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Notices

Easter Egg Hunt

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce will again have an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 31st at 2:00 p.m., on the grounds of Coldwater Manor.

Similar to last year's hunt, the event will be for all children thru the fourth grade. Adult supervision will assure a good time for all the kiddies. Many prize eggs have been donated by Coldwater Manor Staff and residents. Mark Your calendar!!

Crimestoppers Inc. To Meet

Crime Stoppers Inc. will meet Monday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sherman Co. Library. This meeting officers will be elected and by laws discussed. Please make plans to attend.

Sign Up Dates

Filing for Stratford Hospital District director will begin March 5, 1991 and continue through April 4, 1991. You may file at the office at Coldwater Manor Nursing Home. Terms expiring this year are Scott Buckles and Frank Sutton.

Maundy Thursday

MAUNDY THURSDAY THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WILL OBSERVE A SEDER/PASSOVER MEAL at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Come and bring your whole family and bring fruit that might have been served during Bible Days. This is for the whole family, so everyone come and join us on Maundy Thursday.

SCOT Dance Saturday Night

The Panhandle Drifters will provide music for a night of dancing fun on March 30 from 8:00-11:00 p.m. at S.C.O.T. Hall in Stratford, Texas. Admission is \$4.00 per person, ages 45 and up accepted. If you enjoy country western music, come & join the dancing fun.

Swimming Helpers Still Needed

We still need Swimming Helpers for Kindergarten classes starting April 29th. Contact the Elementary School if you can help.

Come Spend Easter Sunday at the Depot Museum

Stratford Clinic Hours

Dr. Harlow will not be in the office until further notice.

Mondays 8:30-12:00 Sandy will be in the office to accept payments or for insurance purposes.

Cinda will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday, 3:00-5:00 for shots.



"Sherman County Pheasants Unlimited" Name Given To Raising Pheasants Project

The second meeting of interested individuals of raising pheasants, here in Sherman County met, Wednesday evening, 7 p.m. in the Coldwater Manor Board Room. The following people were present: Joyce & Harry Lowe, Ronnie Engelbrecht, Billy Bell, Judge Bill Fesler, George Curtis, Jack Gore, Rich Brotherton, Larry Parsons, and J.A. Lasley.

For those who had not been at the first meeting, Mr. George Curtis gave a brief explanation of what had been accomplished and what we wanted to accomplish. The hospital board has given permission to use the Green House for a brooder to raise pheasants. The one item needed now is land to build a 20 x 60 foot fly-away for the birds when they are feathered out. Larry Parsons was approached to use land that he now has a barn, fence & pens for horses. He is to visit with other interested parties in regard to letting this group build such a fly-away on this property.

Discussion of a Corporation was discussed. Judge Fesler recommended for the present time, in order, to be able to go ahead and order day old Chicks that the Chamber Board be contacted to see if they would underwrite this endeavor until a corporation could be formed. J.A. was instructed to visit with the board and to let Mr. Curtis know if the Board would consent to be the umbrella for this adventure. Money was given by this group to pay for the first batch of day old pheasants order. If anyone is interested in giving to this project,

they can contact George Curtis, Coldwater Manor, or the Chamber of Commerce.

The name of 'Sherman County Pheasants Unlimited' was the name chosen to be given this group.

There will be a need for habitats for these birds, to be placed at about 6 to 8 weeks. The group will need feeders, waterers, and heat lamps. It is hoped there is enough of these items stored away that can be donated, along with labor, materials to build the pens, needed and the fly-aways at the home and other habitats after the pheasants are ready to leave the Coldwater Manor brooder home.

Rich Brotherton said there was plenty of CRP land with water, to house alot of birds.

The general pulse of this group is that this can be a very profitable, economical boon for our county, that has been claiming to be the PHEASANT/CAPITAL OF TEXAS. The Chamber has the names of a good number of hunters that have been coming over the years. You can be assured that they will be informed, even given an opportunity to donate money for these efforts. This will be handled by the Chamber.

Anyone interested in this adventure is urged to contact the Chamber office, or call George Curtis up on the phone, at Coldwater Manor, and over a good cup of coffee he can certainly get your adrenalin flowing. Lets all get excited about this adventure and think "Pheasants" in a big number.

Seven Candidates File For SISD Trustee Election

Wednesday, March 20 was the final sign-up day for Stratford ISD Trustee election. Three places will be vacant for the May 4th election. The terms of Jerry Dyess, Jack Rhoades, and Linda Spurlock will expire.

Seven candidates have filed for a position. Those filing are Walter Eugene Lasley, Kenton Kimball,

Rusty Craig, Jack Rhoades, incumbent, Jerry Dyess, incumbent, Barbara Chumley, and James Young Jr.

Election date for this school election is Saturday May 4th. Holdover members to the Board of Trustees are Steve Dettle, Margaret Reed, Rick Reinart and Ken Wight.

Large Crowd Attends XIT Telephone's 40th Membership Meeting

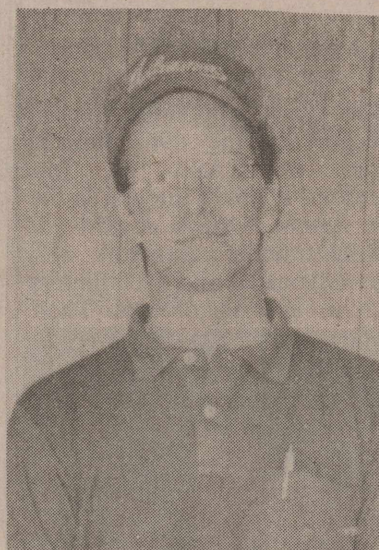
The XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative was host to its members' 40th annual Meeting on Wednesday, March 13th at the Lake Rita Blanca Coliseum in Dalhart, Texas. There were approximately 500 in attendance. Two hundred & fifty six were voting members.

Members, who were connected in 1983, received their Patronage Capital Check for that year as they registered. This refund in the amount of \$410,093.68 was made

at 100%. With this amount included, a total of \$2,492,939.07 has been refunded back to XIT members since May of 1978.

In support of the troops in the Persian Gulf and of those returning home, XIT employees decorated the coliseum in patriotic colors red, white and blue. The tables were covered with red, white and blue tablecloths. A royal blue streamer with stars ran the length of each table. Uncle Sam hats and beautiful balloon

Craig Announces



I would like to announce my candidacy for one of the three positions available for School Board. I am interested in the quality of education for all students. I would also be willing to work with Mr. Brite & the school staff to continue the long standing tradition of the above average system we now have.

I feel the young people deserve & need the best education we can offer. Our young peoples future depends on what our school system can offer, and in turn, we depend on our kids for the future.

I have lived in Stratford since August 1979. I am employed by A&I PARTS CENTER dba G & W INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY. My wife is Dana (Oquin) Craig and she has been employed by A&I Parts Center for 12 years. We have one son, Clint, who is in the eighth grade. We attend the First United Methodist Church. I have been active in coaching Y basketball & coaching Little League.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

Paid Pol. Ad Paid for by Rusty Craig, P.O. Box 1071, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Area Foundation Meeting To Be Held Thursday, April 4th

It was reported at the recent Area Foundation meeting that \$5,500 had been raised in Sherman County and \$650 had been raised in Texhoma between Nov. 1 and Dec. 31, 1990 as a result of fund-raising efforts.

Available funds had already been pledged to the new water tower, as well as other projects and requests for new projects have had to be denied.

The new monies raised will make it possible to provide the Hooker ambulance project with \$500 now. More funds will become available by August 1991 and several worthy projects can then be granted.

The annual meeting is scheduled for April 4, 1991 at 7:30 at the local library. Everyone is invited to attend. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided, the annual Financial Report will be made and new directors will be named.

bouquets added the finishing touch to each table. The stage resembled the American flag with its blue satin backdrop & its prize tables decorated in red and white stripes.

Members & invited guests were treated to a delicious barbecue luncheon catered by Johnny Ribs and its very capable crew. The Reverend David Reiten of the People's Church, Dalhart, Texas, led the invocation.

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Carter Wins 2nd Runner Up

Jenny Carter won 2nd Runner Up "Miss Irish Rose" Pageant out of 27 girls in the pageant March 15 and 16 in Shamrock, Texas. Jenny represented Jr. Miss Stratford and Lions Club Sweetheart. Miss Carter is the 16 year old daughter of Rick and Connie Reianrt and is a Jr. at Stratford High.

40th Annual Easter Pageant To Be Held Near Kenton

The story of Easter will be brought to life once again at the 40th annual Easter Pageant near Kenton, Oklahoma, Saturday and Sunday, March 30 and 31. The services are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 a.m. CST Sunday.

The story taken from the King James Version of the Bible will be portrayed from the Last Supper to the Ascension.

The Saturday evening performance is timed to dramatize the moment of the Crucifixion, with Christ hanging from the cross between two thieves, just as the sun sets over the rugged canyon wall.

This performance of the death of Christ and the despair of the world, will be followed on Sunday morning by the living hope of the Resurrection, as the sun rises on a great earthquake ends with the wonderful scene of the Ascension.

The cast of the Kenton Easter Pageant is composed of ranchers, farmers, housewives, students,

business and professional people from the surrounding areas, who devote their time and labor to the presentation of the pageant. Some of the cast members are third and fourth generation participants.

The pageant grounds are located in the beautiful Black Mesa Canyon country one and one-half miles east of Kenton in the Oklahoma panhandle. The canyon walls serve as a natural theater for the pageant taking place on the hillside as the audience watches from their cars in the valley below.

Meals will be served at nearby Camp Billy Joe following each of the two services. Meal costs will be \$3.00 for adults and \$1.75 for children under 12.

Camper hookups are available at Kenton, Camp Billy Joe, and Lake Etling for people who may wish to stay in the area overnight. There are also five dorm accommodations at Camp Billy Joe. Anyone desiring more information may call 405-261-7446 or 719-787-2374.

Discussion Of Smoking On Senior Citizens Bus Discussed At Hospital Board Meeting

The Stratford Hospital District Board disagreed with the Scot Baord of Directors over smoking on the Senior Citizens bus, at the Hospital Board's March meeting held Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

The difference of opinion emerged when Coldwater Manor's Administrator, George Curtis, reported that the Scot Board of Directors had voted at their Feb. meeting to allow anyone to smoke on the bus at anytime. The Hospital District Board voted unanimously to prohibit smoking on the bus after discussions pointed out that the airlines, buses and passenger trains have prohibited smoking in the interest of Passenger Health and Safety. Elaine Gurley pointed out that smoking causes burns in upholstery and clothing. It also forces those who are allergic to smoke to stay

at home, if others can light up next to them. Board members Duane Pittman pointed out that smoking is not permitted in state buildings anywhere in Texas.

Other changes in policy were made to conform with changes in State law and insurance regulations concerning drivers of the bus.

The Hospital District's Ambulance Service reported 8 ambulance runs, involving over 100 hours of ambulance volunteer EMT and paramedic time.

In addition, the Ambulance service had 28 incidents in which medically trained personnel were called upon for assistance.

W.D. Brannen, Ambulance Service Manager, reported to the

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Obits

Jodie R. Reesing

Clifton, Tex.-Jodie M. Reesing died Tuesday, March 19th at the Clifton Hospital in Clifton, Texas at the age of 78 years old. He was Born March 29, 1912 in the Boggy Community.

Funeral services were held Friday March 22 at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Pat McClatchey officiating. Burial was in Boggy Cemetery near Cransfill Gap.

He married Madeline Pederson on June 5, 1938. They moved to Stratford in 1945 with their family where Jodie farmed and ranched until his retirement. They moved to Clifton in 1989. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Clifton.

Jodie was selected as Farmer of the Year for 1984 at the Annual Stratford Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Survived in addition to his wife are 1 son, Col. Joedale Reesing of Vandenburg Air Force Base, California, 2 daughters, Mrs. Jerry Adams of Lubbock and Mrs. Jim Gore of Jackson, Miss. 1 brother, Herman Reesing of Clifton, 2 sisters, Mrs. Lucille Brasher, Tulsa and Mrs. Francis Ferguson of Ft. Worth, Texas and 7 grandchildren.

Norma G. Blackwell

Graveside services for Norma G. Blackwell, 74, of Melissa, Texas, (formerly of Stratford, Texas), who died Tuesday, March 19th at Richardson General Hospital in Richardson, Texas were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 21, 1991 at Walnut Grove Cemetery near McKinney. Reverend Mike Haynes officiated. Horn-Harris-Crouch Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Blackwell was born April 17, 1916 in Sevierville, Tenn., the daughter of L.C. Houk & Sara Jane Allen Houk. She married William Thomas "Bill" Blackwell Feb. 27, 1930. Mrs. Blackwell was retired from retail sales. She was a member of the Methodist faith.

Mrs. Blackwell is survived by two daughters Nina Kitchens of Melissa and Betty Putnam of Panhandle. Six grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

Mrs. Blackwell was preceded in death by her husband Bill August 29, 1989.

B.H. Higgins

B.H. "Doc" Higgins, 67, of Amarillo, died Tuesday, March 19, 1991.

Graveside Services were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, March 21, at Llano Cemetery with the Rev. Jess Hightower, associate pastor of Coulter Road Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. Higgins, born in Cleveland, Tenn., had lived in Amarillo 45 years. He was a self-employed builder and a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II. He married Louise Franklin in 1947 at Clovis, N.M.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, David Higgins of Amarillo and Larry Higgins of Austin, a daughter, Paula Bencini of Amarillo; a sister, Reba Pittman of Stratford and three grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association, 2401 W. Seventh Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79106 or to a favorite charity.

Home Office Deduction Limited

Home office expenses must meet certain requirements to be deductible.

A major requirement for a home office expense deduction is "exclusive and regular" use of a portion of the home for a trade or business. For example, an insurance agent who uses a room most days to meet clients, do paperwork and correspond with clients uses the room regularly. However, if he or she uses the room to relax on weekends or to work on personal finances, the exclusive use requirement has not been met.

In addition, an employee, as opposed to a self-employed person, using a home office must be doing so for the "convenience of the employer." Expenses for a home office that is merely helpful to the employee or employer cannot be deducted.

For other qualifications for home office expense deductions, order free IRS Publication 587, *Business Use of Your Home*, by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

CASA Training Seminar Held Recently

A CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) training seminar was taught recently in Dumas by CASA volunteer Joyce Thompson on attachment disorder. Mrs. Thompson received training in this subject at The Attachment Center in Evergreen, Colo., which is located near Denver.

Social workers may know they are putting a "bandage" on kids that may "explode." Eighty percent of prison inmates have been abused as children, Thompson said. Studies by the Department of Health and Human Services also bear out that these abused children become problem adults.

The method taught by Thompson has been proven at The Attachment Center to equip children to be productive adults. Changing these kids now will greatly reduce the number of violent people in society. According to Department Health and Human Services these methods will begin to be implemented in this area within the next six months.

The Attachment Center

The Attachment Center at Evergreen is a licensed, nationally recognized treatment program for troubled children. The center has

successfully treated hundreds of emotionally and behaviorally disturbed children since its inception in 1972.

The Center offers an innovative alternative to institutionalization and residential group treatment facilities through professional therapeutic foster homes called "treatment homes."

Extensive training is provided for the therapeutic families and the Center considers them to be paraprofessionals. The primary therapist, consulting psychiatrist and the therapeutic family form the team responsible for the child's treatment in the program.

Once changes in the child become apparent, the Center attempts to bring the family into the treatment circle. Parents attend parenting workshops and have consultations with the child's therapist and therapeutic family to learn more effective methods of dealing with their child in the home.

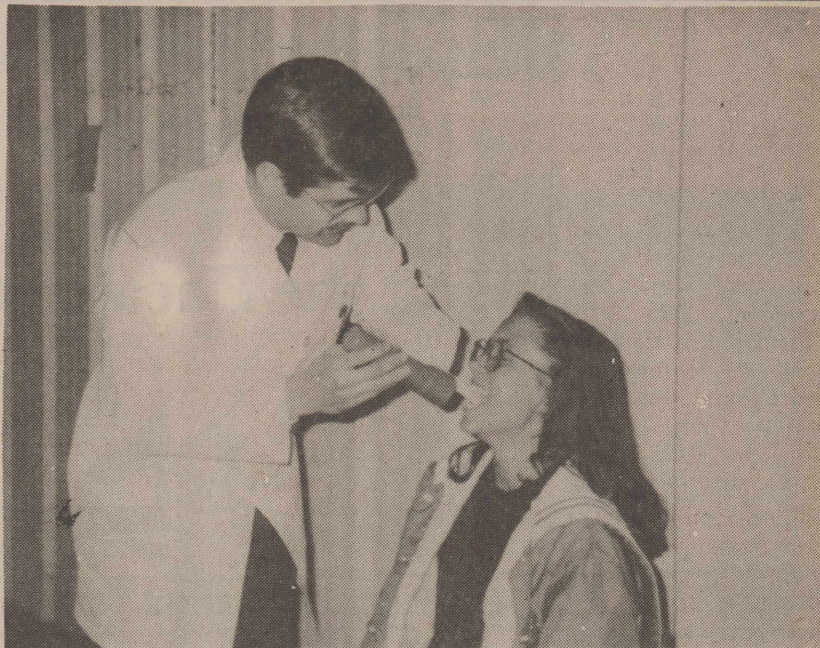
CASA 69, Inc.

The Court Appointed Special Advocates of the 69th Judicial District, or CASA 69, Inc. Represents a child's interest in the court system. CASA consists of specially trained volunteers who act as advocates and fact finders for children in foster care. Their

objectives are: to provide support to children whose placement is being decided by the court, usually as a result of abuse or neglect; to provide pertinent information to attorneys ad litem so that their responsibilities to the child are better fulfilled; ensure that the

child is moved through the court/child welfare system in a sensitive expedient manner, minimizing time spent in foster care; ensure continuing, consistent review, by both court and agency, of every child in care until he or she is home for good.

CASA 69, Inc. is a nonprofit organization which serves the 69th Judicial District. This includes Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Sherman Counties. Anyone wishing to donate to CASA may do so at this address: CASA 69, Inc., 88 P.O. Box 9396, Dalhart, Texas 79022.



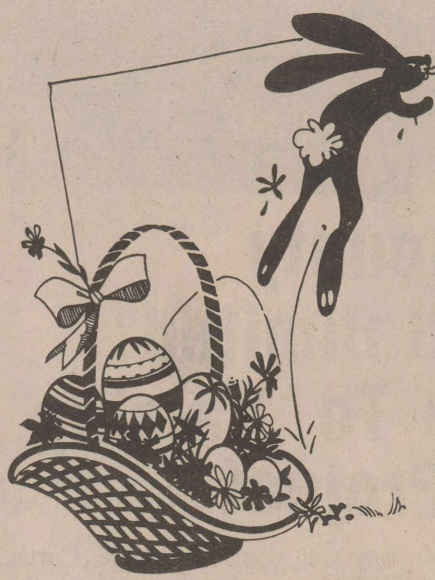
Health Fair Shots

"Open wide," says Dr. Blair Loving to Lea Shuping. No cavities for her, but he found several young people who needed to go see a dentist.

Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 31st
at
2:00 p.m.

On the grounds of
Coldwater Manor
Prize Eggs Galore!
Adult Supervision
All Kids invited up
thru 4th grade
Fun! Fun! Fun!



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Fun! Fun! Fun!

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

CALL-IN ORDERS WELCOME

CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS



Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

A good bunch attended the bowling party Sunday at Guymon. Hosts were Terry & Barbara Schoonover. Those enjoying the day were Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Ralph & Minnie Hampton, Annette Hampton, Ralph James Hampton, Laurie Norris, Parker Wells, Kayo & Jo June McDaniel, Brady Schoonover, Tricia Tillery.

Shane Pruitt, former Kerrick station manager, works at the bowling alley and was glad to welcome the group.

Mark, Debbie & Nicole Rouse joined them for a dutch treat supper at Mah's.

Ladies OFF club had a Tupperware party March 19 at the Community Center. Esther Israel, Keyes, Ok., entertained the ladies and served a cake baked in a microwave for refreshments. Present were Donna Gillenwaters, Barbara Avent, Franny Taylor, Lynn Wells, Joyce Irlbeck, Dayle Harris and Marylou McDaniel.

Plans were discussed for the Memorial Day weekend trip to Mt. Rushmore.

Hank & Mabel Rogers and grandson, Josh, were in Midland Thursday thru Sunday with grandson Ian Weems. They enjoyed watching Ian march with his school band in a Victory

Parade for Desert Shield Saturday. Ian plays trombone.

Donna, Bevin, April & Kodie Avent arrived Sunday from Minature, Nev. Mitch & Nena Bell took a trailer up to move to East Camp.

Kenneth & Lynn Wells visited in Canadian Sunday with Pat and Curtis Francis.

Nita Mae Taylor returned Sunday from a trip to Las Vegas, Newport Beach and San Diego, Ca. and Phoenix. She said that it poured rain in California and Phoenix too!

A pre-Easter dinner was given by Fred & Marylou McDaniel Saturday. Guests were their daughter, Patti, Sharon Powell and her daughters, Sarah and Kristen, all of Denver, Thelma & Duane Smith of Dumas, Franny Taylor, son Mike, Kathy, Lynz and Merilee McDaniel. The Denver people left Monday afternoon.

Mildred & Bob Robinson, Boise City, visited with her sister Franny Taylor Sunday.

Alvin & Dayle Harris, Kayo & Jo June McDaniel, Ted & Joyce Irlbeck and Franny Taylor attended "Dances With Wolves" Friday night. This is a major event-getting this many to a movie at the same time from Kerrick!

Your Right To Know

by Terry Kennedy

There is a built in article for this week's column-a retraction! Last week we wrote that the fire in the east part of the county got into another county before it was brought under control. The county was Hansford county-not the one we mentioned last week. As stated before, there are no federal funds available for relief, but the effects still need to be reported. According to the aerial photographs taken, there appears to be about 1,559 acres burned. This fairly accurate estimate is from the U.S. Dept. of Agricultural Stabilization, Gary Lundberg. This includes CRP and native grassland, both of which should come back as good as before. There were some corrals burned and a lot of fence. There was no loss of life. We still have a lot to be thankful for. If you had damage, please contact this office and report it. As stated before, damage estimates need to be recorded.

There is good news for the Office of Emergency Management! We received a letter from the State Division of Emergency Management stating that there were federal funds allocated for this county's participation in the Emergency Management Assistance (EMA) Program during Fiscal Year 1991. The effective date of participation goes back to a starting date of Oct. 1, 1990. There will be a lot of paper work; but, we have tried to do our job and maintain records as though we were funded.



Star Extension

Star Extension Club met March 19, 1991 at 2:00 p.m. in the Extension room with Geneva Bell as hostess.

"I see a Spark" was read by Geneva and roll call was "Something I Like to plant in the Spring".

Jimmie Pronger, vice president, presided over the business meeting and reminded members to turn in "Nickels for Leadership and Pennies For Friendship".

An interesting program "Lawn Care" was given by Jim Allison; he said that "mowing, fertilizing and watering" were three important factors in lawn care & he stressed "Don't Bag It".

Star club will meet April 4, 1991 at 11:30 a.m. in the county Barn for the "Spring Fling", then Council will meet at 2:00 p.m. followed by a short club meeting.

The following were present, Rowena Williams, Rose Wells, Myrtle Starker, Jim Allison, Ava Keener, Dortha Allen, Leona Kelp, Jimmie Pronger, and Geneva Bell.

Franchise Signed

This year marks the 37th year since Miss Stratford Pageant was born. We have over 30 plus years sent girls to be in other pageants, paying out big bucks to have her enter. That money going to Pampa, Perryton, Amarillo, and Lake Meredith. Early this winter the MSSP Board met and it was unanimously agreed "Why Not have that Money come to Stratford, Sherman County, Texas? We have signed a franchise with the preliminary of the Miss America. The winner of the now, Miss Top of Texas Area Pageant, will then proceed to the Miss Texas Pageant, in Fort Worth, Texas in 1992. The top 26 counties will be allowed to enter this pageant, with all girls in Sherman County who have at one time held the title of Miss Stratford, and those girls here, yet, seeking that title will be eligible. The age limit is to be 17 by the first of September, and a senior by Sept. 1, 1992. We are excited about this venture and sincerely hope that our community will join us in this excitement.



GOOD FRIDAY
March 29th



First Christian Church

6:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service, FCC & Knight Ranch
Easter Breakfast, following
10:45 a.m. Anthem "He is Risen, As He Said" Adult choir
"Soliloquy" Abba Ringers

Happy Easter

Satellite To Consign Your Cattle In An Upcoming Sale

Cattle Exchange Of Stratford

Call Steve Dettle 396-5610 or Jeff Flores 396-5694

Pre Show 1:00 p.m. Sale 1:30 p.m.

April 4, 1991



Chamber Chatter

by J. A. Lasley

First and foremost I have been advised that two of our service men have returned home, from Operation Desert Storm.

Jamie Saenz has returned to his base in Texas. And Gary Roberson, son of Luzelle Lowe has returned to his base in Florida. Though they have not actually returned to their native home of Stratford, we rejoice with their parents in their return to the United States. Please folks the only way that I have of knowing these things is to have you come by the Chamber office or call.

Also I thank you for your patience in getting the pictures of your service family that has been on display at the Mary Allen School. They have been taken down, however with Jo Davenport on leave from the Mary Allen School, I have not made the proper contact to retrieve pictures back and returned. I promise this is on my top priority list!

Have you sent in your nomination for Citizen of the Year, Farmer & Business person. The deadline will be the 2nd of April. The nominating committees will be then meeting & making decisions. The banquet will be the 9th. And have you bought your ticket? John Bolf and Andrea will be the caterer, you can come in your jeans and enjoy good music furnished by the Panhandle Drifters, wait anxiously to learn the recipients of the awards of the year, and listen to a humorous, motivative speaker, Kenneth Wyatt, and perhaps win the K. Wyatt sculpture or print, or perhaps one of the other giveaways that we will have that evening. We will start eating at 7 p.m. High school Cafeteria, and Mr. Taliaferro promises that we will be out of there full-entertained-surprised-pleased by 9 p.m. or before! We will hold Mr. T to this.

Kiddoes Pre-schoolers up and including the fourth grade don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Sunday at Coldwater Manor. There will be group hunting, prize eggs, maybe the Easter Bunny giving Bunny kisses, and refreshments. Remember Sunday afternoon 2:00 p.m. March 31st.

I am sure that members of the Chamber have wondered why they have not received a ballot voting on new directors, well be patient. This year we decided that we would have balloting done at our annual banquet, thus avoiding mailing, with the price of stamps so if you want to vote on three new directors, be at the Chamber banquet. We have several that have agreed that if they were elected that they would serve. This is not a very high paying position, about the only thanks you get is maybe a thank you, and believe me for volunteers that is appreciated. The holdovers on the General Board are Mr. Taliaferro, Teresa Edmond, Martha Ellison, Jack Gore, P.J. Pronger, and Roy McAlister. Ronnie Pickens will be retiring this year. We have lost two others by moves, and have been somewhat handicapped with less

than our nine directors. Again-you will get to vote the evening of our Banquet.

Plans are GO for the raising of pheasants. A second meeting has been had and pheasants day old chicks ordered. Anyone interested in helping in any way are urged to contact the Chamber or George Curtis at Coldwater Manor.

In closing remember the Chamber wants to be on the move-help us help you!

Cards of Thanks

Thank you to the Miss Stratford Organization, the Stratford Lions Club, Chamber, J.A. Lasley, Vicki Gore, Cindy Crabtree, Orlanda Garoutte, Janis Tillery, Debbie Vandiver and all my friends who helped me with fees, expenses, clothing, makeup, pictures and who sent flowers, the advertisement in the Shamrock paper and love and support. Thank you so much for the privilege of representing Stratford in the 1991 Miss Irish Rose Pageant. I had a wonderful

time, met many new friends and am proud to be the 1991 2nd runner up. Thank You Jenny Carter

Jamie Saenz would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and letters while he was in Saudi Arabia. He wants everyone to know he is home in Alamogordo now. Felix and Berta want to also thank everybody for all their prayers, etc. Everyone in Stratford has been so thoughtful to Jamie and us. It has really meant a lot to us. God Bless you.

Vote For Kenton Kimball

Candidate for S.I.S.D. Trustee

Please Vote on May 4th

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The calendar quite frequently
May have to change a date,
But those events of history
Are there to celebrate.
Two faiths will honor, with a feast
Which may not coincide,
The time of Hebrew slaves released,
Or when the Savior died.
Yet both occasions are the same,
As either faith explains;
With each occurrence in the name
Of freedom from our chains.
So let the joyful time begin,
And issue this decree,
That says from slavery or sin
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Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Riemer of Stinnett, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. O. Jay Lane of Stratford proudly announce the engagement of their children, Shannon and Justin. They plan to be married June 15, 1991 at the First Baptist Church of Stratford. Shannon is presently teaching 2nd grade at Seminole, Texas. Justin is a senior at Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Oklahoma, where he is a member of the PSU Rodeo Team.

TRTA Enjoys

Cooking

Demonstration

Officers for the Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore unit of the Texas Retired Teachers were elected at the March meeting held in the Reddy Room of Southwestern Public Service building in Dalhart. They will be installed at the May meeting which will be May 9 at the XIT Museum in Dalhart. Nannie Belle Graves presented the slate of officers which had been nominated by a committee chaired by Majorie McClesky. The report was approved by acclamation. Officers for the 1991-92 year will be: president, Bob Askey; vice president, Portia Dees; Secretary, Elsie Nettleton; treasurer, Lois Gossett. Appointive offices were filled, which included membership, Nema Lee Hudson; Legislative, Evelyn Brannon; public relations, Nancy Woods; Health, Herman Nettleton; membership, Nema Lee Hudson. Other appointive offices will be filled later.

Bob Askey called the meeting to order; Elsie Nettleton read the minutes which were approved; the treasurer's report was given by Lois Gossett.

The April meeting will be the drive-in at WTSU in Canyon on Tuesday, April 23. All members who can go should call Bob Askey at 249-4081. Mileage will be paid to drivers of cars and a delicious luncheon will be served at the college cafeteria.

The highlight of the March meeting was a cooking demonstration by Mary Blinderman, home economist for SPS. She demonstrated "Cooking for two of just a few" using the microwave oven and cooking utensils designed for cooking small quantities. A book of recipes was given to each person present. The group enjoyed eating the food which Blinderman had prepared. She always stresses food which is prepared to enhance the health of all people, particularly senior citizens. Her demonstrations are always open to the public.

Other members and guests present, who have not been previously mentioned were J.W. Brannon, Faye Wood, Faye Pirkle, Lorean Clayton, Mary McCarty and Henrietta Betz.

Birthday Celebrated

A program celebrating the birthday of Delta Kappa Gamma, an educational sorority, was presented at the XI chapter meeting in Dumas in March, in First Christian Church. Gifts of aloe vera plants were presented to Belinda Foreman and Portia Dees for their birthday presents in March. Several birthday songs, led by Rose Marie Wilson, were sung by the group.

Mary Roberson, assisted by Nelda Askey, made a presentation of beautiful brass candlesticks to the chapter. Mary had received them from a state president as a gift to the chapter for special accomplishments by the district and chapter at district and state meetings.

The registration of Willie Belasco was accepted with regret. Members were asked to send cards to June Faut in St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo. Mary Dowell, president, presided at the meeting; the collect was led by Nelda Askey; roll call was by Ann Hormel, secretary, who also read the minutes of the previous meeting. The chapter approved the minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report presented by Shirley Hendricks. Refreshments were served by Dumas members.

The April meeting of Delta Kappa Gamma will be at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, in the elementary cafeteria in Dalhart. Members of the Future Teachers and foreign exchange students from the area schools will be special guests.

I would like to thank Wayne Dyess for donating the All-Around Bracelet that I won at the Stratford High School Rodeo Saturday, March 23.

Jennifer Smith

Public Notice

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company ("Southwestern Bell") submitted an application on January 4, 1991 to the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") requesting that the central office-based PBX/type service market be declared subject to significant competition pursuant to the Commission's Substantive Rule §23.27. If this proposal is approved, Southwestern Bell intends to provide service to this market segment via its PLEXAR-Custom service, which provides for contractual rates and charges to be based on an individual customer-specific basis.

PLEXAR-Custom is a central office-based service which provides switched voice and/or data communications similar to a customer-premises PBX. PLEXAR-Custom service is currently being provided on an individual customer-specific basis via Southwestern Bell's Customer Specific Pricing Plan Tariff for central office-based telecommunications systems of 200 stations or more. If Southwestern Bell's application is approved, the PLEXAR-Custom service tariff will be revised to also include central office-based telecommunications systems which require between 75 and 200 stations.

Centrex and Plexar-II services are currently priced according to a standard tariff regardless of the customer's geographic location in the state. If this application is approved, customers needing 75 to 200 stations will be able to obtain this service priced on an individual customer-specific basis rather than under a standard tariffed rate.

Southwestern Bell's application proposes that the service market for PBX/type systems of 75 stations up to 200 stations be declared subject to significant competition statewide in all of the exchange areas served by Southwestern Bell and in which the central office capability to provide the service exists and/or can readily be made available.

Persons who wish to intervene, protest, or comment on this application should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas by June 21, 1991 at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. You may also call the Commission's Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf. Please refer to this matter in all correspondence as Docket No. 9960.



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Spring Fling

The Sherman County Extension Homemakers Council will be sponsoring "Spring Fling" on Thursday, April 4, at the County Exhibit Building, from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.

Joyce Cyr of Amarillo will be presenting the program, "Wardrobe Secrets" at 12:15 p.m.

Partners In The Kitchen Offered

Second graders and their parents are invited to participate in the annual Partners in the Kitchen Parent-Child Cooking Class. The class will meet on Tuesday, April 9, 16, 23 and 30, 1991, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the County Extension Office. Partners in the kitchen will learn how to prepare Creative Cakes, Microwave Treats, Cool Cooking Snacks & Fajitas, in addition to learning more about food safety and kitchen safety & nutrition in the diet.

Registration fee for the class is \$5.00 per partnership. Class size is limited and enrollment deadline is Friday, April 5.

To enroll, or for more information, call Susie E. Spurlock at the Sherman County Extension Office, 396-2122.

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followed by "Victorian Sachets", a make-it-and-take-it workshop instructed by Barbara Schoonover, at 1:15 p.m. Cost of the workshop will be \$2.00.

Lunch will be catered by Marie Sladek for \$5.00 per person. All interested persons who would like to attend are asked to RSVP by noon, April 2, by calling the Extension Office at 396-2122 or Kristi Walden, program chairman, at 769-4467.

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Golf

Womens Golf Association met March 12th. Our first meeting for 1991. All golfers are invited to come every second Tuesday. Present were Frances Gray, Charlene Oquin, Judy Oquin, Alda Mitts, Nelda Stacy, Sharon Wilson, Reba Pittman, Mary Brooks, Martha Duncan, Alma Lee McMahan, Charlene Dyess and Pat Williams. Date was set for our Jack and Jill Scramble May 12th. Tee off is at one o'clock. Our invitational is June 4th, tee off nine o'clock. Covered dish was enjoyed by all.

VOTE May 4th

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Stratford School Board

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Friday, April 5

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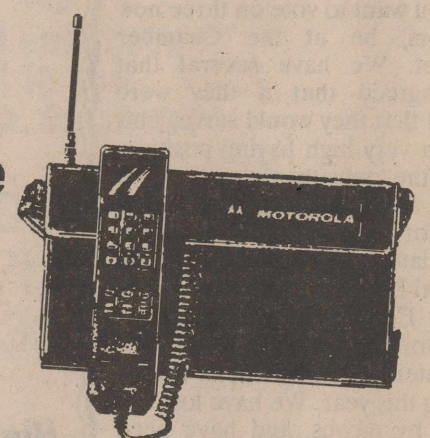
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High School Career Day

Stratford High School will be hosting a Career Day for high school students Tuesday, April 5, 1991. An outstanding program has been planned with the emphasis being placed on owning your own business and new technology in the business and agriculture fields.

Being self-employed has potential for young people who are going to be seeking careers in the near future. A panel discussion involving B.A. Donelson, P.J. Pronger, Debbie Vandiver, Martha Ellison, Wesley Miller, Kenton Kimball, Billy Bell and Scott Buckles will discuss many aspects of owning your own business.

Representatives of XIT Communication, Amarillo College and the First State Bank of Stratford will discuss new technology which is now in use or is being developed for use in business and agriculture.

Dave McReynolds, who is with the Panhandle Area Alliance, will share with students the type of businesses which are in need of employees and the type and amount of training necessary to fill these positions.

The Career Day is being sponsored by the Sherman County 4-H and Youth Committee and Stratford High school. It is hoped that at the conclusion of the day, students will be better informed as to the possibilities and can begin serious planning for their future careers.

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Decee Kae Foster graduated from Aid High School in Odessa, Texas, March 13, 1991. Decee plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University in the Fall. Decee Kae is the daughter of Pat Henry Foster of Roswell and the granddaughter of B.F. and Betty Henry of Stratford.

Ingham Completes Training

Navy Seaman Recruit Christopher Y. Ingham, son of Donna C. Ingham of Texhoma, Ok., & Jerry Y. Ingham of Dalhart, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Fla.

During Ingham's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on the job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1987 graduate of Texhoma High School, he joined the Navy in November, 1990.



School Menu

April 1-5, 1991

Monday-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, and spice cake.

Tuesday-Green chili casserole, brown beans, cole slaw, corn bread, & Peaches.

Wednesday-Chicken noodles, english peas, carrot sticks, rolls, fruit cups, rolled oat cake.

Thursday-Hamburger, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, pickle slices, tator tots, cinnamon rolls.

Friday-Burritos, chili, cole slaw, spinach, fruit and cowboy bread.

Come Spend Easter Sunday at the Depot Museum



Out The Library

by Dorothy Haile



Shown above is the last day of Storytime that was held at the Sherman County Library Every Wednesday morning from 11 to 12 noon. Volunteers in the picture above are Kelly Willard, Jeane Marshall, Jeanne Bell, Gina Rae Whatley, Vickie Beattie and Gayle Rhoades.

Past Recipients

Following is a list of the Past Citizens, Farmer and Business persons of the year.

Citizen of the Year

Walter Lasley, Gail Carter, Joan Bell, V.O. Lasley, dec'd; A.E. Pronger, Jr. Bill Kent, Bill Sladek, Don Riffe, Shirley Plunk, H.T. Galloway, Dec'd; Bill Frizzell, Dec'd; Fern Gupton, Cindy Crabtree, Gaynelle Riffe, B.A. Donelson, MariHoward Engelbrecht, Jancie Sladek, Lorraine Mehner, LeRayne Donelson, Timmie Brown, Ken Metzger, Linda Spurlock, Max Stephenson, Bill Pendleton.

Farmer of the Year

Paul Chesmer, Dec'd; L.B. Blake, Ronnie Engelbrecht, Bert Steffins, Dec'd; Horace Sneed, Dec'd; Jodie Reesing, Dec'd; Ronnie Pickens, Billy Bell, Jimmie Chesher, Joe Everett and James Spurlock.

Business Person of the Year

Darla Moon, Ole Olson, Kathleen King, Dec'd; J.A. Lasley, Robbie Yates, Dec'd; Ronnie and Esther Ferguson, Michael and Brenda Price, Debbi and Gayland Vandiver, Betty and Baskin Brown, Bill & Don Riffe, Martha and Donnie Ellison.

CHAMBER BANQUET: The annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Stratford High School Cafeteria. Tickets are Senior Citizens-\$10.00 and \$12.50 all others.

SPECIAL AWARDS: You recognize them by their Concern, Attitude, Responsibility and Enthusiasm. These individuals should be nominated in their respective areas of endeavor for Citizen, Farmer or Business person of the Year. Please take a few minutes and make your nomination for the 1990 awards. Circle one of the following:

CITIZEN BUSINESSPERSON FARMER

Name of Nominee

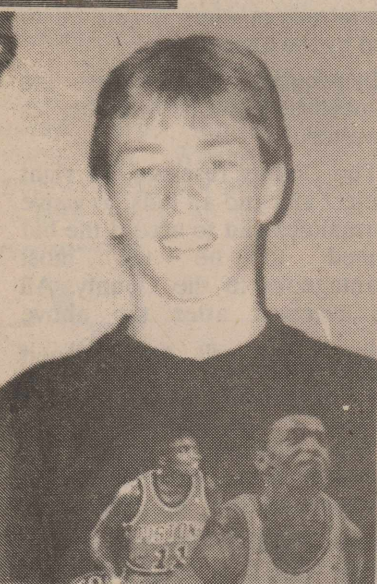
Reasons I feel this individual should receive the award:

Nomination submitted by _____

Deadline: Please return nomination to the Chamber office by April 2nd.



Track



Troy Law, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Law, set a new school record at the Gruver Track Meet last week. Troys' time was 10:42.88 in the 3200 M. Run. The preceding record was held by Gonza Torres in 1982 with a time of 10:58.8

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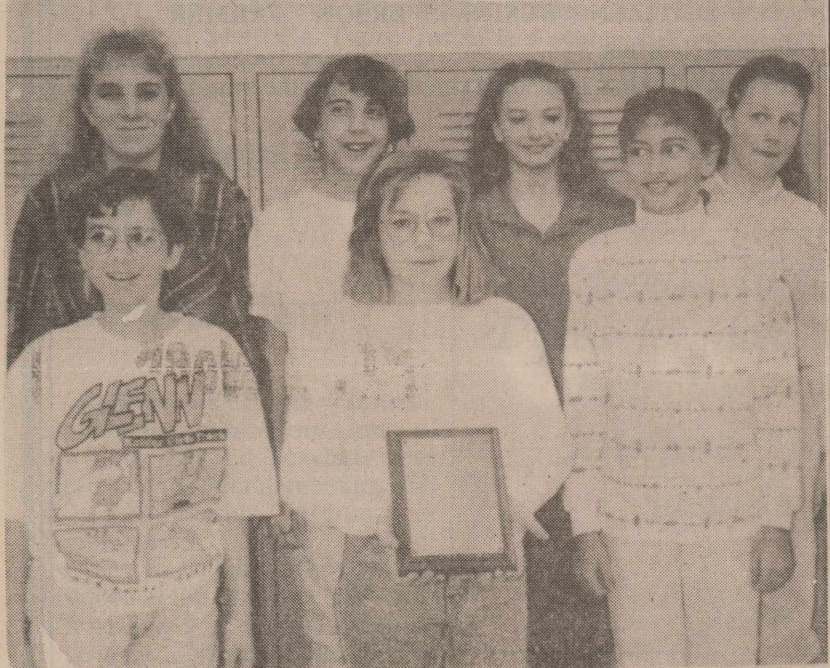
More Health Fair Shots



Dumas Memorial Hospital provided a body fat analysis. Troy Law was among many who took off their shoe and sock for the test.



Some local agencies present were American Cancer Society, Stratford Unit, Joyce McBryde, left, and Child Welfare, Doris Parsons.



Girls 6th Grade Basketball

The 5th and 6th grade girls basketball recently completed in Plainview and Texhoma basketball tournament during spring break. At the Texhoma Tournament, the girls won 3rd place. Girls participating included, Lori Brooks, Janell Pronger, Misty Bruns, Jennifer King, Jennifer Sladek, Robin Hart and Jennifer Willard. Also participating during the regular season but away on vacation was Cara Lavake. These girls ended up with an overall 11-4 record and was coached by Rex Sladek. We are looking forward to seeing them play next year in Junior High.



Pictured are PSU students and area children who are participating in the Panhandle State University public school art class- (Left to right) Kari Mauldin, Guymon; Dawn Sappington, Junior, Guymon; Brooke Ingham, Texhoma; Ms. Tinch, Associate Professor of Education; Sherri Ingham, junior, Stratford, Texas; Brooke; Ingham, Texhoma; Shanna Hoefner, Guymon. (photo courtesy of PSU).

Francis Watson gives Carson Buckles, son of Scott and Dana Buckles a big hug and kiss for a doll that he brought out to the Coldwater Manor for her.



GFWC/Prospectus Study Club Members were busy selling coffee, drinks & cinnamon rolls before the luncheon rush for barbecue plates.



Dr. Mike Flores checks Melissa Beattie at the Chiropractic Clinic booth.

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Tips & Topics

by Susie Spurlock
County Extension Agent

Part 6 in a series of issues compiled in the Long Range Extension Program 1991-1994.

Environmental Issues Protecting the Quality of Water Resources

The Issue. In our area, water may be ineffectively protected. Agriculture practices, domestic well construction & pollutants contribute to groundwater degradation.

Description of the issue. Water is a critical element for human survival, but pollution is spoiling an already scarce resource.

*Annual rainfall is 19 inches.

*Some rural water systems of Sherman County may be affected by contaminants, agricultural pesticides, fertilizers, & other pollutants.

*Our county population is using water faster than it can be replaced, & in some areas no local governmental policies are in effect to limit use & to protect good quality water supplies.

Components of issue needing improvement/change:

- Public awareness of the scope & relative severity of the problems.
- Agricultural water use efficiency
- Home water quality monitoring
- Municipal/governmental policies on water pollution control
- Water systems & water tower replacement

Issue: Protecting the quality Water Resources

Long Range objectives.

1. Agricultural users develop strategies for more efficient use of water.
2. Family members adopt a conservation attitude about water & are aware of techniques to protect the quality of water.
3. Landowners & homeowners understand the importance of maintaining water quality free from specific contaminants.
4. Agricultural producers acquire technology for control of water pollution from all sources.

Accountability indicator(s).

1. Increased water testing by rural homeowners on private systems.
2. Adoption of practices that reduce pollution from wastewater discharges & runoff of agricultural chemicals.
3. Adoption of recommended irrigation systems for agriculture.
4. Proper land application of liquid & solid wastes.



Legal Notices

Knowledge Keeps Us Free

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals for construction of 2600 S.Y. of Pavement Reconstruction and 101,000 S.Y. of chip seal for the County of Sherman will be received at the office of County Judge until March 28, 1991 at 10:00 A.M. and then publicly opened and read.

All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check written upon a national or state bank in the amount of five (5%) per cent of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the County of Sherman, or a bid bond in the same amount from a

reliable surety company, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute a performance bond within ten days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered. Bids not exceeding \$25,000 will not require a performance bond.

The attention of bidder is called to the special provisions concerning minimum wage rates and hours of employment included in House Bill No. 115 of the Forty fourth Legislature to the State of Texas. Compliance with the above wage and hour bill is required. Further, the bidder agrees to abide by the requirements under Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, including specifically the provisions of the equal opportunity clause.

The low bidder shall supply the names and addresses of major material suppliers and subcontractors when requested to do so by the Owner.

Inspection trips for the prospective bidders will be as requested.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the County. All bids received after the above closing hour will be returned unopened.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of Glover & Associates, Inc., P.O. Box 977, Dumas, Texas 79029, on deposit of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per set, which sum so deposited a total of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars will be refunded, provided: (1) All documents are returned in good to Glover & Associates, Inc., not later than 48 hours prior to the time for receiving bids; or (2) The Contractor submits a bid and all documents are returned in good condition to Glover & Associates, Inc., not later than five days after the time that bids are received.

County Of Sherman
By W. C. Fesler
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Free bag of ORO Hybrid seed when you purchase or sell a planter full. Dealerships available. Call Ricky Backus, Dealership manager. R.C. Young Seed Company, Dumas, Texas. Call 806-935-6596 or 806-679-8501.
3-28-c-----

50% off all Winter Clothing at THE General Store. Come see what we have.
3-28-tfn-----

Elies has bridal selections for Fonda Griffin and Ted Goebel. We have free delivery to the shower.
4-4-c-----

For Sale: Carport/Patio cover. 15 x 25 highest bid, Stratford Country Club 396-2259 or Ronnie Brooks 396-2470.
4-4-c-----

Used furniture for sale, Ref. Air conditioner, Refrigerator, love seat, mattress and box springs. Call 396-2386.
4-18-p-----

We have bridal shower selections for Jennifer Brite and Colin McKinney at the Elk Pharmacy. Give us a call and let us help you with your selection. Free delivery to the shower, April 21.
4-18-c-----

For Sale: 1987 Ford Taurus, great shape. 219 S. Wall, 396-2508.
3-28-tfn-----

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4-25-c-----



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6-21-tfn-----

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2-28-tfn-----

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2-28-tfn-----

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3-7-tfn-----

THE General Store has bridal selections for Theresa and Floyd Keener. We have free delivery to the shower April 6.
4-4-c-----

The Elk Pharmacy now has bridal selections for Fonda Griffin and Ted Goebel. Come by and let us help you with your selections. We have free delivery to the shower April 13th.
4-11-c-----

Get ready for Easter! Rabbits, Easter baskets, Etc. Also Americana Jewelry and wreaths. Come by Creations and Shop. 514 N. 3rd.
3-28-c-----

Pioneer Life Medicare Supplement Insurance. Pays 100% of what medicare doesn't pay. Also National Farm Life Insurance. Call 396-5612, Molly Griffin.
4-25-p-----

Come Spend Easter Sunday at the Depot Museum.
1-4 p.m.



Miscellaneous

Beer and wine to go. Susanah's Cafe. Collectible, antiques, and clothing. 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday thru Saturday, Kerrick.
11-1-tfn-----

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VETERANS- You can still qualify for low interest loans on homes and land. For assistance in applying for these and other VA benefits, contact Max Stephenson, CSO at 396-5348.
4-26-p-----

Come spend Easter Sunday at the Depot Museum. We will be open from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. See you then.
3-38-c-----

Prom time is coming. Rent your Tux at Elies.
4-25-c-----



To Give Away

To Give Away-Basketball goal on backstop and a trellis. Come by 401 Purnell.
3-28-tfn-----



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Lost: 6 head of 600 lb. steers from the Stan Macias farm 4 miles NE of Stratford on HWY 54 and 2 Miles East on dirt road. 4-H brand on left rib green tag in left ear with 4-H cattle Co. on the tag. Contact Jim Allison 396-2081 or 396-2526.
3-28-tfn-----

Come Spend Easter Sunday at the Depot Museum

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House for Sale: Small 2 bedroom home w/detached double garage. Contact First State Bank Trust Dept. 396-5521.
2-28-tfn-----

House for Sale: 4 bedroom, 2 bath, basement, double garage. 619 N. 5th St. Contact First State Bank Trust Dept. 396-5521.
2-28-tfn-----

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1-10-tfn-----

Very Nice 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, small basement, fenced backyard. Close to schools. 1215 N. Putnam. Call 396-2230 or 806-753-4437.
4-11-c-----

Easter Sunday March 31, 1991



'Winter Texans' Pump Money Into State Economy

Long-term winter visitors to Texas spend an average of \$2,373 per travel party while in the state, according to the latest edition of the department's Texas Auto Visitor Survey.

When compared to data available for the winter quarter at this time last year, the average amount spent is up from \$2,301 while the average number of days in the state by those staying more than a month was 79.7 this winter, up from 78.1 last winter.

The state sending the most "Winter Texans" was Illinois, with a whopping 13 percent of visitors this year, up from 8 percent. Iowa sent 10 percent of long-term visitors responding to the survey, up from 5.2 percent last year. Ohio, Wisconsin and Indiana each sent 8.7 percent this winter.

This survey is completed by out of state visitors who stopped at



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1 bedroom furnished apartment, clean and neat. 6th and Fulton. Hud approved. Call Bill Riffe at 396-5541 to look.
2-22-tfn-----

1 and 2 bedroom apartments for rent, water and gas paid. No children please. 101 N. Main Gillis Apartments. 396-2386 ask for Joan Palmer or come by Apt. #2.
8-6-tfn-----

Apartment for Rent, 2 bedroom unfurnished, all electric. Contact Mike O'Brien at 396-2261 or 396-5656.
1-3-tfn-----

Large one bedroom house for rent. 396-2531 or 5615.
2-21-tfn-----

House for Rent, 719 N. Chestnut. Close to school. Call 396-5658.
3-28-c-----

For Rent: 2 bedroom unfurnished apartment with washer and dryer hookup. Call 396-2374 after 5 p.m.
4-25-c-----

Three bedroom house for rent. Fenced back yard. 503 S. Wall Call 396-2386.
4-18-c-----

Texas Travel Information Centers. The centers serve as Texas' front doors, where travel counselors extend hospitality to tourists arriving from all directions. More than half of Texas long-term visitors this winter said their information-center stop influenced them to see more attractions; 33 percent of short-term visitors surveyed agreed.



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS and **AL-ANON** meet each Thursday at 8:00 pm in the old County Barn



Help Wanted

Help Wanted: High School students and others to set and pull trap targets at Stratford Gun Club. Call 396-2262. If no answer please leave message.
4-11-c-----

Office Position available. Some secretarial/reception duties. Requires bookkeeping skills. Send resume to Employment, Box 387, Stratford, Texas 79084.
3-28-c-----



Wanted

Will do mowing, Brett Cummings 396-2857.
3-28-c-----

Housecleaning wanted: Spring cleaning and weekly. References available. Call 396-5843.
4-4-c-----

I will trim or remove trees, rake and haul yard trash. I repair chain saws and sharpen chain saw chains. Contact J.D. Smith 402 S. Maple, 396-2572.
4-18-p-----

Young mother would like to babysit in my home, fulltime, weekdays and weekends. I know first aid and CPR. Come by 320 N. 3rd or call Sherry at 396-5642.
3-28-p-----

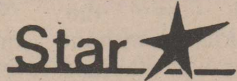
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Classifieds They Work

XIT Cont. From Page 1

President James R. Wilson welcomed the members and introduced the invited guests. Among the invited guests were retired XIT employees, R.L. Elliott & Ruby Smith.

The Cooperative's video, "XIT Delivers," was then shown to the members. It was filmed in Dalhart, Stratford and Dumas areas. The cast was made up of local people. The video tells the story of how the Cooperative, with a very humble beginning, grows into an organization that has the ability to provide its customers with the latest in telecommunications technology and to compete with other cooperatives nationwide. The video is used as a marketing tool to gain name recognition in XIT's expansive cellular coverage area. It has been viewed by Rotary Clubs, Lions Clubs, Sororities, 4-H groups & many others.

Service awards were then presented to XIT directors & employees. Those receiving awards were: Director, James R. Wilson-20 years; Manager, Jimmy R. White-15 years; Office & Accounting Manager, Doug Schoppe-5 years; Plant Manager, Altus R. Jones- 15 years, & Installation Repair Technician, Rusty Hammett- 10 years.

President Wilson then introduced the Cooperative's Manager, Jimmy R. White. Wilson related to the members the interview process that the Board went through back in 1975 to fill this position. Wilson expressed how fortunate the cooperative is to have such a qualified person as White as its manager. As White stepped to the podium, the members echoed Wilson's sentiments with a standing ovation.

Manager White expressed to the members that 1990 was a very eventful year for the Cooperative. The headquarters building was expanded - a new computer was added for billing & accounting - & a technology was introduced to the area-cellular service. White also stated that numerous other projects were started or completed in 1990 to improve the quality of the members's telephone service.

White explained that the Cooperative's operating margins were down some from last year. He attributed this to reductions in the revenue the cooperative receives from the long distance pools. White said that this is not unexpected; in fact, "we have predicted this in previous years. Our pool revenue is going down & expenses are increasing even with our effort to control these costs." White went on to say that the Cooperative has been successful in negotiating an agreement between the other Texas local exchange carriers. If this agreement is approved by the Texas Commission, without major change, it will stabilize revenues from the Texas pool for a period of years.

White then briefly discussed the Cooperative's latest venture-XIT Cellular. White said, "Cellular service has taken more time & effort by our staff & employees than anyone could ever anticipate." White said he feels these efforts have their rewards. XIT Cellular is years ahead of its engineers' projections. At this time, the number of cellular customers on line meets with projections for the year 1994. Even with more customers, White said that the cellular project is operating at a loss. White continued by saying "This is not a surprise as cellular is considered a long-term investment." White assured the members that the losses of XIT's cellular operations are not paid by the profits of the Cooperative. Profits from the fiber optic leases operated by the Cooperative's subsidiary, XT&T, are funding the cellular operations, & the business plan is that this will continue until cellular becomes profitable.

Manager White explained that the cooperative's subsidiary is planning to expand its fiber optic facilities to link into facilities owned by other cooperatives & form a wide area network to be leased to long distance carriers. At present, XIT has a fiber optic route that extends from Guymon, Oklahoma to Amarillo, Tex & carries all the AT&T long distance traffic for the Oklahoma Panhandle & the western Panhandle of Texas.

White continued by saying that the Cooperative continues to maintain a strong financial position, & that this will remain the case as XIT diversifies into new service with new sources of revenue.

White praised the cooperative's employees. He said, "The employees continue to be our

best asset, tested by the demand & hectic times of 1990 and continuing into 1991. Your Cooperative can offer no better service than the employees are capable of providing. I hope you, the members, agree that our employees provide the very best."

Manager White then presented the membership with a supplementary financial statistics reports, which included graphs showing the cooperative's Access Line History and Forecast, 1990 Total revenue, 1990 Operating Revenue, 1990 Local & other revenue, 1990 Composite income & Expense & a Patronage Capital Credit Summary.

Director Gary Finch, Chairman of the Futures Committee, presented a Cellular Report. Finch advised those in attendance that XIT Cellular has towers in operation in Dalhart, Dumas & Stratford. Finch explained that the Adrian tower is scheduled to go on line in June of this year. With the addition of this tower, XIT Cellular's coverage area will extend over an 8,000 square miles area & serve a population of 32,550. Finch stated that at the end of Feb., XIT Cellular had 401 customers on line. This presents a 1.2% penetration rate in a ten-month period. XIT engineers have projected a 3.3% penetration in 10 years.

Nominating Committee Chairman, Cecil McClellan, presented the report on the nominations for directors for the ensuing three-year term. Those nominated were District 1, Dallam County-E.H. Little; District 11, Hartley County; Gary Finch & District 111, Sherman County-T.F. Baskin, III.

President Wilson called for nominations from the floor and there being none, he appointed a Canvassing Committee consisting of Cliff Marshall, Buzz Summerour and Jim Gustin. The Committee declared the election of E.H. Little, Gary Finch & T.F. Baskin, III.

E.H. Little, director, conducted the drawing for the sixty eight door prizes that were awarded to attending members. There were also seven children's prizes. director Little was assisted by Manager, Jimmy R. White, XIT employees, Sue Cowen and Pat Gilliam, and several of the members' children. Grand prize winners were Rosemary Valles, \$300 and Mrs. Albert Lawrence, Motorola Cellular Phone.

Hospital Board Cont. From Page 1

board that our ambulance service is among the best in Texas. He stated "we respond to emergencies with excellent equipment manned by a Professional staff of paramedics and EMTs who have donated their time and money to get hundreds of hours of training. Very few communities find such efficiencies in a volunteer service".

In other action, 1. Carolyn Tarver presented the board with a proposal for accident insurance which would help offset loss claims for workmens compensation. The Board dropped Workmens Compensation Insurance in 1990 after notifications that the rates would increase to \$100,000 per year. Claims have been less than \$100,00 since that time. The proposal was tabled pending additional information.

2. Agreed to let the residents of Coldwater Manor use the Greenhouse to raise and release Pheasants as long as the board did not incur additional expenses from the program.

3. Millie Hacker, facility OmBudsman was on hand to recommend carpeting the facility or using non-skid strips on the floor for resident safety. (Taken under advisement.)

4. Approved a revised Pay Plan for employees, to comply with minimum wage increases which take effect on April 1, 1991. The new minimum wage law mandates \$4.25 an hour.

5. Rejected an educational agreement designed to help nurses further their education as not meeting their criteria.



Goodwell EMT Now Have Paging System

The Goodwell Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) now have a paging system. Each of the technicians will now carry a pager (more commonly called a beeper) and can be notified immediately of any emergency. The paging system is a much faster method of locating and bringing the EMT team together than by finding each member of the team by phone whenever there is an emergency. A very generous donation was made toward financing the paging system by the J.B. and Esther Riffe, Texas County Endowment. Anyone calling the Goodwell EMT (number 349-2233), Fire Department (349-2209) or any other emergency number, should be sure to know the address where the emergency is located and to give any other information or directions that would be helpful to an emergency team in finding their way to where they are needed as fast as possible. The Goodwell EMT team pictured l to r are; Jud Strain Ambulance supervisor, Gary Garrison EMT Mishia Moore EMT and James Cooksey EMT.

Texas Farmers Shuffle Deck In Planning Crop Acreage

Farmers all across Texas are still shuffling their cards before dealing out planting intentions for the state's major crops of cotton, wheat, grain sorghum, corn and rice.

Crop prices, changes in federal farm programs, water use and presence in some corn-producing areas of damaging aflatoxin all are playing a part in sometimes sizable shifts in crop acreage, say specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension service and commodity group leaders.

Crop watchers are projecting at least a million more Texas acres will be planted in cotton this year. Meanwhile, wheat & corn acreages each will drop 10 percent to 15 percent, grain sorghum will rise slightly and rice will remain steady.

"We'll probably have 6.75 million acres in cotton, and it could go up to 7 million," said Dr. Carl Anderson, Extension service economist and cotton marketing specialist at College Station. Last year Texas planted 5.6 million acres of cotton.

The increase should more than offset reductions in acreage in California this year, Anderson said. California planted about 1.7 million acres of Upland cotton last year. This year's acreage in that state should be around 800,000 acres, "but their yield is well over two bales an acre," Anderson said.

A good price for cotton last year, compared to low prices for wheat and some other crops, is a major factor in Texas anticipated increase in planting, Anderson said. Reduced set aside and "flexible acreage" provisions of the new federal farm bill give farmers new planting options. Cotton planting may be extremely heavy in the Blacklands between Dallas and Waco, in the cotton producing area north of Lubbock and in southern portions of the Rolling Plains, he said.

Across Texas, acreage planted to wheat last fall is down 10 percent, reported D.B. "Bill" Nelson, executive vice president of the Texas Wheat Producers Association at Amarillo. But in the Blacklands, wheat acreage is down 25 percent, and in the highly productive Panhandle-South Plains Region it is off 15 percent.

"We anticipate that much of that will go to cotton," he said.

In the fall of 1989, producers

planted 6.9 million acres of wheat. They harvested 3.5 million acres of that. Some producers think about 3 million this year's 6 million acre wheat crop will be harvested.

"That would give the state a 90-million-bushel crop" compared to the 1990 yield of 130.3 million bushels, Nelson said. "A lot depends on the weather between now and harvest."

Corn acreage will probably be about 1.5 million acres, 10 percent to 15 percent below last year, said Carl King of Dimmitt, Chairman of the Texas Corn Growers Association & executive director

of the Texas Corn Producers Board.

King said problems with aflatoxin in some of the corn-producing counties, government programs and cost of production were reasons for the reduced acreage. He noted that the High Plains, which produces 65 percent of the state's food corn, wasn't troubled by aflatoxin last year, but some farmers are "shuffling around on their flex acres."

Nationwide, sorghum is expected to be planted on 12.5 million acres, an increase of 18 percent, said Jack Eberspacher, executive director of the National Grain Sorghum Association in Abernathy.

Last year, Texas producers planted 2.95 million acres of grain sorghum and harvested 2.6 million. Yields averaged 52 bushels an acre for a total of 135.2 million bushels.

Eberspacher said the anticipated increase in plantings reflect agreement on federal insurance for the crop as well as a shift by corn growers troubled by aflatoxin and other producers wanting a more water-efficient crop.

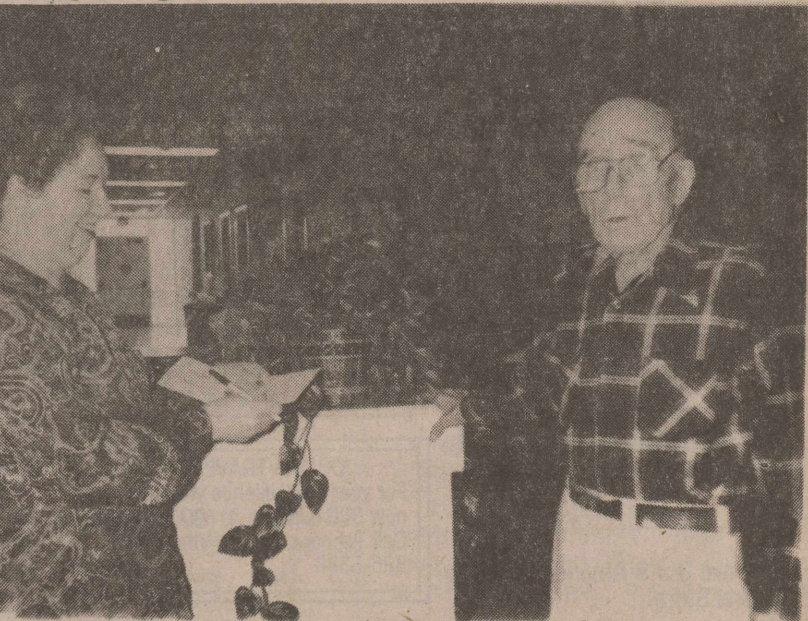
"Rice won't show any major change from last year," in Texas, predicted Dr. Travis Miller, Extension service agronomist & specialist in small grains.

Last year, Texas planted 355,000 acres & harvested 353,000, with an average yield of 6,000 pounds an acre. The crop is planted in 20 counties on the Coast Prairie from early to late April. It is harvested in August and about a third of the acreage is then fertilized and flooded to produce a ratoon crop, a second crop on the same plants.

Residents Register To Vote



Zelda Pickens, County Tax Assessor is shown above registering Annie Luther, resident of Coldwater Manor, so she will be able to vote in the upcoming election.



Zelda is also registering E.R. Cloyd also of Coldwater Manor. There were many residents that wanted to be registered so they could exercise their right to vote.

Easter Egg Hunt At 2 p.m. Sunday at Coldwater Manor

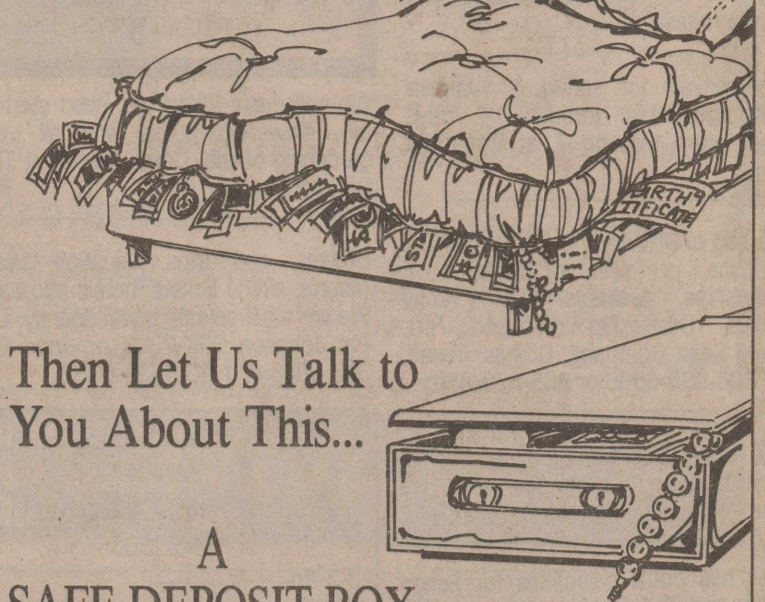
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