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married to Sanda and lived in Irving, Texas and Joseph, 25 who lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

Davis is an avid reader, checking out the local library from A to Z and is knowledgeable on any subject, which makes an interesting conversationalist. He has served on the SCOT Board, the Sherman County Library Board, Sherman Co. Welfare Board and The District 5 Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory Commission.

David visits the ill, the lonely and downhearted regardless of race, creed, or church affiliation. David has served in every office of the Ministerial Alliance and presently helps deliver groceries from the "City Pantry" to five families, commenting "It's most rewarding".

Retiring President, Womens Division



Sharon Blain

The Women's Division of the Chamber has been a busy group. We begin in late November publicizing our annual Christmas lighting contest. Our judges are from out of town. In January we planned for our annual banquet, chose for our theme "Panhandle Sunsets". The women under the guidance of Kathy Kart, Joan Palmer and all the other 10 did a super job. We had the concession stand for the Market & Craft days in February, March, April,

October, November and December. In March we held a concession stand for four nights and a Saturday for the Pee-Wee Basketball tournament. We kept the tradition of Keeping America Beautiful Poster Contest, with the 4th graders. Winners received prize money and the other participates ribbons and all of the posters were put down on a window (Chamber of Commerce) for the remainder of April we had our annual Yard of the Month recognizing some very pretty yards and this is a fun thing to get to choose those who have taken care to make their yards look nice. Also we encouraged downtown merchants to fill their planters with potted flowers, doing those at the Lollipop Junction and the Chamber. This makes our downtown look ever so nice each spring and summer. Cleaned the Park on Highway 287, a project the Women's Division have done since its existence. In June we began to get together ideas for the float that we created and rode the winds downtown on Fair and Jamboree days. Our float took second place this year. July found us rained out of the park so we moved to the county barn with

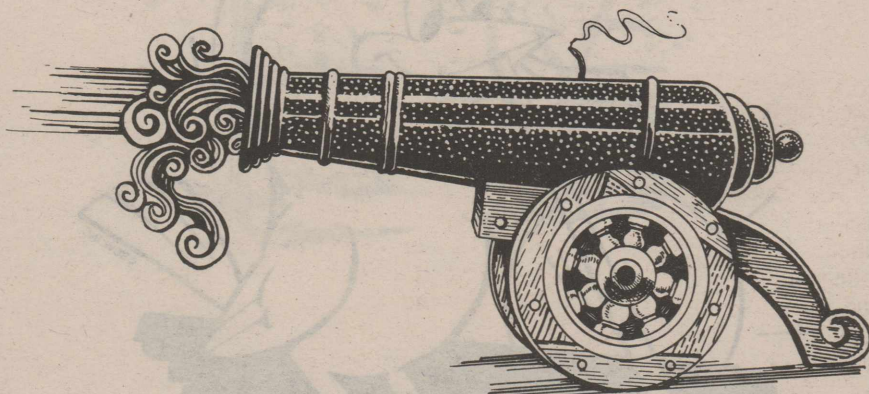
more ice cream than you can imagine and some very good judges. In August we helped with activities backstage for the Miss Stratford. In September we commenced making plans for our foliage downtown in October, and on a very nice day the first of October we put it together and on the following cold windy Sunday they were put up downtown. We had our recognition tea for those volunteers of the organizations and clubs of Stratford who go beyond the call of duty. We end our year by getting new directors and having our last meeting in the evening where we recognize our retiring directors and greet our new ones. Yes! The Women's Division of the Chamber are, indeed, a working group of ladies. It has been my pleasure to have served on the board for three years and to be their president this past year.

Sharon Blain

Retiring President of the Women's Division of the Chamber

Aim High

with the Chamber



A & I Parts Center



Lorie Vincent

Purpose of Organization

The Sherman County Development Committee, Inc. was formed early in 1992. A Task Force was formed in April and the Board of Directors were elected in August. After hiring an executive director, the organization formally opened its doors on November 9, 1992. Considerable research has been done during the year to determine the needs of the community and the status of our existing businesses. Sherman County residents have shown a powerful desire to pursue progress and growth in our community. The purpose of the Sherman County Development Committee, Inc. is to enhance the economic base of Sherman County through increased population, business, and job opportunities. The organization is funded 90% through Sherman County and 10% through the City of Stratford.

Executive Director

Lorie Vincent, a native of Dalhart, Tex. has been hired to serve as Executive Director of the Sherman County Development Committee, Inc. Lorie attended school at Schreiner College in Kerrville, TX and completed her education at West Texas State University with a BBA in Accounting. In addition to her education and accounting experience, Ms. Vincent has considerable experience in public relations positions which have exposed her to both small and large business development. Ms. Vincent lived in San Antonio, TX for several years before moving to Stratford, TX. The Board feels that Lorie brings to the position a Panhandle background plus the added advantage of having lived in other parts of Texas and participated in business activities around the state.

Former Recipients

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR

1979 Darla Moon
 1980 Ole Olson
 1981 Kathleen King
 1982 Joyce Ann Lasley
 1983 Robbie Yates
 1984 Ronny & Esther Ferguson
 1985 Michael & Brenda Price
 1986 Gayland & Debbie Vandiver
 1987 Baskin & Betty Brown
 1988 Don & Bill Riffe
 1989 Donnie & Martha Ellison
 1990 J.O. Pulliam
 1991 Ed & Marge Moore

FARMER OF THE YEAR

1979 Paul Chesmer
 1980 L.B. Blake
 1981 Ronald Engelbrecht
 1982 Bert Steffens
 1983 Horace Sneed
 1984 Jodie Reesing
 1985 Ronnie Pickens
 1986 Billy C. Bell
 1987 Jimmy Chesher
 1988 Joe Everett
 1989 James Spurlock
 1990 Bill Reed
 1991 Mary Stowers

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

1966 Walter Lasley
 1967 Gail Carter
 1968 Joan Bell
 1969 V.O. Lasley
 1970 A.E. Pronger Jr.
 1971 Bill Kent
 1972 Bill Sladek
 1973 Don Riffe
 1974 Shirley Plunk
 1975 H.T. Galloway
 1976 W.S. "Bill" Frizzell
 1977 Fern Gupton
 1978 Cindy Crabtree
 1979 Gaynelle Riffe
 1980 B.A. Donelson
 1981 Marihoward Engelbrecht
 1982 Janice Sladek
 1983 Lorraine Mehner
 1984 LeRayne Donelson
 1985 Timmie Brown
 1986 Ken Metzger
 1987 Linda Spurlock
 1988 Max Stephenson
 1989 Bill Pendleton
 1990 Oline Caraway
 1991 Rev. David Harker

Charging Up For A Productive Year With the Chamber



*Southwestern
Public Service*

Retiring President



Jack Gore

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce has been busy this past year. In addition to the regular yearly activities such as a membership drive with a re-structured membership dues which hopefully will be fair for all businesses, and individuals who want to be a part of our chamber. Other activities include the sidewalk sales, Fourth of July celebration in our City Park, Pheasant Hunt, and Christmas bucks, lighting contest and shopping spree.

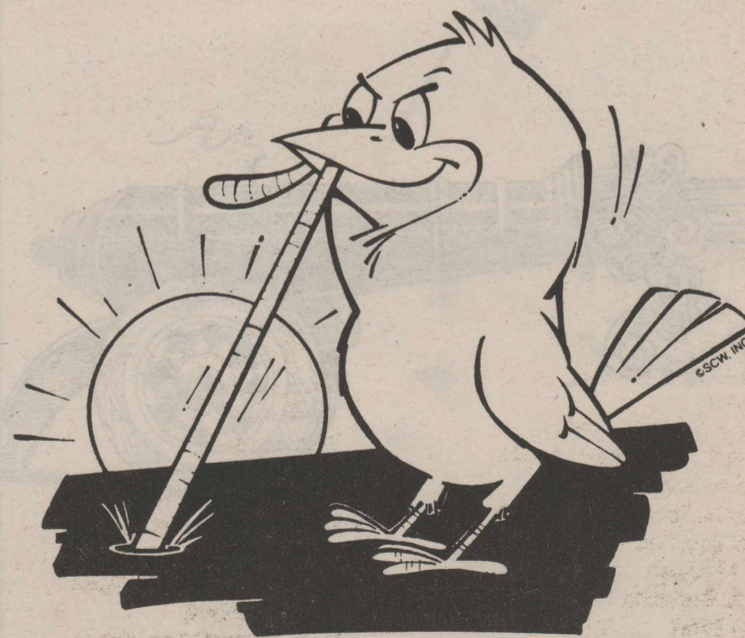
Some new things that were added this year were: Basketball tournament, new playground equipment at the city park, a big

sign at the corner of Highway 54 and Main for advertising purposes, Market Days which help individuals to sell their product or service, instrumental in establishing a Prairie Dog Co-op for individuals to find outside buyers for their product or services, gave two people the opportunity to fly to Dallas and see the Cowboy Football game, and last but certainly not least, the chamber was instrumental in seeing the new Economic Development Corp. get its start. This is a project that I hope that the next year's Chamber will get behind Lorie Vincent and assist her in anyway that it can to promote Stratford. For I am a firm believer that Stratford will not or cannot stand still, it will either progress or regress. For this reason I was glad to be a part of the Chamber for the last three years and I hope that we will continually go toward the goal of progressing. Thanks for allowing me to serve on the board of directors.

Jack Gore,
Outgoing President 1992



Join the Fight to Shine Bright



Southern Union Gas

Membership List

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| North Plains Savings & Loan | Jackue & Glen Mdver |
| Paul Aduddell | Martha Mitts |
| Allen Agency | Morrison Funeral Home |
| Bain Tire Co. | North Texas Wholesale |
| Jack Q. Barton, Co. Attorney | Harry & Connie Oquin |
| A & I Parts | Doug & Joyce McBryde |
| Sherman Co. Appraisal District | Professional Hay Service |
| Marilyn & Richard Albert | Moore Implement |
| Bill & Katie Allen | Mungias Heating & Air Conditiong |
| Ken & Kay Aston | KDDDD/KMRE |
| Bar D. Cattle Co. | Rex & Joan Palmer |
| Billy & Jeannie Bell | Keener Napa Automotive & Machine |
| E.R. & Joan Bell | Kent & Nancy Kimball |
| Betty Lou O'Brien | Bill & Elsie Lasley |
| L.B. Blake | Walter Lasley and Sons |
| James Brogdon | Rev. Derrell and Betty Lewis |
| Browns Meat Locker | Gary & Elaine Lundberg |
| W.O. Bryant | Kenneth & Ione Kendrick |
| Kerry & Brenda Bell | O.J. & Armita Lane |
| Burr & Karen Blake | J.A. Lasley |
| Sam & Pat Brite | Ray and Tammy Lermon |
| Brooks Motor and Video | Dan Loving DDS |
| Wayland Brown | Stratford Star |
| Scott Buckles | Panhandle Commodities |
| Oline Caraway | Pemberton Farms |
| Jimmy & Ineta Cheshier | Gary & Mary Pool |
| Dick & Barbara Chumley | Pronger Bros. Ranch |
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| Doak & Lisa Crabtree | Ranger Motel |
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| Don. R. Claddo | P.J. & Kay Pronger |
| Coldwater Manor | Robert & Sonja Ragsdale |
| Elliot & Cindy Crabtree | Lyn & Charlotte Reed |
| Bobbie Cummings | Bill & Margaret Reed |
| Wayne & Darla Cummings | Mary Reese |
| Dalhart Federal | Jack & Gayle Rhoades |
| L.S. & Anita DeBord | Mary Riffe |
| Steve & Barbara Dettle | Betty & Felix Saenz |
| Dubuque, Jones & McGee | Sherman Co. Real Estate |
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| Dairy Queen | Rick & Connie Reinart |
| Henry E. Davis | Bill Riffe |
| Gary & Louise Dettle | Wanda Riffe |
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| Dumas Travel Agency | Joel & Cinda Shuping |
| Ernie & Natacha Dyess | Simmons Cable |
| Jerry & Charlene Dyess | Smith Agency |
| Danny & Teresa Edmond | Southwestern Public Service |
| Ron & Marihoward Engelbrecht | James & Linda Spurlock |
| Jerry Ewers, Auto Repair Shop | Wes & Susie Spurlock |
| Betty J. Fesler | Harley & Daina Starnes |
| Joe Pete Flores | Bill & Janice Sladek |
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| Elk Pharmacy | Southern Union Gas |
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| Claude & Leonda Fedric | Stratford Printing |
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| Mike Flores | Mary Stowers |
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| THE General Store | Stratford Animal Hospital |
| Jack & Donna Gilley | Old Town, USA |
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| Tri State Communications | Stratford Butane |
| Gaskill & Pharis | Stratford Grain |
| General Telephone | Jim & Shannon Taliaferro |
| Gophers | Texas Maid |
| Eugene & Molly Griffin | Thriftway |
| Homer L. & Geneva Haile | Valu Line |
| Hoy Feeding Operation | Jack Vincent |
| Jimmy & Tammie Helmuth | John & Terry Wagoner |
| J.D. & Joy Hester | Jess & Martha Willard |
| Gary Hudson | John & Leona Woods |
| Jack & Barbara Haile | Archie & Lorene Wright |
| Glenn Hart | David Vincent |
| Kenny Hembre & Co. | Mike Vincent Insurance |
| Ulysses Irrigation | Betty & Raymond Wiley |
| John Huseman | John & Sharon Wilson |
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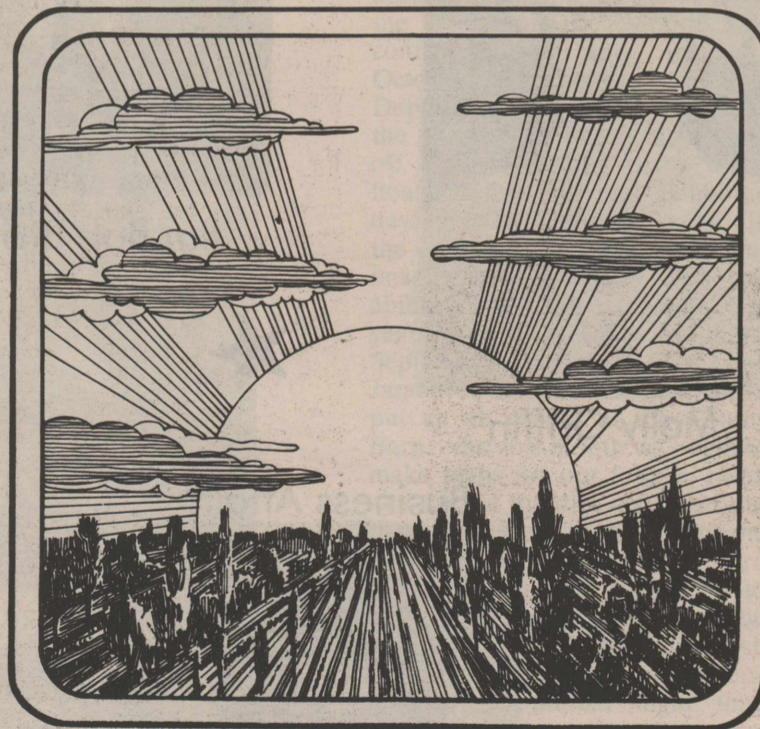
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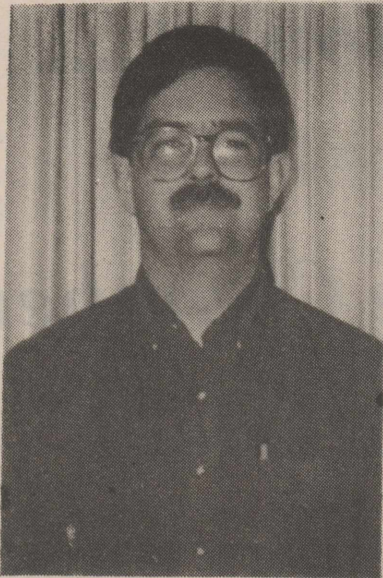
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of a New Day

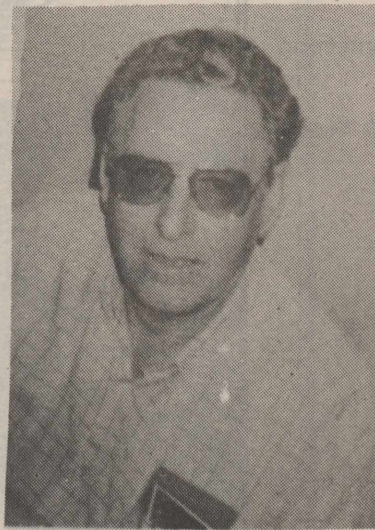
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1993 Board of Directors

Public Affairs



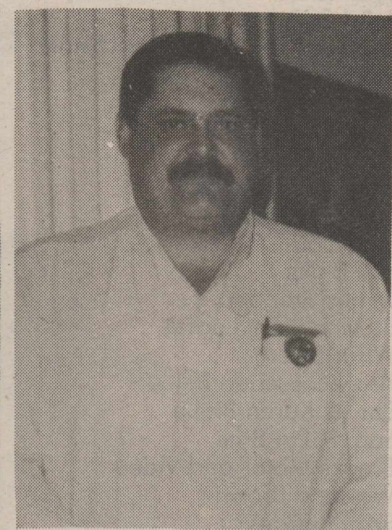
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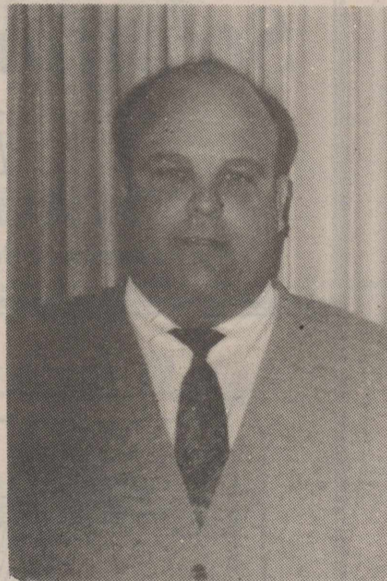


Jack Haile



- 1. Get Chamber Back on Sound Financial Footing
- 2. Work with Economic Development Committee in expanding existing business and drawing in new ones.
- 3. Continue to support community events for Stratford.

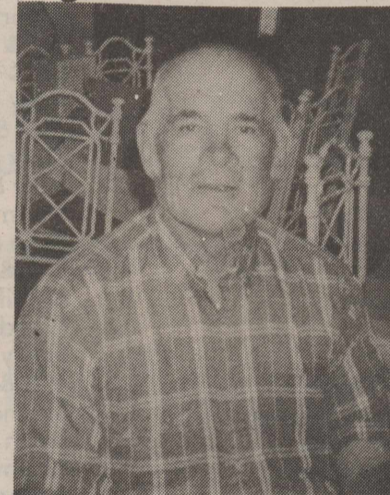
Recreation



Jim Bob Brown



Ag, Pheasant Hunt



Donnie Ellison & Andy Riffe



Hunters



Molly Griffin



Shooting For The Stars



Business Affairs



Martha Ellison



Office Manager



J. A. Lasley



y Beautification & Parks

1993 Womens Division

Banquet & Scioial



Betty Fesler



Talle Cummings



Joan Palmer



Ladies Division
President
Natacha Dyess

As you can readily see the women have already began. Our new directors came on the board in December we immediately put them to work coming up with this years banquet theme, decoration and setting up for this evening. In March we will be holding the concession stand for the Stratford Youth basketball tournament. This will entail food, and a work schedule for Thursday, Friday evening and for a good part of Saturday. In April we will be doing the Keep America Beautiful Poster Contest. May will find us cleaning up the park on Highway 287, urging downtown merchants to plant plants in the planters and planting our own planter. May will again find us scouting the area for the Yard of the Month that continues up and including October. June we work with the Depot Doins, July in the Park for the 4th and our ice cream freeze off. August making plans for a float for the Fair and Jamboree days, even to finding a place to do the float. Sometimes our imagination is bigger than our ability but for the last number of years we have been winners. September is the Fair and Jamboree and besides the float we put up an exhibit at the County Barn. Also this month we begin to make plans for our foliage, twine and do the bundles and then put them on the poles downtown. November we gather in the Yard of the Month signs and begin to put articles in the paper for the Christmas Lighting contest, putting out bows for the winners. Having our annual night time meeting and welcoming new directors and bidding retiring ones adieu. The Women's Division of the Chamber are looking for new projects, like bake sales and perhaps a back to school style show. You can bet one thing it sure will be a twelve month packed worth of activity. I am looking forward to a good year with a good bunch of ladies.



Shanda Boles



Melissa Elder



Gina Sladek

Fair, Fair Booth



rapbook & Historian



Kathy Hart



Louise Dettle



Tammy Blain



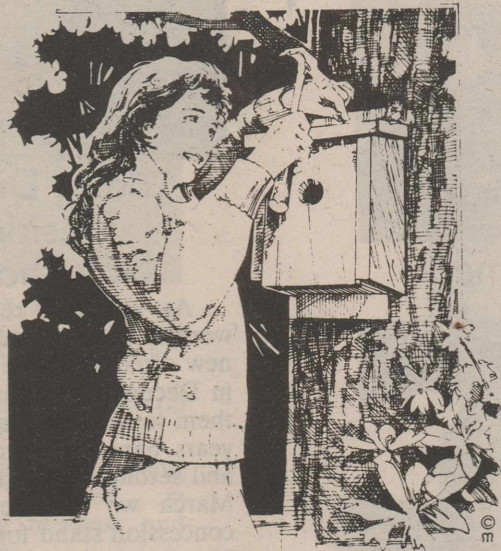
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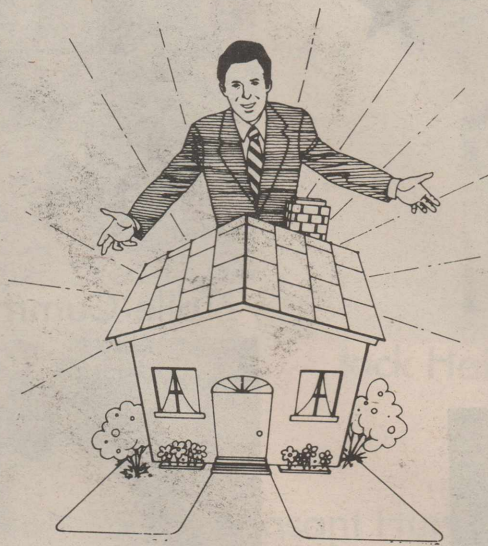
Natacha Dyess, 1992 President
Women's Division of the Chamber

*We're Building for a
Happier Day*



Elk Pharmacy

*Trying To Move Heaven and
Earth To Help Stratford*



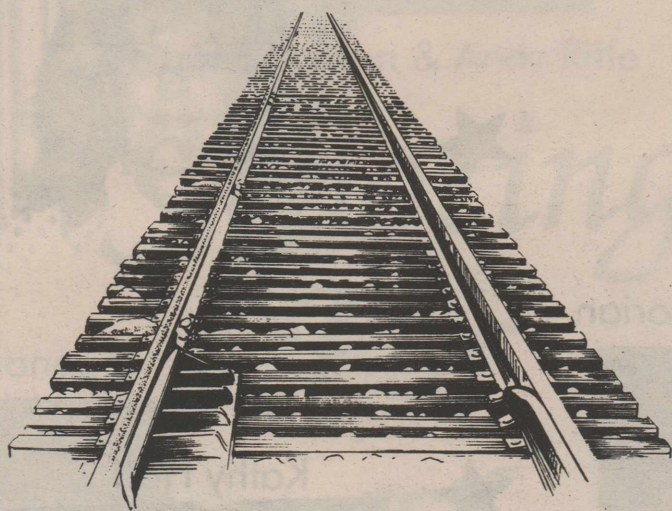
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Chase Away Rainy Days*



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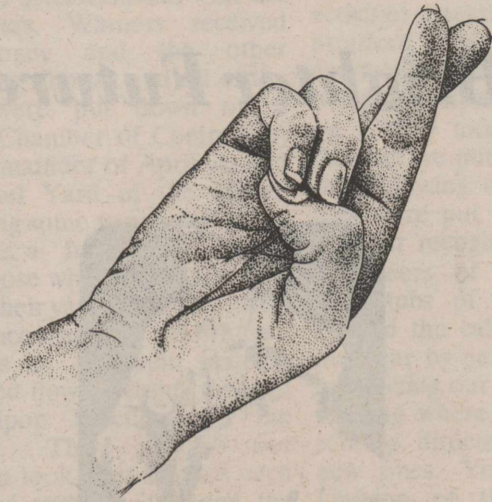
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The Future Belongs To*



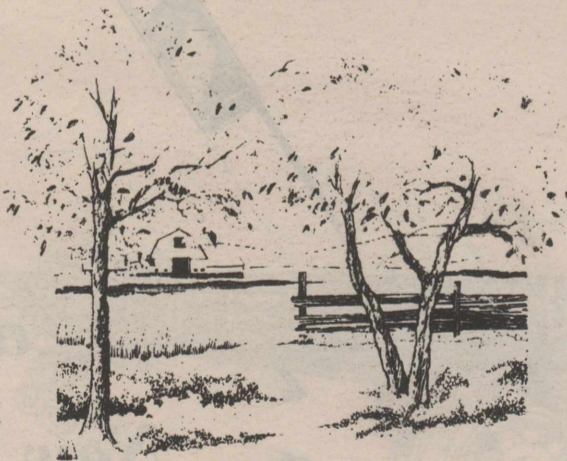
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Hope For Tomorrow



*The Crossroads
Steaks & Burgers*

Here's to a Brighter Day



*Walter Lasley &
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**One Of Our Brightest Assets
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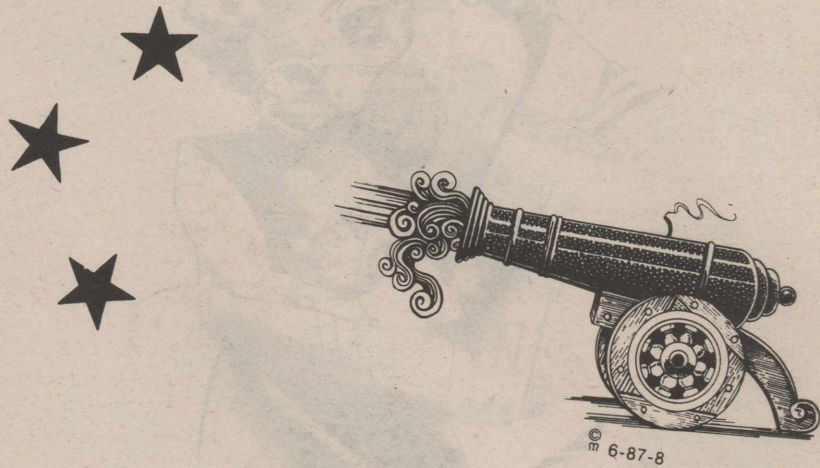
First State Bank

*Looking Forward
to a
Brighter Future*



Family & Friends

*Shoot for the Stars
with the Chamber*



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U.S. Congressman Combest Visits



A Town Hall Meeting with Congressman Larry Combest was held last Wednesday, February 10 at the First State Bank of Stratford. Congressman Combest is shown above talking to Sandy Williams.

By Lorie Vincent

U.S. Congressman Larry Combest was in Stratford last week to hold a Town Hall Meeting. The meeting was held last Wednesday at the First State Bank. Over 45 people attended this informative meeting. Mr. Combest gave a brief summary of the issues currently being discussed in Washington and then held the floor open for questions. Some of the topics of discussion were education, gays in the military, social security, program funding, immigration standards, small business development, abortion rights and the nation's deficit. Also discussed in length were environmental and agricultural concerns.

Following the Town Hall

Meeting, Larry Combest made a visit to the 8th graders at the Stratford Jr. High. Their class is studying Government at this time. The students expressed gratitude at the opportunity to personally meet an U.S. Congressman and ask questions.

The Sherman County Development committee, Inc. hosted a luncheon for Larry Combest and his staff at the home of B.A. and LeRayne Donelson. Also attending the luncheon were various representatives of our local government and civic organizations. Mr. Combest expressed his appreciation for the community's enthusiasm and willingness to be informed and express opinions.

Trustee Election To Be Held

Stratford ISD Trustee Election May 1, 1993. Apply for position on ballot beginning Monday, February 15, 1993, through Wednesday, March 17, 1993.

Notice To Folks Doing Plumbing Work

Article 2, Section 3-21 of the Stratford City Code requires all persons doing plumbing work inside the City Limits of Stratford to be bonded. If you are doing this type work and do not have a bond currently on file or if you are not sure that your bond is still in effect please contact City Hall.

"Music Goes With Everything"

The Imagination Station is pleased to sponsor "Music Goes With Anything" under the direction of Shannon Taliaferro. This singing program for children from Kindergarten through Grade 6 will be presented at the C.A.S.A. Kids for Kids Day in Dalhart in April. Rehearsals will be held on Fridays from 3:50 to 4:30 at the Jr. High Music Room beginning March 5. If your child would like to participate in "Music Goes With Anything" you may register by calling 396-2262. The deadline for registration is February 20th.

City Election Sign Up Dates

Sign up dates are February 15th thru March 17th for the City of Stratford Election. Positions open are 1 year term for Mayor and 3-2 year terms for councilman.

Buyers Appreciation Banquet To Be Held

Sherman County 4-H and Stratford FFA would like to extend and invitation to our Buyers Appreciation Banquet to all those who bought animals or donated to the Stratford Contributors Fund or the Texhoma Merchants Fund. The banquet will be held Monday, Feb. 22, 1993 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sherman County Exhibit Building. Please RSVP by Feb. 19th, by calling the Extension Office at 396-2081.

You Are Invited To A Free Breakfast

You are cordially invited to a FREE Breakfast and Educational seminar! Investment Alternatives to Low Bank Rates! Are your investments producing an adequate return for you? Come and learn about conservative alternatives available to you today! No obligation, just education and information! Feb. 23, 1993 at 7:00 a.m. at Headquarters Restaurant in Stratford. Reserve your space by calling now. Chamber of Commerce, J.A. Lasley 396-2260 or Sherman County Agent, Jim Allison 396-2081. The seminar will be presented by Robin J. Muir, the Principal, Eppler, Guerin & Turner, Inc. Member New York Stock Exchange.

Depression Supper

Scots Depression Supper will be at Scot Hall Saturday, February 20th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Beans, Cornbread, Desserts and drinks. \$3.00 for adults and \$1.50 for ages 6 to 12.



Dee Brannon is in CCU32 High Plains Baptist, Opal Biddy is home after eye surgery. Howard White is in High Plains Baptist in Amarillo.

Depression Supper To be Sat. Feb. 20

Sherman County Older Texans will try again to have their annual depression supper on Saturday, Feb. 20th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Depression Supper is one of our larger fund raisers that we ask that everyone will come out and enjoy pinto beans, cornbread, desserts, and drinks. This plus some entertainment will provide a fun time at Scot Hall. With these fund raisers we are able to keep our membership dues to a low cost of \$12.00 a year and this we hope will enable everyone that is 55 years or older to be a part of this great organization. Come out and support our Senior citizens.....

Literacy Training Workshop

A Literacy training workshop for tutors is being planned for the weekend of March 5th and 6th, and will be held in the Sherman County Library. Because of the response to last week's news article about the literacy program, more tutors are needed to work with the ESL students.

Teachers will come from Pampa to lead the March workshops. There will be a 4 hours session on Friday night beginning at 6:00 p.m. March 6th there will be an 8 hour training session. Materials will be furnished for those who attend.

If you or you know someone who is interested in providing this training for those who cannot read or cannot read English, please call the library at 396-2200. The names of students are confidential.

If more information is needed, please call the library and we will try to answer your questions.

"Typical Profile/Children At Risk"

Presentation To Be Given By Deputy Bill Thompson

Deputy Bill Thompson of the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office will present a lecture to the public on Feb. 20, 1993, at the Stratford High School cafeteria. This lecture will define "Cults", "Satanism", "The Occult" and "Santeria". He will talk about what to look for from the parent's view-point and what parents, teachers and friends can do for these children.

Deputy Thompson is presently working "Cult Investigations" for the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office and has held this position for the past 8 years. He has been in Law Enforcement for the past 30 years. He has worked all phases: Uniform Deputy; Shift Supervisor; Organized Crime; Homicide Investigations; Narcotics; Terrorist Groups; Arson; Motorcycle Gangs; Other Gangs and Cult Investigations.

This lecture is being sponsored by The Stratford Police Department, Sherman County Sheriff's Office and Stratford Volunteer Fire Department.

The schedule will be as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. Presentation begins
- 12 Noon Lunch break
- 1 p.m. Resume presentation
- 3 p.m. Break
- 5 p.m. End of presentation

All parents, teachers, law enforcement and fire personnel are urged to attend this important lecture. Unless we are completely informed on this subject we cannot be sure that we do not have "CHILDREN AT RISK"

NO CHILDREN OR VIDEO CAMERAS WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THE PRESENTATION

Anyone having questions should contact Police Chief Kerry Copeland or Municipal Judge Connie Oquin at 396-5581.

Dr. Crockett's Office Hours

Dr. Crockett will be out of the office from 12 noon until 2:30 p.m. Monday thru Fridays in order to make rounds at Dumas Memorial Hospital. The office WILL REMAIN OPEN at this time for your convenience.

New Office hours are 8 a.m. to 12 noon. 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. We want to thank everyone for their understanding and hope this does not cause any inconvenience.

Stratford Youth Basketball Association Has 100 Participants

By Jeanie Bell-President

Stratford Youth Basketball Association has exactly 100 youth participating in our program. These 100 players are divided into 12 teams of different ages and genders. At the end of our regular season, each child will have participated in six intercity games and in two to three half-time scrimmages. Third and fourth graders have been playing at the Junior Varsity half-times, while fifth and sixth graders have played at the Varsity half-times. In our league games, each child is required to play two full quarters, and each child has greatly improved and seems to have had fun doing it. These teams are being instructed by a total of twenty coaches and we thank them.

The coaches will pick All-Stars for the fifth and sixth grade youth. They will represent Stratford at area tournaments and games; and also will play locally in the Chamber of Commerce sponsored tournament to be held March 25, 26 and 27.

Recently a representative for the Stratford Youth Basketball Association met with the County Commissioners to discuss the possibility of putting portable goals in the new county barn for another practice place. The Stratford School District has been very generous in letting these teams practice at the Mary Allen and in the old gym. We must, however work around the school teams practice schedule. With 12 teams vying for practice time, we are limited. The Commissioners tabled a decision, so that they might study the feasibility of our request. They wanted an opportunity to view the barn with our request in mind.

If you, as a taxpayer, favor the idea of allowing us to put the goals in the barn for supervised practices, please let your commissioner know. This is a good program for our youth. Maybe it involves, or will eventually involve, your child, grandchild of other special young person.

Operations Hazmat Course To Be Offered

There will be an Operations Hazmat Course offered in Amarillo with two sessions being offered on either March 11-12 or March 13-14. The Potter-Randall Local Emergency Planning Committee is sponsoring this free course and the instruction will be presented by Resource Applications of Denver, Co. This course is a 16 hour EPA certified class that meets OSHA 1910.120 requirements. Those who need to attend are Fire Fighters, First Responders, Emergency Management Personnel, Emergency Medical Services, Peace Officers and County Officials. If you would like more information on this class, please call my office at 396-2021. Reservations are required and enrollment is limited to 65 each day.

Stratford Three To Scramble In Houston Rodeo Event

Ryan Swain, Rhea Chumley and Dean Hauser, all 4-H members from Sherman County, will be competing in the 1993 Houston Rodeo calf scramble on March 6th in the Astrodome.

The calf scramble is an exciting part of Houston rodeo action, featuring Billy Ray Cyrus as part of that matinee performance.

Ryan is the son of Jack and Linda Swain. Rhea is the son of Dick and Barbara Chumley and Dean is the son of Ray and Lynda Hauser. These boys will compete for one of the 288 calves to be awarded at the 1993 show.

Additionally, as many as two youngsters from each of the 18 rodeo performances will be awarded "hard luck" certificates for their hearty efforts in

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What Is A Stuffedee????

What is a Stuffedee? Stuffedee is a 12 foot tall rag doll who is used as the focal point of programs on health, hygiene and nutrition for young children. Despite his winning smile and "Raggedy Andy" type appearance, Stuffedee is equipped with automatically correct internal organs and a real heart beat that children can hear. Developed by the Pittsburgh Children's Museum and used in museums across the country. Stuffedee comes to the Imagination Station thanks to the Don Harrington Station in Amarillo. Stuffedee will be visiting Keyes, Oklahoma where he will also educate students from Felt and Yarbrough, then he will go to Texhoma, Dalhart and on Friday he will be at Mary Allen Elementary school in Stratford.



A good crowd turned out for the Der Wurst Fes Dinner at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Sunday, Feb. 14, 1993. The meal was delicious, if you missed it attend next year, you won't be disappointed.



Making Plans For 1993 Stratford Jamboree and Fair

Making plans for 1993 Stratford Jamboree and Sherman County Fair. Gaynelle Riffe, Chairman Bill Blain, Vice-Chairman, Brenda Bell, Chairman of Fair Book. Contest for Jamboree parade and fair theme will be announced soon.

Crimestoppers Telephone 396-2600



Dear Readers

Marty Robertson
Editor

First off don't forget Stratford Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Thursday, Feb. 18th. Hope to see you there. Scot Depression Supper Saturday, Feb. 20th. Go and help support.

Remember that the 4-H and Stratford FFA are extending an invitation to their Buyers Appreciation Banquet to be held Next Monday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Sherman County Exhibit Building. If you bought an animal or donated to the Stratford Contributors Fund or the Texoma Merchants Fund, you are invited.

Important Attend the Seminar this Sat. Children at Risk.

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Letters To The Editor

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Dear Stratford PTA:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the generous gift you made to our district's Preschool Screening Project. The new D.I.A.L.-R (AGS edition) is wonderful. I know that our children in Stratford and the surrounding area that come to the D.I.A.L. Screening will benefit greatly from its purchase.

In the past fifteen years we have borrowed the kits from our Region Service Center in Amarillo and have had to be placed on waiting lists. Our own D.I.A.L. kit will enable us to expatiate the screening process and scheduling according to our own district's needs.

Thank you again on behalf of our wonderful volunteers, parents and preschool population. You are truly an asset in our district.

Sincerely,
Chris McAdams
Dial-R Coordinator
PPCD/Resource Teacher
Mary Allen Elementary
Stratford ISD

Dear Editor:

I Johnny Garza would like to take the opportunity to express my feelings about the flyers. My son Anthony is the one that throws them. He is just doing his job. At least he is doing his job, some of us don't even do that. I don't see what is so hard about picking it up once a week. As for those of you that don't want it, all you have to do is ask. And for those of you who want the people to shop here in town. You know as well as I do that the people of Stratford have been shopping in Dumas/Amarillo etc. a lot longer than his flyers been thrown.

Thank you
Johnny Garza



Obits

Charley Lamb

Charley Lamb, 67, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 1993.

Rosary was recited at 7:00 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, 1993 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Stratford, TX. Mass of Christian Burial was at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Father Gary Sides, Pastor, St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Panhandle, TX Officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Dalhart, Texas.

Mr. Lamb was born Dec. 24, 1925 in Leon County, TX. He was a U.S. Army Veteran. During World War II, he served with the 82nd Airborne in France, Germany and Belgium. After the war ended, he served as an honor guard for General Dwight Eisenhower until returning to the United States. Mr. Lamb married Virginia Gibeay, August 8, 1946 at Dalhart. He graduated from Sam Houston College in Huntsville in 1949. After graduation, Mr. Lamb moved to Stratford where he taught agricultural at Stratford High School for 14 years. In 1963 Charley joined Stratford Butane where he managed the company's chemical, fertilizer and aerial crop dusting operations. Over the years, Charley was instrumental in the development of the agriculture industry in the Panhandle. Many of the irrigation wells were originally located by Charley in the 1950's. A large percentage of his former students became prominent farmers and ranchers in the area. His relationship with his students continued through the years as a business partner and advisor. He was a Charter member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and served on the building committee at St. Joseph's. After retirement he worked part time for American Sprayers in Dalhart.

Survivors include his wife Virginia of Stratford; Son: Mark Lamb and his wife Carla of Houston, TX., Three brothers, J.B. Lamb of Hilltop, TX., Rev. Lee Lamb of Rockdale, TX., and

Ag Computer Shortcourse For Advanced Users Feb. 23rd

Texas Agricultural Extension Service is offering an advanced computer shortcourse using the financial recordkeeping software program Quicken6 now widely used in agriculture operations. The program features a traveling notebook computer laboratory. The day long classes are being held in communities throughout the Panhandle in Feb. and March.

Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension Economist-Management will be teaching the 1-day shortcourse in Stratford at the new Sherman County Barn on Feb. 23. Registration fee is \$40.00. Class starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends by 4:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required with class size limited to 14 participants or couples.

According to Amosson this shortcourse series is for advanced users with a working knowledge of Quicken6 applications. Other advanced classes are scheduled in Amarillo on Feb. 24 and again in Pampa on March 11.

A seminar for advanced users is designed to assist farmers and ranchers in developing financial statements with Quicken6 is scheduled on March 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo and costs \$40.00

For registration forms and more information contact Sherman County Extension Agent at 806-396-2081 or Dr. Steve Amosson at 806-359-5401.

Rev. Clifton Lamb of Pearland, TX. Two sisters: Mrs. Chester Thompson of Luling, TX., and Mrs. Fannie Shaddix of Centerville, TX. and a sister in Law, Mrs. Lloyd (Pat) Loftin of Dalhart. Three grandchildren Shae, Kelly and Chris Lamb of Houston.

Breast Cancer Screening To Be Held

The Breast Cancer Screening Program of the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital of Amarillo will continue community outreach clinics for early detection of breast cancer.

Funding is available through the Texas Cancer Council for screening mammography for Texas residents qualifying for financial assistance.

Early detection of breast cancer is the major goal of cancer control for each woman seen in the clinic. The clinic provides low cost screening which includes a breast exam by a Registered Nurse trained in breast cancer detection, teaching of breast self examination and a mammogram.

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection. Early detection is best screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are:

1. Learn & perform breast self examination every month.
2. Have a physical examination every year.
3. Have a mammogram according to the recommendations by age.

Age-35 to 40 One baseline mammogram

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A clinic will be held on Tuesday February 23, 1993, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Stratford, at the First United Methodist Church, 520 N. Main.

the clinic or to make an appointment, please call the Harrington Cancer Center (806) 359-4673 or our toll free number 1-800-274-HOPE (4673). Exams are done by appointment only. For more information about

Typical Profile Children At Risk

By
Officer Bill Thompson
Stratford High School
Sat. Feb. 20, 1993

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Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

FOLKS, is there such a fact as Snow Claustrophobia? If so don't be surprised if the rumor that there is an epidemic of "IT" raging among Senior Citizens in Stratford, TX gets broadcast. This Monday morning Feb. 15, 1993 there is several inches of the beautiful white stuff-SNOW-covering the ground, house tops, trees, cars, everything in sight AGAIN. The Foregoing is a new introduction to Scot Notes isn't it? Happy Day, however, to you Sherman County Old Timers, Friends, Neighbors, Scoters, because there is a very interesting, important event taking place this week-namely Scot's DEPRESSION (Bean) Supper. The date is Saturday, Feb. 20th; place is Scot Hall; Time 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. donation \$3.00 per adult; \$1.50 per child 6-12 years of age. Remember, the Supper is Scot organization yearly fund raiser and we are thanking citizens for generous donations over and above the minimum suggested on tickets. If snow continues, beans and cornbread will taste WONDERFUL Saturday at the Bean supper. Scot's regular calendar of events is in operation, of course; Friday, Feb. 19th is game night, time 7 p.m. Tues. Feb. 23rd, 1993 Regular board meeting; time 10 a.m. Board members, to remind yourself of the date; put a red ring around Feb. 23!

Last week Clarence Willman was ill, so the four regulars played "42". We missed you, Clarence. On Friday, Feb. 12 Elsie Pickens, Opal Bryant, Rowena Williams, Anita DeBord, Cecelia DeBord, Timmie Brown, Bess Stone, Alda Mitts, Minnie Reeder, Lillie Galloway, Myrtle and Bernie Starker. Doris Hughes, Shirley Armstrong, Millie Hacker, Darlene and Lew Bruni, Dicy & Max Stephenson, Director Jack Gore enjoyed dining at Mah's Guymon. Sat. Feb. 13, attending Sr. Citizens dance in Guymon were the R.J. Hills, the Lew Brunis, the H.L. Hailes, the Jack Gores, the Baskin Browns, Dorothy Robbins, Roy Mitchell. On Thurs. Feb. 11, 1993 Stratford citizens were challenged by an unusual ice storm. Wed. p.m. intermittent snow and rain showers fell. Wed. night several inches of snow fell on rain wet walks and streets. Thurs. a.m. all traffic moved very slowly on icy, snow covered street. Even all citizens any age, drove carefully. One of the happiest incidents for us last week was absorbing the Grandparents Brag page in the "Star"

Two Special Workshops To Be Held

The Sherman County Extension Homemakers Clubs and Councils will be hosting two special workshops during the months of February and March.

Quilt In A Day will be held on Thursday, Feb. 25th in the County Exhibit Building. Mrs. Jeanie Bennett of Dumas will be teaching strip piecing techniques at the workshop. For more information and a list of supplies, contact the County Extension Office.

Home sewers are invited to learn how to create their own Broomstick Skirt on March 11th. This fashionable workshop will be held at the County Exhibit Building. For more information, contact the County Extension Office.

The annual Spring Fling will be held on Thursday, April 1. All Extension Homemakers will gather for a luncheon, style show, and workshop on Watercolor Paper Jewelry.

All interested persons are invited to attend any of the workshops or special activities in addition to meeting with an organized Extension Homemaker Club.

For more information about Extension Homemakers Club membership, contact Jean Everett, Jimmie Pronger, Teresa Edmond or Susie Spurlock.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, or national origin. References to commercial products or trade names are made with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsement by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is implied.

Robert A. Brown, Austin, TX son of the late James and Lorene Brown, is recuperating from brain tumor surgery. Bob's home address is 7307 Maywood Circle, Austin, Texas 78723. Bob grew up in Stratford, graduation from SHS.

Cheryl Anderson, Amarillo and Joel Hart visited us Sunday, Valentine Day. Cheryl has opened a business, called Talent Agency in Amarillo. She has done casting work for N.B.C. Best Buy National Commercials; served as local liason for the motion picture "Leap of Faith" The agency does casting for local and regional commercials, bookings musicians for conventions, banquets parties, Cheryl is a gifted musician.

Erma Houston sustained an aneurism while visiting her daughter in Woodward Ok. She is in St. Mary's Hospital, Enid Ok. Edith Houston, Coldwater Manor is home from Dumas Hospital. Mary Peach Smith remains in Amarillo for therapy after knee surgery. Darrell Cotney is reported to be at home. Alton Brewster remains in St. Anthony's Hospital, Amarillo.

How long has it been since you read Emerson's "Snowbound?"

Remember Scot Depression Supper, Let's telephone cheery, greetings of "Luv" to snowbound peers.



Births

Jacque Michele has come to live with Sheila, Claude and Leonda Fedric. Jacque was born Monday, February 8, 1993. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces, and was 19 3/4 inches long.



Tips & Topics

by Susie Spurlock
County Extension Agent

Learning What Happiness Means

Some of the most popular ideas about what makes people happy are incorrect.

Studies by psychologists have measured little difference in happiness between teenagers, males and females, the middle-aged and the elderly. Knowing whether someone is rich or poor, black or white, healthy or handicapped, does not make it possible to predict how happy that person is likely to be.

Generally, people are as happy today as their parents were 30 years ago. Researchers say that external circumstances have little effect on psychological well-being. They agree that the following four inner traits foster happiness:

***Self-Esteem**--Those who are happy like themselves. They protect themselves from anxiety and depression by feeling good about themselves. Those who believe positive things about themselves suffer less from ulcers and insomnia and are less likely to abuse drugs. They tend to be more resistant to pressures to conform and are more persistent at difficult tasks.

***Personal Control**--Americans who have a strong sense that they control their own lives and feel satisfied with themselves are twice as likely to be very happy as the national average. Those who agree with statements like what happens to me is my own doing or the average person can influence government decisions typically do better in school, cope better with stress and live more happily than those who lack that sense of personal control. Those given little control over their environment such as prisoners or even people in nursing homes suffer from lower morale, greater stress and worse health.

***Optimism**--Optimistic people tend to be healthier as well as happier. They suffer less from illness and tend to recover better. Positive thinkers get positive results, succeeding better in business than pessimists. However, unrealistic optimism can make people believe they are invulnerable and stop them from taking sensible steps to avoid danger.

***Socializing**--Those who are more sociable and outgoing tend to be happier and more satisfied with life than introverts. Extroverts are cheerful and high-spirited people who like themselves. When they meet strangers, they are confident the strangers will like them as well.



Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

Kerry Boren Carlisle was surprised Feb. 9 when Kerrick people and eight from Stratford showed up in Keyes, Ok., to watch her girls basketball team play. The team won 74-34 and has a record of 14-0. Husband Kelly is her assistant coach (unpaid). He coaches football at Moscow, KS. there are only nine girls on the team.

When the group walked in, they saw Charlene Smith, former Stratford teacher, who is the Keyes Principal through sixth grade. Also, Joe Nell Brannon Naylor and husband Johnny. Their daughter, Jennifer, is a senior and all seniors and their parents or guardians were honored at the boys halftime in a touching ceremony.

J.C. Robinson was with his senior grandson, Levi Strader, who is making his home with Jake.

Another interesting thing was that David McReynolds of Boise City was a referee. He teaches math there.

Going from Stratford were Don & Martha Ellison, Mark & Nicole Rouse, B.F. and Betty Henry, DeeCee and her baby.

From Kerrick were Bill & Pat Boren, Fred & Marylou McDaniel, Franny Taylor, Don & Bill Gillenwaters, Nita Taylor, Florencia Eslinger, George Avent, Barbara & Terry Schoonover, Ted Irlbeck, Richard and Sue James, Mike McDaniel.

Ted Irlbeck fell in his home Feb. 7 and really banged up his forehead!

The OFF Club met at Jo June McDaniel Feb. 12th "Making the Most of Jewelry" program and Valentine Party. Barbara Schoonover, president, gave the program.

Plans were made for the upcoming trip to Denver and the Aztec exhibit.

Also the Coldwater Manor party they will host in March.

Others present were Pat Boren, Donna Avent and girls, Joyce Harper, Joyce Irlbeck, Barbara Avent, Florencia Eslinger, Jackie Groves and girls and guest Kathryn Schriber.

Terry and Barbara Schoonover spent Sunday working at their Folsom, New Mexico Home.

Safe Place Hotline

By Phyllis Melton

For many years family violence was considered a private matter and was tolerated or "winked at" by many people, sometimes even by judges and law officers. Texas law now clearly states that family violence is a crime and is to be taken seriously. The law sets out very plainly how courts and law officers must respond to family violence cases. The following are more Questions and Answers taken from the Texas Rural Legal Aid, Inc. (A Guide to Protective Orders) manual, continuing from Part 2.

Q. What is a protective order?

A. It is a court order signed by a judge especially to help in cases of family violence. The judge orders the violent person to stop the violence and leave certain people alone or face being arrested. The police and Sheriff's department get a copy of the order, too. A protective order is not a magic shield but it can be a powerful tool in discouraging violent behavior and keeping you safe.

Local 4-H & FFA Members To Exhibit Prize Livestock At 1993 Houston Livestock Show

Eight FFA Members and eleven 4-H members from Stratford will be joining other 4-H and FFA members from throughout Texas for show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show, Feb. 20 through March 7 at the Astrohall.

These FFA and 4-H exhibitors compete in one of two divisions of the Houston Livestock Show-the junior show division. The other division, the open show, attracts its exhibitors from the world's agricultural industry, who are primarily professional breeders and ranchers.

Entries in both the open and junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston Livestock Show the world's largest.

The eight FFA students are Joy Burkhalter, Shannon

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Bill and Pat Boren went to Montezuma, Kansas Saturday to watch the snow make up game between them and Moscow. Moscow won again.

Q. What will I be expected to do if I file for a protective order?

A. You must be willing to either write or tell your story to a judge, to give proof of family violence and to obey the terms of the order. For instance, if the judge says the violent person cannot come into your home, you must not invite him in. You must carefully abide by your part of the order if you want the courts and the police to take you seriously.

Q. What proof do I need?

A. Before signing a protective order, a judge must be convinced that family violence has already occurred and is likely to occur again. Although your word alone may be enough, the more evidence you give, the more likely it is you'll get an order. Witnesses, hospital or doctor's records, records of calls or other contacts with a family violence shelter or hotline, photographs of injuries, police reports, and other evidence of violence will help convince the judge. Remember that family violence means threats of immediate physical harm, as well as actual physical damage.

Q. What can I ask the judge to put in the order?

A. In general a judge can prohibit or require anything likely to reduce family violence. A person can be prohibited from communicating with certain family

or household members (including by phone), from selling or giving away certain property, from taking away a child, and of course, from hitting or threatening. The judge can order a batterer to move out of the house, to stay away from work place or your children's school, pay child support, get counseling, and take other steps.

A. What will I have to do AFTER I get the protective order?

A. You should keep a copy of the order, signed by the judge, with you at all times to show the police if necessary. You must be prepared to call the police if the violent persons disobeys the order in anyway. If the order applies to children at their school or day care center, you should see that people at the school or center have a copy of the order.

Q. Can a person be arrested for violating a temporary order?

A. Yes, but police may be reluctant to make arrests for violations of ex parte (temporary) protective orders. Nonetheless, you must report any violation of an order to law enforcement agencies. And remember that many acts of family violence are crimes even if they do not violate a protective order. Arrest without a warrant is specifically authorized by the law when an officer has

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Star Extension Holds Meeting

Star Extension Homemakers met February 2, 1993 at noon with Doris Dyess, hostess. The opening exercise "How To Save For Your Childs College" was given by Doris. The following answered roll call with "How I Met My Valentine", Leona Kelp, Jimmie Pronger, Melba Keener, Ava Keener, Joyce Irlbeck, Kay Aston, Lorelyn Powers, Dortha Allen, Mary Lou Walden, a guest and the hostess, Doris.

Members were asked what year they joined an Extension Club so that a Master List may be prepared; also to keep a record of their volunteer hours.

"Quilt in a Day Workshop" will be held February 25, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Old County Barn.

Mary Lou Walden presented

an interesting program on "literacy update," she said that millions of Americans live in silent shame because they can't read and one adult out of five function illiterate. You can help wipe out illiteracy by becoming a tutor or referring a non reader to a literacy program.

The next meeting will be February 16th sat noon with Ava Keener and visitors are always welcome.

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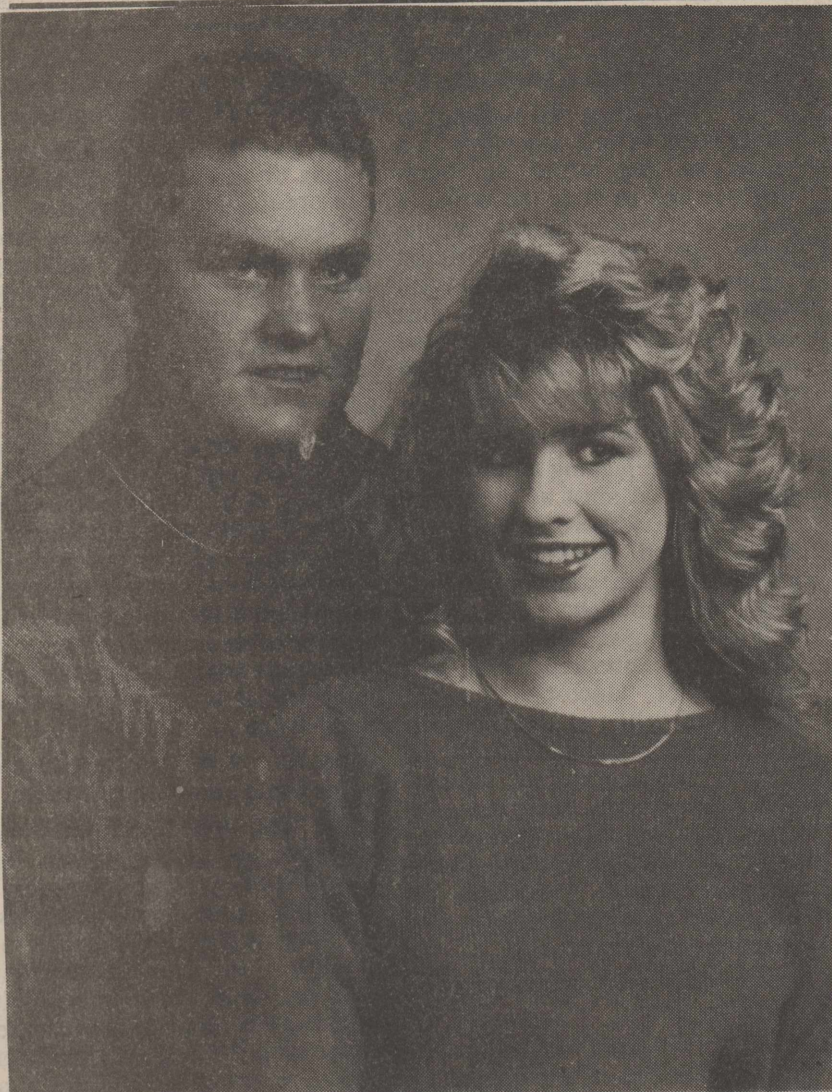


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Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Dreyer are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy Sue Dreyer, to James Douglas Blake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blake of Sulphur Springs, TX. Doug is the grandson of Dorothy Robbins and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Blake of Stratford. Amy is performing with the Texas Dance Theater and is an instructor of dance at Shelly Powers' Academy of Dance in Houston. Doug is a graduate of Spring High School and is attending HCC in Houston. The couple plan to wed on March 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the Canterbury United Methodist Church of Houston.



Couple To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. James McCoy of Groveton, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jeanie Marie Cochran to Anthony Wayne Slover, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Slover of Stratford, Texas. A Feb. 27th wedding is planned at First Baptist Church of Groveton, Texas at 2 o'clock p.m. Invitation is extended through the press.

4H & FFA Members Cont. from page 3

Burkhalter, Kyle Ellison, Michael Gonzales, Trew James, Jeffrey Ricketson, Philip Vaughn, Tracy Weiland.

The Eleven 4-H members are Jami Allen, Wendy Allison, Rhea Chumley, Richard Chumley, Dean Hauser Chris Haynes, Levi James, Ashlie Lasley, Jalane Rhoades, Brock Swain and Ryan Swain.

Representing 862 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show is expected to exceed 11,000 entries this year. A variety of animals are shown in the junior



Smith To Serve As Ambassador

Jim Wilson Smith, Past Master of Stratford Blue Lodge 874, will serve as an "ambassador" from the Lubbock Scottish Rite Bodies to Stratford Blue Lodge and has been recognized with his picture to hang in the Hall at Lubbock Scottish Rite Bodies where he is a charter member and 32 degree mason. The activities for this was January 20th in Lubbock.



Happy 100th Birthday

Celebrating her 100th birthday, Eliza Elizabeth Leonard, a Burleson Nursing Center resident and the mother of Mrs. John McAlister celebrated her 100th birthday on Wed. Jan. 27, 1993. She was born 1893. She married James R. Leonard on Oct. 3, 1910. They had 6 boys and 2 girls. She now has 24 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren. John and Billie McAlister traveled to Burleson, Texas to be with her.



Lisa Crabtree is shown above with some of the Story Time Kids that go every Wednesday Morning at the Sherman County Library from 11 to 12. Lisa is just one of the many volunteers that make this program successful.



District Debate Tournament

The District Debate Tournament was held at West Texas High School on February 13th. Seated left to right is Kimberly Bouldin, Sarah Graham, Anna Cano and Hollie Husmann. Standing Jared Sims, Clint Vincent, Matt Brotherton, Josh Marshall and Cathy Woolsey. Advancing to State tournament is Josh Marshall and Sarah Graham. They will be competing March 15 and 16th in Austin.

Ramifications In Rio

By Sarah Graham

"Ramifications in Rio" was the topic of a gifted and talented seminar held Thursday, Feb. 4 at the Region XVI Service Center in Amarillo. Approximately 80 students from around the Panhandle attended. Representing Stratford High School were seniors Anna Cano and Josh Marshall, Juniors Kimberly Bouldin, Sarah Graham and Hollie Husmann and Freshman Jared Sims.

The seminar was based on issues raised at an environmental summit held in Rio de Janeiro in the summer of 1992. At the summit, world leaders discussed concerns such as global warming, air pollution, and the destruction of rainforests.

Students were given the task of holding a court case to decide whether or not human activities, especially the destruction of rainforests, are harming the environment.

The students split into two groups, according to their feelings on the issue. The groups were: the environmentalists who favored of preserving nature and the progressives who favored economic progress.

A judge, lawyer, jury members, witnesses and group representatives were chosen from all the students.

Josh and Sarah were both picked as lawyers to present the progressives. Jared was in the jury pool, and Hollie was a witness for the progressives. Anna served as a group representative for the environmentalists.

After hearing all the evidence, the jury deliberated for 20 minutes before returning a "guilty" verdict on two charges and a "not guilty" verdict on the other two charges of harms to the environment.

"Barber Of Seville" To Be Presented

Amarillo Opera/Amarillo College presents Rossini's Barber of Seville March 5, 6 at 7:30 p.m. and March 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Amarillo College Concert Hall Theater. Barber of Seville will be conducted by James Setapen.

This will be Setapen's debut with Amarillo Opera, but he is no stranger to local music lovers since he has been music director/conductor for the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra for over four years. He also has experience conducting and coaching opera, all over the country. Lauran Fulton-Corson will be the featured guest soloist.

Mila Gibson is the director and Gene Murray is her assistant. Mr. Murray also designs and makes many of Amarillo Opera's costumes.

Barber of Seville is based on the first of the trilogy of plays about the same principal characters by Beaumarchais. The second play, The Marriage of Figaro was adapted as an opera by Mozart.

Additional funding for the opera is provided by the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Arts Committee.

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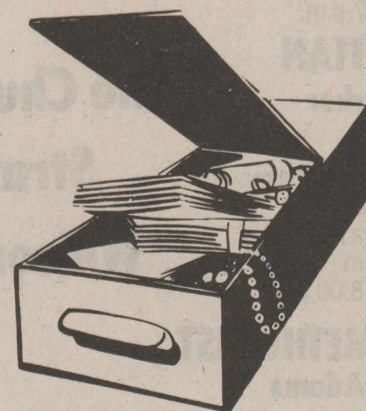
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CIS Church Development Holds Meeting

The CIS Church Development Foundation met recently at Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. This foundation has been developed for future follow-up in the Commonwealth of Independent States. In the summer of 1992, 88 crusaders representing 26 churches from seven states ministered in Minsk, Belarus. The crusade was named "To Russia With His Love" and was sponsored by St. Stephens Methodist Church, San Jacinto Baptist Church, Trinity Fellowship, and Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. Directors for the foundation are members of Amarillo churches with interdenominational participants from a tri-state region. Area churches are encouraged to join the effort to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the former Soviet Union, who for 74 years did not allow their people to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

A fact-finding team of ten visited Minsk in October to find how Americans could best help the Belarussians. Medical personnel as well as spiritual leaders came back with ideas that have since been developed into a summer program with a need for 250-300 workers. Summer plans include 10 options for 12-13 day

crusades with 25-40 members into the city of two million people. The estimated cost for the trip will be \$2,000 which will include travel, lodging, food and interpreters. Crusade activities will include pastor training, teaching Sunday School teachers, teaching and sharing at children's camps, theater and park crusade, hospital ministry, and working with underground church members.

Christ for the Nations, a worldwide organization, is now in Minsk printing Bibles. Cost for the New Testaments in Russian will be fifty cents and the entire Bible will cost \$1.60. Bible distribution will continue to be a part of the crusade (over 80,000 were delivered in the last crusade) as well as supplying hospitals with medicine and medical supplies.

Dr. Wayne Smith of Amarillo, a member of the October fact-finding group, shared how medically the Russians are at least 40 years behind the United States. Because of their pride, doctors are somewhat hesitant to receive assistance. Germans evidently came to help in the recent past and made promises that were never fulfilled, so the Russians became skeptical of "helpers". Medicines as ordinary to Americans Tylenol come at a premium there. They are in

desperate need for medications and simple supplies.

Former Marine Colonel and recent consultant to Russia, Bill Duncan, is Director of CIS Foundation and continues to work out the details for this extensive effort. He, along with the Johnny Taylor family, and Pastor Gary London of Trinity Fellowship, all of Amarillo, will leave the states in

may to spend the summer in Minsk coordinating the crusade. Morris Cobb, recently retired Vice President of New Development from High Plains Baptist Hospital, is currently coordinating pastors who will spend three weeks training Belarussian pastors. This will be their first formal education in preaching and teaching, pastoral care, evangelism and church administration.

Leaders of children's camps where children are required to attend during the summer months to be indoctrinated by the government, have invited American crusaders to teach the truth of the gospel there. The movie "JESUS," which has been interpreted into 88 languages by Campus Crusade for Christ, will be shown at the camps and in theaters in the city. In the Minsk area there are dozens of camps which house 200-800 children each from 5-15 years of age.

These people who live in one-room flats spend much time in the parks during the light months of summer when there is three to four hours of darkness. Ministry in the parks will continue to be successful as in the 92 crusade. Small groups with portable sound systems will sing, preach and distribute Bibles with the assistance of interpreters. Thousands of people will be enlightened by the presentation of the gospel in their beautiful parks.

A new ministry opportunity in 1993 will be to the underground churches. Many Russians continue to worship in secrecy due to a lack of trust in the new system and its leaders. Crusaders will be meeting with members to minister to their needs and encourage them to join with other Christians in fellowship and teaching them to join with

other Christians in fellowship and teaching their own people about Jesus Christ.

According to Kari King, newscaster for KFDD News and a 92 crusader, problems in the former Soviet Union continue to multiply. The inflation rate is now at an all-time high of 400% and food continues to be in short supply. Many are disillusioned and afraid of what democracy will require. Some sources seem to believe that the people will choose a dictator to lead them. Due to this possibility, time could be shortened for the delivery of the gospel. Leaders of the CIS crusade feel an urgency to effectively evangelize at least one city in the Commonwealth. KFDD will again participate in recording the venture. An updated version of "Son Over Russia" will be aired on Channel 10 in the near future to inform area residents of last summer's experiences in Minsk, Belarus.

Language classes are now being offered to crusaders by a former Russian who is living in Amarillo. March 1 will be the first fund-raising banquet featuring well-known artist and pastor, Kenneth Wyatt. The banquet will be featured in the Grand Plaza Ballroom, Civic Center, Amarillo and starts at 7 p.m. The annual auction will be held April 24th at the Tri-State Auto Auction. Funds will be raised to purchase Bibles, Christian literature and books, six "JESUS" films which cost \$950 each, and medical supplies. Each crusader will be responsible to pay in full thirty days before departure.

Persons interested in participating in this historic event can call Fred & Irene Hughes, 1992 Crusader from Dumas, at 935-2370. Interested parties can also contact Bill Duncan at 806-383-6990. Tax-deductible donations or inquiries can be sent to CIS Church Development Foundation, 1101 Panhandle Blvd., Amarillo, Texas 79107.

When the 285 million people in the former Soviet Union are evangelized, "Russia" will be the largest Christian nation in the world covering 1/6 of the total land mass!

Scholarship To Be Awarded

The Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart will award the seventh annual Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship to a deserving graduating high school senior. The scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$500.00 to be paid \$250.00 for each semester. The applications have been mailed to area counselors in the Association's service territory of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore Counties. Applications are also available by calling the FLBA office at 249-2616 and should be returned to the office at 201 West 5th no later than Friday, April 2nd. The scholarship will be awarded during the Annual Stockholders Meeting to be held April 22nd.

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The award is named in honor of Burke Bell who served as manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart from 1960-1982.

Berry Reports For Duty

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Barbara A. Berry, daughter of Ted A. & Laura A. Berry of Route 2, Texhoma, TX, recently reported for duty at Naval Submarine Support Facility, Groton, CT.

The 1981 graduate of Texhoma High School and 1985 graduate of West Texas State University, Canyon, TX, with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, joined the Navy in November 1986.

Quilt In A Day

The Sherman County Extension Homemakers will be sponsoring a Quilt in a Day Workshop on Thursday, Feb. 25th. The workshop will be in the County Exhibit Building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mrs. Jeanie Bennett of Dumas will be the instructor. Mrs. Bennett will be teaching participants how to put together a quilt top using the strip piecing method.

Please call the Extension Office at 396-2122 so adequate arrangements can be made, more information and a list of supplies can be obtained.

Volunteers Needed

Frances Dickey, local representative for ASSE International Student Exchange Programs, has been searching for volunteer host families in Dumas & surrounding areas. However, the response has not been sufficient to find homes for many of the outstanding exchange students who are scheduled to arrive in August. Available students include: Karolina, a 17 year old girl from Czechoslovakia, who enjoys playing piano and sports. Clinton, 17, from Germany who enjoys tennis, cycling and basketball and Magnus, a 17 year old boy from Sweden, likes golf (11 hdp). You can help make a student's dream come true by calling ASSE at 1-800-473-0696 or Frances Dickey at (806) 935-2465.

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by laws.

DATED the 10th day of February, 1993.

Rex W. Easterwood, P.C. Attorney for the Estate

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Chesnut Elected Vice-chairman

Austin-Members of the Tenth District Farm Credit Bank Board of Directors have re-elected Dalhart farmer Billy Chesnut as vice chairman of the board.

Chesnut, who was re-elected to a three-year term on the board last fall, has served as its vice chairman since 1988.

A former director and vice chairman of the Amarillo Production Credit Association, Chesnut raises cattle, wheat and milo near Dalhart. The Texas Tech University graduate holds a bachelors degree in animal husbandry. He is a former board member of the Texas Farm Bureau and is active in the Texas Cattle Feeders Association and the National Cattlemen Association.

As vice chairman, Chesnut helps direct policy for a \$3.5 billion agricultural lending network which has approximately 53,000 loans outstanding to farmers and ranchers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas.



Legal Notices

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The Commissioners Court of Sherman County, Texas, will convene in Special Session on Monday, February 22, 1993 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom in the County Courthouse, to select a depository for county funds for March 1, 1993, through February 28, 1995, according to Article 2544, Texas Revised Civil Statutes. Any banking corporation, association, individual banker in Texas, desiring to be selected as County Funds Depository shall make application therefore and said application shall conform to the provisions of articles including Article 2544 through 2558-A, Texas Revised Civil Statutes.

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attempting to catch a calf, resulting in 36 more certificates actually given.

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The Kitchen crew at the Der Wurst Fest Dinner Lois Husmann, Mary Pool, Betty Saenz and Benita Heuerca

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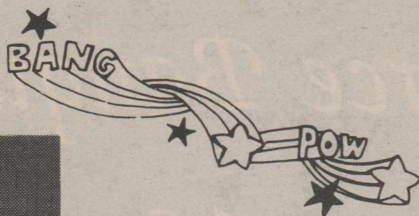
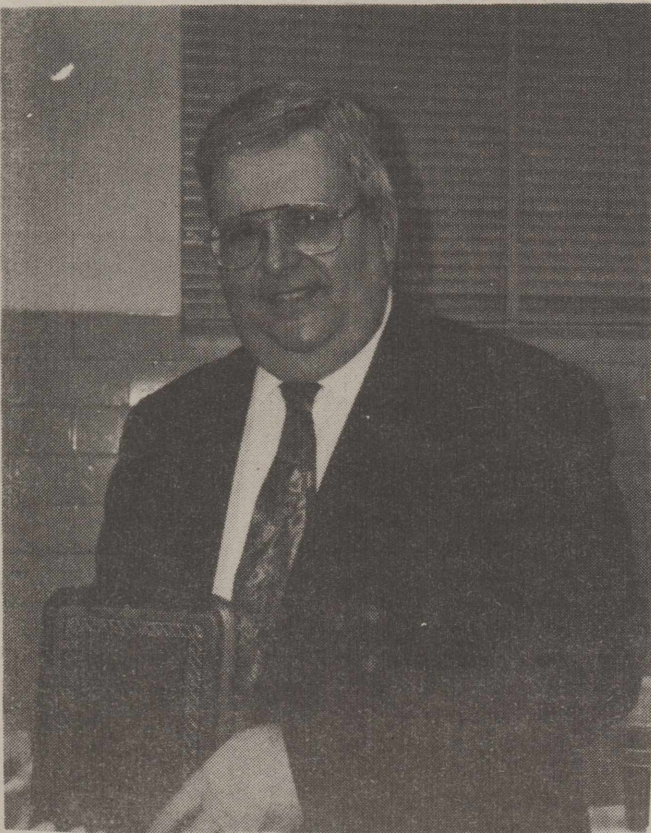
Business Persons of The Year
Marge and Ed Moore



The Ed Moores have maintained this business in the same location for over 30 years. They have served the farmers of this community for all of this time. They have four children all of whom attended the Stratford Public Schools, graduated here in Stratford. They have nine grandchildren and are members of the First United Methodist Church. They are always willing to share of themselves, while raising a family and tending to their business. They have never been too busy to give you the time of the day. They have been the backbone, in a very quiet way, to

the community of Stratford and Sherman County. There have been many times when we think they probably felt like pulling out stakes, but they have always had a very positive attitude towards the public, and Stratford in general. The Moores have been in the same building since the birth of their business. Marge still uses the same small office she started out with. She laughs and says there is only room for one, so that leaves Ed out in front or at the local coffee shop, talking trade or farming. Moore Implement was chosen as the Business Persons of the Year.

Citizen Of The Year
Rev. David Harker



David Allen Harker, Citizen of the Year, was born in 1937 in Lebanon, Indiana, the son of David and Thelma Harker. His father graduated from Purdue University as a civil engineer. David's mother had college training in library science and in later years ran the family's Office Supply store. During the Second World War the family lived in Columbus, Ohio where David's father was head of the Water Supply Board for the State of Ohio. After the war, the family returned to Indiana where David's father started his own surveying business. From the age of 11, David worked as a member of his father's surveying crew. Both his parents were active church

members and taught Sunday School for many years. At the age of 16, having grown up in the church, David felt called to enter the ministry. After graduating from Martinsville High School, he attended Lynchburg College in Lynchburg, Virginia and graduated from Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana. He began preaching at the age of 19, serving as a student minister of New Winchester Christian Church for three years. He met his future wife, Rita Poe, during his first year in seminary. David was ordained to the Christian Ministry in 1962 at the age of 25. In June 1963, he graduated magna cum laude from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. That same month,

Farmer of The Year
Mary Stowers



At age 21, Mary Stowers, our Farmer of the Year married an individual from a neighboring farm family and together they set about establishing a home for the four children later born to them. They naturally entered the farming business and soon had a small acreage of their own. They started out with little, times were hard and World War II soon found them struggling with the rest of America to get by. Nevertheless they moved ahead by raising cotton, selling produce from a truck patch, and building a welding shop that turned out a multitude of cotton trailers!

Years passed and they became firmly established, acquiring more land, improving it, trading it for a larger acreage and eventually moved to Stratford where they bought 3 dryland sections of land. They drilled wells, installed underground tile, and began to irrigate, raising wheat and milo.

At the present time Mary resides near Stratford where SHE is still actively involved in farming.

After her husband's J.L. Stowers death in 1983, she has continued to oversee the family business. While her son in law farms all of the land today, she has been instrumental in helping convert from all row water irrigation to a system which includes three center pivot sprinklers which provide a much more efficient usage of water.

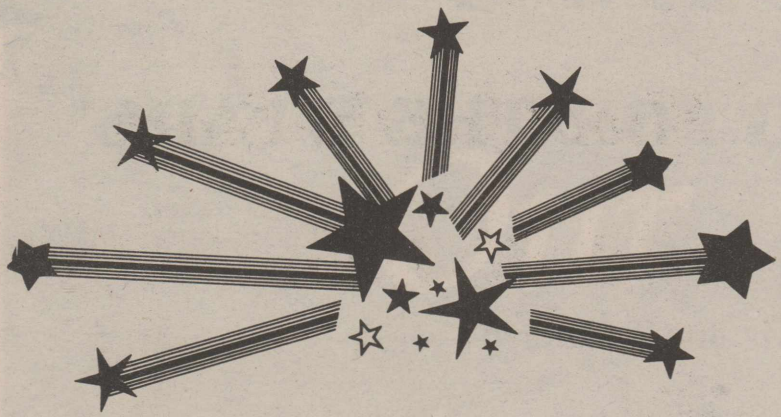
Mary wears many hats, as bookkeeper, business negotiator, truck driver, occasional tractor driver, parts go for, and welder. She is mother to Dean Houston, Darlene Dickey, Arlene Brodhead and Ineta Chesher, Grandmother to 14 grandchildren, and Grandmary to 12 great grandchildren.

For 76 years she has worked a close relationship with the land, she has worked hard and enjoyed the fruits of her labor. As a steward of the land, she is also a steward of her faith. She is a diligent worker in her church, the First Assembly of God, here in Stratford.

David and Rita were married in the First Congregational Church where David was assistant minister. For the next six years he served churches in Indiana, Southview Christian Church at Warsaw, and Pittsboro Christian Church. In 1969 he became associate minister of Park place Christian Church in Hutchinson, Kansas and in 1971, minister of education at Central Christian church in Enid, Oklahoma. On March 1, 1973 David became the minister of First Christian Church in Stratford, where he has served for nearly 19 years.

David and Rita have two grown sons, Daniel, 26 who is

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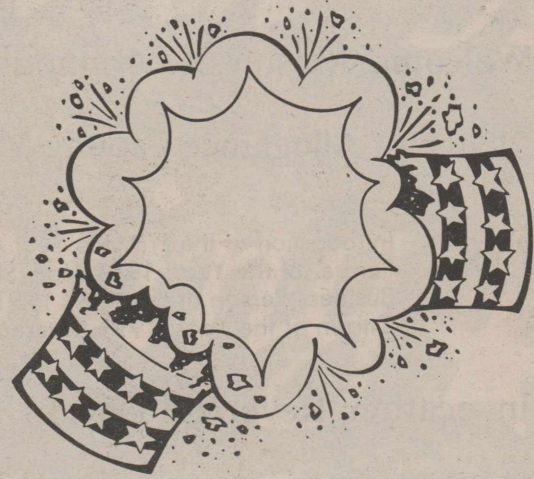


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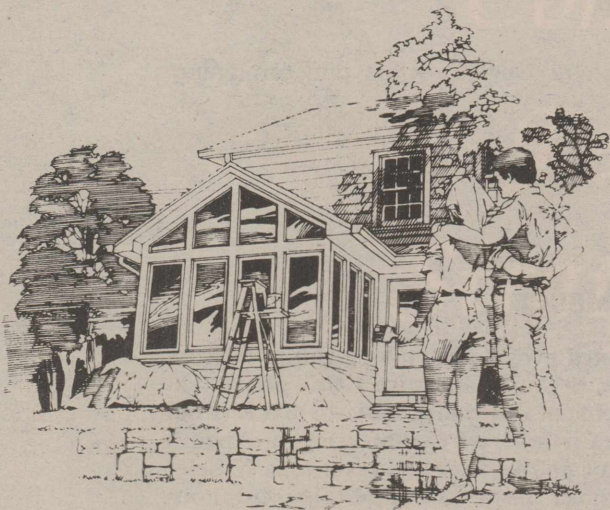
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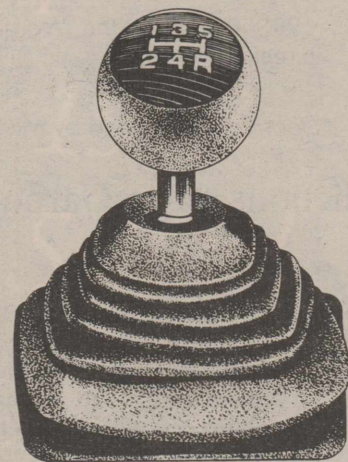
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Welcome

Our Aim in 93 "SHOOTING FOR THE STARS"

Music by: Lorraine Mehner & Ineta Chesher

Welcome: Master of Ceremonies for the evening Mr. Jim Taliaferro

Pledge of Allegiance: Young Miss Stratford, Kellie Crockett

M.C. Introduction of the Previous Year Award Recipients:
Farmer of the Year: 1991 Mary Stowers
Business Person of the Year: 1991 Ed & Marge Moore
Citizen of the Year: 1991 Reverend David Harker

Invocation: Reverend David Harker

Meal: Chamber of Commerce Directors and Women's Division

M.C. Introduction of out of town guests:
Introduction of Special Guests: Miss Top Of Texas, Arian Archer, Miss Stratford, Jolina Garoutte, Jr. Miss Stratford, Jennifer Sladek, Princess Miss Stratford, Amy Sladek, Young Miss, Kellie Ann Crockett and our new Director of the Sherman County Development Corp. Lorie Vincent.

M.C. Introduction of the entertainment: Marietta Ricks 3rd Grade Class

M.C. Drawing for a round trip, for two, weekend to Dallas, compliments of the All Points Travel, Assisted by Jr. Miss Stratford, Jennifer Sladek

M.C. Introduction of Retiring President Jack Gore, Past Years Activities, introduction of directors, presentation to retiring directors, P.J. Pronger, Roy McAlister

M.C. Introduction of President Elect, Andy Riffe, a look in to 1993 for the Chamber, Introduction of new directors, presentation to Jack Gore, retiring president.

M.C. Entertainment: Reigning Miss Top Of Texas, Arian Archer
Door Prizes: Assisted by Princess Miss, Amy Sladek

M.C. Introduction of Sharon Blain, Retiring Women's Division President: Activities of the Past year, Introduction of the retiring directors, Lavell Haggard, Michelle Duncan, Kay Pronger.
Introduction of President Elect Natacha Dyess
1993 Plans for the Women's Division of the Chamber, introduction of New Directors and remaining directors,

M.C. Door Prizes assisted by Miss Stratford, Jolina Garoutte.

Benediction: Jolina Garoutte-Miss Stratford

WHAT IS A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

In any community progress takes place because a group of dedicated people are making things happen. The Chamber of Commerce is the logical organization to motivate, organize and direct this effort. The Chamber of Commerce has the responsibility for the economic well-being of this community--to preserve our business system, to promote business growth and development. The Chamber of Commerce is a dynamic living process because its members work for the betterment of their city, pooling time and resources. In brief, the Chamber of Commerce is an organization through which the volunteer "peoplepower" of this community works effectively to make our community a better place in which to live and work. It is the community's department of progress, and gives individuals and business the opportunity to invest in Stratford. Become involved NOW...memberships are available...Join the Chamber of Commerce.

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