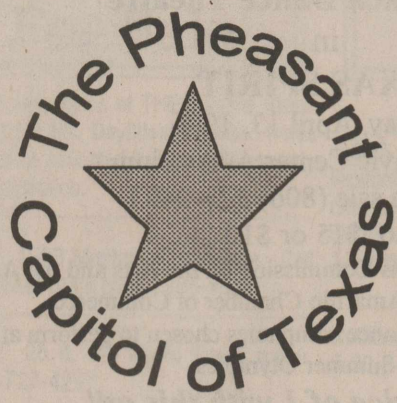


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We only had 1 response to last week's trivia and it was from a 9 yr. old! Maybe this one will be easier!! Trivia Question this week - What does a cowboy wear to protect his legs from scratches?



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## Prom Pictures May Be Ordered

8th Prom pictures may be ordered at Middle School until 3 p.m. April 15th. High School prom pictures may be ordered from cafeteria hall trophy cases. No late orders.

## Adopt-A-Hiway Sherman Co. 4-H

Notice: All members of Sherman County 4-H are asked to participate in the community service project, Adopt-A-Hiway on Friday, April 12th. Please meet at the County Extension office at 9:00 a.m. and wear long pants, closed toe shoes, and bring gloves for this activity. Parents are also invited to assist with this project.

## PTA Scholastic Book Fair

PTA Scholastic Book Fair at the Mary Allen Elementary will be held April 15th-April 19th, Library Week 7:45 a.m. till 8:30 in the mornings and 3:15 to 4:15 in the afternoon. Anyone interested in purchasing a book and donating to the Mary Allen Library, please stop by.

## Time For Kindergarten Swimming

First week of Spring, can summer be far behind? Time for Kindergarten Swimming. Volunteers are needed the first 2 weeks of May. Needed: Swimmers, dressers, substitutes, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 1:00 to 3:00. Please contact Mr. Jim Bob Brown, elementary school.

## Attention-Trees Available For Windbreaks

ATTENTION: Seedling hardwood and evergreen trees are in at the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District office. These seedlings can be used in windbreak plantings as well as home landscape practices. Evergreens are \$2.00 each and hardwoods are 65 cents each. Stop by soon for the best selection.

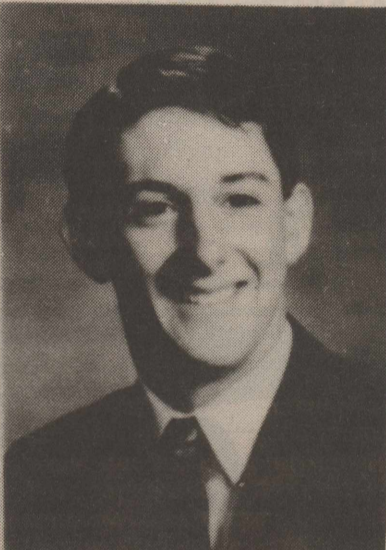
## City Has Reopened Area For Grass Clippings

The City of Stratford has reopened an area near the landfill for grass clippings. This area is just to the right of the chain gate, and will be open 24 hours a day. Please-Grass clippings only--no tree limbs, trash, plastic bags, etc--just grass clippings. Everyone is urged to dispose of their grass clippings at this site, and help reduce the amount of trash that is filling up our landfill.

## Rainfall as Reported by Bill Ross April 5, 1995

Aug. 95- 1.27  
Sept. 95- .84  
Oct. 95- None  
Nov. 95- None  
Dec. 95- .52  
Jan. 96- None  
Feb. 96- None  
March 96- None  
2.63

## Baskin To Be Honored As DAR Good Citizen



T.D. Baskin

The 1996 DAR Good Citizens from seven area high schools will be honored Sunday, April 14, at the Dallam-Hartley XIT Museum, 108 East 5th Street in Dalhart. The Museum will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. for visitors wishing to see the exhibits, with the program beginning at 3 o'clock.

The students are sponsored by the Molino de Viento Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The honorees were selected by their respective schools in the Fall of 1995. Selection is based on Dependability, Leadership,

## Local Director Attends Public Hearing In Austin

Lorie Vincent, Executive Director of the Sherman County Development Committee, attended the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Public Hearing on the 1996 Tax Credit Program Rule changes on April 1st. Lorie was joined in Austin by Winston Sullivan, developer for the Stratford Seniors Community, LP. The hearing addressed many changes proposed to the existing program. All speakers were given the opportunity to address the committee for five minutes. Ms. Vincent made a presentation on behalf of the Stratford Seniors Community, LP, a proposed 24 unit apartment complex for senior citizens. An application for tax credits was made in the fall and did not make the allocation round due to the point status. The application is being updated, revamped, and improved to be ready for the next allocation round. Tax credits for the developer and investors are necessary to keep the housing affordable for our residents.

While in Austin, Ms. Vincent met representatives of the Public Utilities Commission concerning the status of improvements to our GTE service and equipment, and also to review the status of our Extended Local Service Petition.

Lorie Wrapped up the trip by making visits to the offices of our area legislators to discuss these issues. If you have any questions concerning these meetings, please call Lorie at the SCDC office at 396-2897.

Service, and Patriotism.

The DAR Good Citizen from Stratford High School is Tommy Don Baskin son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Baskin.

"T.D." as he is known, has excelled in band and sports while attending Stratford High School. He is presently serving as Vice President of the Band, was Captain of the Varsity Football team and is Captain of the Varsity Basketball team. He made Academic All-District in Football and is serving as Student Council Secretary.

During his Junior year, T.D. was he 4-H Gold Star Award winner and served as Chairman of the Sherman County 4-H Council. He was nominated for Who's Who Among American High School Students and won awards in the sports in which he participated.

Another interest of T.D.'s is the TV Ministry of the First Baptist Church in Stratford. This ministry is to reach shut-ins and the elderly on Sunday mornings.

Because he has a definite patriotic sense, T.D. plans to enter the U.S. Navy following graduation. He is now in the

## Bivins To Deliver Keynote Address at SGS&WCD Banquet

State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, will be in Stratford to deliver the keynote address at the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District annual Stewardship and Awards Banquet.

The banquet is scheduled to begin at noon on Thursday, April 18, in the Sherman County Barn, located east of Highway 287 behind the Stratford Butane building.

Bivins will address such legislative accomplishments as private property rights, trucking deregulation and tort reform. He will also touch on an issue gaining attention for the next legislative session--tax reform.

After his address, Bivins will assist in presenting awards to Sherman County's Farmer of the Year and Homemaker of the Year.



The Great Texas  
Trash-Off  
April 13, 1996

Delayed Enlistment Program for the Navy. He plans to study in the navy's Nuclear Power Program in Orlando, Florida hoping to become an officer through a ROTC scholarship or through appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Jim Allison, County Extension Agent in Sherman County, states that his work with T.D. in the 4-H program has shown his outstanding leadership ability and indicated that T.D. has a true Christian witness in his daily life.

Other SHS DAR good Citizens have been: Oscar Baeza, Hollie Husmann, Kendall Bonds, Scott Asher, Beny Shuping, Loyd Willard, Cindy McMurry, Gary Clements, Eddie Williams, Kathy Durham, Berry Summerour, Brent Holman and Janet Pleyer.

Other area Good Citizens chosen are Nicole Bowers-Dalhart; Kimberly Bowman-Dumas; Brenda Browning-Texline; Deete Cates-Hartley; Haley Crowe-Sunray; and Reagan Schweitzer-Channing.

The public is cordially invited to help honor these outstanding high school students.

## Hazardous Materials Training To Be Offered

The Sherman County Emergency Management Office will be providing hazardous materials training for public sector emergency responders June 11-15, 1996. Classes will be taught by Gary Whitman from the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Steve Mason from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The First Responder Awareness class will be offered June 11 and 12 from 6:00-10:00 p.m. First Responder Operations class will be offered June 13-14 from 6:00-10:00 p.m. and June 15 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

The First Responder Awareness class is designed for individuals who are likely to witness or discover a hazardous substance release. They are trained to initiate an emergency response sequence, evacuate/cordon the area, and implement the incident command system. The First responder Operations class is for individuals who respond to releases or potential releases of hazardous substances as part of the initial response to the site. They respond in a defensive fashion without actually trying to stop the release (without coming in contact with the hazardous material). Both classes meet OSHA, EPA and NFPA standards. Both courses are eligible for educational and continuing education credit with the following agencies: Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education (TCLEOSE), Texas Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education, Texas Department of Health, Division of Emergency Medical Services.

If you are interested or have any questions, please call Sandy Baskin, the Sherman County Emergency Management Coordinator, at 396-2021 or come by the office located in the Sherman County Judge's Office at the courthouse. Registration is free but limited to fifty students.



## Proclamation Signed

Shown above, County Judge Bill Fesler signs a Proclamation on Wednesday, April 3, 1996 declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Shown with Judge Fesler are members of the Sherman County Child Welfare Board from left: Laura Dahl and Patsy Harland from Texhoma, Kathie Altman, Arlene Baker and Viola Kautz. Not pictured Jerry Stewart and Mike Colwell.



## On Your Mark-Get Set-Go!!!!

Shown above getting lined up for their big Easter Egg hunt at Mary Allen were the Kindergarten class and their guests of the Pre-Kindergarten class. There were 54 Kindergarten students and 34 Pre-Kindergarten students who enjoyed the hunt on Thursday, April 4, 1996.

**Dear Readers**  
By Marty

Hope everyone had a Happy Easter. Cannot believe there is only six weeks of school left. I think it has flown by, but imagine some kids think it has crawled along.

Good luck to the High school and Junior high band at concert contest.

Spring has finally sprung, grass is greening, flowers popping up, wind is blowing. Temperatures are suppose to be in the 70's, and 80's this week. Makes you want to get outside.

Our local and area fireman had a busy Easter. Fire destroyed several acres of CRP land-again. Glad no houses were destroyed. We will have more information in next weeks paper. This may be a long year without any moisture on the horizon. As you can tell by Bill Ross report on the front page, moisture has been pretty scarce for a long time.

**More Than 130,000 Declare War On Litter April 13**

It's an all-out war against litter; on Saturday, April 13, 130,000 Adopt-a-Highway and Keep Texas Beautiful volunteers will lash out against litter, cleaning state and county roads, city streets and parks in the eleventh annual "Great Texas Trash-off". Part of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT's) "Don't Mess with Texas: antilitter campaign, the Trash-Off is one of the nation's largest one-day cleanups.

More than 2,000 Adopt-a-Highway groups—including four in Sherman county—will rid state roads of litter, while Keep Texas Beautiful groups in 84 communities will be sprucing up city streets, county roads and parks. Groups such as Sherman County Juvenile Probation, Sherman County 4-H, Stratford Fire Department Auxiliary, and Stratford Lions Club expect to pick up 7.25 million gallons of litter statewide.

According to Doris Howdeshell, director of TxDOT's Travel and Information Division, the combined effort of the Great Texas Trash-Off, Don't Mess with Texas and Adopt-a-Highway has changed behavior about littering and reduced the amount of litter on Texas roads. These antilitter programs also save the state between \$2 and \$4 million a year in litter pickup expenditures.

TxDOT's grassroots partner, Keep Texas Beautiful is a non-profit, environmental umbrella group consisting of a network of private citizens, communities industries, civic groups, schools and government agencies.

**4-H News**

The Younger Texans 4-H Club will meet on Friday, April 12 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Extension Office. The club will participate in the community service project, Adopt-A-Hiway. All members are asked to wear long pants, closed toe shoes, and bring gloves. The project will take approximately 2 to 2 and one-half hours to complete and members will return to Stratford in plenty of time to attend various other activities that afternoon.

All members are encouraged to attend.

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**Obituaries**

Mildred Adams Carroll

Dona Hazel Brite

Mildred Adams Carroll, 95 died Thursday, April 4, 1996.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Friday April 5th in Stratford Cemetery with the Rev. Mark Metzger, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home of Texhoma, Okla.

Mrs. Carroll was born Dec. 4, 1900 in Raleigh, N.C. She lived in Miami, Fla., from 1926 to 1958, when she returned to Raleigh. She moved to Stratford in 1975. She was an accomplished artist and restored antiques for 20 years at Coral Gables, Fla. She was a member of the Mayflower Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Penwoman's Society and the Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, five sisters, one brother and parents.

Survivors include a son, M.E. Carroll Jr. of Melbourne, Fla.; a daughter, Pat Boren of Kerrick; five grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Memorials may be to Kerrick Community Center.

**Annual Spaghetti Dinner Coming Soon!!!!!!**

On Sunday, April 21st, The Imagination Station will host its annual spaghetti dinner from 12:00 to 2:00 in the County Barn. The menu features spaghetti with a hearty home-made meat sauce, hot garlic bread, and a crisp salad with dressing from the Olive Garden in Amarillo. For dessert there is delicious chocolate cake. Iced tea, water, and coffee are also included. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children age 6 and under.

Tickets are available from any Imagination Station board members at Thriftway, or at the Stratford Grain Co. They will also be available at the County Barn on Sunday, April 21st. See you after church!

Weatherford, Ok.-Funeral services for Dona Hazel Brite, 78 year old former long time Weatherford, Oklahoma resident were held Friday, April 5, 1996 at 3:00 p.m. in "The Chapel" of the Lockstone Funeral Home in Weatherford, Oklahoma with Rev. Ozzie Byrum officiating. Burial was in the Greenwood Cemetery in Weatherford, Oklahoma under the direction of Lockstone Funeral Home of Weatherford.

Dona was born on May 3, 1917, near the Thomas, Oklahoma area to John and Bertha (Smith) Hammons and died Wednesday, April 3, 1996 at the Colonial Village Nursing Center in Grandfield, Oklahoma. She attended the Swan School. On September 30, 1933 in Cordell, Oklahoma she married Glyn Brite and they made their home in Thomas, Oklahoma. In 1940, they moved northeast of Weatherford, Oklahoma where they farmed until 1954. She worked at the T.G. & Y. Store and Foreman's Cleaners until the late 1970's. She retired in Weatherford. She attended the First Baptist Church in Weatherford, Oklahoma. Memorials may be made to the Grandfield Ambulance Service.

Dona is survived by two sons; Sam Brite and his wife, Pat of Stratford, Texas and Darrell Brite and his wife, Sharran of Grandfield, Oklahoma. She is also survived by 4 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren and one sister; Lorna Ewing Heartsill of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her husband, Glyn, her parents, John and Bertha Hammons, and two brothers; Arnold and Otho Hammons.

Towering genius disdains a beaten path. It seeks regions hitherto unexplored.

—Abraham Lincoln

**Across The Fence**

By Debbi & Tana

Container gardening is for everyone! Even the novice can grow beautiful potted plants if they begin with healthy plants and proper soil. A garden is not always a patch of ground in the back yard. Containers, whether wooden, terra-cotta, plastic, metal, or various other planters are like a garden in a box. The convenience of planters means no more bending over to weed. When choosing your container you need to be aware of each planters durability, such as porous terra-cotta planters compared to the glazed Containers. Small plastic and clay pots may require more frequent watering (up to twice a day during the hotter part of the summer) due to evaporation of moisture on the outside surface. Porous pots need to be soaked before potting to rehydrate them and to remove any chemical in their walls. Regardless of the type of container you choose, keeping them clean, and disinfected before replanting is also a good idea to discourage pests and disease in new plants. When preparing a container for planting, always make sure a drainage hole is in the bottom or side of the container; also lining the bottom of your containers with mulch, gravel, or coke cans in larger containers will enhance drainage.

To give plants the best home, consider using soil-less mixes rather than garden soil in your planter. Soil-less mixes are bought ready for use at garden supply stores. It is soil-less in that there is no topsoil. Peat moss and various kinds of chopped bark additions to the potting soil will add organic material for better absorption of water. Not only are these mixes lighter than topsoil, they are sterilized to avoid soil-borne diseases, insect eggs, and weeds.

To ensure good growth, start by adding granular or powder fertilizer to the potting mix. Each type of fertilizer has instructions on the package that should give you the correct amount to add to the soil before planting the container. The brand-name fertilizers are the most widely used, as they are easy and convenient to handle, save time as well as effort, and are ideal for average use. The labels of most fertilizers give the percentage of nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K), showing the relative proportions of each. Most container-grown foliage plants benefit from a fertilizer high in nitrogen, while a combination of potash and nitrogen will suit most flowering plants, improving the quality and texture of the blooms. Never feed plants that are dry without watering them first, and avoid applying fertilizer in strong sun because of the danger of scorching. Always use fertilizer and liquid feed according to manufacturer's directions, and if any concentrated feed is spilt on the plant, wash it off immediately.

Next Week..Plants suitable for containers and planting guides for containers.

\*Plant Sale Changed to April 26-27-28.

**Check Out The Library**  
By Dorothy Haile

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Juvenile readers who like to read about "real live" snakes will be interested in the "Fangs! Series". These vividly illustrated and easy to read books will give the reader quick information about the following: Cottonmouths; Cobras; Copperheads; Rattlesnakes; Vipers; and Boas, Pythons, and Anacondas.

Timothy Miller, PH.D. is a clinical psychologist with a full-time private practice in California. He has worked in the state correctional system, the child protection system, the criminal justice system and in psychiatric hospitals. How To Want What You Have gives insight into discovering the magic and grandeur of ordinary existence.

Postpartum Survival Guide, written by two doctors, provides an important resource for expectant and new mothers.

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**Timi's Tidbits**  
By Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Old Timers and Readers this inviting Monday A.M. April 8, 1996. Inviting? The air is just crisp enough to cause folks to get out doors to walk, garden or just to observe the world in general and just to be glad to be alive and happy. The sun has just peeked through the slight overcast of clouds. Someone should write a poem about mornings such as this. How about it, Olene?

Easter Services and celebrations, time changes, family members and friends visiting in Stratford helped make yesterday. Easter Sunday-an enjoyable and exciting time. To see former Stratfordite Bell Maynard, Olton, TX and Mike Baskin, Phoenix are among our special joys. To be in the church building with our church members and guests, to hear Karen Blake sing and to worship our risen Savior was our special blessing. Supper with the Hart family was a lovely end to our day according to Scot April calendar the dance on April 6, 1996 at Boise City, Ok. was well attended. Several people from Stratford were present.

The regular calendar reads aerobic, ceramics and pool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Pool on Tuesday and Thursday each week.

The dance this week is at Hugoton, Kansas.

**NO QUILTING YET.**

To out of town readers especially, the Easter pageant at Kenton, Ok. continues each year. Overnight accommodations are available now. A number of members of First Baptist, attended and enjoyed Sunrise services. Sherrydon Keener is at home and Johnnie Vincent is a guest in Coldwater Manor. This good news came from our Methodist church friends.

Opal Bryant is in her own home at 616 N. Chestnut as of Sunday April 7, 1996.

Talking to Mary Peach Smith she feels fine an went to church yesterday. She also said she is recovering her strength slowly but surely.

Old Timers a personal blessings on these beloved people.

Valda & Jackie Burkhalter guest during Easter holidays were her mother Sibyl Jones an her aunt Bell Maynard of Olton, Texas. Bell has returned to Olton her girlhood community from Nowata Oklahoma since the death of her late husband Jerry Maynard. Belle spent some time with her friend Joyce Hart, also.

Mike Baskin of Phoenix, AZ spent Easter holidays with his parents T.F. & Mattie Baskin.

We are told the H.L. Haile's spent Easter in Friona, Texas with the Allen Haile family.

The Duane Pittman's guest during Easter holiday were there son's Doug and Darren, and daughter Christy and Craig Cooper and family.

Ron & Marian & Elizabeth Williams of Plano, Texas spent the Easter holidays at home since Ron is recovering from knee surgery.

With apologies to our Star editor for being late with Tidbits today, we close by reminding our peers to put others first and encourage them with shoulder pats and "luv u".

**School Menu**

Thurs. April 11 - Hamburgers, TT, Lettuce, Pickles, Cinnamon Rolls, Milk.

Fri. April 12 - No School.  
Mon. April 15 - Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans, salad, choc. cake, milk.

Tues. April 16 - Chicken & Noodles, biscuits, carrot sticks, English peas, jello, milk.

Wed. April 17 - Green Chili Casserole, brown beans, corn bread, salad, peaches, milk.

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**ANSWERS**

**FLB Annual Stockholders Meeting**

Dalhart-The Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) of Dalhart will hold its annual stockholders meeting on Thursday, April 11th, at K-Bob's Steak House, Highway 54 in Dalhart. Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m., and a steak dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by a business meeting. Among items of business, stockholders will elect one director for position #3 to the board. Nominees were chosen by the Nominating Committee. President Randy Breiting and Chairman Ronnie Brorman of Dalhart, will bring stockholders up to date on the association's performance in 1995, and plans for 1996.

The 10th Annual Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship Award will be awarded during the evening. The award is named in honor of Burke Bell who served as manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart from 1960-1982.

Individual gifts will be given to those in attendance, along with prizes which shall be awarded by a drawing.

The FLBA of Dalhart provides long-term loans to farmers, ranchers and rural homeowners in Dallam, Hartley, Moore, and Sherman counties. Currently, the association has approximately 342 loans outstanding for approximately \$35,000,000.00.

Officers are located in Dalhart. Association stockholders are encouraged to attend the meeting. For more information, call (806) 249-2616.

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**Deke Latham Memorial College Rodeo**

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**Stratford Residents Named To Southern Nazarene Honor Rolls**

Dr. Don Dunnington, academic vice president at Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Oklahoma, has released the Dean's and President's Honor Roll listings for the 1995 fall semester. In all, 402 students from 28 states and seven countries were named to the SNU honor rolls.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must complete at least 12 credit hours with a 3.4 GPA and no incomplete courses or grades below a "C". Those named to the President's Honor Roll have completed the same requirements while registering a straight-A average (4.0 GPA). They are indicated by an asterisk (\*).

Among those named to SNU's academic honor rolls, two are from the Stratford community, Hazen and Julie Daniels.

\*Hazen Daniels, junior, computer science, son of Philip and Janice Daniels; Julie Daniels, sophomore, nursing, daughter of Philip and Janice Daniels.

Founded in 1899, Southern Nazarene University is the second oldest private four-year liberal arts institution in the State of Oklahoma.

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**First Christian Church**  
10:45 a.m. Matthew 6:5-13  
"The Perfect Prayer"  
6:00 p.m. Influence of the Old Testament in the New Testament

- Assembly of God**  
Rev. Mike Leonard  
921 Fulton  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Super Church 10:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
4:00 Cable Ch. 3 for  
Morning Worship Service  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Youth Service 6:30 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm
- First Christian**  
Rev. David Harker  
5th & Main  
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm
- First United Methodist**  
Rev. Mark Metzger  
520 N. Main  
Sunday School 9:40 am  
Morning Worship 10:50 am  
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm  
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for  
Morning Worship Service
- St. Joseph Catholic**  
Michael Colwell - pastor  
6th & Wall  
Rectory - 5687, Parish Hall - 2298  
No Saturday Mass  
Sunday English Mass 9:00 am  
Sunday CCD 10:00 - 11:00 am  
Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am
- Church of Christ**  
Jon Heatwole  
N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm
- Calvary Baptist**  
Tony Roe  
302 S. Main  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:30 pm
- First Baptist**  
Bro. Jerry Stewart  
702 N. 3rd  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 am  
Church Training 6:00 pm  
Evening Worship 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
- La Mision Bautista**  
Roca De Salvacion  
219 Texas (Hwy 54)  
Domingo-(Sunday)  
Estuela Dominical 9:45 am  
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And so for that word of golden cheer,  
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## Engagement Announced

Mr. Gary Straub, of Alexandria, Virginia, is pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of his daughter, Kimberly Ann Straub to Mr. William Shane Dyess, son of Bill and Glenda Dyess, of Springfield, Virginia. The nuptials will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, the 1st of June, 1996, at Saint Lawrence Catholic Church in Alexandria, Virginia. The bride elect is a 1990 graduate of Edison High School in Alexandria, Virginia. She attended Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. The groom elect is a 1987 graduate of Brownfield High School, Brownfield, Texas. He attended West Texas State University, Canyon, Texas, and San Antonio College, San Antonio, Texas. Shane is the grandson of Mrs. Doris Dyess and the late Mr. Roscoe Dyess of Stratford, Texas.

## Chamber Chatter

By J.A. Lasley

The time has changed. For some folks they are happy, and it might as well be. It takes a few weeks to get in the swing of the time change. Like the speed limit on the highways personally why not let the states choose their time one way or the other. The ones that suffer the most are the children and rearranging hours for eating and sleeping. O' well what is done is done, so be it!

This is the month for we citizens to be reminded over and over it is KEEP STRATFORD BEAUTIFUL. The Stratford middle school 4th grade are way ahead of the hounds. Orlanda Garoutte co-chairman of the Women's Division of the Chamber has reported that she has picked up 8 feet of newspaper at the Middle School and delivered the same to the Recycling Area. You will recall that 10 feet of newspaper saves a tree. Since school was closed Monday, as well as Friday of this past week the newspaper was picked up Thursday morning. It will be picked up on Thursday of this week. If you have newspapers and want to help out with saving a tree and know a fourth grader I am sure they would love to pick up your paper. This is a contest between the two fourth grades.

And as was said last week, as you take that walk or run, take a sack and pick up unsightly trash as you exercise. Pick your time with your club or organization and tidy up an area in this town. It is PRIDE & PRIORITIES-making Stratford neat and clean. If you have time and an area that you want to work in, call the City, Chamber, or the SCDC and they will be most happy to help you in anyway. From the very young to the older this can be a very rewarding time for all. See someone throw trash out, get their attention and ask them to go back and pick it up. We can always help one another. A big thank you to Beta Sigma Phi for painting

the Recycling Bins at the RECYCLING area. By the end of April more work will have been done to the BONAR PARK, giving downtown a really good appearance. Not only the downtown park, but the Imagination Station with their budding trees.

It is a fact, despite the cold that SPRING HAS SPRUNG!!!!

Here is what is going to happen this next week:

Thurs. April 11th: SCOT 1 p.m. pool, AA & Al-Anon at County Barn 8 p.m.

Friday - April 12th: SCOT 1 p.m. pool, ceramics, and quilting, 7 p.m. games, no school/Spearman Track meet.

Sat. April 13th: ACT test here at SHS, Spearman Track meet.

Sun. April 14th: Attend the church of your choice, Coldwater Manor Worship service/First United Methodist Church.

Mon. April 15th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. ceramics, pool, and quilting.

Tues. April 16th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. pool, UIL Band Concert/Boys Ranch High School - GOOD LUCK BIG BLUE BAND.

Wed. April 17th: SCOT Hall 1 p.m. quilting, ceramics & pool - Coldwater Manor Bible Study - Assembly of God, Junior High UIL Band Concert/Boys Ranch - GOOD LUCK JR. HIGH BIG BLUE BAND.

This past week we have had a number of conflicts with important meetings that people would have liked to have attended, yet without having these scheduled on the Community calendar it made it most difficult. If you would please advise the Chamber of dates that you wished to have your meeting on it could help ease conflicts. Thanks and have a good week. Spread laughter, smiles and hugs. It will make your day and possibly someone else's, as well.

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I would rather be the man who bought the Brooklyn Bridge than the man who sold it.  
—Will Rogers

## Prospectus Study Club News

Old Timer King & Queen and three scholarship recipients from the Senior Class were selected April 3 when Prospectus Study Club met at Betty Brown's; D'Lynn Reed, president, conducted the busy session.

Club will donate beef to be auctioned for Lollipop Junction. They will also have a 4th of July food booth at the City celebration. Proceeds from that will go to Depot Museum. Several club members plan to assist in the library Summer Reading program.

Mary Lou Cotney requested that she be placed on the Associate Member List.

Chase Lutes, the very young son of Michelle Lutes, was a guest with his mother.

Co-hostesses Patti Vincent, Linda Swain and Marsha Wright served refreshments to D'Lynn Reed, Tanja Thiessen, Mattie Baskin, Linda Haynes, Elynn Schmidt, Chris McAdams, Karen Riffe, Jimmie Pronger, Marylou McDaniel, ViAnn Reed, Mary W. Wisdom, Linda Keener, Oline Carway, Dorothy Haile, Ronna Jo Riffe.



The winds in a tornado travel at up to 300 mph.

## Week of the Young Child

Week of the Young Child will be April 15, 17, 19, 1996 at the Imagination Station. Monday, April 15 will be "the Body's 5 Senses" Day. Come explore each of the bodies five senses together in a unique way.

Wednesday, April 17 "The Penguins are Coming". Is it a King or a Rockhopper? Do you weigh as much as a Gentoo? Come and see what those Penguins have under their black and white suit.

Friday, April 19 presents "Your Teeth are Showing". Rally around the ole dental chair for an in depth look at... Your teeth! The puppets will be in action for a big time. See you there.

### The Imagination Station

Registration for Week of the Young Child Activities  
April 15, 17, 19, 1996

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
AGE \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITY DAYS: (please circle your choices)

Monday "Body's 5 Senses"	Wednesday "The Penguins are Coming"	Friday "Your Teeth are Showing"
9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
or	or	or
1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.	1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.	1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

A fee of \$1.00 child per session will be charged to cover the cost of materials. Please be sure to dress your children in play clothes; some activities will be messy. Return your completed registration form to The Imagination Station, P.O. Box 1126, Stratford, Texas, 79084 by April 12 th. Week of the Young Child activities are designed for children age 3 to 6.

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"The journey of a thousand leagues, we say, begins with a single step. So, we must never neglect any work of peace that is within our reach, however small."

—Adlai E. Stevenson

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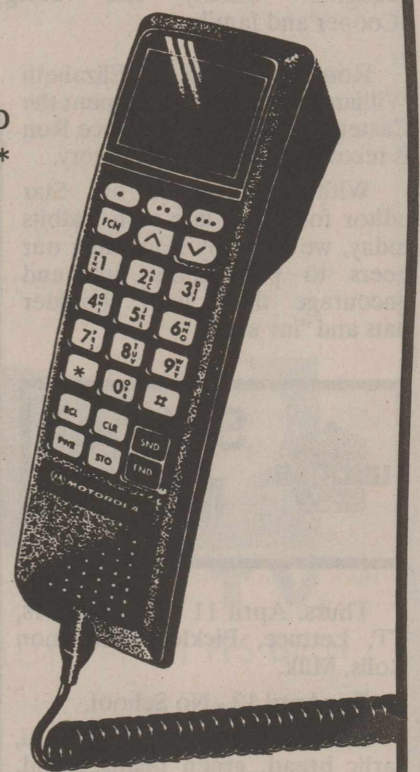
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# Prom Time!!!!!!



Sophomore servers and entertainers for the Junior-Senior Prom bottom row from left: Ashlie Lasley, Jennifer King, Ashley Stoy, Keisha Naugle, Tami Davis and Jessica Sikora. Top from left, Wyatt Young, Mark Meil, Jerry Pool, Justin Starnes, Chris Bell and Oscar Aguilera.

Using the theme, "Always and Forever", Seniors, Juniors and their guests were treated with the 1996 Prom. Michael Meil gave the welcome with a response by Clay Wheeler. Hillary Frank gave the invocation.

The dinner consisted of Mixed Starlight (salad), Northern Lights (brisket), Magical Fluff (twice baked potatoes), Majestic Niblets (corn), Clouds of Delight (rolls), Celestial Dream (cherry cheese cake), Liquid Gold (tea).

"By The Time This Night Is Over." was a skit performed by Sophomore students--Tami Davis, Ashlie Lasley, Jessica Sikora, Jennifer King, Keisha Naugle, Ashley Stoy, Oscar Aguilera, Mark Meil, Justin Starnes, Chris Bell, Jerry Pool and Wyatt Young.

Senior sponsors are Ronna Riffe and Jimmy Lanning. Judy Stoy and Randy Hunsaker are Junior sponsors.

Mary Pat Williams was general chairperson. Others chairpersons were Linda Haynes, Decorations; Gail Hunsaker, Program; Paulette Palmer, Food; Janice Brown, Prom refreshments.

D.J.'s Rhett and Richard Ragsdale provided music in the stars, clouds of balloons watched over the sun and moon.



## One-Act Play Performs

This year's One Act Play cast and crew performed *The Diary of Anne Frank* at the District 1-2A competition in Boys Ranch on March 26, and then gave another performance at the high school auditorium on Thursday the 28th. Top row--Clay Wheeler (Mr. Frank), Ashley Stoy (stage crew), Ronna Riffe (Director), Keisha Naugle (stage crew), and W.G. Lasley (Mr. Kraler). Middle row--Susan Dewees (stage crew), Hillary Frank (Anne Frank), Keely Naugle (Anne's voice), Megan Baskin (Miep), Hillary Baskin (Margot Frank), Sabrina Bonds (Mrs. Frank), and Jessica Sikora (Mrs. Van Daan). Bottom row--Marshall Strifler (Mr. Dussel), Ezra Daniels (Mr. Van Daan, Ty Young (stage crew), and Oscar Aguilera (Peter Van Daan). Hillary Frank received District 1-2A Honorable Mention for her role as Anne Frank and Oscar Aguilera received 1-2A All Star Cast Cast for his role as Peter Van Daan. Congratulations to these two students and to all the members of the cast and crew for an outstanding job.



7th grade servers and entertainers for the 8th grade prom bottom row from left: Ivonne Hernandez, Terra Whetten, Jessica King, Zulema Torres, Thea James, Sara Velasquez, Stephanie Reinart and Kara Brownlee. Top from left: Sid Resendes, Rene Vital, Beau Brown, Aaron Rhoades, Corey Naugle, Edgar Ortega, Will Homfeld and McLain Pool.

Eighth Grade students were entertained the night of March 29 in a setting of stars with the moon and sun and a theme of Always and Forever. A welcome was extended by Jim Taliaferro, Middle School Principal. Melissa Helton gave the invocation.

The menu consisted of Regulus, Betelgeuse, Pluto Surprise, Heavenly Andromeda, Dela Rue, Mare Nectaris, Magellanic Clouds. That really means marinated brisket, baked potato, green beans with bacon, relish tray, four layer dessert and tea.

Reading the class history were Keri Wight and Missy Sikora. Jessica Walton and Cody Hamilton read the class will. David Hunsaker gave the benediction.

"Oh, What a Night!" was based on Entertainment Tonight with take-offs on various t.v. shows and celebrities.

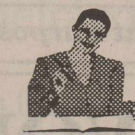
Seventh grade students were servers and entertainers. The girls were Kara Brownlee, Terra Whetten, Sara Valasquez, Stephanie Reinart, Jessica King, Ivonne Hernandez, Thea James and Zulema Torres.

The boys were Aaron Rhoades, Beau Brown, Edgar Ortega, Corey Naugle, Rene Vital, Sid Resendes, Will Homfeld, McLain Pool.

8th grade sponsors are Sonja Kendrick and Keith King.

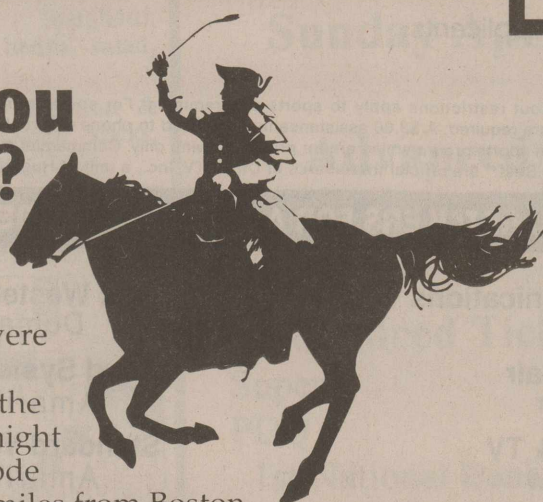
Chairpersons were Kim McCracken, Decorations; Barbie Wight & Kathy Riffe, Program; Jeannie Sikora, Food; Linda Swain, Prom refreshments.

Music was provided by Rhett and Richard Ragsdale, D.J.'s.

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## Did You Know?

At 10:00 p.m. on April 18, 1775, Paul Revere and William Dawes began the famous "Midnight Ride." They rode horseback 18 miles from Boston to Concord, Massachusetts, to warn the colonists that the British were coming.



- Happy Birthday,**  
David, Gary,  
Jerry, Stephanie,  
Brian, Gail, Kristi,  
Scott, Crystal,  
Jordyn, Martin,  
Dana, Kim,  
Meredith, Kevin,  
Ronda, Bill, Brad,  
Bubba, Katie,  
Kayo, Cody &  
John



Prickly preserves, anyone? The saguaro or giant cactus is the largest cactus in the U.S., with fruits that ripen in June. American Indians eat these fruits fresh or as preserve.

# HOROSCOPES

For The Week of April 14-20

## ARIES March 21-April 20

Don't seek to avoid difficulty—you could miss out on a lesson you really need to learn. You're lucky in love, but don't trumpet this news too loudly; someone close to you may be feeling pretty lonesome.

## TAURUS April 21-May 21

Working for a promotion is rewarding, but difficult, so allow yourself to be pampered if you're lucky enough to receive an offer. Romance flourishes as the weather grows balmy.

## GEMINI May 22-June 21

Tension builds at work as a deadline approaches. Put in the extra time and finish ahead of schedule. You'll look good in the eyes of someone whose influence is growing. An enjoyable conversation could lead to some startling insights.

## CANCER June 22-July 22

A crabby person gets the week off to a sour start. Ignore irrational behavior as much as possible. There could be more involved than meets the eye. Invite a third party to participate in an important meeting.

## LEO July 23-August 23

If something's been bothering you lately, try sitting down in a quiet room and thinking your way to the heart of the matter. If you're honest with yourself, you may discover something that will help you improve your mood.

## VIRGO August 24-September 22

Spring cleaning could turn up a host of useless items that have been in storage for a long time. Make plans to clear them out. You'll enjoy having the extra room.

## LIBRA September 23-October 23

An emphasis on values allows you to make a decision you'll be happy with for years to come. Seek advice from someone with experience. Follow the advice of a trusted friend or mate when it comes to your finances.

## SCORPIO October 24-November 22

Your energy knows no bounds, so go ahead and tackle that huge project. If you break it down into smaller chunks, you could ride your wave of enthusiasm for weeks to come. A platonic relationship begins to show romantic undertones.

## SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Although it's tempting to offer unsolicited advice, it may not be productive. Rather, you may have to work on remaining calm and patient while another person fumbles the ball a few times.

## CAPRICORN December 22-January 20

Work towards completing a large assignment early in the week. Conflicts at work could sap your energy towards the weekend, but if you exercise your skills at drawing up compromises, all will not be lost. A gift for your sweetie is in order.

## AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

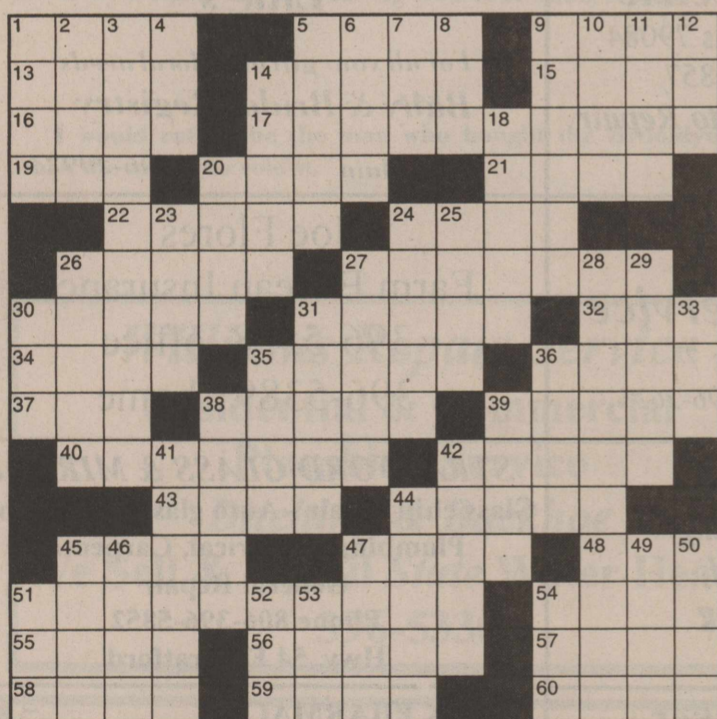
Although it feels as though you're getting nothing done, you're laying the groundwork for an important project coming up soon. Focus on details and get things done right the first time around.

## PISCES February 19-March 20

You may be feeling impulsive this week, so try to lay low and consider your actions before you do anything. A conservative approach works wonders when it comes to your wallet.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

## CROSSWORD 1



### ACROSS

1. Gnathonic one
5. Sell
9. Frontiersman Wyatt
13. Lhasa \_\_\_ (dog breed)
14. Four-door car
15. Strike replacement
16. Captain's assistant
17. Ransom demanders
19. Org. explored by the Mossad
20. Shrewd
21. Go higher
22. Yule songs
24. Stickum
26. Type of wave
27. Flapjack-maker's tool
30. Mammunist
31. Come off in chips
32. Model Carol
34. Scrooge's cries
35. Investigate
36. Forever \_\_\_ day (2 wds.)
37. Exist
38. Cat calls
39. Completed
40. Helps
42. Aaron Neville, e.g.
43. Egad, e.g.

### DOWN

1. Pack down, as tobacco
2. Fall birthstone
3. Flabbergasts
4. She fawns over a fawn
5. Bridal-shop merchandise
6. Author of *Science and Health*
7. \_\_\_ Shan (Chinese mountain range)
8. Watson and Crick's model
9. Spotted
10. Tops
11. Lightly cooked

12. TV network
14. Adroitness
18. Stick-in-the-mud
20. Last
23. Poems of tribute
24. Up for \_\_\_ (available)
25. Similar
26. Regal topper
27. Radiates
28. People with property
29. Church officer
30. Graduate degree (abbr.)
31. Foam
33. Little child
35. Pique provoker
36. \_\_\_ regni
38. '72 convention site
39. Slippery
41. Dirty
42. Uptight
44. Actor Charles
45. Cats' prey
46. *The Faerie Queene* character
47. Show publicly
49. Pagan's statue
50. Gauze weave
51. Gum lump
52. Smog-watching agcy.
53. Gas station's offering
54. Labor gp.

Answers on Page 3

## CATFISH FINGERS WITH DIPPING SAUCES

### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- Salt to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon oregano
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1 egg
- Vegetable oil
- 4 genuine U.S. farm-raised catfish fillets

### Directions:

In a bowl, combine first 4 ingredients. Beat together milk and egg. Cut catfish into thick sticks. Dip sticks into milk mixture, then in cornmeal. Heat oil to 350°F. Fry sticks in small batches, drain. Serve immediately with sauces. Serves 8.

### Sauce suggestions:

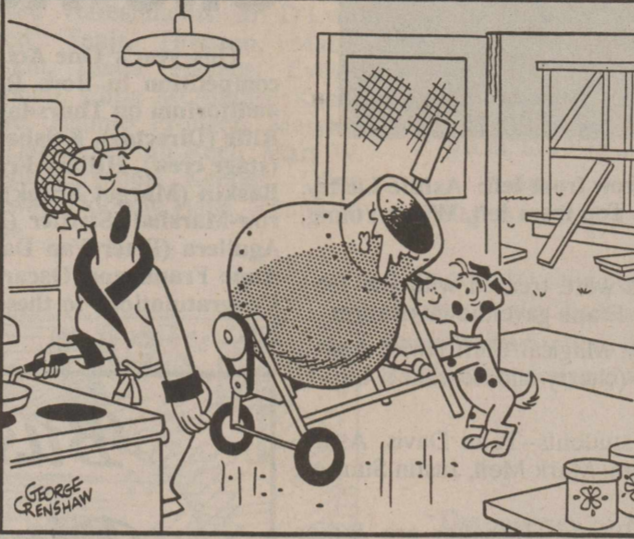
- Herb mayonnaise
- Honey-mustard
- Fresh or commercially prepared salsa
- Melted cheese
- Barbecue sauce

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Humility is the most difficult of all virtues to achieve, nothing dies harder than the desire to think well of oneself.

—T.S. Eliot

## BELVEDERE by George Grenshaw



FOR THE LAST TIME, I'M NOT MAKING YOU HOTCAKES FOR BREAKFAST.

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Human felicity is produced not so much by great pieces of good fortune that seldom happen, as by little advantages that occur every day.

—Benjamin Franklin

## Rollerblade Tips Help You Get Started Safely

(NAPS)—Like any action sport, in-line skating has basic elements that need to be learned. Here are some helpful hints from the experts at Rollerblade, Inc., that will help get you started:

- Wear protective gear. You wouldn't play football without a helmet and padding and you shouldn't in-line skate without wearing a helmet, wrist guards, knee and elbow pads. Protective gear not only enables you to fall more safely, it gives you more confidence when you skate.
- Buckle up. Buckle or lace your skates securely for optimum ankle support.
- Practice. Practice a few important skating skills on grass or carpet to get used to the feel of your in-line skates before you step on the pavement.

Walk around with both toes pointed slightly outward—that's how you push once you're rolling on the pavement.

Practice balancing on one foot at a time. The better your balance becomes, the easier stopping and striding is for you.

- Get rolling. Progress to the pavement and practice your balance before you start rolling: Stand with your feet even, about four to six inches apart, arms slightly in front of yourself, and knees bent so your shins touch the tongues of your skates. Your

weight should be balanced on the balls of your feet.

- Skate smart. Avoid hills and gradual inclines when you're starting out.
- Turning. To do a basic turn, get used to the feel of edging your skates by standing still with your feet a few inches apart, bending your knees and shifting side-to-side using your hips and knees.
- Stopping made easy. Master a stopping technique before you head out to where the action is. Braking includes:

- Rollerblade Active Brake Technology™: offers skaters greater control and stopping power. ABT™ allows skaters to brake while keeping all eight wheels on the ground, making it easier to learn and providing a greater sense of balance when controlling speed on Rollerblade® skates.
- Heel brake: Bend your knees, hold your arms slightly in front of you, tip the toe of your brake foot upward and apply pressure to the brake until you stop.
- Ride the grass: Continue rolling from the pavement right on to the grass. Keep your knees bent, get ready for the change of speed and let yourself roll to a stop.

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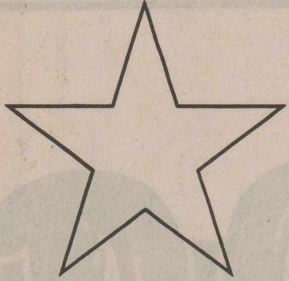
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## For Sale

Spring Flower Bulbs at THE General Store. Choose from Iris, Daylilies, Dahlias, Glads and more in assorted colors. Shop early for best selection.  
4-11-tfn

For Sale: 1993 Mustang Convertible. Call Armita at First State Bank. 396-5521.  
4-4-tfn

For Sale: 26 ft. 5th wheel Travel trailer. Call 806-727-4297.  
4-4-tfn

THE General Store has shower selections for Cheryl Beattie, bride-elect of Coby Galla. Free delivery to the shower on April 20.  
4-4-3xc

For Sale: Suntana Wolff Tanning Bed \$700.00. 16 Bulb New Bulbs Good Condition. Call 806-249-2890 for more information.  
4-11-4xp

Rosebushes just arrived at THE General Store - assorted No. 1 and No. 1 1/2 pre-potted & No. 1 1/2 packaged and Don't Forget to check our April Monthly Specials.  
4-4-tfn

For Sale: 1993 Ford 1/2 T. XL pickup, low mileage, call Armita at First State Bank 806-396-5521.  
2-1-tfn

For Sale: 1988 Regal. See at Brooks Motor or call 396-5684 after 5:00  
2-8-tfn

It's lawn & garden time at THE General Store. We have stepping stones, potting soil, mulch, fertilizers, weed prevention, yard decorations & more!  
4-4-tfn

**Stratford Grain Co.**  
Come see us for your spring salt block needs. \$2.50 per block white salt or sulfur.  
4-4-tfn

Paint Sale at THE General Store through Sat. April 20th - Do It Best premium interior eggshell and flatwall paint.  
4-11-2xc

**NEW AT ELK PHARMACY!**  
**Photo Galaxy Prints - 3" or 4".**  
Prints returned bound in a convenient album. Easy to remove & arrange. Fits into purse or pocket. For Details - Ask Next Time You Have Photo Processing Done at the Elk.  
4-4-4xc

It's not too late to get your crabgrass control from THE General Store. While you're here, check out the monthly specials!  
3-7-tfn

**Debbi and Tana's Annual Bedding Plant Sale - April 26, 27 & 28th Now Taking Orders for Large Orders! List Available at the Elk Pharmacy**

Trees & Shrubs have arrived at THE General Store. Selections include fruit, shade, and ornamental trees, flowering shrubs and arborvitae.  
3-21-tfn

For Sale: 10x50 '63 model 2 Bdr. trailer house. \$2500.00 Call or lv. message at 5960.  
4-11-c

It's time for Stratford's Thrift Store's 25 cent Sale. Help Support Coldwater Manor and have fun shopping. Starting April 18th located on Hwy. 54 1 block North of the Railroad tracks.  
4-11-2xc

Shower selections for Cheryl Beattie, bride-elect of Coby Galla are at Ellie's. Free delivery to the shower.  
4-11-2xc

For Sale: 1995 Grand Am 2 door dark green. Excellent cond. Call 806-384-3806 after 5:30 p.m.  
4-18-c

For Sale: 1989 Lincoln Town Car. Call 396-5905.  
4-11-2xc

## To Give Away

To Give Away: Brown Hound dog, 2 yrs. old - Good With Kids! Have to Give Away! Call Lauri Ewers at 396-2430.  
4-11-p

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The middle of the road is and that's the worst place to drive.  
—Robert Frost

## Services

**For Termite Control Call Leo Russell**  
1-383-7075 Amarillo. Have been working Stratford for 28 years. Have City and State license for the City of Stratford.  
1-12-tfn

Rotilling-Call for appointment. 396-2555.  
5-30-p

## "Independent Insurance Agent"

Life Insurance, Retirement planning, Burial Insurance, Medicare Supplement, Disability Income Insurance  
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The average U.S. household uses 110,000 gallons of water a year.

**Veterans** - You can still qualify for low interest loans on homes and land. For assistance in applying for these and other VA benefits. Contact Max Stephenson CSO at 396-5348.  
4-25-p

## Allen Insurance Agency

Check With Us On Individual Health Plans. We have some new plans with new companies with some good Rates!  
**806-396-5513**

Good clean fun. Need your house clean, windows washed. Call 396-2809.  
10-19-tfn

**K & F Landscaping** From Mowing, Edging & All Your Lawn & Garden Needs To Landscape Design & Construction. Contact Kevin Cotney or Floyd Keener at 5615 or 2236.  
3-28-2xc

"Mighty Clean"  
Dry Cleaning Carpet Service  
\$55.00 any Size 1-Story home  
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Spring Cleaning  
Call Andy Zimmer for all your yard work needs. 396-5849.  
4-4-c

Stanley Home Products Independent Dealer - Bobbie W. 396-5891.  
4-11-2xp

## Wanted

WANTED - LOTS TO MOW. Call Claude Fedric, 396-5992, nights.  
4-4-2xp

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Sherman County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Office presently occupies 2706 net usable square feet of office space at 418 Nth Street in Stratford, Texas. FSA is interested in signing a succeeding lease for this space, but it will consider relocation if economically advantageous to FSA. Anyone interested should call Gary Lundberg at 396-2211 for more information.  
4-11-c

## Lost and Found

Found: A German Shepherd-Australian Shepherd cross. 3 mi. West and 1 mile South of town. Call 727-4638 after 5 p.m.  
4-11-c

## Recycle

(Behind Thriftway)  
**New Hours:**  
Wed. 1-3:00  
Sat. 1-4:00  
Newspapers & Magazines,  
Glass-clear, colored plastic  
milk cartons  
Soft-Drink, tin, aluminum,  
sorted-flattened-rinsed

## Houses For Sale

House Painting or repair. Free estimates, Call Keith King. 396-2047.  
4-4-tfn

House for Sale: 2 story home, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, den, North 3rd & Maple. Call 396-5927 or 396-5831.  
11-9-tfn

Home for Sale: 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, lots of closet space, corner lot, new paint inside and outside, near school. Ready for immediate occupancy. 1002 N. Maple. For appointment call 1-806-935-2853.  
1-11-tfn

House For Sale on 3 corner lots. 3bdrm, 2 bath, large living room. Central heat & air. 6 ft. privacy fence. 219 S. Wall. Contact R.J. Hill. 396-2087.  
2-22-tfn

3 Bdr, 2 bath house for sale: 396-5831 after 5 p.m.  
3-28-4xc

Houses for Sale: 3 BR, Brick home, 1200 sq. ft., 1 1/2 bath, 1 car garage, central heat, equipped with dishwasher stove and refrigerator, close to both schools at 806 N. Fulton. A 3 BR, wood siding, 2000 sq. ft, 1 bath, central heat/air, with basement at 401 N. Wall. Call 806-396-2348.  
4-4-tfn

## Alcohol Anonymous And Al-Anon meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at the County Barn

## Cards of Thanks

Les and I, along with our children, would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of love extended to all of us following the car accident on February 6 (in Amarillo), that Brenda and I were involved in. The hospital visits, the visits to Brenda and Kelly's home during the time I was convalescing there, to all who came to our home here to see us, the cards, flowers, food, and numerous other acts of kindness were so appreciated. But most of all the prayers. What a comfort it was to know that our friends and loved ones at home were holding us in prayer. How blessed we are to be a part of this community, to call Stratford our home.

May God bless each of you,  
Les and Joyce Dodson  
Brenda, Kelly and Mack Forehand  
Dena and Judson Siewert

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Good teaching is one-fourth preparation and three-fourths theater.  
—Gail Goodwin

I would like to thank the following businesses for sponsoring me in the Golden Spread All-Star Basketball Games which were in Amarillo this past weekend; Ellie M's, Elk Pharmacy, Thriftway, the Allen Agency, and Stratford Gym and Health Club. Even though my team, the North, did not win, it was a very rewarding opportunity. Thank you for such a wonderful experience.

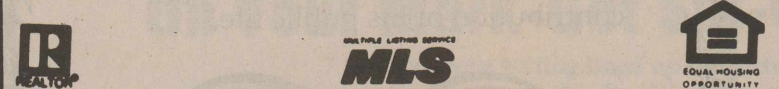
T.D. Baskin

We appreciate and thank everyone who expressed sympathy in any way memorials, cards, calls and food. Our gratitude to the staff of Coldwater Manor for their caring ways while our Mother and Grandmother lived there. Your kindness during her final illness was special. Also special was Marylou McDaniel. She helped me cope.

The family of Mildred Carroll  
Pat & Bill Boren  
Joe Bill & Jennifer Boren  
Kerry & Kelly Carlisle

**Bar-B-Q**  
at  
**The Crossroads II**  
Friday Night  
April 12th

**Sherman County CRP Section**  
**Final Payment - 1996**  
**Needs 1/2 Miler & New Owner**  
Call Keith Waters at  
**1-806-396-5391 Day or 1-806-396-5801 Night**  
or  
**Tom Ferguson in Dumas**  
**1-806-935-7364**



## For Rent

For Rent: One bedroom, furn. apt. 6th and Fulton. 396-5692 night, day 5541 day. 12-21-tfn

Apartment for Rent: All electric, 2 bdrms. Call 396-2462.  
1-11-tfn

Kitchenette for Rent: Lone Star Motel, 396-2316.  
3-14-4xp

## Help Wanted

Drivers Needed! Must be 25 yrs. of age, 3 yrs. exp. and a Class A CDL. We have major medical benefits, off week-ends and holidays. 1-800-435-3836.  
3-14-tfn

The First Methodist Church is seeking a nursery worker. Those interested should call the church at 396-2178.  
3-21-4xc

Nurse Aide Positions are now available at Coldwater Manor. Excellent benefits including health insurance after 90 days. Will provide training for certification. Apply in person at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, Texas. EOE.  
3-21-c

Farm Help Wanted: Experiences/References required. All Summer, week-ends, part-time, flexible hours, bonus. One mile East Stratford on Highway 15. Al Reznik (806) 799-2916.  
4-4-4xc

L.V.N. Position (Night Shift/No Weekends) Available at Coldwater Manor. Excellent Benefits including Health Insurance after 90 days full-time employment. Apply in person at Coldwater Manor, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, Texas 79084 (806) 396-5568. EOE  
4-4-1xc

## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the registered Voters of Stratford, Texas. Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 1996, for voting in a General election, to elect Mayor, 2 councilmen.

Location of polling places Stratford City Hall.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Stratford City Hall, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Teri Meil, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 1996.

Issued this the 16th day of February 1996.

Johnny Garza  
Presiding Officer.

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### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION

To the registered Voters of Stratford, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 4, 1996, for voting in a Schoolboard election, to elect (2) trustees.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Stratford School (Adm. Office) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Darla Cummings, P.O. Box 108 Stratford, Texas 79084.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 1996.

Issued this the 1st day of April, 1996.

Sandra Baskin  
Presiding Officer.

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### AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

A los votantes registrados del Stratford Texas. Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de Mayo de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para alcalde, dos

concejales.

Direccion de las casillas electorales (el edificio de la ciudad de Stratford).

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en el edificio de la ciudad de Stratford entre las 8 de la manana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 15 de abril, 1996 y terminando el 30 de abril, 1996.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a Teri Meil, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 26 de abril, 1996

Emitada este dia 16 de febrero, 1996.

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A los votantes registrados del Texas. Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de MAYO de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para DOS (2) JUNATA DE REGENTES.

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en escuela de SStratford (oficina de Administrador) entre las 8:00 de la manana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 15 de abril, 1996 y terminando el 30 de Abril, 1996.

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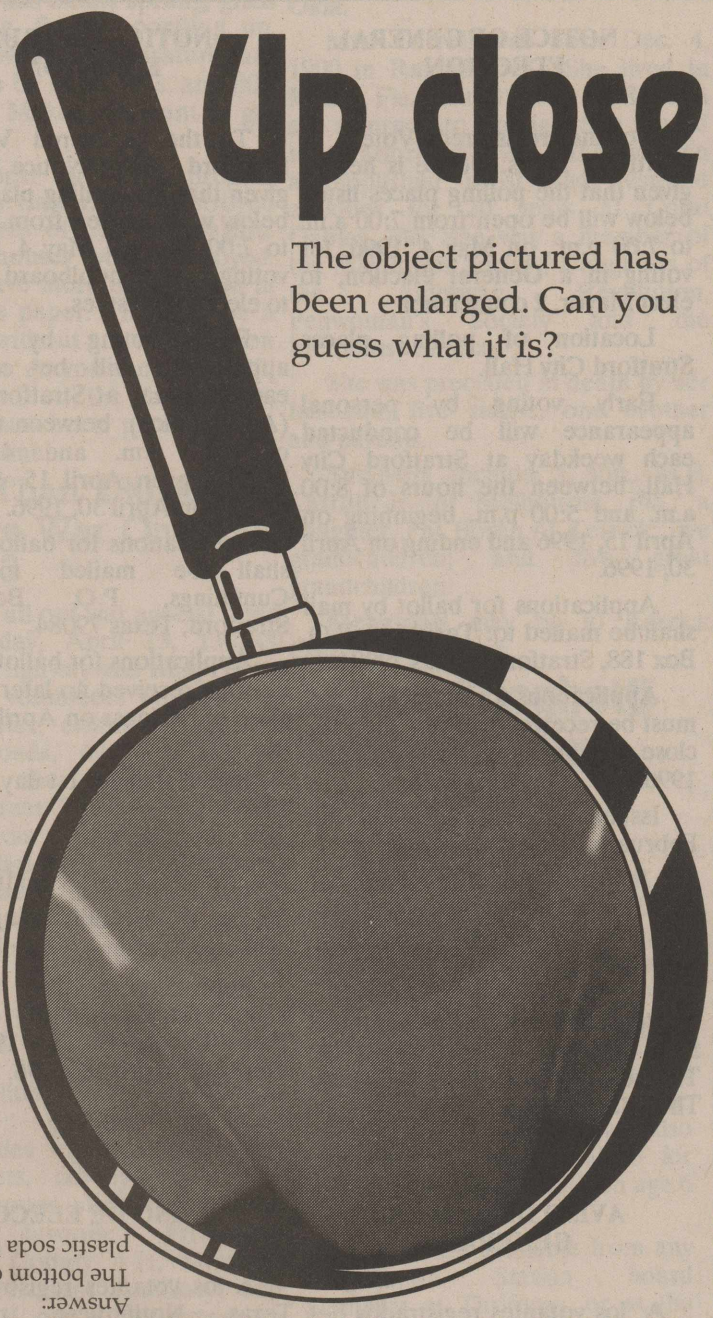
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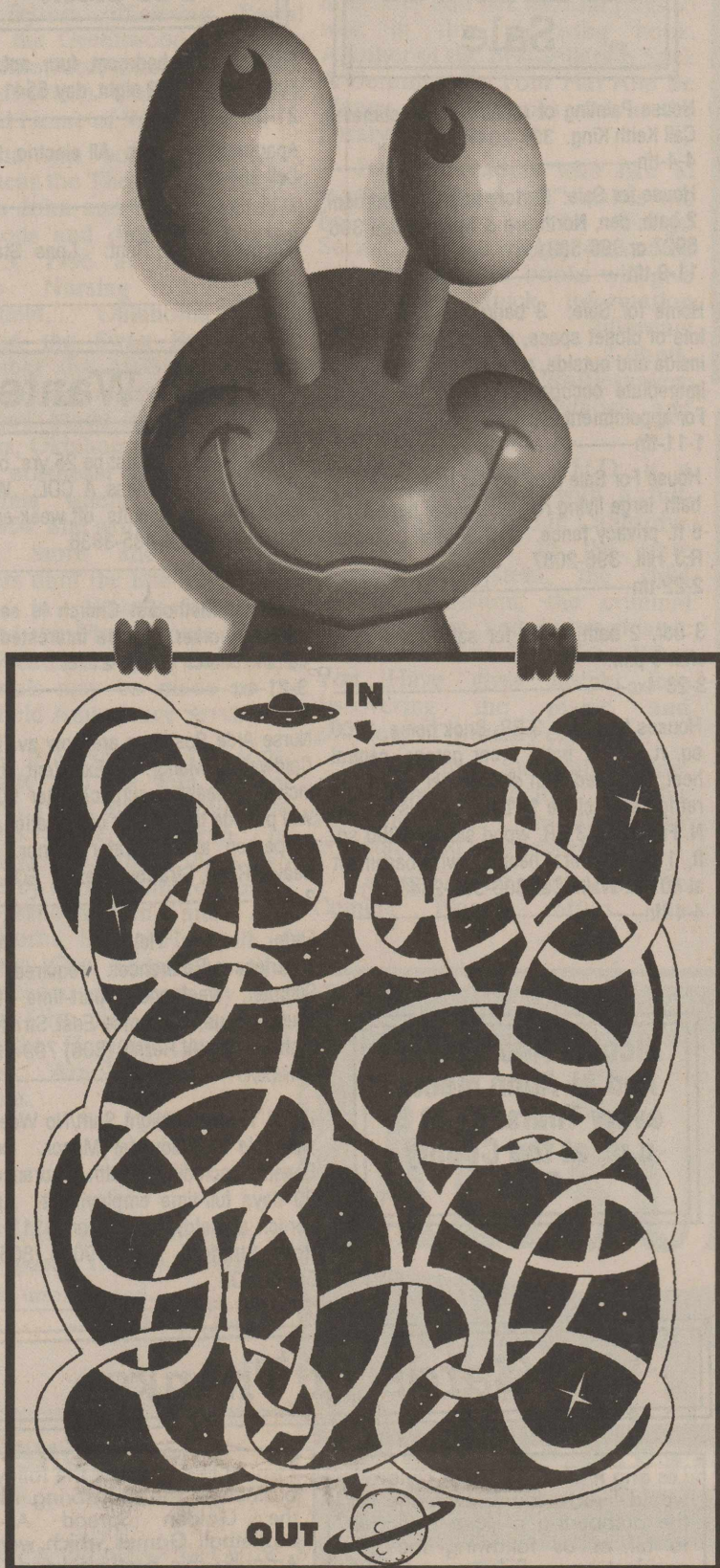
# Just Kidding



## Up close

The object pictured has been enlarged. Can you guess what it is?

Answer:  
The bottom of a plastic soda bottle



## YOU GOTTA BE JOKING

1. If Miss Issippi bought a New Jersey for Miss Ouri, what would Della wear?
2. Why was the tomato blushing?
3. What do you call twin brothers?
4. What color do you paint the sun and the wind?
5. What is the leader of all tools?

Answers:  
1. I don't know, but I'll ask her (Alaska).  
2. It saw the salad dressing.  
3. A sunset.  
4. The sun rose and the wind blue.  
5. The ruler.



## Celebrate The Earth

Hey kids! April is Keep America Beautiful Month. There are so many things you can do to show America that you care how it looks. Taking care of our environment is a big job, and we need help from all of you out there! You can start simply by not littering, no matter where you are or what you are doing. That's just one way in which you can keep America looking great! Here's a list of some other things you can do:

1. Make sure that when you throw something in the garbage can, it gets in the can and the lid is on tight, so no papers can fly out and become litter.
2. Make sure there is a litter basket at the playground. If there isn't one there, ask your parents or teacher to have one placed there.
3. When you go to the beach or park, make sure you take out what you brought in. Keep all your trash in a bag until you can place it in a trash can.
4. Write letters with your class or friends to different businesses to ask them to keep the city clean. Send pictures of clean areas so they can see how nice America can be when you keep it clean.
5. Lastly, make a list of what you can do to keep America beautiful. Look at this list each day and do one thing on the list for that day.

The best thing you can do to make sure America stays beautiful is tell your friends, family and teachers what you have learned about the environment and about keeping it clean and healthy for everyone to live in. Remind them of the tips for Keep America Beautiful Month and ask them to stick with these tips throughout the year. Remember that you can make a difference to America! Do all you can to keep our streets, parks and neighborhoods clean!



## Happy Birthday, Mr. President

### James Buchanan

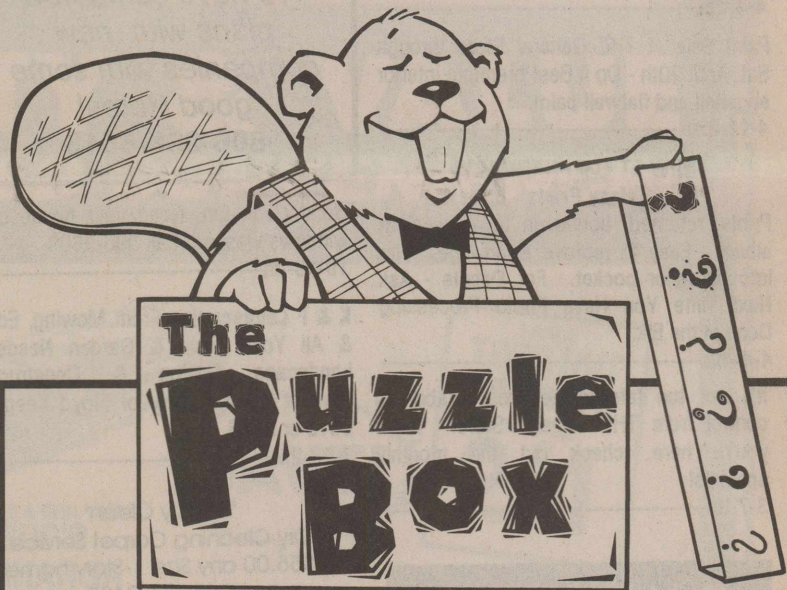
James Buchanan became president during one of the hardest times in American history: right before the Civil War. Many people thought he should have been able to solve the problem of slavery, but despite his efforts, he accomplished very little during his presidency. Buchanan was born on April 23, 1791, in Pennsylvania, and became a lawyer when he was 21 years old. He served as president from 1857-1861.

### Ulysses S. Grant

Ulysses S. Grant was elected president by a large majority in 1868 after leading the Union forces to victory in the Civil War. He was a very popular president, and many people considered him a national hero. Grant, born on April 27, 1822, was so successful that he was reelected for another term in 1872. He is most remembered as being a kind and fair man who turned the tide for the Union in the Civil War.

### James Monroe

James Monroe was the fifth president of the United States. He was president from 1817 until 1825, during a time known as the "era of good feeling." This was a time when there were very few political problems or disagreements. Monroe was born in Virginia on April 28, 1758. He was most proud of buying the Louisiana Territory from Napoleon, and he considered this purchase the biggest contribution of his public life.



## Dog Search

By Martha J. Morrison, Candor, NY

Maria's puppy is so small, it got lost among the following dogs. Find all of them in the puzzle, and the leftover letters will reveal what kind of dog Maria has and its name.

W H D R E H P E H S M E  
D O X I M A L A M U T E  
O U H C L A B R A D O R  
B N T C D N A L T E H S  
E D A E W N G P U G U C  
R I R H R O B S L A S O  
M I L E D R H E P I K T  
A R X L T C I C A I Y T  
N O L L O N E E S G T Y  
B U S R A C I E R N L Z  
B C G P H I P O O D L E  
L I S E T T E R P A D A

- |           |          |          |          |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Airedale  | Corgi    | Pointer  | Shetland |
| Beagle    | Doberman | Poodle   | Spaniel  |
| Boxer     | Hound    | Pug      | Spitz    |
| Bulldog   | Husky    | Scotty   | Terrier  |
| Chow Chow | Labrador | Setter   |          |
| Collie    | Malamute | Shepherd |          |

Maria's dog is a Mexican Hairless named Enchilada.

W H D R E H P E H S M E  
D O X I M A L A M U T E  
O U H C L A B R A D O R  
B N T C D N A L T E H S  
E D A E W N G P U G U C  
R I R H R O B S L A S O  
M I L E D R H E P I K T  
A R X L T C I C A I Y T  
N O L L O N E E S G T Y  
B U S R A C I E R N L Z  
B C G P H I P O O D L E  
L I S E T T E R P A D A

Answers: