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**Stratford ISD Back to School Community Supper Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00 p.m. Stratford High School Cafeteria**  
Come meet the faculty and have a hamburger on us!

## Ninth Annual Benefit Golf Tournament Sponsored by Circle of Friends

Sherman County Circle of Friends Ninth Annual Benefit Golf Tournament will be held at Stratford Country Club on August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

Couples Scotch Scramble tee-time 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Dinner and Fundraiser Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact: Pat Johnson-396-2243 or Kris Lasley at 753-4421 or Nelda Stacy at 396-2238.

## Stratford Patriots Need Your Help to go to State Competition

The Stratford Special Olympics team will be going to state competition in aquatics again this year in October. These games will be held at Baylor University in Waco. We are going to have a garage sale August 7<sup>th</sup> to help raise funds to go. If you have anything that you would like to donate for the cause, it would be appreciated. Our team has grown from 4 athletes to 8 athletes in the past year and this trip will cost a considerable amount of money. These athletes have worked hard and deserve the chance to participate at state. Clean out your garage and closets, we will come and get your donations just call Cindy Larance 396-5635 or Carol Zimmer 366-2109. If you would like to make a cash donation, please mail to Stratford Patriots PO Box 1085, Stratford, TX 79084. So come on August 7<sup>th</sup> and see what we have that you can't live without! We are so proud of the Stratford Patriots and would be honored to represent Stratford in Waco.

## Triple D Cooking School To Be Held

Triple D (Delicious Dishes with Diabetes) Cooking School will be held in Stratford August 17, 24, & 31<sup>st</sup>.

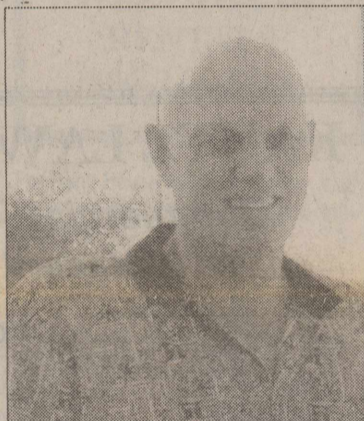
The three-week cooking school will focus on food preparation skills with less fat, sugar, cholesterol and sodium. The cooking school will be conducted from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the home of Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences. Triple D Cooking School is designed to help not only the person with diabetes, but also anyone who prepares food for those with diabetes. Cost of the school is \$5.00 per person and is limited to 8 participants. Extension educational programs conducted by the Texas Cooperative Extension serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

For more information or to enroll in the class, contact the Sherman County Extension Office at 806-366-2122 or come by 701 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Stratford. Registration deadline for the class is August 13<sup>th</sup>.



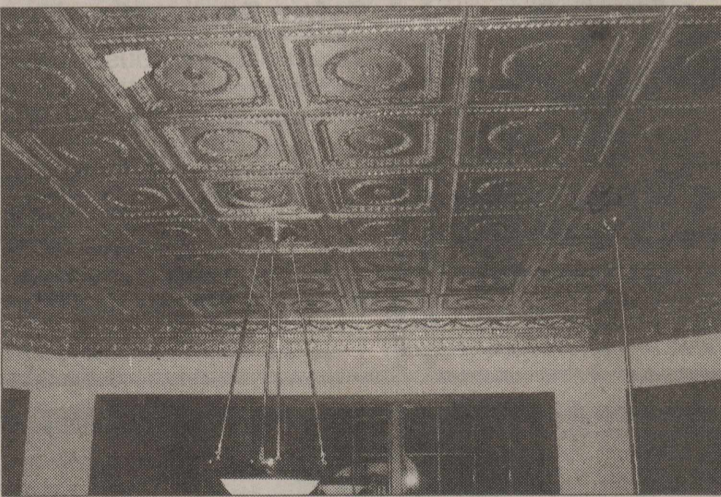
## Elks Report for First Day of Practice

The Stratford Elks reported for their first day of practice on Monday, August 2 and are preparing for a great season under the direction of new head coach Eddie Metcalf and his coaching staff.



## Former Stratford Resident Needs Your Help

Dusky Woods, formerly of Stratford, has been diagnosed with cancer and is presently being treated at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. Dusky is employed at the Canyon, Texas U.S. Postal Service, but only works 5 hours per day. Anyone wishing to donate to help defray Dusky's expenses may contact Jack or Vicki Gore at 396-2326. Any help is greatly appreciated.



A look at Happy State Bank's ornate tin ceilings.

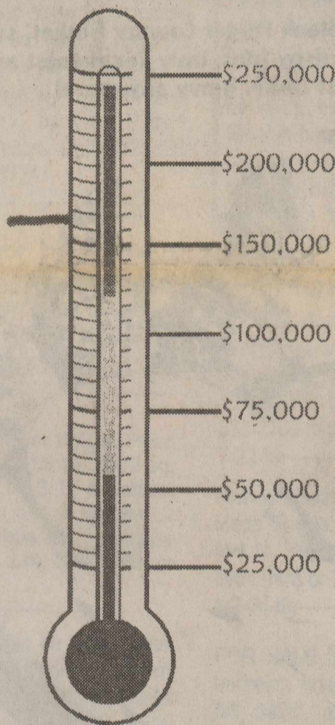
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## Happy State Bank's Lobby Décor

2nd in a series by Tyler Haynes

CEO of Happy State Bank, Pat Hickman, likes old-fashioned things and old-fashioned values. Happy State Bank has created a unique blend of contemporary and old time style in all their buildings. Even before Happy State Bank existed, Pat Hickman was creating this future bank in his imagination. He always had a camera with him just in case he saw an old building that might inspire his later creation. In 1994,

## Stratford Education Foundation



To date, the Stratford Education Foundation has received a total of \$164,561.00 in donations and pledges. Thank you so much for your generosity in providing funds that goes directly to staff and students in the Stratford Independent School District to enhance the effectiveness of career and academic education.

(Graphics courtesy of Greg Wright. Thank you Greg.)

National building in Canyon. As soon as he walked in, he saw 1908 laid out in one-inch square tiles on the floor. Since that building was built in 1908, and since Happy State Bank was going for an early 1900's look and style, it just seemed natural that the floor in the lobby would be entirely constructed of one-inch tiles, and our branch in Stratford will be no different.

Even though each bank is similar, Pat Hickman continues to insist that each bank hold its own unique design characteristics. One way the bank here in Stratford will achieve that is by its corner entry. The front door will be located on the southwest corner of the building. You'll also notice the columns along the entryway and the brick work will give the Stratford branch its own image and style.

The early 1900's design combined with the technology that has become so well respected throughout the region allow Happy State Bank to encompass all that's best of both old and new.

School starts in 12 days, August 16th



## Old Timer King & Queen Crowned

2004 Old Timer King & Queen, Jack Dettle and Betty Lou O'Brien.

Jack Dettle and Betty Lou O'Brien were crowned Old Timer King and Queen Saturday morning at First State Bank before over 125 friends and family. GFWC/Prospectus Study Club hosted the annual event. Refreshments of orange juice and assorted sweet breads were served.

D'Lynn Reed, Club president, welcomed all. A "Red, White & Blue" ceremony and the presentation of Flag and Pledge were led by Mazie Vincent, Taylor Wright and Mary Ann Spurlock with leader Laurie Spurlock.

The royal couple was crowned by Patti Vincent and Barbara Chumley. A beautiful arm bouquet and boutonniere of a new variety from "Let's Make Arrangements" were given them.

Margaret Reed had the families of the couple introduced

and recognized past Kings and Queens. There were a dozen attending from Coldwater Manor.

Two selections were played by Nina Lavake on the cello and Marihoward Engelbrecht at the keyboard.

Delightful stories about the Queen and King were told by Julie Gray Berry and Joyce McBryde.

The couple rode in the parade to Pendleton Park for the barbeque.

Assisting at the program were D'Lynn Reed, Margaret Reed, Sandy Baskin, Mattie Baskin, Liz Sanders, LaVell Haggard, Linda Haynes, Oline Caraway, Betty Brown, Mary Woodford Wisdom, Marylou McDaniel, Dorothy Haile, Laurie Spurlock, Ann Johnson, Sonja Kendrick, Marsha Wright, Marty Bain, Patti Vincent, Barbara Chumley, Yvonne Pittman.

## LUCKY DRAW BALL

Stratford County Club is hosting their Fourth Annual Lucky Draw Ball on August 14, 2004 at 7:00pm at the Country Club. Tickets are \$100.00 apiece and admit two people to the festivities. Festivities include steak dinner, music and dancing, and a big drawing for the following prizes: 8 - \$250 prizes, 1 - \$1000 prize, 1 - \$5000 grand prize.

You need not be present to win the prizes and non-club members are welcome to purchase tickets. Contact any board member Richard Chumley, Gregg Hudson, Levi James, Valerie Naugle, Jim Pearce, Yvonne Pittman, Mike Shafer, or Laurie Spurlock and we will deliver you a ticket. Come join the fun!

## State Fair of Texas & Tri State Fair Livestock Entries Available

All Sherman County 4-H Members planning on exhibiting a livestock project at the State Fair of Texas, Tri-State Fair, and/or South Plains Fair may pick up their entry forms at the Sherman County Extension Office. Entries for the State Fair are due by August 22, 2004. The State Fair will be held September 24-October 17

in Dallas. Entries for the Tri-State Fair are due by August 13, 2004. The Tri-State Fair will be held in Amarillo on September 18-25. Entries to the South Plains Fair in Lubbock are due by August 16. The South Plains Fair will be held September 24-October 2. Please contact Leslie Neve at (806) 366-2081 or drop by the Extension Office for more information.

## Mary Allen Registration for New Students

New students, PreK- 4th grade, entering Mary Allen Elementary for the first time need to register sometime during the weeks of August 9 thru August 16 if you have not already done so. Mary Allen Elementary will be open from 8:30-3:00 beginning Monday, August 9. To enroll a student at Mary Allen Elementary, the student will need a valid birth certificate, current shot record, and social security number. Classes for the 2004-2005 school year will begin Monday, August 16 at 8:15. If you have any questions please call Mary Allen Elementary at 366-3340. We are looking forward to a good school year.

## Estate Planning Seminar To Be Held

There will be an estate-planning seminar sponsored by the Stratford Independent School District Education Foundation.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to hear from two outstanding Experts in the field of estate planning.

Jim Allison, Executive Director of the Amarillo Area Foundation and Charles King, Amarillo, Texas one of the more noted estate planners in the Panhandle Area will be doing the presentations.

They will be sharing the best ways to transfer assets at the correct time.

Both presenters are knowledgeable, informative, as well as down to earth.

The meeting will take place at The Imagination Station on Tuesday, August 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be provided. The public is invited. There will be no admission.

## Lamb & Goat Validation

All 4-H and FFA Members planning to exhibit a goat or lamb project next year at a State Livestock Show, please contact Leslie Neve at the Extension Office (806) 366-2081 by August 15, 2004. It is time to order State Validation Tags and we need an accurate count of the number of 4-H and FFA projects there will be for the 2004-2005 show season. Only validated animals may be shown at a Major Livestock Show. Validation for these species will take place sometime in October.

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Jazz will endure just as long as people hear it through their feet instead of their brains.  
—John Philip Sousa  
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## Past Old Timers

Past Old Timers from left: Alfred Pronger 02, Betty Brown 93, Mary Woodford Wisdom 96, King Jack, Homer Blake 97, Elsie Lasley 97, Maurine Plunk 00, Shirley Plunk 03, T.F. Baskin 03, Ione Kendrick 95, Bill & Selma Pendleton 01. Also present, but not pictured was Helen Taylor.

## Grain, Forage, & Cattle Seminar

Moore County will be one of nine counties hosting Small Grains, Forage and Cattle Production Seminars during the months of July and August. The seminar will be hosted by the Moore County Extension Service in cooperation with Dallam, Hartley and Sherman Counties. The seminar is scheduled for August 5, 2004 at the Moore County Community Building. The meeting will help anyone interested in beefing up their knowledge of best management practices involving cattle, forage, and small grains suited for the High Plains, including information on marketing and profitability. This is a "One-Stop-Shoe" kind of meeting for producers to get all the information they need about forage and stocker cattle production.

The seminar is free and will begin at 10:00 a.m. with registration and the program starting at 10:30 a.m. There will be a meal provided for participants sponsored by Seed Inc. Please call the Sherman County Extension Office at (806) 366-2081 for more information.



This is what the Stratford branch lobby will most likely look like.

## Chamber News

By Patti Tims

### RANCH RODEO RESULTS

What an exciting weekend. It all started Friday morning at 9:00 for me, but for the others involved like Jimmy Helmuth, Tammie Helmuth, and Jimmy Gillenwaters, there morning started much earlier. I had no idea what it took to put on a rodeo, let me tell you, it takes a lot. A lot of hard work, stress, and organization. We would all like to thank our Sponsors, Judge Crippen, Wesley Miller, and the Commissioners for the use of the arena. Also thank you to all the teams

The end results were a successful Ranch Rodeo. Listed are the team winners and event winners.

1st Place went to Rafter S Ranch with a score of 66 point. Team members are: Captain, Joe N. Shadle, Josey Shadle, Brad Shadle, Randy Crump, and Wes Mason, out of Clarendon, Texas.

2nd Place went to Lazy J Ranch with a score of 63 points. Team members are: Captain, Chad Walker, Ryan Moorehouse, Charles Ray, Judd Butler, and Ed Burr, out of Stratford Texas.

3rd Place went to Stratford Feedyard with a score of 47 points. Team members are: Captain, David Merrill, Pistol Audrain, Frank Chandler, Russel Brhun, and Aaron Potter, out of Stratford, Texas.

Hard Luck award went to the Crawford Ranch. Team members: Kempson Kiser, Cody White, Kevin Hill, Heath Kiser, and Omar Kiser. Best Rhemuda went to the Schnauffer Cattle & Landess Ranch. Team members: Captain Lavert Avent, Buddy Schnauffer, Tyler Avent, and Cody Lawrence.

Bronc riding winner went to Schnauffer Cattle & Landess Ranch. Wild Cow Milking winners were The Neighbors. Team members: Captain, Casey Pope, Martin Mathis, Brice Mansell, Kelly Cates, and Gideon Peterson. Team Branding winners were Stratford Feedyard. Trailer Loading went to Rafter S and last but not least, the Double Mugging winners were J Lazy 6.

### THANK YOU NOTE

Jimmy Helmuth, Jimmy Gillenwaters and the Stratford Chamber of Commerce would like to thank these individuals who helped make this Rodeo work, Mike Boyd for the use of his panels, Keith Whatley and Steven Pickens for helping with the stock. David Duran and Daniel Nusz for helping in the arena.

### SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES

Stratford will be receiving two new businesses in the near future, and I would like to remind everyone that we need to support our local businesses and help keep their doors open. I don't know about you, but I don't like to drive all over the country to get things I need. I like having the businesses we have here in town. The local business owners appreciate your business and will continue to serve the Stratford Community to the best of their ability. Please keep your business in town.

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**Kerrick News**  
By Marylou McDaniel

Misty Hitchings and Paul Desbien were married Saturday July 31 at Boise City. Their reception was held at the Hitchings Ranch. Among those attending were the Brady Schoonovers, Nita Taylor, Buck Weaver, Heather & Kenna Collums and Peggy and Leonard Hawkins.

Trisha Schoonover and children, Reed, Rett and Rese went to all the events Saturday at the Jamboree in Stratford. Grandparents Barbara and Terry are keeping the children for a couple of weeks.

Saturday night Terry & Barbara attended the Weatherly Lake barbecue.

An interesting tidbit-Jerry Seinfeld and a friend recently spent a night at the Ekland Hotel in Clayton. They were driving a restored car across the states.

Marylou McDaniel attended the 1944 Class reunion Friday night and the Old Timers program Saturday.

Jo June McDaniel had a house full over the weekend. Guests from Monroe, LA, were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baker, Mr. & Mrs. E.H. Baker. E.H. was here for his 40<sup>th</sup> class reunion in Stratford.

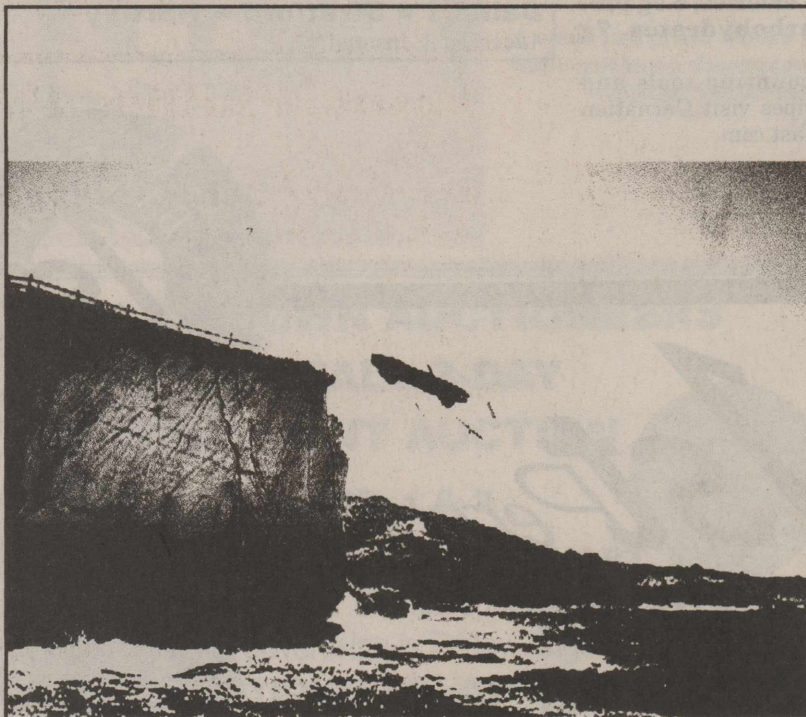
Joining them for supper were Whit and Jean McDaniel of Dumas, John, Teri and Shelby McDaniel of Stratford.

The Irlbeck family had nearly a week camping at Tres Ritas, NM. There were 22 of them-the families of Lester, Dennis, Randy, Melvin & Belinda. Also joining them was Ted's niece Wanda & Gerald Jessica of Hereford.

Ted said it was green and beautiful.

Nicole, 13-year-old daughter of Lester of Arlington, is spending August with her grandparents.

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When the heart is afire, some sparks will fly out of the mouth.  
—Thomas Fuller  
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**Arts in the Area**

By Gaynelle Riffe

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If you chase two rabbits, you will not catch either one.  
—Russian proverb  
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- June 3-August 21 "Texas Legacies" (TEXAS) Monday Through Saturday Pioneer Amphitheatre, Palo Duro Canyon State Park 806-655-2181 1-877-58TEXAS www.epictexas.com
  - June 13-August 22 "Heavenly Country" (Sundays) Pioneer Amphitheatre, Palo Duro Canyon State Park
  - June 23-Aug 15 "Lone Star Rising" Out door Musical 806-677-1706 Wed.-Sun. Fritch Fortress Amphitheater- Lake Meredith
  - Aug. 5,6,7 "Blazing Guns at Roaring Gulch" Melodrama XIT Celebration Thur./Fri. 7:00 p.m. Sat. 2:00 p.m. Dalhart LaRita Theatre 806-244-5646
  - August 17 Nickel back Rock Band Civic Center Coliseum 806-378-3096
  - Sept. 6 "Discover! Sky High" Symphony Concert /Fireworks Don Harrington Discovery Center 806-355-9547

**THRIFTWAY**  
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STRARFORD, TX.

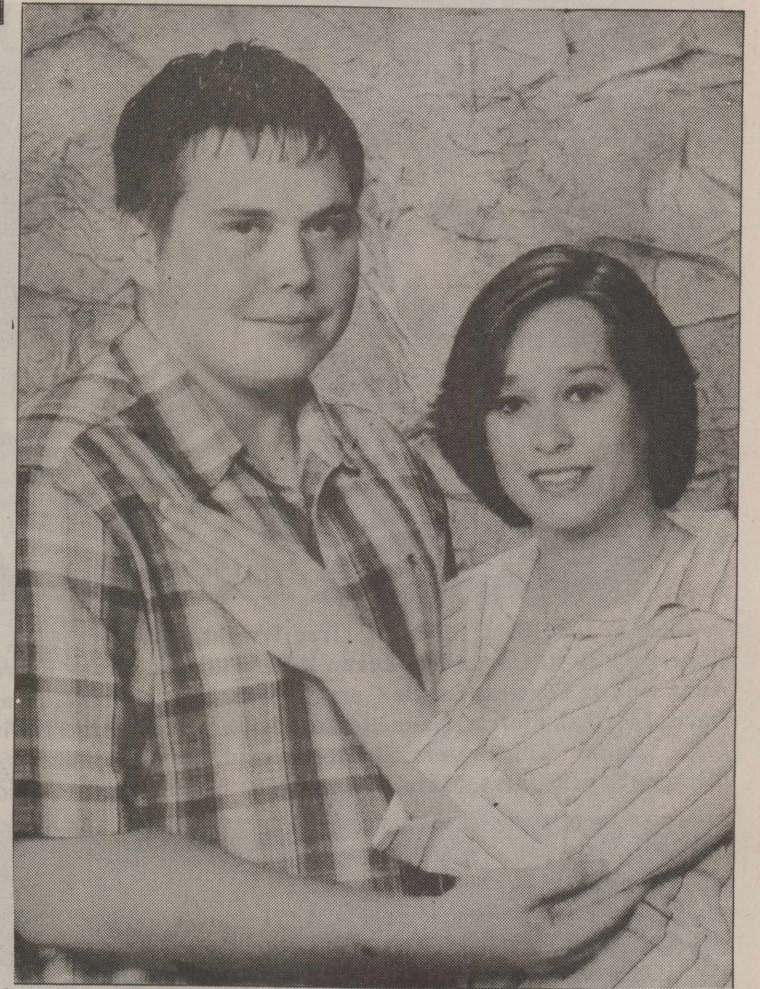
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**Engagement Announced**

Barbara Anne Presley and Robert Matthew Lowe announce their engagement. Barbara is the daughter of Terry and Gail Wells of Griggs, OK and the late James Presley of Stratford. She is a 1999 graduate of Stratford High School and graduated from WTAMU with a BA in accounting and is currently employed by the State Comptrollers Office. Robert is the son of Gray Lowe of Shamrock and Cynthia Maddox of Amarillo. He is also a WTAMU graduate; and is employed by the Education Credit Union. The couple is planning an August wedding.

**Births**

Drestyn and Brooke Teel are proud to announce the arrival of their baby brother Cutter Ti on July 9, 2004. Cutter weighed 5 lb. 2. z and was 17.5 in long. Proud parents are Darin Bell & Kyla Helmuth. Proud grandparents are Jimmy and Tammie Helmuth from Stratford and Karen Bell from Nara Visa, NM.

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Nurture your mind with great thoughts. To believe in the heroic makes heroes.  
—Benjamin Disraeli  
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Everyone has his day and some days last longer than others.  
—Winston Churchill  
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**Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays**

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

**First Assembly of God**

Kevin Anderson, Pastor  
921 Fulton  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

**First Christian**

Rev. Walter Reed  
5th & Main  
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
No Sunday Evening Worship  
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

**First United Methodist**

Rev. Gene Weinette  
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  
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**Church of Church**

N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Following Jesus Christ

Would you prefer to be at the mercy of harsh, impersonal, forces over which you have no control? Or would you rather be in the hands of a loving, benevolent, caring God? The answer seems plain. Even so, many people cannot stand the idea of the all-knowing God telling them the best way to handle their lives. So they opt for cold, unfounded chance. But there is another side to the story. Jesus exclaims, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous" (Matthew 5:45-45). Jesus gives the best possible reason to be benevolent to others around us. We are to reflect the love of God. God brings the blessing of sunshine. What a terrible thing it would be to live in perpetual darkness. We would not survive for very long. God also brings the blessing of rain. Sometimes we think we have too much or too little. But we are at God's mercy. Isn't it much better to be able to go to a loving Father and seek his face when we think there is too much rain or not enough? If God does not exist, we live in a universe controlled by emotionless chaotic forces. And there is no place to turn. It is every man and woman for himself. That's an ugly, intolerable world. I'm thankful that is not the world in which we live. We live in a world controlled by the most benevolent Master conceivable, the living God. Let's follow Jesus Christ in learning the love of the Father.

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Community Building  
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday



Class of 1984-Back Row L/R, Greg Wright, Brent Spurlock, David Aduddell, Donita Gibson Robertson, Brett Cummings, Diann Riffe Williams, Danny Barrett, David Naugle. Middle Row: Anna Gomez Estraca, Gracie Garza Fierro, Kent Holman, Lisa Wiley Brack, Desire Hayworth Davis, Lisa Zak Flores, Nannette Boardman Barrett, Albert Olivas, James Kirkham. Front row L/R: Jimmy Gillenwaters, Brent Holman, Dana Williams Simpson, Sharon Muir Chacaj, Michelle Sewell Garza, Marci Metzger Nix. Not pictured - David Meyer and Cary Smith.



Shown at left Class of 1944 and spouses at Ex-students Meet & Greet Friday night: From left, Neva & Ira Lee Brannan, Andrews, TX; Charlene & Elmer Oquin; Christine Williams Claughton, Amarillo; Wanda Riffe. Also present were J.C. Claughton and Marylou McDaniel.



Shown at left-A good crowd was on hand at the Pendleton Park to enjoy the delicious barbecue prepared and served by the Stratford Lions Club.



Shown above Depot Museum Entry in the Parade.



Shown at right Class of 1944 L/R: Ira Brannan, Wanda Bryant Riffe, Elmer Oquin, Christine Williams Claughton.



Shown at right Taylor Wright shows off her turtle before the turtle races.

**Sunrise Smoothie**

- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1/4 cup half & half
- 1 packet Nestlé Carnation Instant Breakfast for the Carb Conscious, Classic French Vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon any-flavor, sugar-free, low-calorie soft drink mix
- 1 cup ice cubes

Place water, cream, Carnation Instant Breakfast, drink mix and ice in blender; cover. Blend until smooth. Makes one serving. (155 calories, 6.5g protein, 17g carbohydrates, 7g total fat)

For carb counting tools and additional recipes visit Carnation InstantBreakfast.com.

August 2004						
Stratford Family Medical Clinic						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Dr. Gore	3 Dr. Gore	4 Dr. Gore	5 Dr. Gore	6 Clinic Closed	7
8	9 Dr. Bassett	10 Dr. Bassett	11	12 Ella Flores, N.P.	13 Clinic Closed	14
15	16 Dr. Bassett	17 Dr. Bassett	18	19 Ella Flores, N.P.	20 Clinic Closed	21
22	23 Dr. Bassett	24 Dr. Bassett	25	26 Ella Flores, N.P.	27 Clinic Closed	28
29	30 Dr. Bassett	31 Dr. Bassett				

Shown at right Stratford Family Medical Clinic hours and those on duty during the month of August, 2004.

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Cindy is also a tremendous asset to the Stratford community. She has been actively involved in Special Olympics for many years and serves as a head coach. We salute her commitment to this wonderful program.

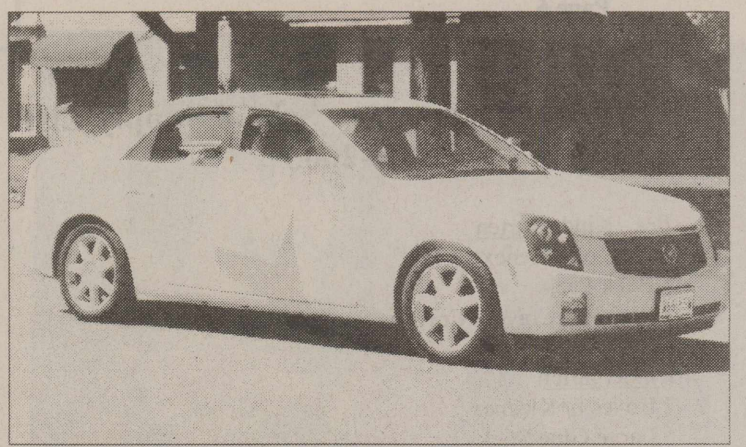
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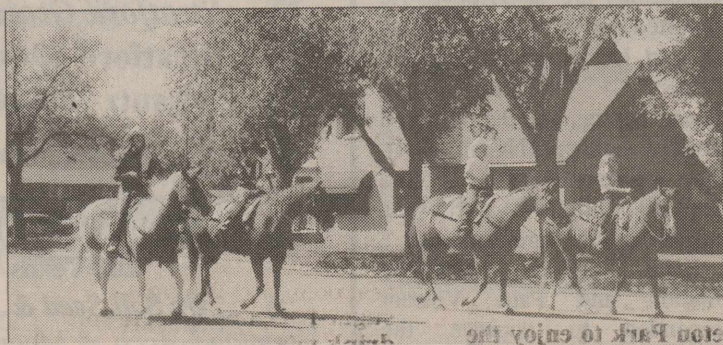
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## Stratford Jamboree & Ex-Students Reunion



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A weed is a plant whose virtues  
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—Ralph Waldo Emerson  
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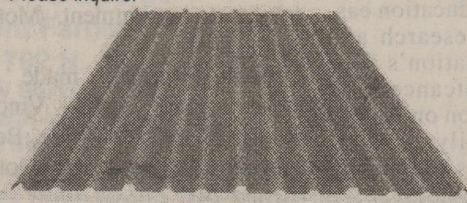
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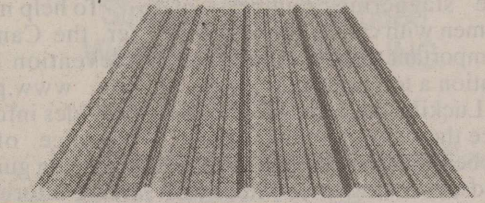
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**Kindergarten**

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- 1 Box of 8 Crayons
- 1 Box of 16 Colors
- 10 Pencils
- 1 Pair of Fiskar Scissors
- 1 Small School Box
- 1 Rest Mat (No blankets, exercise mats or sleeping bags)
- 1 Pink Eraser
- 1 Box Map Color Pencils

**First Grade**

- 1 Wide Rule Spiral Notebook
- 12 #2 Pencils
- 2 Red Pencils
- 10 Pencil Erasers
- 2 Boxes of Crayons (No Fluorescent)
- 1 Small Pencil Box
- 1 Pair pointed scissors

- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 Large roll of paper towels
- No Pencil Sharpener

Please mark your child's things with his/her name

**Second Grade**

- 1 Plastic Pencil box (8x5)
- 1 Box 24 count Crayons
- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 Pair of scissors
- 20 #2 pencils
- 1 Box map color pencils
- 3 Red pens
- 3 70 count spiral notebooks (Wide Ruled)
- 5 Folders with pockets and brads
- 2 Pink Erasers (Big)
- 1 8 oz. bottle Elmers Glue
- 1 Roll paper towels
- 1 pkg. loose leaf paper (wide ruled)
- 1 Highlighter

Please mark your child's things with his/her name

**Third Grade**

- 1 Box of 24 Crayons
- 20 Pencils
- 2 Red Grading pens
- 1 Box Map Color Pencils
- 3 Boxes of Kleenex
- 1 Pair Scissors
- 1 8 oz Glue
- 1 Glue Stick
- 3 Erasers
- 2 pkgs. Loose leaf paper
- 4 Spjral notebooks (60 - 100 pages)
- No Trapper Keepers

**Fourth Grade**

- 3 Spiral notebooks
- 3 Pocket folders (with brads)
- 3 Highlighters
- Glue
- Glue Stick
- Crayons
- 3 Boxes of Kleenex
- Zippered Pencil Bag
- 12 Pencils (no mechanical pencils please)
- 5 Red Grading Pencils or pens
- Scissors
- 1 Hand pencil sharpener
- Notebook paper (WIDE RULED) 1 lg. pkg.)
- Please put your child's name on their things

**WOMEN'S HEALTH**

**Remind the Women in  
Your Life to Be Healthy**

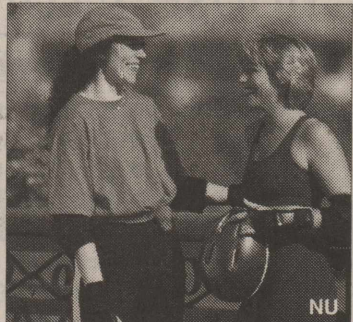
NewsUSA

(NU) - Being a grandmother, mother, sister, aunt, sister-in-law, niece or girlfriend is not always an easy task. All of these women deserve to hear how much we love and appreciate having them in our lives. Therefore, the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation would like to remind all women to stay healthy.

In 2003, more than 375,000 women were diagnosed with breast, lung, colorectal or cervical cancer, and thousands more were diagnosed with skin cancer. The staggering numbers of women with cancer prove that it is important to make cancer prevention a top priority.

Luckily, there are ways to reduce the risks of getting cancer. By being active, eating healthy foods, checking their bodies for abnormalities and getting screened for cancer regularly, women are more likely to stay healthy.

Starting at a young age, women need to know their family history and discuss their risk for cancer with their health care professional. By being aware and adhering to screening guidelines, women have a better chance of living a cancer-free life. Early detection is key to providing more choices in treatment options and a better chance of a cure.



To stay healthy, women should understand their cancer risk.

To help make education easier, the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation's Web site, [www.preventcancer.org](http://www.preventcancer.org), provides information on the importance of family history, screening guidelines and healthy living information.

In addition, an informative publication titled "Living Healthy — for Life" is available for a \$25 donation to the foundation. This publication provides practical, easy-to-understand advice, including the recommended cancer screening guidelines to help people live a cancer-free life.

Always remind the women in your life that it is never too late to adopt a healthy lifestyle.

Visit [www.preventcancer.org](http://www.preventcancer.org) for more healthy living information.

**SISD Board  
Minutes  
Tuesday,  
July 13, 2004**

The Stratford ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, July 13, 2004 in the High School library.

President Joe Reinart established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present: Joe Reinart, Gareed McBryde, Brent Spurlock, Patti Vincent, Ricky Reed (7:20 p.m.) Jim Taliaferro, Superintendent.

No guests were present. Mr. Taliaferro led the invocation.

Mr. Taliaferro gave the district's monthly recognition. It was as follows:

1. The two difficult (3A) pieces Mr. Hunsaker and crew competed at contest with have been judged to be the top two concert performances in this region for Class A in Texas. This is a huge honor. Congratulations to the Stratford High School Band and Mr. Hunsaker for this great achievement.

Mr. Taliaferro gave the superintendents report. He reported that the building maintenance was progressing on schedule. He then handed out the May and June transportation reports. The budget summary was as follows: monthly expenditures are at 79.19% and revenue collected at 94.30%. Tax collections are at 97.66%. He reported that the Ag pickup is to be sold. He also reported on the "Policy On-Line" as housekeeping, and the proposed policy change (FNCA Local). The basketball court by the Junior High and its improvements were discussed.

Brent Spurlock made the motion and Patti Vincent seconded to approve the consent agenda. Discussion was held and minutes were amended to include "teaching supplies"

in June minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Patti Vincent made the motion and Gareed McBryde seconded to accept the meal prices for the coming school year as presented. They are \$1.25 for Pre-K-8, \$1.50 for High School, \$2.50 for staff and \$3.00 for guest. Motion carried 7-0.

The Standard Operating Procedures Manual was discussed. DeWain Trayler made the motion and Ricky Reed seconded to accept the Standard Operating Procedures Manual with changes as discussed. Motion carried 7-0.

Ricky Reed made the motion and Joe Reinart seconded to appoint the Superintendent to the Regional Advisory Council. Motion carried 7-0.

Brent Spurlock made the motion and Gareed McBryde seconded to approve the appraisal calendar as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Gareed McBryde made the motion and Patti Vincent seconded to accept the Shared Service Arrangement contracts as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ricky Reed made the motion and Steve Hayes seconded to accept the resignation of Becky Adams with regrets. Motion carried 7-0.

Patti Vincent made the motion and Ricky Reed seconded to hire Keri Walden subject to assignment. Motion carried 7-0.

Brent Spurlock made the motion and Patti Vincent seconded to hire Nikie Berry subject to assignment. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held on staffing, compensation, mineral lease, ADA compliance at the stadium and security. The athletic Code of Conduct was discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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Preach always. If necessary, use words.  
—St. Francis of Assisi  
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**Beef Grooming  
Clinic- Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>**

Sherman County 4-H will be sponsoring a Beef Grooming Clinic on August 7, 2004 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Steve Johnson's Barn. Anyone interested in participating with a Beef Livestock Project is welcome to attend. A free BBQ lunch will be provided following the clinic. For more information or to obtain directions please contact Leslie Neve at (806) 366-2081 or go by the Extension office.

**Home**

(NU) - Fences are built for many reasons. Fences keep children or animals in the yard and define property lines. Fences also provide security and privacy, and complement other backyard amenities, like pools, spas and decks. Redwood is often the material of choice for fences because it is durable, looks good, and resists warping, and splitting. For fence building tips or other project plans and redwood information, log on to [www.calredwood.org](http://www.calredwood.org).

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**Health**

(NU) - Movie stars, athletes, media, peers — children have the potential to be influenced by many outside factors. However, studies have found that parents have more potential to influence their children's behavior than anyone else does. As a result, parents are looking for creative ways to provide healthier lifestyle options for their families. In recognition of the importance of total family wellness, Bob Evans has listed a number of family wellness tips on its Web site, [www.bobevans.com](http://www.bobevans.com).

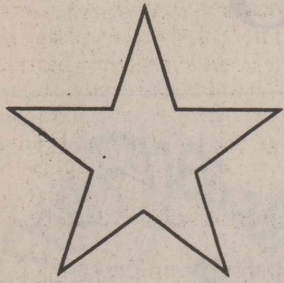
**Technology**

(NU) - When most people think of video surveillance, they think of cameras in stores. But many businesses are using them to keep track of meetings and ensure clients and business associates stand behind their word. CCS International (OTC BB: SITG) is one of the most well-known makers of surveillance equipment, making systems that allow you to monitor a situation from across town or across an ocean. For more information about video surveillance, log on to [www.spzzone.com](http://www.spzzone.com).

**Health**

(NU) - Do you enjoy the outdoors? Do you love pets? What if you had to choose between these things and your ability to breathe? For many asthma sufferers, that choice is one they make every day. Knowing asthma triggers and how to manage them are the first steps to a fuller, happier life. For information on asthma triggers and how to control them, call the Asthma Hotline at 1-800-315-8056 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST or visit [www.epa.gov/asthma](http://www.epa.gov/asthma).

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## Garage Sales

Carport Garage Sale: Sat. August 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 620 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Clothes, kitchen items & lots misc. 8-5-c

## Land for Sale

Land for Sale: Section 66 and South 1/2 of Section 67 Block 8. Capital Syndicate sub-division Dallam County CRP to 9-30-2007. Contact Trust Dept. at First State Bank of Stratford 806-396-5521. 10-23-tfn

## Cards of Thanks

St. Joseph Catholic Church would like to thank the community for supporting our Jamboree, Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. We would especially like to thank the following businesses for donating to our Jamboree:

Stratford Grain, Russell Fangman, Thriftway, Let's Make Arrangements, Elk Pharmacy, Rynos Lawn Care, Stratford First State Bank, Dairy Queen, Express Lane, Allsup's, John Husmann, Happy First State Bank, A&I Parts, Smith Agency, Lutes Classics, Bain Tire, Norma's Precious Moments, TCB, Rendon's Headquarters, US Food Service, Swift, KFC, Sonic, Acquisitions, Taco Bell, United, Lowe's, Nina's Tortillas, Chavez Tortillas, Walmart, Brooks Motor, Bobby Edmund Horse Sales, Cactus Meat Locker, Browns Meat Locker and THE General Store. Your donation was greatly appreciated. God Bless!! We would also like to apologize for the delay our raffle. During the morning of July 25<sup>th</sup>, our raffle money and ticket stubs were stolen. We will still be having a raffle. Those who bought a ticket, please contact the person who sold to you to verify ticket number. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Thanks again and God Bless  
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## Cards of Thanks

Stratford Jamboree would like to thank everyone for all their help and support to make the Stratford Jamboree a success!!! A special thank you to the Stratford Lions Club for donating their time and expertise to make great BBQ! Thank you to Sean Hardeman for volunteering to be our parade chairman, you did a great job. Thanks to Tammie and Kyla Helmut for our kiddie parade. Thank you to Leonda Fedric for a great job as MC of the parade. Thanks to Barbara Haile and the Stratford Student council for hosting our kids' games, dog show & impromptu turtle race. We would also like to thank our sponsors for the Poke the Clown Jr. Ranch Rodeo, Mungia's Heating and Air Conditioning, First State Bank of Stratford, Happy State Bank and Rockin C Cross Appraisals. Three teams from Stratford are qualified to go the World Championship Jr. Ranch Rodeo in Amarillo November 13, 2004; they will represent Stratford well. There are many more who helped and we want to say thanks to all of you!

Stratford Jamboree Committee  
Jack Haile  
Trisha Schoonover

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## Cards of Thanks

This is a very special thank you to everyone concerned with rewarding me the Ranch Rodeo Top Hand award. I feel I should start by thanking Jimmy Gillenwaters, because he is the first person that made me aware of it. This whole thing was a shock, and surprise to me. I've won some belt buckles at rodeos and ropings, and a few punkin rollings. No telling how much I spent in entry fees for the ones I won. The last one I won was in 1976, so you can see how surprised and proud I am of the Ranch Rodeo Top Hand award. I've tried to thank several of you in person, but I know I have not done an adequate job of showing my gratitude. Once again, a very sincere thank you. I had a good time and hope everyone else did too.

Joe Flores

I want to thank everyone for your visits, flowers, phone calls & folks who sent cards while I was in the hospital. I appreciate you all so much.

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This 2 Bedroom, 1 3/4 bath that has style. The office could serve as 3rd bedroom. Beautiful large living room and dining area. Extra room off of kitchen could serve many purposes such as hobby room or office. Hardwood floors, decorative wall paper. Home sits on a beautiful corner lot with sprinkler system, nice patio area and storage building in backyard. Hurry! \$78,900.

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This charming home has been remodeled and sits on a 5 1/2 fenced lots. Attached 18'6"x24'8" workshop and 11'9"x12' storage building in backyard. Seller will furnish home warranty. \$79,900.

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FOR SALE BY OWNER...Beautiful 4 bedroom home, large sized rooms, 3 full baths, office, large utility room, basement, covered patio, beautifully landscaped backyard. W/deck. This house is located in a GREAT neighborhood!! 202 Kay Ave. Approx. 3800 sq. ft. Call 806-366-2482. 4-22-tfn

## Cards of Thanks

Thanks to all that helped make the Lions Club Bar B Q a success. The Lions are very happy to provide the labor and service to the Stratford Jamboree for their fundraiser. We fed a lot of folks this year. Special thanks to the following people: Tommy Asher and Precinct 4, Sean Hardman and the City of Stratford, Stratford ISD, Mrs. Baskin Brown, Jim Bob Brown, Wesley, Susie and Jenny Spurlock, Evan and Luke Haile, Matthew and Juliana Taliaferro. These people in addition to the Lions gave of their time and equipment for the success of the Bar B Q.

Jim Taliaferro

We would like to thank the nine teams that participated in the Depot Museum HorseShoe Pitch on Saturday. Congratulations to Chris Bell and Matt Vincent for winning first place.

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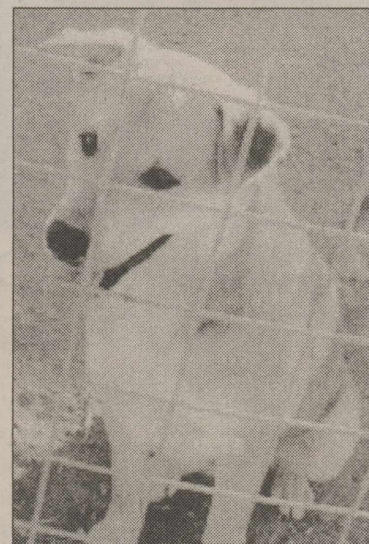
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## Pet of the Week



The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter needs your old blankets, towels, & rugs for the dogs and puppies. If you have any that you would like to provide them, please

The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs &

Puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes & range in age from 4 weeks on up. The older dogs have been spayed and/or neutered & have their shots. These dogs need a good home.

contact Linda Reimer at 244-6326 (leave message) or 249-5333. You can also drop them off at the shelter.

We are also seeking responsible individuals to provide foster care for the dogs. If you feel you would like to take one or two and care for them for a couple of months, we will provide the food. All of these dogs have had their shots and are looking for lots of love. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 for additional information.

## HEALTH

### The Truth About Summer Heat, Bugs

NewsUSA  
(NU) - Whether it's the burning sunshine or biting insects that irritate skin each summer, knowledge is the key to preventing skin problems and avoiding sleep loss due to itching and scratching.

To make sure you know the truth, here are the facts to dispel some common misconceptions about summer heat and pests:

• **Yellowjacket will not sting once and lose its stinger in your skin.** While honey bees leave the actual stinger in the skin, stinging once, yellowjackets, a member of the wasp family, can sting several times if provoked.

• **Wind does affect mosquitoes.** You will get fewer mosquito bites on days when there is a breeze because wind makes it hard for mosquitoes to detect your scent.

• **You can get a sunburn on a cloudy day.** Even on cloudy days, the sun's ultraviolet rays can penetrate clouds and damage skin.

• **Hydrocortisone is not the fastest way to stop skin from itching.** Studies show that benzocaine works faster to stop the itching and pain.

Hydrocortisone takes some time to decrease irritation, while benzocaine immediately numbs the itch nerves, providing fast relief. Lanacane Anti-Itch Creme, a topical anesthetic with benzocaine, provides quick relief for nearly all kinds of skin itching. It also contains an antibacterial to kill germs and fight infection, something hydrocortisone creams cannot provide.

For more information about summer skin and the Lanacane Summer Itch Index, which rates various summer itch factors daily based on weather factors, visit [www.lanacane.com](http://www.lanacane.com).

## Cards of Thanks

Thank you everyone for all the visits, cards, food, flowers, and prayers, for your support in our loss. You'll always be in our hearts.

Beltran Family

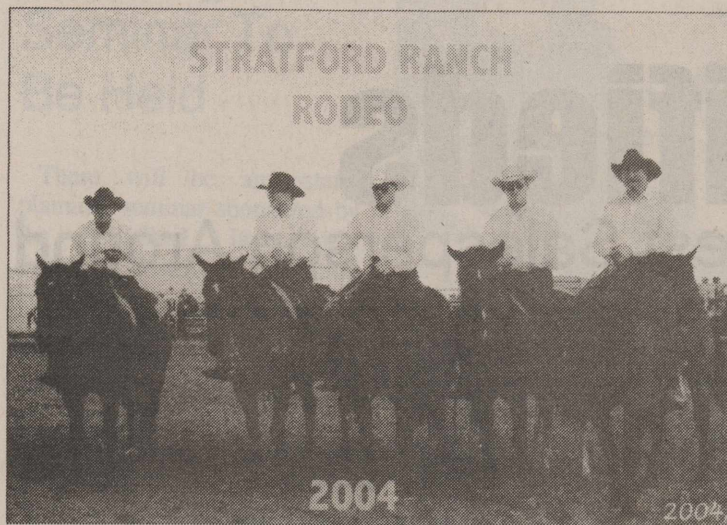
Por este medio agradecemos a todas las personas que con visitas, tarjetas, llamadas, comida, flores y oraciones Nos apoyaron en nuestra perdida. Siempre estaran en nuestros corazones.

Familia Beltran

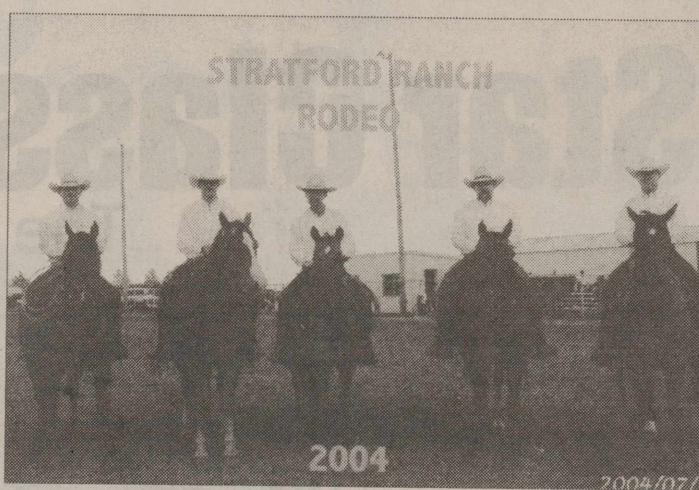
## Health

(NU) - Doctors hope that the findings in a recent study comparing the most common prostate cancer therapies will help men newly diagnosed with the disease to better evaluate their treatment options. The study showed that survival rates are nearly the same among patients treated with surgery, permanent seed implantation, high-dose external beam radiotherapy and combined seed/external beam radiotherapy. For a free brochure from the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology titled "Radiation Therapy for Prostate Cancer," or to find a radiation oncologist in your area, visit [www.astro.org/patient/](http://www.astro.org/patient/).

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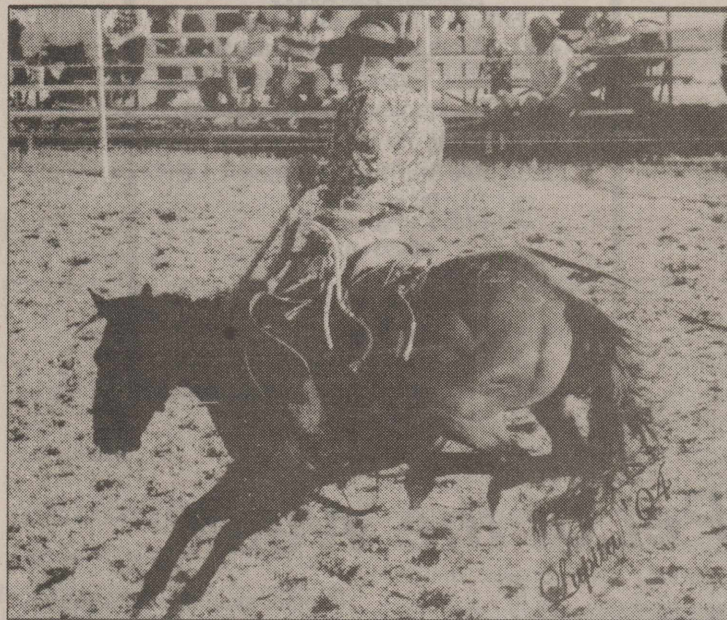
1<sup>st</sup> Place Team – Rafter S Ranch – Team Members – Joe N. Shadle, Josey Shadle, Brad Shadle, Randy Crump, Wes Mason.



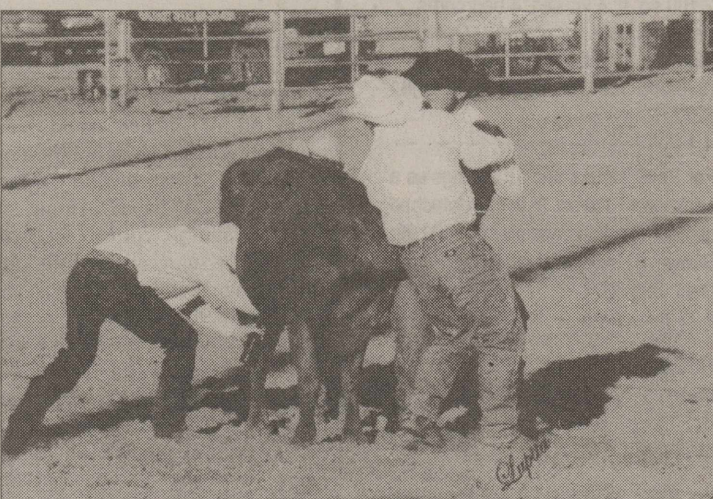
2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team – Lazy J Ranch – Team Members - Chad Walker, Ryan Moorehouse, Charles Ray, Judd Butler, Ed Burr.



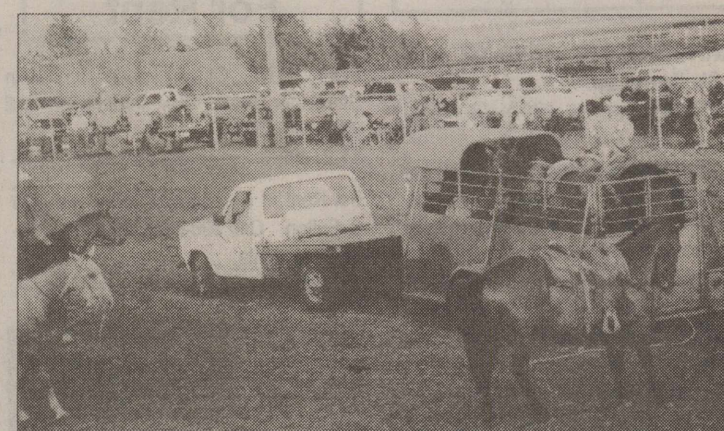
3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team – Stratford Feedyard – Team Members – David Merrill, Pistol Audrain, Russel Brhun, Aaron Potter, Frank Chandler.



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Double Mugging



Calf Scramble

## MEN'S HEALTH

### Get On Track To A Healthy Future

(NAPS)—Increased life expectancy means that older adults today have more years to look forward to than did previous generations; and the vision of aging is not what it used to be. Generally, the desire is to be active, stay healthy and live independently for as long as possible. To do so requires making healthy lifestyle choices. Men, however, often need encouragement to take care of themselves.

A recent survey to identify how men age 65 and older are maintaining their health found that only 37 percent walk for 30 minutes a day and 69 percent reported a reduction in their social activities after they turned 65. Nineteen percent of these men said their lack of socializing is due to caregiving responsibilities. While there are numerous community programs that help individuals and families with a range of health and social needs, few men in the survey knew about these services or use them.

The Eldercare Locator, a service of the U.S. Administration on Aging, conducted the survey to support the message that families play an important role in helping the older men in their lives get on track to a healthy future. "A simple reminder to eat right, exercise and check in with the doctor can add years to our loved ones' lives," said Josefina G. Carbonell, Assistant Secretary for Aging at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. "This is our goal with the 'Get on Track' message and to let families know that the Eldercare Locator is the link to healthy community resources for those who

#### SOME TIPS TO KEEP YOU HEALTHY

- **Exercise regularly.** Just 30 minutes of light activity daily, like walking or gardening, will boost your ability to fight aging-related illnesses.
- **Eat well.** Nutritional foods for meals and snacks give your body the energy you need to stay strong and active.
- **Get medical checkups.** Regular health assessments let you take charge of your wellness to prevent or address any problems.
- **Socialize.** Maintaining and developing new friendships, activities and interests enrich your physical and mental well-being.
- **Accept help.** A wealth of community resources are available to help you live long, healthy and independently.

need them."

This reminder may be especially important for the increasing numbers of men who are caregivers. Many of them, not accustomed to playing this role, neglect their own health care needs and don't ask for help. The Eldercare Locator can link them to assistance for themselves and for their loved one.

Through the Eldercare Locator, older adults and their caregivers can access information about local physical fitness and nutrition programs, health screening, home health assistance and much more. You can contact the Eldercare Locator at 1-800-677-1116 or [www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov).

## A Guide To The Gas Pump

### Get The Facts On Fuel

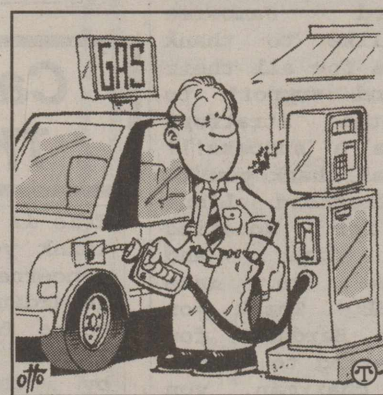
(NAPS)—Convenience and price often play a large part in determining where to fill up, but there is much more motorists should consider before pulling up to the gas pump.

To begin, all gasolines are not the same and the level of detergency—which can mean the difference between clean or dirty engine parts—can vary greatly from one gasoline brand to another. To help separate fuel fact from fiction, following are some guidelines to consider when selecting a gasoline for your car:

#### Consider the Cleaning Power

In the mid 1990s, the Environmental Protection Agency established minimum standards for cleaning agents that must be added to auto fuel. Most gasolines today contain just that minimum amount. Unfortunately, for some vehicles, this minimum level of detergency can leave carbon deposits on important engine parts. This is particularly true of low-detergent gasolines. The deposits that low-detergent gasolines leave behind in some cars can cause hesitation during an engine's initial warm-up phase. Removal and prevention of these deposits may help reduce incidence of hesitation. To avoid the build-up of engine deposits, consumers should look for high-quality gasolines with added cleaning power.

"Using a quality fuel with additional cleaning agents, such as Shell V-Power, our new premium-grade gasoline, can help ensure the cleanliness of critical engine parts by removing carbon deposits from the engine's intake valves and fuel injectors each time the vehicle is driven," explained Mark Henry, manager of fuels for Shell Oil Products US. "You can think of carbon deposits on an engine simi-



lar to the 'gunk' that can build up and coat your oven. Like an oven cleaner cleans the oven, the new fuel helps remove those deposits when used regularly."

#### Don't Overlook Octane

Different cars require different levels of octane, which is the measurement of a gasoline's ability to resist engine knock—a rattling or ping sound that results from uncontrolled combustion in the engine. The right level of octane will prevent engine knock and help ensure optimum performance. To determine the appropriate octane level, be sure to check your car's owner's manual for the manufacturer's recommendation.

The most common levels of octane are 87 (regular), 89 (mid-grade) and 93 (premium), and these are indicated right on the pump at the station. Higher octane gasoline can be particularly helpful for car engines that are experiencing knocking or ping. Octane, however, is only one component to consider when shopping for fuel. Consumers should also look for gasolines that provide added benefits.

There are a variety of options at the pump and no single type of gasoline is right for everyone. Concerning octane, the American

Petroleum Institute recommends consulting your owner's manual first. Ordinarily, it provides the correct guidance. However, if your engine knocks or pings at the recommended level, you may need to try a higher octane level. The requirements for your vehicle can be influenced by your driving habits, your vehicle's mileage, and the climate and geography where you live.

#### Factor in Other Factors

In addition, look for ways to get improved value out of your gasoline purchases, such as paying with a credit card that provides a rebate of some kind with every purchase. The Shell MasterCard from CitiCards (877-MY-SHELL) offers a five percent rebate on Shell quality gasoline and a one percent rebate on retail purchases anywhere the card is used.

For most consumers, a vehicle represents the second-largest purchase they will make (after their homes), so it's important to protect that investment. Selecting a high-quality fuel and servicing your car regularly are important steps to maintaining your vehicle properly.

For nearly 100 years, Shell has been focused on developing high-quality fuels and lubricants to meet the needs of the different vehicles on the road today. Shell V-Power, the company's new premium-grade fuel, actively cleans engines as people drive their cars by removing deposits from critical engine parts, specifically intake valves and fuel injectors. It has more than five times the cleaning agents required by government standards and is formulated to clean up deposits left by low-detergency gasolines. To learn more about the benefits of using quality fuels, visit [www.shell.us.com](http://www.shell.us.com).

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A successful marriage requires falling in love many times, always with the same person.

—Mignon McLaughlin

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Perfection is achieved, not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away.

—Antoine de Saint-Exupery