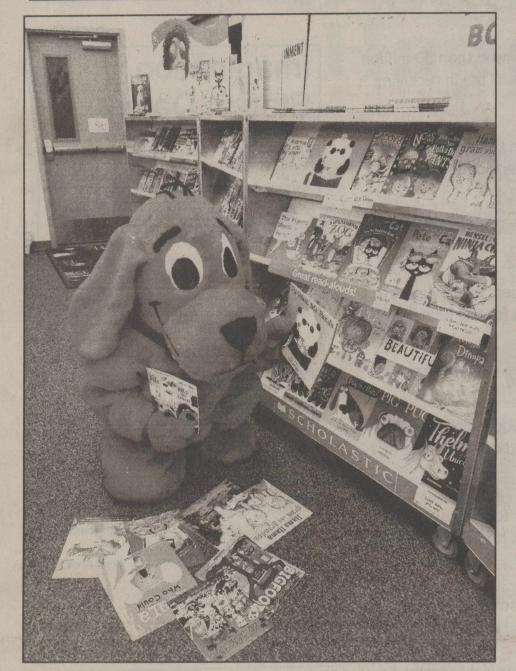
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Scholastic Book Fair Coming to Town!

Mary Allen Elementary School will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair September 25th to 28th. The Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It has a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to attend our book fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits!

Tuesday, September 25th we will kick off our "Enchanted Forest Book Fair" at the library at Mary Allen Elementary School. Students will begin shopping every morning from 7:30 am to 8 am. Students and parents can shop again from 3 pm to 4 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. All parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles and the community of Stratford are invited to shop on Family Night, Tuesday September 25th from 3 pm to 6:30 pm. Clifford the Big Red Dog will be at the school for pictures with all children during Family Night. We will have books such as Pete the Cat, Pig the Pug, The Bad Guys, Dog Man and many more to choose from. Pens, pencils, erasers, bookmarks, DIY kits and other fun stuff will be available to purchase also!

If you are not able to attend the Scholastic Book Fair we do have online shopping available this year. Please go to our shopping site at and you will be able to

look at even more books that Scholastic has to offer to our students. All books will be delivered to our school.

Scholastic Book Fairs has an APP you can download in the APP Store or from Google Play. This APP allows you to create a wish list and share it anyone. It has the AR level and Lexile levels on all books. Book details, including price, summary, videos, and podcasts are available thru the APP. You can even scan the book cover at the fair and get information on it. Make book purchases through the Online Book Fair with your APP and save \$5 on an order of \$25 or more. Enter APP19 at checkout.

Teachers will have a Wish List Table at the book fair. These are books that the teacher and students would like to have in their classroom library. Please stop by the table and buy one or two books for the teachers. Upon checkout the student will be given a sticker to put their name in the book for the teacher. Students may give the books to the teacher or we will make a presentation to the teacher the next day.

Our last 3 book fairs have been very successful. We have put 3,575 books in our students hands. Our goal is \$5,000 in sales for our book fair this year. We have applied for matching grants from several organizations to go with our sales from the book fair. Modern Woodman is one we will be receiving money from. Thank you to Walt Berry for this grant. Donations to Mary Allen Elementary School Library can be accepted. This will make our grant money go even further. Let's double our money! If you would like to make a tax deductible donation please contact Deide Zieman at the High School Library, Mellonee York at Mary Allen Elementary Library or Doug Rawlins, principal at Mary Allen Elementary. Last year Mrs. York had to kiss a pig if the students made the goal. What will she do this year? Let's find out!

Best Selling Author coming to Guymon

A New York Times best selling author is coming to Guymon to have lunch and give a short talk about her newest book.

Jenna Blum, whose first book Those Who Save Us was on the New York Times Best Sellers list for over a year, was voted one of the favorite contemporary women writers by Oprah.com readers. This young Boston based writer wrote The Stormchasers as her second book and those who have read it might have noticed the character based on Elvia Hernandez of Guymon.

Blum, who has visited Guymon several times and given a book talk here in the past, will be talking about The Lost Family, her new book.

The book cover of The Lost Family says, "In 1960's Manhattan, patrons flock to Masha's to savor its brisket Wellington and impeccable service, and to admire its dashing owner and head chef, Peter Rashkin. With his movie - star good looks and tragic past, Peter, a survivor of Auschwitz, is the most eligible bachelor in town. But he does not care for the parade of women who come to the restaurant hoping to catch his eye. He has resigned himself to a solitary life. Running Masha's consumes him, as does the terrible guilt of having survived the honors of a Nazi death camp while his wife, Masha - the restaurant's namesake - and two young daughters perished."

Blum will give a short book reading and talk at a special "Luncheon at Masha's" on Thur., Oct. 4, noon to 1 pm at Masha's, located in the safe room at the Guymon Public Library, 1718 N. Oklahoma Street. The cost of the Masha Lunch Special is \$15 per plate. The special on that day is stuffed roast chicken, tzimmes, amandine, and Masha torte for dessert (by Chef Virgil Gibson).

To acquire a ticket to have lunch with author Jenna Blum, call Rachel Sides at the library, 580-338-7330 or Melyn Johnson at Main Street Guymon, 580-338-6246.

To read more about Blum and her books, visit www.JennaBlum.com.

Farewell Friends

By Paula Nusz

Just a short note to my devoted readers. I wanted to say farewell to each of you as my position as activity director at Legacy Assisted Living has been eliminated through restructuring.

I want to say thank you for the kind notes, phone calls, and visits in the community that I have received since I began working at Legacy. Hopefully through my articles, you as a community have enjoyed our "Walk Across Texas, Walk the Appalachian Trail, Walk Route 66 and Walk the Santa Fe Trail". Legacy was proud to honor our veterans with a Quilt of Valor ceremony. The annual Trash or Treasure Antique Show has become a favorite community event. A favorite resident activity is the yearly Operation Christmas Child project made possible by your donations; and through the aid of the 4-H'ers who help to pack the shoe box gifts.

I will cherish the memory of every resident that I had the privilege to serve. My life has been enhanced because of the residents' love, willingness to try something new, and kind words. I never expected to work with senior adults, but God had a plan and brought me to Legacy a short six years ago. My next adventure will be to transfer to Coon Memorial Hospital and work in the billing department. I will have another set of skills to learn, but will still be serving the people of our area.

Homecoming 2018 Good Luck Elks



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You're getting a new Medicare card

By Bob Moos/Southwest public affairs officer for the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Your new Medicare card is coming soon.

From now until April 2019, Medicare is mailing new cards to the more than 60 million Americans with Medicare. The 3.9 million Texans with Medicare will begin receiving their cards this month.

The new cards will no longer have your Social Security number on them. Instead, they'll have a new Medicare number that's unique to you and will be used for only your Medicare coverage.

Don't worry. Your Medicare benefits will remain exactly the same. Nothing about your health care coverage will change.

A recent federal law requires the removal of Social Security numbers from Medicare cards to help protect you from identity theft. Many people asked for the new safeguard, and Congress responded.

You don't need to do anything or pay anyone to get your new card.

If someone claiming to be from Medicare calls you and requests your Social Security number or other personal information, that's a scam. Hang up and call Medicare at 1-800-633-4227 to report the incident.

Likewise, if anyone tries to charge you a fee for the new card -- or for processing a "temporary" card until your new card arrives -- that's a scam, too. It's another scheme to get your bank or credit card information.

Medicare will never call you uninvited and ask you to provide personal information to receive your new card.

Medicare will send your card to the address you have on file with Social Security. So, if you need to update your mailing address, contact Social Security at ssa.gov/myaccount or call 1-800-772-1213.

Because of the many cards to be mailed, they're being sent out in waves – several states at a time. Texans with Medicare will receive their cards over the next month.

When you do receive your card, destroy your old one. Don't just toss it in the trash, where a crook can get hold of it. Cut it into small pieces so that your Social Security number can't be read.

Then start using your new card right away. Doctors and other health care providers know the new cards are beginning to arrive in mailboxes and will ask for yours when you need care, so carry it with you.

Protect it as you would any other card with personal information. Removing your Social Security number will safeguard you against most identity theft, but thieves might still use it to try to get medical services.

One final note: If you're in a Medicare Advantage plan, your plan's ID card will remain

your main card for health care benefits. Keep it and use it when you require care, though it's smart to have your new Medicare card as well.

For years, people who mistakenly gave out their Medicare numbers have fallen victim to identity theft and discovered their bank accounts emptied. The redesigned Medicare cards should help prevent that.

Look for your new card in your mailbox soon. If you have any questions or need help, visit medicare.gov or call 1-800-633-4227.

A fund has been set up at First State Bank for Joan Palmer's Medical Expenses. Checks can be made out to Joan Palmer's Medical Fund

Imagination Station Dates

September 14-15 Whale of a Sale
October 25 (6-9)-Haunted House
November 3 @ 6:30 p.m.-25th
Anniversary Gala (limited tickets will
be \$25 and available from any board
member in October)
November 28-Soup Supper in
Conjunction with the parade
December 8-Breakfast with Santa
(Limited tickets will be available early
November).

Imagine That Whale of a Sale

The Imagination Station 202 Main Sneak a Peak \$1.00 Sept. 14 4:00-6:00 Saturday Sept. 15 9:00-1:00 Camping gear; king size bedding; ironing

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SCOT Monthly Activities

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Ladies Mexican Train Dominoes Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Yoga with Cindy Thursdays at 9 a.m.

Monthly luncheon-4th Thursday-12 noon (covered dish Luncheon)

Attention to all subscribers!! Rate change

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Thanks-Marty

Did You Know?

NAPS)—With a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Programs started a series of online workshops, now women across three states can get expert information on breast cancer.

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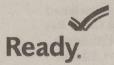
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Time Out With Rog

Well the sun did come up from the East but was cloudy. Boys we all have life lessons and last Friday night was one of them. But one thing is that this is a long season and we can build and learn from this! Iuden did rush for 98 yard which a good night is running the ball! Ok that is behind us and up next Guymon Tigers. Homecoming is and up next Guymon tigers. Homecoming is among us! Homecoming is a Big Week for fans but Elks you really need to focus and learn. So bring your mums and Tiaras and let's get this party Started! Thank you Lord for the rain and let's pray for our president and Country. Once an Elk Always An Elk!

Roger Malon Allen-Class of 1981
P.S. There is no PS this week because not much happened around thus No PS this week.

Winner of Last Week's Challenge Roger

Gilbert Gutierrez

Class of 2001 Guymon vs Stratford **Gruver** vs West Texas **Dumas vs Wichita Falls** Panhandle vs Childress Vega vs Highland Park W.F. Rider vs Amarillo High **Miami vs Cotton Center** LSU vs Auburn West Virginia vs NC State Alabama vs Mississippi Ohio vs TCU USC vs Texas Washington vs Utah **Baltimore vs Cincinnati** Minnesota vs Green Bay Kansas vs Pittsburgh Carolina vs Atlanta Miami vs NY Jets **Houston** vs Tennessee Tie Breaker Indianapolis 28 vs **Washington 24**

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Washington 30

The Sherman County Livestock Association would like to thank all of those who attended the Tailgate Party. The food and entertainment was wonderful. We are very fortunate to live in a community that supports its youth the way Stratford does. We would like to say a special thanks to the people that cooked food, Aaron Olsen for providing the music, Walt Berry and Modern Woodmen for providing all of the paper goods and Richard Chumley for the auctioneering.

Cooks
Hog Slat
Eco Drip
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Corey Naugle

Without you, this would not have been possible!

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The auction will open for bidding September 13, 2018 and close September 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Please see www.renebates.com or call 972-548-9636 for more information.

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