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ATTENTION STRATFORD

ISD TEACHERS!!!!

signed Stratford **Education Foundation grant** request must be turned in to the Superintendents office by April 5, 2004.

Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays

Cowboy Church will meet every Wednesday at the County Barn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

Manor Friends To Meet

Manor Friends will meet on Monday, April 5, at 10 a.m. At the Coldwater Manor Nursing

Fire Dept. To **Have Garage** Sale May 1

Stratford Volunteer Fire Dept. is planning a huge garage sale on May 1, 2004 for the purpose of raising funds to help finish the inside of Stratford's new fire station. We want to make it huge but we need your help. If you have any garage sale items you would like to donate we would love to have them. We will even pick up your items. If you have a donation call either 366-5330 or 366-2291 or contact any fireman.

Prom Skit Dress Rehearsal

Dress Rehearsal for Prom Skits will be Thursday, April 1st at the Stratford High School Cafeteria. The 7th grade servers will perform at 6:00 p.m. followed by the sophomore servers at 6:30 p.m. This is open to the public and will be the only time to watch the skits!

Holy Week Events Beginning Sunday April 4th

The Stratford Ministerial Alliance would like to invite the community to a series of Holy Week events beginning with the Community Service at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Sunday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m. Check out the advertisement in this paper on page 3 for all the details.

> **SIRENS:** TORNADO:

WARNING: WAVERING SOUND 10 MINUTES IN **ISSUED** LENGTH. WHEN TORNADO HAS BEEN SIGHTED IN AREA OR INDICATED **ON RADAR**

CHEMICAL **EMERGENCY:** MINUTE OF **CONTINUOUS** TONE=TEST; OF MINUTES CONTINUOUS TONE-GO INDOORS AND REMAIN UNTI **FURTHER NOTICE** OF MINUTE CONTINOUS TONE=ALL CLEAR

ALL CLEAR: 1 MINUTE OF CONTINUOUS TONE Published for over 100 years in Stratford, Sherman County, Texas 79084

Casa Board members B. A. Donelson and Duane Pittman look on as Mayor David Brown signs a proclamation proclaiming April as National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness month.

CASA 69, Inc. Marks National Child Abuse **Prevention & Awareness Month**

Inc., a nonprofit organization light vigil on April 1st. that trains

help to kick off the first of in parks and courthouses across awareness education activities across the country in April to recognize National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. On April 1, 2004 CASA 69, Inc. will hosts its Fifth Annual Light Vigil on the steps of the Sherman County Courthouse at 6:00

"Nothing touches your heart more than helping a child," said Becky Peckham, Executive Immunization Clinic To Be Held

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection Hope" for these special against childhood diseases are children. scheduled for April 2004 in our

On April 2, 2004 In Stratford at Sherman County Barn. From 10:30 a.m. until noon and 1:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Every year, more than 100 Director, CASA 69, Inc. "And children are abused and helping a child who's been neglected in the 69th Judicial abused or neglected will affect District (Dallam, Hartley, you in ways you'd never Moore, & Sherman Counties). expect. CASA 69 encourages To raise awareness of alarming all Sherman County community statistics like these, CASA 69, members to attend our annual

community CASA 69, Inc. is a member of volunteers to speak for the best the national Court Appoint interests of abused and Special Advocate Association, neglected children in court, will more than 900 local community hosts its Fifth Annual Light programs that recruit and train Vigil. This event supports citizen volunteers to advocate national efforts to fight child for the rights of abused and abuse throughout the month of neglected children. "Every day, April, which is National Child our volunteers work to bring Prevention and hope into the lives of children Awareness Month (NCPAM). who need hope the most. That This year's light vigil will is why we are lighting candles

> the country, to remind us all that there is always hope for a child," said Michael Piraino, CASA CEO. National

Association. During the vigil, various city, county and district officials will speak in honor of the abused and neglected children in our area. Kelly's Gymnastic Team will be presenting a special program and local CASA sponsors volunteers, and supporters will be recognized. CASA 69 board members will be handing out pen lights to all those attending so that everyone can help spread a "Light of

Every year in Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Sherman Counties, the lives of more than 70 abused and neglected children are placed in limbo as they wait for the courts to determine their fate. CASA 69,

Mary Allen to Begin Registering Children for Kindergarten & Pre-K

Mary Allen Elementary will begin registering children for Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten for the school Year 2004-2005, beginning on April 5, 2004. You may come to the Mary Allen Office and get a packet to fill out. Please bring your child's social security card, birth certificate, and current shot record. To enroll in Kindergarten, you child must turn 5 by September 1st, 2004. A child is eligible for enrollment in Pre-Kindergarten if the child is at least 4 years of age by September 1, 2004, and

*unable to speak or understand the English language *educationally disadvantaged

Allen Elemental Mary comenzara a registrar a los ninos para el Jardin de la

infancia y del Pre-Jardin de la infancia para el Ano de la escuela 2004-2005, comienza el 5 de abril del 2004. Usted puede venir a la oficina de Mary Allen y obtener un paquete para llenar. Traiga por favor su tarjeta del seguro social del nino, certificado de nacimiento, y el registro mas reciente de las vacunas. Para matricularse en el Jardin de la infancia, su nino debe tener 5 pora el primer de septiembre del 2004. Un nino tiene derecho a para la matriculacion en el Pre-Jardin de la infancia si el nino es por lo menos 4 anos de la edad para el 1 September, del 2004 y es:

*incapaz de hablar o entender el idioma ingles

*educativamente desfavorable *sin hogar

Inc. has 31 active volunteers who donated 1,613 hours and traveled 21,000 miles in efforts to find each of these 70 children permanent and stable homes. Please take 30 minutes out of your schedule to honor these innocent children that we are fighting for daily. We will let everyone know that Sherman County and the entire 69th District stands against abuse and will fight to make our children's future brighter.

For more information about the Fifth Annual Light Vigil or how you can be a CASA sponsor, supporter or volunteer, contact CASA 69, Inc. at 244-2684. CASA 69, Ins. Is a United Way Agency.

Do Well. Be Well Class to be Offered

Do Well, Be Well with diabetes will be offered to interested Sherman County residents this spring. The six week educational program is to help people with type 2 diabetes learn the skills they need to understand and manage their diabetes, reduce their risks for complications and to attain their highest possible level of

wellness. The class will be conducted April 6, 13, 20 and 27 and May 4 and 11 at the Stratford EMS Building. Class time will be 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost of the class will be \$10.00 per individual or couple. Financial assistance is

available. Topics of the class will include understanding about diabetes, meal planning, exercise, foot care, diabetic medicines, and blood glucose levels. Guests speakers will include Dr. Perry Bassett, Benton, Beverly Jimmy Lanning, Larry Norris and Susie Spurlock.

To register for the class, call or come by the Sherman County Extension Office located at 701 N. Third Street in Stratford, telephone 366-2122. Registration deadline is April 5, 2004. Persons who need special services are asked to contact the Extension Office one-week prior so that adequate arrangements may be made.

In order for the class to be offered, ten persons must register by the deadline.

The class is open to people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. Do Well, Be Well sponsors include Cooperative Extension and Stratford Hospital District.



Stratford Fire Department annual awards banquet held Saturday, March 20, 2004 at the Imagination Station A short program about the previous year's activities and goals followed dinner of brisket for 2004. Firefighter of the year was awarded to Dean Hauser.

Guests of the Fire Department included: Jack and Barbara Haile, Don and Gaynelle Riffe, George and Gayl Harding,

David and Janice Brown, Betty Brown, Ray and Lynda Hauser, Marcelle Sutton, Diane Coaly, Mary and David Cross, Ken and Bobbie Strong, Penny Gilbert, Larry Norris, Jimmy Lanning, Slim Garrison, Tim Smith, Crystal Marsical and Wanda Riffe. Fire department members included Eddie Williams, Jack Gore, Ronda Mathews, Donita Robertson, Sandy Williams, Jesse Marsical, Danny Davis and Dean Hauser.

SCDC to Host Annual **Membership Meeting April 7**

Sherman Development Committee will host its Annual Membership April 7, 2004 at the Sherman The guest Speaker will be attend.

Jarrett Atkinson of the Panhandle Regional Planning Meeting with a Hamburger Commission Mr. Atkinson will Lunch at 12:00, Wednesday, speak about The Regional Water Plan. The SCDC Board County Exhibit Building #1. cordially invites all members to

An EQIP signup is underway to cost share conservation practices on farms and ranches. Sign up will continue through April 16, 2004 for Sherman County.

Call the NRCS office for an appointment at 396-5517 ext. 3. Cost share is available for livestock water facilities, grass seeding and cross fencing, windbreaks, irrigation practices include pipeline, sprinkler upgrades to LPIC and LEPA systems, new sprinklers to convert row water to sprinkler and converting row water to drip irrigation.

Signatures for all owners and operators will be required at the time of signup.

MAE Distinguished School

Mary Allen Elementary is being recognized by the Texas Education Agency as a Title I Distinguished School. Only 261 Title I campuses in the state of Texas will receive this honor. MAE is one of 17 campuses in the Panhandle to be recognized. To receive this honor a campus must have been a Title I campus for at least 3 years and do exceptionally well on TAKS the Assessment Knowledge and Skills the last 3 years. Mary Allen Elementary is very proud to receive this distinction. Stacy Metcalf and parents, staff and community of our children.

Book Fair To Be Held Next Week

The annual Student Book Fair will be April 5 through April 8 at Mary Allen Elementary. The hours are 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 6 additional hours for parents, grandparents, etc., are 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. GFWC/Prospectus Club members are hosting this

April 13 Runoff Election, Early Voting April 5-8

Tuesday, April 13th will be the Republican runoff election. Early voting will be April 5th-8th. Early voting will be in the Clerks office of the Sherman County Courthouse. The local race for County Commissioner Precinct 1 in the March 9th primary ended in a tie between Sandy Tillery and Steve Pemberton. This race along with the Railroad Commissioner will be decided Tuesday, April 13th. Precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4 will vote for the Railroad Commissioner. Precinct 1 will vote for the railroad commissioner and the County Sherman

Commissioner Precinct 1. Precinct 3 will vote in Texhoma while Precinct 1, 2 & 4 can vote at the county barn in Stratford or the Lautz county barn. If you voted Democratic in the March 9th primary, you will not be able to vote Republican in the Desine Garza will accept our runoff race April 13th. If you certificate April 7 at Region 16 voted Republican or you did not in Amarillo. We would not have vote at all, you are eligible to accomplished this without vote April 13th. Everyone should exercise his or her right to vote working towards the betterment and support your preferred

Stratford Experiences Hazardous Materials Incidence

By Sandy Williams

On March 17, 2004 Stratford, Texas experienced a hazardous materials incident. At 6:15 a.m. a call was received in the Sherman County Sheriff's Office of a trailer on fire at Express Lanes. The caller did report the trailer contained hazardous materials. The fire 2 hours...a child is a homicide department responded to find the back wheels of the trailer to be on fire. According to the driver, he noticed the fire as he turned into the 24 hours...4 children die from parking lot of Express Lanes. The driver attempted unsuccessfully to extinguish the fire with a fire extinguisher.

Upon arrival the fire department received the shipping papers from abused and neglected the driver to determine the exact type of hazardous materials and then consulted the Emergency Response Guidebook for instructions as well as placing a call to INFOTRAC. It was determined at that time Protective and Regulatory by Fire Chief Eddie Williams to allow the fire to burn for two reasons: contaminate of runoff water and, increased toxic fumes from applying water. Evacuation procedures were initiated at this time. TxDOT, Sherman County Sheriff Department, Texas DPS and Stratford Police Department began road closings and detour of traffic all children. around the area. Stratford Emergency Medical Services arrived on scene in the event medical treatment was necessary.

Throughout the course of the event the Stratford Dire Department Neglect: and Fire Chief Williams, Sherman County Emergency Management coordinator Sandy Williams, Mayor David Brown, City Manager DO believe the child-don't Sean Hardman and Judge Kim Crippen along with other State and walk away Federal agencies were in contact to determine the next course of action. The Truck Company made arrangements immediately upon DO notification of the incident for a hazardous materials cleanup suspicions by calling the 24contractor to assess the situation and begin the process of cleanup.

There were no major injuries or medical treatment required and 1-800-252-5400, or your local residents were allowed to return to their homes around 5-p.m. Wednesday evening. Stratford residents cooperated with first Don't Walk away. responders by evacuating as requested and coming to aid the working emergency crews with food and drinks.

Other agencies involved in this incident were Stratford Emergency Medical Services, City of Stratford, Stratford Police Department, Sherman County Sheriff Department and Dispatch office, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Environmental Protection Agency, Texas Department of Highways (TxDOT), Texas Department of Public Safety and Texas Department of Health. Each of these agencies provided support and information toward a final goal of safety to the residents and the environment.

Volunteers to Collect

Tons of Trash April 3

Austin, Texas-More than

1,300 groups are expected to

participate on April 3 in the

Don't Mess with Texas Trash-

Off, one of the nation's largest

Last year alone, 1 million

pounds of trash were picked up

by more than 70,000 Adopt-a-

Highway and Keep Texas

Beautiful volunteers all across

Texas, making it one of the

most successful years in Trash-

"The annual Don't Mess with

across the state together to

clean up our roadsides and take

pride in Texas," says Brenda

Department of Transportation

"reports Doris Howdeshell,

Director of the Travel Division

for the Texas Department of

Transportation, the organization

equals 1,417 pounds for every

man, woman and child in

Kyle Frazier, President of Keep

Texas Beautiful, the grassroots

arm of Don' Mess with Texas,

agrees, "In order to bring

every organization in every

community plays a vital role.

this year the biggest and best

"Since we started counting in

Adopt-a-Highway

single-day cleanups.

Off history.

(TxDOT).

Texas."

Scot Talk By Mary Hill

SCOT Hall has been a busy place recently, with interesting

The luncheon on Thursday was well attended and the Happy Hatters made it a lot of fun. And, as always, there was good food and fellowship.

The book review given by Jeanie Carter was reported to be interesting and entertaining—just a great way to spend an afternoon. Maybe she will do another one for us.

The attendance for the dance Saturday evening was down Teres Trash Off brings people some, but a good time was had by a ll. It was a good evening.

On April 6, there are two activities to remember. First, at Lowe, 2 p.m. Ann Johnson will give a Coordinator for the Amarillo program on early gardening District of the Texas tips. This might inspire some of us to do some yard work.

Then, on the same day, April 6, we have the opportunity to go 1994, volunteers have picked to the Chicken House to have up more than 14 million tons of supper. The bus will leave at trash on Texas highways, 5:45 p.m. and there may be some that take cars. There will be a sign-up sheet at SCOT Hall for those who want to go.

April will bring the regular that runs the state litter prevention campaign. "This activities and probably new ones. We will try to keep all of us posted on these.

Spring/Summer Craft Show

Would you like to have an together the volunteers who will opportunity to become part of take to the highwayts during our Spring/Summer Craft this year's roadside collection, show? On May 15, 2004 the Dalhart Senior Center in conjunction with the Dalhart The goals is to heighten the Cruzers Car Club will be visibility of the event to make hosting a craft show at the Rita Blanca coliseum. If you would yet. be interested in renting a booth For more information or to to sell your handmade items, find out how to participate, visit baked goods, cosmetics, home decorating items or anything contact Lowe at (806) 356that pertains to a craft bazaar 3203. just give us a call and we will send you a reservation form. Deadline for reservations is April 26th. Call the Dalhart Senior Center for more information 244-8521.

There can be no knowledge without emotion. We may be aware of a truth, yet until we have felt its force, it is not ours. To the cognition of the brain must be added the experience

-Arnold Bennett

April-Child Abuse **Prevention Month**

Dear Editor:

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. We want to take this opportunity to increase community awareness of this terms and one (1) one-year increasing problem. Please be aware of these recent statistics: Every...

seconds...a child is reported abused or neglected 17 minutes...a baby dies

child abuse

The Texas Department of Services encourages you to become an advocate for children and work with us to make our communities safe for

If you Suspect Child Abuse or

DON'T try to investigate report reasonable

hour Abuse Hotline, law enforcement agency-

The Sherman County Child Welfare Board of Texhoma, Texas and Stratford, Texas Patsy Harland-827-7568 Michal Meyer-827-7453 Kathie Altman-366-5611 David Cross-396-2396 Ken Forthman-366-2586 Jesse Resendes-769-4454 Larry Evans-366-2242

Langhorne Receives CASA 69 Volunteer of Year Award

CASA 69, Inc. (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Volunteer their Appreciation Banquet Saturday, March 20, 2004 at the Dalhart Country Club. The meal was blessed with a "A Volunteer's Prayer" ready by Becky Peckhant Executive Director of the CASA Program. Volunteers present were Beth Moore, Ed Peckham, Joe Ann Moore, Lynn Wells, Jodie Schmidt, Debbie Diller, Mark Diller, Langhorne, Vandiver, Ann Finch, Peggy Ferguson, Becky Brooks and Gloria Santana. Board members present were Christine Akin, Mary White, Beth Moore, Joe Ann Moore, Tom Ferguson, Gwen Bowers, Ronald Brooks, Duane Pittman and Gloria

Cheryle Langhorne received the Volunteer of the Year Award for the year 2003. Joe Ann Moore, a past recipient of the award, presented Cheryle with a plaque. Cheryle has been a CASA volunteer since 1994 and has put in countless hours and driven many miles in her efforts on behalf of abused and neglected children in the 69th Judicial District.

Following the dinner, we were well entertained by the talented and funny Damon Whaley. Door prizes were donated by Kara Womble: The Secret Garden, Beth Moore: Beth's Place, Damon Whaley, Dean Whaley, B. Whimsey, Everything Under The Sun, Nikie Reagan, and Nikki McDaniel.

Upcoming events for CASA 69, Inc are the 5th Annual Light of Hope Vigil on April 1st at 5:30 in the Dalhart Elementary School Cafetorium and at 6:00 p.m. at the Moore County and Sherman County Courthouses, new volunteer training, held in Amarillo the first two weekends

in May and National CASA Conference held in Washington DC in June. Ann Bookout, the assistant Executive Director and Pam Vandiver, a volunteer, will

attend the conference. CASA 69, Inc. is a nonprofit information CASA 69 Inc., is a United Way

City of Stratford To Hold Election

City of Stratford will hold an election Saturday, May 15, 2004 to fill three (3) two-year term. Those terms expiring are Mayor David Brown, councilmember Bryan Mungia and current vacated Council seat, and one-year term expiring councilmember Wanda Riffe. Anyone wishing to file for a place on the ballot may sign up at City Hall, 518 N. Third, Stratford, between the hours 24 hours...13,700 children are 8:00-12:00 p.m. & 1:00-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Last day to file for a place on the ballot is March 15, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. Early voting begins April 28, 2004 between the hours as listed above. For further information contact city hall at (806) 366-5581.

SISD Trustee Election May 15

The Stratford Independent

Early voting by personal appearance will begin Wednesday April 28, 2004 and will end Tuesday, May 11, 2004. Early voting will be conducted in the Business office Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Friday, May 7, 2004 is the deadline for early voting clerk to receive application for a

Positions held by Ted Allen and Steve Johnson will expire this term. Holdover members are Brent Spurlock.

Candidates are Joe Taylor, Steve Hays, Greg Wright, and DeWain Trayler.

Sladek Selected For TABC All-Region

Alisha Sladek was selected for the TABC Class I Region I Second Team. Alisha is a senior at Stratford High School and the daughter of Blake and Marie Sladek.

Ashley & Larance Named to Academic All State Teams

Seniors Erin Ashley and the TGCA 2003-2004 Basketball is the daughter of Russell and Nan Ashley and Amber is the daughter of W.R. and Cindy Larance.

to learn from.

School District will hold a trustee election May 15, 2004 to fill two positions.

ballot by mail.

Joe Reinart, Ricky Reed, Gared McBryde, Patti Vincent and

The Chamber of Commerce would like to thank these businesses and

families for their continued support and renewal of membership: Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, Western Organics, and Betty Lou O'Brien. If you or your business would like to become a member of the Chamber of Commerce, please come by the office or call 366-2260 and I will assist you in anyway I can.

Chamber of Commerce

"The Best Little Crafters Mall in Stratford, Texas" Open House

Stratford's own little Crafters Mall is nestled in the back room of

Rendon's Headquar5ters, located at the intersection of HWY 54 &

287. Local crafters are showing off their talents and wares. Here you

can find a wide assortment of items to select from whether you desire

jewelry, stained glass, pottery, hand painted items, wood crafts, hand

made blankets of all varieties, table clothes, or purses, these items are

available. If you need any type of shower, birthday, anniversary,

graduation, secret pal, or any kind of gift, you will be able to find

what you are looking for. Each crafter takes special orders, if you

Our local crafters are Cindy Russell, Kay Payne, Paula Willey,

Brenna Payne, Janet, Ramona Vega, Barbara Schoonover, Bobbie

Open house will be from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, April 3, 2004. Come

Booths are still available, 4 x 7 -\$15.00/monthly, 4 x 6/\$10.00

monthly. After open house, the best time to check out the crafters

mall would be on Friday nights, when Ruben is serving up all the

Rendon's Headquarters hours are Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m. 2:00

El Mejor Paseo Pequeno de Crafters en Stratford Tejas tendra casa

el Abierte 3 de abril de 2004 de 9 a 11 a.m. Los premios de la puerta

se daran. Stratford' Paseo de s Crafters se localiza dentro de Rendon

Headquarters famoso por la noche de viernes todo loque usted pueda

comer el especial sera catfish de AUTOPISTA 54 & 287. Venga y

"Music, Music, Music" the theme of this year's Annual

Banquet. The Banquet will be April 5, with the Silent Auction

starting at 6:30 p.m.; we would like to encourage people to come

early so they can assure enough time to bid on their item of choice.

Dinner will began at 7:00 p.m. followed by the program at 7:30.

Marihoward Engelbrecht and Belinda Hamilton will be the

speakers this year. They will also provide most excellent musical

entertainment. Citizen of the year awarded at the conclusion of the

entertainment. Single tickets will be \$14.00 and Couples \$25.00.

Our meal will be catered by Bar-H from Dalhart and will consist of

; 8oz Rib-eye steak, cooked to perfection, baked potato, buttery

corn, salad, dinner roll, nice and hot, cheese cake with strawberry

topping, and tea. Yum, makes my mouth water just thinking about

it. The Banquet will be located at the County Barn. Tickets can be

purchased from any Chamber board member, Dave Browne, Eric

Werner, Diantha Downs, Pat Hartman, Rhea Chumley, Tim

Hudson, Harriett Reed, and Elida Gonzales or come by the office

and pick one up. Please make plans to attend. We continue to

receive items for the Silent Auction, come on in and take a look.

First State Bank of Happy has donated a \$100.00 door prize,

tenga una miranda alerdedor, nosotros esperamos la reunion usted.

p.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and

on in and join crafters for treats, good conversation, and door prizes.

wish to have something specialty made, let them know

Strong, Jeanie Bennett, Ruben Rendon and Bonnie Borth.

Please make plans to attend.

Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

"Music, Music, Music"

catfish you can eat.

By Patty Tims

Special Interest

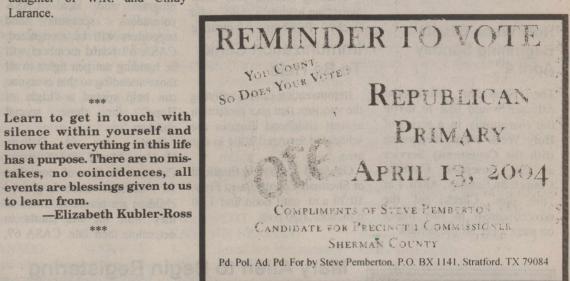
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maybe you could be the winner.

Alisha Sladek and Erin Ashley will be having a free will donation luncheon and bake sale in April. The dinner will consist of, Barbeque Beef, twice-baked potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, and cobbler. The date and time are not yet set, so please be making plans to attend

Amber Larance were named to Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's pear will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds wi Academic All State Teams. Erin blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energ while cares will drop off like autumn leaves.

-John Mu



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organiza5tion that provides volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in the 69th Judicial District, including Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore Counties. becoming a CASA Volunteer, contact Becky Peckham or Ann Bookout at (806) 244-2684.



Irs. Johnny (Lauren) Cavitt Honored With Shower

Mrs. Johnny (Lauren) Cavitt was honored with a shower in the home of Cindy Russell on Saturday, March 27, 2004. Shown above left to right are Betty Cavitt, Willena Brown, Lauren Cavitt, Nancy Pearson and Renee Cavitt.

Kerrick News By Marylou McDaniel

The Happy Hatters of Dumas tertained at SCOT March 25. ie trio of ladies consists of a Mae Brownlee, Thelma nith and Jerry Woody. Ora ae is the mother of Mike and ielma is the sister-in-law of arylou McDaniel.

SCOT members from Kerrick ere Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Jo ne McDaniel and Marylou

Eloy Gonzales of Clayton apped to visit with Terry & irbara Schoonover last week. has made a CD of gospel asic and wanted them to have

t was reunion time for veral who went to SHS when ielma Smith was here as a ippy Hatter at SCOT. Eating ach together were Marty in, Jean Turner, Millie icker, Gaynelle Oakley.

Visiting with Donna & Bill llenwaters Sundayednesday were grandchildren rlee 5 and Kaiden, six onths. Mother Sunday was ending a Nursing Conference

lph Hampton celebrated his last week with thany, Creede & Keegan llaway of Clarendon, Martha Don Ellison, Charley & nton Crabtree, Verlie Norris, ira & Parker Wells. Parker ll graduate from Winfield, nsas College this may.

Jiley and Jessica Merry of whoma are proud to announce birth of Wyatt Leland and via Layne on March 15, 4. Olivia arrived at 7:26 ., weighing in at 4 lbs. 3 And was 18 inches long. att arrived at 7:29 p.m., ghed 4 lbs. and was 17 nes long.

Grandparents are roud orge Merry, of Texhoma and and Jeanie Bryson of utford.

born not knowing and only had a little time to ge that here and there. -Richard Feynman

Cowboy Church brings Brad Foster

Cowboy Church brings Brad Foster, pastor of the 1st Calvary Church of Dumas who will bring the message along with Christian music.

Brad Foster, has been in the ministry most of his life and currently the pastor of the First Calvary Church of Dumas. He is active in the Emmaus Walk and various youth activities. He will be bringing the word from

the Bible at the Cowboy Church, Wednesday, April the 7th at 7:30 p.m. He is brining some music with him doing Christian music with talented performers with him. It should is invited, you don't have to be wits to grow sharper. a cowboy to attend but be hungry for the word, and like good music.

Baby Shower Held

Martha Ramos was honored with a baby shower in the home of Cheryl Ward. Pictured from left are Irene Aldavez, Mollie Lopez, Martha Ramos, Tina Lopez, Isabel Reta. In front from left, Karina Aldavez, Alex Aldavez, Roann Lopez holding Luis Ramos.

The universe is full of magical be a blessing for all. Everyone things patiently waiting for our

-Eden Phillpotts

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Sunday, April 4-Community Service at St. Joseph's Catholic Church-7:00 p.m.

Monday, April 5-Lunch & Devotional*** at First Baptist Church-12 Noon

Tuesday, April 6-Lunch & Devotional*** at First United Methodist Church-12 Noon

Wednesday, April 7-Lunch & Devotional*** at First Assembly of God-12 Noon

Thursday, April 8-Maundy Thursday Service at First Christian Church-6:00 PM

Friday, April9-The Way of the Cross led by St. Joseph's-12 Noon (begins at Coldwater Manor)

***Meals will be provided

First Assembly of God Kevin Anderson, Pastor

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Stratford Invitational Track Meet Held

The Stratford Invitational Track Meet was held this past weekend with nine teams competing. Stratford will also be hosting the Jr. High District Track Meet on Saturday, April 3rd and the High School District Track Meet on Monday, April 5th and Tuesday, April 6th

Track Results

The Varsity girls placed 3rd with 102 points at the Perryton track meet held Saturday, March 20th. Canyon won 1st with 184 points followed by Perryton with 34.48; 1600 M Relay: 3rd 118. Individual results as follows:

400 M Relay: 4th-54.97, Brittany Hudson, Haley Buckles, Whitney Garza, Jennifer Rueda; 800 M Run: Yadira Ortega – 3rd 2:37.24, Crytal Peregrino – 3:00; 100 M Hurdles: Lindsay Stein -2nd 17.18, Candie Bell – 3rd 17.50 and Merilee McDaniel; 100 M Dash: Jennifer Rueda, Crystal Rueda, Jackie Rueda; 800 M **Relay:** 2nd 1:57.21 – Alisha Sladek, Brittany Hudson, Cassi Garza. Allison Baskin; 400 M Dash: Alisha Sladek 65.6, Haley Buckles 70.0, Crystal Rueda 80.9; 300 M Hurdles: - Lindsay Stein 4th 53.5, Candie Bell 55.7, Merilee McDaniel 58.02, 200 M Dash: Haley Buckles - 28.0, Cassi Garza - 30.6, Jackie Rueda +130-9: 1600 M. Run: Yadira Ortega 3rd 6:07.18, 4th Brittany Hudson 6:15; 1600 M Relay: 3rd 4:27.43, Allison Baskin, Lindsay Stein, Yadira Ortega, Alisha Sladek. Shot Put: Katelyn Reed, Krista Reta, Cristina; Discus: Deidre Tarver - 1st 116' 9 1/2", Katelyn Reed - 4th 95"; Long Jump: Allison Baskin 14'4 1/2" 4th, Candie Bell – 14'2" 5th, Janette Carrera - 7th 13'8"; Triple Jump: Jennifer Rueda -28'11; High Jump: Whitney Garza – 4'10" 3rd, Allison Baskin - 4' 8", Rhia Everett - 4' 8".

The Varsity won the Stratford Invitational Track Meet held this past weekend with 146 points. Individual results as follows: 400 Meter Relay: 5th 54.73 -Brittany Hudson, Cassi Garza, Whitney Garza, Jennifer Rueda; 800 M Run: Brittany Hudson 2nd 2:37.23, Yadira Ortega 3rd 2:37.61, Crystal Peregrino; 100 M Hurdles: Lindsay Stein 1s 16.94, Candie Bell 5th 17.92; 100 M Dash: Cassi Garza, 3rd 14.16; 800 M Relay: 2nd 1:54.24 Alisha Sladek, Lindsay Stein, Allison Baskin, Jennifer Rueda; 400 M Dash: Alisha Sladek 2nd 1:05.81; 300 M Low Hurdles: Candie Bell 4th 53.34; 200 M Dash: Jennifer Rueda, 3rd 29.52; 1600 M Run: Yadira Ortega 1s 5:57.24; 1600 M Relay: 3rd 4:26.16, Alisha Sladek, Lindsay Stein, Brittany Hudson, Allison Baskin; Discus: Deidre Tarver 132'9" 1st NEW SCHOOL RECORD, Katelyn Reed 2" 93'2", Krista Reta 6th 74'7"; High Jump: Allison Baskin 3rd 4-10.50, Whitney Garza 4th 4-10.25; Long Jump: Candie Bell 3rd 14-6, Janetter Carrera 6th 13-

4.75; Shot Put: Katelyn Reed 1st 31-8.25, Krista Reta 3rd 30-2.75; Triple Jump: 5th Jennifer Rueda Chelsi Thiessen 100 M Hurdles, 100 Dash - Crystal Rueda, Jackie 4th Whitney Reese 14.94, Brenda Rueda, 400 Dash - Crystal Ibarra 5th 14.98; 400 M Dash: Rueda, 300 M Hurdles – Merilee 3rd Whitney Reese 1:13.13; 1600 McDaniel, 200 M Dash -Janetter Carrera, 1600 M Run -Shiloh Dickenson, High Jump -Anna Schoen, Shot Put – Cristina Fierro, Triple Jump - Chelsi Duschl 5th 61-2; High Jump: Thiessen.

The 7th grade girls placed 3rd at the Stratford Invitational with Darcy Rosales 13-1; Shot Put: 97 points. Individual results as follows:

1200 M Run: Sierra Valenzuela 1st 4:33.74; 400 M

4th 61.86 Margarita Rocha, Perla Rueda, Stephanie Bell, Chelsea Garza; 800 M run: Sierra Valenzuela 1st 2:42.96, Deborah Molina 2nd 2:48.22; 800 M Relay: 3rd 2:08.33, Becky Rosales, Chelsea Garza, Deborah Molina, Sinead Everett; 200 M Hurdles: Sinead Everett 2nd 4:55.91, Becky Rosales, Deborah Molina, Sinead Everett, Sierra Valenzuela; Discus: Stephanie Bell 1st 63-4.50, Chandra Hawkins 3rd 60-3; High Jump: Sinead Everett 1st 4-4; Shot Put: Stephanie Bell 5th 25-9.50, Chandra Hawkins 6th 25-6.

The 7th grade boys placed 2nd at the Perryton Track Meet held March 19th. Individual results: High Jump: Nelson Rodriguez 4'8"; Discus: Kaleb Horsford 94'3" 1st, Pepe Licon 2nd 92'8"; 800 M Run: Matthew Valenzuela 2:31.24 1st, Hector Marquez 2nd 2:36.55; **Long** Jump: Valenzuela 6th 13'10 1/4", Shot Put: Brent Reed 2nd 33'5 1/2", 3rd Jacquez 30' 10 1/2"; 400 M Relay - 1st 52.77, Armanda Valenzuela, Nelson Rodriguez, Brent Reed, Angel Resendes; 110 M Hurdles: Derek Johnson 1st 19.49, Kaleb Horsford 5th 22.83, Justin Lanning 6th 23.30; 100 M Dash: Valenzuela 3 13.46; 400 M Dash: Robles 1st 1:05.83; 800 M relay: 1:54.11, Matthew Valenzuela, Angel Resendes, Robles, Pepe Licon; 300 M Hurdles: Licon 1^{st} 48.04, Lanning 5^{th} – 55.71, 1600 M Run: Valenzuela 1st 5:40.46, Marquez 2nd 6:08.14; 1600 M Relay: 1st 4:06.91 NEW RECORD Armanda Valenzuela, Brent Reed, Nelson Rodriguez, Pepe Licon. The 7 grade boys tied for 2nd with 110 the Stratford points at 1200 M Run: Invitational. Armando Valenzuela 1st 4:02.46, Matt Valenzuela 2nd 4:03.36, 5th Hector Marquez 5th 4:15.96; 400

M Relay: 3rd 53.73, Armando Valenzuela, Brent Reed, Derek Johnson, Angel Resendes; 800 M Matt Valenzuela 3rd 2:32.17; 110 Hurdles: 5th Justin Lanning 22:18.00; 800 M Relay: 4th 1:55.98, Robles, Resendes, Licon, Lanning; 400 m Dash: Brent Reed 3rd 1:03.13; 200 m Hurdles: Pepe Licon 2nd 29.54; 1600 M Relay: 3rd 4:16.70, A. Valenzuela, Reed, Robles, Licon; Discus: 2nd Kaleb Horsford 80-1; High Jump: Nelson Rodriguez 4th 4-8.20; Long Jump: Derek Johnson 5th 14-5.75; Shot Put: Pepe Licon 1st 35-6, 2nd Brent Reed 34-10.50.

The 8th grade girls placed 3rd with 98 points at the Stratford Invitational track Individual results as follows: 1200 M Run: 4th Lucero Ortega -4:48.25, Yadira Rojas 4:58.22; 400 M Relay: 57.16, Brenda Ibarra, Jordan Confer, Kelsey Stein, Yesina Ibarra; 800 M Run: Kristen Others participating Crabtree 1st 2:47.13, 5th Jessica Lucero 3:02.52; 100 M Dash: M Relay: 2nd 4:42.13, Whitney Reese, Yesina Ibarra, Kelsey Stein, Kristen Crabtree; Discus: 2nd April Peregrino 82-1, Ashley Yesina Ibarra 4-4, Gerre Garay 4-4 tie for 2nd; Long Jump: 6th

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Pool Named to Distinguished List

College Station-Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2003 fall semester, recognizing students outstanding academic The Dean's performance. Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours or first semester students taking last 12 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period. A designation, Student," "Distinguished recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours or 12 hours for first semester students. Among

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Stratford Competes in One-**Act Play Contest**

Stratford High School participated in the UIL One Act play contest on March 25th at West Texas High School. Several students received honors for their work. Maira Argomaniza was named to the All Star cast in her role as Anne Bolyn. Evan Haile was named to the Honorable Mention All Star cast for her role as Lady Jane and Allison Baskin was awarded Honorable Mention All Star Cast for her role as Lady Arabella Stewart.

The judge was very impressed with the entire cast and praised their efforts.

Alpha Chiu Initiation

Oklahoma Panhandle State University welcomed nineteen new members in the Alpha Chi initiation held Sunday, March 28th. Alpha Chi is a national honor society for college students that admits students from all disciplines. OPSU juniors must have a 3.75 grade point average, and seniors must have a 3.5 GPA to be eligible for membership OPSU is proud to honor the following new Alpha Chi Members: Heather Baker-Oklahoma City Tamara Boekhaus-Rolla, KS Seth Boothby-Goodwell, OK

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Cards of Thanks

2004 Dinner Theater was a great success and it would not have been possible without the support of community. Special thanks to the generous donations for our set and costumes to Acquisitions, THE General Store, Imagination Station. Everett, Reyna and Texas High School. Also thanks to parents who decorated, served and cleaned up. Sincerely,

Terri Teig Director "Ladies of The Tower" Cast and Crew

I would like to take this opportunity thank all those who helped with Stratford Relays. The cafeteria workers who made cinnamon rolls, the custodial crew for cleaning up, ladies in the press b ox, those who timed and picked, and those who ran the field events. Without your help this event would not have possible.

Thanks Again Elk Coaching Staff

Legal Notices

Notice is hereby given that the

NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR GRAND **FUNDING**

Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) applying for grant funding from the Texas Water Development Board's Research and Planning Fund to be used for the purpose of Supplemental Funding to address Changed Conditions during the development of the second Regional Water Plan. The application is being filed the Executive Administrator of the Texas Water Development Board. The PWPG consists of the following counties: Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Hall and Childress.The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission serves as the designated polibical subdivison for the Panhandle Water Planning Group (Region A) and is represented by Gary Pitner, Executive Director, and can be reached by mail at: PO Box 9257, Amarillo, Texas 79105. The Texas Water Development Board may be reached at PO Box 13231, Austin, Texas 78711-3231, Attn: Temple McKinnon. Individuals wishing to make comments regarding this notice of intent or the application for funds must file such comments with the Texas Regional Commission, Attn: Gary Pitner, in.

Water Development Board We have much to accomplish Attn: Executive Administrator, before we can feel assured of

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Scott Buckles presented Jon Engelbrecht with Conservation



Steve Pemberton presented Margaret Reed Conservation Homemaker.

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NEW MEET

RECORD 1st Craig Kautz 17.58;

800 M Relay: 2nd 1:45.39,

Smith, Acevedo, Reta, Ramirez; 400 M Dash: Corey Carter 2nd

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MEET RECORD Craig Kautz

1st 44.17, Hunter Buckles 2nd

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1600 M Run: Frizzell 5th

5:54.14; 1600 M Relay: NEW

MEET RECORD 1st 3:56.14,

Carter, Ramirez, Buckles, Kautz.

The 8th grade boys won the

Stratford Invitational with 196 points. Results as follows: 1200

M Run: Mike Frizzell 4th

4:09.33; 400 M Relay: 1st 49.27

Ramirez; 800 M Run: 3rd Joey

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3, Craig Kautz 2nd 123-4, 5th

Dillynn Williams 108-0; High

Jump: 1st Craig Kautz 5-7, Hunter Buckles 3rd 5-0; Long

Jump: 3rd Hunter Buckles 16-0.

Alex Martinez 4th 15-8.50, 6th

Julio Ramirez 15-4.50; Shot Put:

1st Sandro Gomez 43-8, 3rd

Dillynn Williams 39-6.50, Brady

Aro 6th 34-9; Triple Jump: 5th

Alex Martinez 32-3.50.

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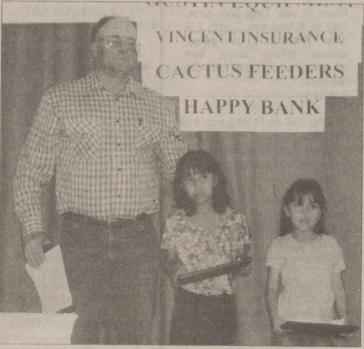
Martinez,

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Essay winners were recognized by Tom Moore, 1st place Alisha Sladek, 3rd place James Nusz and 2nd Brian Booth.



Tom Moore presented poster contest winners Kindergarten-2nd grade. 1st place Laura Torres, 2nd place-Daniela Morales and 3rd-Selena Sanchez.

To the Residents of Sherman County

In the event the National Weather Service issues an advisory the Stratford Sheriff's will sound appropriate warning:

WARNING: a wavering sound. When a tornado has been spotted, the WARNING siren will sound. When the warning sound is heard, it means take over immediately. DO NOT,

DO NOT, go outside and get in your car - this the worst place to be. If you live in a trailer house, find another place to take cover. It is advised that you plan ahead of time where you are going to go in the event of bad weather just as you would plan what to do in the event of a fire in your home.

TORNADO WATCH: Issued when the atmosphere is favorable for development of tornadoes. Listen and be prepared to act quickly.

WARNING: TORNADO Issued when a tornado has been sighted in the area or indicated on radar. Take cover! Listen to your radio or television for more weather information.

EMERGENCY ACTIONS:

AT WORK or HOME: Stav away from windows Avoid areas with large, poorly supported roofs

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The 2004 Annual Stewardship & Awards Banquet was held on Thursday, May 25, 2004 at the County Barn. Master of Ceremonies was Gared McBryde, who introduced Brent Farney who gave the invocation. Poster winners, Essay contest winners were recognized. Jon Engelbrecht was presented Conservation Farmer of the Year and Margaret Reed was presented Conservation Homemaker. Speaker for the luncheon was

> Take shelter in your basement, preferably under heavy furniture

If you have no basement, take cover under heavy furniture on the ground floor in the center part of the house or small room on the ground floor away from outside walls and windows.

If time permits, shut electricity and fuel lines off. Do not remain in a trailer, mobile home vehicle.

AT SCHOOL:

away Stay windows

Avoid auditoriums and gymnasiums

If school is reinforced construction, inside, near inside wall on the lower floor.

IN OPEN COUNTRY: Move at right angles to

tornado's path If there is no time to

escape, lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine, culvert or under bridge. Do not stay in your car.

TO REPORT A TORNADO CALL THE NEAREST:

Local law enforcement office: Sheriff's office 366-5551

Stratford police 366-5581

Weather **National** Service: Amarillo 800-275-8165

Emergency Preparedness Office Stratford 366-2021



Bowers, speaker for the 2004 Annual Stewardship Awards Banquet.

STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 10, 2004

Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors met for the regular monthly meeting, February 10, 2004 12:00 pm. These officers and directors were present: Shannon Taliaferro, President Ronnie Brooks, Vice-President Chesher, Secretary-Treasurer Wayne Smith, Director Betty Brown, Director.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Shannon Taliaferro. Also present were Judy Griffith, representing Stratford Family Medical Clinic, Jimmy Lanning, representing Stratford Emergency Service, Cheryl Ward. administrator for Coldwater Manor.

Ken Conrays the architect Lubbock, presented preliminary plans for the assisted living and additional rooms for Coldwater Manor.

Clyde Jenkins presented the USDA loan for the assisted living that we would be able to apply for and explained it to the board.

Shannon Taliaferro presented letter that was read concerning and interest insurance policies for the insurance Stratford Hospital District through Allen Insurance.

Judy Griffith presented the financial report for Stratford Family Medical Clinic.

Wayne Smith made a motion to pay Stratford Family Medical Clinic's payables as presented, Betty Brown second the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Jimmy Lanning presented the financial report for Stratford Emergency Medical Service. There were 27 ambulance runs recorded for the month of January. Ronnie Brooks made a motion to pay Stratford Emergency Medical Service payables as presented, Wayne

Smith second the motion. The motion carried 5/0. Cheryl Ward presented the financial report for Coldwater Manor. Ineta Chesher made

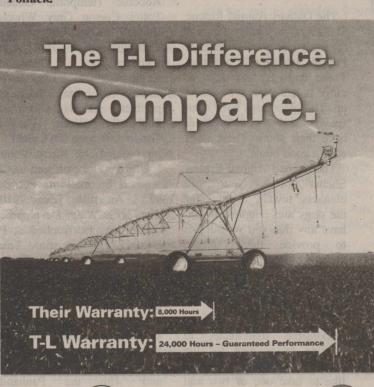
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Cheryl Ward presented the financial report for Stratford Hospital District. Wayne Smith made motion too pay Stratford Hospital Districts payables as presented, Ronnie Brooks second the motion. The motion carried

Shannon Taliaferro called executive meeting at 9:15 the board reconvened at 9:30. No action was taken Meeting adjourned at 9:35.



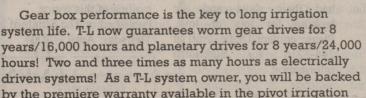
Steve Pemberton presented Poster Contest 3rd-5th grade-3-Rowdy Lerman, 2nd Heidi Brooks and 1st place Rebekah Pollack.







The choice is simple.

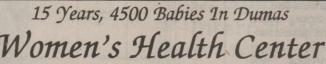


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