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Local News

Classes Starting

Stratford Emergency Medical Services, Neighbors saving Neighbors!! Become an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) today. Classes will be starting April 18, 1994. For more information call 396-2844.

Meeting Planned For March 29th, 1994.

The Long Range Extension Program Study Group Meeting is scheduled for March 29, 1994. The date announced in last week's edition of the Star was incorrect.

Orders for windbreak trees now being taken

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District is taking orders for windbreak trees now. Come by the office at 418 N. 4th St. for an order blank or call (806) 396-5517.

Trustee Election To Be Held

Stratford Independent School District will hold its Trustee Election on Saturday, May 7, 1994, the first Saturday in May. At this time there are no candidates running for a position on the local School Board. Positions to be filled are those of Jack Rhoades, Kenton Kimball, and Jerry Dyess. Holdover members to the Board of Trustees are Ken Wight, Rusty Craig, Barbara Chumley, and Rick Reinart.

The final date for filing as a candidate for this election is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 1994. Interested candidates may receive an application in the Superintendent's Office of Stratford ISD.

Absentee voting by personal appearance will begin on Monday, April 18, 1994. Absentee voting will be held in the Superintendent's Office. Applications for voting by mail also be obtained by contacting the Superintendent's Office.

Annual Stewardship & Awards Banquet Coming Soon

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District along with their co-sponsors First State Bank of Stratford, Stratford Grain Co., Texhoma Wheat Growers, and Sherman County Grain Co. will host their annual Stewardship and Awards Banquet on April 5, 1994 at 12:00 noon. Marty's Catering by Joyce from Amarillo will cater our meal. Our 1994 Conservation Homemaker and Conservation Farmer will be named along with recognizing our winners of the Poster and Essay contests. Our guest speaker will be District 88 State Representative Warren Chisum.

Blood Needed

If you wish to give blood for Hinds McGowen, you can do so at High Plains Baptist Hospital on the 8th floor. He needs AB+. Hinds can still not receive flowers, but can receive cards!

Community Easter Service

Ministerial Alliance Community Easter Service is March 27th at the First Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. All ministries participating. Everyone is welcome!

The SAFE PLACE Outreach representative, Phyllis Melton, will be attending the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA) Workshop in Waco, the week of March 21-25th. If you are a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault and need assistance, call 1-800-753-7553 anytime, day or night.



Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting

DeBec's had their Grand opening and Ribbon Cutting on St. Patricks Day last week. Shown above are Becky Brooks and Debbi Vandiver and all their friends and families and Chamber of commerce supporters for their big day.

1994 Essay Winners Named

The North Plains Ground Water Conservation District No. Two has completed the judging for the 1994 Essay Contest on "Why the Importance of Water Conservation". The winners are as follows: 1. \$1,000 Scholarship Justin Childers, Sunray, Texas 2. \$750.00 Scholarship Kyle Washburn, Sunray, Texas; 3. \$500.00 Scholarship Sarah Graham, Stratford, Texas; 4. \$250.00 Scholarship Michelle Weber, Hartley, Texas. Our congratulations to these young people on a job well done.

Invest In Your Companys Future

Who is the most important person in your company today? The owner, the chairman of the board, the executive vice-president? No, it is your CUSTOMER. Invest in your company's future today by investing in you best asset-your employees. Rhonda is immediate past-president of the Oklahoma City Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television and has presented numerous sales and motivational seminars throughout the Southwest.

Rhonda Shelton will motivate, inspire and give direction to you and your employees in her fast-paced seminar. Don't miss Rhonda Shelton's presentation on-**Improve That Image! Why is the Customer Always Right? and Juggling Stress and Success.**

Monday, March 28, 1994, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Texas County Activity Center, Banquet Room. Tickets available at: Guymon Chamber of Commerce, Rt. #3, Box 120, (405) 338-3376. Chamber of Commerce Members \$10.00 and \$7.50. Non Chamber of Commerce Members \$15.00 and \$10.00

Volunteer Training For Safe Place To Be Given

Volunteer Training for Safe Place, Inc. will begin April 9, 1994. Safe Place provides services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Sherman Counties. Classes will be held, on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Dumas, lunches included.

An example of some of our volunteer opportunities are:

1. Transport clients and children to various schools, or appointments.
2. Present programs to assist children.
3. Relieve Shelter Worker as needed.
4. Work fundraising events or public speaking programs.
5. Collecting and sorting donations.
6. Investigate possible resources for clients.
7. Office/clerical work.
8. Maintenance/repair to house or grounds.
9. Help work and organize information booths when needed.
10. Serve on the Safe Place Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention work groups.

Stratfordites interested in registering may contact Bonnie Hamilton at the SPS office, by April 6th. There will be a \$25.00 fee, which includes lunches, manuals and other materials. For more details, please call the Safe Place office at 1-800-753-7553.

Methodist Youth Donate Books Story and pictures on page 7

Two things are bad for the heart: running up stairs and running down people-Bernard Baruch

Self-Defense Class To be Given

As a service to the community and in conjunction with April being nationally designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, SAFE PLACE is sponsoring a four-hour Workshop on Rape Prevention and Women's Self Defense Class on Tuesday evening, April 19th from 6-10, in Stratford.

Participants will receive instruction on Rape Prevention and Self-Defense, including: protection against an attacker while out walking, at work, at home, and in a vehicle, as well as the do's and don'ts of telephone safety. "Everyday use items" which can help fend off an attacker will be covered. "COMMON SENSE" tactics to help keep from being hurt, as well as controlling emotions when confronted by an attacker will be presented.

Students will practice different moves in the classroom with other students. Each student will receive materials to take home, see visual examples, and receive a "KUBATON" self defense key chain.

The instructor, Rick McClain, is Certified as a Texas State Peace Officer and has worked for both large and small law enforcement agencies. Mr. McClain has received specialized training in Crime Prevention, and holds State Certification as a Crime Prevention Inspector. He also holds an Instructors Certificate through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education, (TECLOSE).

Pre-registration is required. The fee for this class is \$25 for women and \$15 for their daughters, if they sign up together. Contact Bonnie Hamilton, at the SPS office, by April the 8th to register. For more details, call Safe Place at 1-800-753-7553.



Youth Agency Receives Check

Elaine Lundberg, above right, Publicity Chairman for the Area Foundation is presenting Brian Adams, President of the Stratford Area Youth Care Agency with a check for \$5500.00 to go toward Lollipop Junction's playground. Area Foundation donated \$2750.00 and Riffe Endowment Fund donated \$2750.00 to this project.

Teachers Rehired

The regular board meeting of the Trustees of Stratford Independent School District was called to order on Thursday March 10th at 7:30 p.m. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The claims and accounts for March were reviewed and paid.

The board members ordered the Trustee Election for the first Saturday in May and appointed Max Stephenson as Election Judge and Darla Cummings, Sue Hudson as clerks.

Ballots were passed out for election of board members for Region XVI Educational Service Center in Amarillo.

The board discussed pick-up quotes and made the motion to purchase the pick-up from Duncan Chevrolet.

Teresa Edmond, Les Dodson, and Rick Reinart discussed with the board AG Values as they apply to property values. The board made the motion for SISD to appeal Ag Values computed by State Property Tax Board.

Supt. Sam Brite gave his report on air conditioning, heating and windows. The motion was made to take bids on doors and windows for the school.

The board made an emergency motion to purchase a heating unit for the cafeteria due to cold weather.

Teachers rehired: High School- Patty Brown, Bob Buhr, Jackie Burkhalter, Rita Harker, Dan Hembree, Delvin Howard, Kay Hudson, Randy Hunsaker, Viola Kautz, Cagle Kendrick, Tami King, Jeanie Knight, Larry Norris, Cindy Russell, Cathy Woolsey, Linda Young.

Middle School-Rinda Allison, Linda Swain, Lynda Hauser, Valda Burkhalter, Cindy Russell, Barbra Haile, Sonja Kendrick, Mike Brownlee, Keith King, Bobby Buhr.

Mary Allen Elementary-Linda Haynes, Susan Wheeler, Kathie Altman, Linda Brotherton, Velma Martinez, Pat Brite, Donna Gillenwaters, Brenda Brownlee, Sonja Ragsdale, Linda Larson, Mary Pat Williams, Chris McAdams, Kathy Switzer, Ronda Mathews, Marietta Ricks.

Teachers were rehired subject to assignment. Leroy Larson, Head girls basketball coach/teacher subject to assignment. Dwayne Gray, head football coach/teacher subject to assignment. Bob Rapp, coach/teacher subject to assignment. Jimmy Lanning, head boys basketball coach/teacher subject to assignment. Mark Keener, coach/teacher subject to assignment. Terry Davis, coach/teacher subject to assignment.

The board accepted the recommendation on books for the 1994-95 school year by the

Lollipop Junction Needs Volunteers

Imagine 27 children of various ages sharing a 35 x 40' playground all summer long. A playground without swings or other physically stimulating equipment. This has been the fate of the children at the Lollipop Junction Care Center for the past two years.

You have the opportunity to change this dire scenario. The property, building supplies, and the expertise of creative playgrounds of Austin have been secured for the play area construction. Skilled, unskilled, young and old are needed to complete this project.

Saturday, April 9th at 9:00 a.m. we are asking the people of Sherman County to give of their time to help build this playground. The playground site is behind the Lollipop Junction Building. We will also work on Sunday, April 10 from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided Saturday.

What: Construction of the Lollipop Junction Playground

When: Saturday, April 9th and Sunday, April 10th

Where: 516 N. Third (South of Bank)

Time: 9:00 a.m. Saturday-1:00 p.m. Sunday

Who: Everybody!

Volunteers will be asked to provide as many of the following tools as possible for this project. If you can supply any of these please call Dick Davenport, 396-2566. To avoid loss of tools, please mark with your name:

Routers, Chain saws, ladders, shovels, face masks, circular saws, 1/2" drills, wheel barrows, rakes, post hold diggers, reciprocal saws, heavy duty jig saws, extension cords, goggles.

textbook committee.

In other business, Supt. Sam Brite gave his report on transportation and tax collection.

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

Remember
The Time
Change
Is
Coming
Up Soon!



Scot Dance

Scot Dance At Scot Hall with Marie Howard of Amarillo. Saturday, March 26th 8 to 11 p.m.

Hospital Report

Matt Powers in St. Anthony's. Jared Sandoval is in Dumas Memorial. Carroll Wisdom in Northwest and Hinds McGowen is in High Plains Baptist Hospital.

Dear Readers

By Marty Robertson

Spring has sprung, of course the weather I heard this morning said there could be some snow later on this week. Oh, the Weather in the Texas Panhandle.

Starting this week we will be having the Police Report by Mike Hare, Stratford's Chief of Police. This will be a weekly column.

Basketball is coming up Thursday, Friday, & Saturday. Schedule on page 5.

Business review page is on page 10 of this weeks edition. Please take a moment to read.

Congratulations to Sarah Graham and Hollie Husmann.

Week of the Young Child will be coming up soon. This sounds like it will be a lot of fun for the kiddos.

For all of us who have a husband, son, brother or any man of some sort, please read "Oh, those nasty pocketknives" on page 6. This was brought in to me by Carolyn Tarver. We thought it was quite true and wanted to share it with all of our readers. Hope you enjoy it.

We took our grandchildren along with their parents to Amarillo for swimming, shopping, touring the Zoo etc. We already knew this but now know for sure, They have a lot more energy than we do. But aren't kids wonderful! They bring you back down to earth and we wouldn't have it any other way. "Grandchildren are God's reward for having children."

Message From Your Chamber

Chamber Message from Eugene Griffin, Chamber President, Jack Beery, 1st Vice-president and Kay Aston, 2nd Vice President

Life in the fast lane? Does it seem awesome that 1993 is behind us, and we are about to complete the first quarter of 1994.

It's important to have a strong chamber of commerce to keep up with the new retail ideas and other current business events surrounding our lives. If **YOUR** not currently a chamber member, we welcome you to become a chamber member and ask for your support. April has been declared as Chamber membership month. One of your chamber volunteers will be contacting you soon.

Letters To The Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY FOR PUBLICATION: All letters will be accepted provided they are not anonymous and a bonafide address is given. We will not print letters in the Star anonymous anymore 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 views 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.

Mr. Eddie Williams
Fire Chief-Stratford Fire Department
P.O. Box 188
Stratford, Texas 79084

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Southwestern Public Service Company, I would like to thank your department for their fine work during the grass fire south of Stratford on February 18.

As you know, all too well, every fire is terribly damaging, and this was no exception. We lost many transmission structures to the fire. However, it was the hard work and dedication of all your personnel which helped us save many structures. Without this knowledge and skill, our transmission line would have damaged to a much, much greater degree. Thanks to your help, we were able to minimize the damage to the extent that we were able to repair or replace all the damaged structures by Sunday.

Please pass my appreciation on to everyone involved. I realize that it takes everyone working together to make your department as efficient, and effective, as it is. The skill, hard work, and professionalism displayed is a tribute to your entire group.

Thank you again for your help and cooperation

Sincerely,
Bryan Kauffman
Dumas Manager
SPS

Police Report

By Michael Hare
Chief of Police

03-07: Officers investigated a complaint of telephone harassment. No suspects at this time.

03-08: Officers investigated a two vehicle accident in front of North Texas Wholesale. A 1983 Peterbilt, driven by Charles Martin from Spearman, collided with a 1980 Oldsmobile, driven by Juan Yanez from Cactus. The driver of the Oldsmobile was transported by Stratford EMS to Dumas Memorial Hospital where he was treated for injuries and released. The driver of the Oldsmobile was also issued citations for No Drivers License and No Liability Insurance. Officers also investigated a minor accident in front of Thriftway. A brown 4dr vehicle pulled in front of a truck-tractor. The truck rear-ended the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle left the scene. Since damage to the truck was minimal, no report taken.

03-09: A transient was taken north on U.S. 287. Officers received a complaint from the Highway Department in reference to a truck parked in the northbound lane on U.S. 287 at Purnell. The driver of the truck had a blow out and Bain Tire personnel were able to get the driver on his way.

03-10: Officers investigated an accident without injuries in the 200 Blk of N. Main. The driver of a 1985 Oldsmobile was traveling south on N. Main and collided with a 1984 Buick, after the driver of the Buick turned across the double yellow line in front of Brooks Video. The driver of the Buick was cited for Illegal Turn Movement-Across Double Yellow Line. Damage was minimal.

03-11: A summons, issued by the Municipal Court Judge, was served to a local resident for Illegal Turn Movement-Across Double Yellow Line. Charges have since been dismissed.

03-15: The police department hired Officer James Clardy. Officer Clardy worked for the Amarillo Police Department where he received his training. Citizens are urged to come by the police department and meet Stratford's newest citizen.

03-18: Officers investigated a complaint at Brooks Motors. Unknown person(s) stole license plates from a vehicle parked on Brooks lot. Officers also investigated a robbery alarm at Allsup's. Investigation revealed a false alarm.

03-20: Officers responded with Stratford EMS on a sick call. While on footpatrol behind SPS, officers witnessed a vehicle pull into the parking lot at North Plains Savings and Loan. The driver exited the vehicle and ran toward Brooks Video. Officers then heard the garage door open and shut. Officer entered and searched the business. No one was located inside. It was determined that entry was not gained by the suspect. Officers will interview the suspect later. Officers also investigated a burglary of a habitation at 207 S. Wall. Taken was a "Beer Nut" mug with approx. \$400 worth of change and a Sony car CD player. No suspects at this time.

During this time period, officers issued 22 citations, 4 warnings and did one car search.

During the City Council meeting on Thursday, 03-17, The police department was given approval to purchase a Narcotics Detection dog and initiate its training. Corporal Stacy Sell will be the handler. More details will be written later.

Citizens are reminded that turning across the double yellow line on main street is prohibited. It is not only a city ordinance, but also a state law. Citizens are also reminded that with the warmer weather, crime will be on the increase. We urge you to take time to lock your doors and windows when you will be away from your house.



Here's one for the road: the word "road," it's believed, comes from the Middle English word: *rode*, meaning a mounted journey.

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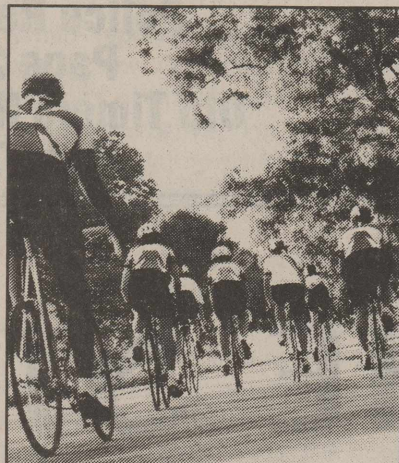
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Critics are self-centered people who go places and boo things.

An optimist may see a light where there is none, but why must the pessimist always run to blow it out?
—Michel de Saint-Pierre

Happy Birthday Paul, Ricky, Lynn, Pup, Wade, Eddie, Katie, Enedit, Kathy, Trevor, Brice, David, Dortha, Jean, Paul, Tracy, Heath, Kyla, Michael, Ralph, Whitney, Jim, Lisa, Dixie, Don and Lindsey.



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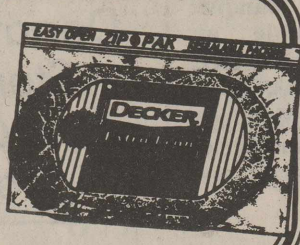
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Timi's Tidbits

By Timmie Brown

Greetings Sherman County Older Texans and other friendly folk this fine second day of Spring, Monday, March 21, 1994.

The temperature is 32 degrees F with 90+ humidity which is promised to burn off quickly by a beautifully clear sky.

We imagine that in most of the homes of our community this is a rather hectic time of getting back "into the groove" of every day living following Spring Break. Hopefully it is a cheerful, peaceful time for most O.T.'s with majority feeling up to par.

Scotter's are looking toward a good week of March 21-28. Scot Board meeting allowing a time for suggestion for on-going pleasant doings and regular luncheon (dinner) meeting on Thursday at 12 noon March 24. We are reminded that members were some careless in Feb. about quantity and quality of food. Fellowship was good. Let's be aware to keep fellowship high and improve the food situation. Hosts are Betty and Baskin Brown, Frank and Marcelle Sutton, Darrel and Mary Lou Cotney, Nina Fedric, Gene and Mary Foster, J. O. and Ann Pulliam.

Twenty three Scotters enjoyed Mexican food at Etter Friday, March 18th and more than 20 scotters and friends played Bingo at Scot Hall on Thurs. March 17th.

Word from the Fosters said that they arrived home (Lubbock) in good form and time following their "snowy" visit in Stratford. A card from Mrs. Nan Austin, Houston, Texas expressed thanks to and high esteem for Carrie Brown's home town folks.

We wish to express our thanks for and hopeful development of the Community Calendar.

Cagle and Sonja Kendrick spent part of Spring Break in Houston where they visited with son Craig and Julie and checked with doctors about Cagles recent foot surgery. They were home in time to welcome son Brian, Laura and Grandson, Alexander the latter part of the week.

Rose Wells is visiting relatives in Okla. And "Shorty" Wells Albert is in Austin on official business last week.

Correction: Becky Brooks, co-owner of DeBec's is the daughter of Myrtle Oquin Ellison.

Middle School principal Jim Taliaferro and family vacationed in California visiting Shannon's sister and her new baby, as well as other family members. Shannon's mother was a member of the party, also.

The Don Riffes hosted a spring break vacation for their children Andy, Laura, Diann, Chris and their families at Disney Land in Fla. Only absentees were their daughter Carrie and her family who are stationed over seas. What a heartwarming time they must have spent!

Christina Luther Hidalgo, Textline visited her grandparents Henry and Dolly Luther, Fern Gupton and her aunt Judy Diamond last week. Christina's parents are John and Karen Luther, Textline.

Jim Bob and Patty Brown, Baskin and Betty Brown attended the NCAA basketball games in Oklahoma City. Ashley and Caleb visited grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Harris in Follett.

John Mouton, client of Lorelyn H. Powers, and John's sister, were taken to doctors appointment in Amarillo by Lorelyn on Wed. March 16. John has lately had eye surgery. He is doing well and will soon be fitted with glasses.

Margie Bryson came by our house for a short visit on Friday. She was spending the week at home in Stratford while her elderly client in Spearman was visiting children in Austin. Writing of health clients, we learned that due to care given in the home ranging from personal care thru driving to doctor appointments, event cooking and house-keeping in needed instances-that a former Stratfordite Dot Ross (Mrs. Arthur Lee Ross) is able to stay at home after taking chemo therapy treatments. Our blessing, Dot, you are a brave soul.

Sherman County Old Timer and personal congratulations to the Summerour Ranch Family members, Dalhart, Texas upon receiving the honor of having the National Hereford Show held at Fort Worth, Tx. dedicated to them. Johnny, Jimmy, "Buzz" and Donna are the children of Dorothy Pronger Summerour, at present a guest in Coon Memorial Home, Dalhart) and the late Elmer Summerour. Jo Wayne



Alzheimer's Update

New Toll-Free Line To Help Caregivers

(NAPS)—Manor HealthCare Corp., the nation's largest provider of care for individuals with Alzheimer's Disease, has installed a new toll-free line for family members who are currently providing care at home for loved ones with Alzheimer's Disease and are looking for care alternatives.

By calling the special toll-free number, (800) 979-CARE, caregivers will receive a free brochure which describes how to evaluate and select a specialized Dementia/Alzheimer's Disease program in their area.

Approximately ten days later, caregivers will receive a phone call from a Manor HealthCare representative to discuss care options and how to best use the brochure.

"Most family members who are struggling to cope with Alzheimer's Disease want to care for their loved ones at home, but we know it isn't always possible," explains Joyce Simard-Taggart, M.S.W., National Director of Alzheimer's Services for Manor HealthCare. "When caregivers can no longer provide care at home or cope on their own," she added, "we want them to know there is hope and that care alternatives are available."

Manor HealthCare operates over 80 Alzheimer's special care units nationwide under the names Arcadia, Thalia and Laurel Day, which provide services and care to individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and their families.

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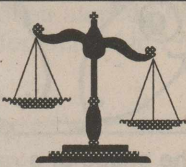
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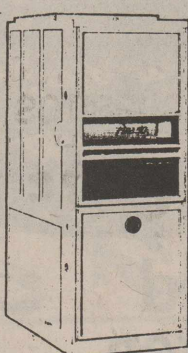
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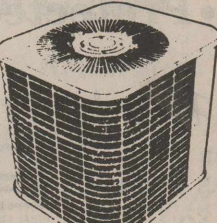
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Mini Concert Sunday, March 27th

First Christian Church will have a Mini Concert during Morning Worship this Sunday, March 27. Morning Worship begins at 10:45 a.m. The Mini Concert will be under the direction of Marihoward Engelbrecht, the church's Organist and Director of Choirs. The Abba Ringers will ring a special fanfare, titled "Festival Procession," to open the worship service. The Adult Choir will sing "All Glory, Laud and Honor," accompanied by the Abba ringers. The Adult Choir will also sing the anthem, "Jahweh." Michael Hare will sing the solo, "Via Dolorosa." The Gospel Group will sing "Amen," with Steve Griffith as soloist. The Mari Bells will ring "Thine Is The Glory." Everyone is cordially invited to be present to worship God, and to share the inspiration of this special musical presentation, according to David Harker, Minister of First Christian Church.

From the errors of others a wise man corrects his own.
—Pubilius Syrus

First Christian Church

10:45 a.m. Children's Procession with Palms
Service of Baptism
Vocal & Bells Mini Concert

Assembly of God

Rev. Mike Leonard
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Super Church 10:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
4:00 Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Youth Service 6:30 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
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Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

First United Methodist

Rev. Brian Adams
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
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Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service
St. Joseph Catholic
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6th & Wall
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Domingo (Sunday)
Estuela Dominical 9:45 am
Servicio De Adoration 11:00 am
Servicio De Adoration 6:00 pm

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Everyone sure enjoyed good Mexican food March 18th at the Community Center. Hosts were Brady & Trisha Schoonover, Mike McDaniel and Marylou McDaniel.

Present were Jim & Helen Taylor, R.J. and Mary Hill, Mark & Debbie Rouse with Nicole and Kelsy, all from Stratford.

And Hank & Mabel Rogers, Dick & Marjorie Munden, Dr. Gary Mathews, Virgie Mathews, Franny Taylor, Kayo & Jo June McDaniel, Bill & Pat Boren, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, George & Barbara Avent, Myron Leedy, Bevin & Kodie Avent, Terry & Barbara Schoonover, Florencia Eslinger, Hal & Pam Thompson with Darcy, Gerald & Gay Wilhelm, with Brent, Lori & Jame, Ralph & Minnie Hampton, Annette Hampton, Ralph James Hampton, Merilee McDaniel.

In a brief business meeting conducted by President Bill Gillenwaters, the group voted to get new air conditioners for the auditorium as well as new fans.

Earlier in the week several went to Etter for supper. Brandi Brown, Houlka, Miss. and Jennifer Rish, Houston, Miss., were here for Spring Break. Making the trip were Ian Weems, Heather Zinc, Leonard & Peggy Hawkins, Kenna and Chandra, Robin and Shane



Pennington, Hank & Mabel Rogers.

Visiting with Florencia Eslinger last week her parents, Shorty and Louise Hudgens of Stinnett.

Kayo & Jo June McDaniel had four grandchildren spending the week, Tasha, T. J. Eric and Nicolas.

Bill & Pat Boren made a trip to Albuquerque and Santa Fe. They recommend that one shouldn't go during Spring Break! It was crowded! Kelly & Kerry Carlisle, Moscow, Ks., spent the weekend with them.

Merilee McDaniel spent the week with her Grandma and Daddy, then Saturday and Sunday with her Aunt Carolyn Tarver. Marylou attended Silva Method Seminar in Amarillo.

Wilson Lavert Avent celebrated his 99th birthday at Clairmont Retirement Center Sunday. Family members attending included George & Barbara Avent, Lavert & Tammy Avent with Tyler, Bevelyn & Jimmy Wright with Lacy & Deanna from Vermejo Park, N.M. Also present were former residents, Boot, Rene, & Jody Avent of Stinnett.

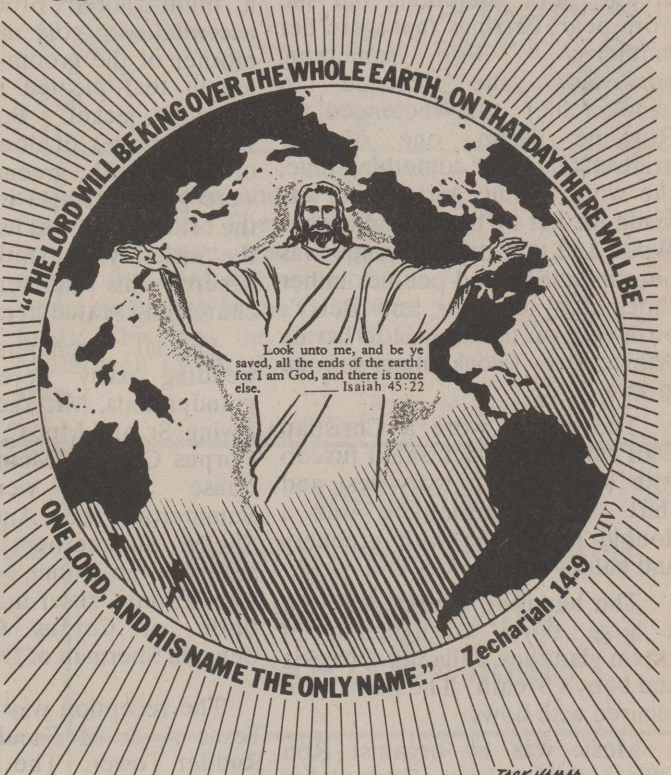
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Vows Exchanged

Jennifer Lee Ewing of Corpus Christi and E. Berry Summerour II of Dalhart were married in the A & M United Methodist Church of College Station on February 26, 1994 at 7 p.m. The Rev. Ron Petty officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Ewing of Corpus Christi. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. E. B. "Buzz" Summerour of Dalhart.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an elegant ivory satin gown by Lili. The bodice of the gown had a V-shaped neckline with Alencon lace overlay and triangular shaped bugle bead lace and sequins. A lace trimmed peplum defined the full skirt. Lace appliques were scattered on the cathedral length train. The bow at the back created the finishing touch. The cathedral length veil was attached to a pearl tiara.

Jennifer carried a beautiful cascade of rose, calla lilies and freesia with greenery and baby's breath. For something old she wore pearl earrings that were her mother's. For something borrowed, she carried a handkerchief that belonged to Roxanne Menn, one of her bridesmaids. For something blue, she wore a blue garter that was made for her by her Grandmother Wood and the something new was her dress. She had pennies in her shoes that had her and Berry's birth year on them given to her by Ashlee Brie Glock, niece of the groom.

The groom wore a Christian Dior full dress black salon tuxedo with tails and an ivory vest and shirt. His boutonniere was a double baby rose with greenery and baby's breath.

The beautiful church featured a large floral arrangement of cream gladiolus, calla lilies, freesia and baby's breath. The pews were secured with bows.

Music was by organist Ron Ollis and Kay Lynn Edwards of Dalhart was soloist. Kay Lynn sang The Wedding Song and The Wedding Prayer after the mothers were seated. As the couple knelt during the ceremony, she sang Oh Perfect Love. As the couple stood before the altar, Dr. Kerry Litzenberg of College Station read First Corinthians, Chapter 13.

Matron of Honor was Melissa Jernigan, sister of the bride, of Houston. Maid of Honor was Tracy Foster of Austin. Serving as bridesmaids were Roxanne Menn, Jennifer Winship and Brigitte Bickham of College Station and Kathleen Hawkins, cousin of the bride, of Dallas. The attendants wore long fitted forest green dresses of double velvet. They featured a deep V neckline and long slender sleeves accented with pleats at the shoulders. Each girl carried a bouquet of calla lilies tied with ivory ribbon and greenery. They each wore a four strand ivory pearl choker that was a gift from the bride.

Berry's best man was his father. Serving as groomsmen were DuBoise White of Dallas, Mark Johnsrud of St. Louis, Dr. C. Parr Ross III and Dr. Ernest Davis both of College Station, and Dr. Michael A. Mazzocco of Champagne, Illinois. The groomsmen were all attired in full dress black salon tuxedos with tails and matching vest by Christian

Dior.

Emily Anne Jernigan, niece of the bride, served as flower girl. Jake Denton Ewing, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer. Ashlee Brie Glock, niece of the groom, registered the wedding guests. Both Emily and Ashlee wore forest green iridescent taffeta tea length dresses. The dresses had a full skirt with an ivory lace petticoat underneath and a scoop neck with long gathered sleeves. The dresses had an ivory sash with a large bow in back. Both girls wore ivory ballet slippers accented with satin roses and tied with ivory ribbons. Jake wore a tuxedo that matched the groomsmen.

Guests at the wedding were ushered in by Henry Abdullah of Austin, James R. Ewing, Jr., brother of the bride of Corpus Christi, William B. Ewing Jr., cousin of the bride, of Corpus Christi, and Derrick Jernigan, brother-in-law of the bride, of Houston.

The mother of the bride wore a tea length velvet plum skirt with a multi-colored brocade jacket accented with gold threads. The mother of the groom wore a teal length teal pleated skirt and a sequined jacket. Both mothers wore corsages of double satellite orchards with greenery. They were given a single ivory rose by the bride as she was ushered down the aisle by her father. Berry ushered his mother into the church and seated her.

Special members of the wedding party were Jennifer's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Ewing, Sr. and Mrs. C.M. Wood of Corpus Christi. Members of the house party were Shana Summerour of Amarillo and Shelly Summerour of Dallas, sisters of the groom, Mrs. Jennifer Lee Ewing, sister-in-law of the bride, of Corpus Christi and Selynda Sherman of Dallas.

The reception was held at the Texas A & M Faculty Club in Rudder Tower. The tables were decorated with ivory cloths and forest green ribbon. In the center of each table were bubble bowls with gerber daisies, greenery and baby's breath floating in water. They were placed on mirrors with votive candles. The bride's table was covered with an ivory cloth and the wedding cake. The cake was split layered on four different height pedestals. It was an Italian cream cake with ivory basket weave icing. The cake was decorated with gardenias, white roses, stephanotis and greenery. The groom's table held a bubble bowl that held the bridal attendant's bouquets and his cake. It was a chocolate cake with white chocolate icing and dark chocolate shavings and was topped with hand dipped chocolate strawberries. Music for the reception was provided by a disc jockey.

Out of town family members were: Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Summerour and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Summerour of Dalhart; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brash of Beverly Hills, California; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pendleton and Andy of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Walden, Nathaniel, Skyler and Harrison of Stratford; Mrs. Melody Sample and Mrs. Stephanie Sanders of Fort Worth; and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Ivy, Brooke and Kyle of Houston.

Other special guests attending were: Mrs. Mary Lou Walden of Stratford; Mrs. B.H. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy (formerly of Dalhart), Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Abdullah, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Willard, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Farris, Mr. and Mrs. Jody Bezner and Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bezner, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sage and Aaron, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Edwards and Lony, and Kerry Metcalf, all of Dalhart. Also attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Willis Flamm of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cluck of Arlington and Mrs. Sutton Allison of San Angelo.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's family at the Texas A & M Faculty Club in Rudder Tower on February 25. On the day of the wedding, Mrs. James R. Ewing and Jennifer hosted a bridal luncheon at the Cafe Excel.

The couple was honored with a cousin's party in January at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pendleton in Dallas. A shower was held in Corpus Christi and in College Station in February for the couple. They had been honored earlier in Dalhart with an engagement party and shower hosted by friends of the couple.

Following a wedding trip to Fredricksburg, Texas, Berry and Jennifer are living in Bryan.

Jennifer received her BBA in Accounting from Texas A & M University in 1992 and is currently employed by the Adam Corporation in College Station and is working toward her CPA certification.

Berry received his B.S. in Agriculture Economics in 1989 and his MBA in 1992 from Texas A & M University. He is employed by Texas A & M University as Extension Associate in International Marketing.

Births

Andy and Dorothy Varner would like to announce the arrival of their granddaughter, Rebekah Marie was born Feb. 22, in Clovis, New Mexico. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz and was 21 inches long. Her parents are Manuel and Kathy Pollack.

Her maternal grandparents are Priscilla & stepgrandfather Rick Templeman of Amarillo and Robert Pollack and stepgrandmother Katie Pollack of Alamogordo, N.M.

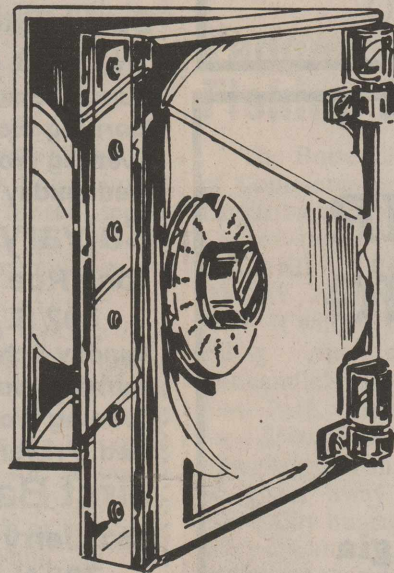
Tait Wilson Avent was born March 18, 4:30 a.m. at Dumas Memorial Hospital. He is the son of Bevin & Donna Avent. He weighed seven pounds six and half pounds and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Big sisters are April and Kodie.

Tait was almost born on his great-grandfather Wilson Lavert Avent's 99th birthday which was March 17.

Grandparents include George & Barbara Avent, Kerrick, Joyce Harper, Stratford. Great grandparents are Henry Woods, Amarillo and Wilson Avent.

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Family & Community Education Club Holds Meeting

Family and Community Education Club met at the home of Leona Kelp March 15th. Luncheon was served to members, Doris Dyess, Jimmy Pronger, Jane Smith, Melba Keener, Joyce Irlbeck and Leona. Guests were Joyce Harper, Lorene Spurlock, Molly Griffin and Amanda and Shelli Smith, granddaughters of Jane Smith.

Molly Griffin presented program on preserving photos in special albums.

Business meeting conducted by chairperson Joyce Irlbeck.

Club members will help with Health Fair at County Barn, March 22nd. District Spring meeting at Hereford April 19th. Joyce elected as our representative, Leona Kelp as alternate.

April 7th at County Barn guests of Lunch-Learn Club. Melba Keener will host our next meeting, May 3rd.

Tops #897

The Tops #897 Club met at 8:00 Thursday, March 17th. We repeated the TOPS pledge which was led by the leader, Myrtle Ellison. Seven members were present. The chart was filled in for points each member earned in our new contest. Officers were chosen last week. They are Myrtle Ellison, leader; Rose Wells, co-leader; Genevieve Wilson, Treasurer; Berline Baker, Secretary; Geneva Bell, Weight Recorder; Pauline Martin, Assistant Weight Recorder. Installation of officers will be held March 31.

Rose Wells gave a very interesting program titled "Find Your Body Type, Custom Fitness, The Plan That Works." As a part of the contest, each member is to bring a program relating to sweets.

Hooker Stationed For Duty

Honolulu, Hawaii-Air Force Col. Gary L. Hooker has arrived for duty here.

Hooker, an air operations officer and pilot, is the son of Gilbert L. and Norma Hooker of 501 Mockingbird Lane, Weatherford, Texas.

His wife, Rebecca, is the daughter of June Frizzell of Stratford, Texas. Hooker is a 1968 graduate of Weatherford High School.



The shape of a reptile's pupils indicate whether the animal is active at night or during the day. Those who like to be out at night have slitlike pupils, diurnal reptiles have round pupils.

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Do you have a few extra pounds you need to lose, but do you find it's hard to get started?

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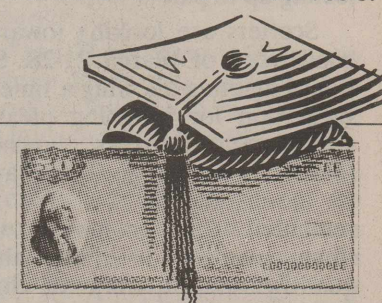
"Noonlighting" is a 12 week support group of co-workers and friends who are fighting the losing battle together. There are no gimmicks or special items to buy. The program encourages sensible food selection and walking.

The one time enrollment fee of \$20.00 will include course materials and the kitty for those who reach their goal to share.

For more information, contact Susie Spurlock at the county Extension Office, 396-2122.

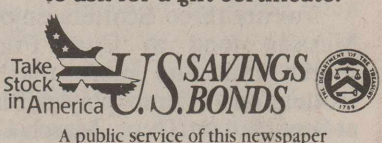
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CHOCOLATE RASPBERRY DOBOSCH TORTE
1 (10 3/4-ounce) Sara Lee Pound Cake, frozen
2 (8-ounce) containers prepared chocolate frosting
1 (12-ounce) jar seedless raspberry jam
24 whole toasted almonds
Cut Pound Cake horizontally into 4 equal-size layers. Place a layer on a serving platter. Frost with chocolate; top with another cake layer and spread with jam. Frost third cake layer with chocolate; cover with fourth cake layer and frost Pound Cake on all sides with remaining chocolate frosting. Decorate top of cake with almonds. Cut torte into 8 vertical slices and serve. Serves 8.



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Shown above is the planning committee for CASA's "Kids for Kids" to be held April 30th. From left seated is Jo Davenport, Lynn Wells, Bailey Bryson, Lore Dietrich, Laura Dahl and Marilu Duncan. Standing L-R is Stacy Urbanczyk, Gaynelle Riffe, Dick Davenport, Mary Pat Williams, Charlene Dyess and Susie Handley.

Week of The Young Child

The Imagination Station's annual Week of the Young Child activities have been set for April 4th, 6th, and 8th. This popular event features hands-on activities designed specifically for children from age 3 to 6. Two sessions will be offered each day. The morning session is from 10:00 to 11:15, and the afternoon session is from 1:00 to 2:15. A fee of \$1 per child per session will be charged to cover the cost of materials.

The adventure begins Monday April 4th with "Let's Take a Hike". Children get to pretend they are camping out under the stars around a roaring campfire. They will learn all about the buddy system and how to make hand shadows while they enjoy campfire activities.

Wednesday April 6th brings "It's Hot". In a house wired with real electricity, youngsters will master the safe way to handle outlets, live wires, and telephone poles. They will even see an egg fry on an electrical wire.

Friday April 8th will be "A Whale of A Day". Tykes will feel just like Jonah as they stand inside a huge whale. They will enjoy a puppet show and learn all about these gentle, water-loving

mammals. As a bonus to parents, Week of the Young Child specials will be offered this year by the following downtown Stratford merchants: Ellie's, Family & Friends, Pat's Outlet, DeBec's, The Elk Pharmacy, Primo Pizza, The Hummingbird, and Brooks Video. The Prospectus Study Club will also be drawing for a quilt to be given away to some lucky person during Week of the Young Child activities on April 8th. Tickets for chances to win are available from any Prospectus Club member or at The First State Bank of Stratford for \$5 each. The quilt and matching accessories will be on display at The First State Bank of Stratford through Friday, April 8th. All proceeds benefit The Imagination Station.

To register your child for The Imagination Station's Week of the Young Child activities, just fill out the registration form below and return it to P.O. Box 1126, Stratford, Texas 79084. (The Imagination Station is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing hands-on educational exhibits and activities to the residents of the panhandle area.)

The Imagination Station
Registration for Week of the Young Child Activities
APRIL 4-6-8

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
AGE _____ PARENT'S NAME _____
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT: _____ PHONE _____
WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITY DAYS: (please circle your choices)

Monday "Let's Take a Hike"	Wednesday "It's Hot!"	Friday "A Whale of A Day"
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A fee of \$1 per child per session will be charged to cover the cost of materials. Please be sure to dress your children in play clothes; some activities will be messy. Return your completed registration form to The Imagination Station, P.O. Box 1126, Stratford, Texas 79084 by April 1st. Week of the Young Child activities are designed for children age 3 to 6.



Shown above left, Hollie Husmann, Sarah Graham and Cathy Woolsey. Hollie and Sarah won "The Gold" at State in Debate. Congratulations Girls!

Husmann-Graham Win Gold

All was quiet as "Little Blue" rolled into town Wednesday evening. Its passengers were ready for home. Two days of hard work were behind. All anyone though of was a warm bed and a comfortable pillow. No one expected any fanfare, and they were too tired to enjoy it anyway. But as Cathy Woolsey, Autumn Woolsey, Sarah Graham and Hollie Husmann returned home from Austin, they brought with them one of the most coveted prizes of University Interscholastic League Competition. THE GOLD!

...And first place cross examination debate 2A is School 201A Sarah Graham and Hollie Husmann, resounded the master State Meet, and also kept time at of ceremonies the University of Texas Tuesday night. For everyone present, it has been a tiring two days of constant debates, preparation, skipping meals, and debating more. No one expected to duo to win. They have no formal debate class. Their debating skills came from a Gifted and Talented Class Project which began last year. Graham had attended state finals in 1993, and broke to the octofinals. She had been named Silver Gavel Speaker for Debate in 1993.

For Husmann, this was her first serious year in debating. The team took first place in district three weeks ago, had worked hard and wanted to, "make Stratford proud!" The team advanced to octofinals with a 4-0 record. Graham was named Silver Gavel Speaker for the second year receiving 78 out of a possible 80 speaker points. Husmann received 69 speaker points, placing her just below the top five who were recognized.

Cathy Woolsey GT instructor, has been coaching the two for the past year, hoping that state would be a possibility, but not expecting the gold, along with Autumn Woolsey, who was Stratford's official time-keeper, Gary and Margaret Graham attended the State Meet, and also kept time at matches.

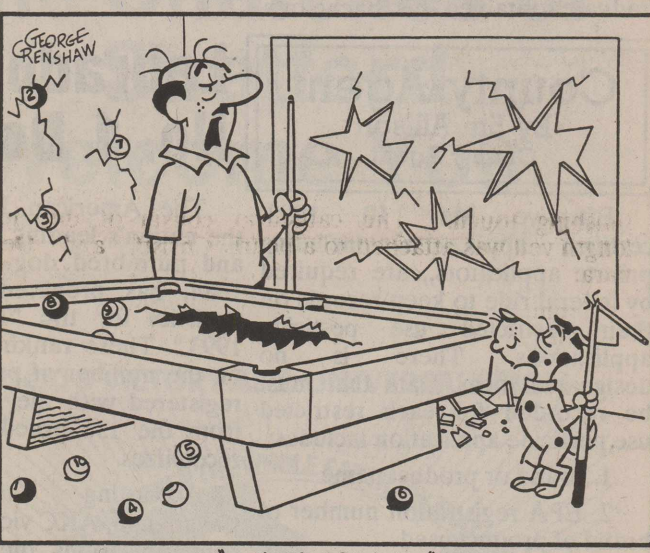
"We didn't know we were going to win until after the first half of the finals passed, then we presented the most persuasive case we could, and it worked," said Graham.

This years topic was "Resolved: That the federal government should guarantee comprehensive national health insurance to all United States citizens. Husmann presented the case and laid out definitions and limitations. Graham's role was to counter any

Little Dribblers Stratford Tournament Bracket

Boise City		Boys	
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#2			
Gruver/Hanson		- Sat. 12:00	
Fri. 8:00 p.m.			
#8		#12	
Sat. 4:00 p.m.		Sat. 8:00 p.m.	
Keyes			
Thurs. 8:00 p.m.			
#4			
Stratford			
#16		#20	
Dumas			
Fri. 6:00 p.m.			
#6		Sat. 2:00 p.m.	
Texhoma			
- #10		#14	
Gruver/Tim			
Fri. 7:00 p.m.			
#7			
Guymon			
		Sat. 6:00 p.m. 3rd Place #18	
Girls			
Boise City			
Thurs. 5:00 p.m.			
#1		Sat. 11:00 a.m.	
Gruver			
Sat. 9:00 a.m.			
#9		#11	
Sat. 3:00 p.m.		Sat. 7:00 p.m.	
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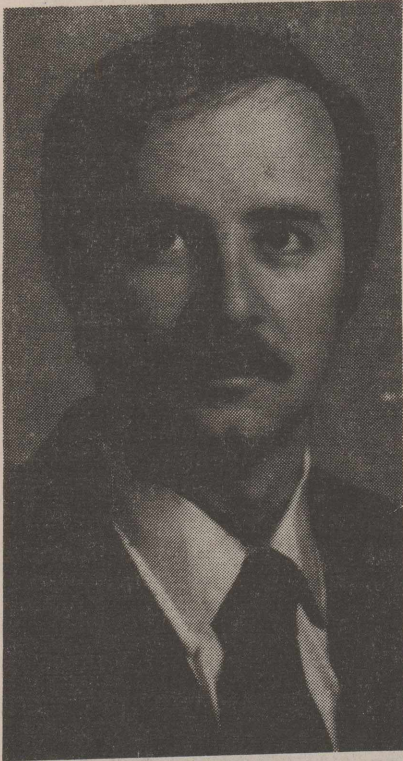
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Good Neighbors Principal Profile



Richard Ross

Editors Note: This article was sent by Dorless Wells of Amarillo, it was taken out of the Amarillo Globe News March 16, 1994. Richard is the son of Frank and Emily Ross of Stratford.

You might actually catch Sunrise Elementary School Principal Richard Ross clowning around sometime.

Ross, a member of the Khiva Temple and a Khiva clown, enjoys donning a funny outfit and making children laugh.

"I clown at the hospitals and parades, and we make Panhandle parades every year by the jillions," Ross said. "Again, it's just the association with the kiddos. It's very rewarding."

Ross' love for children was "the driving factor" behind his decision to pursue a career in education. The Stratford High School graduate obtained his bachelor's

and master's degrees from West Texas State University. He pursued post-graduate work at Texas Tech University at Lubbock, as well.

Ross began teaching art and science at Emerson Elementary School in the early 1970's. From there, he moved to Horace Mann and later, Austin Junior high schools as an art teacher.

He left Austin to accept the post of director of art education programs for the Amarillo Independent School District and served in that capacity for four years.

Next, Ross spent six years in the principal's office at Mesa Verde Elementary School before he headed for the Sunrise campus four years ago.

Ross stays active in a number of organizations. In addition to the Khiva Temple, he belongs to the Amarillo and San Jacinto Masonic Lodges, the Lubbock Scottish Rite, Amarillo West Rotary and Sigma Nu National social fraternity.

Benefits of involvement outside the education realm are twofold, he said.

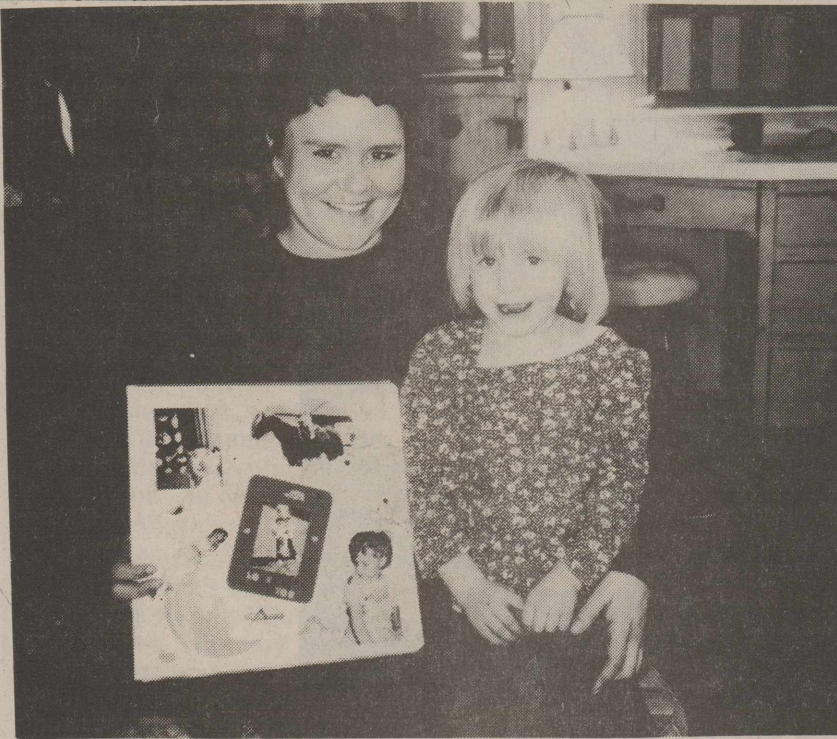
"Number one, I have an opportunity to know what's going on in the public. And, number two, they (others) have a person they can touch base with as far as educational issues are concerned. It creates a good dialogue, a good two-way dialogue."

Ross' wife, Mary teaches at Tascosa High School.

The couple has three children: Steven, 23 of Arizona; Scott, 21, a junior at Texas Tech; and Shaun, 16 a freshman at Tascosa.

The principal professes a love of outdoor sports from water skiing to fishing to golf.

"I'm very sports-minded," he said.



Shown above is Kris West with her niece Shawna Corley of Denver Colorado holding her photograph album she has done.

Preserve Your Photographs

You pop your roll of film out of the camera and take it down to the drug store for developing. A few days or sometimes the next day you rush to get your pictures back. You look through them with a smile or a smirk examining each one individually and reliving the memory each one invokes. "Oh, those are good" you say to yourself and then you generally tuck them back into their envelope where they get stored in the "photo drawer" or the "photo shoe box".

This is a technique that is very frustrating to many people. Kris West being tired of this routine attended a workshop at Jeanie Bennett's home to learn not only how to organize her pictures but also how to store her pictures in an acid-free environment so that they will last forever.

The hands-on workshop taught the students how to look at each picture and disseminate good and bad pictures, crop out unnecessary background, store negatives, store

memorabilia right along with the pictures, and select acid-free photo albums. The students brought their own pictures and learned how to select among these pictures for a theme. A completed acid-free album page portrayed cropped pictures enhanced by acid-free materials such as colored ink, colored paper and stickers as decoration.

Kris is shown with the photo album page she learned to construct which shows off her daughter Chelsie. "This was definitely fun," she quoted.

"In this age of disposable everything, we must be careful not to dispose of our past...It is no small task to find, organize, restore and preserve our photos but if it is not done, a valuable legacy will be lost. We must establish a new tradition of the family photo historian."

Thomas Davies, author and photographer

beans and enough grain chaff and hay dust to start a small dust bowl.

While speculating on all the places that unwashed pocket knife has been before it peeled the apple, I suggested few possibilities among a group of friends, "Or cleaned a fish," responded one wife. "Or castrated a pig," replied another.

I even heard of a knife that was washed! "Herman forgot it in his pants pocket and it went through the whole cycle in the washer and dryer," Irma explained.

One fact stands out. Whether the knife is honed to a hair-splitting razor edge or so dull it bruises before it cuts, whether, it's brand new with a shiny blue plastic handle or the worn one Great Uncle John carried up San Juan hill, it isn't likely to be freshly washed. There must be some mysterious sterilizing influence in that cruddy pants pocket, though because I never heard of an epidemic started by a pocket knife.

Maybe all new pocket knives should come with washing instructions attached and in assurance that "this knife will not fade, shrink, stretch or disintegrate and may even benefit from regular application of soap and water."

By Phyllis Letellier, Basin, Wyo.

Tagged Trout Fishing Derby

The Boise City Area Chamber of Commerce and the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation is holding a TAGGED TROUT FISHING DERBY April 1 through April 30, 1994. It will be held at Lake Carl Etling in the Oklahoma Panhandle's scenic Black Mesa State Park. One fish will be tagged for a \$500.00 cash prize along with other tagged fish for cash prizes to be given away by participating Boise City businesses. There is no entry fee and all state fishing rules and state regulations apply. All anglers can also register for other free prizes to be given away the last day of the Derby. All unclaimed prize money will also be given away in a drawing on April 30, 1994. For more information, contact the Boise City Area Chamber of Commerce at 405-544-3344 or write to P.O. Box 1027, Boise City, Ok 73933.

The loser says, "The worst is just around the corner." The winner says, "The best is yet to come."

Tips & Topics By Susie Spurlock County Extension Agent

The ongoing theme for National Nutrition Month, EAT RIGHT AMERICA is a call to action by the American Dietetic Association that challenges Americans to take charge of their nutrition habits.

For 1994, the EAT RIGHT AMERICA campaign will focus on the theme "Nutrition Fuels Fitness." Let's not forget that eating is fun and keep it that way says Susie Spurlock, Sherman Extension Agent.

The social aspects of eating are important. The Japanese even have an additional guideline recommending that people "make all activities pertaining to food and eating pleasurable ones." If traditional foods important to your cultural and ethnic heritage are high in fat or sodium, try using lower fat and lower sodium versions or just eat smaller portions. Take time to enjoy meals with your family and friends. Try new foods and preparation methods—you may discover new favorites! Making eating pleasurable as well as healthful promotes a feeling of well being.

Your Right To Know

By Sandy Baskin

Lighting as a safety threat sometimes receives less attention than hurricanes, tornadoes, and flash floods. Yet since 1940, lightning is the leading cause of weather-related deaths. From 1940 to 1992, 8,357 were killed by lightning in the United States.

For the past 20 years, lightning ranked second only to flash floods in weather-related deaths. Since 1972, lightning has killed an average of 80 people per year. Lightning usually takes its victims one at a time, so it is not given attention as a common threat. In addition, injuries from lightning average more than 2.5 times the deaths from lightning, so many people are affected by lightning every year.

The distance to lightning from your location can be found by using the fact that light travels enormously faster than sound. This difference leads to the "flash-to-bang" method: when you see the flash, count the seconds to the bang of its thunder. Divide the number of seconds by five to find the distance in miles from you to the lightning. Thunder can be heard up to an average of 10 miles away. A recent study found the average distance between successive strikes in the same storm was about two to three miles. So, if you are within two to three miles of a flash, the next flash could occur where you are. However, lightning can strike more than 20 miles from rain in a thunderstorm. Therefore, for safety purposes, a longer flash-to-bang time than 10 to 15 seconds (more than 2 to 3 miles away) is very advisable.

in the water; don't be in a boat; and don't stand on open ground such as a ball field or golf course. Don't be connected to anything taller than its surroundings that will be attractive to lightning. Don't stand under or near a tree; stay away from poles, antennas, and towers; and don't touch anything connected to the power, phone, cable, or plumbing coming into a building from the outside.

We divide lightning into the following two general types: cloud-to-ground lightning and cloud discharge or in-cloud lightning. A thunderstorm can produce several hundred megawatts of energy, comparable to a small nuclear power plant. A flash has a billion volts of energy with a peak current of 10,000-200,000 amperes. Such energy accounts for damage to people and objects struck by lightning. The brightness of a single flash exceeds 10,000,000 light bulbs of 100 watts. It is no wonder that eye damage is common to people located very near to a strike.

The way to reduce the loss of life and injury associated with lightning is to know and actively use the following safety rules.

1) Plan Ahead: Designate a spotter who is watching for the lightning threat. Decide in advance where to take shelter when necessary. Watch for storms growing quickly before it's too late to take shelter. Follow your safety plan, regardless of the stage of the game, hike or fishing.

2) Avoid dangerous lightning situations! If it will take more than a few minutes to reach shelter, give yourself time to reach this

Some points to keep in mind when using the dietary guidelines are as follows:

*The Dietary Guidelines apply to your total diet, not just one food, one meal, or even one day, but all food choices over time.

*The Dietary Guidelines work together to help you choose a healthy diet. Choosing a diet with plenty of vegetables, fruits, and grain products will help you lower your fat intake. A diet low in fat and moderate sugars (and alcohol, if you drink) will help you maintain a healthy weight. Choosing foods with less fat will make room for calories from the variety of foods you need to get enough protein, vitamins, and minerals.

*You don't have to give up favorite foods. No single food is "good" or "bad" by itself. It's how it fits into your total diet that counts.

*Balance your choices. Here's an example of balancing fat. If you choose whole milk rather than skim, you can balance your fat intake by saving the calories from 2 teaspoons of fat in your day's meals. For instance, skip the sour cream or butter on a baked potato. If you enjoy ice cream, have some; just remember to eat lower fat foods at another meal to balance your total fat intake. Other options are to eat less of the high-fat choice or eat it less often or choose a lower fat alternative such as frozen yogurt instead of ice cream says Susie Spurlock.

safe place before lightning is an immediate threat. If lightning approaches, take shelter in a substantial grounded building or in a vehicle. Don't touch any metal objects in the building or vehicle.

3) Don't be or be connected to the highest object! Don't be the highest object. Don't be on a bicycle on an open road; don't stand in a parking lot, on a roof, or

The Effects of Domestic Violence on Children

Part I

(Statistics report 95 percent of all victims of domestic violence are female and five percent are male. For the purpose of this article, the male will be specified as the abuser.)

Many women leave abusive relationships when they see the detrimental effects of domestic violence on their children. Many others seek a civil protective order, available in most states, removing the abuser from the home while a longer term solution is sought. Some women may endure abuse, believing it is more important for the family to stay together. These women do not realize how the abuse affects their children.

When a battered woman does separate from her partner, she fears and often risks losing her children if she lacks the funds to support them on her own. Many abusive fathers seek and are awarded custody of their children after a divorce. However, a number of states are passing laws that require judges to consider evidence of spouse abuse in child custody hearings.

More than half of the children whose mothers are battered are likely to be physically abused themselves. In homes where family violence occurs, the rate of child abuse or serious neglect is 1500 percent higher than the national average. Research indicates that spouse abuse may be the single most important risk factor for child maltreatment.

Men who batter often use the children to control the behavior of their female partners. For example, an abuser may threaten to harm the children to stop his partner from leaving him. Also, children in violently abusive families may "indirectly" receive injuries from broken glass or flying debris or by trying to protect their mother.

Whether or not the children are physically abused, they often suffer emotional and psychological trauma from living in homes where their fathers abuse their mothers. Children whose mothers are abused are denied the kind of home life that fosters healthy development. Battering can disrupt children's eating and sleeping patterns, may make them suffer from inadequate rest and nutrition, and/or cause behavioral or disruptive problems and perform poorly in school. Children from violent homes may be overly aggressive and difficult to control, or they may be unusually passive and withdrawn.

Part II of the Effects of Domestic Violence on Children, will be in next Sunday's paper, please watch for it. Safe Place serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We can help! Call 935-2828 or 1-800-753-7553 day or night.

County Agent By Jim Allison County Agent

Effective May 10, 1993, certified applicators, including private applicators, are required by federal rule to keep records on their restricted use pesticide applications. There is no designated form. Data that must be recorded for each restricted use pesticide application includes:

1. Brand or product name
2. EPA registration number of brand of product used
3. Total amount of restricted use pesticide applied
4. Location of treatment
5. Size of area treated
6. Crop
7. Month, day and year of application
8. Name and certification number of applicator.

Spot applications also must be recorded. These are defined as those restricted use pesticide applications totaling less than a 1/10 of an acre in a 24-hour period.

Commercial applicators are required to provide a copy of restricted pesticide applications to customers within 30 days of each treatment. However, they may hold the records for their clients as long as the client signs a statement recognizing the commercial applicator as the record holder. The records must be made available upon request in a timely manner to clients.

The individual who contracts commercial applicator services and who receives the bill should receive the copy of the pesticide use record. If the tenant and landowner share expenses and both are billed by the commercial applicator, then both individuals should receive a copy of the record.

Pesticide use records need not be filed with a governmental entity to comply with federal law. Health care providers can request use information in emergency situations. Applicators will be surveyed at a later date by officials responsible for developing a national pesticide use report.



The automatic garage door opener was introduced in the late 1940's.

Labrador No. 1 Dog

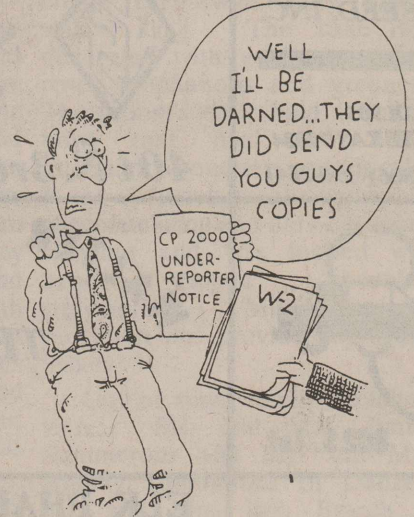
The American Kennel Club, the nation's leading dog authority and pure-bred dog registry since 1884, has prepared the official statistics for the "Top Dogs of 1993." These rankings are based on the number of pure-bred dogs registered with the AKC in 1993 from the 136 breeds it currently recognizes.

According to Wayne Cavanaugh, AKC vice president of communications, the top ten dogs for 1993 were:

- 1-Labrador Retrievers
- 2-Rottweilers
- 3-German Shepherd Dogs
- 4-Cocker Spaniels
- 5-Golden Retrievers
- 6-Poodle
- 7-Beagles
- 8-Dachshunds
- 9-Dalmatians
- 10-Shetland Sheepdogs

"While these figures may indicate current trends in particular breeds of dogs, we urge potential puppy buyers to choose a breed of dog that is appropriate for their needs and not because they think it is fashionable," says Cavanaugh.

The AKC is the only dog organization that has the necessary data to gauge the interest and growth in individual breeds of pure-bred dogs. For further information or to obtain a complete registration listing for 1993, please call the AKC Public Relations department at (212) 696-8265.



Document Matching

Be sure to report all your income to the IRS. It receives copies of statements from your employer, banks, and similar institutions to verify the income you report.

Oh, those Nasty Pocketknives!!

Editors Note:

This story was brought in by Carolyn Tarver. Hope you enjoy it as much as we did.

Oh, those nasty' pocketknives!

Picture the suntanned and wind wrinkled farmer as he squats on his heels in the cool shade of a weathered gray slab barn, carefully peeling a sweet juicy red apple with his pocket knife. He cuts out a tasty wedge and offers it on the blade of his knife, a token of friendship.

Though a lover of apples, I say, "No thanks, not right now," even while my mouth waters at the sight of the juicy tidbit.

The thought that stopped me from accepting the bite of apple was simple: What did that knife cut last?

Apple finished, the farmer wipes the knife blade once on each side of his dust and grease-stained Levi's, folds it carefully and puts it back in his pocket.

Did you ever see a man wash his pocket knife? I never have, I made a comment to that effect to my husband a while back. He replied, "I washed mine just the other day, when I came home after castrating calves all day with it at Smith's branding."

I'll bet a cookie, though, that the calves were lucky if it was momentarily swished in the alcohol bottle or held in the fire before the activities began in the morning. When I missed seeing that knife washed I probably missed an opportunity of a lifetime.

EVERY TIME I watch a man cut a plug of tobacco, open a walnut or peel an orange with his pocket knife I can't help wondering what was the last thing that knife was used for. At best it probably cleaned his fingernails, cut a spanking switch or served as a small shovel while he was checking for sprouting corn seed in the south 40.

At worst he wielded it to perform an autopsy on that long-dead Hereford heifer he found in the creek pasture. Or he may have used it to cut the rattles off a freshly killed rattlesnake. The knife blade that so politely offered the slice of apple is undoubtedly the same one he used to perform an emergency Cesarean on that crazy old Rambouillet ewe last week. And where has it been in the meantime? Why, in his pants pocket, of course, with 72 cents in coins, three fence staples, a handful of .22 cartridges, five pinto

Methodist Youth Donate Books



Methodist Junior High youth present the book "Comeback" to Middle School Principal Jim Taliaferro.

The Methodist Jr. and Sr. High youth are donating the book "Comeback" by Dave Dravecky and Tim Stafford to the Middle School Library, High School Library, the Sherman County Public Library and the Library at the First United Methodist Church. These four hardcover books, were donated by the youth in memory of Tyler Donelson.

The book is about the comeback of San Francisco Giants Baseball Pitcher Dave Dravecky. When his doctors removed a cancerous tumor from his pitching arm in October of 1988, they removed muscle as well and gave him near-zero chances of ever pitching again. On August 10, 1989, Dravecky pitched again. He won. Five days later, he pitched again and won, but he broke his arm during the game.

Using detailed descriptions of people and places from major league baseball, Dravecky's story includes such topics as the determination needed to become a professional baseball player, Dravecky's passion for the game, and the feeling of helplessness common to cancer patients.

"Comeback" is unbelievably dramatic. It's great baseball and more. It's a story of fighting cancer; of faith and courage; of coming back against the odds; and of family love. And it's a testimony

to the faithfulness of God and the Dravecky's great trust in him.

On Sunday, Feb. 27, 1994 the youth sponsored the showing of the film about Dave Dravecky's life. The film was seen by approximately 65 high school and junior high youth from our community. Check out this great book at one of these four libraries.



Kaci Wight, Ashley Parsons, Chris Haynes & Jeffery Mercer, representing a portion of the Methodist senior High youth present the book "Comeback" to the Stratford High School Librarian, Mrs. Linda Young.



Methodist Youth donate the book "Comeback" to Sherman County Public Library. Back row l to r: Scott McAlister, Chris Bell, Justin Starnes, Cassie Adams, Carie Newcomb, Mandi Bell and Amy Sladek Middle Row l to r Ross Davis, Sherman County Librarian Dorothy Haile, Levi James, Nathaniel Walden, Tai Ann Brownlee and Lynz Browning. Front row l to r: Cody Brotherton, Cody Moore, Cliff Moore, Julie Kimball, Keri Wight & Lacy Thomas.

Chamber Chatter

By Joyce Ann Lasley

By degrees I am getting the different organizations, clubs, for non profit organization to bring

me their calendar of events. For some dates have not been permanently set, they are pending. I would ask, however, that when your date is set that you call or bring that information to the Chamber. A calendar is a good idea but only if I have the correct information on it and above all have the INFORMATION. I do not designate what is important and what is not-YOU do that.

Yesterday was a big event. Thanks to Susie Spurlock and Jim Allison, the Health Fair was a success. It takes planning, time and alot of phone calls to get it all organized. Also a thank you to Jean Everett for ably making the concession stand tasty and well managed.

On Thursday, the 24th of March, noon, SCOT Luncheon.

Thursday evening at 5 p.m. at the Stratford High School Gym, the third annual Youth Basketball Tournament will commence.

Friday, the 25th at 5 p.m and then on Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m. until the finals at 8 p.m. Sat.

Evening. This is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. We have teams from Guymon, Boise City, Keyes, Texhoma, Guymon, Dumas, Gruver and of course our Stratford Boys and girls. All toll 20 games will be played.

On the 27th the Imagination Station will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner at the Sherman County Barn.

The 28th District golf; 29th One-act Play at Boys Ranch. On the 28, 29 and 30 will be the Regional Track Meet.

Coming up Easter Activities at the First Christian Church; Wednesday, March 30, the UPPER ROOM SERVICE, on Thursday, March 31, the Candle Light Service commemorating Maundy Thursday, Friday evening will be Tenabre Service-or Good Friday services. Sunday morning April 3 the CYF will lead in an inspiring Sunrise Service.

DON'T FORGET TO MOVE YOUR CLOCK FORWARD. THE TIME WILL BE ONE HOUR EARLIER ON EASTER MORNING.

April calendar will appear in the paper, hopefully by the 7th of April. If you have not brought or called in your event, now is the time. Folks spring has sprung. Though the days are getting longer, they are passing mighty fast. Enjoy every minute of everyday.

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Old Timers Honored At Library

See Story Below, Check out the library.



Shown above left to right back row, Mary Woodford Wisdom, Betty Brown, Corda Pleyer, Oline Caraway and Dorothy Haile. Front row l to r Alfa Folsom, Mary Peach Smith, Opal Bryant and Timmie Brown. All past Kings and Queens will be honored when future books are purchased for the library.



Shown above back row left to right Oline Caraway, Jim Taylor Baskin Brown, Mary Woodford Wisdom, & Dorothy Haile. Front row left to right Bob Pendleton, Bill Lasley, Wendell Flores and Bob Burgess. Not available for picture were Velma Bryant, Rebecca Lavake, Norman Bridwell, Tom Wakefield, Marguerite Terrell, Virgil Plunk, Roy Mitchell and Lorel Haile.

Check Out The Library

by Dorothy Haile

Prospectus Study Club has honored the past Old Timer Queens and Kings by placing books about Texas in the Library. These may be found in the Texas Collection.

Names of the royalty have been inscribed on the front fly leaf. There have been thirty five queens and thirty four kings. These special people have been honored at the annual Old Timers reunion each fall since 1960.

Books that the reader might enjoy are Historic Ranches of Texas, Corners of Texas, John Henry Faulk-A Biography, Blades in the Sky, Elmer Kelton-A Biography, What Do You Know About Texas, and Women in Texas History.]

Other books are Buffalo Guns and Barbed Wire, Texas-My Texas, Sam Houston's Wife, Cowboy Fiddler, The Texas Folklore Society, Wild Flowers of the Llano Estacado, and Cowboy Spurs.

More books will be added in the near future. We hope our patrons will enjoy these new books. The library appreciates the gift of the historic books made possible by the generosity of Prospectus Study Club.

A wise man will never plant more garden than his wife can take care of.

An intellectual is a man who takes more words than necessary to tell more than he knows.

—Dwight D. Eisenhower

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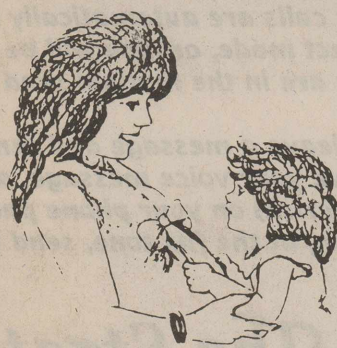
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XIT Telephone's Manager, Jimmy R. White, addresses the membership at XIT's 43rd Annual Membership Meeting as Tommy Baskin, Board President, reviews his report.

XIT Telephone Hosts 43rd Annual Membership Meeting...

In spite of icy roads and inches and inches of snow, XIT Rural Telephone's 43rd Annual Meeting was a huge success. There were over 400 in attendance. One hundred and eighty seven were voting members. XIT members and guests were greeted by XIT's employees as they registered.

City Drug Home Health Agency provided a free blood pressure clinic and reported that they checked over 200 persons' blood pressure between 10:00 a.m. and noon.

Dalhart police officers, Robert Stout and Kirk Elliott, provided information on the D.A.R.E. Program.

Lynette Wright, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer for the Dallam County Juvenile Services Department shared information about the services their agency provides to our communities.

XIT Cellular's employees provided equipment demonstrations and information handouts from the cellular booth. Dennis Hicks, XIT agent from Hereford, also demonstrated interfacing cellular phones with personal computers and facsimiles to send and receive data.

XIT provided a public information display for its members and guests. This included pictures and news articles in categories such as history, community events, floats and parades, members and past annual meetings, employee activities and new technology.

Members and invited guests were treated to a delicious luncheon of catfish, fried chicken and brisket with all the trimmings catered by Bill Raney and his very capable crew from K-Bob's Steak House. The Reverend Travis LaDuke of the First Baptist Church of Dalhart led the invocation.

President Tommy Baskin welcomed the members and introduced the guests. Among the invited guests were retired XIT office manager, Ruby Smith.

President Baskin, who has served on the Board for twenty one years, told of the many changes and the progress that the Cooperative has made since its humble beginning in 1951. Baskin stated, "I think to define this period of time in one word, I would have to say it was a time of CHALLENGE."

Baskin said that XIT's first challenge was to provide "plain old telephone service" that was both dependable and affordable. He said that the first step was to obtain funds from the REA Loan Program and install underground cable and better central office equipment. Then came the challenge to generate enough income to make loan payments and operate the company. Baskin went on to say that XIT was faced with finding a better way to connect its central offices to the network without having to depend on antiquated cable service from other companies. This led to the development of the microwave system that tied it all together. The next challenge was to find other sources of revenue without increasing the members' local service rates. The result was XIT's fiber optic route which carries much of the long distance traffic from the northwest part of the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles to long distance carriers in Amarillo. XIT then installed digital equipment in all of its central offices to provide its members with the latest in telecommunication service. Baskin added that by that time another challenge had appeared in the form of cellular telephone service. He said, "The question again was -- could we afford it?" He went on to say that the figures didn't look very good -- but the board and management decided we should go forward. This venture has far exceeded XIT's expectations. President Baskin noted that the present challenge is the connecting of XIT's central offices with fiber optic cable, new modern switching equipment and new cellular equipment that will make digital cellular service possible in the very near future. Baskin said that the next challenge that XIT will face concerns the so called "Information Super Highway". He added, "It should be our goal to make sure this Super Highway does not bypass our rural communities." He said that he feels that this is vital to our local schools, healthcare facilities, rural areas and small towns. Baskin concluded by thanking the members for their patience and support over the years while these challenges were being met. He said that it would not have been possible without the members' support, the dedication of the Board of Directors, and the hard work of the employees. He added that the stumbling blocks ahead are government



Lollipop Junction Visits Coldwater Manor Kids

Lollipop Junction children visited Coldwater Manor residents on Thursday, March 17, 1994 for St. Patrick's Day. They sang songs, help serve cookies and punch and special favors they had made for the folks. Everyone had a good time.

over regulation, doubt, complacency and competition. He said, "I believe that if we can meet these challenges and overcome the stumbling blocks, there is no reason why XIT Rural Telephone will not continue to grow and prosper."

President Baskin then introduced the Cooperative's Manager, Jimmy R. White. Manager White presented the membership with financial statistics reports, which included graphs showing the Cooperative's Access Line History and Forecast; 1993 Total Revenue; 1993 Operating Revenue; 1993 Local and Other Revenue; 1993 Composite Income and Expense Summary and a Patronage Capital Credit Summary.

White informed the members that the total amount of Patronage Capital Credit checks picked up at the meeting and those to be mailed was \$550,750.93. With this refund, White reported that \$3,746,389.75 has been refunded to our members since May of 1978.

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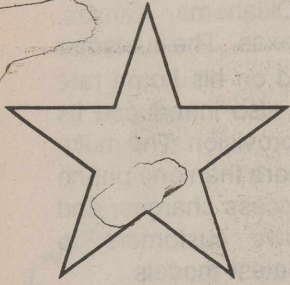
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Dated March 16, 1994.

For Sale

Our Spring Shipment of Patio & Stepping Stones are In! Come by THE General Store and see what's new!
3-31-c-----

For Sale: Case 580C w/loader, Case 530, JD 5020, Ford 5000, Hesston 6450 Swather. Need John Deere 2 cylinder tractors 806-435-3968 or mobile 806-435-0350
2-24-c-----

Super sofa savings at Keatons Furniture in Dalhart. Save 25 to 50% on all sofas, love seats and sofa sleepers during March.
3-24-c-----

Dog Kennels on sale at THE General Store! 6x8x4 Bent Frame-\$165.00; 10x10x6 Bent Frame-\$255.00; 10x10x6 Sq. Corner-\$369.00. Sun Block Top Available!
3-31-c-----

Easter Balloons filled with your special gifts. Order Now at The Hummingbird.
3-24-c-----

For Sale: JD-B, JDG, JD 430 w/loader, JD 720 w/loader, CASE 530, MF 1500, Case 930 w/loader. 806-435-3968 or 806-435-0350.
3-24-c-----

For Sale: Formal Black Lacquer Dining Room Furniture. Perfect Condition \$3000.00 Call Kathy at 396-5692 or 396-5810.
3-24-c-----

It's time to get your crab grass control from The General Store. Free use of spreader with purchase.
3-3-tfn-----

Craftsman Riding Lawn Mower for Sale, Like New, call Margie Bryson at 396-2069 or 659-2464.
3-3-tfn-----

For Sale: 2 Super-Single Daybed Waterbeds with bookcase and 3 drawers. Call 5534 or after 4:00 call 2241.
3-24-c-----

For Sale: Used 8" Irrigation pump, 460' of Column pipe tubing and shafting with peerless 6 stage pump. Call 727-4263.
3-31-c-----

In Support of The Imagination Station, a \$5.00 donation to Prospectus Study Club will buy a chance on a queen-size quilt and accessories on display at The First State Bank. Hurry! The drawing is April 11. Tickets available from any Study Club member or at The First State Bank.
3-24-c-----

Garage Sales

Weight Watchers is now meeting every Thursday in Stratford. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131.
3-17-tfn-----

Garage Sale: 620 N. Main Saturday, March 26 8:30 a.m.
No Early Sales

Treasures Galore! Kingsize mattress and box springs, dryer, children's clothes and toys, adult clothes, Christmas items, household goods and decorations, exercise equipment, bicycles, too many good things to name!
3-24-c-----

For Rent

For Rent: 401 N. 5th. 3 bedroom house. 396-5541 days or 5692 nights.
2-17-tfn-----

Mobile home space for rent. Call 396-2487 after 6:00 p.m.
2-24-tfn-----

Lost & Found

Lost Steers with on left rib, also 4-way heifers with open 9. Call Glenn Hart 753-4492.
3-17-c-----

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4-15-tfn-----

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396-5958
6-10-tfn-----

Dumas Family Services, Counseling and Psychiatric Services. Free screenings and referrals. 1-800-687-5691.
10-28-tfn-----

Daniel & I were hurt in a truck, pickup accident. We will be back on the job as soon as the Doctor releases us. Thanks to all our customers.

Leo Russell
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Mary Kay Cosmetics. Call Tami King 396-2047.
2-10-tfn-----

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3-31-c-----

Will build and repair any type fence! (home or ranch) call 384-3476 or 249-4769 or pager 1-800-933-0861.
4-7-c-----

Attention Farmers and Ranchers. Used pickup and car parts. Mechanical and body parts. Cash for salvage cars and pickups. Call in your order today. Musscat Auto Salvage, Inc. Hwy 54 West, Hooker, Oklahoma 1-405-652-2400 or 1-800-405-2515.



VETERANS - Housing and Land Purchase now funded by bond issues sold by Veterans Land Board are available to Texas Veterans. For assistance in applying for these and other VA Benefits Contact Max Stephenson CSO at 396-5348.
4-28-p-----

U-Benefit Rental Services. It's Arrived, straight from the factory. Sasnak the Case-uni-loader. It can be rented by the hour, day, week, or month. Call for details at 396-5651.
3-24-c-----

Homes For Sale

For Sale: 8 x 32 mobile home \$2,000 or will trade 396-5988 after 6:30 p.m.
8-5-tfn-----

For Sale: 28 x 60 mobil home on 3 corner lots. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large living area, separate utility area, 6 ft. privacy fence, large storage building is insulated with electricity. Call 396-2508 or see at 219 South Wall.
2-10-tfn-----

For Sale: 14 x 72 Mobil Home with built on dining room and large garage with work area, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 3 corner lots, fruit trees, storage buildings. Fenced back yard 402 S. Wall. 396-2405 ask for Ed.
2-17-tfn-----

For Sale by owner, 2 bedroom, large fenced backyard-2 car garage. Call 396-2332.
3-17-tfn-----

Help Wanted

Help Wanted: Full time farm hand, Irrigation experience necessary. Sprinkler experience would be helpful but not necessary. Call 396-5373 after 7 p.m.
3-10-tfn-----

Nurse Aide positions are now available at Coldwater Manor. Excellent benefits including health insurance, after 90 days of employment. Apply in person at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, Tx. EOE
3-31-c-----

Maintenance person position available at Coldwater Manor. Excellent benefits including health insurance after 90 days of employment. Apply in person at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, Texas. EOE
3-24-tfn-----

RN's needed for Home Health and Hospice. Sign on bonus available. Great benefits. Please send resume to Deloris Ellibee at 224 E. 2nd, Dumas, Texas 79029.
3-24-c-----

Help Wanted: Cimarron Feeders is taking applications for a full time feed truck driver. Must have a valid drivers license. Applications accepted in person through April 8th.
4-7-c-----

Wanted

Will do babysitting at my home, at night. 396-2586.
3-31-c-----

Will do ironing in my home. Call Sheila at 396-2506.
3-24-p-----

Domingo Vasquez's Listing and Putting Down of Anhydrous Ammonia will be continued by Mario Vasquez.
Contact Blake & Sons
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Oscar at 753-7070
Felix at 753-7050

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3-31-c-----

Cards of Thanks

Dear Friends
I would like to express my sincere gratefulness to all the wonderful people in Stratford who helped me through a difficult two weeks. I appreciate so much the cards, food, and visits you gave to me and my family. I appreciate you all.

Kathy Switzer and Family

I would like to thank the people responsible for honoring me as Business Person of the Year and also the Chamber of Commerce for having the banquet. I appreciate the honor.

Phillip Bain

I would like to express my appreciation to the voters who supported me in the March 8, 1994 Democratic Primary. The weather was really bad that day but many people went to the polls to express their opinion anyway. That's what makes Sherman County such a great place to live. Thank you again.

Jack L. Swain, Jr.

Thanks to everyone in Stratford for all the cards, flowers, during my stay in the hospital.

Billie Melton

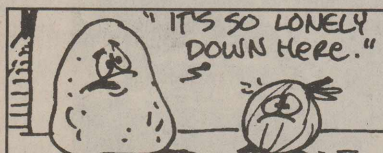
Miscellaneous

Need 1200 Sq. Ft. storage area for pallet material, fork lift accessibility. Call 396-2263.
3-3-tfn-----

Sherman County Farm Bureau needs to know if YOU (Must be 16-21 as of Sept. 1) are interested in participating in a Queen and or Talent Find Contest for Scholarship Awards. If so, do call the Farm Bureau office at 396-5538 as soon as possible so plans can be made.
3-31-c-----

Real Estate

REAL ESTATE-646 acres more or less. The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) will hold a Trustee's foreclosure sale, South steps of the Dallam County courthouse, Tuesday, April 5, 1994, 10:05 A.M. Property will be sold for cash to the highest bidder. FmHA's minimum bid \$125,146.
LOCATION: 9 miles South of Texline, Tx. For specifics, contact supervisor, Dalhart FmHA County Office, 310 Rock Island Avenue, Dalhart, TX (806) 249-5647.
3-31-c-----



Potatoes, sweet potatoes, dry onions, hard rind squashes, eggplant and rutabaga keep better in a cool place such as a basement, than in a cold one, such as the refrigerator.

All men by nature desire knowledge.

—Aristotle

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SHERMAN

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of The Honorable 84th Judicial District Court of Hansford County, Texas, on the 13th day of December 1993, by judgement of said 84th Judicial District Court, for the sum of twenty two thousand seven hundred eleven dollars and seventy two cents (\$22, 711.72) and cost of suit, under a judgement in favor of The Gruver State Bank in a certain cause in said court, no. 2868 and styled The Gruver State Bank, Gruver, Texas, VS. Mack Hoel, and placed in my hands for service. I, Jack Haile as Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas, did, on the 14th day of February 1994, Levy on certain real property or interests, situated in Sherman County Texas described as follows, To Wit: Any and all interest of Mack Hoel in and to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under a tract of section #35, Block 1-c, G H & H RR Co. Survey, of Sherman County Texas, said tract consisting of two hundred fifty four point three (254.3) acres and levied upon as the property of Mack Hoel and that on the first Tuesday of April 1994, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door of Sherman County, in the city of Stratford, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution, I will offer for sale and sell at public venue, for cash, to the highest bidder and all the right and title and interest of the said property, and in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks, immediately preceding the said day of sale, in the Stratford Star, a newspaper published in Sherman County.

Witness my hand this first day of March of 1994.

Jack Haile
Sheriff, Sherman County,
Texas

By
Jim Dewees
Deputy, Sherman County,
Texas

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No. 1901

Estate of Ruth Riffe Harland, Deceased, In the county court of Sherman County, Texas.

Notice To All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate of Ruth Riffe Harland, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of RUTH RIFFE HARLAND were issued on March 16, 1994 in Cause No. 1901, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to ROBERT L. RIFFE.

The Address of such Executor is 6145 Annapolis Lane, Dallas, Texas 75214.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are

Louis T. Dubuque
Professional Corporation
P.O. Box 1085
Dumas, Texas 79029

806-935-6451

Attorney For Applicant

Louis T. Dubuque

State Bar No. 06154000

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Legal Notice

Article 365 of the Health & Safety Code for the state of Texas states that a person commits an offense if the person disposes or allows or permits the disposal of litter or other solid waste on or within 300 feet of a public highway, Right-of-Way or on other public or private property. An offense under this section is a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$3,000.00; confinement in Jail for a term not to exceed one year; or both such fine and imprisonment.

W.C. Fesler

County Judge

Sherman County

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In The District Court For Oklahoma County State of Oklahoma

W. Rogers Abbott II, Plaintiff,
vs.

Kettle Incorporated, A Texas corporation, a/k/a Kettle Corporation, a/k/a Kettle Inc.; William J. Hart; Susan Kay Stokes; Jon Hart; Joel Hart; Janice Carol Honey Hart Defendants

Notice By Publication

State of Oklahoma
County of Oklahoma

To: Kettle Incorporated, a Texas corporation, a/k/a Kettle Corporation, a/k/a Kettle Inc., William J. Hart, Susan Kay Stokes, Jon Hart, Joel Hart, Janice Carol Honey Hart

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued by W. Rogers Abbott III in the District Court for Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, Case No. CJ 94-991 and you must answer the Petition of said plaintiff on file in said cause on or before May 2, 1994 or the allegations of said Complaint will be taken as true, and judgment will be rendered against you for the sum of \$9,329.31, interest, costs including reasonable attorney's fees, all of which you will take due notice.

Witness my hand and official seal this 11th day of March, 1994.

Tom Petusky, Court Clerk for the District Court for Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma

By Tina Goddard, Deputy.

Approved: W. Rogers Abbott II, OBA No. 102 of Rogers, Abbott & Associates, Lawyers, Bank of Oklahoma Plaza, Suite 500, Oklahoma City, Ok 73102 (405) 232-2166 Plaintiff

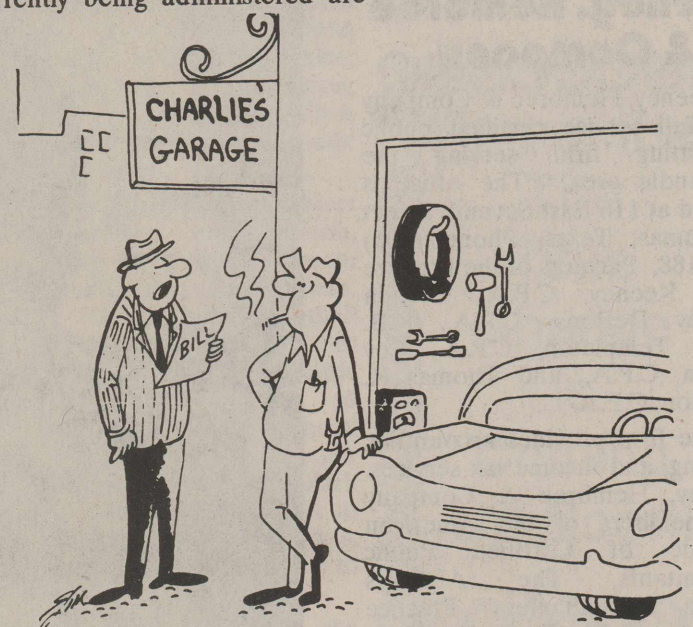
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Sun. Closed

Laundromat
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8:00 - 9:00



Business Review



Shown left is Marjory and Dick Munden. This month the star is spotlighting Bookkeeping and Income Tax services, Accounting firms.

Nina C. Lavake Bookkeeping & Income Tax Service

Nina Lavake opened her business October 1, 1993 in an office located in the North Plains Savings & Loan building. She graduated from Oklahoma Panhandle State University in May, 1993, majoring in Accounting.

Nina has been active in the farming business with her husband, John Lavake for the past 20 years.

The bookkeeping service shared by her sister Rolene Arkon, offers monthly bookkeeping, payroll, and income tax services. Come by and visit with them about these services.

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Gaskill, Pharis & Pharis, P.C. maintains a branch office located inside the First State Bank of Stratford and has its home office located at 521 Denver Avenue in Dalhart. Office hours in Stratford are Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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For more information contact The First State Bank Trust Department and talk to Suzanne Ashley or Martha Mitts.

Keeney, Hembree & Company

Keeney, Hembree & Company is a full service certified public accounting firm serving the Panhandle area. The office is located at 116 East Seventh Street in Dumas, Texas, Phone (806) 935-4188. Partners of the firm are R.M. Keeney, C.P.A., Brenda Keeney DeBons, C.P.A., K.B. "Bart" Templeton, C.P.A., Coy Barton, C.P.A., and Thomas R. Brandon, C.P.A.

The firm provides accounting, auditing, and income tax services. Keeney, Hembree & Company are members of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, The AICPA's Private Companies Practice Section, and The Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Munden & Munden

The firm of Munden & Munden, Certified Public Accountants, is a husband-and-wife partnership formed in Claude in 1989, and offers complete auditing, accounting, tax, and systems design services to businesses, governments, and individuals in the Panhandle area. The Munden's bought the building at 220 North Main in Stratford, and have recently established their main office there.

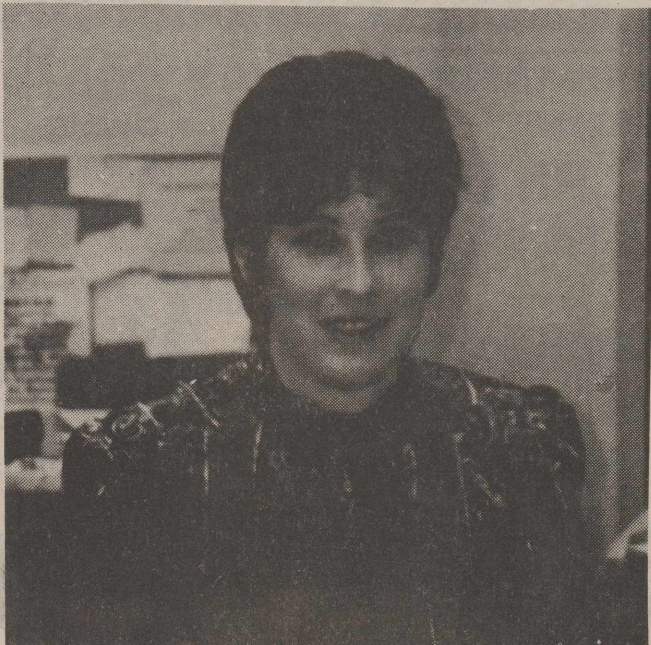
Richard C. (Dick) Munden is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant in Texas, California, and New Mexico, and has recently been awarded a life membership in the California Society of CPAs for having a license there for forty years. He was first associated with the partnership of Betts and Munden in Lemon Grove, California, and later with Coopers & Lybrand in Sacramento. He served as Deputy State Treasurer of the State of California for eight years, and as business manager of California's sixth largest school district before opening his own accounting practice in Sacramento. Dick is a native of Portland, Oregon, and a graduate of San Diego State College.

Marjory Munden had diversified background in government and real estate before beginning her career in accounting in her husband's Sacramento office in 1976. She attended Texas Tech, California State University at Sacramento, McGeorge College of Law, and graduated from West Texas State. She received her license as a CPA in 1989. Marjorie is a native of Kerrick, Texas.

Because the firm does government audits, it was one of those selected to have a quality review in 1991, the first year the review was mandated by the Texas Legislature, and the partners were pleased to receive an unqualified opinion on the first review.



Nina C. Lavake



Suzanne Ashley of First State Bank of Stratford

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White reported that 1993 was a very active year for the Cooperative and that 1994 shows no signs of slacking off -- and in fact -- may be even more active. He indicated that the Cooperative's margins remained strong in 1993, even though they were down from last year's record margins.

White advised the members that XIT Cellular's operation continues to grow rapidly and far exceeds our projections and expectations.

Manager White, who is also chairman of the Texas Telephone Association, explained that State and Federal legislation and regulations will play a major role in the future of the Cooperative within the next few years. White said that on the state issues, the Texas Telephone Association was not able to get legislation passed in the last session to provide the telephone industry with much-needed regulatory relief. White added that this must happen to allow small rural telephone companies like XIT to prepare for the future. He told of how in the eleventh hour this legislation was assigned to a committee for a two-year study, for legislation to be considered in the next legislative session. "In retrospect," White concluded, "this may have been for the best, considering the changes that are taking place in the telephone industry today." He feels that Texas legislators now have a much improved understanding of the small companies' needs.

Manager White then addressed national issues and how the highly publicized "Information Super Highway" will effect our future. White stated, "What most of our politicians fail to recognize is that most of this highway now exists, only the regulatory constraints must be removed for it to become a super highway."

Manager White then expressed his appreciation to the membership for their response to the customer satisfaction survey -- 63% of the surveys were returned. White indicated how proud he was of XIT's employees and was very gratified that the vast majority of XIT members shared his pride by the rating of 72% as excellent on recent contacts and visits. The membership also rated XIT's overall image as 62% excellent and 36% good.

White closed by saying, "The future may very well present the Cooperative with some challenges, but with this may also come opportunities for growth and prosperity." White assured the members that the Cooperative will constantly seek ways to improve its quality of service, bring new services that are wanted and needed -- and at the same time, keep the cost of service as low as possible. He said, "This is our mission statement, and it is taken very seriously by your Board of Directors, management and every one of your employees."

President Baskin then asked that a cellular report be given. It was reported that XIT Cellular, in its fourth year of operation, continues to experience rapid growth in most of its markets with figures indicating a 50% overall increase in the number of cellular customers in 1993. During 1993 XIT Cellular introduced its 5 State Free Long Distance Calling Area which allows an XIT Cellular customer in his home coverage area to

call toll free anywhere in Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas. The customer pays only local airtime based on his home rate plan. In 1993, XIT Cellular also introduced its new multi-plans and trade-in provision. The multi-plans allow customers with more than one phone a price break in their local access charges, and the trade-in provision allows customers to upgrade their phones to the latest models.

1994 looks to be an exciting year for XIT Cellular with new technology -- added cell sites and new features. Digital cellular technology will be arriving mid-summer with XIT Cellular's new switch and cell site equipment. Digital service will benefit XIT's customers by processing calls faster, quieter, and with greater privacy. It will also reduce busy signals, static and crosstalk by allowing access to new frequencies.

It was announced that XIT Cellular would be adding two new cell sites in the Middlewater and Boys Ranch areas toward the end of this year. These sites will enhance the coverage in these areas.

XIT Cellular has also joined with other cellular carriers in Texas, western Oklahoma and eastern New Mexico to form the RoadRoamer Cellular Network. This network will be activated in the next few months as the technology is perfected and will provide over 86,000 square miles of seamless cellular coverage to XIT Cellular's and other members' customers who are traveling in these areas. The RoadRoamer Cellular Network will not only expand cellular's geographic reach, it will also provide additional calling features and enhanced customer service.

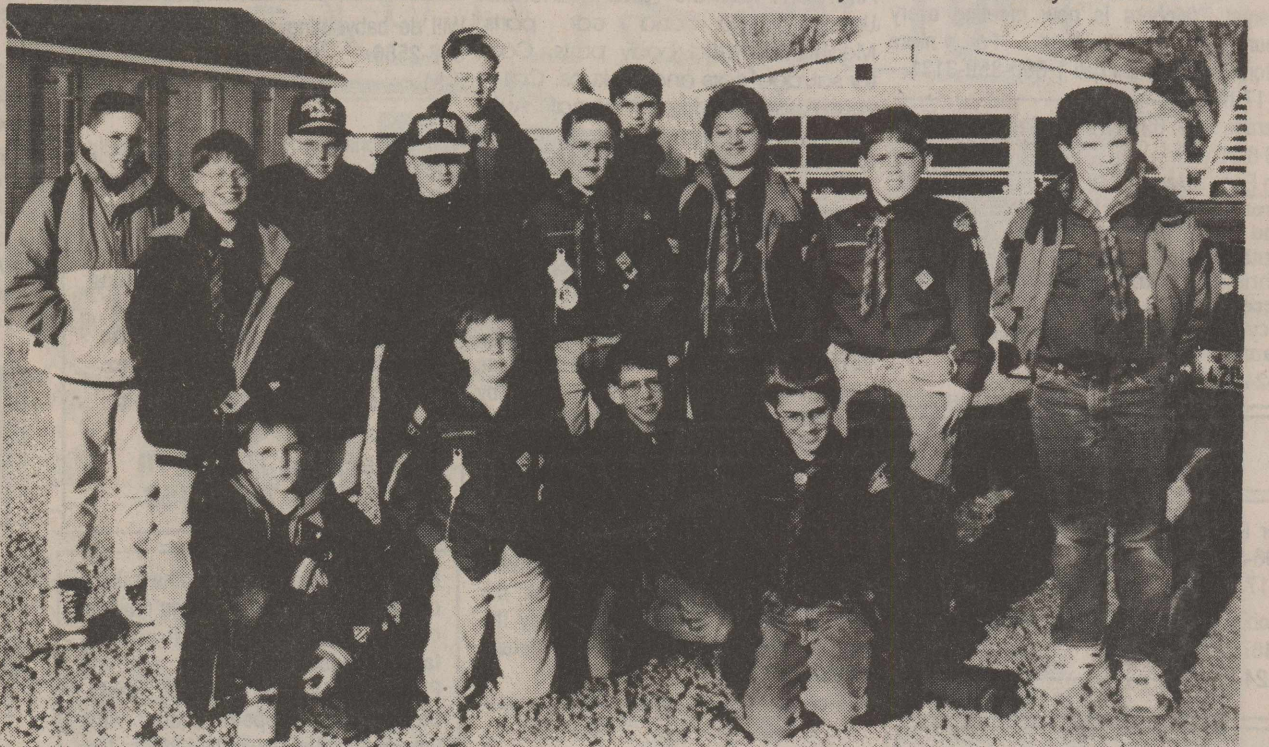
President Baskin then introduced A.E. Pronger, Jr., Chairman of the Nominating Committee, who presented the report on the nominations for directors for the ensuing three-year term. Those nominated were District I, Dallam County - E.H. Little and Doug Antwiler; District II, Hartley County - Gary Finch, and District III, Sherman County - T.F. (Tommy) Baskin, III.

Vice President James Spurlock took charge of the election process and called for nominations from the floor. There being none, he appointed a Canvassing Committee consisting of Jack Dettle, Cliff Marshall and Al Gallo to tally the ballots. The committee declared the election of E.H. Little, Gary Finch and Tommy Baskin.

Director E.H. Little conducted the drawing for the sixty six door prizes that were awarded to attending members. There were also nine children's prizes given away. Director Little was assisted by fellow director, J.W. McClellan, and XIT employees. Several of the members' children also assisted with the drawing. The winner of the \$300 Cash Prize was W.W. Rammage. The winners of the 3 - \$100 cash prizes were: Clara Cowan, David Niemeyer and Joe Reinart.

After the prizes were distributed, the meeting was adjourned.

Immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting, the Board of Directors met at the Cooperative's headquarters and held their Organizational Meeting. At this meeting, the following officers were elected: T.F. (Tommy) Baskin, III - President; James Spurlock - Vice President and Gary Finch - Secretary-Treasurer.



Shown above is the Boy Scouts and Cub Scout who participated in the camp-in. Top left is Cody Brotherton, Craig Moore, Cody Moore, Michael Herring, David Hunsaker, Wesley Hunsaker, Stephen Husmann, Angel Garza, Wes Kimball and Adam Reed. Bottom left, Eric York, Scott Reese, Jaret Pemberton and Erich Taylor. Not pictured is Dalton Sladek.

Stratford Scouts Attend Camp-In

Some of Stratfords Pack 38 Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts joined Scouts from Dumas and Moore County, Borger and Fritch for an annual camp-in. The activity was held February 25th and 26 in the Moore County Community Building in Dumas. Approximately 160 Scouts and leaders pitched tents, spending Friday night and Saturday in the south end of the community building on new sand supplied by Moore County.

Friday evening activities after registration included setting up camp, a picnic supper and a short orientation by the camp directors.

Several rules were laid down and a curfew of "flashlights out"; "to the tent", was set for 9:30. Stratford Scouts slept in two man pack 38 tents and some personal tents. All campers were up by 7:00 a.m. Saturday and tents were put in order for the day. Breakfast and lunch Saturday were cooked by

the respective towns Boys Scouts Dalton Sladek, Eric York, Angel troops. At 8:30 a.m., the Boy Garza, Wes Kimball, Craig Scouts from the various towns led Moore, Wesley Hunsaker, Jaret five demonstration activities for Pemberton, Adam Reed, Scott the younger Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Reese and Erich Taylor.

Webelo Scouts. The Stratford troop had a utensils cooking and fire building demonstration; "How To cook bacon and eggs in a paper bag." The other four demonstrations by other troops were 1) An obstacle Course, 2) Lashing and knife safety 3) Archery, and 4) first aid. The campers were divided into groups to attend each activity. Stratford Boy Scout Troop members were

Cody Brotherton, Michael Herring, David Hunsaker, Stephen Husmann and Cody Moore. Blake Sladek, Assistant Scoutmaster, supervised and led the weekend activities of the Stratford Scouts, Gail Hunsaker, Webelo Den Leader, sponsored the younger scouts. They included

After free time and camp breaking, a brisquet supper was served by the Dumas Scout hosts. The camp-in ended at 7:00 p.m. campfire with sing along songs and an official, ritualistic flag burning ceremony. Burning retired or worn flags is the proper method for disposing of the U.S. Flag. The ceremony ended with a patriotic challenge to those in attendance.

It is a goal of local Scout leaders to encourage a larger participation next year so that all Stratford Scouts will be able to attend the beneficial and worthwhile camp-in where learning took place; activity badges were earned, and those in attendance had a "good Scout time."