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Notices

Election May 4th

Stratford Independent School District Trustee election will be held on Saturday, May 4 at the Stratford High school beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 7:00 p.m. Absentee voting will begin on April 15

ending on April 30. Absentee Voting place is in the Superintendent's office from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Candidates for three positions are Walter Eugene Lasley, Kenton Kimball, Rusty Craig, Jerry Dyess, Incumbent, Jack Rhoades, incumbent, Barbara Chumley and James Young Jr.

Lifeguard Training Course To be Taught

Red Cross Lifeguard Training Course will be taught at the Stratford School Pool, May 13-18. Prerequisite for course-15 years of age and strong swimmer in the four basic strokes. Course is approximately 27 hours and a current First Aid and CPR certificate are required to complete the course.

Course will begin at the Stratford School Pool Monday, May 13th at 6:00.

Class will be Monday May 13-17 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday May 18th, 10:00 a.m. till finished. The new Lifeguard Training Manual will be required.

For more information contact Instructors, Gaynelle Riffe 396-5303 or Terry Kennedy Wagoner 396-2013.

City Election

Absentee voting in City Elections began on Monday, April 15th and runs through Tuesday, April 30, 1991. There are three positions open for two year terms. Those running for these positions are (1) Andy Riffe (2) Janis Tillery (3) Claude Harlow (incumbent) (4) Sam James (5) Keith Hill (6) Roger Jeffries (7) Robert McGinnis. General Election for City Council will be held on May 4, 1991.

Farm Bureau Queen Contest

Sign up Thursday, May 9, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Farm Bureau Office for Sherman County Farm Bureau Talent Find Contest and Sherman County Farm Bureau Queens Contest. These are two separate contests. These contests will be held in Stratford on May 30th. Sherman County Farm Bureau will be giving a \$100.00 Scholarship to each winner. The winners will compete at District level for \$800.00 Scholarship. State winners receive \$1,500.00 Scholarship to Runner-up, a \$2,000 Scholarship to winner plus \$500.00 wardrobe.

The runner-up and winner will each receive a set of luggage. If unable to come by, sign up until May 24 by calling Cara Dawn Macias at 753-4540 or by going to the Farm Bureau Office.

Jack & Jill Golf Tournament Postponed

The Jack & Jill Golf Tournament at the Stratford Country Club May 12th has been postponed due to aeration of greens.

Pennington To Retire



Mr. Roy Pennington

Mr. Roy Pennington, Junior High School, E. 5th and superintendent of schools in Maddox Streets, Dumas, Texas, is retiring at the end of the 1990-91 school year, ending a 40 year career in public school education.

Mr. Pennington, a native of Miami, Texas, began his career in education in Stratford in 1951 as a teacher and basketball and track coach. So, we feel there are people in your reading area that would be interested in his retirement and in attending this event. The public is invited.

The Dumas Independent School District is honoring Mr. Pennington with a retirement reception on Saturday, May 18, 1991 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The reception will be held at Dumas

Community Child Care Center

All interested individuals are invited to attend a Child Care Community Forum on Thursday, May 2, 1991 at 7:30 p.m. in the District Courtroom of the Sherman County Courthouse.

The Forum will address the need for a quality child care center in Stratford and a panel discussion will focus on the various types of day care centers available. Panel members will be Mike Meyers, President of Texhoma Child Care Association; Alexa Thoreson,

owner of the Little Red Caboose of Gruver; and Deborah Phillips, Executive Director of Children's Enterprises, Inc. of Lubbock.

The Forum is sponsored by the Sherman County Family, Community Leadership graduates-Arnita Lane, Jean Everett, Terry Wagoner, J.A. Lasley and Susie Spurlock.

Come, learn more about what it will take to turn a child care center from a pipedream to reality!

Pre-School Training To Be Held

The Stratford Independent School District will conduct its annual preschool screening on May 8 (Wednesday) in Mary Allen Elementary School. The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. All residents of The Stratford Independent School District are encouraged to participate. If you know of any children ages 3-5 years of age please inform their parents of this screening opportunity.

The DIAL-L (DEVELOPMENTAL INDICATORS FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING, REVISED) will be the instrument used. The DIAL-L is an untimed, team administered, individual assessment of motoric, conceptual, and language skills for children ages three to five years old. (The approximate time for each child is

40 to 50 minutes. Please be advised that this time varies with the age and responsiveness of the individual child.)

A vision and hearing screen will also be provided for all children. We feel this is a beneficial service for the preschool population (ages 3-5 years) and their parents or guardians. We encourage your participation in the program.

If you have any questions concerning the preschool assessment program please contact Chris McAdams, DIAL-L Coordinator; or Jim Bob Brown, Elementary Principal at 396-5305.

Mark May 8 (Wednesday) on your calendars for the DIAL-L PRESCHOOL SCREEN. We look forward to serving you and your child.

Agricultural Production Symposium

An Agricultural Production Symposium will be held Tuesday, May 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn for agriculture producers in Sherman County and the surrounding area. The symposium is being sponsored by Southern Union Gas Company, Western Gas Interstate, and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Specific topics dealing with irrigation engines and their performance, will be discussed during the day. These topics will be presented by representatives from Caterpillar, Cummins and Fuel Efficient Engine Service. Weed control in corn and grain sorghum, soil fertility and Center Pivot Irrigation systems will be discussed by Area Specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Compressed Natural Gas for pickups and other vehicles will be discussed by Southern Union Gas Company representatives.

Lunch will be served courtesy of Western Gas Interstate and Southern Union Gas Company.

Commercial booths will display other natural gas equipment. Drawings will be held for a Barbeque Gas Grill and two gas lights.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.



Girls Golf Team Takes Second At Regionals

The Stratford High School Girls Golf Team won 2nd in Regionals this past weekend. They are now eligible to go to State to compete on May 8, 9 and 10th. The team consists of Coach Dwyane Gray, Top is Amber Woolsey and Stephanie Gray, Middle is Kaci Wight and Jaline Rhoades. Seated is Jennifer Haynes.



Stride-A-Thon

The finance committee of the American Cancer Society wants to thank Rhonda Mathews for coordinating and having the Stride-A-Thon at Mary Allen Elementary along with the physical education classes. The people of Stratford were most gracious with their donations as the children came door to door for pledges. Your support means a lot to them as well as the Cancer Society.

One hundred sixty one students at Mary Allen worked hard at "Making Strides Against Cancer." They ran laps for five days for a total of three hours and collected \$3,472.16 from the people of this community. The American Cancer Society would like to thank you for contributing your money and for helping the kids earn prizes. We would also like to thank Thriftway for donating Kool-aid and cups, Gophers for donating the ice and the Dairy Queen for donating Blizzards to the winning boy and girl of each grade, Marietta Ricks, music teacher assisted Ronda.

Rural Carrier Examination

Donals S. Bloyd, Sectional Center Manager/Postmaster, Lubbock, Tex. has announced the Rural Carrier examination for the Brownfield, Texas area will be open to the general public May 6 through May 10, 1991.

Offices included on the Brownfield Rural Carrier Area Eligibility Register are Brownfield, Lamesa, Meadow, O'Donnell, Ropesville, Seagraves, Tahoka,

and Wolfthort.

Interested persons may apply at the Lubbock Personnel Office, 1515 Avenue G, Lubbock, Texas; the Amarillo Personnel Office, 2301 Ross St., Amarillo, Texas; or at one of the offices served by the register during the week of the open announcement.

No applications will be accepted before or after these dates.

Mexican Pile On Dinner A Big Success

The Mexican Pile On Dinner held at the First Christian Church Sunday, April 28 was a huge success. The event was sponsored by the Bell Choirs Members.





Chamber Chatter

by J. A. Lasley

April Showers bring May flowers, well almost. The soft rain for a short time Sunday evening was nice and let us know that it can rain. I will take the dry in preference to what Okla and Kansas have received.

Congratulations to our Stratford Girls Golf Team, who will be representing our school at State the 10th and 11th. And to the girls and Paul Davis who represented our school in the Regional Tournament in Abilene, you did yourself proud. Sunny Jo won 3rd in the 400 and broke her own record, the mile relay broke the school record in the qualifiers time Friday night. Congratulations and we will be seeing these girls and Paul back next year.

Congratulations to Ronda Mathews in her Walk-A-Thon for the American Cancer Society. It was a huge success. Some 165 kiddoes outdid themselves and for a very good cause. Thanks Margaret Reed, Finance Chr. of the Stratford Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

A reminder that, this Thursday evening at 7:30, at the County Court room of the Sherman County Court house there will be a Community Forum on Child Care Center. If you have an opinion, this will be the place to

voice it, if you are interested and want to know more, this is the place, or if you are curious, this too is the place that you want to be.

Also farmers mark your calendar in red for the evening of the 21st of May. We are getting serious about PHEASANTS. We need your input. Mr. Gene Miller, biologist for the Texas Park and Wildlife will be present that evening. Remember May the 21st. All who are interested in Pheasant raising, habitants, and being able to brag that we are the Pheasant Capital! Let's live up to our motto. A reputation we want to keep! This meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Coldwater Manor, and there will be hamburgers with all of the trimmings.

Keep watching for RECYCLING in Stratford. It is going to happen! At the present time we are waiting for the six dumpsters to be repaired and then there will be a meeting to determine where these should be put, how and who will empty the bends, where the aluminum, glass, and tin will be taken. I am a great

one for jumping in and going for a project. But I do realize that I must have patience, that there is a great deal of planning that must be done, before anything can be the success we want it to be JUST KEEP SAVING YOUR CANS, BOTH ALUMINUM, AND TIN, YOUR PLASTIC, BOTTLES, WHITE, GREEN AND BROWN. I know they get to be too many and troublesome, but look at this way not nearly so, if our landfill is closed and we have to separate our trash & have it hauled to a neighboring landfill and pay on the nose to have this done.

Take note: The new street sign-we don't use tape, remember-Tab the end of your poster paper and slide it in-your tab will help remove it. Your poster board can be written on both sides. Also watch for the new "Yard of the Month" Sign.

Remember we are your Chamber and nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm!

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Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

Would you believe that little old Kerrick and some of its citizens' may be in a Canada Dry commercial? T. Young, an attractive young lady from Amarillo, was at Susannah's Saturday night taking pictures of some of the local "characters". Filming in the area is slated for April 30-May 6 by a production company based in London, England, and involves people from Dallas. The company is The Boys Own Picture Company.

Those selected were to be notified by phone. The locals had fun meeting together. Among those were the Mitch Bells, Bevin Avents, Alvin HARRISES, Ted Irlbecks, Fred McDaniels, Bill Borens, Richard Jameses, Nita Taylor, Virgie Mathews, Jo June McDaniel, plus.

Sunday the filming crew were readying an old house on what is now owned by Joe Crabtree (formerly Chick Durr's). They have to go by Ben Tom James' to reach it. Understand that filming will also be done at Doug Taylor's station.

Kenneth's sister, the former Ruth Wells.

Accompanying them was Virgil and Ilene Wells of Buffalo, Ok.

Recent overnight visitors with Kayo and Jo June McDaniel were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wills of Wheeler.

Barbara Avent of Kerrick, Sue Rickenson of Amistead, N.M., and Juaneva Avenqua of Dumas were Bowlerette League Champions this year. They bowl at 11 a.m. on Wednesdays at Dalhart.

Barbara says they sure would like to have more teams for next year. Check with her or Dalhart Bowl, if interested.

Visiting with Fred & Marylou McDaniel Sunday were Junction City, Ks., friends, Ruth Gfeller and her sister, Bernice Munson. They brought Myron Leedy, Marylou's father, with them. He will be visiting for a while. The ladies were on their way to Albuquerque for a family reunion.

VOTE May 4th
for
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Pd. Pol. Adv., Paid for by Rusty Craig, Box 1071
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Your Right To Know

by Terry Kenrtedy



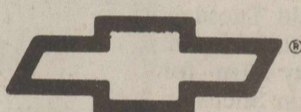
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2. Planning that can save your life: Plan with your family at least two ways to get out of every room in your home. Pick a place outside your home where your family will meet.

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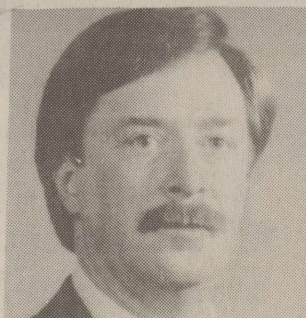
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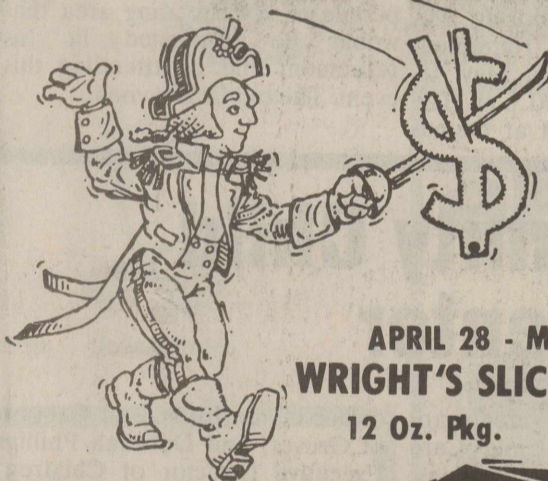
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CALL-IN ORDERS WELCOME CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS



Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Older Texans, Friends, Neighbors, Scotters this exciting Monday A.M. April 29, 1991. Exciting? surely! The newspapers tell us that the "Discovery" is 161 miles up into the sky, returning data to Cape Canaveral. Remember when the first Man on the Moon and other such air-space news claimed Everyone's attention? Such feats are just as wonderful today but some have lost the ability to get excited about. Over night temperature was 39 degrees F. humidity 86%.

Senior Citizens are welcoming the Month of May on Wed. Scotters closed out special April activities with the dance at Scot Hall Sat. April 27. Attendance was about as usual with guests from Boise City, Texhoma and Dalhart. Lots of fun, they say!

Usual activities at Scot Hall for the week of April 29 - May 4th, A bus trip to the Discovery Center, Amarillo, is scheduled for Wed. May 8. Let's attend and see what is new in 1990-91. 95 Scotters and friends were on hand for the regular meeting and dinner at 12 noon. The table decorations carried out the ideas of spring with the loveliest iris, lilac from local yards plus tiny umbrellas etc. for "April Showers". The food was delicious and plentiful. Scotters appreciate and thank John & Andrea N. Bolf for the delicious brisket they served and their interest in O.T.s. The April Hosts made individual donations to SCOT in lieu of cost of meat. To top off our good day, Carolyn Allen Tarver led us in singing the songs we know and love. Our faithful blood pressure personnel were on hand. Scotters thanks and appreciation to all who helped us have a wonderful day. Birthdays, anniversaries and ill ones were recognized. One important item of business introduced is the name plaque to replace the Memory Tree which is already painted over. The leaves on the Memory Tree bore the names of "our beloved and departed dead" These names are to be replaced on the plaques. The plaque project was accepted with the understanding that Scotters personally or friends pay \$8.50 per name to put these names on the plaque. About one-half the necessary funds has been collected, so this item needs attention. Hopefully the list of names on the leaves will be on the bulletin board soon. If a name has been specifically paid for it will be starred. Friends who would like to support this "pioneer effort, regardless of individual names, may make their donation to SCOT plaque project and give it or mail it to Martha Mitts, Scot Treasurer C/O First State Bank, Box 48, Stratford, Texas 79084. Locally hand donations to Dorothy Robbins, Director Vicki Gore, Helen or Arthur Judd.

Dee Yunker and a friend from Denver stopped in Stratford sometime back to see if they could find any information regarding Ms. Yonker's grandparents. All she had was a picture of the house where they lived. With the help of Selma Pendleton, Marilyn Albert and deed records, it was discovered that the house Mr. and Mrs. Nick Ottele owned from 1908 to 1915 was located behind where Bill Deuschendorf now lives. Mrs. Ottele had told her granddaughter, Ms. Yunker that while they lived in Stratford their cow got out and was hit by a train. Ms. Yunker expressed her appreciation for the information

and interest shown. By comparing the picture of Stratford in 1908 with a picture Ms Yunker had a local person believes the house was known as the Will (Bill) Alexander house. However we are unable to identify the Ottes. Still working on it.

We spent two interested filled hours digesting the Stratford Star, April 25, 1991 edition. Of supreme importance to Stratford Community's well being are upcoming elections. Candidates for SISD Trustees are Walter Eugene Lasley, Kenton Kimball, Rusty Craig, Jerry Dyess, Jack Rhoades, Barbara Chumley, James Young Jr., City of Stratford Council candidates are Andy Riffe, Janis Tillery, Dr. Claude Harlow, Sam James, Roger H. Jefferies, Robt. McGinnis, Keith Hill. Candidate for Stratford Hospital Board are Gary Lundberg, Scott Buckles, Wilma Jean Knight and Mary Lovett (Write in) Vote, Vote, Vote!!

Sherman County Older Texans, Scotters and personal best

wishes to everyone busy in community activities listed in the Star. With fear and trembling we do mention and congratulate J.G. Crownover, Dumas; Jenny Carter, Stratford; Sue Hudson; Scott and Brittany Hudson, who are grandchildren of Editor Robertson and 6th generation people of the Spurlock family; for their contribution to Community activities.

Helen and Arthur Judd attended a wedding shower in Boise City for Sherry Milbern, Bride elect of Michael James, Helen's grandson. Sherry is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Tom Melbern, pastor of Christian Church, Boise City. Michael is the son of the Joe James and grandson of Dolores and the late "Peachie" James all of Boise City. The young people will be married June 8, 1991.

Woodford and Carroll Wisdom have lately toured Costal and South Texas where they encountered lots of flood water beside seeing blue bonnets and many other wild flowers. They visited Woodford's cousin, nee Lucille Snyder daughter of the late Harley Snyders.

Alda Mitts lately visited her daughter Yvonne and husband, Jim Prichards in Enid, Ok and

attended the wedding of grandson of Breck Prichard, Little Rock, Ar., Alda also welcomes a new great grandson who has arrived to bless Wes and Cheryl Prichard, Colorado Alda's grandchildren.

Best wishes to all parties concerned.

Oline Caraway attended the wedding in San Antonio of her daughter, Mary Caraway to Mr. Terry Gwatney. Sam Swin, Mary's cousin performed the ceremony in S.A. Church of Christ. Stratford friends wish Mary and husband much happiness.

Visiting Max Stephenson's son Lynn, wife Jacquie and daughters Cathlyn and Carly of Bloomfield, Mich. Janette and Elwood Gillis, Colo. were weekend guest of her mother, Alma Lee McMahan. The Gillises were returning from a tour of the Valley & Padre Island and San Antonio where they attended the S.A. Festival at Laredo the Gillises visited Lt. Col. Chas Boren their former classmate at S.H.S. and W.T.U. Lt. Col Boren is now retire but teaching ROTC at Laredo, Tex. Joining Janet and Elwood Sunday evening for dinner at Alma Lee's were cousins Cagle and Sonja Kendrick.

In the news we read of Tenn. Ernie Ford, now 72, singer of "16 Tons" in 1955, is still going strong. To W.T. Alumni we found that Jack K. Hall, Amarillo, sculptor, created the White Buffalo at W.T.S.U. Kimbrough stadium.

Our Scots sick list are Ora Reynolds and Jewel Dovel. Best wishes to you and luv. We are sadden by the death of Russell Porter, Dalhart. He was the brother in law of the late Lola (Beall (Mrs. Russell) a former Stratfordite.

Best wishes and luv to all as you spend a cheery week scattering Shoulder pats and luv.

First Christian Church

10:45 a.m. Installation of CWF Officers for 1991-1992
Scripture Hebrews 10:19-25
Sermon "How To Attend!"
P.M. Bell Choir to FUMC Canadian

Re-elect Claude A. Harlow M.D. Stratford City Council

Your vote on May 4th will be appreciated

Pd. Pol Adv. Pd. for by Claude Harlow, BX 1103, Stratford, Tx 79084

VOTE FOR WALTER LASLEY JR. Candidate for S.I.S.D. Trustee

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Church Training 6:00 pm
Evening Worship 7:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

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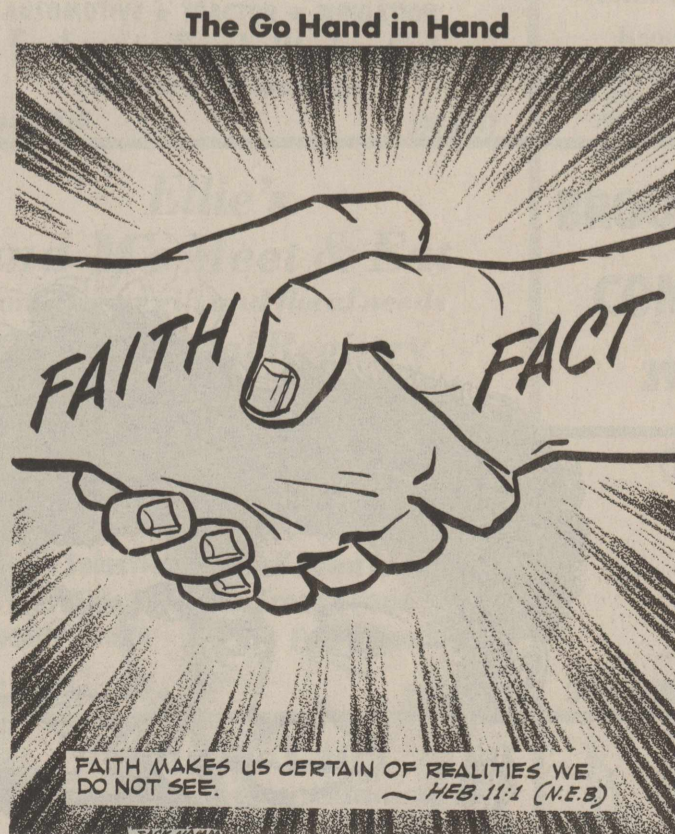
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Lions Club Program

Sheriff Jack Haile, left and Police Chief Tim White, right recently gave a program on Crimestoppers to the Stratford Lions Club on Monday at Noon. Ronnie Brooks, center is President of Stratford Lions Club.

Essay Winners

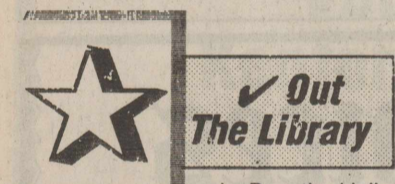
The winners of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Essay Contest for the best essays on "Why the Importance of Water Conservation" are as follows:

\$500.00 Scholarship, Miss Christi Buse, Senior at Sunray High School. Christi is the daughter of Jo and Johnny Buse of Sunray. She plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas this fall.

\$300.00 Scholarship Mr. Ryan Rousser, Junior at Sunray High School. Ryan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Rousser of Sunray. He plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas when he graduates in 1992.

\$200.00 Scholarship Mr. Wayne Stacy, senior at Stratford High School. Wayne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Stacy of

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Out The Library

by Dorothy Haile

Literacy is defined as the ability to read and write. Illiteracy is the inability to read and write. The inability to perform such tasks as reading street signs, instructions, or the written portion of a driver's license test is termed functional illiteracy.

The statements below are drawn from statistical reports of the 1980's. They reveal, in part, the breadth of literacy problems in Texas and the United States.

*Among the 149 member nations of the United Nations, the U.S. ranks 48th in literacy.

*Texas ranks 47th in literacy among the 50 states; only three states have a greater illiteracy problem than that which Texans face.

*Thirty percent (30%) of the adults in the U.S. are functionally illiterate.

*In 1988 the Texas Department of Commerce estimated that illiteracy cost Texas \$17.12 billion each year through lost productivity, unrealized tax revenue, welfare and costs associated with criminal activities.

*One-third of Texas students drop out of high school before graduation.

*Only 1 million of the 18.7 million adults in the southern United States who lack a high school diploma are enrolled in a literacy program or other adult education program.

*Ninety percent (90%) of the inmates in the Texas Department of Corrections have not completed high school.

*Eighty-five percent (85%) of all juveniles who appear before a judge have reading problems.

*It takes an eighth grade reading level to be able to read labels on industrial cleaning products.

*Children whose parents are functionally illiterate are twice as likely as other children to be functionally illiterate.

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Thanks everyone for the cards, visits while I was in the hospital also the visits and food brought to us after I came home.

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Ora Reynolds

The Bell Choir Members of The First Christian Church would like to thank everyone who attended our first Mexican-Pile-On Dinner. Needless to say, it was a great success! Also a big thank-you to Becky Brooks for the ice. Again thanks to everyone who helped.

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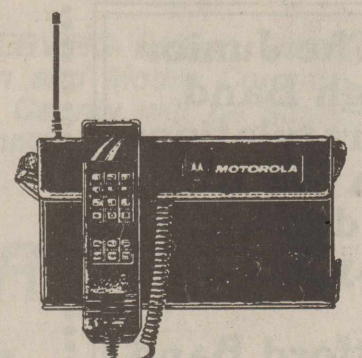
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JETS Team

JETS Team: Seated Linda Young, sponsor, Laquita Vaughn, Heather Husmann, Emily Graham, Jeb Brotherton, Back is Scott Asher, Greg Vandiver, Trenton Borth, Beny Shuping, Wayne Stacy and Shannon Norris.

The Junior Engineering Technological Society (JETS) of Texas has been conducting regional tests on the West Texas State University Campus for several years. The competition consists of Exams in six different disciplines: English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, and Physics. Team members are required to take at least 2 exams and each discipline must be covered twice. A team of seven students from Stratford High School placed second in the regional Competition this past March.

Beginning this year, the Jets testing was extended to include a state wide competition. There are four regions in Texas and the First and Second place teams from each region competed at Texas A & M on Saturday, April 27, 1991. The teams competition is divided into 5 categories, Category A; For high schools with enrollments between

0 and 500; Category B, For enrollments between 500 and 1000; Category C, 1000-1500; Category D, 1500 to 2000; Category E, above 2000. By virtue of their second place in region, Stratford was invited to compete in the State competition. The Stratford team placed third in the A School Category at the State meet.

The team members are seniors Wayne Stacy, Trenton Borth, and Beny Shuping, and Juniors Laquita Vaughn, Heather Husmann, Scott Asher and Jeb Brotherton.

The JETS competition also includes an individual category where students can compete as individuals in any one discipline. Competing as individualst at the state meet were Emily Graham in English, Shannon Norris in Chemistry and Mathematics, and Greg Vandiver in Mathematics.

The individual competition was statewide for all schools regardless of enrollment.

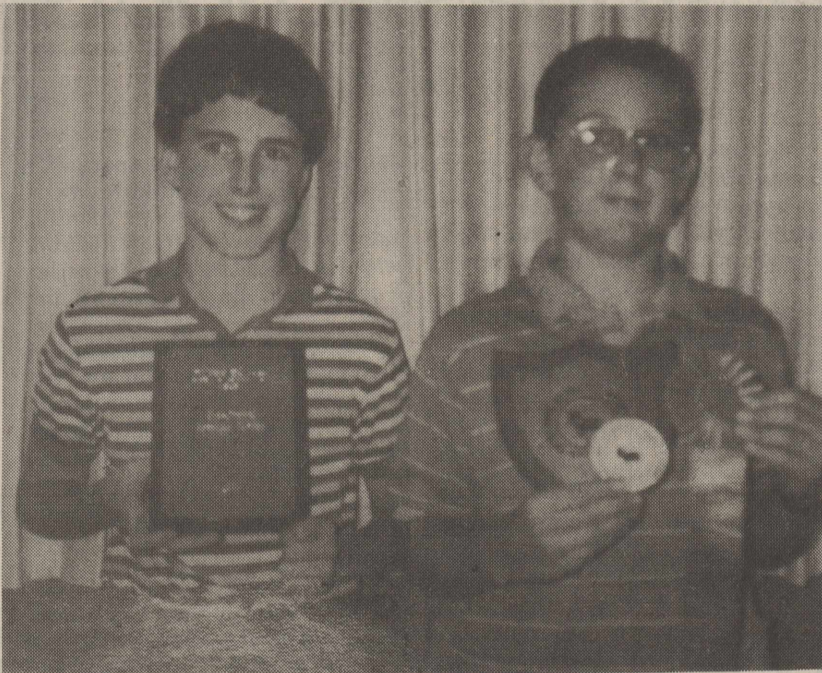
The sponsors for the Jets team are Linda Young and Cagle Kendrick.



Student of the Week



Student of the week for week of April 22, 1991 was Anthony Lucero by Rinda Allison, hard worker; pleasant attitude. Susan Dewees by Lynda Hauser, quiet, mannerly, gets the job done. Jessica Bryson by Linda Swain, good attitude, enjoyable in class. Scott Bower by Terria Teig, a cheerful young man. Misty Bruns by Barbara Haile, very honest, I appreciate it! Jeffrey Mercer by Mike Brownlee, an excellent student with a super attitude. Keely Naugle by Dwayne Plunk, humorous; mannerly, pleasant. Wendy Palmer by Sonja Kendrick by working to do a good job in computer. Cara Lavake by Mendi White, hard working student, fun in class and Cheryl Beattie by Betty Ingham, a good clarinet sound.



Shown above is Davy Brown and T.D. Baskin, members of the 4-H Shooting Team. T.D. Baskin was named the Number 1 Shooter in his age group in the state. Davy placed 5th in the State. David Brown is the leader of the group. The team competed Saturday in Amarillo and placed 3rd in District. Members of the team are Hillary Baskin, T.D. Baskin, Paul Brown, Davy Brown, Garret Macias, Ty Young, Lori Young and Patrick Pronger. Patrick also received a plaque for alternate. The Livestock Judging team placed 5th Saturday in Amarillo. It consists of Clay Wheeler, who also placed 3rd- Individual swine judging, Ryan Swain, Chris Haynes and Kyle Ellison



Shown above is Alvin Harris and Bevin Avent seated with T. Young from Amarillo. Some of the local folks in Kerrick may be appearing in a Canada Dry Commercial. Miss Young was taking pictures at Susannah's Saturday night in Kerrick. Filming is slated to be April 30-May 6 by a production company based in London, England. Understand they will be contacting the persons by phone that they want to use in the commercial this week.

1st Registered Trap Shoot

Forty six shooters braved the north winds Sunday at Stratford Gun Club for the first registered trapshoot of the year. Don Honea from Amarillo was the high overall winner, firing a 257x300 in the three events. Other results were: 16 yard singles-Class AA Bill Nix-99 A-Jon Fugel-96 B-Gene Rogers-93 C-Larry Bishop-85 D-Ralph Compton-75 Women-Lula

Colc-80. Handicap-Short yardage Jody Stone-78 Mid-Alan Mounts-91 Long-Leon Payne-77. Doubles-Class AA Don Honea-85 A-Odell Webb-87 B-Leon Payne-87 C-Alan Mounts-75 D-Ralph Compton. Thanks to Mary Hill for the beautiful paintings donated and to Canyon Exploration for the trophies. Thanks also to all the shooters who came out and participated.

Leadership Seminar

The fourth annual Texas Panhandle Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar was held April 26-28 at the Bishops Quarterman Conference Center in Amarillo. The seminar recognizes the outstanding sophomore students in over 100 area High Schools.

In 1958, Hugh O'Brian inspired by Dr. Albert Schweitzer to establish the Youth Foundation, believing that America's most valuable resource is its youth & the most important thing in education is to make young people think for themselves. Today there are over 84 seminars in 11

countries to recognize the outstanding sophomore students and to bring them together with community and business leaders to discuss present and future issues, using an informal question and answer format. Media, agriculture, medicine, volunteerism and politics are examples of the areas in which students will face a panel of professionals in their respective fields and have the chance to share one-on-one

critical and current issues, insights to their professions, and ideas often not learned from a book. The outstanding sophomore student from Stratford High School attending was Alberto Aquilera. In addition to interacting with panelists, the seminars goals are to provide the opportunity to explore America's incentive system and our democratic process and to recognize leadership potential in high school sophomores.

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Tips & Topics

by Susie Spurlock - County Extension Agent

Part 8 in a series of issues compiled in the Long Range Extension Program 1991-1994.

Environmental issues Solid Waste Management

Issue: The expected high cost of Waste Disposal Systems as proposed by the EPA will be an economic burden to rural county populations. The small populations of rural counties make it economically unfeasible for each county to establish, operate, and maintain an EPA approved disposal unit.

Description of Issue: Solid waste disposal is a major concern for rural counties of Texas but establishment is cost prohibitive.

*Identifying the volume and type of waste generated in our county.
*The population is generating more waste than can be properly disposed of with existing facilities.

*Small populations don't generate adequate revenues to establish, operate and maintain an approved disposal facility.

*Lack of awareness of financial, technical, and environmental considerations necessary for solid waste disposal.

Components of the issue needing improvement/change: *Public awareness of the scope and relative severity of the problems associated with solid waste disposal.

*Local municipal/governmental policies on an integrated waste disposal system.

*Pool human resources in the planning and development of a multi-jurisdiction solid waste disposal system.

*Attempt to involve private enterprise in a waste disposal system.

Long Range Objectives: 1. Family members adopt an attitude that will reduce the amounts of waste generated.

2. Individuals become aware of techniques to reduce and/or recycle solid waste.

3. County/City governments enact waste reduction and/or recycling.

4. Households understand waste separation technology.

5. Households develop strategies for more efficient waste disposal.

6. Community leaders develop a long range plan for a solid waste system.

7. Policy makers develop leadership skills in the area of solid waste disposal.

Accountability Indicators:

1. Reduce overall waste generated in Sherman County.
2. Increased source separation and recycling of solid waste.
3. Adoption of recommended practices that will reduce generation of solid waste.
4. Implementation of integrated waste management practices.
5. Increased interest in solid waste disposal system.

Essay Winners Cont. From Page 4

Stratford. He has not decided on the college he will attend.

\$100.00 Scholarship Miss Sherri Wieck, Junior at Hartley High school. Sherri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Wieck of Hartley. She plans to attend either West Texas State University

in Canyon, Texas or Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas when she graduates in 1992.

The North Plains Groundwater Conservation District wishes these young people much success in their educational endeavors.



County Agent

by Jim Allison

Problems with aflatoxin, birds, insects and rodents at grain storage facilities will be addressed during the Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop here May 9th.

This educational program to update grain elevator employees is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Tri-State Chapter of the Grain Elevator and Processing Society. It will be from 8 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. at the Texas A & M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West.

The workshop has been accredited by the Texas Department of Agriculture for five continuing education units, the annual requirement for licensed commercial or noncommercial pesticide applicators. Application also has been made with the Texas Structural Pest Control Board to accredit part of the workshop for its licensing requirements.

The workshop will open with an overview by Dr. W. Pat Morrison, Extension service entomologist at Lubbock. Problems and management of

aflatoxin will be discussed by Dr. Wendell Horne, extension program leader for plant pathology and microbiology, College Station.

Rodent control in and around commercial grain storage facilities will be the topic of Gene Meester with the Presto-X Co., Omaha. Legal requirements, safety equipment and record keeping for fumigation will be covered by Dr. Jim Criswell, entomologist and pesticide coordinator at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Okla.

Fred Norwood, of Norwood and Associates, Salina, Kan., frequent speaker of GEAPS workshops across the country, will cover fumigation of tunnels, galleries and bin tops. Control of birds will be discussed by Kelly Swindle, president of Avitrol Corp., Tulsa.

Registration for the workshops is \$254. Advance registration will enable early preparation of CEU material, said Dr. Carl Patrick, Extension service entomologist and workshop arrangements chairman. Registration may be made by calling or write Patrick at the Texas A & M Center here.



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BID NOTICE

Stratford Independent School District, Stratford, Texas is accepting bids for the following items: Athletic supplies, gasoline, insurance, teaching supplies, computer supplies, custodial supplies, cafeteria supplies—produce, milk, bread, canned fruit, canned vegetables, meat, miscellaneous grocery items.

Sealed bids must be received by 4:00 p.m. on May 8, 1991 at the Superintendents Office of the Stratford Independent School District, P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084. Bids received after the stated time will not be considered.

All bids shall be submitted in an envelope clearly marked in the lower left corner "Sealed Bid" along with the time and date of opening.

Stratford Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, and to waive formalities.

Specifications are available from the office of the School Superintendent, Stratford

Independent School District, P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084.

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Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District is now taking bids on a new roof for the High school, jr. High wing and the Shop area of the Ag. building. Specifications for the job may be obtained in the office of the Superintendent, Stratford ISD P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Bids will be accepted by the Board no later than 4:00 p.m. May 9, 1991. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Steve Dettle, President,
Board of Trustees

Published in the Stratford Star, Thursday, April 25, 1991 and Thursday, May 2, 1991.

ENTERTAINING IDEAS

Inexpensive Birthday Celebrations

In today's difficult economic climate, family budgets are tighter than ever. But tough times shouldn't prevent you from celebrating family birthdays. After all, birthdays only come once a year and are a "special" day in one's life. Celebrating a birthday doesn't have to cost a lot of money and can be fun for the entire family. There are many things to do that are free and they aren't difficult to find. Following are some free birthday celebration ideas:

*Spend the day at the park and have a picnic lunch. This seemingly ordinary suggestion can become a real adventure if you use some

imagination. Try to find a park with skate or bike rentals. And remember, during the summer months, many parks have festivals and concerts for the entire family to enjoy. A cookout at the park can be fun, too.

*Go to a museum—who says that birthdays can't be cultural and fun? But don't limit yourself to art museums. Most cities offer many other types of exhibits such as science, history, baseball, rock 'n roll, etc. Check the arts and entertainment section of your local paper for special exhibitions as well.

*Take a family bicycle ride, exploring areas you have never seen

before. Choose a route that is unfamiliar to the family so that it will be a real adventure. Try contacting the local parks and recreation de-



partment to get a map of bike routes in your area. It's exciting to see new places, plus it's great exercise too!
*Make popcorn and watch family movies and slides. A family film festival is a novel addition to a stay-at-home celebration and it helps build family history and tradition

too. You might even consider a family version of "This is Your Life," complete with friends and relatives from the past.

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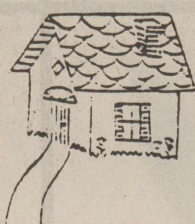
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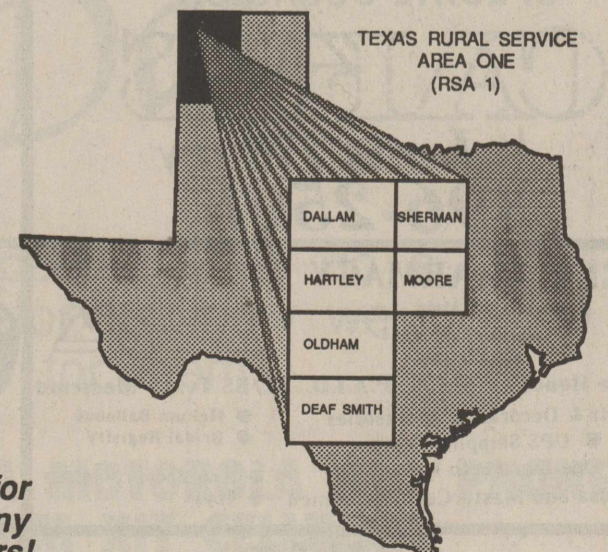
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6-27-p

I will trim or remove trees, rake and haul yard trash, trim and mow lawns. I repair chain saws, and sharpen chain saw chains. Contact J.D. Smith 402 S. Maple, 396-2572.
5-16-c

Office Cleaning Service
References Available
396-2508
3-7-tfn

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Lost: 3 heifers, 625 pounds. H. on Right Hip. Call 727-4455 Call Collect.
5-9-c

Lost-small boy has lost dog, red miniature Dachshund, answers to Oscar, 396-2092 mornings or 396-2209 afternoons.
Letters Cont. From Page 8 moved to Amarillo.

I hope not only the city council members, county commissioners, chamber of commerces and school board members but each of you will act as a public watch dog to make sure this plant is NOT moved to Amarillo.

My hope is that this area continues to be a good and safe place to live for generations to come.

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Marty Bain 396-2053 Pat Johnson 396-2243
Tom Ferguson, Broker

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

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2-28-tfn

House for sale or rent, 3 bedroom, \$15,000. 919 N. 3rd. Call 396-2395 or 935-7703.
5-23-p

House for sale: 3 bedroom, 2 baths, carpeted, all appliances included, attached garage and 20 x 20 storage building. Call 396-2515.
5-9-p

Very Nice 4 Bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, small basement, fenced backyard. Close to schools. 1215 N. Putnam. Call 396-2230 or 806-753-4437.
4-25-tfn

3 bedroom, large kitchen and living room, 1 bath, utility room and basement, needs paint and some repair. 414 North Poplar. Call Janis Tillery to see 396-2508.
5-2-tfn

Garage Sales

Hines Garage sale-57 varieties. A real clean out- clearance. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sat., May 4th South Main and 1st, V.O. Storage #5.
5-2-p

2 family garage sale-kitchen, items, built-in oven and dishwasher, clothes, curtains, toys and treasures. 1309 N. Chestnut-Saturday, May 4th 8:00 a.m. to ?.
5-2-p

Garage Sale: Sat. May 4th 9:00 to 5:00 North 5th and Wall. Lots of items.
5-2-p

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2-22-tfn

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

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

For Rent: 1 building for storage, 202 Poplar 396-2181.
4-18-c

House For Rent: 3 bedroom, 401 N. 5th. Call Bill Riffe at 396-5541 or 396-5692.
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Postal Pointers

Beware of Home Improvement Fraud!

by Ann McK. Robinson, Consumer Advocate, United States Postal Service

Home repairs and improvements can be costly--so watch out if somebody mails you a brochure offering to do an expensive job for an unusually low price--or to make a free inspection of your home.

Experts at the U.S. Postal Service point out that these are the favorite tricks of dishonest home repair firms. Some offer a price you just can't resist. Once you sign the contract you learn why--they never deliver the service.

Free inspections usually turn up plenty of expensive repairs you don't need. Some shady companies will offer to do the work on the spot. When they leave, you may be left with a large bill and faulty repair job.

Some of these same selling techniques are also used by honest business people. That's why it's sometimes very difficult to separate the bad buys from the good buys.

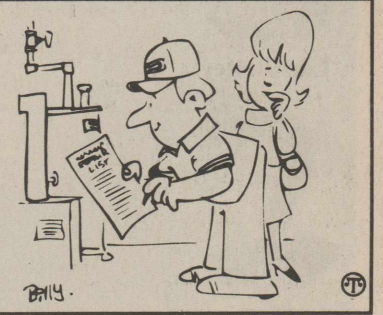
Use These Precautions:
*Always get several estimates for every repair job and compare prices and terms. Check to see if there's a charge for estimates.
*Ask your friends for recommendations--or ask the firm for refer-

Lifeguard position at the Stratford Country Club. Must be 18 years of age and certified Lifeguard. Contact Gayland Vandiver or Gaynelle Riffe.
5-2-c

Wanted
Wanted: Rock Polisher, Call at nights, 806-827-7508
5-9-c


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

Watch out for "free inspection" offers. They may turn up repairs you don't need.



ences--and check them.
*Contact your local Consumer Affairs Office or Better Business Bureau to check out the company's reputation before you authorize any work.
*Pay with a check or money order--never with cash. Arrange to make payments in installments--one third at the beginning of a job, one third when the work is nearly completed and one third after the job is done.
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Texhoma High School Announces Valedictorian and Salutatorian For Senior Class of 1991



Kelly Chesnut



Misty Ellis

Texhoma High School would like to announce the following students as Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the senior class of 1991. Graduation is scheduled for May 20 at 8:00, and Baccalaureate is scheduled for May 19th at 8:00. Both events will be held in the Texhoma High School Auditorium.

Kelly Chesnut has been named Valedictorian of her senior class at Texhoma High School. Kelly has maintained a 4.0 grade point average through her first seven semesters of high school. She has been active in music for three years. She 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. Kelly is a member of the James Church of God. She is currently serving as the Vice President of the National

Honor Society. Kelly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Chesnut of Texhoma. Her grandparents are Larry Putman of Burlingame, California and Judy Chesnut of Marlow, Oklahoma. Kelly is planning to attend college at Panhandle State University and major in business education.

Misty Ellis has been named Salutatorian of her senior class at Texhoma High School. Misty has maintained a 3.89 grade point average through the first 7 seven semesters of high school. Misty 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. Misty is currently serving as the president of the National Honor Society. Misty has been the drum major for the Texhoma band for 3 years, basketball manager for 2 years, and am member of 4-H for 7 years. Misty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Ellis. Her grandparent is Nellie Thrasher of Texhoma. Misty attends the First Christian Church in Texhoma, Oklahoma. Misty plans to attend West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas and major in English Education.



Letters To The Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY FOR PUBLICATION: All letters will be accepted, provided they are not anonymous and a bonafide address is given. We will not print statements that are obscene or libelous per se. This paper assumes no responsibility for content and all views are strictly the views of the writer. Copies of letters which have been submitted to other newspapers will receive a low priority for publication. The newspaper reserves the right to edit letters with respect to length or potentially libelous material.

Dear Editor:

I am very concerned about the recent actions of the area city councils, chambers, county commissioners, and school board to support a resolution that favors the expansion of the Pantex plant in Amarillo.

I am hoping that the members of these boards did their homework and informed themselves about the function of the plutonium plant at Rocky Flats, Colorado (17 miles from Denver), and why this plant is being moved.

FUNCTIONS OF THE ROCKY FLATS, COLO. PLANT:

1. The plant makes triggers for atomic bombs from plutonium, a radioactive material that is notoriously treacherous to handle, prone to spontaneous combustion and so potent that lethal lung doses are measured in the billionth of a gram. One billionth of a particle is all a human has to inhale for it to be lethal.

2. Plutonium oxidizes readily on contact with oxygen, especially if it is in fine pieces or shavings, which occurs when being made into precisely designed triggers. There has been hundreds of small fires and two major blazes that have involved significant radioactive releases at Rocky Flats. Technology is not available to filter out the finest particles of plutonium from the air, so there is an ever present danger of inhaling even a single molecule which is lethal to a human's lung.

3. Hundreds of barrels of radioactive waste were produced every month at Rocky Flats. There is no permanent storage for the waste at this time.

The plant is being moved for ONE MAJOR REASON: SAFETY. After many years of accidents from trying to prove the plant's safety, the Department of Energy (D.O.E.) finally conceded and the plant was closed in Dec. 1989 because of safety concerns and severe contamination. The soil is contaminated as far as 9 miles from the plant and toxic wastes have leaked into the ground water. The General Accounting office in Washington, D.C. says Rocky Flats is it's "worst environmental mess."

Quantities of waste have been mishandled and hundreds of drums filled with plutonium contaminated oil have been stacked, leaking most of the time. It is estimated that 86 grams of plutonium were lost from the drums, enough to give lung cancer

Many of these facts were discovered in a law suit filed against the plant by a nearby land owner in 1985. At the same time, the plant managers were saying that everything was fine and safe.

At the present time, the "TIGER team" of the Department of Energy has revealed that Pantex is contaminated 292 feet down because of solvents that were put in an unlined pit up until 1980. This in itself is very alarming to me.

These are all FACTS, which are not easily found because all the inner workings of weapons plants are closely guarded secrets. At the present, there is no technology available to operate the plutonium plant safely without contamination. Pantex could become a WASTE DUMP, by default because there is no place for this waste to go. We just finished fighting this issue in Deaf Smith County.

The Department of Energy has to answer to NO ONE. There credibility is ZERO, everyone who has ever dealt with the D.O.E. knows this. Safe, sound and proven technology has to be developed BEFORE this plant is

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TEXHOMA SENIORS '91

CLASS COLORS: HOT PINK & LIME GREEN

LET'S SHOW THE TITC BLUE WE SAW THE PLANTIC NICKEL.

 Steve Baird	 Mel Yates	 Clint Hass	 Josh Freeman	 Jess Skelton	 Jake Curtis	 Ron Murphey	 Voncille Hale
 Lori Bailey	 Jamie Beasley	 Kelly Chesnut	 Julia Baugh	 Janet Chacon	 Casey Curtis		
 Misty Ellis	 Jenny Flanagan	 Natasha Hollis	 Claudia Levario	 Danna Montoya	 America Ortega	 Jason Smith	

PSU Men's Rodeo Team Remains Strong

The PSU Men's Rodeo Team remained strong to win their home rodeo with 275 points, boosting their total points to 2210. The second place team is Ft. Scott with 1097 points, and Southwestern sits third with 1077.

Rodeo Club Advisor Dr. Lynn Gardner said, "We put on a good rodeo and PSU did pretty well. The men won the team trophy, and the women were second."

Tyrone Crouch, a senior from Leoti, KS, made a strong showing in the Bareback by winning the first and second go, plus the average. He still leads the Men's All Around with 505 points. Tommy Thompson, a Natrona, WY, senior, placed second in the bareback average.

PSU has dominated the Saddle Bronc riding this year, and this rodeo was no exception with Cory Hughes, a senior from Burwell, NE., winning the average; Justin Lane, a Stratford, Texas senior, placing second; and Brett Crowser, junior from Whitewood, SD, splitting third and fourth place in the average.

Bret Franks, a junior from Guymon, Ok., placed second in the bull riding average. Mike Ferguson, a junior from Woodlake, NE., was fourth in the calf roping; and Shane Goad, a Briscoe, Texas, freshman and his roping partner, Justin Johnson, from Northwestern placed fourth in the team roping.

Tara Clark, a junior from Helena, Mt, made a very swift run in the first go of the goat tying, but ended up third in the average. Kelly McCloy, a freshman from Morse, Texas was second in the average in the breakaway roping.

Coach Gardner also added, "The entire team is planning and

need to have a great showing this weekend at Garden City, Ks., the women need to hold on to their second place spot in the region to be able to take their team to the college national finals. The men just need to keep having good rodeos to remain strong through the college national finals at Bozeman, MT., in June."

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