practice 1800 Match
January 12, 1992**

The Stratford Rifle and Pistol Club will hold a practice 1800 match January 12, 1992 Starting at 9 a.m. Shooters will compete for individual match awards in each class, and there will be a class for new shooters.

**Time For Brands
To Be Re-recorded**

Every Ten years Texas cattlemen are required by law to re-record their brand and earmarks if they intend to continue using them. Brands and other marks must be recorded with the COUNTY CLERK during the period beginning September 1, 1991, through February 28, 1992. Each brand re-recorded costs \$5.00.

To keep Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association records up to date during the re-recording period, TSCRA provides COUNTY CLERKS with file cards that show the location and shape of the brand and any earmarks. These cards are sent to TSCRA and entered in the central filing system right away. A cattleman, who re-records early, not only protects his brand but benefits by immediately having updated information in TSCRA's files.

The ASCS official said disaster payments would be computed according to the 1990 Farm Bill,

Aids Program Given At School

An informative lecture and slide presentation was given on the topic of AIDS by Dr. Scott Crockett Thursday evening at the High School Auditorium. He met with 42 concerned parents, teachers and local citizens. Dr. Crockett answered many questions that the group had on the AIDS topic and shared how he takes precautions against the deadly virus in his work. Dr. Crockett also told the group that he plans to take an AIDS test each year to assure himself, his family, and his patients that he is free of the virus. This is another way he has of protecting his family and patients.

On Friday, January 3rd Dr. Crockett give a program on AIDS to the 2nd thru 4th grades at Mary Allen Elementary School and one from the 5th thru 8th grades at the Middle School. There was a program on AIDS at the High School Monday January 6th for all the High School Students.

The Stratford P.T.A. appreciates the time Dr. Crockett took from his leave to spend time with his wife and three children to give these important programs on AIDS. This was a need that our school system saw to educate our children on a very important topic, so by request the Stratford P.T.A. coordinated this AIDS program. Dr. Crockett pointed out that educating our children and ourselves on AIDS and what we need to do to protect ourselves from it, is our best way of defense against this deadly virus.

Dr. Crockett will be back permanently July 3, 1992 to start his practice in Stratford. His wife Becky and their three children already reside here in Stratford and their children are attending our schools. We are very fortunate to have such a caring and warm family such as the Crocketts coming to be apart of our community. People like Dr. Crockett and Becky are what helps make Stratford a unique and special place to live.

To Whom It May Concern: Parents & Siblings

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: PARENTS & SIBLINGS: Section 183 and 184, 7 miles west of Stratford, referred to as "GIRL SCOUT CAMP" is indeed private and personel property. Therefore be advised any one caught trespassing will be prosecuted. Owners, J.A. Lasley and Jode Lasley will not be responsible for bodily injury or accident incurred on Section 183-184, better known as "Girl Scout Camp."

Misuse At Girl Scout Camp

Recently over 100 young people gathered at the "Girl Scout Camp" and had themselves a party. They were charged a fee for directions and entry, fires were carelessly built, a gate ran into and left open, with cattle pasturing there, trash everywhere, in general pretty "Radical". Girls Scout camp as it is referred to is privately owned. Common courtesy is to gain permission, pay for its use and then policed to where there are no carelessly built fires, that could destroy over 1200 acres, trash picked up and gates shut and not hit. As adults and owners we dislike being "A square" but if such activities we have no other alternative than to prosecute those who persist in misusing "Girl Scout Camp."

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Obits

Louis T. (Buddy) James

Louis T. (Buddy) James died Dec. 27, 1991. Services were held Dec. 30, 11 a.m. at Karval School Auditorium, Karval, Colorado. Burial was at Bucklen Cemetery, Karval. Officiating was Pastor Ron Clark.

Born April 4, 1925, at Stratford, he attended school in Kerrick and Stratford. He married Alice Dodson of Boise City in 1949. They moved to Colorado in 1952.

He was preceeded in death by his parents Walter P. James and Mettie Taylor James, W.P. Junior (Peachy), Tom, Joe Bob, Newt and Fanny Sue Jordan.

Survivors include his wife of the home and four sons, Carl Keith, Mark, Louis Junior and Neal, and several grandchildren.

Also brothers Jesse of LaJunta, Co., Frank of Boise City, Andy of Stratford and his twin sister, Lois Garner of Boise City.

Among those attending services from this area were the Ben Tom James family, Richard and Sue James, Fred McDaniel and the Alton McCunes and Lloyd McDaniel of Boise City.

Memorials may be made to Karval Nazarene Church Building Fund or Colorado Cattlemen's Association Endowment Trust Fund, c/o Love Funeral Home, Burlington, Colo.

County Agent

by Jim Allison

A voluntary recycling program for empty agricultural chemical containers that began this month in the Lower Rio Grande Valley may serve as a model to help solve a statewide environmental dilemma.

Farmers are rapidly running out of options for disposing of containers that carry pesticides and other agricultural chemicals.

In just the four counties where the new recycling program will operate, for example, farmers generate 400,000 pounds of empty plastic and metal chemical containers each year. How to safely dispose of them has become an increasing concern.

Because of limited capacity and more stringent government regulation, many sanitary landfills are refusing to accept these containers. Open burning of pesticide containers has been made illegal in Texas, and specially designed incinerators are often too distant and costly for most farmers to use.

A number of states already have statewide disposal and recycling efforts for agricultural chemical containers, but Texas doesn't. The program launched in the Valley is seen as a first step toward making a statewide program possible.

"We can't just burn them behind the barn anymore," said Brad Cowan, Hidalgo County agent for the Texas Agricultural Extension service. "It's illegal and potentially damaging to the environment. That's why this rinse and recycle program makes so much sense."

At the heart of the recycling effort that will serve farmers in Hidalgo, Cameron, Willacy and Starr counties is a \$68,000 granulating plant that will turn plastic containers into flakes for resale and recycling. Built on a flatbed trailer, it is the first "mobile" plant of its kind in Texas, an advantage that makes recycling projects involving distant collection points more feasible.

Metal pesticide containers have been recycled for sometime,

Legal Notice

**LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE TO
CONTRACTORS OF
PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY
MAINTENANCE WORK**

Sealed proposals for: **MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY ON VARIOUS HIGHWAYS IN THE NORTHERN SEVENTEEN (17) COUNTIES OF THE TEXAS PANHANDLE.** Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at: 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 1992 and 9:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 1992. Then publicly read.

All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the Pre-Bidders' Conference which will be held at the Texas Department of Transportation's District Office at: 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas. Time and Date: 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 15, 1992.

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the District Maintenance Engineer's Office at: 5715 Canyon Drive, Building "B" Amarillo, Texas.

For information in regard to these proposals, please contact Jim Hays, 356-3283, or Chris Chambers, 356-3272.

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Your Right To Know

By Terry Wagoner

Stress: Earthquake Mitigation and Preparedness. That is what the National Emergency Management Convention sponsors told us in November. At the time, this seemed a little bizarre. Now, with a 'light' earthquake felt as close as Plainview, it does not. At least you might listen for a while. There is a short sitcom video on Earthquakes that only lasts 22 minutes. If you think you might like to have it shown for your group, we will have it available in about a month. Give us a call at 396-2021, or write: Emergency Management; P.O. Box 165, Stratford, Texas 79084.

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It is illegal to brand cattle without registering the brand, but anyone can register a brand without owning cattle. For instance, a family whose grandfather ran cattle under a certain brand can retain the brand for nostalgic purposes.

Removing obsolete brands from the files is the major advantage to re recording. It benefits everyone involved in the Texas cattle industry. Re-recording is a fair and equitable way to handle brands. It keeps brands in the hands of people who can use them.

If you have any questions, please call the County Clerk (M.L. Albert, Shorty), at 396-2396.

Chamber Chatter

by J. A. Lasley

The Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchant sponsored market and craft days had their 4th market days this past Saturday. The participation was sparse; however we did have exhibitors and a small crowd. Reyna Custom Dress making was here for the first time and was kept quite busy. We hope she will return as well as all of the others. You will be hearing more about these Market and Craft days in the next few weeks. Overall they have been a success and we are indebted to those who exhibited; as well as they who were looking for a bargain and that special something. Also I would like to say a big thank you to my women's division of the Chamber for the work they put in with the concession stand three of the four times that we had the Market/Craft days. It was well worth it. I know that it is hard to give up your Saturdays-find baby sitters etc. I appreciate you all.

Coming up the 14th will be the General Board meeting at 7 a.m. on Tuesday. All directors are urged to be present. It is a very important meeting. On Thursday at noon the retail merchants will meet, January 16th. This too will be important as future plans for the Market/Craft days will be discussed as well as scholarship, sidewalk sale etc. on January 21, the Womens Division of the Chamber will be meeting. New directors will be meeting with us for the first time and this automatically makes this an important meeting. We are only a month plus from the annual Chamber Banquet and plans must be put into action.

Thanks to Eugene Griffin for bringing me a computerized sign for my door. It is hard to push and many people think that I am not in my office because of the difficulty of pushing open the door. The sign reads "Push hard for your Chamber of Commerce" rightfully stated Eugene and Thanks.

All of the Christmas Tree lighting bows have returned save one. Again Thanks to all of you who participated and congratulations to all of you that won.

The General Board is looking for directors to serve the Chamber for the next three years. We have two who have committed themselves, we need a third. The chamber is a worthwhile organization to serve with. The pay? not much in monetary means, but gratification sometimes overshadows the greenback. Those who serve definitely are committed to wanting to make the quality of life better for this community and county. It takes everyone to make things work. Interested in serving contact Teresa Edmond, Outgoing President at 396-5566 or me at the Chamber Office 396-2260.

Lets make 1992 a Good Year for Stratford.

If a man loves to give advice, it is a sure sign that he himself wants it.

—Lord Halifax

Refunds Due For Many Texans

Almost three quarters of a million dollars in undeliverable refunds is waiting for 1,728 North Texas taxpayers. According to Terry Green, Chief, Taxpayer Service Division for the Dallas District of the Internal Revenue Service, \$746,064 is the total amount in refund checks returned to the IRS as undeliverable earlier this year.

"Some of the problem is due to the increasing mobility of our population--people moving without giving the government a forwarding address," said Green. "Then, the human factor--illegible handwriting & our inability to read the taxpayer's address--plays a part." Green noted that marriages, remarriages and divorces and the resulting name changes can also cause problems.

The largest refund check due to a taxpayer in North Texas is for \$45,768, while the smallest on the list is for \$1.00. The average refund amount is \$431.75 as contrasted to the average refund issued during the filing period, which was more than \$900.

"When you consider that we mailed out approximately 2.5 million refund checks to taxpayers in North Texas, 1,728 does not sound like a large number. But to us, and I'm sure to each of these taxpayers, even one is too many," observed Green. "Taxpayers who believe they were due a refund in 1991 which they have not received, should call toll-free (1-800-829-1040) to learn how they may claim their undelivered check."

14 Day Trip Planned by Girl Scouts

A fourteen day trip to Switzerland is being planned by Girl Scouts in Yucca Council. Girls must be members, 16 years of age by September 1, 1994. The focal point of the trip is to visit "Our Chalet" near Adelboden. Our Chalet is one of Four World Centers which host Girl Scouts and Girl Guides world-wide. The facility is surrounded by mountains and about a 30 minute walk from the village of Adelboden. The trip will be in June or July with the main focus on hiking and exploring the Swiss Alps. A Paris visit has been discussed with a train trip to Adelboden either at the beginning or end of the trip.

The group will be exposed to 5 languages that is spoken and they will meet Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world. Ten girls and two adults will compose the group. Girls will need to complete an application form for the exciting trip.

The next planning meeting is scheduled for January 4, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at the Yucca Council office. All who are interested in applying for this trip must attend this meeting. Fundraising for the trip will be discussed and planned.

Home is not where you live but where they understand you. —Christian Morgenstern



The safety pin was patented by William Hunt of New York City in 1849.

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BREAKFAST BURRITO	99¢	WILSON HOT LINKS	99¢	
BURRITO BEEF & SALSA	\$1.19	SAUSAGE ON A STICK	\$1.59	
DELICIOUS CHEESEBURGER	79¢	SAUSAGE & BISCUIT	79¢	
CHICKEN FRIED STEAK	\$1.59	SAUSAGE, EGG & BISCUIT	\$1.09	
3 COUNT CHICKEN STRIPS	\$1.49	SAUTEYA SAUSAGE	\$1.09	
W/POTATO WEDGES/ CHICKEN (2 PCS) BISCUIT	\$1.99	4 COUNT STEAK FINGERS	\$1.00	

CALL-IN ORDERS WELCOME CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS

ALLSUP'S SANDWICH BREAD 1 1/2 LB. LOAF **2/\$1.09**

DUBUQUE FRANKS 12 OZ. PKG. **59¢**

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9-1-1 INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the following questionnaire for each telephone number.

Telephone Number: _____ Class of Service: _____ (Business, Residence, Mobile, Coin)

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____

Location (Rural residents should give directions from nearest city using existing highway intersections as landmarks): _____

Comments (Provide any information emergency personnel should know about the location, such as health problems, guard dog, locked gate, etc.): _____

Please mail the completed form to: Panhandle Regional 9-1-1 Network, P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, Texas 79101-9257



Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

Monday, January 6, 1992. This issue of Scot notes is dedicated to the memory of Marguerite Mason Pendleton who died Wed. Dec. 25, 1991 in Amarillo, Texas. Marguerite Mason was born into the family of Sally Vermillion and Fred Mason, Texhoma, Texas sometime during 1916. Fred Jr. too, was there to welcome his new little sister. Marguerite married Walter M. Pendleton, Stratford, Tex. on Aug. 7, 1938 in the First Baptist Church of Texhoma. Her parents, Sally and Fred Mason were the first couple married in this church built in 1906 and Marguerite and Walter were the last couple married there since workmen began tearing the building down the next day! Previous to her marriage and several years later Marguerite taught in Stratford elementary school where Selma Mullins Pendleton remembers as her (Selma's) 2nd grade teacher and Don Riffe was in her 4th grade class. Following her time as teacher Marguerite was employed in the Sherman County Real Estate Office, owned by her late father in law, Royal Pendleton. During these years Marguerite served as pianist in the First Baptist Church, while Walter served as choir director.

On July 29, 1945 the Pendleton's only child, a son, John Robert was born. During 1954 Marguerite entered the employment of Phillip Oil Company, Amarillo. Soon afterward Walter joined her in Amarillo when he joined the Shamrock Oil Co. force. Craig Alan Pendleton, son of John Robert Pendleton was born in 1971. The John Robert and Craig men survive this couple, Walter having preceded Marguerite in death Nov. 3, 1974. Marguerite was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, teacher and an astute business woman, fulfilling the description of a priceless woman found in Proverbs 31. Amen. (N.B.G.G. Vol. II pps. 346 & 389). Pearl Alexander pictured in G.G.G. II is (was) the aunt of David McBryde. Pearl's story is in G.G.G. Vol. 1, in the Dave Alexander Story. Sherman County is in need of God, Grass, Grit Vol. III!

Happy New Year and Happy day to you Sherman County Older Texans, Friends, Neighbors, Scotters this Monday a.m. Jan. 6, 1992- the first Monday of this brand new year, 1992.

Scot organization starts the New Year with a New Director, Jack Gore; 126 members; 9 new board members namely, Reba Pittman, David Harker, Lynn Wells, Red DeBord, Homer Haile, Ann Pulliam, Billy Jo Ross, Linda Spurlock, Wilma Lee Cameron.

Director Gore reports and request the following: January Calendar and newsletter will be posted in the Hall-way of Scot Hall; new letter will be distributed at Jan. general meeting. Scot luncheon, Thurs. Jan. 23rd 1992. Play Bingo: the date is Jan. 16th (Thursday) time is 7 p.m. Jack asks for MEMBERS input as to WHAT they would like to do; WHERE they would like to go and Ass't director Dorothy

Robbins is available to help in planning such activities, all for the good of our Scot organization. Dorothy will be making contact about activities but WE should contact her, also. INPUT is our responsibility. Dues time is here: \$12.00 per person. New members are welcome and looked for. Contact persons available. List of places to go-things to do are posted in Scot Hall, sign up for what you wish to participate in. The bus is several years old and has only 20,000 miles registered on the speedometer!!

The regular calendar shows all activities marked "Go"-Birthday Party Friday Jan. 10th at 7 p.m. Birthday people are Mary Foster, Lillie Galloway, Jimmy and Peggy Jackson, Andy James, Billie Lou Thompson, Garland Bardwell, Elaine Gurley, Zora Sanders, Jane Guthrie(7th), Melba Keener. Scotters invite and welcome you, Scotters. WHY don't you honor us by attending? Cake, ice cream fellowship, games are prepared for birthday people. Happy birthday to you, ALL!!

Ora and Ted Reynolds celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary Dec. 20, 1991 and all their children were home for Christmas. Ora writes. Glenn and Ray Robertson, Henderson, Colo; Bobby and Patsy Reynolds, Gary and Shauna, Dumas; Teddy and Donna Reynolds, Tony and Lynn, Stratford. Teddy and Donna were hosts for the Christmas dinner. Other guest than the family were

Ora's niece Patsy Bressler and Mike, Amarillo; Inez Campbell, Dumas; Howard and Gene Shelly and John Robert; Jerry McLaughlin, Stratford. Congratulations and best wishes to you, Ora and Ted, from Scotters and personally.

Lucy and Ray Gerkin, Amy, Melissa, Cindy, Carla, Holly and Isacc, Denver, Colo. were Mattie & T.F. Baskins holiday guests. Mike was home earlier. Steve, Sandy, Megan, T.D., Hillary and Allison live in Stratford area.

Scotters dancing in Boise City Sat. Jan. 4th were Vicki and Jack Gore, Dorothy Robbins, Jenny Bailey, Robt. Lee, the Baskin Browns, the Millers, the Hills, the H.L. Hailes, the Brunis, the Pembertons. H.L. and Geneva were celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary. Lorelyn Powers and Matt entertained H.L. and Geneva at noon Sunday honoring their anniversary.

Joyce and Honey Hart, Timmie Brown visited the Ken Campbells, Liberal, Ks., on Tues. Dec. 31.

Attending a watch night party Dec. 31 at the Baptist Church were Pastor Lewis, Luzelle and James Lowe, Corda Pleyer, Lillie Galloway, Timmie Brown, Lorelyn Powers, Cecelia DeBord, Jack, Linda and Brock Swain.

Friends recuperating are present, Milton Skipper, Helen Taylor, Hattie Chesmer, Jack Smith, Roscoe Dyess and Margaret Bollum, a relatively new Stratfordite. Blessing, all!

Our community is saddened by the deaths of former Stratfordite, Lucille Potts Donelson (Mrs. Conde) and Mrs. Eslinger, mother

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Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

A New Year's Eve Party was hosted by Bill & Donna Gillenwaters at their country home for several Kerrick people. A buffet supper of finger foods plus George Avent's rabbit and noodles and games of Scattergories, Taboo, and Dominoes were enjoyed by the Avents, Ted Irlbecks, Bill Boren's, Kayo McDaniels, Fred McDaniels and Franny Taylor, Brenda Taylor, Florencia Eslinger, Mike Leedy and Nita Taylor.

Joe Bill & Jennifer Boren of College Station enjoyed the party also. They were here for five days.

Eastern Star

Stratford Chapter 960, Order of the Eastern Star, was visited by Vernie Day, Deputy Grand Matron, Dist. 2, Sec. 2 on Dec. 17. Mrs. Day is a member and Past Matron of Stratford Chapter. She brought a message from the Worthy Grand Matron and instructions for this year.

Several Grand Officers were present, Milton Skipper, Transportation and Mileage; Marjorie Errington, Membership Concern; Ross Errington, Community Service, all of Amarillo; and Edna Harshbarger, Festal Days, Dalhart. Other guests included Maurine Skipper and Cecil Miller, Amarillo; Bill & Marilyn Ridenour, Mary & Clinton Farrow, Dalhart.

A salad supper preceded the meeting. Christmas decorations were used in the social hall and chapter room.

New Year's Day the four Boren's went to Moscow, Ks. to see Kerry and Kelly Carlisle.

Just before Christmas Hank & Mabel Rogers had dinner for Jeanette Palmer, Florence & Mark Wolfe, Josh Rogers, all of Amarillo; Katherine Hager, Dumas; and Bevin, Donna, April & Kodie Avent.

On Christmas Day the Rogers' Duo attended a gathering of the Ethel Murdock family at Felt, Ok.

When Ian Weems, the Rogers' grandson, finishes semester tests at Midland, he plans to return to Stratford to finish school. Ian was here to celebrate his 17th birthday on Dec. 29

Brenda Taylor, Denver, has returned to Denver after an extended holiday visit with her mother, Franny Taylor.

Attending Louis T. James services from this area were Ben Tom James family, Richard & Sue James, Fred McDaniel and the Alton McCunes and Lloyd McDaniel of Boise City.

First Christian Church

Women's Day: Women Lead Worship
10:45 a.m. Leonda Fedric, Speaker
11:45 a.m. All Church Covered Dish Dinner

Women's Day At First Christian Church Jan. 12th

This Sunday, Jan. 12 is Women's Day at First Christian Church. The women of the Church will lead Morning Worship, which will begin at 10:45 a.m. The women are under the leadership of Christian Women's Fellowship, Mary Pat Williams, President. Leonda Fedric and Betty Brown are making the arrangements for Women's Day.

Leonda Fedric is the Speaker for Women's Day. She is married to Claude N. Fedric. They have two daughters, Jenny Alexander and Sheila Fedric. Leonda is very active in First Christian Church, where she teaches the First and Second Grade Sunday School Class, is Chairman of the Education Committee and is Vice-president of Christian Women's Fellowship. She is an Insurance Agent for Southern Farm Bureau, with the professional designation of Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow (LUTCF). She is a member of the Amarillo Area Association of Life Underwriters, and she has been active in the profession for eight years.

Women helping to lead Morning Worship will include Blynn Bryson, Dee Dee Dewees, Diane Davis, Alfa Folsom, Joyce Ann Lasley, Mary Pat Williams, Betty Brown, Jessie Mae Preston, Annie Pulliam, Bernice Stubblefield, Bess Stone, Nina Fedric, Judy Stoy, Gail Allen, Cathy Taylor, Gayle Rhoades, Lore Dietrich and Orlanda Garoutte.

An all Church covered Dish Dinner will be shared following

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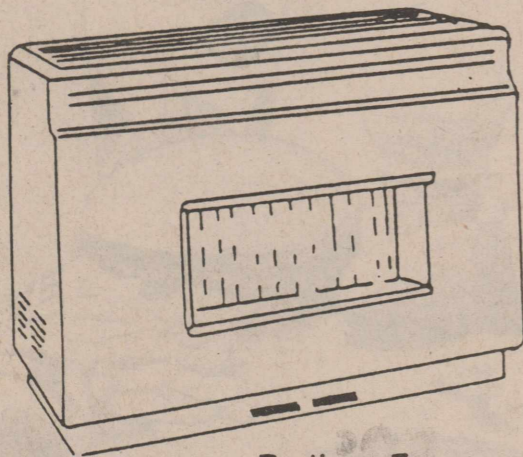
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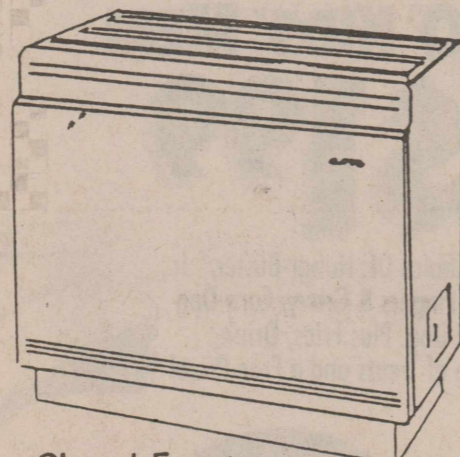
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Tamara Johnson Oquin, bride of Ron Oquin was honored with a Post Nuptial shower Sunday, January 5 from 2 to 3:30 in the home of Susie Harlow. Shown above left to right is grandmothers Clea Garrison and Mrs. J.S. Johnson, Connie Oquin, mother of groom Tamara, Lola Johnson, mother of bride and grandmother Myrtle Starker. Hostesses were Patti Vincent, Peggy Plunk, Tammi Lerman, Judy Diamond, Cecilia DeBord, Valerie McAlister, Mary Smith, Brenda Ewers, Susie Harlow, Jeanie Bennett, Anita DeBord, Bonnie Hamilton, Linda Young, Jolene Skaggs, Charlene Dyess, Lillie Galloway, Sheila Hawkins and Sherilyn Bullock.



Just some of the young people present for Santa's visit to Kerrick Community.



Vernie Peery Day, center, was welcomed by Dick Woolsey, Worthy Patron and Marylou McDaniel, Worthy Matron, Stratford Chapter 960, O.E.S., when she made an official visit to her home Chapter.

Cards Of Thanks



Tips & Topics

by Susie Spurlock
County Extension Agent

Nowadays, most people know to cook with less fat, but a few guidelines are needed. Cooking nutritious and delicious meals requires learning small, but significant changes in food selection and preparation.

Misconceptions are that delicious foods cannot be low in fat, cholesterol, sodium, sugar or calories. However, tasty, family meals that are low in calories and fat and high in nutrition can be prepared. Plus, good eating habits and better health are the results.

Learn to recognize rich and heavy foods and to modify and balance the meal with lighter ones. Reducing fat doesn't have to involve abrupt changes in eating patterns.

These simple cooking tips can help you modify your favorite recipes:

*Whenever possible, cook with little or no added fat.

*When roasting or broiling, use a rack in the pan to drain off excess fat.

*Avoid high fat cream, sauces, mayonnaise and dressings. Fat can be reduced by a third in gravies, sauces, puddings and quick breads.

*Cut back on fatty meat products. Always choose the leanest cuts of meat. Remove skin from poultry.

*Trim off excess fat from fatty meat products.

*Use skim milk or low-fat milk in soups and gravies. Substitute low-fat yogurt when recipes call for cream.

*Use whipped low-fat cottage cheese in place of sour cream or mayonnaise. Yogurt or cottage cheese maybe substituted for sour cream in some recipes for sauces, dips, dressings and main dishes.

*Substitute vinegar, wine or broth for oil-based marinades. Try lemon juice on salads instead of heavy dressings.

*Avoid adding salt or reduce it by half. Instead, add more herbs and spices to increase flavor.

*Substitute two egg whites for one whole egg when recipes call for eggs.

*Avoid deep fat frying.

*Skim off fat from soups, sauces and stews.

*Use generous amounts of fresh vegetables and fruits. Fruits and berries can replace desserts and can satisfy your need for sweets.

*Omit sugar and other sweet products as much as possible. Sugar can be reduced by a third in many holiday desserts. If a recipe calls for 1 cup sugar, for example, use two-thirds cup. This works best in fruit-based recipes and in making puddings and custards. The sugar in cookies and cakes can also be reduced, but requires some experimenting to find an appropriate level.

*To increase fiber intake, substitute whole grain flour for one-fourth to one-half of the refined flour in holiday baking. If a recipe calls for 3 cups of all purpose flour, use three fourths whole grain flour and 2 1/4 cups all purpose flour.

*Read labels when buying canned and packaged food products. Look for ingredients that add fat, sodium and calories.

Now is a good time to try modifying favorite holiday recipes for healthier alternatives to hand down as part of your family tradition.

We would like to express our deep appreciation to the men and women of the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response to our call for help on our grass fire last Friday. We learned first hand that 911 really works.

To Jeff and J.W., we owe a special thank you for sounding the alarm and staying to fight fire. Without you, we would have been in big trouble. And to Lynn and Ted and Jack and Jim, a great big thank you for your help. We are very grateful to all of you. We appreciate you more than we can say.

Sincerely, Tommy, Mattie and Steve Baskin

I want to say thanks to several citizens in Stratford for all their help during my distressful time. Johnny Pulliam of Elk Service, The Ranger Motel, Betty Hamrick of Queen O Creme, Peggy Cole, the Stratford Police Officers, the E.M.T.'s of Stratford. I cannot say enough. Thanks.

Mona Dominquez

Leroy and Oleen Judd wish to thank all of our dear friends and loved ones for making our 50th wedding anniversary reception such a happy occasion for us. We love all of you.

For the first time I have had need for our ambulance service & our wonderful EMT's. I got to make a trip with two different crews & their care & competence is outstanding. Our community is fortunate indeed to have these dedicated people to attend to us, & also to have Dr. Harlow to further care for us. A great big thank you to all of you.

Helen Taylor



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Christmas Open House

Christmas Open house was held in December at the Sherman County Courthouse. Shown above is District and County Clerk Mary Lou Albert, Dispaten- Betty O'Dell, Pamela Nielsen, Program Director for 911, Sheriff Jack Haile and Program Specialist for 911, Daniel Odean.

Basketball

The Stratford Invitation Basketball tournament was held Thursday, Friday and Saturday. In The Girls 1st place went to River Road, 2nd place to Sanford Fritch and 3rd place Gruver. Girls Consolation went to West Texas.

1st in Boys was Texhoma, 2nd Gruver and 3rd Sanford Fritch. Boys consolation West Texas.

All Tourney Girls were Shonna

Daniels from River Road, Lachelle Rollins also from River Road. Lori DeSheitds from Sanford Fritch, Holly Venneman from Gruver and Tammy Yelton from West Texas.

All Tourney Boys were from Texhoma Brandon Hyde and Greg Larson. Sanford Fritch-Dennis Stidman, Gruver-Mathew Hoel and West Texas had Craig Doughtin.



Stress is an expected and normal part of life, even for children. Today, because of the crisis in the middle east and the fact that it is a "prime time" war, children are experiencing even more stress and strain than ever before.

Common stressful events for children include going to day care, preschool or school for the first time, fights or arguments with friends and family members, difficulties with a teacher or caregiver, a move to a new home or town, parents' divorce or separation, death of a family member, or parents' loss of a job. As children face one or both parents, older siblings, or other family members leaving for war, they can be both confused and severely stressed.

Adults can best help children to cope with unique life stresses by talking with them openly about their feelings and plans, Anderson said. Helping children to understand the unique stress can result in children not feeling they were at fault or the reason for the changes that did occur.

Stress responses are unique for each child. When adults observe the behavior of children closely, they quickly learn to recognize signs of stress. Adults can find out a great deal by listening carefully to a child's conversations. Watching and listening to children at play is also revealing.

The appearance of unusual behavior, especially if it is short-lived is probably no cause for great concern, Anderson stressed. However, do look for patterns of changes in a child's behavior.

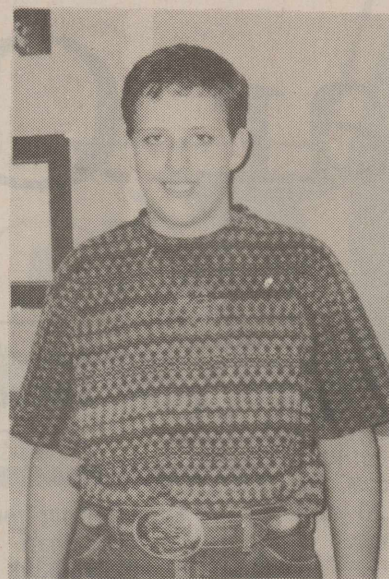
Be prepared to help children deal with stressful situations if the behavior continues over a period of time, interferes with normal growth and development, or marks the occurrence of other noticeable changes in behavior at about the same time.

For children, an important buffer against stress is a healthy parent/child relationship. Growing up in a caring family provides children with the security, consistency, respect and honesty they need to become confident and independent people. There are ways that adults can show children that they care. First, build communication patterns with children. Talk with and listen to your children. Describe and explain what they can expect. Just as important, listen to what your child has to say. Listen for the message in the words and also watch for the feeling and meaning behind them. Adults need to be sure to clarify and correct children's misconceptions about stressful events or situations.

Spending time alone with each child is also important. This "private time" together will allow

children the opportunity and encourage them to ask questions. Sometimes just the presence and attention of the adult reassures the child the parent cares. Another important way to offer reassurance and support for children is through touch. A hug, a kiss, a smile makes every one feel better and more secure.

7 4-H'ers Compete At District



Ryan Swain

Seven Sherman County 4-H'ers competed at the District I 4-H Food Show held Saturday in Dumas.

Ryan Swain received top 4 placing recognition in the Senior Fruits and Vegetable division.

Other 4-H'ers participating were Missy Sikora, Jessica Sikora, Brock Swain, Buffy Ellison, Kyle Ellison, and Kimberly Bouldin.

4-H'ers were evaluated on their nutrition knowledge and skills, food preparation skills, food safety, food buying, and the social and cultural roles of food.

Sponsors of the Food & Nutrition Project and District I Food Show include the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Morrison Milling Company, and the Dumas and Moore County Chamber of Commerce.

Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought between January 1, 1991 and June 6, 1991, and continuing, are being accepted at the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) office located in Dumas, Texas, FmHA County Supervisor Larry J. Goetze, said today.

Sherman, Moore, and Hutchinson counties are three of the thirteen contiguous counties in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture, Clayton Yeutter as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the drought.

Mr. Goetze said, farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000.00, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 4.5 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FmHA emergency loan," Mr. Goetze said. Farmers participating in the PIK or Federal Crop Insurance programs will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until August 10, 1992 but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Mr. Goetze said.

FmHA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FmHA office in Dumas is located at 801 Bliss, Suite 104, and is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Computer Center At Halfway, Announces January Courses

Persons wanting to learn an easy-to-use cash record keeping system for computers, or to begin using a spreadsheet, can do so at January courses at the Texas A & M University Computer Training and Education Center here.

"Using your computer to keep records is the best justification for owning a computer," says Dr. Jackie Smith, Texas Agriculture Extension Service economist and management specialist at Lubbock. He said early enrollment is advised for the January courses at the center here, because space is limited and hands-on instruction is provided.

Quicken, version 5 by Intuit, will be taught in a record keeping course Jan. 16-17 at the center. Quicken has been widely used by farmers and small business operators and is easily adapted to many uses. Participants in this introductory course will enter transactions, learn to categorize by type of income and expense, and by enterprise, and develop useful reports. Tips for speeding entry of transactions and handling repetitive procedures will be included.

Another important tool in a software kit can be a spreadsheet, Smith said. Computer spreadsheets can be used for basic record keeping, financial planning and budgeting, and is something no producer using computers should be without, he said.

Numerous spreadsheets are commercially available.

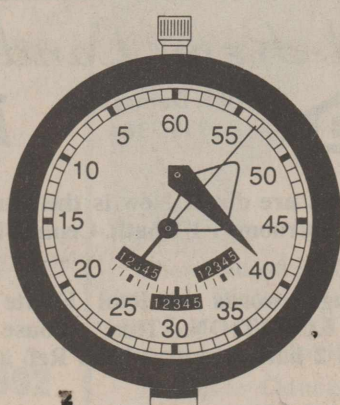
The spreadsheet used in the workshop at the center here will be the alltime best-seller, Lotus. An introductory course will be held Jan. 30-31 to give producers an opportunity to use Lotus 1-2-3 to enhance their decision-making and management skills. Participants will learn the basics of building and using Lotus spreadsheets and how to modify existing spreadsheets.

Computer experience isn't required for these courses, Smith said. The registration fee for each course is \$100, which covers the cost of meals and teaching materials. Couples are encouraged to attend; only one fee will be charged if they share a computer. Registration will be limited to 14 to allow hands-on experience.

The training center is in the Moody Building at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station facility here, 14 miles west of Plainview on U.S. Hwy. 70

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The initial date that was set for the Spaghetti Dinner for January 4th, has been changed due to several conflicts. The Board of the Child Day Care now announce that the new date for the Spaghetti Dinner will be held on January 26, 1992 at the Sherman County Barn. We will begin serving at 12:00 noon. The charges for this will be as follows: \$5.00 adults, \$3.00 6 to 12 yrs. old. Under 6 years of age no charge. 1-9-92-c

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Hawkins. We note the death of Mary Esther Grubbel, Guymon, Ok. Dec. 27, 1991 who was the wife of the late Dr. R.A. Grubbel, Dentist. Dr. Grubbel shaped and cared for the teeth of many Sherman Co. people, some in our family.

We hope all Stratford people read the fairy like success story of Sarah and Emily Graham-S.H.S. students in Amarillo News, Sunday 5, 1992. Congratulations, girls and parents and personally and from Scotters.

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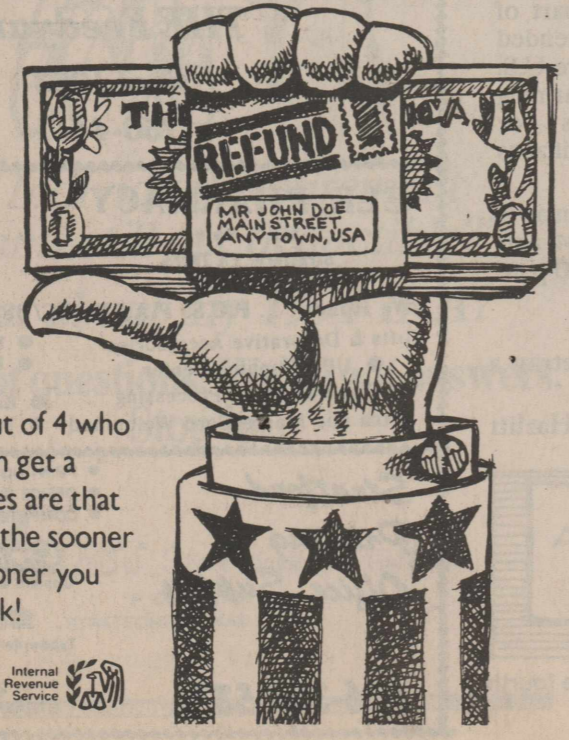
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