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Whoops!!!!



Lorena Espinoza of Pratt, Kansas ran the stop sign at the intersection of Highways 54 and 287 and broadsided a pickup driven by Brent Grimes. No one was injured. The accident happened Sunday May 6, 1990. Mrs. Espinoza was ticketed for failure to stop. Dean Harris from Kerrick was a passenger in the pickup with Brent.

Mr. Bass To Retire



Elwyn and Johnette Bass

In March of 1969 the Stratford Independent School District Board interviewed E.L. (Sam) Bass. They liked what they heard and was impressed by what they saw. The job was his. In July of 1969, Johnette, Sam, Gina and John moved into the teachrage and Sam began what he thought would be about a 2 year stint in Stratford Public Schools. That was 21 years ago.

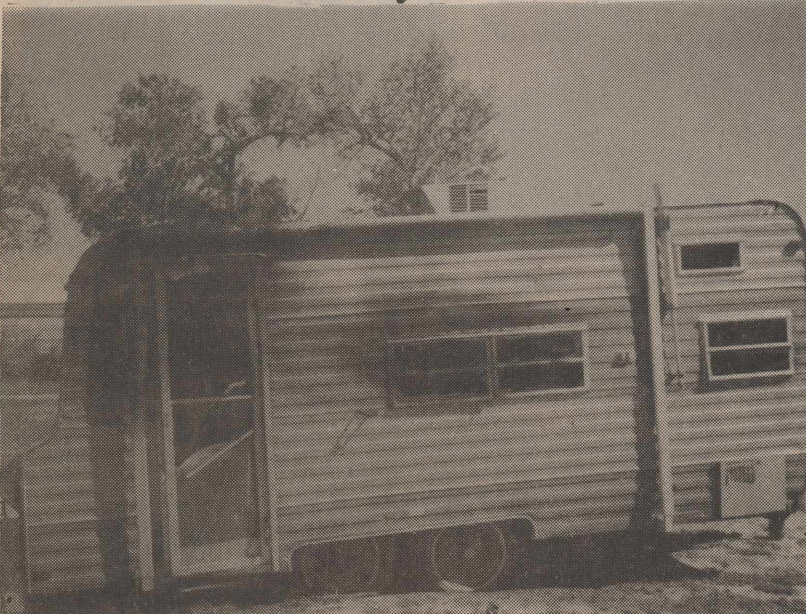
Sam, as he has been fondly dubbed does not ever remember not being a part of a school and teaching. His Mom and Dad were teachers. He is from a family of 4 boys. He was raised in Big Springs, Tex. Johnette was reared in Sands, Tex. Because of a brother who

was born deaf, Sam and his family moved to St. Louis, Mo., as a 7th grader. For Sam, it was indeed a big move. He went from a very tiny school, a two room scenario, to a very large classroom. Their stay in St. Louis was brief and the family returned to Big Springs, Texas. Sams folks had farming interest there and during the school year they taught and farmed and in the summer it was just farming. Sam says he is just an "old farm boy" at heart.

By the time Sam was a Junior in High School, as was Johnette, they both attended Ackerly High School, a short distance from Big Springs and Sands, Tex. They graduated at age 16

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Trailer Destroyed



Merv Meindinger's trailer was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon around 2 p.m. No one was living in the trailer at the time.

Election Results

City of Stratford

Mayor: Doug Reese, 201.
Councilman (one elected):
Wayne Merrill, 115
Bill Sladek, 53
Janis Tillery, 62

Councilmen (two elected):
Roy J. Hill, 190
Dwayne Plunk, 42
Ronnie Pickens, 194.

Stratford School District

Trustees (two elected):
Mike Shafer, 15
Steve Baskin, 107
Philip Walden, 87
Allen Swain, 85
Dennis Davis, 13
Vickie Gore, 50
Steve Dettle, 196
Lynn Allen, 71
Ken Wight, 129

Stratford Hospital District

Board (three elected):
Emory A. Hamilton, 142
Duane Pittman, 281
Elaine Gurley, 218
Kathleeh Altman, 228
Bill Reed, 184

City of Texhoma

Council (two elected):
Ben Ingham, 45
David Hass, 36
George Demeritt, 18

Davis Indicted

The Sherman County Grand Jury handed down an indictment against former Chief of Police Dennis Davis on Wednesday, May 2, 1990 for Aggravated Assault against his wife, Tanya. The alleged incident took place on April 17, 1990. Mr. Davis is currently out on bail.

SPS Files To Pass Along Fuel-Cost Savings To Customers

Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) today filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to credit \$20.7 million to its Texas retail customers for savings in fuel costs.

Retail customers include residential, commercial and industrial users.

A residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity a month would receive a one-time credit of \$22.51. The proposed credit includes interest at an annual rate of 11.7 percent. SPS expects to get swift approval on this filing, said

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NOTICE

Girls! July 21st is creeping up quickly, we need pre-schoolers, Kindergarten 5th, 6th and 7th and 8th grade contestants; As well as Junior Miss and Miss Stratford contestants.

Entry forms can be picked up at the Chamber Office! The quality of this, our 36th annual pageant depends on you! Also we need pre school, kindergarten, 5th, 6th and 7th and 8th grade escorts. Come on guys. High school fellows needed also!..

Loyd Willard and Heather Carter have been named Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the 1990 Graduation Class of Stratford High School.

Loyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Willard, was named Valedictorian with a grade point average of 94.380. His honors include: Scholastic Banquet, Who's Who among American Students, United States Achievement Academy in business and science, UIL Accounting, class Vice-president, J.V. track, basketball, and football, honorable mention All-District Basketball, All-District Linebacker, honor-

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NOTICE

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If the National Weather Service issues a Tornado Watch for Sherman County, the Sheriff's Office dispatcher will sound the WATCH. Siren—a long blast. Turn on your TV or Radio for more information. DO NOT call the Sheriff's office. If there is a tornado warning the wavering sound will be set off. Then it's time to go to the storm cellar or take cover in the center of your home.

NOTICE

A Mammography Screening Clinic will be held on Wednesday May 23, 1990 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Texhoma, at Texhoma Family Clinic. Exams are done by appointment only. For more information about the clinic or to make an appointment please call the Harrington Cancer Center 1-806-359-4673, or call toll free number 1-800-274-4673. Locally, for more information contact the clinic at 423-7551. Texas has a program for Texas residents to receive free mammograms Call for further details to see if you qualify.

NOTICE

City of Stratford will conduct their annual Rabies Vaccination and City License Drive on Saturday, May 26th from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the City Barn 804 N. Poplar. Rabies Vaccination is \$8.00, City license is \$3.00. There will also be a free dipping clinic for ticks and fleas at this time also.

NOTICE

Sign up this Wed. May 9 - 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at 411 N. Fulton for Sherman County Farm Bureau Queen Contest and Talent Find. This will be held in Stratford June 7. Sherman County Farm Bureau will be giving a \$100.00 Scholarship to each winner. The winners will compete at District level for \$600.00 Scholarship. State Winners receive \$1,500.00 Scholarship to Runner-up a \$2,000.00 Scholarship to winner plus \$500.00 wardrobe. The Runner-up and winner will each additionally receive a set of luggage. For more information Call Jeanie Bennett 396-2222 or Cara Dawn Macias 753-4540.

NOTICE

It is now time to be signing up for the 36th Miss Stratford Scholarship Pageant, to be held July 21st, 1990, High School Auditorium. Pre-School up and including 21 yrs. resident of Sherman County, Stratford Independent School District. Sign up sheets have been distributed at the Mary Allen School, Middle School, and the High School.

Applications can be picked up at the Chamber office. Deadline for signing up and application bask in, is June 18, 1990.

We will need escorts for all ages. Boys if you are interested contact J.A. Lasley at 396-2260 or 396-5911.

Enjoy a good time at the Depot Doin's on June 2nd.

First State Bank To Host Seminar



Frank Adams and Mike Harrison of Corpus Christi will present the Seminar entitled "Excellent Customer Service" at the First State Bank May 17th.

May 17th The First State Bank of Stratford will be hosting a free seminar entitled "Excellent Customer Service-Means Survival." The Seminar, to be held in the bank lobby, is available to anyone to whom customer service is important.

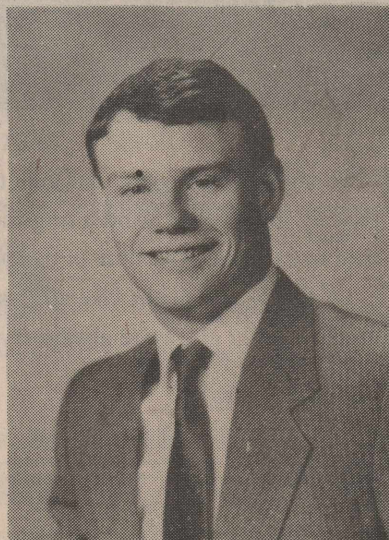
Most managers already know the value of customer service (the customer is your source of profits). But getting this across to your frontline employees is the challenge. This seminar will focus on developing simple, effective ways to get employees (and owners) "re-programmed" toward positive, profitable customer relations. First impressions, listening skills, telephone techniques, complaint handling and how to obtain customer feedback are some of the topics that will be covered.

The program will be presented by Frank Adams and Mike Harrison of Corpus Christi. Between the two, Adams and Harrison have over 40 years of combined experience in the business world. Their delivery is direct and hard-hitting, fun and lively. Their philosophy is simple: an audience can listen, laugh and learn-all at the same time.

The evening will begin with a light meal at 6:30 followed by the program at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending, contact Penny Boyd at The First State Bank, 396-5521, for details.

We think this will be a great opportunity to get together, have some fun and share a light hearted approach to customer service. This will be a casual evening, just come as you are and enjoy!!

1990 Valedictorian & Salutatorian



Loyd Willard



Heather Carter

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

The Community Centennial Park Project Committee requests bids for construction of the following at Stratford City Park located at 7th and Grace Streets:
**Handicap ramps
 laying bricks
 landscaping**

Specifications may be picked up at Stratford City Hall located at 520 N. 3rd. Street, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084. Any and all bids must be in the offices of the City of Stratford by 12:00 p.m. on May 25, 1990. Bids will be opened at 3:00 p.m. on May 25, 1990. The Community Centennial Park Project Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

If any additional information is needed, please contact Gaynelle Riffe (806) 396-5303. Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, May 10, 1990 and Thursday, May 17, 1990.

WEATHER NEWS

Some areas reported over an inch and a half of rain last week. With temperatures dipping below freezing a couple of nights. Some received heavy hail damage. Forecast is for warmer weather this week, chance for rain Thursday.

Your Right To Know

By Terry Kennedy

When the sirens are tested on Monday morning, the T-V interrupt will also be tested. By turning to different channels, you can determine which one is the clearest on your set. Channel 3 seems to be a good one for clear reception. Instructions will be given on your T-V interrupt system, in the event of a tornado or other emergency. Turning on your T-V and listening for instructions would be a good habit to form.

'Hazardous Material: A Citizen's Orientation,' is a home study course available through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It is an easy to follow, practical, layman's terminology course that might be of interest to you. We will be happy to order the book for you, at no cost. Just call 2021 and give us your name and address. Credit is available for military retirement points. Lewis and Clark will grant one semester hour college level credit for completion of a FEMA Home Study Course. Academic credits are transferrable to other institutions.

Enjoy a relaxed evening at the Depot Doin's on June 2nd.



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P. J. Pronger Completes Economic Development Training



P.J. Pronger of the Stratford Chamber of Commerce was one of 18 area professionals recently recognized for completing a 15-hour economic-development training course in Amarillo.

The course, "Economic Development Strategies of the '90s," was co-sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) and Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC). The program's purpose was to update local community leaders, such as Pronger, on the latest issues in economic development.

"New legislation has greatly expanded the role of government in economic development at the local levels, and one of our program objectives is to disseminate information covering recent changes," said Perna Strickland, PRPC's director of economic development.

Cheryl Pink, an economic development specialist at SPS, serves as instructor for the course.

Certificates of completion were awarded to professionals from Amarillo, Dimmitt, Dumas, Friona, Perryton, Groom, Canyon, Borger, Stratford, Gruver and Pampa

SCOT Style Show May 6th



Chelsea Christian and Kyla Bell modeled fashions from Martha Ellison at the SCOT Style Show Sunday, May 6th.



Nita Mae Taylor of Kerrick models an outfit by Susanah's of Kerrick at the SCOT Style Show held Sunday at Scot Hall. There were approximately 90 in attendance. Fashions were presented by Cindy Crabtree, Martha Ellison, Sue James, Betty and Sheri Ingham, Pat Johnson and Joan Bell and Vicki Gore.

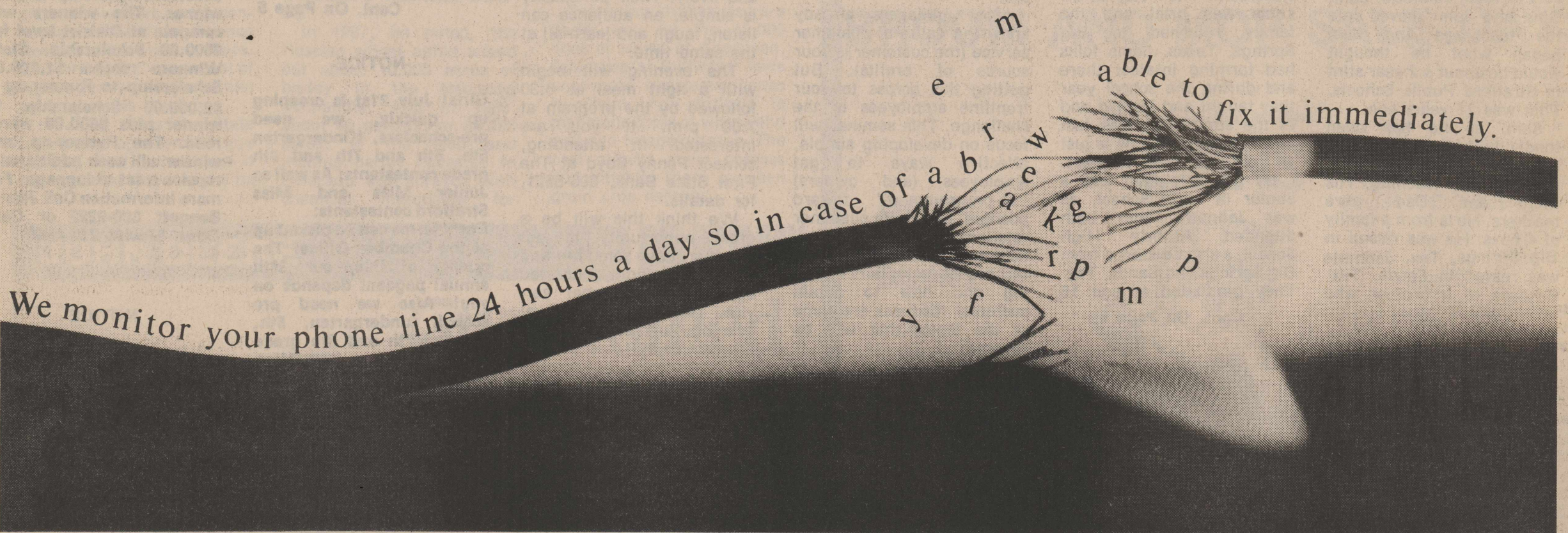
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not to notice us. You see at GTE, it's not just communications we offer, it's solutions. And just because there's a break in your phone line doesn't mean you have to hear about it.



THE POWER IS ON

SCOT Notes

by Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Older Texans, Friends, Neighbors and Scotters this promising Monday A.M. May 7, 1990. The sun is bright, temperature wonderful and the wind energizing out of the southwest. Remember, O.T. the southwest wind to turn windmills to produce water made it possible for the Great Texas Panhandle to be settled!

Consider our Scot Calendar of activities. All are marked "Go". The Birthday Party and games date is Friday, May 11th at 7 p.m., Guymon Senior Citizens will welcome the dancers Sat. May 12 for the evening. Sunday May 13 is Mother's Day AND Baccalaureate time for SHS.

Thurs. May 3 was a wonderful rainy day leaving us with about 1 1/2 inches of rainfall which soaked into the dry earth. Among Scotters out and around enjoying the rain were Velma and Dirge Plunk, Hazel McBryde, Wanda Riffe, Mary Peach Smith, Max Stephenson.

Tues. May 1 Howard Ethridge, Elmer Oquin and Jimmy Jackson enjoyed playing pool at Scot Hall. Domino players were there too.

Luzelle and James Lowe spent part of last week in Amarillo, grand-child-tending while daughter Kay attended a business meeting in Oklahoma City.

The Jack Davises are in Stratford for a time, having spent the winter in Harlington, Tex.

Voting Day is past, Congratulations and support to those who were elected. Thank you, to all who were willing to assume the responsibility of running community business. Senior Citizens appreciate all of you. Among those we met voting, were Joe Pete Flores, Gordie Ramon, the Dwight Hesters, the Russell Kelps, the Hubert Waldrops, Plainview, Tex. Mary Joe Cox. Helping hold elections were Scotters Rene Plunk, Shirley Foreman, Bernice Christian.

The Priscilla Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church sponsored a seated Mothers Day Tea for mothers of the Church. Guests enjoyed hearing Joyce McBryde sing "Fill My Cup, Lord" and "The Way He Loves" to Mollie Griffins accompaniment; Mattie Baskins Bible-based eulogy to modern day mothers; Poems read by Margaret Reed and a long-ago-learned reading presented by Layvon Hughes given as an after thought, which emphasized a delightful program. Tea was served from a beautifully laid table which was set under an arch of greenery. Each guest table was highlighted by an arrangement of crystal, candles and bowl of flowers. A long-stemmed rose bud was presented to each member of the honored Kings Daughter class and special guest Rebecca Lavake.

Attending the tea were Lilly Galloway, Corda Pleyer Emma Naylor, Rebecca Lavake, Ione Reed, Jewel Naugle, Timmie Brown, Mattie Baskin, Juanita Crownover, Irene Butler, Katie Allen, Margaret Reed, Genevieve Wilson, Betty McMillon, Mildred Arnold, Marty Bain, Marie Young, Lou Deutschendorf, Joyce McBryde, Molly Griffin, LaVell Haggard, Betty L. Brown, Dorothy Halle, Helen DeBord Handring, Dalart, Cecilia DeBord, Anita DeBord, Luzelle Lowe, Reba Pittman.

Katie Allen offered a closing prayer.

The S.C.O.T. Organization fund-raiser Style Show supervised by Betty L. Brown, Margaret Reed, Bobbie Cummings and LaVerne Lasley on Sunday afternoon May 6, 1990 was a wonderful success. Businesses furnishing merchandise for the show were Cindy's Girls Next Door, Martha's

Kiddie Korner, Vickie's Golden Needle, Susanah's of Kerrick, Pat and Joans Purses. If Sherman County women and children aren't among the best dressed, Texas Panhandle folks it is not because merchandise isn't available right here in Stratford and Kerrick. And Models? They ranged in age from babes in arms through toddlers, all school ages, professionals, middle aged and Senior Citizens. The Style show was quite a gala affair due to the fine community support in attendance, interesting comments and fellowship, door prizes and refreshments. Our personal plus was visiting with Alora Taylor and receiving the door prize from Susanah's which is an authentic lace trimmed sunbonnet patterned from Sue James grandmother, Eula Bea Harding, Canyon, early day sun-bonnet.

Sorry we cannot name the models but by a little conversation you can get a number of "who-did-it".

Attending the Boise City dance Sat. evening were the R.J. Hills, Homer Hailes and Jack Gores.

Friends of former Stratford teacher, LuAlma Hall, Selma Pendleton's aunt, will be happy to know that Alma was nominated by Retired Teachers Association for 1990 Distinguished service award in teachery. Jean Reynolds Everett was nominated by Sherman Co. Ext. Home-makers council for 1990 distinguished Service award in volunteerism. These interesting items were found in the Summer newsletter issued by Women's Forum Amarillo Area-Congratulation to both from S.C.O.T. that their achievements are recognized by their peers.

We appreciate Gladys Arnolds huge lilacs every-time we drive down Main.

Eskie Ritchie and Margaret Grunig are in Stratford

for the week. We anticipate a good "42" session Tues. at Scot Hall.

Scotters who have not turned in pictures and life stories to Director Vicki Gore remember to do so. She wishes to complete the history book. Have you seen it?

Bertha Oquin and Mamma Jessie Tompkins remain in Dumas hospital. Eddie Moon, Geneva Halle's son, will undergo long awaited surgery in Houston this week. Uphold them in prayer.

Mary Peach received word last evening of the death of old timer Thelma Lutes. The funeral will be in Dalhart at 2 p.m. today (May 7, 1990. We send S.C.O.T. and personal prayer support to Ada and Art Foster and Viola H. Bryant and other relative. We "luv" you.

Catch your breath, Senior Citizens, and face the best week in your life beginning by remembering others with Scot shoulder pats and "luv u".

Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

If you have no other plans for Mother's Day, bring your food to Kerrick Community Center for a lunch at 1 p.m. This should give you a chance to attend church first. This is about the third year that several have gathered for an enjoyable time.

The Junior-Senior Prom was Saturday night. It was really a fun time with an attractive and glamorous setting, "Casino Nite". So, Dean Harris was returning his tuxedo to Amarillo with Brent Grimes the next day. They were half way through the Stratford 4-Way stop



People believe to cure a sore throat, wrap a piece of bacon around your neck.

sign when a speeding car "Ran over them". It was a miracle they weren't hurt any worse than they were!

In last week's column, I said we should "love tourists", but ask them to obey traffic laws! Can't understand why they don't see that 4-way stop sign!

Pat Boren went with four teams to a Lubbock Bowling tournament Saturday. There were 257 teams participating.

Kerry and Kelly Carlisle were here when she returned. They will be living in Stratford for the summer. The couple graduates from

Reception To Follow Baccalaureate May 13

A Reception will be held in the high school cafeteria after Baccalaureate this Sunday evening, May 13. Baccalaureate will be at 8:00 p.m. The Reception will be in honor of the seniors. All seniors, their parents, families, friends and everyone attending Baccalaureate are cordially invited to attend the Reception.

Those seniors who care to are invited to make a simple poster of photos of their growing-up years. The posters will be on display during the Reception.

This Reception is sponsored by the Sherman County Ministerial Alliance, Rev. Terry Fred, president. First Christian Church is the host church this year. All of the churches that participate in the Ministerial Alliance are helping. Natacha Dyess is in charge of the arrangements. This is a ministry of Christian Women's Fellowship, Elaine Gurley, president. Everyone is cordially invited to attend, according to David Harker, minister of First Christian Church.

Panhandle State this week. Kerry, a Health, Physical Education & Recreation major, was chosen Student of the Year in this field and she is on the Dean's list. Kelly received a special watch at the Athletic banquet for lettering in football four years.

Joe Bill and Jennifer Boren arrived Wednesday for the Carlisle graduation, then Jennifer graduates from Baylor May 19.

Lynn Wells was in New Orleans for a CASA meeting last week. Haven't talked to her about it.

Barbara Avent came home Saturday after surgery and is doing fine. George is "wife-sitting"!

Donna Avent is taking an enforced vacation from dental work. She's allergic to the gloves! She hopes to be able to work at least part-time soon.

Saturday Bevin & Donna, Jimmy and Bevilyn Wright were in Dumas for the Arts & Crafts Show. They make leather and beaded belts and hat bands.

Brenda Taylor, Denver, visited with her mother, Franny, Thursday night through Sunday afternoon. They were lunch guests of the McDaniels Saturday.

Some Kerrick ladies modeled Sunday at the SCOT style show for Susanah's. They were Nita Taylor, Dayle Harris, Donna Avent, Jo June McDaniel and Marylou McDaniel.

Marylou McDaniel and Gladys Arnold attended initiation at Dalhart 1051, Order of the Eastern Star, May 3.

The Walter James family and Joe Taylor family will be honored at the Depot Museum festivities June 2.

Have you circled Aug. 19 for Kerrick Reunion and Sept. 15 for the Church Wagon Supper?

I've been having fun attending 8th grade and Jr.-Sr. Proms. 8th prom pictures will be back next week. High school pictures may be ordered until Tuesday, May 15, 4 p.m. They are in the cafeteria hall cabinets. Hopefully, everyone will have their pictures before school is out.



Mrs. Ann Muir, left was one of the winners of a door prize at the Tri-County Art Association Spring Arts & Crafts Show & Sale held Sunday afternoon at the County Barn. Presenting Mrs. Muir with her picture was Mary Jo Cox.



The hermit crab's home is an empty sea snail shell. When the crab grows too big for the shell, it hunts for a larger one.

First Christian Church
Solo: "Strength of My Life"
Renne Allen
Trio "The Kingdom of the Lord"
Lynda Hauser, Nina Lavake and Sandy Newcomb
Anthem "A Mother's Love"
Adult Choir
Sermon "Saluting Mothers & Graduates!"

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<p>FIRST BAPTIST Dr. Derral Lewis 702 North 3rd Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 10:50 am Church Training 6:00 pm Evening Worship 7:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm</p>		
<p>FIRST CHRISTIAN Rev. David Harker 5th & N. Main St. Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wednesday, Adult Choir 8:00 pm</p>		
<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST Rev. John Wagoner 520 N. Main Sunday School 9:40 am Morning Worship 10:50 am Junior High UMY 5:30 pm Senior High UMY 6:00 pm Evening Worship 6:00 pm</p>		
<p>ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC Father Arturo Meza Phone: 396-2119 Mass 9:00 a.m. Sunday</p>		

WISE ADVICE FROM YEARS OF LIVING

"REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." —Ecclesiastes 12:1

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Society



Glenda Joy Masters and Frank Bryan Dietrich exchanged wedding vows Friday, April 27, 1990 in First Baptist Church of San Angelo. Dr. Jerold McBride officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Graham Masters of Port Willunga, Australia. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Don Dietrich of Stratford.

Serving as maid of honor was Paula Baxter, and bridesmaids were Alison Barry, Rachel Barry and Melissa Cain, all of San Angelo. Kasey Stokes, niece of the groom, served as flower girl.

David Parkman of San

Angelo was best man. Groomsmen were Roger Allen of Stratford, Colin Masters, brother of the bride, of Port Willunga and David French of San Angelo. Gregory Parkman served as ring bearer.

Keith Allen of Brownwood Gary Stokes and Eric Truelove of San Angelo were ushers. Patty Stokes, sister of the groom, of San Angelo and Gary Stokes served as candlelighters.

Mrs. Dietrich is a candidate for May graduation from Angelo State University with a degree in journalism. Her husband is manager of a San Angelo restaurant. The couple will live in San Angelo.



Sharon Brown & Si Perkins were married in a double ring ceremony, April 21st, 1990 at the Stratford Church of Christ. Sharon is the daughter of Mrs. Dean Smith, Stratford, Texas. Si is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan S. Perkins, Guymon, Okla. Carrie Brown, daughter of the bride from Dallas was Maid of Honor. Chris Perkins, son of the groom, Guymon, Okla. served his father as best man. Following the ceremony the couple took a trip to San Francisco, California.

Births

I finally made it here and Mommy and Daddy are thrilled. My name is Shayna Abbie Hopson. I was born April 6, 1990 at 2:36 p.m. and weighed 6 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 19 inches long. My proud parents are Wes and

Toni Hopson. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Whiteaker of Dalhart, Cecil Borth of Arizona. Great grandparents are Kenneth Borth of Stratford, Jessie Thompson of Mena, Arkansas, Geraldine Allard of Dalhart, Bert Allard of Harmon, Okla., Edith Hopson of Texhoma, Great Great Grandfather Howard Kimball of Seiling, Okla.

Everett Nominated For Award

Jean Everett was one of the thirty-two community leaders nominated by individual and civic groups for Distinguished Service award sponsored by the Amarillo Area Women's Forum.

Twelve Panhandle women were honored as recipients of the Distinguished Service Award in the areas of volunteerism, business and finance, arts, education and ranching.

Jean was nominated by the Sherman County Extension Homemakers Council for her outstanding volunteer work.

Harrison Receives Honors



Stefanie L. Harrison recently was honored at the annual Honors Banquet held Thursday, April 26th at West Texas State University.

Miss Harrison received Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She has been a resident assistant at Cousins Hall for 1989-90, Dean's List, Fall of 87 and Fall 89 Cousins Hall, Council Vice-President, 88-89, PARTY Vice President 90, and Woman of the Year Nominee 89-90.

She graduated from Stratford High School and is the daughter of Henry and Dorene Harrison of Stratford

Cards of Thanks

I would like to thank Rev. David Harker, Dr. Claude Harlow and Brother Derrel Lewis for being there for both my surgeries. A special Thanks to Sandy Williams. To everyone for their prayers, flowers, food, phone calls and visits. Stratford's the "Greatest" place may God Bless Each and Everyone of you.

Mitch & Ann Mitchell

Thank you for your support in the May 5th election. I am very pleased with the number of votes I received. I didn't know I had that many friends! You have made me feel even better about MY Town.

Janis Tillery

I would like to thank my family and friends here and far away for the prayers, calls, flowers, visits, food and beautiful cards while I was in the hospital and since I've been home.

Thank You
Bernice Stublefield

Thank you for your support in the Hospital Board election. I will do my best to represent you. Please feel free to let me know your concerns.

Kathie Altman

The Chamber of Commerce & certainly the manager, would like to thank all who organized, played, worked and helped get teams together for the 1990 volleyball tournament. 14 hometown teams battled it out in three [3] evenings. We couldn't have done it without you--thanks again!

Stratford Chamber of Commerce
J.A. Lasley, Manager



Stephanie Lynn Gibson & her mom Jana were honored with a baby shower Monday, April 30th in the home of Zelda Pickens. Hostesses were Shari Hudson, Karen Perrin, Karen Pullam, Marty Robertson, Jean Moore and Sandy Williams and Zelda Pickens. Shown above is great grandmother Neola Gibson from Elk City, Okla., Grandmother Jackie Taylor from Amarillo and Jana and Stephanie Gibson also of Amarillo and grandmother Carole Gibson of Stratford.



Colton Dettle and his mother Lisa were honored with a baby shower Sunday, May 6th at the First Christian Church. Shown Above is Grandmother Louise Dettle, Lisa & Colton, Aunt Monica Bailey & daughter Alexandria and great grandmother Bess Stone.

Eat lots of good food at the Depot Doin's on June 2nd.

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Breast Cancer Screening

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

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

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

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection. Early detection is best done by following the guide-lines recommended by the American Cancer Society for breast cancer screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are: 1. Learn and perform breast self examination every month. 2. Have a physical examination every year. 3. Have a mammogram according to the recommendations by age.

Age 35-40 one baseline mammogram. 40-50 a mammogram every 1 to 2 years. over 50 yearly mammograms

A clinic will be held on Wednesday, May 23, 1990 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Stratford at the First United Methodist Church. Exams are done by appointment only. For information about the clinic or to make an appointment, please call the Harrington Cancer Center 806-359-4673 or our toll free number 1-800-274-4673. Locally, for more information, contact Susie Spurlock, at 396-2122.

Un proyecto de cancer mamario y Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital en Amarillo continuaremos con la comunidad de clinicas para proteger a tiempo su cancer mamario. Sus pagos estan disponibles de la Texas Cancer Council para su prueba mamaria para las personas calificadas residentes de Texas pagos financieros asistentes.

Temprana deteccion de cancer de pechos es la mayor meta de control canceroso de mujeres atendidas en la clinica.

La clinica proviene de

preguenos costos gueriendo incurrir el examen de pechos registrados por enfermeras especializadas y capacitadas sobre la deteccion de cancer.

Ensenar a examinar sus pechos en mammogram.

Podemos alcanzar el metodo mas efectivo para ganar la batalla del cancer mamario para su temparna proteccion.

Temprana deteccion es mejor seguir las buenas regalas recomendadas de la American Cancer Society para cancer mamario.

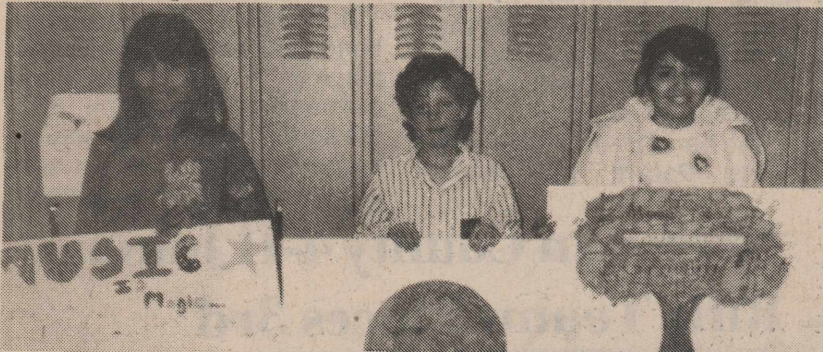
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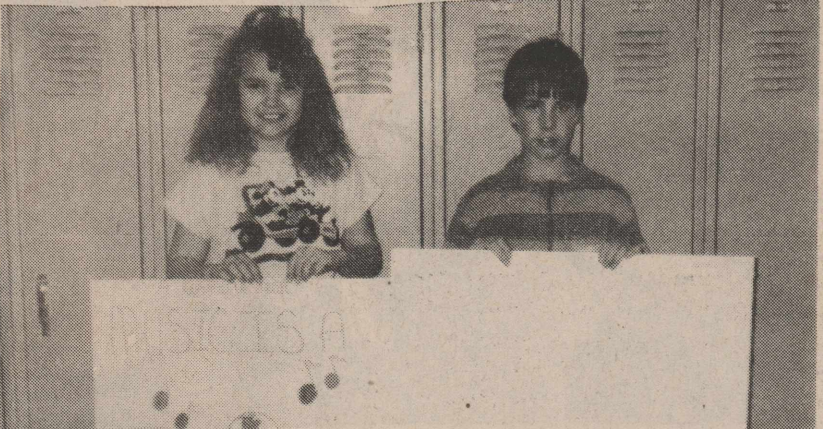
Da clinica estrara abierta el Miercoles 23 de Mayo de 1990 de las 9:00 a.m. a las 11:30 A.M. en Stratford en la primera Iglesia Metodista.

Examinamos solo con cita, para informacion sobre la clinica o para hacer citas por favor llame a Harrington Cancer Center 806-359-4673, o llame gratis all numero 1-800-274-4673. Para informacion local llamar a Kathy Montoya 396-2451.

Poster Winners



The National Music Club Poster winners were, Gloria Anguilera, Justin Sims and Jacinta Montoya. May 6th thru the 13th is National Music Week sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs.



Honorable mention winners were Jennifer Burnam and Ty Young. The theme this year was: "Music: It's Place In The World".



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Gerald Diller, SPS's group manager of rates and regulation.

"We hope to be able to apply the credit to our customers' July bills," he said. The credit would cover fuel expenses from April 1989 through March 1990.

"Several factors made these savings for customers possible," Diller said. "For example, expenses related to the purchase of power from other electric companies were reduced. Also, we were able to negotiate for lower fuel contracts at our power plants. Additionally, this credit includes customers' share of the proceeds made from off-system sales to other electric utilities. The net result is lowered costs for our customers."

Of the \$20.7 million requested credit, about \$11.2 million accumulated since the beginning of the year. This primarily was due to the delay in getting approval from the Texas commission to implement a new lower "fuel-cost recovery factor." SPS's original request, filed in November 1989, was to implement the lower "fuel-cost recovery factor" by Jan. 1. The factor was ultimately implemented on April bills, Diller said, resulting in an overall 9.6 percent rate decrease.

Doyle Moore, SPS's Panhandle Division manager, said continued savings in fuel expenses will help the area economy.

"SPS expends significant effort to keep its fuel expenses down. And since the cost of fuel makes up about half of an electric bill, that's very important to the customer," he said. "By continuing to be a low-cost producer of power, SPS is sending the message that this part of the country is a great place for relocating and expanding businesses."

Moore noted that SPS's industrial rates already are among the lowest in the nation.

"We are active in economic-development activities in our region, and we are pleased to be able to pass this savings to our customers," he said.

Mr. Bass

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and 17 and a short time later married. Sam and Johnette were the first married couple to attend Howard Jr. College.

All of Sams life his ambition was to be a Dr. and so he began that goal at an early age and continued towards this goal for a good many years. Having not completed college, nor having a teaching certificate he and Johnette moved to Welch, Tex. in 1955 and began teaching; Sam, Math and Science and Johnette, English and Speech. There were 80 kids in Welch High School. Sam reflects that he had 162 hours in a Bachelor of Science degree- all in science and some math.

The day before Sam received his draft call, the Basses learned they were to become parents. The day after Sams draft call, he learned he had been accepted into Medical School. Medical School went on hold, but not Gina who made her appearance in 1956, in Pecos, Tex.

After the Korean conflict, Sam and Johnette returned to Welch, Sam as the girls basketball coach and teacher later in 1960 he became their principal. It was teach, coach and go to school from then on. In 1963, Sam earned his masters degree.

In 1963, at the age of 28, the family moved to Grady, Tex. Here Sam began his career as Supt. Johnette did not teach, for by this time son John had made his appearance and Johnette chose to stay at home and play "Mama" to two small children.

In 1965 Supt. Sam Bass took over the helm at Follett, Texas. He also taught science, all four years while there. Johnette, meanwhile taught special reading, later English, and then was the librarian. It was after she moved to Stratford and their last daughter, Leigh was in school that Johnette went back to college to be a certified Librarian.

Johnette laughlinly said school going, teaching and

sending was all she and Sam knew.

It has been a good 21 years in Stratford for the Basses, but more importantly for the School. Mr. Bass has worn two hats, for a number of years, doing 2 jobs, one with pay and one as an extra, no pay, only gratitude. He has been the keeper of school books. Where many of the schools have a business manager, Mr. Bass has served in that capacity for the Stratford Independent School District, keeping our school out of the red with much concern for increased taxation, and the desire to have an excellent school curriculum.

Sam and Johnette have had all three of their children graduate from Stratford High. Gina is married to a local boy, Bill Flores and they, with their 2 sons, live in the Houston area. John, recently hired as Supt. of Mart Schools, lives there with his wife, Kristi & their two daughters. Leigh Ann was born after her parents moved to Stratford, in March of 71. She is a 2nd semester freshman at Sam's and Johnettes Alma Mater, Baylor University.

Come the day after graduation, Sam and Johnette will be quietly moving to Franklin County, Tex., the nearest town of Mt. Pleasant. To a home Sam built, on land he inherited, where he will raise cows and calves, bale hay and probably work in some area of education, teachers Evaluation, or perhaps as a school consultant. Johnette, well her retirement plans are: ballet recitals and Little League Baseball.

Yes, Mr. Bass assumed he could do all for Stratford Schools in two years, but found it took longer for this community, than anticipated. Johnette reflects that ever year since 1969 she has gotten all worked up to change the drapes in the living room of the teachrage, and every year Sam would say, "Johnette we'd better not we could be moving this year". The same drapes are still hanging; however Johnette said "Pat will probably get new drapes come this summer."

PROPERTY TAX APPRAISAL PROTEST AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

A property owner may protest the appraised value of his property or any other action by the chief appraiser, the appraisal district, or the appraisal review board (ARB) that adversely affects the property owner. A property owner must file a written notice of protest with the ARB.

A notice is sufficient if:

- 1) it identifies the protesting property owner (including a person claiming an ownership interest);
- 2) it identifies the property that is the subject of the protest; and
- 3) it indicates dissatisfaction with some determination of the appraisal office.

A Notice of Protest form is available from the ARB or the State Property Tax Board.

DEADLINES FOR FILING A NOTICE OF PROTEST:

- The usual deadline is midnight (if mailed and postmarked) on May 31. If the appraisal notice was mailed to you on May 2 or later, or if your protest concerns change in use of land appraised as agricultural, open space, or timber land, the deadline is midnight of the 30th day after the appraisal notice was mailed to you.
- If the protest concerns a change made by the ARB, the deadline is midnight of the 10th day after the notice was mailed to you.
- If you received no notice, the deadline is midnight of the day before taxes become delinquent for the year (usually February 1 of the following year).
- If you have good cause for missing a deadline, the deadline is midnight of the day before the ARB approves the appraisal records. The ARB decides if you had good cause. Good cause is something beyond a person's control, such as a medical emergency.

The ARB must send you notice of its decision by certified mail.

DEADLINES FOR FILING AN APPEAL OF AN APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD ORDER:

- If you are dissatisfied with the ARB's decision, you may file suit in district court. You must file your petition with the district court within 45 days after you receive the ARB's final order.
- If your property's appraised value is more than \$1 million, you must also file a written notice of appeal. File this with the chief appraiser within 15 days after you receive the ARB's final order.

For further information contact: Sherman CAD, 402 N. Third, Stratford, Tx. 396-5566 or obtain a copy of *Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities* from the State Property Tax Board, 4301 Westbank Drive, Building B, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746-6565.

Student Of The Week



FOR WEEK OF April 30, 1990

TEACHER	STUDENT	COMMENTS
RINDA ALLISON	Aaron Roberts	Does work well, has a good attitude
LYNDA HAUSER	Cecilia Beltran	Excellent ESL student; willing to help others
LINDA SWAIN	Michael Meil	Outstanding student; 5th place district UIL Number Sense
TERRI TEIG	Sami James	Has a cute laugh
BARBARA HALE	Clint Craig	Has always been exceptionally helpful
MIKE BRONLEE	Dean Hauser	Does excellent work with very good work habits
WAYNE PLUNK	Katie Norris	Studious, dependable, attentive
SONJA KENDRICK	Ellv Rhoades	Doing a good job in word processing
LARRY NORRIS	Kelli Wight	Good math student, fun to have in class
BETTY INGHAM	Wendy Palmer	Great attitude!

Stratford Middle School Honorees

Stratford Middle School is proud to announce the valedictorian and salutatorian for the 1989-90 school year. Sarah Graham has been named valedictorian with a grade average of 99.07. Sarah is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Graham of Stratford. Sarah enjoys playing basketball, participating in the band,

and church and 4-H activities. Kimberly Bouldin has received the salutatorian award achieving a 97.05 average. Kimberly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bouldin of Stratford. Kimberly also enjoys band, church, and 4-H activities. Averages are derived by work completed during the 7th and 8th grade years. Jim

Taliaferro, principal of the Middle School, said he was very pleased with these students work. He also said he was pleased with the 8th grade class in general, stating that 21% of the class scored 90 or above for their two year averages. Stratford ISD is proud of these students.

Big Blue Band Wins Top Honors

By Emily Graham

The honor of Outstanding Band was awarded to the Stratford Elk Band at the 20th annual Greater South-west Music Festival in Amarillo on April 27.

The band performed Dona Nobis Pacem by James

Sudduth and Fall River Overture by Robert Sheldon under the direction of Randy Hunsaker and Betty Ingham.

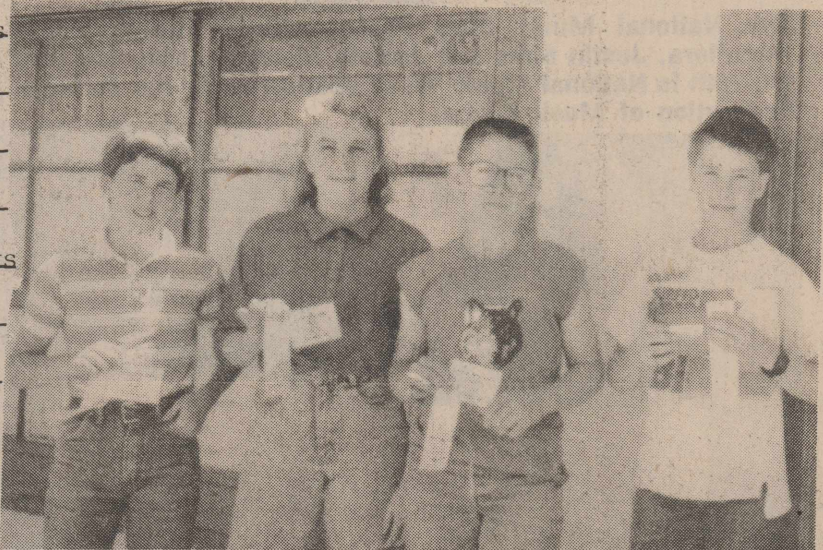
Judge Don Hanna said the band has beautiful controlled playing. "This is really an outstanding group. You folks are so fortunate to have such an outstanding director and you should all be extremely

proud of the high standards you have achieved."

Hanna, having earned a reputation of directing a fine clarinet section, noted the clarinet solo played by LaRita Jeffries in Dona Nobis Pacem.

Also judging the competition were Jim Van Zandt and Bill Woods.

Sherman County 4-H Junior Rifle Teams Places 3rd



4-H Team members placing 3rd in Amarillo were Davy Brown, Janell Pronger, T.D. Baskin and Ty Young.

The Sherman County 4-H Junior Rifle Team placed 3rd in the Junior Division at the District 1 4-H Rifle Contest held in Amarillo on April 28.

Members of the team were T.D. Baskin, Davy Brown, Janell Pronger and Ty Young.

Potter County won 1st place with a score of 611, followed by Armstrong County with a score of 547, and then Sherman County received 3rd place with a score of 458. Other counties competing were Gray, Hemphill, Randall, Hutchinson and Carson County with a total of 80 shooters competing.

During the Match shooters fired at targets from 50 feet in the prone, standing, and kneeling positions.

Ty Young also won an award for 3rd place individual in the standing position.

Other shooters competing from Sherman County were Garrett Macias, Paul Brown, Lori Young, Patrick Pronger, Nathaniel Walden, Hillary Baskin, Scott McAllister, and Jessica Sikora. Coaches were David Brown and Steve Baskin.



4-H Rifle Team members are Casle Bell, Jessica Sikora, Janell Pronger, Dean Hauser, Neal Hauser, T.D. Baskin, Hillary Baskin, Davy Brown, Patrick Pronger, Paul Brown, Ty Young and Lori Young. Not pictured Garrett Macias, Ryan Swain and Scott McAllister.



Shown above is the 1st grade class singing at the Mary Allen Spring Concert held Thursday at the Stratford High School Gym. Miss Tammy Rose is leading the talented singers. T-Shirts with all of the students and teachers names at Mary Allen School were presented to Mr. Sam Bass and Mr. Steve Haynes. They were presented by Wendy Gray and Tami Davis.

FFA Officers Convention

Six FFA officers attended the State Convention in Dallas April 27 and 28.

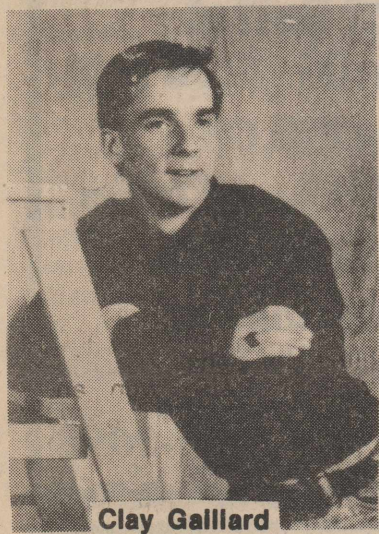
The group attended several sessions in which guest speakers discussed dreams and the setting and achieving of goals. They also listened to mini-sessions on catering and the clothing image.

Those attending were President, Angie Gore, Vice-president, Heather Carter, Secretary Julie Young, Vice-president of Membership Mindy Rendon, Vice-president of Recreation Renne Allen, and Vice-president of Advertising Charissa Bryson. Sponsors Jeannie Knight and Shirlyn Smith accompanied the group.

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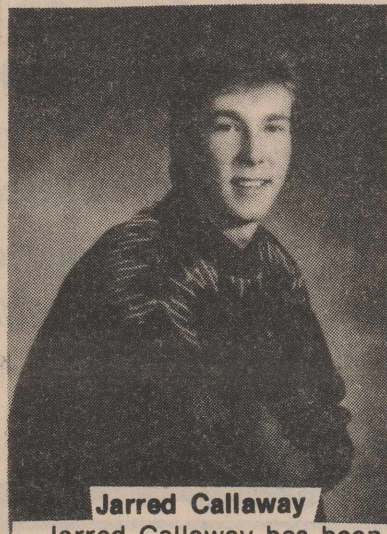


Texhoma High School Honorees



Clay Gaillard

Clay Gaillard has been named Valedictorian of his senior class at Texhoma High School. Clay has maintained a 4.0 grade point average through his first seven semesters of high school. He has been active in Vocational Agriculture for four years and has participated in football for four years. He is a member of the National Honor Society, The Oklahoma Honor Society and has been named to the current Who's Who Among American High School Students. Clay received The State FFA Degree in Vocational Agriculture during his senior year. Clay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aldene Gaillard of Texhoma. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.R. White of Muleshoe, Texas and Mrs. Vera Gaillard of Texhoma. Clay is planning to attend college at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas as a Pre-Med major.



Jarred Callaway

Jarred Callaway has been named Salutatorian of his senior class at Texhoma High School. Jarred has maintained a 3.96 grade point average through the first seven semesters of high school. He has been active in football and basketball throughout his school years. Jarred is a member of the National Honor Society, the Oklahoma Honor Society, and has been named to the current Who's Who Among High School students. Jarred is currently the senior class president and has served in that capacity for his class each of the last three years. He is also currently the president of the National Honor Society. Jarred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emel Callaway and Mr. and Mrs. Arval Fleming of Texhoma. Jarred was named All-District Defensive Back his senior year in high school. Jarred plans to attend Panhandle State University.

Bundy Arrives For Duty

Army Spec. Vernon P. Bundy has arrived for duty at Fort Sill, Okla. Bundy is a combat engineer with the 299th Engineer Battalion. He is the son of Cleve R. and Barbara F. Bundy of 109 E. Moorman, Texhoma, Okla. The specialist is a 1979 graduate of Auburn High School, Wash.

Texhoma High School Graduation is scheduled for May 21 at 8:00 p.m. and Baccalaureate is scheduled for May 20 at 8:00 p.m. Both events will be held in the Texhoma High School Auditorium.

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Legislation to protect workers against discrimination by employers due to off-the-job activities is now pending in 12 states.

The legislative proposals, though not identical in any two states, would make it illegal for an employer to fire or refuse to hire a worker because of involvement in any legal activity outside of work. This would include certain sports, eating habits and the choice to smoke, as well as various other activities.

In Colorado, one of the states presently contemplating such legislation, the House of Representatives passed a measure to prohibit employers from preventing workers from engaging in any legal activity after hours. According to The Rocky Mountain News, many legislators felt that if outside activities could be banned by employers today, anything someone else found offensive would be fair game tomorrow. Said House Majority Leader Chris Paulson, "Next they will get to jelly doughnuts. Then we'll get to potatoes."

Similar legislation also has been introduced in Alabama, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, Rhode Island and Tennessee. **ll**

Star Extension

Star Extension Homemakers met May 1, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. with Lorelyn Powers, hostess.

President, Genevieve Wilson presided over the meeting; the group said the club prayer and TEHA creed and roll call was "My Favorite Ice Cream."

The itinerary for the Extension Homemaker Tour of "Trends in Home Furnishings" was discussed; this tour will be May 15 and members are to meet at the Extension Office at 8:45 a.m. and travel to Amarillo.

The Extension ladies will sell ice cream at the Depot Doins, June 2.

Joyce Harper was elected Delegate nominee to the State Meeting at Amarillo in October and Ava Keener Alternate Delegate nominee.

Geneva Bell presented an interesting program "Ice Cream, Too Hot to Cook."

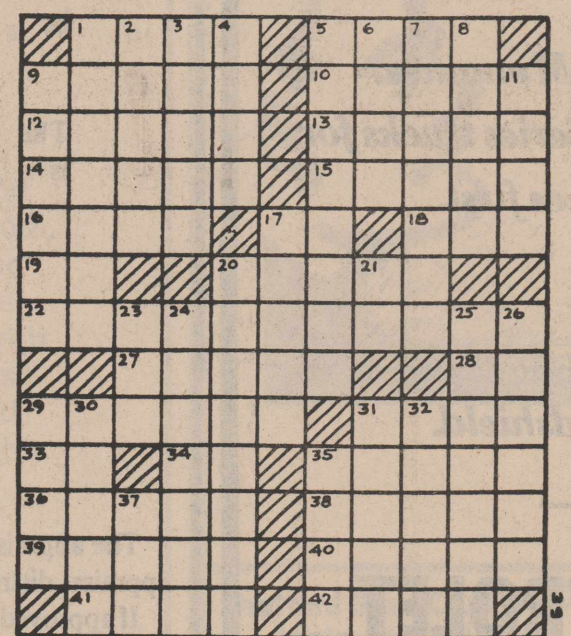
The next regular meeting will be June 5, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. with Jimmy Pronger.

Mesdames present were: Melba Keener, Ava Keener, Geneva Bell, Joyce Harper, Leona Kelp, Genevieve Wilson, Dortha Allen, Jane Smith, Doris Dyess, Jimmie Pronger and Lorelyn Powers.

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 31. Flower branch
 32. Depart
 35. Fish
 37. Bill of an anchor



New Field Tests--Latest Word On Russian Wheat Aphid Research

In a wheat field 25 miles west of Guymon, Okla., entomologist David K. Reed of USDA's Agricultural Research Service has made a release of two species of imported wasps--natural enemies of the Russian wheat aphid.

The aphids, pests of wheat, barley, rye and forage grasses, recently invaded the U.S. and are now in 16 western states.

What's unique about the test is that these tiny parasitic wasps have been "fingerprinted." The fingerprints are photographed patterns of the insects' proteins that have been pulled by electricity across a gel.

The test sets the stage for a research "whodunnit." It will allow Reed to tell, this summer, whether dead Russian wheat aphids were killed by the fingerprinted wasps or by some other parasite such as a strain of one of the same species released decades ago to kill another pest, the greenbug.

The results also could help scientists tell whether the test strains should be mass released against the aphids.

The wasps lay their eggs inside the pest. Eggs develop into larvae that feed inside the aphid, killing it. During warm weather a new generation of parasites develops in about 10 days.

On April 26, Reed released about 2,000 "mummies"--dead aphids containing wasp larvae--and a few adult wasps. Between May 23 and June 6 he expects to know whether the wasps--

Aphidius matricariae from Turkey and Diaeretiella rapae from the Soviet Union are reproducing in their new environment.

Finding good places for the wasps was no problem. About 80 percent of the wheat plants in part of an unsprayed field near Guymon were infested. "We found large numbers of lady beetles feeding on the aphids at 'hot spots' but no parasites such as wasps," Reed said. At hot spots he made the releases.

While visiting the County Extension Service office in Guymon, Reed was told about the site by the son in law of the landowner, Lee Johnson, who offered to let the scientists use the field.

On May 14, while Reed and fellow researchers enroute to Colorado to observe the aphid problem, he will pick up mummies near the release site. On returning to Stillwater about May 21, he and ARS entomologist Gary J. Pukerka will analyze the wasp proteins or develop colonies to be analyzed within the following two weeks using a fingerprinting technique.

Last fall Reed began rearing the D.rapae strain, shipped from the ARS European Parasite Laboratory, Behoust, France, via quarantine at the agency's Beneficial Insects Research Laboratory, Newark, Del. He started rearing colonies of A. matricariae in 1988.

In April, the USDA issued a two-page summary of research progress against the aphid at seven ARS laboratories.

Tips & Topics

By Susie Spurlock County Extension Agent

You love antiques, but when you bring them into your home they sometimes bring a musty smell. You may be able to enjoy your antiques without the smell. Here's how: * To remove musty odors in enclosed parts of the furniture -- inside drawers or cabinet doors, for example, first open drawers and doors to air. Next, wash and scrub the insides thoroughly with a mild soap and hot water. Be careful not to soak the wood. Quickly dry damp surface with a towel and leave doors and drawers open for a day or two. When thoroughly dried and aired, spray with a cedar deodorizer or place your favorite sachet of potpourri inside to keep it smelling fresh.

* To rid old wicker of mildew, rub the mildewed spots with a cloth dipped in a mixture of ammonia and water. The cleaning cloth should be squeezed well to avoid saturating the wood, which could discolor it. Give

cleaned areas a mild salt-water bath and dry in the sun.

* To clean a mildewed rug or piece of tapestry, take it outside and brush away any loose mold. If you do this indoors, you could inadvertently spread mold spores throughout the house. Vacuum away loosened mold and dispose of vacuum bags immediately in an outdoor trash can. Use a fan to dry damp spots. Remove mildew stains with a rug shampoo. If an item is badly stained or too delicate to treat, take it to a professional antique restorer.

* To clean dirty, mildewed leather-bound books, use saddle soap. Work a damp sponge into a lather by rubbing it on the soap then apply the sponge on the leather covers in gentle circular motions. Pass a clean, damp sponge over soaped areas until soap is gone, then dry. Buff with a shoe cream in a matching color to restore the leather's suppleness.



The ballpoint pen was invented by two Hungarian brothers--George and Ladislao--who agreed on the advantage of quick-drying ink for use in pens. They constructed the prototype and in 1938 applied for a patent.

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See your friends & neighbors at the Depot Doins on June 2nd.

Winter League Bowling Belles Complete Year

Winter league Bowling Belles completed their year April 23 with Stratford Grain, first, winning 194 games and losing 70 during the year. They had the year's high team scratch game 915, high team series 2632. Team member Roberta Gregory had high series scratch 665 and was fourth with scratch game 245. Peggy Byrd was second in series 625 and seventh game scratch 232. Ann Woolley was listed fourth with 609 scratch.

The team finished the year with these averages, Betty Henry, 150; Ann Woolley, 162; Marylou McDaniel, 142; Minnie Reeder, 144; Roberta Gregory, 173; Peggy Byrd, 171.

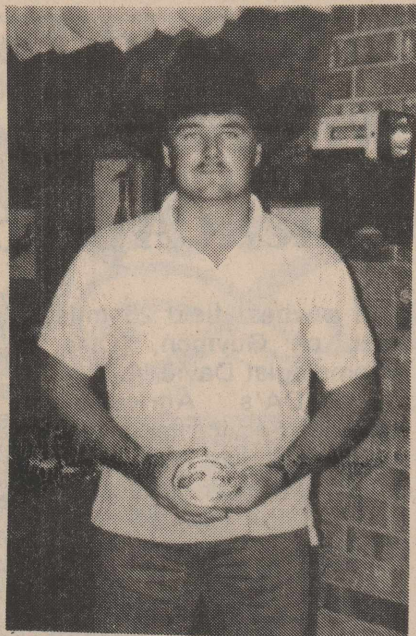
Blue West Restaurant was second, winning 164 and losing 100 games. Their highest scratch game of the year was 862 and series 2371. Team members and ending averages are Arta Muir, 146; Irene Zaricor, 166; Mary Reese, 115; Wanda Weller, 136; Yvonne Bowen and Joyce Brooks.

Pat Boren bowls with Gustin Equipment and they finished fourth. Pat's average is 140.

The league held a salad supper April 30 and gave out several awards. Ann Woolley received a 600 card from WIBC, Patch & Pin for her 222-609. Peggy Byrd got a 600 pin for 232-625. Roberta Gregory, 600 patch for 245-665. Minnie Reeder, 500 patch for 198-512; Betty Henry a patch for 210-533.

League will begin again the last Monday in August. Officers for next year are Irene Zaricor, president; Marylou McDaniel, Vice-President; Roberta Gregory, secretary; Elaine Hall, treasurer.

Area women are invited to join in bowling with this league.



Shown above is Ray Lerman, who along with Mike Sheedy & David Zubla, won First in team penning at PSU on April 14, 1990. There were 35 teams participating in the Block & Bridle Club event. Ray Lerman, Malcolm and Kevin Long also won 5th together and Ray along with Tommie Long & Max Lowe won 8th. Ray is holding the belt buckle that he won.

County Agent

by Jim Allison
Sherman County Extension Agent

Knowing the preferred meal of the Russian wheat aphid has set a new course for controlling the costly insect on U.S. grain.

When the Russian Wheat aphid dines, scientists have found that it goes for a sickly, stressed plant—not a healthy stalk. Diagnosing the crop's condition, therefore, will help determine when a farmer should spray insecticide to control the bug.

A joint effort of scientists in five states is adding the new dimension to the computerized economic threshold models that calculate control needs.

"By the summer, we will have a modified threshold," said Dr. Tom Archer, a Texas Agricultural Experiment Station entomologist in Lubbock who is on the national team.

Since the Russian Wheat

aphid invaded the U.S. in 1986 near Lubbock, the state's farmers have spent almost \$11 million battling the yield-reducing bug, according to Rodney Mosier of Amarillo, Texas Wheat Growers Association executive assistant.

In 1989, farmers spent \$1.7 million to control the aphid and still lost more than 4.6 million bushels to insect damage, he said.

Within two years of the Russian wheat aphid's arrival U.S. entomologists had devised a formula to determine control based on the percentage of aphid-infested tillers. Prior to that, the only control recommendations were from South Africa, where control was based on the amount of damage that could have been seen in a field.

"If someone is growing a high-value crop, and they have put a lot of money into it," Archer said, "their threshold is different than for one who is just growing wheat for whatever it will bring."

Wheat production differs from most other crops. Texas wheat is planted in the fall and harvested early the following summer. Some producers allow cattle to graze the fields until the spring, then harvest what grows after the animals are removed. Others do not allow grazing, aiming instead for higher grain yields. A portion is irrigated, the rest is dryland farmed.

The myriad of those treatments results in wheat fields in varied conditions. That led scientists to explore the relationship of production methods to Russian wheat aphid control.

"With the new model, we will be able to tell the farmer, based on the irrigation and rain level, when to control," Archer said. "If a dryland field has had a lot of rain, it may have thrifty plants as opposed to a dryland plant suffering from

drought." Wheat production varies even more throughout other growing states, Archer pointed out, so the network of scientists is vital to

developing the new economic threshold model.

"The Russian wheat aphid has spread from Texas to Canada and west to the Pacific coast in every state," he said. "The rest of the country is not like Texas, so we have put together a group of people in the distribution region including Colorado, Montana, Washington and California."

Archer said that the new model, ready when most of the 1991 crop is planted in about five months, probably will be offered as a service by county Extension agents.

"It will be a computer program in which the county Extension agent helps the farmer answer a set of questions about the wheat crop -- like whether it is irrigated, how much rain has

been received and what variety the crop is," Archer said. "Then it will ask information about the Russian wheat aphid, such as the level of investment. From this, the program will tell the probability of yield and the gain or loss from spraying or not."

He said the computer model eventually will be updated to account for the number of aphid predators or parasites in the field to form even more precise control decisions.

The computerized control decisions, however, will aid farmers until scientists can breed plants resistant to the aphid or devise more biological control through parasites.

"The Russian wheat aphid is here to stay," he said. "Right now the only control is with pesticides. If we can come up with resistant plants or biological control, we will be better able to deal with outbreaks."

TOPS 897

T.O.P.S. #897 met and weighed in at the County Barn, May 4, 1990 at 8 a.m. All six members were present. We had a loss of 3 lbs. and fruit basket went to Joyce Harper.

Four of the members attended State Recognition Days in Austin April 27 and 28. Those attending were Myrtle Starker, Rose Wells, Genevieve Wilson and Geneva Bell. They gave an interesting report on their trip.

We made plans for our garage sale to be held May 11 and 12, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 702 E. 7th, across from the City Park.

Menu

May 14-18

Monday-Fish-tartar sauce, mac/Cheese, english peas, rolls, fruit, peanut butter cookies.

Tuesday-Burritos, Chili, spinach, cole slaw, fruit

Wednesday-Pizza, Black-eyed peas, tossed salad, rolled oat cake and fruit.

Thursday-Spaghetti, meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, peach cobbler, and rolls.

Friday-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, salad, rolls and pudding.

Hear Amber Pennington sing at the Depot Doin's on June 2nd.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

The SHERMAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 19 91 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on May 17, 1990 at Appraisal District Office, 8:00 P.M.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget is \$193,768.00

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is \$ 7,461.00

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 4 (full-time equivalent).

The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 4 (full-time equivalent).

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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Willard and Carter
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able mention All-District Running Back, All-District Running Back, Best Defensive Back, honorable mention All-State Linebacker and Running Back, Most Talented, Class Favorite, Most Courteous, Most Intellectual, Most Likely to Succeed, Who's Who in Business, Social Studies, Athletics Mr. SHS, Most Handsome, All-Region Band and Sweepstakes, Outstanding Freshman, Best Boy Musician and DAR Good Citizen.

Heather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Reinart of Stratford and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Croft of Marietta, GA was named salutatorian with an average of 93.390. Her honors include: band, speech team, Sec. and V.P., UIL spelling and Ready Writing, participant in Guidepost short story contest, participant in National Committee of Teachers of English writing contest, FHA vice-president, JV Basketball, varsity track, Who's Who Among American Students, Scholastic Banquet, Who's Who in Speech, State alternate in Prose Interpretation, Regional alternate One-act play Bells Across America, 3rd runner-up in the Lions Club District pageant, Best Dressed, Class Favorite, Outstanding 11 A Band Greater Southwest Festival, and the FHA state convention.

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The Girls Next Door has bridal selections for Ann Pendleton and Roy Jones with free delivery to the shower. 5-17-c

Baby Shower selections are at Ellies for Toni Hopson and daughter Shayna with free delivery to the shower May 14th. 5-10-c

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garage sales..

GARAGE SALE: This Sat. May 12, 1990 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 1201 NW 1st. Three families, lots of children's clothes. 5-7-p

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Chamber Chatter

By J.A. Lasley

The wind down of the school year brings about busy days and evenings. My calendar is full to the brim-but I love it. It gives me an excuse for not vacuuming nor dusting!

18 letters were received from this year's graduating class requesting to be considered for the \$300.00 scholarship the Retail Merchants will be giving on the night of High School graduation. In many of the retail stores you will find a school blue balloting box. With one \$5.00 purchase and a glance at the names of those eighteen seniors you may vote for the Senior you would like to get this scholarship. It is evident that young people today realize the real cost for an education. Shop at home and vote for the senior of your choice.

The Women's Division of the Chamber had their luncheon the 24th. Perhaps these women are getting the message over, the luncheon is not just for the member of the Women's Chamber but are for everyone. Nancy Oakley has been program Chr. these past two years and has put together some very informative ones. Lynn Wells and Nancy Kimball presented a very informative program on CASA. Some of their statistics we did not care to hear and there is a need for more volunteers in the CASA program; as well as foster homes.

The paper came down from the windows on Robbies Gift Shop and a few of us got real excited! The appearance gave thought to perhaps an antique type shop was about to have an open house. I visited with

B.F. Henry. "No" he will not be open everyday, "yes" he would, if called, come down if anyone was interested in looking and buying. He did think the appearance of the store needed to be improved, and it does. He did comment that if anyone was interested in looking give him a call. If you don't find him at home, "call the D.Q. or Gophers." He would be glad to open up and show and tell.

If you pass by the intersection of 54 and 287 and are real curious as to what is going on in the Garrison building-stop and visit with Dennis Phelps. He definitely has some neat plans.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. Hunsaker & Mrs. Ingham and "The Big Blue Band" not only did they garnish sweepstakes, three ones at the Southwest Contest in Amarillo, but were named the "outstanding band" in Class 2-A. Way to go!

Congratulations to the girls 1990 Track team and Coach King. 4 girls & an alternate garnished 32 points in the Regional Track meet, 4th place overall and two are going to state-Good luck to Sunny Jo Lasley & Charissa Bryson at the State Track.

The 13th Collectors Show & Sale is in the making. Letters have been mailed out to prospective vendors, Flyers went to the surrounding area, and a 35mm camera will be the grand prize. Incidentally if anyone in the reading audience has collectibles, crafts, or antiques they would like to show & sell, give the Chamber a call. We always have room for one more.

We are only a few weeks away from the Depot Doins. Keep that in mind and closer than we think the 4th of July. I visited with Martha Ellison. She is getting things under way for the 4th.

A permit from the State of Texas has been purchased so that we can repaint the sign on the south end of Brown's Meat Locker. Any organization interested in being on this sign, call Martha at 396-2092 or the Chamber office, 396-2260. The cost will be \$75.00, \$10.00 dollars more than first anticipated due to the expense of making the sign legal. This sign has always been a topic of discussion as people approach Stratford from the south.

We need to be aware that in the next week or so there will be a video available for clubs and organizations to view the Solid Waste plants Judge Bill Fesler and Ronnie Pickens viewed in Maryland, and Florida. Check with Judge Fesler for when and how attainable. I'm sure a lot of folks will want to view the video.

Russian wheat aphid at a cost of more than a half-million dollars, he added.

Among U.S. cereal crops, barley ranks fourth behind corn, wheat and sorghum.

All 524 barley lines screened at Stillwater came from the agency's National Small Grain Collection in Aberdeen, Idaho. They had been identified as the most likely candidates by the late David H. Smith, Jr., the collection's former curator.

The six lines showing the most aphid resistance in Webster's tests are native to the Middle East, where both barley and the Russian wheat aphid may have originated. One of the six had been collected in Iran by a U.S. diplomat in 1919. The rest were brought from northwest Afghanistan by an English scientist in 1966.

Webster concluded that five of the resistant lines were not hospitable to the aphids after tests revealed the aphids bore 30 to 45 percent fewer nymphs--the first, immature form of the pest--than on a standard barley variety, Vintermalt.

In other tests, six of the lines, when heavily infested with aphids, produced 94 to 113 percent more foliage than infested Vintermalt.

Stillwater researchers hope to find more sources of resistance by screening all 26,000 barley lines at Aberdeen, he said. To speed up the screening, they are searching for biochemical markers of resistance. Subsequently, they will insert genes for resistance into agronomically acceptable barley varieties.

Screening studies also are under way for the 43,000 lines of wheat at Aberdeen. Scientists at Stillwater have uncovered resistance genes in wheat, rye, triticale (a manmade cross of wheat and rye) and forage grasses. The pest attacks some grasses and inhabits them between grain crop seasons.

Annual Wheat Field Day To Be Held May 24, 1990

The annual Wheat Field Day will be held on May 24, 1990 at the Texas A&M University Center in Amarillo and the USDA Research Laboratory 0.75 mile west of Bushland. A morning session starting at 8:30 will be conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at the Texas A&M Center, 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West. This program

will be designed to qualify people for three continuing education units needed for renewal of Pesticide Applicator licenses according to Dr. Brent Bean, Extension Agronomist.

Dr. B.A. Stewart, Research Director at Bushland says tours of wheat research projects at the USDA Laboratory west of Bushland will start at 1:00 p.m.

Stops will include Irrigated Wheat Variety Nursery, research on integrated insect and disease management, weed control, tillage, and wheat grazing pull off dates.

The Field Day will be sponsored by Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; Texas Agricultural Extension Service; USDA, Agricultural Research Service; and Texas Wheat Producers.

Active & Retired Teachers Plan Insurance Meeting

Retired teachers & those who help or care for them will want to come to the May meeting of the local unit of Texas Retired Teachers Association on May 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the First National Bank in Dalhart. Business meeting begins at 1:00 with installation of officers, com-

mittee reports, plans for honoring active teachers.

At 2:00 Bob Keck from the TRS Care Insurance will speak to the group about insurance, explain changes made in 1990, how to file for benefits and the new educational legislation. He will answer individual questions following the general explanation. The public is invited.

At 5:00 p.m. Mr. Keck will talk to the active education personnel at the Dalhart Elementary Cafetorium. He will also answer questions about current education legislation. Those who are employed by schools in Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore counties are cordially invited to attend these meetings and get answers to their questions about health insurance.

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USDA Scientists Identify Barley That Resists Aphid Pest

Stillwater, Okla. Nine barleys that stand up to the Russian wheat aphid could soon help end the pest's extensive damage to the U.S. crop, according to a scientist with the Agricultural Research Service.

"In our research we found that resistant barley remained safe from damage in two ways," said ARS entomologist James A. Webster. "At least five of the barley lines weren't hospitable places for aphids to reproduce. And some lines thrived despite heavy feeding by aphids."

To find the nine resistant barleys, Webster sifted through 524 different lines and ran rigorous tests in growth chambers and greenhouses at the Plant Science Research Laboratory here. ARS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Chief scientific arm, operates the lab.

He said Colorado State University agronomists are running field tests to see if the resistant lines might be

profitably grown for livestock feeds in aphid-infested areas. And at least one major brewing company is using them to develop new varieties of malting barley that can be grown without insecticides.

The aphid was first spotted in the U.S.--in Texas--in 1986. Since then, said Webster, it has cost wheat, barley and rye farmers more than \$240 million in damage and control efforts. Figures on its damage to barley aren't yet available, he added, but only three large barley-producing areas in North America remain free of the pest--Those in Minnesota, North Dakota and Manitoba, Canada.

In 1987, he noted, the Russian wheat aphid wiped out about 10,000 acres of barley in the Nebraska panhandle. And in 1989, about 40 percent, or 64,000 acres, of the feed and malting barley harvested in Colorado was sprayed with chemical insecticide for

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