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Time To Begin Local Scholarship Application

It is time for seniors to begin the application process for all local scholarships. If you are a local scholarship donor or would like to be one, please contact the Stratford ISD Counseling Office at 366-3322 as soon as possible with the details of your scholarship. Thank You!!

School Closed Thursday & Friday

School will be closed on Thursday, March 8th and Friday, March 9th due to Boys State Basketball game. These days will be made up on Monday, April 16th and Friday, May 4th.

Ex-Student Reunion July 27-28th, 2001.

REMINDER:

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District is taking orders for windbreak and landscape trees. We have a list of container grown landscape trees now available. Quantities are extremely limited so please come by or call Terry at 396-5517 ext. 101 as soon as possible.

Dinner Theater To Benefit Stratford Speech Students

On Sunday, March 18th the Stratford High School speech department will have a dinner theater. It will begin at 5:00 p.m. promptly in the school cafeteria. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, and cake will be served to you before the play is performed. The play, Scotland Road, is about a Titanic survivor. Corey Naugle plays the lead male. Trisha Teig, Marca Ewers, and Tiffany Duke play the female roles. The understudies are Chance Lowery, Lori Wilhelm, Alisha Renzleman and Stephanie Washburn. The stage crew is Sid Resendes, Ivonne Hernandez, Jared Nusz, and Jessica Young.

This is the play that will be performed at One Act Play Contest March 20. Tickets are $8.00 for everyone over 12 and $4.00 for 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased from cast and crewmembers or at the business office at school. The money raised will be used to send students to speech camp this summer.

State Champion Football Shirts Orders Still Being Taken

Due to popular demand, orders for State Champion Football Shirts are being taken. If you wish to place an order, call Valerie Naugle at 366-5557.

PROM DECORATING CHANGE - EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY AT BUS BARN FROM 7 TO 9 P.M.

Directors Election Hospital District May 5, 2001

Stratford Hospital District will conduct a Director's Election on Saturday, May 5, 2001. Two directors' terms are expiring: Margaret Reed and Wayland Brown. Directors whose terms continue for another year are Ineta Chesher, Lloyd King, and Rick Reinart.

Applications for a place on the ballot are available at the Stratford Hospital District administrative offices at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road. All interested and qualified persons are encouraged to obtain an application. The application must be signed in front of a notary public. Wednesday, March 21, 2001 (5:00 p.m.) will be the deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot.

School Board Election May 5, 2001

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 5, 2001. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may due so through March 21, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 503 N. 8th Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

School will be closed for Spring Break March 12 through 16, 2001 and candidate applications may be filed at The Sherman County Public Library with Sandy Baskin. Hours are as follows: Monday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday-Closed, Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 18, 2001 and continue through May 1, 2001. Early voting will be conducted in the Administrative Office Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. each day.

Board members whose term will expire are Steve Johnson and Ted Allen, Holdover members are Ricky Reed, Joe Reinart, Max Christian, Ronna Riffe and Gared McBryde.

Those applying to date are: Steve Johnson and Ted Allen.

2001 Annual Stewardship & Awards Banquet March 23rd

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation Districts announces it's Annual Stewardship and Awards Banquet has been set for March 23, 2001. The meal is set for noon at the Sherman County Barn. We will have a catered meal consisting of Bar-B-Q with all the trimmings.

Awards will be given to the Conservation Farmer and Conservation homemaker for 2001. We will also award prizes to the students from Stratford Schools that placed in our Coloring, Poster, and Essay Contests. This years first place essay winner will also be awarded a $200 Scholarship.

Jarett Atkinson of the Panhandle water Planning Group will present a program on water use as it relates to agriculture as part of this year's program.

We hope to see you, your family and friends at the Banquet. Remember-there is no charge for this great time. Please call the office at 396-5517 ext. 3 with your reservations. Reservations need to be made by March 20, 2001.

STATE BOUND

Win State



Shown above with their State Semifinal Trophy are the Stratford Elks. The Stratford Elks won the State Semi-final tournament this past week-end and are on their way for the second time this year to STATE. The Elks will play Evadale at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 8 at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin for the 1A - Division I State Championship. GOOD LUCK ELKS - WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!!!



Citizen of the Year

Mayrene Aduddell was named at the Stratford Chamber of Commerce Banquet held Monday, February 26, 2001.

Story & more pictures on page 4.

The Stratford Star wants to wish The Elks Good luck At State



Snow Again!!!!!!!

B.A. Donelson-First State Bank of Stratford was seen out shoveling snow in front of the bank on Wednesday February 28, 2001. Winter ended the month of February.



Carly Mathews has been invited to represent Texas at the fourth annual Parkroyal Down Under International Games in Australia this summer. She was selected to participate in those once in a lifetime program, along with other cross-country runners in Texas, because of her High School accomplishments. The opportunity to participate in a sport in which you have excelled by representing your country, state, community, and family is a great privilege that comes to a very few. The cost for this trip is $2,898, plus the cost of one meal a day for 13 days and buying her uniform. Carly will be raising money to go by having some fundraisers (not sure what kind of fundraisers yet). She can accept donations with checks being made payable to I.S.S.I. (International Sports Specialists, Inc.) and mailed to P.O. Box 124, Stratford.

For ideas or information contact Carly Mathews.

Obit

Jesus "Jesse" Palma

Jesus "Jesse" Palma died Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at Stratford, Texas.

Rosary was held on Thursday, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Mass was held at 3:00 P.M. Friday, March 2, 2001 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stratford, Texas. Interment was in Stratford Cemetery at Stratford, Texas.

Mr. Palma was born December 5, 1931 in Arizona. Had been a Stratford resident since 1954. He was a farmer and rancher.

Member of St. Joseph Catholic church in Stratford.

Married Nicolasa Diaz on May 5, 1961 in Mexico, who preceded him in death on September 12, 2000.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law Leonel and Marie Palma of Stratford, brother Ruben Palma of Cactus, Texas and 4 grandchildren.

Some Scholarship Applications Due In April

For the seniors at Stratford High School, there are many scholarship applications that will be due during the month of April. The following is a list of those scholarships and their due dates. If you have any questions regarding the requirements for these scholarships, come by the scholarship board outside Mrs. McBryde's office at the Junior High School or call Mrs. McBryde at 366-3322.

Prospectus Study Club, V.O. Lasley Memorial, Sherman County TSTA, Stratford Chamber of Commerce and Nu Beta Sorority Scholarships - due April 2nd.

Earl and Conrad Riffe Memorial Scholarship - due April 17th.

Amarillo Area Foundation Scholarship - due April 1st.

Vikki Carr Scholarship - due April 1st.

Slough Foundation Scholarship - due April 1st.

Panhandle State Foundation Scholarship - due April 1st.

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Scholarship - due April 2nd.

E.W. Carter Scholarship - due April 6th.

National Rural Education Association Foundation Essay Contest - due April 15th.

Dalhart Knights of Columbus - due April 15th.

Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship - due April 27th.

Texhoma To Celebrate "100 Years"

Texhoma Centennial Committee has named September 1st and 2nd for the one hundredth year of Texhoma Oklahoma and Texas. This date is in conjunction with the Annual Fiesta Days and will span a time from the present to the end of the year, according to Ginger Roach, chairman of the committee.

Jennifer Blume has been named as coordinator of an art contest for a historical colorbook by youth and children. These will be available for mementos of this year.

"Ten Decades-A History of Texhoma", a book by the Texhoma Historical Society, is ready for distribution. Information will be available at the Texhoma library.

Other mementos of Texhoma's hundred year celebration are being obtained by Steve Flanigan. He will detail more information later about when and where these will be available.

Other activities are being arranged by Lloyd Mattocks, Donny Evans, and Kyle Ellis. Mentioned were a dance, a community church service and several ideas in the making.

Discussed were some ideas for money-making projects to finance this celebration, and a centennial fund has been set up at the Texhoma First National Bank for those who would like to make this the greatest celebration ever. If you need information, contact any of these people, Ann Welch or Rozella Harland.

Letter To The Editor

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

Dear Editor:

Stratford, home of God, Grass and Grit!! Remember the days of a small Texas town with little crime and little worries, where people felt it unnecessary to lock doors and people felt safe and protected from the "outside" world? Well, I think most of our population that would agree that things have certainly change. Has crime in our small little town been on the rise, or has there been a lack of effective and efficient law enforcement in recent years? I would like to share a recent incident and you can decide for yourself. On Sunday, February 25, 2001, my wife and I witnessed a pickup displaying, what we considered to be, serious reckless driving just north of Lautz on Highway 287. The truck was heading for Stratford and was having difficultly maneuvering through the construction. It was evident that the driver was either intoxicated or preoccupied with some activity other than safe driving. After observing the driver's behavior for a few miles, swerving into oncoming traffic and onto the shoulder, we decided to take action. We pulled closer to the pickup and recorded the color, make and license plate of the vehicle and, at this time, we could clearly see someone else in the passenger seat. The passenger appeared to be a child, which increased our concern. We called Sherman County Sheriff's Office dispatch and gave the location (approximately 10 to 15 miles south of Stratford) and information about the vehicle. We attempted to express our sincere concern about the safety of the occupants of the pickup, as well as, other drivers on the road.

Approximately 10 minutes later, we called the Sherman County Dispatcher again and informed them that the truck had entered the Stratford city limits. In town, the driver displayed more reckless driving and headed east toward Texhoma. Upon reaching the eastern city limits of Stratford, my wife and I, again (now the third time) called the Sherman County dispatcher to inform law enforcement that the driver was now heading east toward Texhoma and the state line. We were later informed that the call did not go out from the dispatcher until after we had called for the third time.

We followed the driver as far as our home, observing the same irresponsible driving. At that point, the truck had traveled approximately 20 to 30 miles through Sherman County. Later, my wife and I would learn that the driver was stopped and arrested for DUI in Goodwell, Oklahoma, being twice the legal limit for intoxication. Also, there was not one, but rather, two passengers in his vehicle, his 7 and 11 year old children.

What allowed this reckless driver to travel through our county and town, endangering our citizens and his own children, without so much as an attempt by our tax-provided law enforcement to stop him? The dispatcher confirmed that there was only one county deputy on duty at the time of the three calls from my wife and myself. We were told the deputy informed the dispatcher that he was too far away from the location to even make an attempt. The dispatcher also confirmed that there were no city police and no highway patrolman on duty at that time. In defense of the highway patrolman, it is our understanding that he was scheduled go to on duty at 6:00 p.m, shortly after this incident occurred. What is the excuse of the city police? Why are there three city police, not one of which was on duty or on call to enforce the laws of our community? And then there is the Sheriff and his deputies. Granted, this branch of our law enforcement team actually had someone on duty, but were was he in Sherman County that he could not have made an attempt to investigate the seriousness of our allegations. Remember, this drunk driver had driven more than 30 miles through our county and right through the center of our town, since my wife and I alerted authorities to his presence and condition. He then made it another 10 miles or more to his eventual arrest in Goodwell for his second DUI. I am sure that Goodwell is happy to receive the revenue generated by his arrest, but even more glad to have protected the citizens of Texas County from a drunk driver and the potential harm he could have caused.

When approached and questioned about this incident, the Sheriff of Sherman County, Jack Haile, offered profound words of wisdom, "Well, you should have made a citizens arrest!" That makes sense and perfectly describes the kind of pass-the-buck attitude that has come to define Sherman County bureaucracy. Usually the passing of accountability is done among elected officials, but they made an exception in this case, extending responsibility for this incident to my wife and myself. My wife and I should have risked our lives to do somebody else's job, somebody who is paid from our tax dollars. Maybe we could have done a trade, I do the Sheriff's job and he cuts me some slack on my county taxes next year. I guess the Sheriff is simply supporting vigilante law enforcement from our citizens. Maybe we should have done more, but we were under the impression that we had already done what was required of us as citizens of Sherman County, alert the local law enforcement of a serious and dangerous situation, so that proper procedure could have quickly and effectively removed the danger from our county and town.

Clint H. Parsons.
cparsons@opsu.edu

Neolite Technologies, Inc. To Establish Facility in Guymon

Neolite Technologies, Inc., of Studio City, California, announced Thursday that it plans to establish a production facility in Guymon, Oklahoma, in the second half of 2002. The facility initially will hire 30-35 new employees, and Neolite expects a possible increase up to 60 employees within two years.

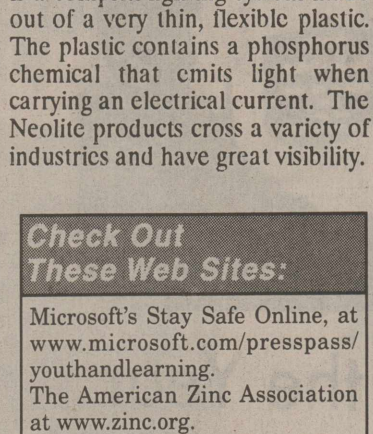
Making the announcement were Neolite President, Joseph C. Gallagher, and the Panhandle Regional Economic Development Coalition (PREDCI) Executive Director, Sam Cartwright. In a joint-effort, PREDCI and the Guymon Industrial Foundation President, Al Chill have been encouraged by the eagerness of the Neolite group to locate in Guymon.

In addition to Mr. Gallagher, the Neolite group consists of two other members that are from the surrounding Guymon area. Fred Freeman, from Texhoma, Oklahoma, sits on Neolite's board of directors. Also on the Neolite board of directors is Robert L. Northrup. Mr. Northrup was raised in Guymon and currently lives in Northridge, California.

Neolite Technologies, Inc., is becoming one of the world' leading manufacturers of electro luminescent (EL) products, which is a complex lighting system made out of a very thin, flexible plastic. The plastic contains a phosphorus chemical that emits light when carrying an electrical current. The Neolite products cross a variety of industries and have great visibility.

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The American Zinc Association at www.zinc.org.
The United States Postal Service Web site at www.usps.com.
Pitney Bowes at www.pitneybowes.com.
Microsoft Office at www.microsoft.com/office. The Office Update Web site is located at www.officeupdate.com.
ARMOR All Cleaning, Protectant or Glass Wipe is found at www.armorall.com.
Staples.com Business Services Center at www.staples.com/businesssolutions.
The Spina Bifida Association of America at www.sbaa.org.
QVC Publishing, Inc. at www.qvc.com.
Flex-A-Min at www.flexamin.com.



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Amarillo Presents "Barber of Seville

Amarillo Opera presents **The Barber of Seville**...Saturday, March 24... at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. A timeless comical romantic opera that will keep audiences laughing. See the spectacular costumes and sets and hear the famous tunes of Rossini's **Barber of Seville...** Performed by the Amarillo Opera...Saturday, March 24, at 7:30 p.m. For tickets call the Amarillo Civic Center Box Office at (806) 378-3096 today.

Great Plains Ag Credit Stockholder Meeting

The Annual Stockholder's Meeting of Great Plains Ag Credit, PCA be Saturday, March 10, 2001, at the Amarillo civic Center Grand Plaza. The Business Meeting begins at 4:00 p.m. Joel Zeff, award-winning comedian and creative speaker from Dallas will be after dinner entertainment. Kent Watson from Claude will provide dinner piano music.

Great Plains Ag Credit, formerly the Amarillo and Plainview Production Credit Association's is a major agricultural lender in the North and South Plains of Texas having in excess of 945 farmer-rancher stockholder/borrowers. Troy Christian, Farwell serves as Board Chairman. Other Board members include L. Mike McLain of Gruver. Vice-Chairman; Dennis Anthony of Friona; Danny Detten of Panhandle; David Doshier of Vega; Joe Everett of Stratford; Earl Harkins of Hereford; Joe Stokes of Hale Center; and Dwight Teeple of Lockney.

For additional information contact any of the Association's offices in Amarillo, Plainview, Dalhart, Dimmitt, Dumas, Floydada, Friona, Muleshoe, Olton or Tulia.

Good Luck Elks

NRA Pistol Sectional Set For March 10

The Amarillo Rifle & Pistol Club will be hosting the NRA Open Conventional Indoor Pistol Sectional from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on March 10. The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit from Ft. Benning, Georgia will be competing in the match. The coach of the unit will hold a free pistol clinic at 7:30 p.m. on March 9 at the range. All pistol shooters are welcome. The Amarillo Rifle & Pistol Club is located at N. Western and Cherry Ave. Frank Vaughn will be director of this match.

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Arts in the Area

By Caynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

March 1-10	"The Beauty Queen of Leenane" Drama Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
March 18***** Note Change	"Scotland Road" One Act Play Dinner Theatre 5:00 p.m. Stratford High School Cafeteria Tickets Available
March 10	Creatures of Prometheus, Creatures of Broadway Lone Star Ballet Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463
March 22	Kenny Chessney with Phil Vassar Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
March 23-24-25	"Beauty and the Beast" LaRita Community Theatre Dalhart C of C 244-5646
March 24	Amarillo Opera "Barber of Seville" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-7464
March 31	BEETOHOVEN AND BRAHAMS Piano Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
April 6****	WTA&MU "SHOWCASE OF MUSIC" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-651-2854
April 7*****	"Ain't Misbehavin" ALT Touring Dumas High School Auditorium 7:00 p.m. ABWA Scholarship- Paula Cowley 935-5354 or4009

Win Elks

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Never does the human soul appear so strong as when it forgoes revenge, and dares forgive an injury.

—E.H. Chapin

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Timis Tidbits
By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, Citizens this sunny, but cool fifty-six degrees Fahrenheit Monday, March 5, 2001.

We want to congratulate the Elks basketball team and coaches on their win and thank all those fans who follow the team and those who cheer from their homes and cars listening over radio & internet.

From our e-mail from Carolee in Liberal, she says a lot of the Annual Pancake Day Activities were postponed because of the bad weather. Timi & Lorelyn had planned to be in attendance, but were very glad we did not when the roads were bad. We want to say Thank you to Mr. Jack Gilley for getting our car unstuck on Thursday afternoon, so we could leave Vi & Ruby's beauty salon with our hair all fixed and nails so that when Joe & Rose and Joe Shane Brown arrived on Sunday from El Paso, we looked our best.

We are sorry we do not have a report from the Methodist hour for we were dining and visiting at Betty & Baskin Brown's home with Patty & Jim Bob, Ashley and Caleb Brown, Betty & Baskin Brown, Stratford and Rose, Joe & Joe Shane Brown of El Paso. It was a great time of visiting and feasting.

We recently received a wonderful newsy letter from Joyce & William Glenn Hart who are in Brazil - with visiting with John Hart who is planning on going in the near future to visit Joyce & Glenn. We hope that John has a very good trip.

Yesterday on our local Channel 3 at the First Baptist Church - Larry Norris gave a wonderful sermon & Brad Thiessen led us in some good singing. We want all people to remember Jerry & Cindy Stewart, Glenn & Carolyn White and Bill & Betty Fesler as they are on a mission trip in Mexico.

Also, this is Open House at our schools so parents, grandparents, great-grandparent & great-great grandparents need to support our local young people by seeing what they do at school.

A reminded to all S.H.S. ex-students the reunion will be here before we know it July 27, 2001, this is also a good time of feasting and visiting.

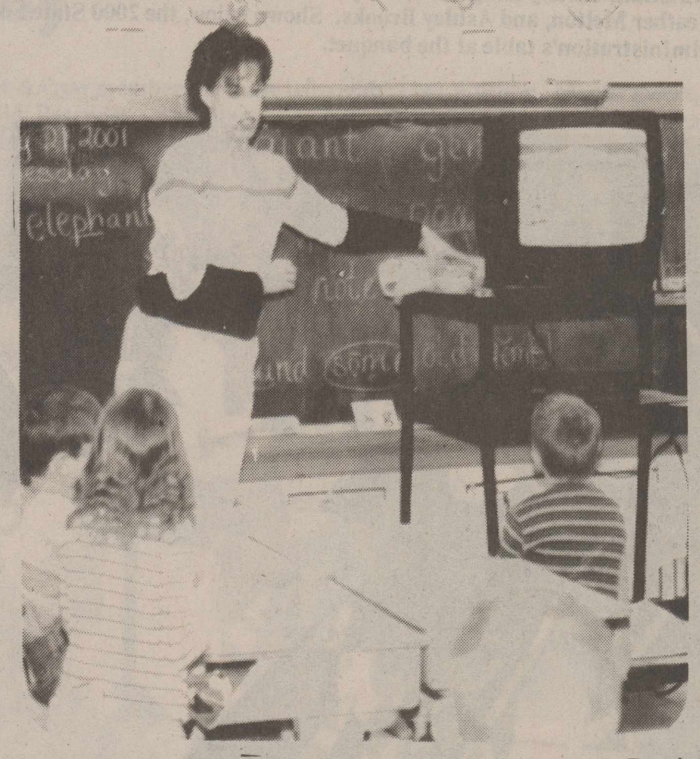
We want to remind our peers that to pat shoulders and tell people we luv u is what makes the world go round.



Shown here are the children who attend Two by Two Preschool along with Bill Riff of Stratford Grain and Billy and Jeanne Bell. Stratford Grain donated the 1/2 beef for a raffle and Billy and Jeanne won the beef. Kelly Brooks won the hamburger meat and Diane Coaly won the Thriftway gift certificate. Thank you Stratford Grain and Thriftway! Not pictured Shayla Jackson, Top Sales Person.



Brandy (Wood) Pigman, bride of Ben Pigman, was honored with a post-nuptial shower in the home of Patti Vincent of Sunday, March 4, 2001. Shown from left: Brandy Pigman, Lela French of Farmington, NM holding Sheyla Pigman, Nadine Davis of Amarillo, TX and Barbara Bowers of Stratford, TX.



Michelle Garza, who formerly worked at Dr. Bonner's Dentist office in Dumas and now an employee at First State Bank, spoke to the First Grade Classes about Dental Hygiene on Thursday, February 22nd for Dental Hygiene Week.

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Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.

—Nathaniel Hawthorne

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It takes from 10 to 15 days of drying in the sun to make a sun-dried raisin.

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Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

Jo June McDaniel was released from Dumas Hospital Saturday. She has gone to Thelma & Duane Smith's for some more recuperating. Sunday, Ann & Dorland Burton and Marylou McDaniel came for a visit. There were also lots of phone visits.

Several from this area went to the "Make a Wish" Car Show over the week-end. Keith and Bonnie Borth of Boise City were there showing one of Keith's cars. Attending were Bill & Pat Boren, Nita Taylor, Buck Weaver, Marylou McDaniel and Clifford Abbott of Canyon.

Kerrick hosts the Coldwater Manor Birthday Party on Thursday, March 13, 2 p.m.

Rolene Arkon, Stratford, hosted the Saturday night supper and games for Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Bud & Frankie Shields and Sandy Newcomb.

Sundy Gillenwaters started Monday to work three days at Northwest Texas Hospital.

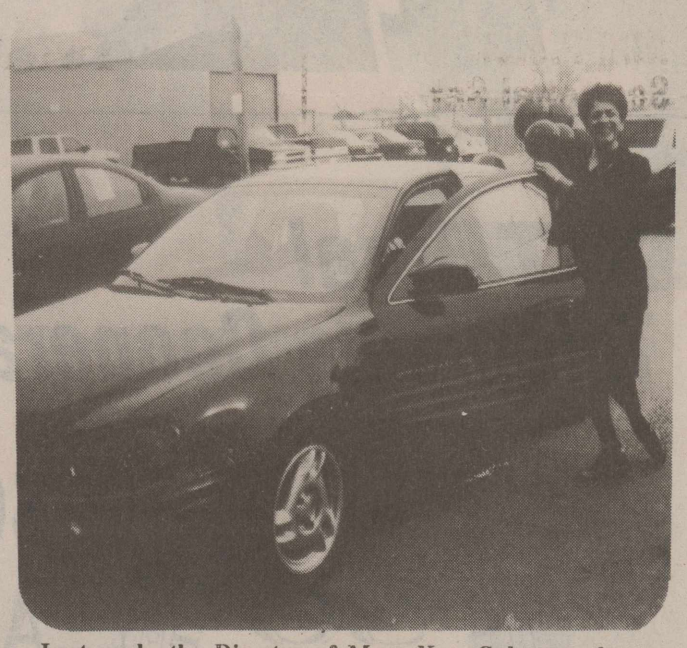
Barbara Schoonover worked at the Lollipop Junction concession stand at Saturday's garage sale.

Visiting with the Hamptons recently was Bethany Calaway of Quitaque.

Katina Collums of Mississippi arrived Saturday for a week's visit with her brother Heath and Kenna Collums.

Brandy Wells, Stratford, hosted a Mary Kay party Saturday that Peggy & Chandra Hawkins and Kenna Collums attended.

Doug & Pam Taylor have bought a house in Waco and moved there Monday. Kerrick will miss them and wish them happiness at their new home.



Last week, the Director of Mary Kay, Gaby won her second Grand Am. She celebrates with her husband, Elias and her two children Asbel and Sandro.

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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

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Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:15 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
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist
Stephen Schwenke
302 S. Main - 806-376-4553 lv. message
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist
Bro. Jerry Stewart
702 N. 3rd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m..
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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"1901-Century of Excellence-2001"

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce **"1901-Century of Excellence-2001"** was held February 26, 2001.

Master of Ceremonies was James Gillenwaters, General Board President. Invocation was given and a welcome and introduction of guests. Dinner was served.

The program was General Board "2000 Year in Review" and women's Division was also "2000 Year in Review".

Special Recognitions given by Ali Allison-KDDD Radio-Centennial Wagon Train. God, Grass, & Grit was given by James Gillenwaters and Russell Gadbois-KDDD Radio in Dumas 2000 State 1-A Championship football team and coaches.

Citizen of the year was presented by Les Dodson to Mayrene Aduddell.

Silent Auction results were given.

The signed football by the Elks was auctioned, winner Andy Riffe, Autographed picture of Elks-Jim Taliaferro, and Signed God, Grass & Grit by Wanda Riffe.



Ali Allison of KDDD Radio recognized those who helped with the Centennial Wagon Train at the Chamber Banquet.



Shown above: The 8th grade cheerleaders serving at the Chamber banquet were from left: Chelsea Christian, Tiffany Knight, Brittany Hudson, Kayla Robertson, Lindsay Stein, Ashley Duke, Deidre Tarver, Heather Melton, and Ashley Brooks. Shown below, the 2000 State Football champions, coaches, wives and administration's table at the banquet.



Quoting from the nomination form used to select our winner it read: "Albert Schweitzer says: "Every man has to seek in his own way to realize his true worth, you must give some time to your fellow man even if it's a little thing, do something for those who need help, something for which you get no pay, but the privilege of doing it. For remember you don't live in the world all alone, your brothers are here too."

Our Stratford Citizen of the year for 2000 was born in Tulia, Texas and graduated from high school in Canyon, Texas. Attended Amarillo College as a single parent of three children. Has two associate degrees: Legal Secretary and Word Information processing. She is currently working on a 3rd degree-Medical Secretary. She married her husband (Don) on September 23, 1995 and a mother of 5 children ages 1-15. Three girls (Heather, Stephanie, & Taylor and two boys Conner & Austin.

Her hobbies include Interior Decorating & Gardening.

Her goals: To make sure her children prosper.

Our Citizen of the Year has been the moving force of the Angel Tree project. This project is designed to help the less-fortunate families of Stratford and Sherman County with Christmas gifts for their children. The identities of all the families are kept in strict confidence. Everyone who helps with this project takes an oath of confidentiality. Personal information obtained from each family include the ages, size of each child, proof of income and actual need of the family. This project is so strictly controlled, that many people do not realize how much effort goes into it. our *Citizen of the Year* has arranged to work with the Evelyn Rivers project to help provide coats for our needy children. Many families feel uncomfortable asking for aid, bu our Winner makes everyone feel at ease and makes miracles happen for the children.

We have been told our Citizen's biggest problem is asking for help with this wonderful project. Our winner and her family for many years handled the fund raising, screening, wrapping and the children's party. The project grew too big, and now she has a board of directors and many volunteers.

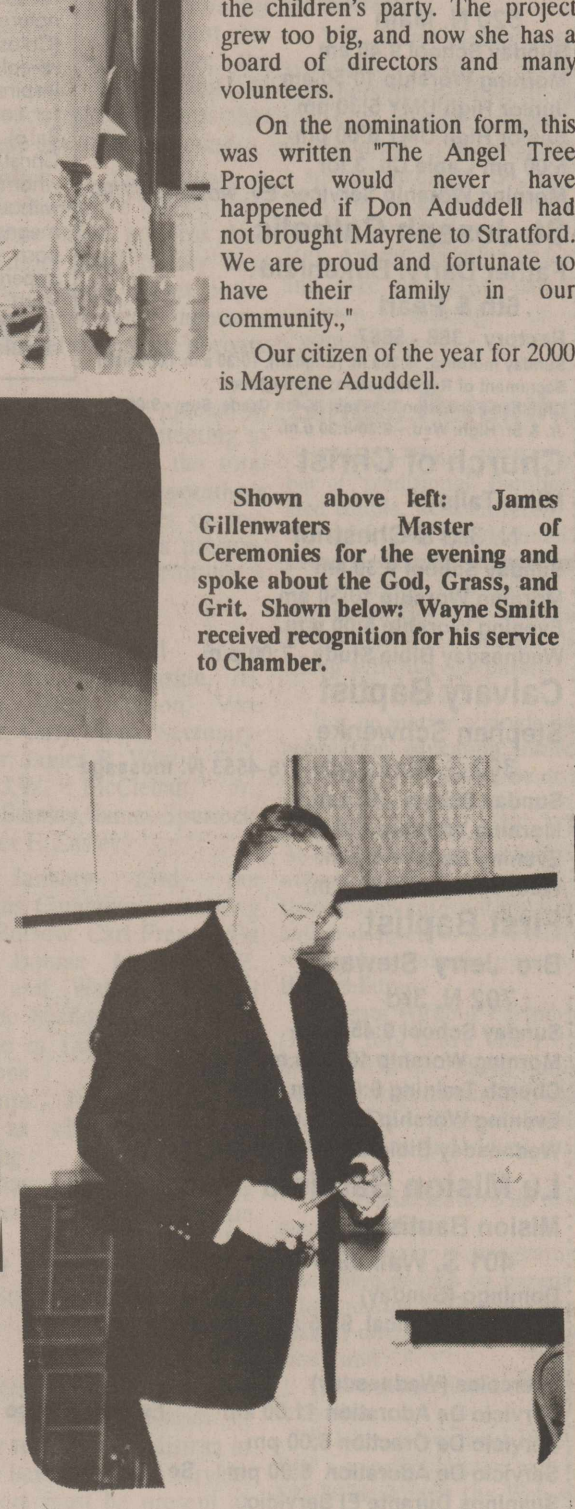
On the nomination form, this was written "The Angel Tree Project would never have happened if Don Aduddell had not brought Mayrene to Stratford. We are proud and fortunate to have their family in our community.,"

Our citizen of the year for 2000 is Mayrene Aduddell.





Shown above left: James Gillenwaters Master of Ceremonies for the evening and spoke about the God, Grass, and Grit. Shown below: Wayne Smith received recognition for his service to Chamber.



Shown above, Russell Gadbois of KDDD radio recognized the 2000 State 1-A Champion Stratford Elk Football team & coaches at the banquet.

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

50th Annual Membership Meeting!

Wednesday, March 14, 2001
Inter-State Fair Coliseum • Lake Rita Blanca
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Members & Invited Guests
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11:45 Luncheon, Catered by Bar H Steak House of Dalhart
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Come Celebrate XIT's 50th Anniversary and enjoy a sit-down meal served to you by XIT Managers & Employees.

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Good Luck At State Elks!!!



One Act Play

Shown above, One-Act Play cast & crew members in front left-right: Lori Wilhelm, Marca Ewers, Trisha Teig, Tiffany Duke, and Sid Resendes. Standing from left: Stephanie Washburn, Jessica Young, Jarred Nusz, Chance Crowley, and Corey Naugle. The One-Act play will have a dinner theater on Sunday, March 18th at 5:00 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria. They performed a practice run at Boys Ranch on Monday, March 5th and will perform for Zone District on March 20th and finals will be held on March 27th.



Nancy Kimball, of High Ground of Texas, spoke to the children at Story Time on Wednesday, February 28th about Texas.

March 2001

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 One Act Play Boys Ranch 10:00 AM; Open House Elementary 6:30 - 8:00 PM	6 Open House JH/HS 7:00 - 8:30 PM	7 One Act Play Festival West Texas High 3:00 PM	8 One Act Play Dinner Theater 7:00 PM Cafeteria	9 Dalhart Track Meet - JH/HS; Boys State Basketball Tournament - Austin	10
	JH Cheerleader Sign Ups; Elementary & Junior High Book Fair in Campus Libraries					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day
	SPRING BREAK				Gruver Track Meet - HS Only	
18	19 Globe News Spelling Bee 1:00 PM Methodist Church; Regular School Board Meeting 7:00 PM	20 One Act Play Zone District Contest Vega 1:30 PM	21 Deadline for Filing for Trustee Candidate 5:00 PM; HS UIL District Meet - Amarillo College	22	23 Stratford Track Meet - JH/HS	24
25	26 Varsity Cheerleader Tryouts	27 Junior Varsity Cheerleader Tryouts; One Act Play District Finals Contest Boys Ranch 1:30 PM	28 RPTE Test Grades 3-12	29	30 Mary Allen Elementary Reading Celebration 2:30 PM; Sunray Track Meet - JH/HS	31

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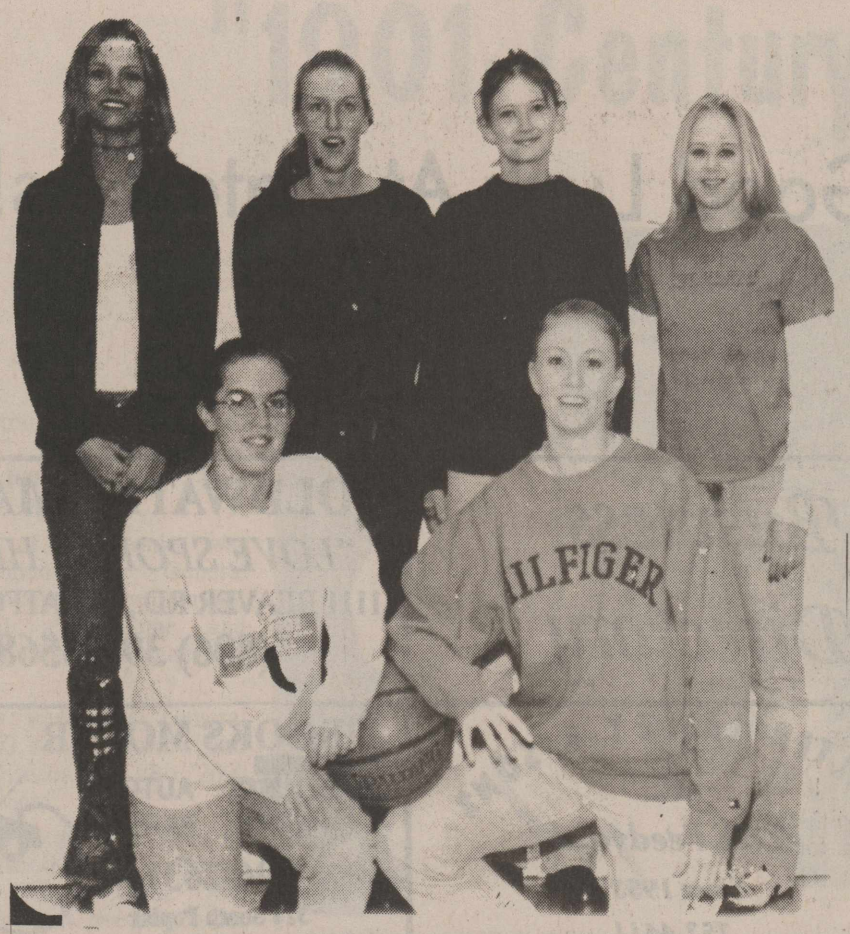
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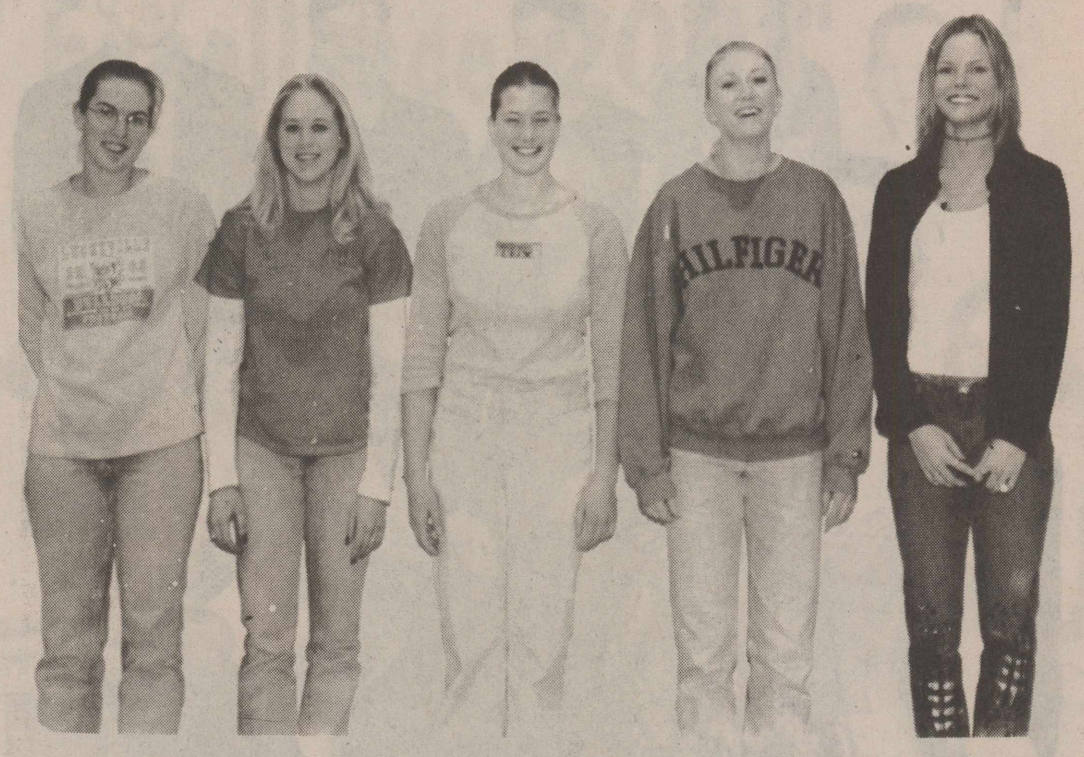
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Lady Elks named to 1A All-District were 1st Team - Carly Mathews, Jessica Young, and Kara Brownlee; 2nd Team - Ashley Brown and Thea James; Honorable Mention - Candra Holland and Heather Ashley. Kneeling from left: Ashley Brown and Carly Mathews. Standing from left: Thea James, Heather Ashley, Candra Holland, and Kara Brownlee. Not pictured Jessica Young.



Named Academic All-District girls basketball from left: Ashley Brown, Kara Brownlee, Amie Witcher, Carly Mathews, and Thea James.



Named Academic All-District boys basketball from left: Wes Kimball, Corey Naugle, Skyler Walden, Adam Bell, and Nick Ashley.

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XIT Rural Telephone...
"A Time To Celebrate 50 Years of Service!"

The XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled its 50th Annual Membership meeting of its rural landline telephone members for Wednesday, March 14th.

The meeting will be held at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum. Rural landline members' and invited guests' registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed with a luncheon catered by Bar H Steak House, Dalhart, Texas. In celebration of XIT's 50th Anniversary, the Cooperative's management and employees will serve the members and their guests a sit-down dinner - complete with anniversary cake for dessert.

Among XIT's guests this year will be early telephone pioneers, past employees and past directors who have played important roles in the organization of the Cooperative and who have contributed greatly to the successes that the Cooperative enjoys today.

Patronage Capital Checks will be handed out to members as they register. Those checks not picked up at the meeting will be mailed promptly afterwards. This refund will include sixty-seven percent of the 1992 patronage capital allocation.

The recipients of the 2001 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program Scholarships will be announced. This is the second year that XIT has offered this program to five rural members' graduating seniors, but it's the first time that the recipients will be announced at the annual meeting.

The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the introduction of guests. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door prizes.

This year, approximately $3,400 worth of door prizes will be given to attending members. There will be six grand prizes awarded: 1-$500 Cash Prize and 5 - $100 Cash Prizes. There will also be a kids' drawing. This is for members' children or grandchildren who are 12 years or younger. Members are reminded that they must be present to win.

The purpose of the annual meeting is to elect directors for each district - to present for approval the reports for the previous fiscal year, and to transact such other business that might come before the meeting.

According to the bylaws, a written notice will be mailed from the business office not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the meeting. This notice was mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 22nd.

A quorum must be present in order for the business meeting to convent. Based upon the total number of the Cooperative's members, fifty members or two percent of the members present, whichever is larger, constitutes a quorum.

The officers and board members are T.F. Baskin, III, President; Glenn Olson, Vice President; Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer; James R. Wilson, E.H. Little, J.W. McClellan, Jr., Kenneth Stanley, James Spurlock, and Walter E. Lasley.

On January 23rd, the Nominating Committee consisting of John Burrow, Carl French, Ed Lathem, Bonnie McKie, A.E. Pronger, and Wallace Bridwell met at the headquarters of XIT Telephone in Dalhart to submit nominations for three directorships. John Burrow was selected as chairman of the Nominating Committee. Nominations for the following districts were: District I - Dallam County - J.W. McClellan, Jr.; District II - Hartley County - Kenneth Stanley; and District III - Sherman County - James Spurlock.

Members vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside or the district in which they have telephone service. All members must be present at the annual meeting to vote since no proxy voting is permitted. Either a husband or wife is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but only one vote is allowed per membership.

XIT Rural Telephone needs constant input from its membership in order to provide the best possible service at the lowest price. This promises to be a special meeting! So, XIT **rural landline members,** mark your calendars and plan to attend your 50th Annual Meeting Celebration and take an active part in the decision making of your Cooperative.

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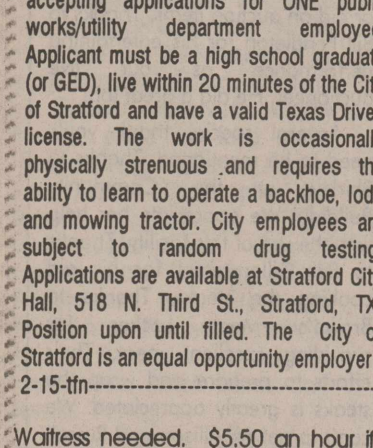
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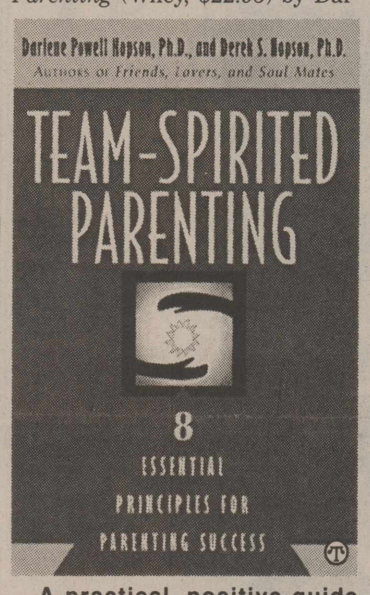
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(NAPS)—A renowned husband and wife team have written a book that shows parents how to develop their natural abilities to improve every aspect of their children's lives. The book, *Team-Spirited Parenting* (Wiley, $22.95) by Darlene Powell Hopson, Ph.D. and Derek S. Hopson, Ph.D., is an enlightening and inspiring guide that shows parents how to raise happy, well-adjusted, well-behaved children.



A practical, positive guide gives 8 principles for parenting success, from making peace with your partner to allowing time for spirituality and joy.

The Hopsons, authors of the bestselling *Friends, Lovers and Soul Mates*, stress the importance of fathers being allowed to become true partners in raising kids. *Team-Spirited Parenting* is full of inventories, checklists and practical exercises that offer parents the powerful message that they are not and should not be alone in raising children. Divorced, never-married and single parents also will learn how to create the team that their children need most.

The book is now at bookstores.

For Rent

For Rent: 2 bdrm trailer house, 1 bath, 935-6702. 305 S. Wall St.
2-1-tfn----------

2 Bedroom Apartment For Rent, call 769-4464.
1-18-tfn----------

For Rent: 2 to 3 bedroom home in Kerrick WEST ON STATE LINE RD. Propane/Well Water. Semi-furnished - stove, icebox, washer, wood-burning stove & 2 wall furnaces. House will be rented with 90 acres of pasture. $300.00 a month plus 1st & last month's rent. (806) 727-4631. Stratford ISD (school) & pets welcomed.
3-1-2xp----------

House for Rent: 2 bdrm, 1 bath, dining room, kitchen. 203 S. Chestnut, fenced yard. 396-5507.
3-1-2xp----------

2 bedroom house for rent call 396-2125 leave message.
3-15-c----------

For Rent: 1 Bedroom furnished apt. 6th & Fulton. Call 396-5541 daytime, 396-5692 at nights.
1-28-tfn----------

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voter of the City of Stratford, Texas;

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 5, 2001, for voting in a General Election to elect three (3) Councilmembers for two (2) year terms, and to elect one (1) councilmember for one (1) year term. The last day to file for Councilmember will be March 21, 2001 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES:

City Hall
520 N. 3rd
Stratford, TX

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

City Hall, 520 N. 3rd.

Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 18. 2001 .

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:

LaRita Butler-Early voting clerk, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, TX 79084.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 27, 2001.

Issued this the 23rd day of February 2001.

David Brown
Signature of Mayor

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, March 1, 2001.

AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

A las volantes registrados del Cuidad de Stratford, Texas

Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas elecoerales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 de mayo de 2001 para vot en (3) concejal por dos sin termino de expiracion, y para vot en (1) concejal por uno sin termino de expiracion. El ultimo dia para registrarse para del concejal sera el dia marzo 21, de 2001a las 5:00 p.m.

DIRECCION DE LAS CASSILLAS ELECTORALES

City Hall, 520 N. 3rd, Stratford, TX

La Temprano votacion an ausencia en persons se lieveara a cabo de lunes a viemes en City Hall, 520 N. 3rd.

entre las 9:00 a.m. de las manana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el 18 de abril, 2001 y terminando el 1 de mayo, 2001.

Law solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a

LaRita Butler Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Temprano

P.O. Box 188, Stratford, TX 79084

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo debaran recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 27 de abril, 2001.

Emitado este dia 23rd de of febrero, 2001.

David A. Brown
Firma del Alcalde

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, March 1, 2001, Thursday, March 8, 2001 and Thursday, March 15, 2001.

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The wisest thing to do with a fool is to encourage him to hire a hall and discourse to his fellow citizens. Nothing chills nonsense like exposure to the air.
—President Woodrow Wilson

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Legals

Revised Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application
TPDES Registration No. WO0001378-000

APPLICATION: CACTUS FEEDYARD, LTD, P.O. Box 3050, Amarillo, Texas 79116 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a renewal and an amendment of TPDES Registration No. 01378 to authorize a correction in the total acreage available for waste-wastewater application. The maximum capacity will remain at 88,710 head. The application was received by TNRCC on May 31, 2000. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this registration except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The existing beef cattle facility is located approximately 2 miles west of the intersection of US 287 and Farm-to-Market Road 281 and 1 mile north on Cactus Feeder Road, at a point approximately 2 miles west of Cactus in Moore and Sherman Counties, Texas. The facility is located in an unclassified drainage area in Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River Basin which drains into the state of Oklahoma.

The application is available for inspection by the public during normal business hours at the Moore County Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Office, 210 East 7th Street, Dumas, Texas 79029 and the Sherman County NRCS Office, 418 North 4th Street, Stratford, Texas 79084.

The Executive Director of the TNRCC has prepared a draft registration which, if approved, would establish the parameters and limitations within which the facility must operate.

PUBLIC COMMENT Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements for the registration and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the application for registration and a response to all comments.

INFORMATION Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the registration process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us

LaDonna Castanuela, Chief Clerk

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CITY OF STRATFORD
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to Ric Walton, City Administrator, City of Stratford, will be received at his office in the City Hall until 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 15, 2001 for the construction of approximately 27 Blocks of Street Sealcoating entitled:

SEALCOATING-2001

At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the office of the City of Stratford, 520 N. Third St., Stratford, Texas, 79084, telephone 806-366-5581 and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone 806-353-7233. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Brandt Engineers, Inc., at the above address as follows:

Cost: $50.00 per set. NONREFUNDABLE

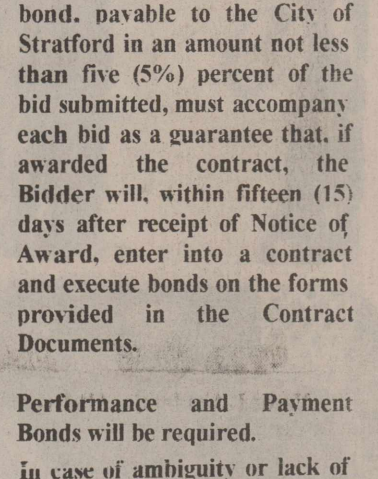
A Cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Stratford in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Notice of Award, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents.

Performance and Payment Bonds will be required.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clarity in stating proposal prices, the City of Stratford reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof or to reject any or all bids, and waive formalities. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after date on which bids are opened.

Published in The Stratford Star March, 8, 2001 and Thursday; March 15, 2001.

Ric Walton
City Administrator
City of Stratford



For a romantic dinner for two "lovebirds," consider this deliciously seasoned recipe featuring a pair of Cornish hens.

Herbed Lovebirds

1 package Perdue Cornish Hens
2 cups dry white wine
¼ cup balsamic vinegar
1 tablespoon crushed garlic
1 tablespoon ground black pepper
1 tablespoon dried rosemary
⅔ cup oil
8 fresh rosemary sprigs
10 scallions

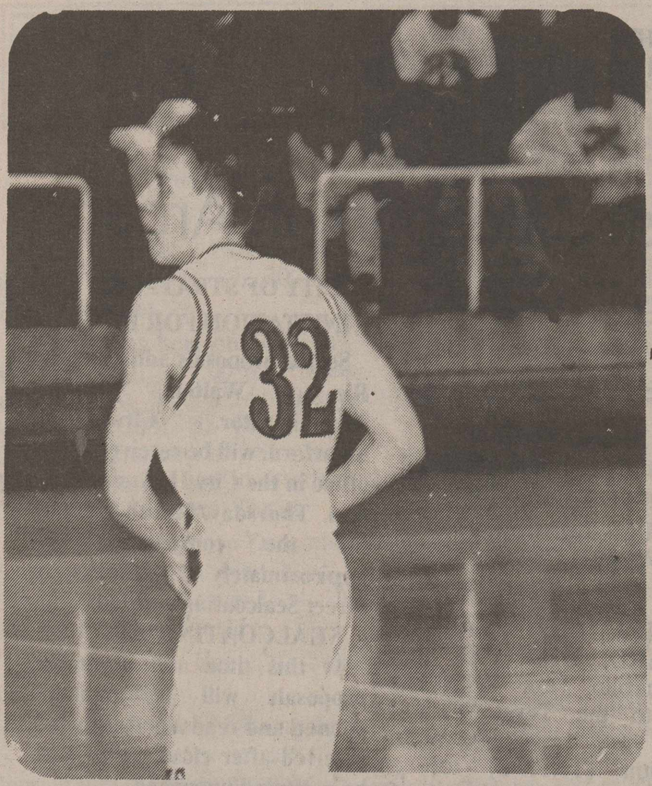
Whisk wine, vinegar, garlic, pepper, dried rosemary and oil, blend well. Set aside 1 cup of marinade for basting. Add remaining marinade and hens to plastic zip-locking bag. Refrigerate for 30 minutes, turning occasionally.

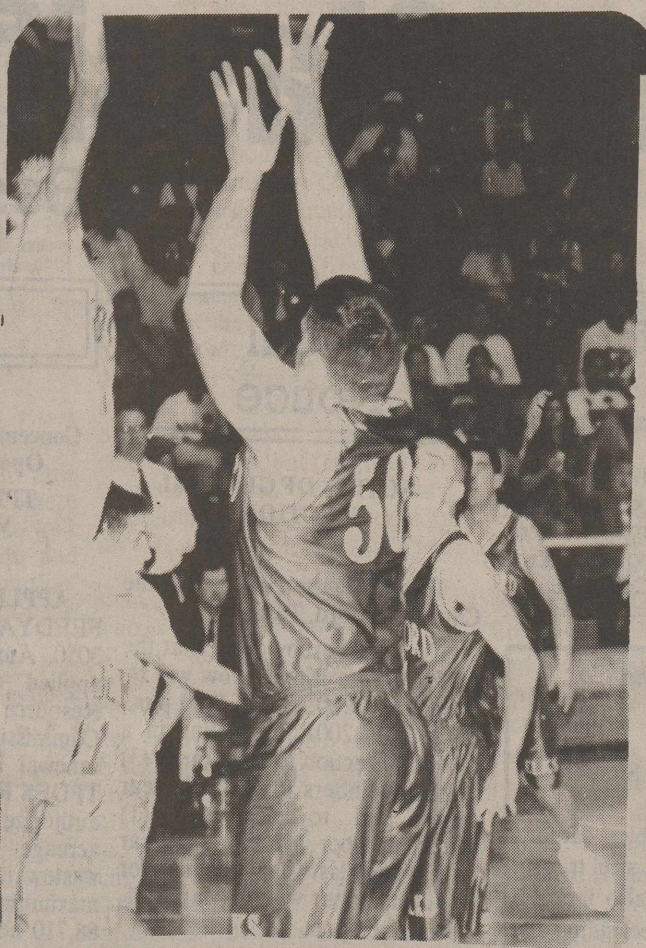
Cut long green end from 2 scallions and tear each lengthwise into 2 strips. Using strips, tie together 2 sprigs rosemary and 2 scallions. Mince white part of remaining scallions and add to reserved marinade. Place rosemary/scallion bouquet into cavity of each hen.

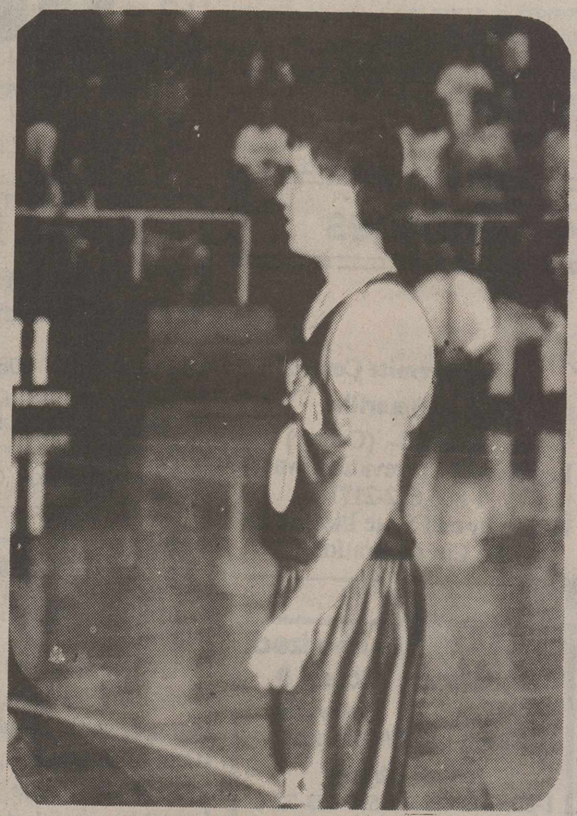
Bake at 350°F, occasionally basting with reserved marinade for an hour or until juices run clear. Meat thermometer inserted in thickest part of thigh should reach 180°F.

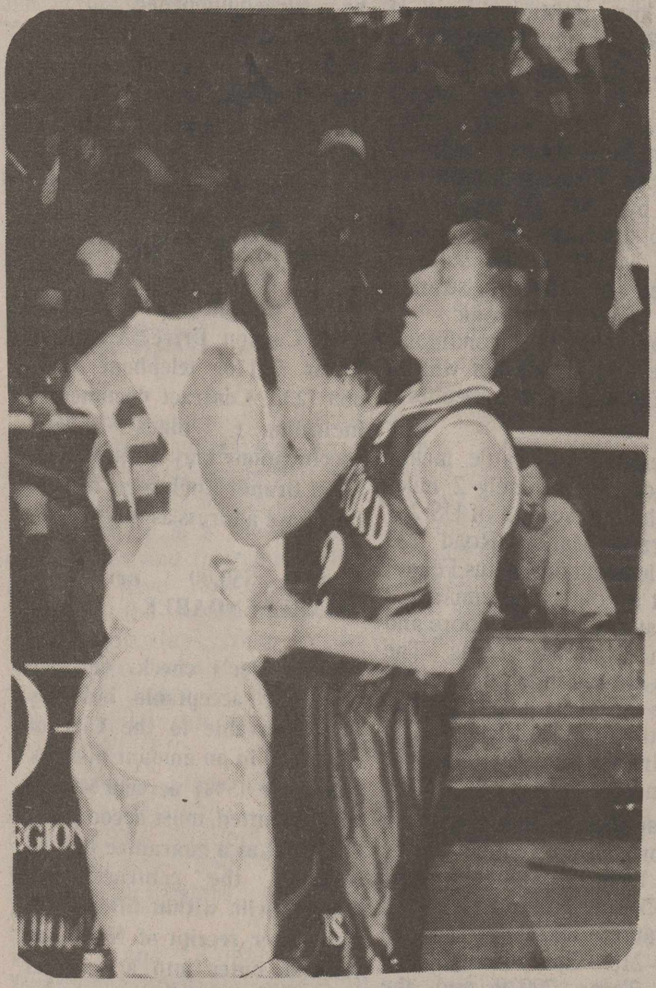
For additional recipes, call 1-800-4PERDUE® for a free booklet called "Recipes from the Heartland." For more ideas, visit the Perdue pantry at www.perdue.com.

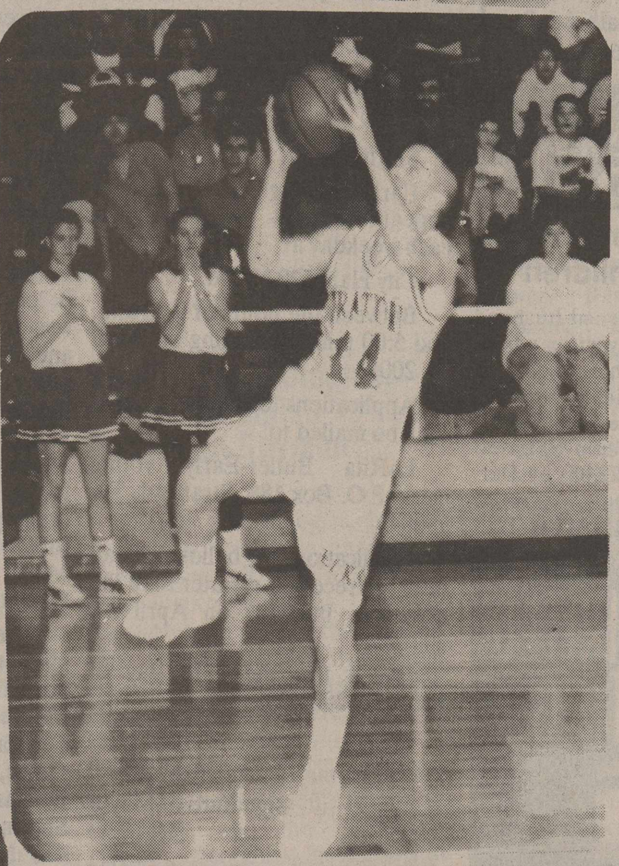
Elks!! Statebound Again

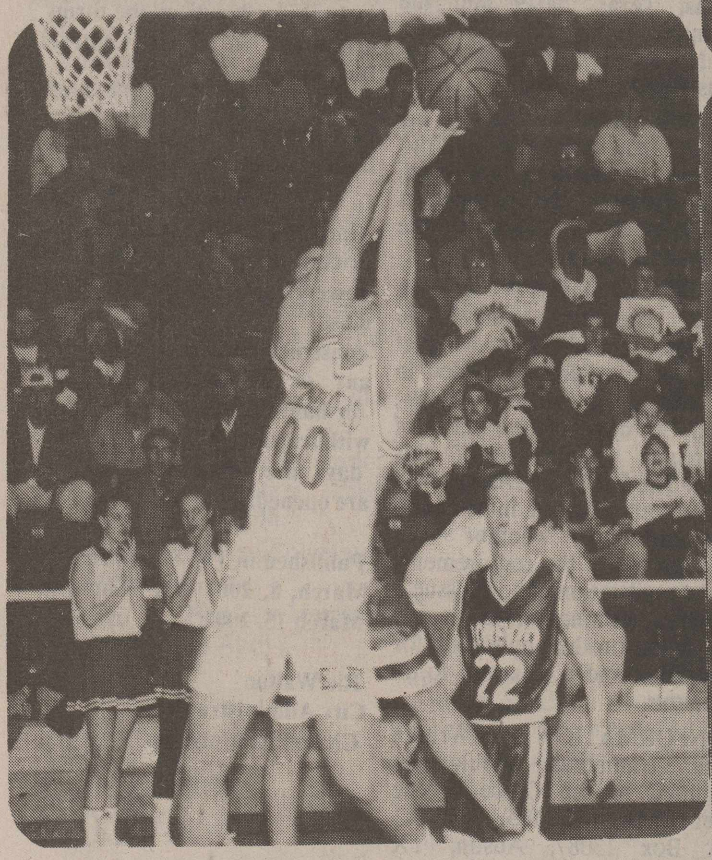


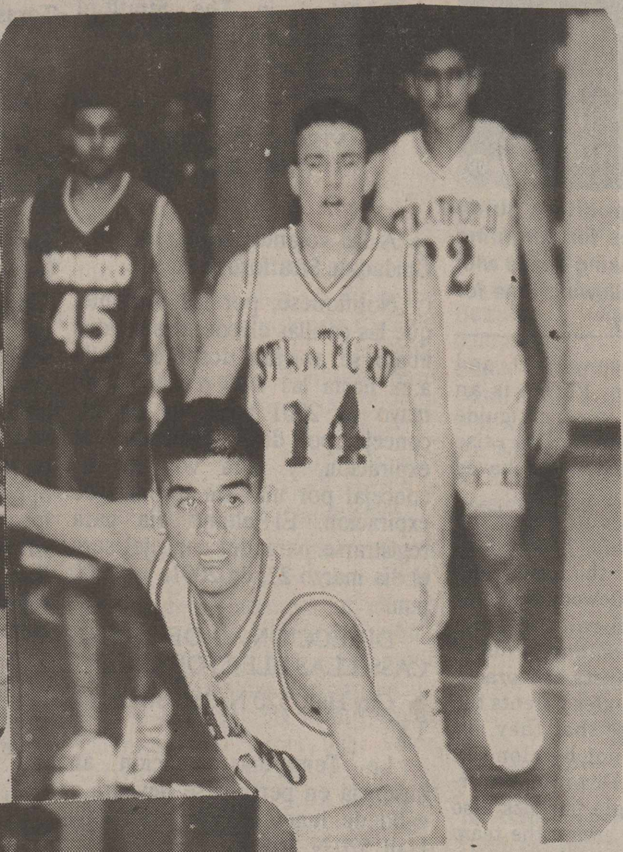


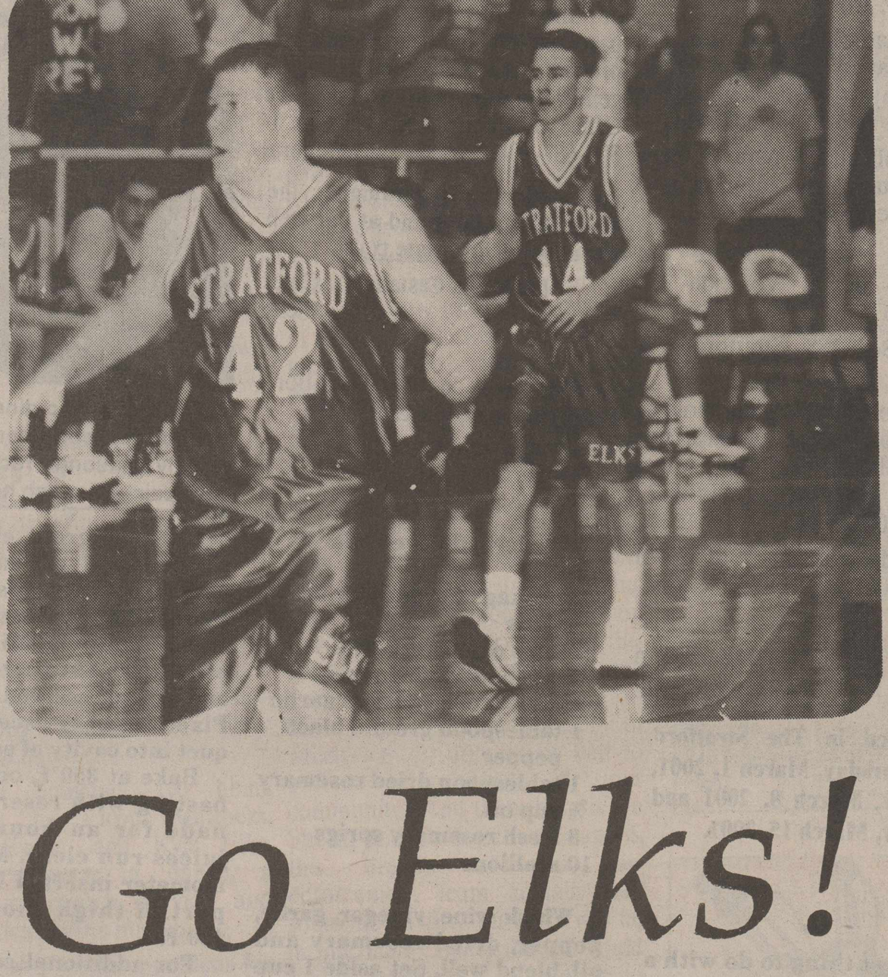








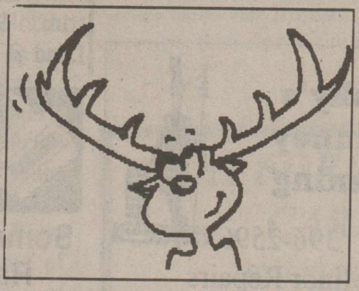




The Stratford Elk Basketball team advance to the State Championship game against Evadale on Thursday, March 8th at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin at 10:00 a.m. If the Elks win on Thursday, they will play the Division II champion for the 1A Texas Cup on Saturday morning on Saturday, March 10th at 9 a.m.

The Elks knocked off the #1 ranked Brock and the #2 ranked Lorenzo to win the State semifinal tournament this past week-end in Odessa. The Elks beat Lorenzo on Friday, March 2nd 72-59. Skyler Walden led the Elks with 24 points followed by Adam Bell and Corey Naugle with 16 points each. Rene Vital added 13 points followed by Carlos Ortega with 6 points followed by Nick Ashley and Wes Kimball with 1 point each. On Saturday, March 3rd, the Elks beat Brock 59-45. Skyler Walden led the Elks with 15 points followed by Carlos Ortega and Rene Vital with 10 points each. Michael McAlister added 8 points for the Elks followed by Adam Bell with 6 points, Corey Naugle and Wes Kimball with 4 points each, and Nick Ashley with 2 points.

GOOD LUCK ELKS - BRING HOME THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP!!!!



The antlers on a deer are real bone, unlike horn, which is made of layers of skin.

Cards of Thanks

The family of John and Janice Boney wants to express our thanks and appreciation to all of you who have demonstrated your care and concern in so many ways at this sad time. Your support and sympathy following the death of Janice Boney we will not forget. Then so many of you in Sunray, Gruver, Spearman, and Amarillo have provided transportation and companionship for John's mother to spend time at the Lubbock Burn Center with her son. Your prayers and good wishes mean the world to us.

Sybil Boney & Family

Lollipop Day Care says a BIG "Thank You" to everyone who donated items, had lunch and to our Shoppers, for your made our Garage Sale a HUGE success. We appreciate all of you & hope you enjoyed your day as much as we did!

The Lollipop Day Care Board of Directors

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce wants to thank everyone who helped to make our banquet a great success. We fed approximately 238 people. It was great to see a complete row of championship Elk football players and coaches. Everyone congratulated the Centennial Wagon Train Committee as well as the God, Grass and Grit III team. The Chamber office has extra copies of the banquet program is someone would like a copy these would be a great addition to a scrapbook or to send to a relative. Contact the office for your copies.

The *Citizen of the Year Award* was earned by Mayrene Aduddell. Mayrene has been a guiding light to the Angel Tree Project her great compassion is evident in her efforts to provide a happy Christmas for unfortunate children of Stratford and Sherman County. Congratulations to her!

We want to thank all of the local businesses and individuals who contributed auction items, Meal Donations, bought tickets, or bid on auction items. Thanks to Bill Pendleton for his entertaining performance as our live auctioneer. He did a great job!

Several special thank you's need to be mentioned. Thanks to Shirley at the Community Building. We appreciate her help with the use of this facility. Thanks to Bill Gillenwaters for his aid cooking the steaks. Thanks to Brown's Meat Locker for providing excellent meat. Their efforts to prepare and wrap the steaks is greatly appreciated. We can't forget Ali Allison and Russell Gadbois (KDDD/KMRE Radio Station). We appreciate the support of this station in keeping Stratford "In the News". These people are always happy to share Stratford's achievement. Les Dodson kept everyone guessing the *Citizen of the Year Award*. Les is certainly an asset to our community. A big thanks to the Junior High Cheerleaders; these girls served the meal, refilled the drinks and helped with the auction. These ladies are future community leaders. Thanks to Debbi Vandiver for her work constructing the football team picture. It was beautiful and the largest selling item at the auction. Thanks to Coach Thiessen for his influence and patience in getting the football and picture signed.

The Women's Division of the Chamber provided the decorations and organized the auction items. These ladies did a great job. As you can see, it takes many people to produce a successful banquet. The Chamber could not provide any community service without the support of the citizens. If the Chamber can be of assistance, please come by the office in the City Hall, or call 366-2260.

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The cream of enjoyment in this life is always impromptu. The chance walk; the unexpected visit; the unpremeditated journey; the unsought conversation or acquaintance.

—Fanny Fern

Have an Emergency Car Kit

Suppose a storm hit and you were stranded in your car overnight. What would you do?

Keep an emergency supplies kit in the trunk of your car.

Your supplies kit should include:
- a battery-powered weather radio
- a flashlight with extra batteries
- a first aid kit and manual
- a blanket
- a set of booster cables
- snack foods and bottled drinking water
- a fluorescent orange cloth to hang on your car antenna. Safety flares to place on the ground a few feet from your car. These will tell other drivers you need help.

To learn more about preparing for emergencies, contact you local office of emergency management.

Go Elks! Win