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## Notices

### 4th Grade Christmas Program

Mary Allen 4th Grade Christmas Program, "Mickey's Christmas Carol", will be presented at the Mary Allen Elementary on December 13, 1990, at 7:00 p.m.

### Stratford Star Office Holiday Schedule

The Stratford Star Office will be closed Thurs. Dec. 20, Friday, Dec. 21, Monday, Dec. 24, Tuesday, Dec. 25 and Wednesday, December 26. We will reopen Thursday Dec. 27 at 8:30 a.m. Deadline for Thursday January 3rds, edition is Friday, Dec. 28th at noon. There will be no Star on Thursday, December 27th.

### LUNCH-N-LEARN

Come enjoy "Spaghetti and Salad lunch, and learn "American Pride--Wave Your Colors High" by Joyce Irlbeck, Thursday, December 13 at the County Extension Office. Cost is \$3.00 per person. R.S.V.P. by calling 396-2122.

### Christmas Project Card

Have you remembered Project Christmas Card? Greet your local friends and neighbors and support Sherman county Library with a donation. Leave your check at The First State Bank. Deadline for Christmas issue is Monday, Dec. 17.

### Commodities

Commodities can be picked up at the Sherman County Courthouse on Friday, December 14th at 9:00 a.m.

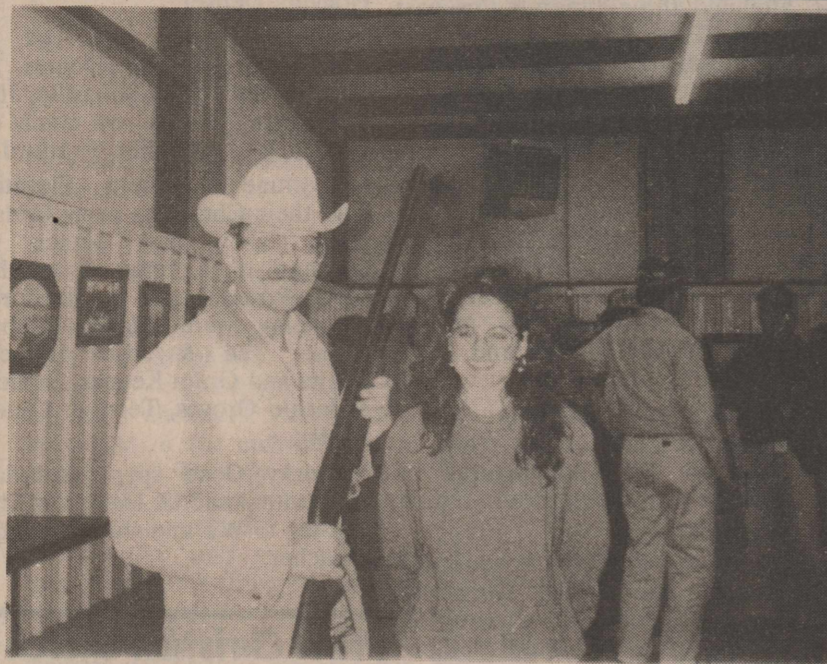
### Arts, Crafts and Gift Show Dec. 8th

The Keyes Alumni Assn. will host an Arts, Crafts, and Gift Show on Dec. 8 at Keyes Lunch Room from 9 to 5. Tables available 546-7679.

## Panhandle Regional 9-1-1 Network

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission has selected Daniel Odneal as Program Assistant to the Panhandle Regional 9-1-1 Network. Odneal will be responsible for assisting in the implementation and on-going operation of a region-wide 9-1-1 system.

The regional 9-1-1 system will consist of twenty-three (23) answering points throughout the Texas Panhandle. Total cost of the system is estimated to be \$1.6 million and operations should begin January, 1992.



### Shotgun Winner

W.C. (Bill) Fesler was the winner of the shotgun given away by the Lions Club at the Lions Club breakfast Saturday. Shown with Bill is Lions Club sweetheart Jenny Carter.



### Gore Wins Shotgun

Claude Fedric, representing Stratford Fire Dept., is shown holding the Shotgun that Bob Gore of Texhoma won Saturday.

### Methodist Choir To Present Christmas Cantata

The Christmas Cantata presented by the chancel choir of the First United Methodist Church will be Sunday, December 16th at 8 p.m.

"A SPECIAL KIND OF LOVE", A Christmas Musical, composed by John W. Peterson and arranged by Bob Krogstad. Soloists are Kay Hudson, Denny

Martin, Gary Hudson and Shannon Taliaferro. The organist is Shannon Taliaferro and pianist is Barbara Dettle.

The Martha Harrison Bell Choir, directed by Ann Wells, will play the prelude.

Everyone is cordially invited to come.

### Adult Choir Of First Christian Church To Present Christmas Cantata

The Adult Choir of First Christian Church will present a Christmas Cantata during Morning Worship this Sunday, December 16. Morning Worship begins at 10:45 a.m. MariHoward Engelbrecht is the Director of the Adult Choir, and she is also the Organist and Musician for the church.

While the cantata tells the traditional Christmas story, all of the music is completely new. "The

uniqueness of this cantata lies in the originality of the composer," says Mrs. Engelbrecht.

Lynda Hauser and Karen Pulliam will sing a duet. Solos will be sung by Nina Lavake, Claude Fedric and Jo June McDaniel. Harold Oquin will be the reader.

Everyone is cordially invited to share this inspiration and the joy of this worship service, according to David Harker, Minister of First Christian Church.

## Elks Win 1st At Sunray Tournament

The Stratford Elks Basketball team won first place in the Sunray Invitational Tournament defeating Hartley 54 to 49.

Coach Roger Whiteside received a plaque for being the winning Boys Coach.

The boys had to beat Adrian by 65 to 58 on Thursday. They beat White Deer on Friday before playing Hartley Saturday.

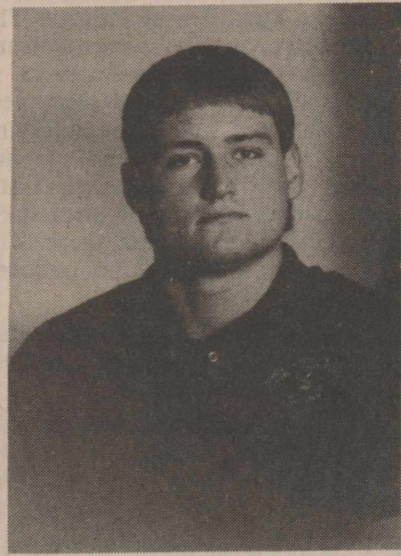
Chosen for the Boys All Tournament team were Robert Williams, Garth Palmer and Greg Vandiver.

The Elkettes Basketball team played Adrian on Thursday beating them 63 to 34. On Friday evening they lost to Channing 36 to 51. They played Booker on Saturday and lost by a heartbreaking 2 points 42 to 44.

Jolina Garoutte was chosen for the All Tournament Team.

Scoring for the Girls Thursday against Adrian were Jolina 19 pts., Jennifer Haynes-14 pts.; Buffy Ellison 10 pts and Sasha Browning 8 pts. Scoring against Channing were Jolina 12 pts., Sasha 11 pts and Stephanie Gray 6 pts. High pointers against Booker were Jolina 11 pts., Sasha 8 pts and Jennifer 6 pts.

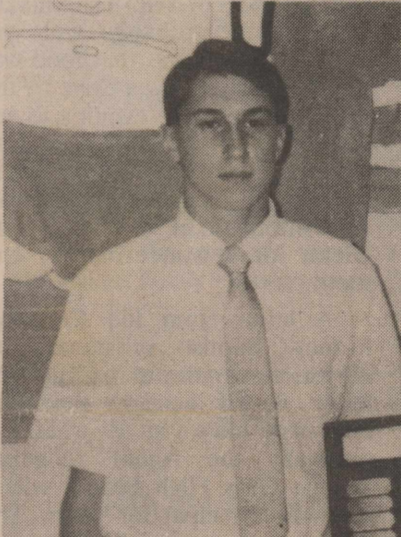
Stephanie Gray had a total of 8 rebounds during the tournament, Jolina Garoutte had 10, Marsha Diamond had 4, Sasha had 12, Buffy had 11. Individual scoring for the Elks was unavailable at presstime.



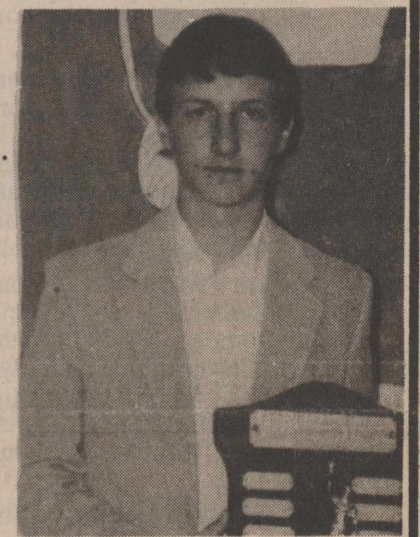
Robert Williams



Jolina Garoutte



Greg Vandiver



Garth Palmer

## SPS And The Clean Air Act

Southwestern Public Service Company will see future electric rates affected by the federal Clean Air Act, but much less so than consumers in other parts of the country because SPS's power plants already are among the cleanest in the nation, said Bill Helton, SPS president and chief executive officer.

SPS has just completed a preliminary analysis of the lengthy act and its effects on customers. Following is information on SPS and the new law:

### SPS PLANTS AMONG TOP 205 CLEANEST

SPS has established a strong record of being an advocate for a clean environment. The service area is SPS's permanent business home, and this environmental tradition is important to the company. SPS is committed to ensuring that its present and future facilities meet or are better than applicable environmental standards.

The company's modern, coal-fired plants had sulfur emissions as low as SPS's, the national sulfur-reduction goals found in the new federal Clean Air Act already would be met.

SPS accomplishes these results by utilizing low-sulfur western coal and innovative air-quality control

devices known as baghouses at its coal-fired powerplants.

American consumers will pay enormous amounts to fund the act and yet not receive proportionate benefits in terms of a cleaner environment. However, the law does recognize that many western power plants, such as those owned by SPS, operate with low emission rates and treats them accordingly under new standards.

The Clean Air Act has 11 sections, or "Titles," ranging from Nonattainment (Title I) to Acid Rain (Title IV) to Job Displacement Provisions (Title XI). Primarily, it is the Acid Rain section that affects SPS customers; it contains two phases.

Phase 1 begins in 1995 and primarily affects "dirty" power plants. Phase 11 begins in 2000 and will further restrict emissions at traditionally clean plants, such as those operated by SPS.

The Bush administration estimates the new law will cost from \$22 billion to \$25 billion a year, while private industry estimates the bill will run somewhere between \$30 billion and \$50 billion a year. Residents of the SPS service area will pay part of this in the form of higher costs for many types of products, including electricity. Yet this area

already enjoys clean air and a healthy environment.

SPS believes its customers and other Americans would have been better served had Congress considered the results of the 10-year, \$500 million National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program study on acid rain before passing the act. As a result, much of the Clean Air Act was based on political expediency rather than scientific fact.

### CONFERENCE BILL MORE REASONABLE

However, the anticipated effect of the newly passed Clean Air Act will be less severe on SPS customers than earlier versions of the bill. Through the aggressive efforts of SPS and other electric companies, trade associations, economic-development coalitions and various concerned

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## Send Your Santa Letters Now!

It's that time again-when Santa begins expecting letters from boys and girls listing their Christmas wishes. Santa Claus has once again chosen the Star as the official area drop-off point for letters to him.

Children are welcome to bring their letters to the Star office at 214 N. Main and place them in our special Santa mailbox. They can also be mailed to Santa Letters, c/o The Stratford Star, P.O. Box 8, Stratford, Texas 79084.

The Star will print all the letters it receives in its annual Christmas edition, which comes

out Dec. 20, 1990. We also forward all letters with the help of some of Santa's elves, to the North Pole. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will have plenty of time to read the letters before Christmas Eve.

But remember, all letters must be received at the Star office by 5 p.m. Monday Dec. 17 and the sooner we have them, the better. Letters received after that date will not have time to reach the North Pole.

Don't forget to put your first and last name on the letter so that Santa Claus is sure to know.

We have also put a Mailbox up at the Mary Allen School. Hurry Kids.



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Shopping Days Until Christmas





## Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

Happy Day to Sherman County Older Texans, Friends, neighbors and scotters this crisp, sunny Monday morning, Dec. 10, 1990. The low was 27 degrees F, humidity 61%; wind 4 m.p.h. west. Lovely sunny, weather if we can't have falling moisture!

Usual activities are going on at Scot Hall with Dec. Birthday party taking place Friday at 7 p.m. Dec. 14th and Game Night on Friday Dec. 21st. Remember gifts to the City Pantry. There was no board meeting nor Circuit issued in December.

Visiting Boys Ranch Thurs. Dec. 6 were Alda Mitts, Gladys Arnold, Minnie Reeder, Elsie Pickens, Emma Naylor, Helen Pemberton, Vicki Gore, Dorothy Robbins. They toured the grounds, new homes and ate with the boys. Their tour guide was Matthew, age 13, with whom they visited in his home meeting his house parents and family.

Clarence Willman and Bernie Starker played dominoes Tues. The girls will attend next time hopefully.

Attending Senior Citizens dance in Guymon Sat. evening were the Lew Brunis, R. J. Hills and Baskin Browns.

Did anyone get the name of the family from Fritch, Texas who appeared on Family Feud last week? We turned on the TV after they were introduced. They are a beautiful family.

Lorelyn Powers and Timmie Brown enjoyed a short visit with Lela Hager in Amarillo last Tuesday. Lela said she has time to spend doing as she pleases since she retired. So nice to see you, Lela.

Carroll Wisdom's friend were concerned Thursday when word passed around that he was in I.C.U. in Amarillo. After having some test made his blood pressure was erratic thus ICU precaution. We are glad you are okay, Carroll.

The Alan Haile family, Friona, visited his father H.L. and Geneva Haile and other relatives over the weekend. They will be with Patty's parents in Ga. during the upcoming holidays. They will visit Marian and Ronnie Williams, Plano, enroute.

Dale and Jack Veasey will be

celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary during December. They and all members of their immediate family will be in Hawaii for the celebration. Selma & Bill Pendleton plan to be with them. Bless you, Dale & Jack! May you have many more Happy Years together.

The Imaginarium is adding interest to young peoples lives here and in surrounding communities. We have seen out of town school buses from Texhoma, Dumas, Dalhart erupting lines of school children who enter the Imaginarium. Many of the classes include a visit to Sherman Co. Depot Museum, where Marihoward Engelbrecht's collection of "Drummer Boy" dolls is on display at present. The display is worthy of anyone's time spent viewing them.

Sunday we saw Mae Plunk, Velma Blake, Mrs. Ernest Palmer, The Irlbecks, Kerrick, Lorelyn Powers, Helen Taylor at the Museum. A number of others had registered. Marihoward and Leonda Fedric were hostesses. Remember to pick up a pkg. of Museum notes, Little Christmas wreaths or sweatshirts or gifts while you are there. The Drummer Boys will be removed Jan. 1, 1991.

Saturday, Dec. 8, 1990 found Stratford Community involved in the pheasant hunt.

At the Glenn Harts more than 75 hunters, friends and families were entertained and fed. We counted 2 tables each seating 18 people filled twice which makes 4 x 18 and 3 seated in the kitchen, those included Betty Lou O'Brien and Timmie Brown. That makes 75. Others probably were in during the 2 hours that food was served. Incidentally, a drive by the Hart House in the evening to see the Christmas decorations will be rewarding. Glenn is an artist in welding as Santa's Train Shows. All visitors thank you Joyce and Glenn for a wonderful day and food!

A letter from Ida Crabtree, former Baptist missionary to Africa, is wonderful reading the letter is an account (memoir, really) of Ida's visit to what was originally the Agbor (Nigeria) Baptist Girls High School where she was Principal for years. The occasion was celebrating the schools. 40th Anniversary. There are a number of these letters available for reading because they are the report to the Trans Canadian Association of B.G.C.T. Fortunately we received one of them-and will gladly share it. Ida is a daughter of the late B.R. Crabtrees, Kerrick and our dearly beloved friend.

The Priscilla S.S. Class enjoyed a Christmas meeting at Ellies on Thurs. Attending were Margaret Reed, Layvon Hughes, Lou Duetchendorf, Irene Butler, Alice Ellison, Betty McMillion, Marty Bain, Mattie Baskin, Marie Young, Betty Brown, LaNelle Waldrop, Timmie Brown.

We are saddened by the death of Emma Louise Love, Goodwell, Ok. Ms. Love was the daughter of the late Ms Ida Wray who was our neighbor for several years. She and daughters, Roberta W. Murdock; Adeline and Johnny Bird lived in what O.T.'s know as the Strothers house. Roberta and Bob will attend her sisters funeral in Goodwell on Tues. Adeline and Johnny are not able healthwise to attend. Emma Love was a leader in community and state enterprises. She was with her daughter Sidna Sue St. Clair, Vista, Cal. at the time of their death. We extend personal and community Christian love to Roberta and Adeline.

The Hank Rogers attend the Emma L. Love funeral in Goodwell.

Edna Knight and Alfa and Herb Folsom are in Eads, Colo. attending the funeral of their cousin Ms. Shy.

Older Texan Walter Lee passed away during the night Sun. Dec. 9, 1990. Services pending. His wife Zella Green Lee preceded him in death several years ago. Walter was a guest at Coldwater Manor. We tender Scot, prayers and luv to the families personal.

Eugene Leland Boothby, Texhoma died Sunday, Dec. 9, 1990. He is survived by his wife, Alma "Tut" Turner Boothby and a foster son Dusty Turner. Tut is the daughter of the late Jesse and Cora Turner. May our personal and S.C.O.T. love and prayers help sustain you, "Tut" Amen.

In order that our personal Holiday Greetings can reach Sherman County Older Texans and Readers before Dec. 25 we take this opportunity to wish a Merry, "Luv-filled" Christmas to each of you: trusting that during 1991 we can continue spreading cheering "Pats and Luv" as we walk thru the New Year!



### Your Right To Know

by Terry Kennedy

**COMMUNICATING DURING AN EMERGENCY.** Two follow-up case studies were recently completed on communicating during an emergency. One study showed that when people were told to shelter-in-place 45% did not know how and 49% took no defensive action. If this were to happen in Sherman County, would you know what to do? Call the Emergency Management Office 396-2021, to get instructions!

The new Emergency Alert System is working! It was tested Monday. The testing did not occur until late-10:30 to be exact. Nobody commented, so either they had their TV off or the reception was wonderful! The sheriff will conduct the test next week. The following week will be Christmas Eve. It would be neat to say something very, very Christmas. If you have any suggestions, please call and give them. 396-2021.



## Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

Kerrick Secret Pals meet Thursday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m. at the home of Donna Gillenwaters.

Santa has sent word that he will be in Kerrick Friday, Dec. 21, 7 p.m. at the Community Center. There will be treats for all attending.

Helpers are needed on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2 p.m. to sack treats and clean the building, decorated the tree.

Hank and Mabel Rogers have attended three funerals this past week. They flew to Dallas for Wednesday services for her sister-in-law, Louine Murdock, wife of Lyall Murdock, Jr. They stayed with Hank's cousin, Pat Toberts.

Sunday Bob and Roberta Murdock flew into Amarillo from Mission. Monday the Murdocks and Mabel attended services for their aunt, Mary Crockett at Eads, Co. Mrs. Crockett was also a cousin of Alfa Folsom and Edna Knight.

Tuesday morning the Murdocks and Rogers were in Goodwell for the funeral of Roberta Murdock's sister, Emma Love.

Barbara & Terry Schoonover attended the Living Christmas Tree at People's Church in Dalhart Friday. Saturday there

were in Vilas, Co., for the funeral of her aunt, June Bewley.

Minnie, R22alph, Annette Hampton & Verlie Norris were in Amarillo Saturday to see Polly Durr. Mrs. Durr had by-pass surgery, then a stroke last week. She is in a semi-coma. Minnie spent the weekend at the hospital.

Hunters at the Fred McDaniels were A.J. Hoggins of Colorado Springs, Moe Hoggins of Cleburne with grandson, John and Rick Hoggins, Denver.

Recent guests with Ted & Joyce Irlbeck were Dennis & Jeanette Irlbeck of Amarillo, Jim & Belinda Roberts and family of Conlen, Bessie Palmer, Stratford.

Continental Grain Elevator held their Christmas party Friday night. They had dinner in Guymon, then returned to the Mark Rouse home in Stratford. Attending were Mark, Debbie Rouse, Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Benita and Grant Keener, Damon & Jackie Groves, Terry & Candy Kosler.

Becky Goad spent Saturday night with Annette Hampton. She is going to WT and studying to be a teacher.

### First Christian Church

10:45 a.m. Adult Choir Christmas Cantata "Angel's Song" Marihoward Engelbrecht, Director Advent Wreath: Jim, Dee Dee, Susan & Barbara Dewees Offertory "The Shepherd's Story" Mari Bells



The first mailboxes were erected in Paris in 1653. However, messengers, fearful for their livelihood, put mice in the boxes to destroy the mail.

**Christmas Cantata**  
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## Obituaries

Eugene Leland Boothby

Texhoma-Eugene Leland "Dick" Boothby, 76 died Sunday, Dec. 9, 1990.

Services were held Tuesday Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. in the First Christian Church with the Rev. Mike Dumler, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Boothby, born in Texhoma, had worked in service stations and as a farmer. He was a member of Texhoma Masonic Lodge No. 382. He married Alma "Tut" Turner in Clayton, N.M. in 1937. They raised a nephew, Rusty Turner.

Survivors include his wife; four brothers, Ray Boothby, Frank Boothby and D.C. Boothby, all of Texhoma and Richard Boothby of Farwell; and a nephew Rusty Turner of Muskogee, Oklahoma.

The family requests memorials be to First Christian Church of Texhoma.

Walter Lee

Walter Lee, 87 died Sunday, Dec. 9, 1990.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12th in the Stratford Cemetery with the Rev. David Harker, officiating. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors of Stratford.

Mr. Lee, born in Milan, Mo., was a longtime Stratford resident. He was a Sherman County Deputy for many years. He was a member of first Christian Church and Masonic Lodge. He was preceded in death by his wife, Zella Lee, in 1976.

Survivors include a daughter, Oleta French of Des Moines, N.M.; a granddaughter, Sandy Sink of Des Moines; and a great-grandson, Dustin Bridges of Canyon.

The family requests memorials be to Coldwater Manor Nursing Home.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

On July 19, 1990, GTE Southwest Incorporated ("GTE-SW") filed revisions to the company's tariff pertaining to the features and associated equipment for providing emergency number services (9-1-1).

In this filing, GTE-SW proposes to modify its existing 9-1-1 tariff and to add more than 200 new service offerings. The new items of service and equipment in this application have been added to meet the company's increasing 9-1-1 customer demands and to allow GTE-SW to compete more effectively in the 9-1-1 equipment market.

The product line in the new offerings consists of a mini-computer and specialized console package for larger communities, as well as a personal computer with Automatic Number Identification (ANI) display for smaller communities. (ANI displays a caller's telephone number on the emergency dispatcher's computer screen.) In addition, the product line will include ANI and Automatic Location Information (ALI) display units compatible with, and similar to, those offered by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and other local exchange carriers in Texas. (The ALI feature displays a caller's address on the computer screen.) The rate charged existing 9-1-1 customers may be revised at the expiration of their contracts with GTE-SW if the proposed tariff is approved.

This filing has been assigned Docket No 9667. The hearing on the merits is scheduled for February 25, 1991, at the offices of the Public Utility Commission of Texas. The deadline to intervene in this docket is December 31, 1990.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information, should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas, 78757. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.



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**Letters To The Editor**

12/6/90  
Editor  
Stratford Star

Dear Marty,

My views on the situation at WTSU can be expressed in only one way, "Thank God and Greyhound he's gone". The end of this year will be a joyous time for all concerned at WTSU, however, as we are ordering tar and feathers for this occasion let us not forget to order enough for those in office at the time that let this happen.

This morning I was listening to Mr. Jimmy Lackey, director of the WTSU Ex Students Association. He said what we all know, and that is the Texas Panhandle must get behind WT and realize it is definitely their school.

I hope and pray that 1991 will be a wonderful healing year for WTSU and even more important, a year for the students, faculty, and community to get together and start WT back down that road to greatness.

Sincerely,  
Robert Ragsdale  
HCR 2, Box 7  
Stratford, Texas 79084

Dear Children and parents in Stratford, Texas.

I wanted to thank the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail merchants of Stratford for having me come into their community. How patient you parents were and how well behaved your children. My visit there in Stratford is one of many that I have made to visit with the children and to find out what they wanted for Christmas. I want them (you parents can come to) to come to the First State Bank, December 21, when I come back. They can have a free picture made with me and I will give them a candy cane. In the larger towns there has to be a charge for the photo as there are so many many children, also my elves cannot make enough candy canes to hand out in the larger towns. Thanks again for inviting me to help STRATFORD GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, AND

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**Drummer Boy Collection at Sherman County Depot Museum**

Marihoward Engelbrecht was at the Sherman County Depot Museum Sunday afternoon showing her collection of "Drummer Boys". Marihoward has a beautiful collection, if you haven't had the opportunity to view them, don't miss out, drop by and see for yourself.

**DPS Stress Driving Safety This Holiday Season**

It was like a Christmas present hidden somewhere back under the tree—a special present that meant life to a dozen holiday travelers. Twenty-eight people were killed in traffic accidents across Texas last year over the Christmas weekend—12 fewer than the 40 estimated by safety officials.

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "We're not really trying to demonstrate any great ability in making predictions. All we're trying to do is draw people's attention to traffic safety, and to maybe make them a little more cautious during these critical driving periods."

It's a fact. The week surrounding Christmas is one of the busiest times of the year on the states highways. It can also become one of the most dangerous, if drivers fail to take extra safety precautions and heed the rules of the road.

More people are on the highways during the holidays, as they hurry on their way to be with friends and family. Fatigue often

sets in on some of the long trips which can deteriorate a drivers ability to remain alert. Since, most people want to spend as little time on the road as possible, speeding is also a very tempting option that contributes to highway carnage. Then add in the inclination of people to drink and drive more during the holidays, and you have the potential for a very dangerous period.

More celebrations occur during the holiday season than at any other time of the year, and the ratio of offenses and accidents increases proportionately.

Cawthon said patrols will be beefed up during this period. But, public involvement is an important component in any effort to make our roads safer for our citizens. Texas has a statewide emergency toll free number. It can be used by motorist to report a drunken driver, to report an accident, or to summon assistance when they encounter other problems. The number is 1-800-525-5555.

"This number is not designed to replace 911," Cawthon said. "But it is appropriate in some cases where 911 is not." Not all

**Shuping Named DAR Good Citizen**

Seven area high schools have each chosen a senior to be honored as a 1991 Good Citizen of the Year for the Molino de Viento Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, announces Mrs. Herschel Woods, chairman of the Good Citizen Committee, DAR.

The honorees are: Beny Shuping from Stratford High School; Dawn Bleiker, Channing

High School; Mitch Davison-Textline High School; John DeBons-Dumas High School; Julie Ray-Dalhart High School; Britteny Taylor-Sunray High School and Stephanie Williams-Hartley High School.

The DAR Good Citizens are chosen by their respective schools. They are selected on the basis of the four qualities of a DAR

Good Citizen, which are Dependability, Service, Leadership and Patriotism. They compiled a packet which comprised of a questionnaire to be filled out about their high school activities, service to church, home and community, future plans for further education, honors and awards, hobbies and other interests. A transcript of grades and a letter of recommendation were also included. Finally, each student was required to write an essay without assistance or reference material on "Our American Heritage and My Responsibility for Preserving It."

Being a DAR Good Citizen is an honor that the recipients can include on resumes or applications to college or employers. The National Association of Secondary School Principals has approved this program and has placed it on the Advisory List of National Contests and Activities.

The DAR Good Citizens will be honored on Sunday, April 7, 1991, in the meeting room of the Dallam, Hartley County Museum. This will be a reception and a patriotic program and the honorees will each be presented with a good Citizen pin and a certificate from the Molino de Viento Chapter.

**Fireplace Facts & Fancies**

**How To Keep Warm On Cold Winter Nights**

When the temperature drops, homeowners look for ways to take the chill off the old homestead. Nothing warms the body and soul more than a soothing, glowing fire. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there are more than 20 million fireplaces. That can mean a lot of mess and harmful smoke in the environment. For homeowners that find building a fire with wood inconvenient and hazardous to the environment, there's a ready solution—composite firelogs, manufactured from recycled sawdust and wax.

Unlike firewood, recycled sawdust and wax firelogs, like those produced by Pine Mountain Corporation, are simple to light and burn easily. Environmentally-conscious consumers take advantage of Pine Mountain brand firelogs because they're cleaner to burn, generate little smoke and leave minimal ash for easy clean-up. Firelogs can also be conveniently and cleanly stacked near the fireplace—great for apartment and condo dwellers.

Recent tests of such premium brand firelogs, like Pine Mountain, show that they are environmentally

safer and cleaner to burn than real wood and do not cause creosote buildup in the fireplace.

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# Society

## Special Dance Program Presented To Prospectus Study Club



A delightful, colorful program was given by Toller Folhlorica de Ninos of Amarillo for GFWC/Prospectus Study Club and guests Saturday at the Imaginarium. Dances from the various sections of Mexico were performed by ages 4 to 15. Some club members participated also!

Dana Buckles, the Arts Chairman, introduced the program.

Following the program a Mexican luncheon of vegetable appetizers, dips, chips, fajitas and cheesecake was enjoyed. Tables were covered in red and green with Christmas pintas decorating each. The Social Committee provided the luncheon.

Members were reminded to support Project Christmas Card. They brought caps, bandanas or kitchen items for M.D. Anderson.

The January meeting will be later in the month on the 17th.

Alberto Aguilera was announced as being selected for the 1991 Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation Seminar.

Guests were Lou Ann Ziemann of Montello, Wisconsin, Teresa Edmond, Joyce Irlbeck, Franny Taylor, Elaine Aduddell.

Members present were Helen Taylor, Mary Hill, Linda Haynes, Patti Vincent, Kay Pronger, Deide Ziemann, Oline Caraway, Marty Bain, ViAnn Reed, Sonja Kendrick, Betty Brown, Mattie Baskin, Mary Peach Smith, Mary W. Wisdom, Marillyn Albert, Joyce Ann Lasley, Dana Buckles, D'Lynn Reed, Jimmie Pronger, Terry Kennedy, Marylou McDaniel.

These "Goodlooking Dancers" were part of the group that entertained at the Imaginarium for Prospectus Study Club Saturday at noon.



The costumes were beautiful that the Toller Folhlorica de Ninos of Amarillo wore Saturday when they performed for Prospectus Study Club.



## Cards of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for all the prayers, cards and flowers.

Walter Lasley

Many thanks to all of you for the thoughtfulness you've shown to me and my wife during my recent stay in the hospital and since my return home.

Andy James

Words alone are not adequate enough to say THANK YOU to all of the wonderful people who expressed their love for Sherri to us in cards, food, flowers, prayers and donations to the Sherri Hayworth Memorial Scholarship. Your presence and your prayers were deeply felt by all of us.

If we have failed to mail you a card personally, please forgive us and know that we do truly thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Sherri will never truly be gone. She will be here in all the lives she touched. Thank you.

Murry, Sheryl, Brad, LeAnn and Brandi

Thanks to everyone that was so thoughtful during our trying times in the loss of our loved one. Your cards, flowers, food, phone calls and prayers mean so very much. For the beautiful service and lovely music. A special thanks to Dr. Claude Harlow and Rev. David Harker for your support in such trying times. And a special thanks to the ones who sat at the hospital.

Howard Etheridge Family  
Christine, Ray, Ruth, Peggy, Kerry, Theda and Inita

## Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Schafer would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Florene to Mr. Jay Alan Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Murphy of Edmond, Oklahoma. Florene, attended the Texhoma schools and graduated with the class of 1978, then attended Panhandle State University where she received her B.S. Degree in Home Ec and went into the teaching field in Kansas where she taught for 3 years before returning to Texhoma where she is currently in partners with her parents in the farming and ranching. The prospective groom attended the Deercreek schools and after graduation attended O.S.U. Tech where he received a degree in air conditioning, heating and refrigeration. Jay is currently in farming and ranching with his parents near Edmond, Oklahoma. We wish to cordially invite all relatives and friends to attend the wedding December 29, 1990 at the First Baptist Church in Texhoma, Okla.

### Catherine D. Taylor

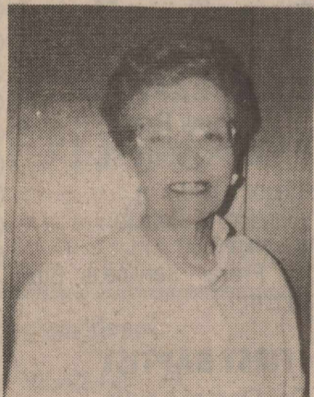
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# Christmas

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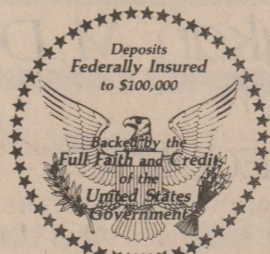
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**Chamber Chatter**

by J. A. Lasley

And so Pheasant Season has gotten off to a "bang up" start. I have visited with some local hunters; as well as out of town ones-there were birds out there and ones killed, perhaps not as many as in the past. Pheasant eggs have been eaten, hens as well as cocks have met the "water loo" with coyotes. Though hard to hunt, the birds did nest, in the CRP! The Chamber wants to especially thank the farmers who leased their land for the annual Chamber Pheasant Hunt! Without your support-it would not come to pass.

The Retail Merchants got the Christmas spirit off to a rousing start the 3rd of Dec. Windows decorated a tree up (it could not be placed in the middle of 3rd because of City liability) at the corner of 2nd- just in front of the "Sugar Shack". This will be a permanent spot, for yrs to come. The whole purpose of Santas visit was to greet and hear childrens "wants"- He will be back the 21st with Candy canes and free pictures at the First State Bank. I personally want to thank Santa, Natacha Dyess who contacted him at the North pole, the fireman who picked him up, north of town, (his sled wouldn't go on dry dirt,) and brought him in, Marihoward Engelbrecht who played the best loved Christmas carols on the First Christian Church Chimes, Rex Palmer who got the place and erected the stand for our Christmas tree. The Jr. High Helpers and Mr. Taliifero who so ably strung the lights to Martha and Donnie for opening the restaurant to Santa and the kids, the line was so long and it was so cold, and lastly to the kiddoes who well behaved and parents so patient. This was a 1st for the Chamber in a long time. We are trying to do somethings differently but the aim is to do for OUR community. If mistakes were made, we apologize and will try to do a better job in the future.

Have you driven about our community? Lights are in abundance-remember the Chamber will be giving Tip Top Bucks and Banquet tickets to winners of the lighting contest-6 p.m. Tues. Dec. 18th, be sure your lights are on. The judges will have some tough decision, then to make.

In years past the chamber has had a contest whereby a trip could be won. I was the lucky one 3 yrs. ago., the Retail Merchants basically, backed this venture. As a matter of fact most anything we do, is sponsored, in large, by the merchants. They are hit on every side, but react most willingly last years, to a collectively adv.-but each business have a give away and specials! Senior Citizens have every Wed. a 20% discount at the Elk Pharmacy, the youngsters, with disc. shopped last Wed., and will again this Wed. and are allowed to wrap. D.Q. has a bike up for grab. Thriftway will be giving away 2-10 speeds, plus other

specials, through out the Christmas? season, The General Store; as well as Stratford Printing have put out their catalogues with some great buys, At the First State Bank, a great incentive, a loan with a later date pay back to help with your Christmas shopping.

The Chamber is excited-the Poly Clean has reopened-check Tanya Progner out, a drycleaning service here in Stratford has been so needed- take your drycleaning by the Poly Clean, and while you are out, check by the "Sugar Shack, it is um um good, with a variety of gifts for that teacher, friends, or neighbor all at great prices, and while you are in the true spirit of Christmas check out "Creations" on 3rd St. (Curley McMahrens old furniture store.

Christmas!-what its all about the joy of giving-sharing-loving and remembering it is Jesus Christ-whose birth we celebrate. Give a gift of light and love.

**SPS Cont. From Page 1**

Congressmen, some extreme proposals of earlier versions of the Clean Air Amendment's were moderated before final passage of the conference bill.

Significantly improved proposals were ultimately approved for power plants located in the "Clean States." These are mainly western states that contain plants that have operated at much cleaner standards than plants in the East and Midwest. SPS plants are considered among the "Clean" plants.

The conference bill added 20% more emission allowances for clean plants. This benefit was in recognition of the fact that these clean plants already operate with very low emissions.

Fortunately, the conference bill does not contain an electricity tax that, in effect, would have forced SPS customers to pay a fee to clean up plants in other parts of the country.

**EFFECTS ON SPS CUSTOMERS**

SPS estimated that prior versions of the Clean Air Act would have caused customers to pay about 7% more for electricity. Now the company estimates it will have to raise rates about 2%, or approximately \$15 million, in 10 years to pay for additional air-quality-control equipment required for Phase 11 in the year



**Ladies Kept Busy AT Breakfast**

Chamber of Commerce, J.A. Lasley and Orlanda Garoutte were busy helping the hunters Saturday morning at the breakfast. Several hunters were in town over the weekend for the first weekend of the season.



**Pheasant Hunters Breakfast**

There was a good turnout at the Lions Club Pheasant Hunters breakfast held at the County barn Saturday morning Dec. 8th, opening day of Pheasant Season in Sherman County.

2000. This could include the cost of the installation and operation of a "scrubber" on one unit at Tolk Station.

The bill also will require SPS to obtain additional permits under the Permits section (TitleV) starting in 1995 and to pay new fees. (Current fees and taxes also will continue in effect). Estimates are that these new permit-related expenses will increase costs about \$300,00 a year. The act instructs the Environmental Protection Agency to write many new regulations to implement the new clean air law, so even more bureaucratic fees, paperwork and time-consuming permits could be required in subsequent years.



**Tips & Topics**

by Susie Spurlock County Extension Agent

**Once Upon A Family Christmas**

There are traditions in every family. If you think there aren't any in yours, it's probably because you call them something else and don't think of them as traditions. Write down what you think are your family traditions.

Traditions are normally things that happen on some cycle. They usually evolve around an already-established event. So, if you're thinking about inventing a tradition, begin with holidays or other important family anniversaries.

Christmas is coming. If you have begun to chafe at the cost and hypocrisy of Christmas, here is

an idea that will help restore Christmas to its proper place in your life and also give you a taste of the past.

Make a pact with your family that your 1990 Christmas will be entirely homemade. That means Christmas cards, decorations, gifts and all other necessities—even the firewood is split by hand- are all done by someone in the family.

It's more work than it sounds, but it's worth every minute when you see the family's faces on Christmas Day. You truly know the meaning of the Christmas Spirit when you celebrate a homemade Christmas.



**"Sugar Shack" Opening Sat. Dec. 8, 1990**

Karen Perrin and Joan Palmer, owners of the "Sugar Shack" opened for business on Saturday, December 8th at 110. N. Main. The Candy Store has many different varieties to choose from. Stop by and buy someone a gift for their "Sweet Tooth".



**Mr. McGruff Speaks To First Grade**

GFWC Prospectus Study Club presented "McGruff's Drug Prevention and Child Protection Program" to Prospectus Study Club Members, Kathy Altman's first grade class. Making the presentation to Mrs. Altman and Principal Jim Bob Brown were ViAnn Reed, Prospectus Study Club, Public Affairs Chairman and Margaret Reed TFWC, Public Affairs Chairman.

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**Student of the Week**



Student of the Week for Dec. 3, 1990 were Jorge Barajas by Rinda Allison, Works hard in History and Health; Nigal Kirkpatrick by Lynda Hauser, maintaining good Science average; Mark Meil by Linda Swain, Excellent student; highest class average; Rudy Gonzalez by Terri Teig, for having such a gentle nature; Roy Davis by Barbara Haile, always willing to help in any way; Rachele Mungia by Mike Brownlee, fantastic student with great attitude; Jeff Ricketson by Dwayne Plunk, Quiet; cooperative, good student; Jennifer Newcomb by Sonja Kendrick, an accurate typist; Justin Sims by Mendi White, an intelligent and interesting student; and Olga Torres by Betty Ingaham for making 3rd chair flute in the All-Region Band.



**Out The Library**

by Dorothy Haile

MEMORIES OF MIDNIGHT written by Sidney Sheldon is a new book the author has written about the billionaire Greek shipowner, Constantin Demiris. Moving from the exotic shores of the Mediterranean to the post-World War 11 years in London, this book is the compelling portrayal of one woman's fight against a terrifying destiny. Sidney Sheldon's genius as a storyteller the master of the unexpected has never been more powerfully displayed.

First Dog Millie Bush's memoir is a heartwarming look at one dog's life as Presidential bestfriend. Told with the characteristic modesty associated with Ms. Millie Bush, MILLIE'S BOOK chronicles a very popular administration from the dog days of the August 1988 Presidential campaign to the dog's heaven of a Camp David hiatus. For the first time, Millie recounts her occasionally circuitous path to the White House, from her arrival in Washington in 1987, through the sometimes lonely days of the campaign, to her establishment of residency at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Light reading for the interested patron.



**Bryson and Her Show Lamb**

Jessica Bryson is exercising her lamb getting ready for the Sherman County Livestock Show in February. If you have noticed around Stratford, several youngsters have been doing the daily strolls, or riding their bikes with their lambs in tow.

Three other new books are MESSAGE FROM NAM by Danielle Steel; WOMEN IN HIS LIFE WRITTEN BY Barbara Taylor Bradford; and 4 PAST MIDNIGHT, by Steven King.



For a masculine-looking gift package, use sporty paper and tie the four corners with heavy yarn.

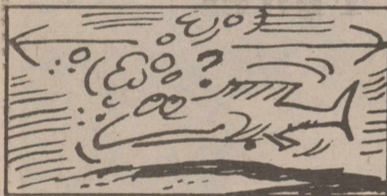


**School Menu**

**Stratford High School Basketball 1990-91**

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	VG	VB	JVG	JVB
December 17-21, 1990	12-14-90 River Road	H	X	X		
	12-18-90 Perryton	H	X	X	X	X
	1-3-4-5 Stratford Tournament	H	X	X		
	1-8-91 * Spearman	H	X	X	X	X
	1-11-91 * West Texas	H	X	X	X	X
	1-15-91 Booker	T	X	X	X	X
	1-18-91 * Sunray	T	X	X	X	X
	1-22-91 * Boys Ranch	T		X		X
	1-25-91 * Spearman	T	X	X	X	X
	1-29-91 * West Texas	T	X	X	X	X
	2-1-91 Booker	H	X	X	X	X
	2-5-91 * Sunray	H	X	X	X	X
	2-8-91 * Boys Ranch	H		X		X

Monday-Taco, lettuce, tomatoes, W/K corn, cowboy bread.  
 Tuesday-Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, tator tots, chocolate cake.  
 Wednesday-Chili Beans, crackers, cole slaw and jello fruit.  
 Thursday-Turkey dressing, cranberry sauce, gravy, green beans, sweet potatoes, rolls and pumpkin pie.  
 Friday-sandwiches, tator tots, fruit cups and ice cream.



Studies show the Atlantic Ocean is widening by 6/10ths of an inch a year.



**Children's Christmas Program At First United Methodist Church**

The First United Methodist Church, had their Childrens Christmas Program Sunday evening, December 9th at 7 p.m. Refreshments were served afterwards in the Fellowship Hall.

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# County Agent

by Jim Allison

## Groundwater Protection Everyone's Business

The first national study of groundwater contamination, conducted and announced by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency last week, is generating major public interest in the problem.

Dr. Bill L. Harris of College Station, soil specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and an Extension service committee from several disciplines have addressed some frequently asked questions dealing with groundwater protection. Here are some of the questions that arise most often.

Q: Does mankind benefit from fertilizer and pesticide?

A: Fertilizers and pesticides improve the yields and quality of food and fiber crops. Throughout the world, insecticide programs, when directions are followed carefully, continue to save lives and improve living conditions for animals and humans by helping curtail or eliminate diseases such as malaria, yellow fever and typhus. They assure crop yield and quality stability and enhance food safety.

Q: In the United States alone, pesticides use has more than tripled since 1964, with about 2.5 billion pounds applied annually to animals and plants for protection. Doesn't this increased use result in potential danger to the environment?

### PROTECT GROUNDWATER

A: Urban and rural residents both use considerable chemicals and are concerned that runoff from rain or irrigation can funnel soluble nutrients from a large landscape to smaller collection point where the chemicals can be leached into groundwater or lakes and streams. The continued, largely unregulated use of such chemicals could contaminate lakes, streams, ponds, wells and groundwater. All citizen groups need to join in a team effort to help assure the safe use of pesticides and fertilizers.

Q: Are injurious effects such as fish kills, reproductive failures in birds and acute illnesses in humans and animals correctly correlated with chemicals in water?

A: The exact sources of damaging chemicals are not always apparent, since natural contaminant sources also may be present. In addition, many people have a poor understanding of the results of longterm use of chemicals. The exact source may be difficult to track, since it may result from dumping of waste materials or other careless action and not the prudent use in ordinary agricultural production practices.

Q: How safe is groundwater for drinking water?

A: Groundwater is the most difficult water source to monitor or model in determining potential contamination. This water moves below the earth's surface between rocks and porous material, and gathers in large expanses beneath an area. These reservoirs are used by man as a reserve of fresh water and as a supply to wells and springs. But contamination of groundwater, often purer than surface sources, can limit the water's use. Half of the U.S. population relies on groundwater for drinking water. More than 90 percent of rural drinking water is retrieved from groundwater source. Never the less, with all of

the groundwater withdrawn each year, only a small amount is used strictly as drinking water. About 82 percent of groundwater is used to irrigate crops. Studies by state agencies and the EPA have detected a few problems, but in general, our groundwater is safe to drink.

Q: Since fertilizers and pesticides may jeopardize the quality of water supplies beneath the soil's surface, how can each individual help protect the groundwater supply?

A: The persistence and movement of pesticides are influenced by a chemical's formulation, solubility, reactivity, and material form and by specific type of soil at a given location. Natural climatic conditions or environmental changes by man-- such as irrigation-- also will influence effectiveness of the applied chemicals and their influence on the environment. If applied too liberally to upgrade poor soils, nitrogen can become a principal nutrient pollutant. Precipitation and animal waste may add to the nitrogen reserve. Legume crops, aided by microorganisms, can biologically convert atmospheric nitrogen into inorganic nitrogen, adding to the total soil reserve of nitrogen. Avoid excessive nitrogen applications to assure that the applied nitrogen and natural amount in soil not exceed crop needs.

Q: Does knowing the soil type help one to monitor and control nitrogen supplies?

A: Nitrogen is highly soluble and moves with water through and off soils. Sandy soils are open and porous, allowing rapid water movement. Clay soils tend to seal at the surface, promoting rapid runoff. Either condition can lead to excessive nitrogen losses when improperly fertilized. Apply fertilizers at or near the time and in the amounts that the plant needs and can use them.

Q: How can a producer or gardener obtain the best use of phosphorous fertilizers?

A: Phosphorous, unlike nitrogen, does not readily leach or move. Control soil erosion to prevent movement of the fertilizer through the soil with water. It tends to be tightly held in the soil particles. Manage soil pH to maximize the efficient plant use of fertilizers, incorporate the fertilizer if possible and band phosphate fertilizers.

Others contributing to the Extension service's B-1642 publication, "Protection of

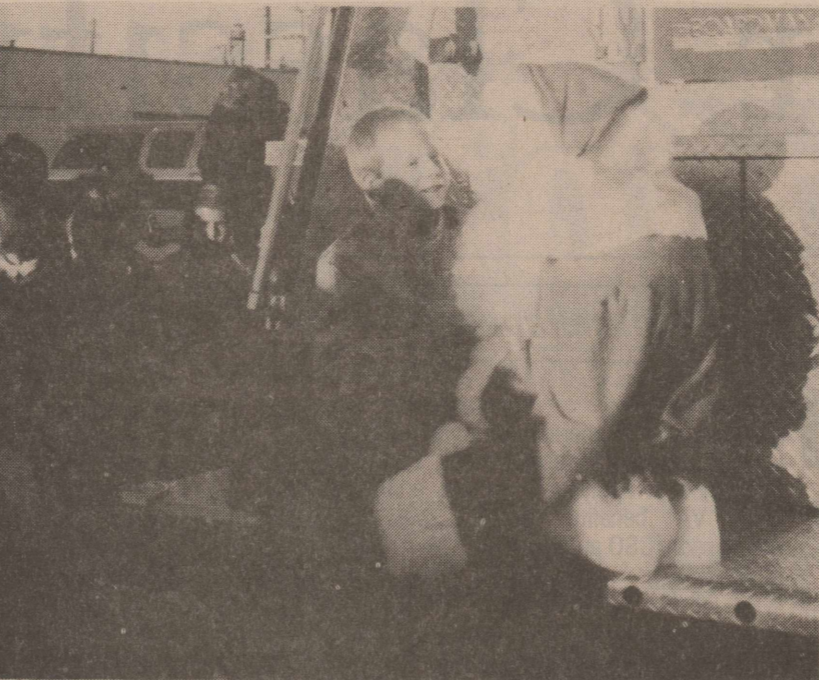
groundwater from Fertilizers and Pesticides," were Dr. Denise McWilliams, Tommy D. Valco, Dr. Dale Pennington, Dr. John Sweeten and Dr. W.B. Grass.

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## Santa Visits Stratford Monday Dec. 3



Michael McAlister wasn't shy about telling Santa what he wanted for Christmas.



This unidentified little person and his mother braved the cold to see Santa.

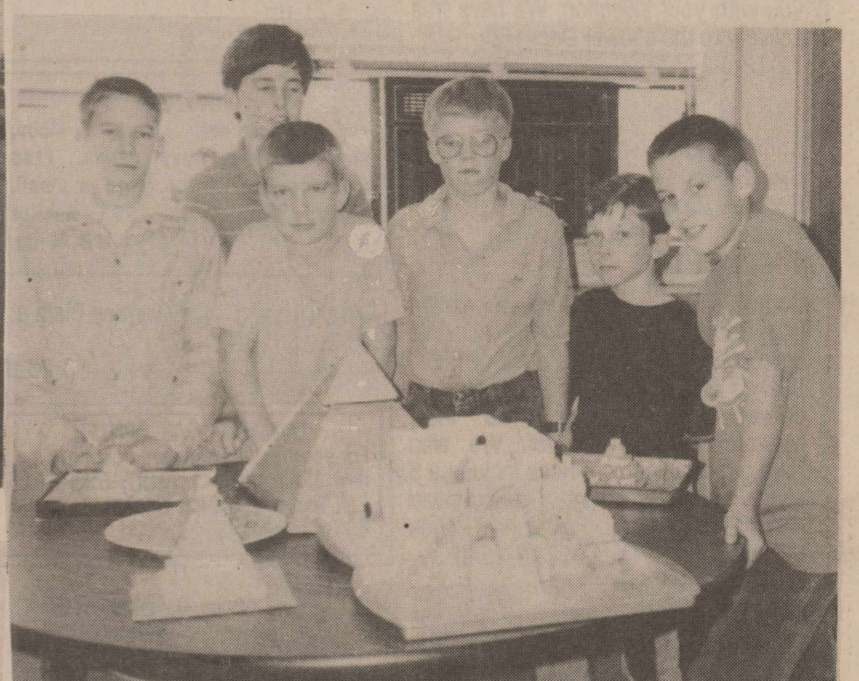


Lots of children and their parents came out Monday, Dec. 3rd to visit with Santa. It was a bitterly cold day and finally the crowd ended up at M's Meet and Eat where it was warm.



## 6th Grade Class Studies Egypt

The 6th grade World History class recently studied Egypt and Southwest Asia. One of the projects for this study was to build a Ziggurat (Sumerian Temple) or a Pyramid similar to those in Egypt. These class members and their projects are shown in this picture. Jennifer Sladek, Misty Bruns, Nigal Kirkpatrick, Ezra Daniels, David Merrill, Quintana Dearing, Hillary Frank, Aaron Roberts and Brad Williams. Mr. Dwayne Plunk is the teacher.



These 6th graders are J.B. Presley, Jackie Larance, Daniel Hunsaker, Dusty Palmer, Salon Daniels and Davy Brown.

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drill, Well No. 1, Sydnye Lease, 356.23 Acres, Section 179, Block 1T, T & NO R.R. Co. Survey, Carlander (Marmaton), Carlander (Morrow), Carlander (Red Cave) and Wildcat Field, Sherman County, being within the townsite of Stratford, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows:

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185' from the south line and 1105' from the east line of survey.

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