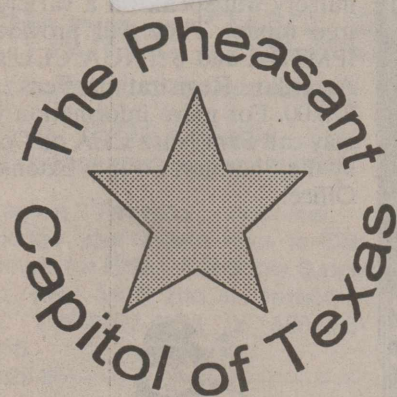


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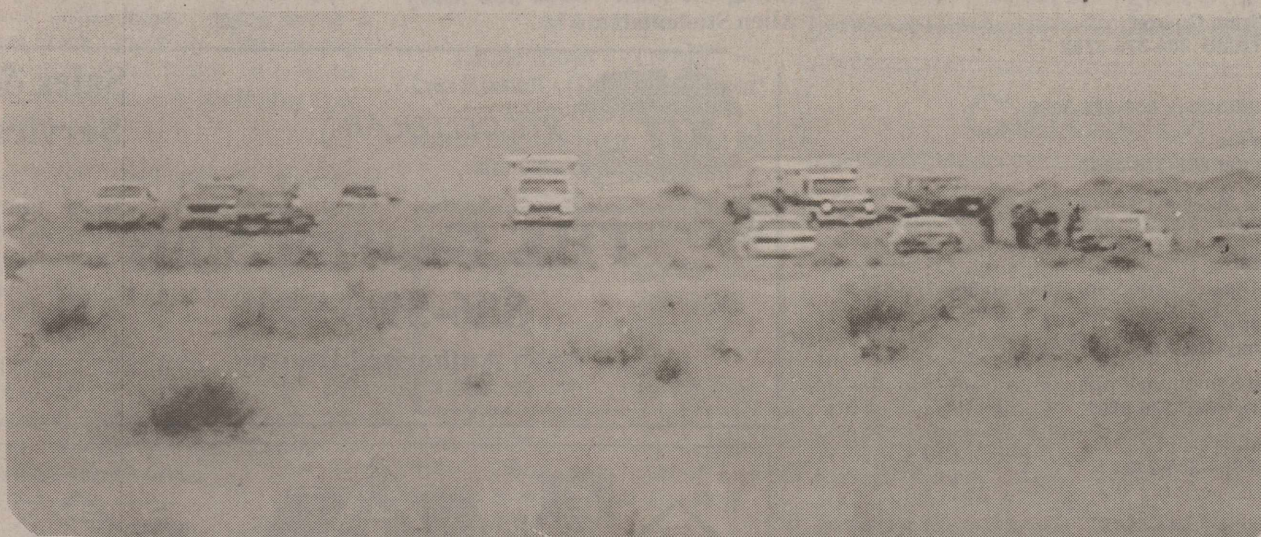
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Lifestar Crash Claims Four

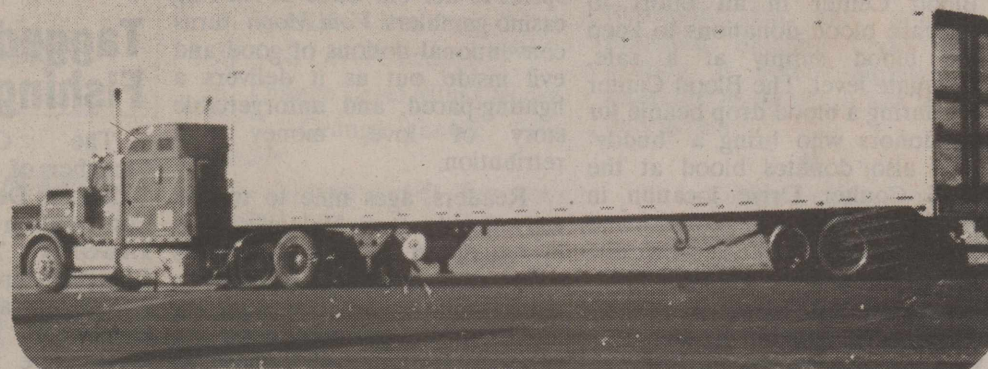


Shown above is the crash site of Lifestar that happened on Friday, March 10th. There were ground searches from the Dalhart Police Department and Sheriff's departments, Cimarron, Texas, Sherman, Oldman and Hartley counties and the Department of Public Safety and area ranchers, who looked for the helicopter for almost three hours before being discovered. (Photo courtesy of Greg Wright from Video.)

A Lifestar helicopter on its way to Amarillo from the Oklahoma-Texas state line crashed 20 miles south of Boise City, Okla., Friday March 10, 2000 killing everyone on board. (photo at left) Killed was Pilot Ed Sanneman, 33, Paramedic Terry Griffith, 35, flight nurse Lauren Stone 30, and infant 4 month old Kathy Janett Esparza of Boise City, Oklahoma who was being transported because of respiratory distress. The accident occurred sometime after 6:05 a.m. At the time of the accident there was heavy fog in the area, but it is not known at this time what exactly happened. It will probably be six months before a report will be released. Lifestar is based out of Amarillo, Texas. Shown above at right is Aero Care, who has been filling in for Lifestar for a few days.



Shown above AeroCare - based out of Lubbock - is shown heading back to Amarillo with patient Rick M. Guthrie of Weatherford, TX.



On Sunday, March 12th at 7:27 a.m., Rick M. Guthrie and his wife Karen and two children of Weatherford, TX were traveling to Colorado in van shown at left when driver Rick Guthrie apparently fell asleep and crossed over into the path of a semi-truck (shown above) in the south-bound lane on Hwy 287. Karen Guthrie and the children were rushed to Dumas Memorial Hospital where they were treated. Stratford Fire Dept. and EMS had to use the Jaws of Life to get driver Rick Guthrie out. Guthrie was air-lifted by AeroCare - based out of Lubbock (since Lifestar was grounded) to Amarillo where he was to undergo surgery for leg injuries and was listed in stable condition as of Sunday.

"Keep America
Beautiful Month"

What Is SPA

Sherman County Development committee in coordination with the City of Stratford, Sherman County and the Stratford Chamber of Commerce will be announcing various community projects to assist in keep Stratford Beautiful Month. April is nationally "Keep America Beautiful Month" and the annual spring cleaning in Stratford coincides with K.A.B.

The City of Stratford is planning a grand opening of the recycling center located at the City's former landfill site. Please watch for further details!!

Olsen & Riffe
Attend Meeting in
Guymon

Kristine Olsen and Gaynelle Riffe attended an Oklahoma Department of Transportation meeting held in Guymon, Tuesday, March 7. ODOT is asking for public input for the Statewide Transportation plan and policies for the next 10 to 20 years. The Texas delegation suggested a policy to consider National Highway Priority Corridors of which both U.S. Hwy. 54 and U.S. Hwy 287 in Oklahoma are on those corridors.

Women's Forum
Distinguished
Service Award

Amarillo Area Women's Forum is seeking nominations for the annual Distinguished Service Award. Nominations deadline has been extended to March 20. Nomination form may be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce, Marilyn Albert Harkins or Gaynelle Riffe: Past Stratford recipients are Marilyn Albert Harkins, Timmie Brown, Lynn Wells, MariHoward Engelbrecht, Gaynelle Riffe.

Distinguished Service Award Luncheon will be held at the Ambassador Hotel, May 6.

Pantry Board
Meeting March 21

Pantry Board meeting on Tuesday, March 21st at the Pantry.

Ex-Student
Reunion Plans

Stratford Ex-Students will hold their reunion July 28-29. Honored classes ending with 0-1920, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90.

Class representatives are asked to meet Thursday, March 23 in the High School Home Economics Room at 7:30.

Mailing list need to be updated. Class of 1990 need a mailing list.

Stratford Chamber
Of Commerce
Banquet Set For
April 11, 2000

Our Stratford Chamber Banquet will be April 11, 2000. Our theme is "Sounds of Stratford". Tickets can now be bought from any member (Wayne Smith, Jimmy Gillenwaters, Blake Confer, Yvonne Pittman, Vernon Paul, Lynn Lunz, Richard Ragsdale, Walt Berry) or Women's Division Member (Karen Perrin, Jamie Sims, Theresa Keener, Jennifer Koch, Deena Mungia, Carol Zimmer and Joan Palmer.) As always tickets may be purchased from the Chamber office in the City hall building. All tickets are \$10.00. For more information, call Paula at the office 366-2260.

Attention
Businesses

If you have not written the history of your Sherman County business for God, Grass and Grit, Vol. 3, please do so and get it to Kathy Bonds by March 27, 2000. You may mail it box Box 64, or bring it by the Sherman County Appraisal District.

Trustee Election
To Be Held

The Stratford Ind. School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 6, 2000. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may due so through March 22, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 503 N. 8th Street, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

School will be closed for Spring Break March 13 through 17, and candidate applications may be filed at The Sherman County Public Library with Sandy Baskin, Board Secretary. Hours are as follows: Mon. 12 noon - 8 p.m., Tues-Wed-Thurs 12 noon-6 p.m., Fri-closed, Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tree Orders Still
Being Taken
At SWCD

REMINDER: The Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District is still taking orders for windbreak and landscape trees. One and five gallon along with balled and burlapped evergreens, shade and fruit trees can be ordered until April 1, 2000. Come by or call 396-5517, ext. 101 for more information.

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Viola Kautz - 396-2058
Mark Metzger - 396-2013
Michal Meyer - 827-7453

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Early Voting
To Begin April 19

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 19, 2000 and continue through May 2, 2000. Early voting will be conducted in the Superintendent's office from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Applications filed to date are Jeanne Bell and Greg Wright. Board members whose term will expire are Kenton Kimball, Philip Walden, and Sandy Baskin. Holdover members are Steve Johnson, Ted Allen, Ricky Reed, and Joe Reinart.

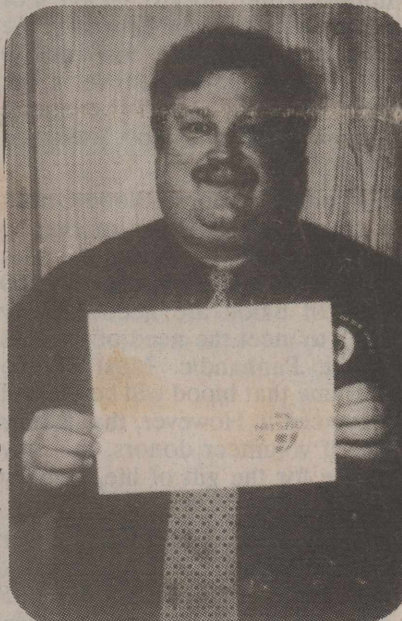
Sherman County
4-H
Council To Meet

The Sherman County 4-H Council will meet on Monday, March 20 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the educational room of the County Extension Office in Stratford. All council members are asked to attend as Shelby Shipp will presenting information concerning the Special Olympics to be held in April.

Directors Election
For Hospital
District To Be Held

Stratford Hospital District will hold a Director Election on Saturday, May 6, 2000. The first day to apply for a place on the ballot is February 21, 2000 and will continue through March 22, 2000. Application may be made at Stratford Hospital District Administrative offices at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Three directors' terms are expiring: Gary Hudson, Les Dodson, and Ineta Chesher. Directors whose terms continue for another year are Margaret Reed and Wayland Brown.



McDaniel
Completes
Requirements Of
Certification

Officer Garold McDaniel of the Stratford Police Department has completed the requirements of certification as a School Resource Officer. Officer McDaniel completed the Basic and Advanced training courses of the School Resource Officer Program.

The School Resource Officer is a partnership between the Stratford School District and the police Department, with the goal of providing assistance to students, in a more positive environment. The Stratford School District Board graciously paid half of the training expenses incurred by Officer McDaniel in completing the program.

Officer McDaniel was appointed as liaison officer between the Police Department and the School District, in addition to his regular duties of a Police Officer. During the last months, he has been responsible for implementing a mentor program, which assists students with problems, in counseling and courses of study. All the mentor hours have been on Officer McDaniel's own time, after school, assisting students with their studies, crisis counseling and behavior modification training.

At the regular scheduled City Council Meeting on March 9th, Officer McDaniel was recognized and commended by the Stratford City Council for his meritorious efforts and devotion for the benefit of the community, the school and the public, above and beyond the normal call to duty.

The Stratford Star office
will be closed Friday, March
17th, 2000.

Obits

J.W. McCarver

J.W. McCarver, 57, died Saturday, March 11, 2000.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2000, in Church of Christ with Mr. Mike Talley, minister, officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery at Texhoma, Okla. by Morrison Funeral Directors of Dumas.

Mr. McCarver was born February 28, 1943 in England, Ark., and moved to Stratford in 1966 from Friona. He owned and operated his own grain truck and was a member of Church of Christ.

His daughter, Deana Denise McCarver, died June 15, 1980.

He married Sharon Huddleston July 31, 1966 in Clayton, N.M.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Shelli Ann McCarver of Stratford; a sister, Wanda Skaggs of Coy, Ark. a brother, Boss McCarver of Little Rock, Ark. 14 nieces & nephews & 9 great nieces & nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 1208, Dumas, TX 79029.

"Bring A Buddy, Get A Buddy" Promotion

March is "Bring a Buddy, Get a Buddy" month at Coffee Memorial Blood Center in an effort to increase blood donations to keep the blood supply at a safe, adequate level. The Blood Center is offering a blood drop beanie for all donors who bring a "buddy" who also donates blood at the 1915 Coulter Drive location in Amarillo. Both the donor and their "buddy" will receive the Buddy Blood Drop beanie.

Winter months are traditionally more challenging with the cold and flu season affecting donors' ability to give blood. For the entire month of February, the Blood Center was low on O positive blood. O positive is the most common blood type and is therefore the one most used and needed.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is celebrating 50 years of sharing the gift of life, serving 24 counties in the Panhandle. More than 500 units of blood are needed every week to meet the need of patients in the Panhandle. Most people presume that blood will be there if they need it. However, that is only true if volunteer donors, the only source for the gift of life, actually donate.

The need for blood never takes a holiday, a day off or a sick day. Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, adults and children need blood to survive severe injuries and fight cancer, leukemia and other life threatening illnesses.

Bring a buddy...get a buddy...help somebody!

For more information, contact Linda Guthrie

Check Out The Library

By Sandy Baskin

Preparations are still in progress for National Library Week, April 8-14. Patrons are encouraged to come by the library and check out a book and get a chance to sign up for the free book to be given away during National Library Week.

Just arrived at the library is John Grisham's newest novel *The Brethren*. The story takes place at Trumble which is a minimum-security federal prison. It's the home for the usual assortment of relatively harmless criminals-drug deals, bank robbers, swindlers, embezzlers, tax evaders, two Wall Street crooks, one doctor, and at least five lawyers. The "Brethren" are three former judges: one from Texas, one from California, and one from Mississippi. Meeting each day in the law library at Trumble, they prepare briefs, handle cases for other inmates, practice law without a license, and sometimes dispense jailhouse justice. They also spend lots of time writing letters, fine-tuning a mail scam, and it's really starting to work until the scam goes awry.

One of then new Large Print novels available to our patrons is *Void Moon* by Michael Connelly. Cassie Black has never looked back on her life as a criminal after a disastrous night that left the man closest to her dead and her life in shambles. Now she's thriving at a job selling Porches to Hollywood hotshots. She has been able to keep going by holding on to one perfect thing, her greatest secret, dearer to her than life itself. When that secret is threatened, Cassie tosses her new life away like a bad hand of cards and goes back in a sprint to her old trade of robbing-casino gamblers. *Void Moon* turns conventional notions of good and evil inside out as it delivers a lighting-paced, and unforgettable story of love, money and retribution.

Readers, ages nine to twelve, will enjoy the story *Midnight Magic* by Avi. Set in medieval times, it is a story of a servant boy who knows more than his master, a mischievous princess and a magician who doesn't believe in magic all who team up to confront a mysterious ghost.

Scot News

By Jack Gore

Last Friday was game night and a few showed up to play Dominoes. Saturday morning the Bus left here for a fun shopping spree in Amarillo. 10-one dollars bills were issued to each shopper and the objective was to buy the most or best for your money. Luncheon was in one of the parks there in Amarillo. Prizes were awarded to those who won. Thanks to Vicki Gore.

Bingo This Thursday, 7 p.m. everyone welcome!! over 18 years old.

Next week board meeting and luncheon wear green-and get a prize if you win in each category.

More details later:

Dance-Sat. 25th 8-11 p.m.
Birthday party-March 16-1:30 p.m.
at Scot Hall. Reminder-WE STILL Have cookbooks for sale.

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

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| March 1 | "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" |
| April 1 | State Right Theatre, Amarillo 806-353-7888 |
| March 16-20 | Disney on Ice "Wizard of Oz" Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096 |
| March 25 | Mozart's "Magic Flute" Amarillo Opera Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium 806-373-7464 |
| March 31 | "The Music Man" ALT Academy 7:30 p.m. Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991 |
| April 1 | "Best of Texas Festival" Grand Plaza 806-373-9305 |
| March 31 | Randel Chamber Orchestra - David Palmer, piano First Baptist Church 806-876-8782 Youth Orchestra |
| March 31 | Showcase Five-Broadway Musical Showcase 7:30 p.m. Amarillo College Theatre School for Children Ordway Auditorium 22 nd and Washington (806)371-5353 |
| April 6-9** | "Harvey" directed by Doyal Handbury LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646 |
| April 8** | Amarillo Symphony - Juliette Kanq, violinist Samuel Jones "Roundings (Golden Nail Awards) Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782 |
| April 14 | WTAMU SHOWCASE OF MUSIC Amarillo Civic Auditorium |
| April 27*** | "The Secret Garden" Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991 |
| May 14 | "Einstein" Stage Right Theatre 4418 S. Washington St. Amarillo 806-353-7888 |
| April 29 | The Harrington String Quartet Northern Hall WTAMU 806-376-8782 |
| April 29-30 | "STOMP" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096 |
| May 2-4 | Russian Ballet on Ice Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-4257 |
| May 4-6 | Greater Southwest Musical Festival Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-4297 |
| May 12-14 | "Big River" Musical Amarillo college Theatre School for Children 806-371-5353 |
| May-June | "Mr. Hobbs Vacation" Guymon Community Theatre |
| May 12-13 | Palo Duro Canyon Symphony Pops Amarillo Symphony 806-376-8782 |
| June 7 | "Texas" (Mon.-Sat.) Palo Duro Canyon 806-655-2181 |
| Aug. 19 | "The Otvels LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646 |
| June 9-10 | |

Tagged Trout Fishing Derby

The Cimarron County Chamber of Commerce and the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation is holding a TAGGED TROUT FISHING DERBY March 27 through April 2, 2000, at Lake Carl Etling in the Oklahoma Panhandle's Black Mesa State Park. There is NO ENTRY FEE. The Chamber is also sponsoring a weekend tournament to be held Sunday, April 2, 2000. An ENTRY FEE of \$10.00 will be charged for the tournament and kids 12 and under will be charged \$5.00 for the tournament. All anglers can also register for other free prizes to be given away at the end of the Derby. All prizes not claimed by 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, 2, 2000 will be given away in a drawing to be held at Lake Carl Etling. For more information, contact the Cimarron County Chamber of Commerce at 580-544-3344 or write to P.O. Box 1027, Boise City, OK. 73933.

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Third Annual Tree Health Conference

The Annual High Plains Tree health Conference will be held March 24, 2000 in Amarillo Guest Speaker from Texas Forest Service Texas Agricultural Extension Service and a local nursery will speak on a variety of tree topics. They will provide 3 IPMTDA and 6 TNUA CEU's in Amarillo. Registration Fees are \$20.00. For more information you may call Sam Nusz CEA or Come by the Sherman County Extension Office.



Mary Allen Students reached their goal of 1200 points on Thursday afternoon, March 9th. They reached this goal by reading books from Monday, March 6th-9th. Then on Friday, March 10th teachers and Mr. Taliaferro had to keep the bike going from 8:15 a.m to 1:00 p.m. Shown above, Mr. Taliaferro on the first shift of riding the bike. Good Job Mary Allen Students!!



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Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, citizens this slightly breezy Monday morning March 12, 2000 the outdoor temperature is fifty four degree Fahrenheit.

The reason for a shorter version of Tidbits is Dr. Albright has physical Therapist coming from Dumas and to accomplish that we are what they call home-bound. So what we will talk about has come by mail and people calling on us in our home.

From our niece Joyce & Glenn Hart who are at present in Brazil we had a nice newsy letter Joyce's says that they are very busy and will return sometime in March, she also says they have very large lighting bugs from the lights they put out.

DO NOT FORGET TO VOTE MAY 6, 2000.

On Thursday, March 9, 2000 while at Vi's full service beauty salon Timi had a good visit with Bernice Christian who is recuperating nicely.

It is hard to write about the going son around town while being home bound.

Through a phone call from Carolee Campbell we learn that Maurice Campbell Ken's father is now residing at Craig Methodist Home in Amarillo where former Strafordite's R. W. Standefer an Wilma Cameron now reside. And David McReynolds now of Amarillo an our own Gaynelle Riffe are on the board of directors.

Since school is out for Spring Break this week watch out for children who are in Stratford. People we know who have traveled to Cancun Mexico are Jim bob Brown & Family, Ken Wights and Kathy Riffe and girls, Carolyn & Lee Tarver and family. That's where Elizabeth Williams and Marian William spent their Spring Brake. Cagle and Sonja Kendrick are in Houston visiting Craig & Julie and their girls and will see Bryan & Laura and their boys.

We enjoyed the pancakes served from the Methodist Church by their men during Lent.

Congratulations and best wishes to Karen Lynn Babcock an Rev. Mark Metzger on their approaching marriage April 29, 2000, at St. Stephen United Methodist Church, Amarillo, TX.

We want to offer SCOTTERS and personal comfort to the sorrowing families of J.W. McCarver. J.W. will greatly be missed by all of our community.

While the fact remains that we are home bound we want to remind our peers to Scotter shoulder pats of encouragement an LUV's all around, because Pat's and luv keep the world going around.

P.S. Please remember on every Monday morning we are very busy trying to put out Tidbits and would appreciate so much everyone remembering that we need quiet if possible. Thanks for new items called in.

TRTA To Meet Thursday, March 16th

The Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore unit of the Texas Retired Teachers Association will meet on Thursday, March 16, at the St. James Episcopal Church at 2:00 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Denver Avenue and Eighth street, Dalhart.

The program will be presented by Mrs. Shirley Grace who will relate her experiences as a teacher in Alaska.

Musical entertainment will be provided by Elissa Peterson. There will be a business meeting and committee reports including proposed legislation benefiting education.

Plans will be made for the political forum on April 3. Election of officers for next year and plans for a silent auction in April will be discussed. All retirees are urged to attend. Relatives and friends are welcome to attend and as always the public is cordially invited.

Hostesses for the meeting are Marjorie Bolwhann, Marjorie McClesky, and Leola McKay.



Lenton Lunch Series

The Sherman County Ministerial Alliance will be hosting a **Lenten Lunch Series** with the theme, "Challenges for the New Century: A Christian Response." The series will consist of a light lunch to be served at different churches in Stratford at noon on Wednesdays from March 15 to April 12. The hosting church will provide the meal, which will begin at 12:15 p.m. During the lunch, the pastor of the host church will offer a 15 minute presentation on the theme, "Challenges for the New Century: A Christian Response," based on his experience, as well as the perspectives and current issues of his particular denomination. Following the short presentation, those attending will have 15 minutes to ask questions and engage in discussion. The luncheon will adjourn at 12:50 p.m. and will be followed by an optional tour of the church facilities.

Stratford and Sherman County residents are encouraged to participate in this enlightening ecumenical experience that is sure to build on our shared knowledge, our common spiritual journeys and our Christian unity. The following is the schedule for the Lenten series, including dates, host churches and pastors making presentations.

March 15th-First Methodist Church-Rev. Mark Metzger	March 22nd-St. Joseph's Catholic Church- Rev. Darryl Birkenfeld
March 29th-First Assembly of God Church-Rev. Dear Williamson	April 5th First Christian Church-Rev. Rob Chandler
April 12th-First Baptist Church-Rev. Jerry Stewart.	

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

With a dozen persons from Kerrick at XIT Telephone meeting last week and nearly three quarters through the door prizes, this reporter laughingly "complained" to Jim Wilson when he paused to say hello. Wouldn't you know, my name was called two times later for a package of t-bones! Brady & Rett Schoonover later won a Skyline suitcase and a Pokemon umbrella. The rest just enjoyed the good food, Terry, Barbara & Reed Schoonover, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Jo June McDaniel, Nita Taylor, Buck Weaver, Mike McDaniel.

Roxan Bowman and children, Ashley and Taylor, are visiting her parents, sisters & families during spring break at Ballinger.

Kelly, Kerry, and Kevin Carlisle have been spending break from Ropesville with her parents, Bill and Pat Boren. They are helping Pat redo a bathroom.

Community supper Friday night at 7 p.m. Bring salad or dessert.

Brotherton Receives Medal

Army Spec. Jeb R. Brotherton has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to soldiers who have served in any capacity in a noncombat area authorized by the Secretary of the Army. The recipients distinguished themselves by meritorious service or achievement and have accomplished the act with distinction.

Brotherton is a cavalry at with the 9th Infantry Division at Camp Casey, Tongduchoo P, South Korea.

He is the son of Richie F. Linda S. Brotherton of Stra Texas. The specialist is a graduate of Stratford High S

Will R. Allen

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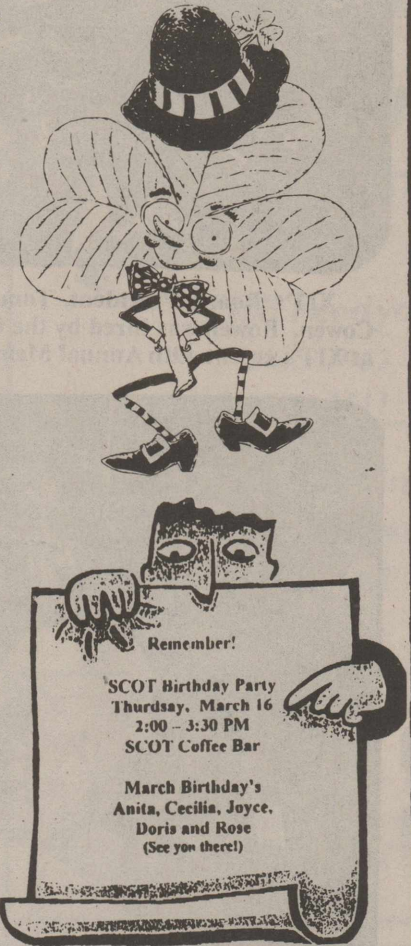
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Feast of St. Joseph, Our Patron To Be Celebrated

St. Joseph's Catholic Church invites the faith community of Stratford to celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph, our patron, with the theme "BUILDING TODAY FOR TOMORROW" On Saturday, March 18, 2000 at 5 p.m. with Mass Celebrated by Bishop John Yanta followed by a Pot luck dinner and dance. Guest speaker is Carlos Proano of San Antonio.

La Santa Iglesia Catolica de San Jose invita la comunidad de fe de Stratford a celebrar e Banquete de San. Jose, nuestro patron, con el Tema "CONSTRUYENDO HOY PARA MANANA" el sabado 18 de marzo de 2000 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Con misa celebrada por el Obispo John Yanta, despues una cena y baile. El orador de huesped sera Carlos Proano de San Antonio.



Assembly of God

Rev. Dean Williamson
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm - Youth Serv. - 6 pm.-Sun.
Wed. Royal Rangers (Pioneers) 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Royal Rangers (Straight arrows & (Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Missionettes - 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm

First Christian

Rev. Rob Chandler
5th & Main
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
No Sunday Evening Worship
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm
First United Methodist
Rev. Mark Metzger
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Darryl Birkenfeld
6th & Pearl
Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday Liturgies: Sat. Evening - 7 p.m. (Bi-lingual)
Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:30 p.m.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:25 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Mike Talley
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 9:30 am
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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No Evening Worship
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Church Training 6:00 p.m.
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The Scholastic Book Fair sponsored by GFWC/Prospectus Study Club last week was a successful event and enjoyed by students of Mary Allen Elementary and Middle School. These two Mary Allen students bought books, Betty Barajas, a third grader and her brother, Martin, in the second grade.

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Kerrick Community Church
Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday

Miercoles (Wednesday)
Estudio Biblico & Servicio De Oration 6:00 pm
Se Cuidamos Susninos Durante El Servicio.

Large Crowd Attends XIT Rural Telephone's Membership Meeting...

by Kathy L. Duggan, XIT Marketing Manager

A beautiful spring-like day greeted over 550 XIT Rural Telephone members and invited guests as they gathered to celebrate the 49th Annual Rural Membership Meeting on Wednesday, March 8th, at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum in Dalhart. Two hundred and twenty eight were voting members. Members and invited guests were treated to a delicious luncheon catered by Bar H Steak House of Dalhart, Texas.

The invocation, led by E.H. Little, XIT Telephone Director from District 1-Dallam County, was followed by President Tommy Baskin, who welcomed the members and recognized the guests. Among the invited guests were retired XIT Office Manager, Ruby Smith and retired Assistant Manager, J.D. Jones. Mrs. Smith served the Cooperative for 33 years before her retirement. Mr. Jones served 22 years.

President Baskin then called XIT employee Sue Cowen to the stage. Ms. Cowen was presented a plaque from the national Telephone Cooperative Association for thirty years of service. The plaque read, "Presented to Sue Cowen in recognition of your loyal and dedicated service in the Telecommunications Industry." XIT Manager, Jimmy R. White, then presented Ms. Cowen with a bouquet of red roses and commended her for her service to the Cooperative.

President Baskin addressed the membership. He reported that 1999 was another busy and profitable year for the Cooperative and its associated enterprises. Baskin stated, "For the benefit of any of you who are new to XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, I will briefly explain our operation. Those of you who are members of XIT Rural Telephone are the owners as well as customers of the Cooperative. Customers having services, other than rural, with XIT are not member/owners. Baskin added, "Although these customers are not member/owners, they are valuable to us, and our policy is to give everyone the same quality service".

President Baskin explained that the Cooperative was pleased to announce the new XIT Rural

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Engagement Announced

Joanna Leigh Naylor, daughter of Dale and Jacqueline Naylor of Balco, OK and Joe Michael Hughes, son of Michael Joe and Janice Hughes of Canyon, Texas announce their engagement and approaching marriage on Saturday, May 20, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Perryton, TX. The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. T.J. "Bud" Messer, former Stratford residents. The bride to be is a 1997 graduate of Balco High School and attends West Texas A&M University and is majoring in Marketing. She is employed at the Police Department on campus. The groom is a 1997 graduate of Canyon High School and attends West Texas A&M University and is owner of Hughes Welding.



From left: Laurie Spurlock and Marsha Wright on behalf of Prospectus Study Club presented Daina Rouse, Lollipop director with books donated by Prospectus as Lollipop children look on last Friday, March 10th.



Prospectus Study Club donated books to Two by Two Pre-school on last Friday, March 10th. Presenting the books to Ellen Downs, far left and Denise Whitman, far right were Laurie Spurlock and Marsha Wright of Prospectus. Also shown, Brandon and Miranda Downs and Reagan Whitman.

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In the
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XIT's Board President, Tommy Baskin, presents a 30 year service plaque to XIT bookkeeper, Sue Cowen. Bowen was hired by the Cooperative on August 25, 1969. President Baskin made the presentation at XIT's recent 49th Annual Membership Meeting.



A large crowd of XIT members and guests enjoy the delicious luncheon catered by Bar H Steak House

XIT Rural Telephone wants to thank everyone for making our 49th Annual Membership Meeting a huge success!



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The Stratford Volunteer Fire Department held their annual Banquet on Monday, March 6 at Rendons Headquarters. Shown at right is Jack Gore, left presenting Fire Chief Eddie Williams his plaque for winning "Fireman of the Year" Shown at left are the members of the Fire Department that were in attendance. left to right, Ronda Mathews, Jack Gore, Lane Robertson, Dean Hauser, Sandy Williams, Jodi Osley, Chris Hernandez and Eddie Williams.



Nominations Deadline April 1, 2000

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2000.

Nominations for Citizen of the year due by April 1. Special Awards Guidelines (Revised March 13, 2000) are as follows:

1. Selection Committee will be composed of General Board members. The group will consist of a majority of eligible members.

2. Accept only signed nominations received by deadline. No verbal nominations in committee meeting are acceptable.

3. Base Choice on Merit-Not on number of letters received.

Citizen of the Year-consistent community support (give credit for length of service)
Number of people reached

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1999 AWARDS

CITIZEN

Nominee:

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

Family Information:

Qualifications/Accomplishments:

Community Involvement:

name and phone number of nominator:
Signature

Deadline - Sat - April 1, 2000

Type or print brief explanations. Additional information may be submitted as an attachment.

March Scholarship List

There are a lot of great scholarship opportunities for our seniors that will be due in March. Please check the list for due dates and get them in ON TIME!!!

Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative Directors Memorial	Rita Blanca Co-op Members, specific majors	March 15
American General Insurance Company	Top 1/3 of class excluding top 10%	March 1
All-Ink.com	3.0 GPA, specific majors	March 31
Sallie Mae CASHE	All seniors	March 30
Ann Lane Home Economics	FHA members	March 1
Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas	All seniors	March 31
Commitment to Agriculture	Family engaged in agriculture, Agriculture major, ACT score of 18	March 15
Cargill Community	3.0 GPA	March 15
Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year	Athletic involvement, good grades	March 15
Wal-Mart Competitive Edge	3.5 GPA, specific majors	March 1
Best Buy Dollars for Scholars Community Volunteer Service Award	All seniors with community volunteer activities	March 15
Ireland Family	All seniors	March 31
Robert C. Byrd Honors Program	Top 3 seniors by GPA	March 8
Texas Advocates for Migrant Students	Migrant students only	March 10
Gates Millennium Scholar's	Hispanic students with 3.3 GPA	March 15
Vall Inc. Livestock Integration	3.0 GPA - four scholarships will be awarded to SHS seniors	March 1
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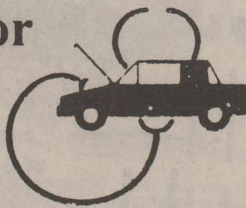
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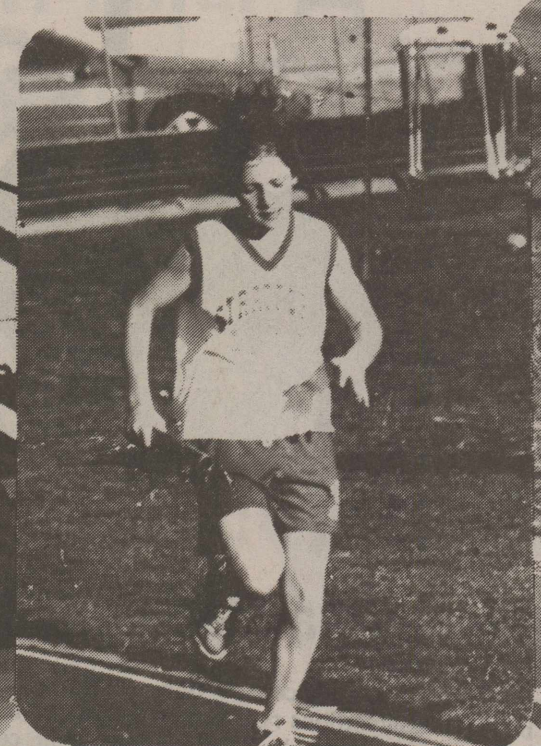
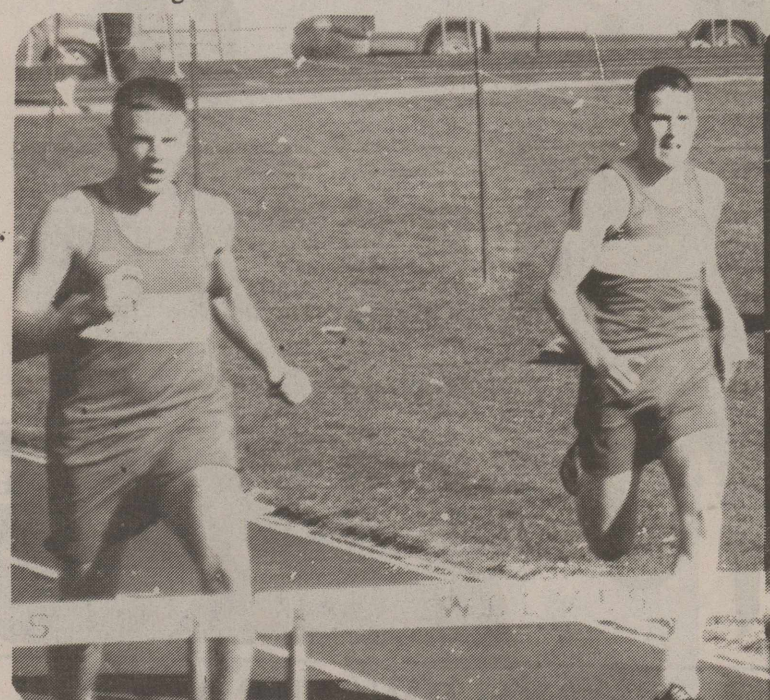
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XIT Meeting

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Telephone Educational Program. Baskin said, "As you know, XIT Rural Telephone refunds patronage capital credits to its members each year. And--each year many of these checks remain unclaimed due to various reasons. In the past, XIT was required by the State of Texas to send all unclaimed funds to the State Comptroller's office. Now--the law allows XIT to retain a portion of our unclaimed monies to be used as scholarships." Baskin explained further that because the funds came from unclaimed capital credits only members' graduating seniors were eligible.

President Baskin concluded by saying, "I have had the honor to serve on this Board for twenty seven years and believe that a substantial part of the progress of this company can be attributed to forward-thinking of the board." Baskin also commended the employees for their dedication to keeping up with XIT's system growth as well as all the new technology.

President Baskin then introduced the Cooperatives Manager, Jimmy R. White, who presented a brief report to the membership and explained the Cooperatives balance sheet and operating statement. White then reviewed graphs prepared to reflect the Cooperatives operations for 1999 and the Patronage Capital Credit Summary. White advised the membership that with the Patronage Capital Refund Checks that were distributed at this year's meeting, the Cooperative has refunded almost 7 million dollars back to its members.

White reported to the membership that the Cooperative, as well as the wholly-owned subsidiary, remains financially strong. White stated that the Cooperative continues to experience stable growth with a 7.7% access line increase in 1999.

White said, "All in all, 1999 was another very good year for your Cooperative. Through the collective efforts of your employees, the roll over to the year 2000 was uneventful. We experienced no interruptions in service--no glitches in our computer operating systems or software." White also said that he anticipates that 2000 will be even a better year for the Cooperative.

Manager White informed the membership that in the foreseeable future, he does not see an increase in the Cooperatives local service rates. He continued by saying that XIT's local service rates had not been raised in over 25 years and that in that same time period, the long distance rates have dropped well over 50%.

In his closing remarks, White introduced new employees and

stated to the membership, "Ladies and gentlemen, these are your employees that serve you well throughout the year." White also paid special tribute to Sue Cowen, "Sue, thank you for 30 years of faithful service to the Cooperative. Your recognition here at this meeting is very well deserved." White concluded by saying that he had never been more proud to be associated with any organization that he was with XIT and thanked XIT for allowing him to be a part of the Cooperative for 25 years of growth and excitement.

Manager White then introduced Darrell Dennis, Assistant Manager, and asked him to report on the Cooperatives wholly-owned subsidiary, XIT Telecommunication & Technology, Inc. (XT & T). Dennis stated that the subsidiary has had another good year.

Dennis reported that XITNET continues to grow and has experienced a 37% growth rate since it was introduced in 1990. He continued, "It has been a busy year for the Internet technicians. In 1999, they installed all new Internet serves and equipment, doubled the size of the Internet connection and added well over 300 new modems to the system."

Dennis updated the membership on the competitive local service offering in Dalhart and Stratford. He explained that construction in both markets is complete and numerous customers have converted over to the system.

Dennis reported that XIT Cellular continues to grow even with its competitive environment. He also said that XIT continues to upgrade its system to enhance its coverage area.

Dennis concluded with XIT's latest service offering--the XIT Communications' Regional

Telephone Directory. Dennis said of the new directory, "We are very excited about the acceptance of our directory by both the public and our advertisers. What you may not know is that it was almost entirely written and produced locally by your employees." He continued by announcing that the XIT Marketing Department is currently working with customers to renew or add advertising for the 2000 directory which will be available in August.

President Baskin introduced Carl French, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, who presented the report on the nominations for directors for the ensuing three-year term. Those nominated were District I, Dallam County-E.H. Little; District II, Hartley County-Gary Finch; and District III, Sherman County-T.F. Baskin, III.

Vice President, James Spurlock, took charge of the election process and called for

nominations from the floor. There being none, he appointed a Canvassing Committee consisting of Karen Gustin, Cecil McClellan and W.N. Bridwell to tally the ballots. The committee declared the election of E.H. Little, Gary Finch and T.F. Baskin, III.

Director E.H. Little conducted the drawing for the one hundred and seven prizes that were awarded to attending members and their children. Director Little was assisted by fellow director, J.W. McClellan, XIT employees and members' children, Zachary and Nathan White. The winner of the \$300 cash prize was Mike Shimon. The winners of the 3-\$100 cash prizes were Stanley Pleyer, A.E. Pronger and Troy Wharton.

After the prizes were distributed, the meeting was adjourned.

Immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting, the Board of Directors met at the Cooperatives headquarters and held their Organizational Meeting. At this meeting, the following officers were elected: T.F. (Tommy) Baskin, III-President; Glenn Olson, Vice President; and Gary Finch-Secretary-Treasurer.

Hicks Taking New Assignment

Richard Hicks, Boy Scout District Executive, will be leaving his assignment with the Frontier District in mid March. He will become a thanatologist in Amarillo.

Until his replacement is named, Rick Weiners of Amarillo will be covering his duties (w 358-6500, h 356-7955).

Hicks moved to the area in January, 1996 to serve the Frontier District which includes Dallam, Hartley, Hutchinson, Moore and Sherman Counties.

During his tenure youth membership rose 45.5% in the district; the number of neighborhood groups increased by 25%; and giving to the Boy Scouts rose 22%. His outreach to teens resulted in 10.4% of all teens being reached with Boy Scout programs and services--the national average is 3%.

City of Stratford Resolution Number 2000-004

A resolution of the City of Stratford, Texas, establishing standards and protocol for the mandatory compliance with Public Law 93-523 (Federal Safe Drinking Water Act); Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 341, Subchapter C; and the Texas Administrative Code (31 TAC Chapter 290, TNRC Water Hygiene Rules and regulations).

WHEREAS, the City of Stratford is required by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to establish a cross-connection/backflow prevention program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stratford's Public Water Utility is required to perform customer service inspections as mandated by State Law; and

WHEREAS, The 'Under 5000' Population exemption to the Texas Plumbing code has been over-ridden by the Texas Administrative Code (290.46)(290.47(b));

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas, that the City of Stratford shall adopt, by ordinance, the Southern Standard Building code (1997), and the southern standard plumbing code (1997) as guidance in design, installation, and maintenance of plumbing systems and service facilities connecting or connected to the City's water and/or wastewater facilities, to the extent appropriate under the applicable statutes and regulations governing public water and wastewater utility systems. Any applicant, customer, or member may be required to retrofit plumbing systems and service facilities as determined to be necessary by the utility for purposes of compliance with the Southern Standard Plumbing code.

Consider and approved this ninth day of March, 2000.

David Brown, Mayor and Richard Walton, City Administrator.

CITY OF STRATFORD ORDINANCE NUMBER 2000-0302

An ordinance to adopt the Southern Standard Plumbing Code, 1997 Edition, Relating to Plumbing and Inspections activities within the City of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, and Enforcement of Certain Provisions of said code, and the repeal of City of Stratford Ordinance 133, Dated January 11, 1950.

I. Whereas, it is the desire of the City of Stratford to adopt, in limited respects, the Southern Standard Plumbing Code, 1997 Edition, and;

Whereas, the adoption of this code is mandated by the Texas Administrative Code, 31 Chapter 290, to facilitate the proper inspection and enforcement of cross-connection and backflow protocol, and lead content prohibitions;

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Stratford that the Southern Standard Plumbing Code, 1997 Edition, is hereby adopted by reference as though it was copied fully herein.

II.

Be it further ordained that, in adopting said code, the City of Stratford is not imposing strict compliance of all provisions of the code, but specifically those sections of the code relating to cross-connection and backflow prevention, devices utilized for backflow prevention, and their installation and testing, as well as the proper licensing and certification of plumbers, installers, and testers.

III.

Be it further ordained that within said code, when reference is made to the duties of a certain official named therein, that designated official of the City of Stratford who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said code shall be deemed to be that responsible official enforcing the

provisions of said code are concerned.

IV.

Be it further ordained that City of Stratford Ordinance number 133, dated January 11, 1950, commonly known as the 'Plumbing Ordinance' is hereby repealed in its entirety. In addition, any portion of existing ordinances in conflict with the elements of the code to be enforced by the City is hereby repealed.

V.

Be it further ordained that this ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its passage, the Public Health and Safety Requiring it.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas, on the ninth day of March, 2000.

David Brown, Mayor
Richard Walton, City Administrator

CITY OF STRATFORD ORDINANCE NUMBER 2000-0301

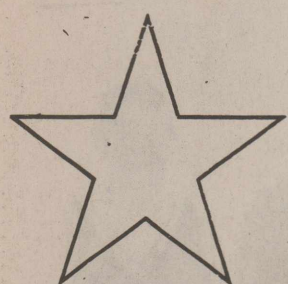
An Ordinance to adopt the Southern Standard Building Code, 1997 Edition, relating to inspection activities of the City of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, and enforcement of Certain Building Provisions as provided in said code

I.

Whereas, it is the desire of the City of Stratford to adopt, in limited respects, the Southern Standard Building Code, 1997 Edition, and;

Whereas, the adoption of this code is done to facilitate the mandated proper inspection activities relating to construction and to maintenance of buildings within said city and relating to public safety, health, and general welfare;

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Garage Sale

Garage Sale - 4 Family at Farm Bureau Building on Sat. March 18, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Clothes, dishes, little bit of everything.
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Garage Sale: Clothing, tools, sporting equipment, misc. 811 N. 3rd, Saturday, March 18th, 9-3.
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Sherman County is accepting applications for the position of County Veteran Service officer. Applications may be picked up at the County Judge's Office - 701 North 3rd Street - Stratford, TX. Sherman County is an equal opportunity employer.
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Position Available for church custodian and yard work. Methodist Church. Call 396-2178 AM and 366-2478 PM.
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Help Wanted: Cowboy wanted, Walter Lasley & Sons Feedyard. Contact Tommie Long at 806-753-4411.
3-16-tfn-----

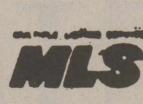
Cimarron Feeders is taking applications for part-time office help to work on Sat. mornings. Please contact Lynda Engelbrecht at 580-543-6383.
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Cards of Thanks

We would like to thank the community for their support and donations for our trip to the Down Under Bowl this summer. We would like to say thank you to the following businesses for donations for the call-fry and barbecue supper: Everett Brothers, Stratford Grain, Thriftway, Stratford Feedyard, Brown's Meat Locker, W & C Land and Cattle Co., Kenton Kimball, The Stratford Star, and those that donated bake goods for the bake sale. Also to our families and friends for their help.

Thanks a lot,
David and Parker

The family of Eual "Buck" Allen & Aldah Hevron Allen wish to thank everyone for their love & concern during the loss of our brother and sister-in-law.

The Allen Family

The family of Anne Asher Pulliam would like to express their sincere gratitude for the support given to our family with prayers, flowers, food, and overwhelming response of friendship.

Pulliam and Asher Families

Pear Pastry Perfect Dessert For Two

BUTTERSCOTCH PEAR TARTS

1 package (10 ounces) frozen puff pastry shells
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
½ cup sugar
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 can (16 ounces) pear slices, drained
½ cup prepared butterscotch ice cream topping

Thaw pastry shells 30 minutes at room temperature. On floured surface, roll each pastry shell to 6-inch circle; arrange three circles each on two ungreased baking sheets. In small bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar, flour and vanilla; beat well. Divide filling evenly among pastry circles, spreading to within ½ inch of outside edge.

Bake in preheated 425°F oven 12 to 15 minutes, or until pastry is golden, switching position of pans in oven for more even baking. Cool completely on baking sheets. Divide pear slices evenly and arrange in center of each pastry. Drizzle pastries evenly with butterscotch syrup.

Makes 6 tarts.
Nutrition information per serving (½ of recipe): 520 calories; total fat 32g; cholesterol 42 mg; sodium 282 mg; total carbohydrate 54 g; dietary fiber 2 g; protein 7 g.

For more easy to make and sure to please pear recipes send a self-addressed stamped business-size envelope to: Pacific Northwest Canned Pear Service, Dept. MAT2000, 105 South 18th Street, Suite 205, Yakima, WA 98901-2149.

Critical Thinking, Topic Of March Meeting

Critical Thinking was the topic of an informative and interesting discussion by Sandra Carter at the March meeting of the Gamma Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. Mrs. Carter works with the Texas Education Resource Center. She brought numerous handouts of educational material and distributed them to members.

Brain based learning activities was the general topic. Teachers should learn how the brain of a child works and how learning takes place. Children learn through activities, hands on methods, and through their five senses. Teachers should be ever mindful that different children learn in different ways and use various strategies to meet the needs of all the children in the classroom. Parents who are interested in this topic should contact their children's teachers for more information.

Mary Jo Ondracek presided at the meeting. Roll call was taken by members answering the question "What is the most difficult thing you ever learned or tried to learn?" The treasurers report was given by Shirley Hendricks and committee chairwoman made reports. Frances Holden lead the group in singing the Delta Kappa Gamma Song. Mildred Bosler accompanied the group on the piano.

Ondracek reported on the history of Gamma Xi, she was assisted by other members. Gamma Xi was organized in 1940 with ten members. Addiree Bryant is the oldest present member. She joined in 1944.

The nominating committee met and presented a slate of officers for the next biennium. They were elected by unanimous vote. The leaders for the next biennium will be President-Mary Jo Ondracek; 1st vice-president-Janet Pipkin; 2nd vice-president-Kathie Altman; 3rd vice-president-Beverly Hendrix; recording secretary-Mary Weatherford.

The grant in aid to be given to a graduating senior girl in the area was also discussed.

dumas members, Francis Holden, Mildred Bosler, and Frances Wardlaw served a delicious luncheon and birthday cake.

Members and guest present, other than those previously mentioned, were: Margaret Parsons, Nelda Askey, Portia Dees, Bonita McCarty (New Mexico), Mary Purcell (Amarillo-Zeta Delta Chapter), Claudine Terry, Letha Lucas.

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For Sale: Newly built home, 4 bdrm, 3 bath, close to school. 1217 Olive St. Call 366-2401.
3-2-4xc-----

For Sale: 98 Fleetwood Mobile Home, 16x80, 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, central heat/air, fireplace, electric appliances, excellent condition. ~~26,500~~ Reduced. 806-753-4424.
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8) Orange Level Teacher's Manual

9) Orange Level Booklets

10) Orange Level Readers

11) Green Level Mini-License

12) Green Level Print Materials

13) Green Level Teacher's Manual

14) Green Level Booklets

15) Green Level Readers

Training and Support, Maintenance Contract

The proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Monday, March 27, 2000. Any request for proposal after this date will not be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford I.S.D. P.O. Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, Faxed to 806-366-3304, or delivered to the Superintendent Office at 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The requests for proposals will be opened on Monday, March 27, 2000 at 3:00 p.m. Specifications may be obtained from the Superintendents office.

We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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NOTICE FOR BIDS

Sherman County Precinct #2 is looking for a 15 yard dump truck, preferably low mileage. Air tailgate and cab protector apron required.

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Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Stratford that the Southern Standard Building Code, 1997 Edition, is hereby adopted by reference as though it was copied fully herein.

II.

Be it further ordained that, in adopting said code, the City of Stratford is not imposing strict compliance of all provisions of the code, but specifically those parts of the code relating to materials used in the installation of appliances or fixtures that are, or may be connected to the City's Water or Wastewater system(s).

III.

Be it further ordained that within said code, when reference is made to the duties of a certain official named therein, that designated official of the City of Stratford who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said code shall be deemed to be that responsible official insofar as enforcing the provisions of said code are concerned.

IV.

Be it further ordained that this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed and approved the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas, on the ninth day of March, 2000.

David Brown, Mayor
Richard Walton, City Administrator



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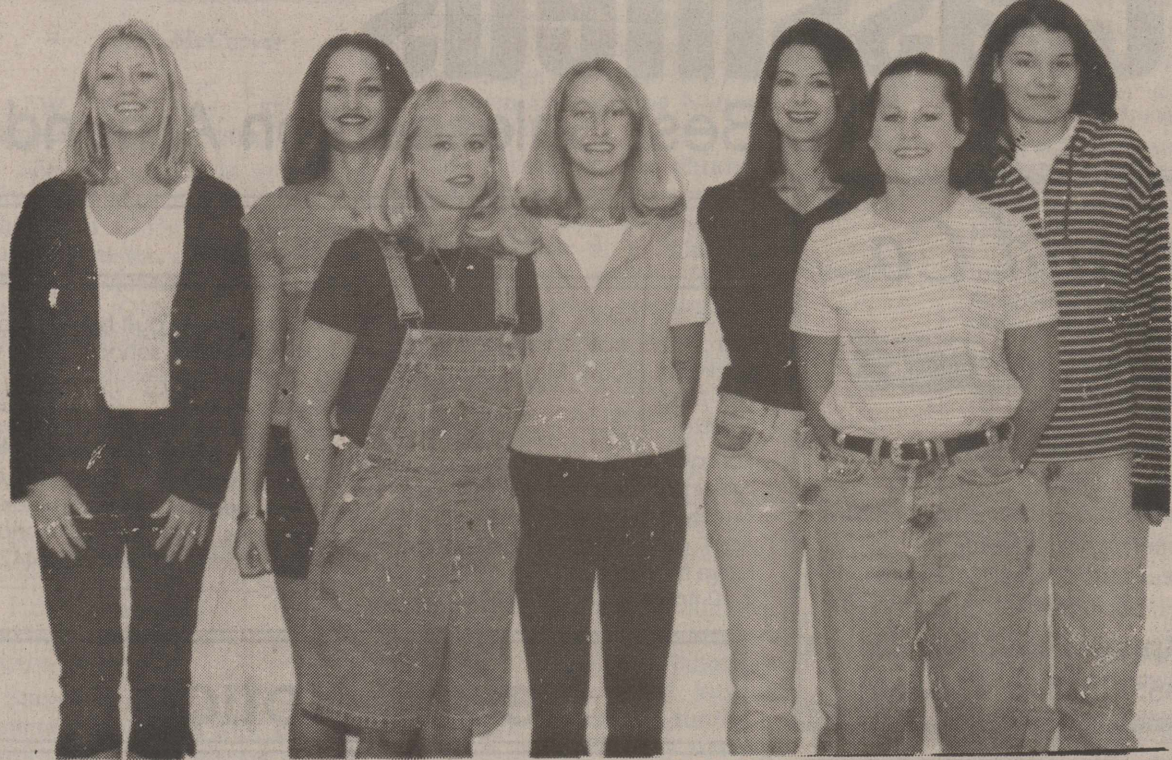
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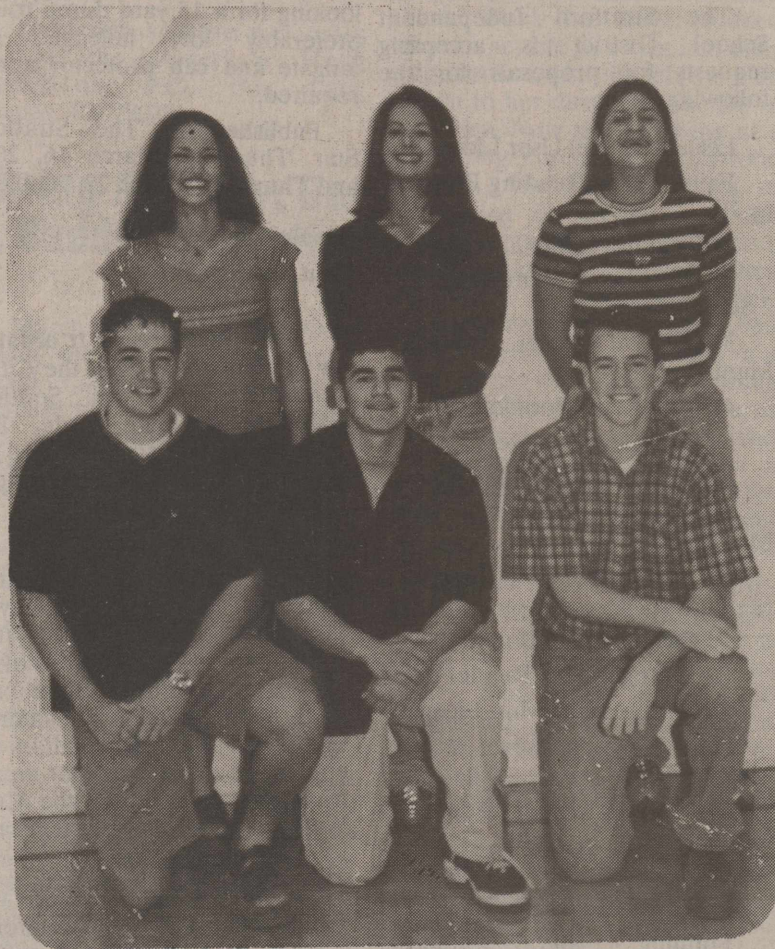
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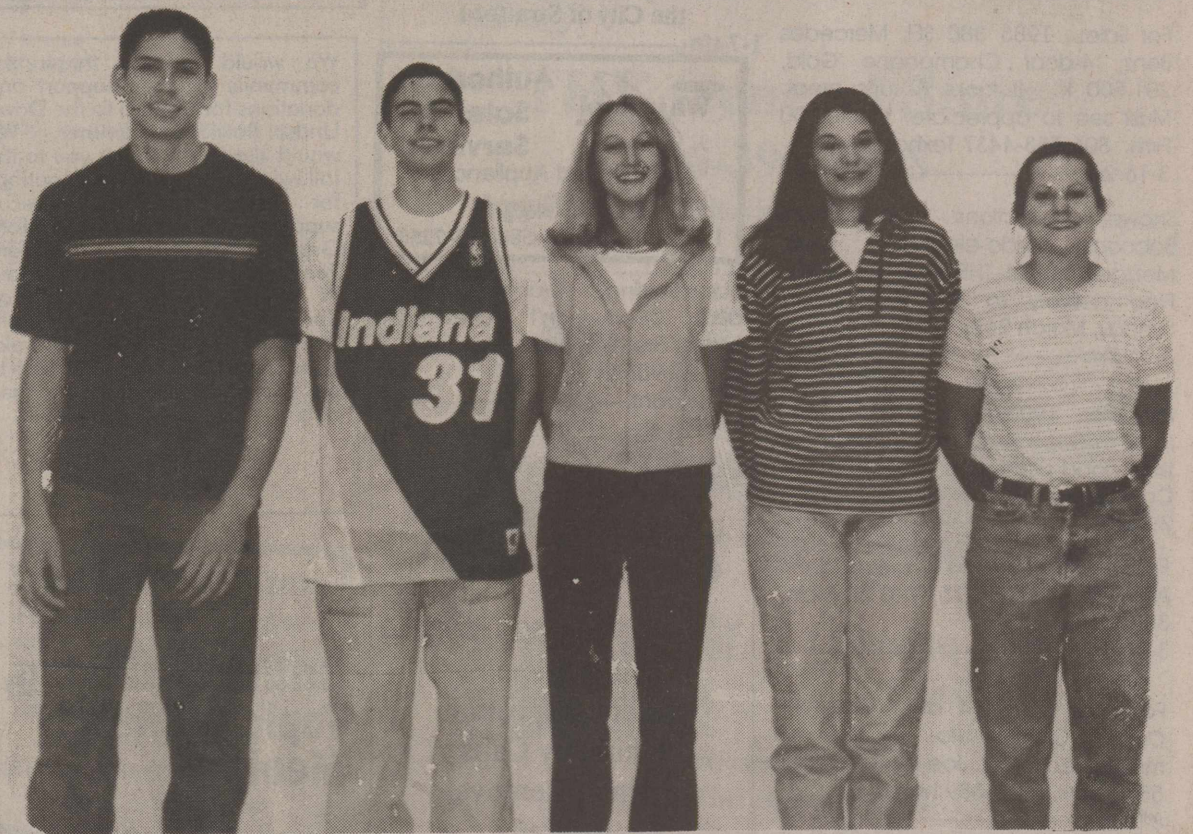
Girls All-District Academic were: from left: Carly Mathews, Jessica King, Kara Brownlee, Keri Wight, Lynz Browning, Missy Sikora, and Carla Bell.



Boys All-District Academic Basketball were: Back (l-r) Wes Kimball, Skyler Walden, Rene Vital, Adam Bell, and Andy Witheer. Kneeling from left: Nick Ashley and Martin Acevedo.



Shown at left: Girls and Boys All-District Basketball. Standing from left: Jessica King, Lynz Browning, and Oralia Vital. Kneeling from left: Skyler Walden, Martin Acevedo, and Adam Bell.



Shown at right: Girls and Boys Honorable Mention All-District. From left to right: Rene Vital, Andy Witheer, Keri Wight, Carla Bell, and Missy Sikora.

North Texas Angus Enrolls In National Angus Herd Records Program

James Crawford and LaVell Haggard of North Texas Angus, Stratford, Texas, have recently been enrolled in the Angus Herd Improvement Records program of the American Angus Association, reports Richard L. "Dick" Spader, executive vice-president of the national breed registry organization in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) is a comprehensive evaluation program used by registered Angus breeders to help them keep records of reproduction, and growth rate on individual animals. Each year hundreds of Angus breeders use AHIR records to produce more profitable, efficient Angus Seedstock.

By weighing calves at 205 days of age and again at a year of age, breeders not only identify the cattle that grow the fastest and most efficiently, they also identify cows that regularly produce above average calves, and bulls that sire outstanding calves.

The American Angus Association in 1957 was the first beef breed organization to offer its members a production records program. Since that date, the AHIR program has grown to the point that breeders report more than a half million birth, weaning and yearling weights each year. This mountain of information is processed by the Associations modern computerized data processing systems.

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