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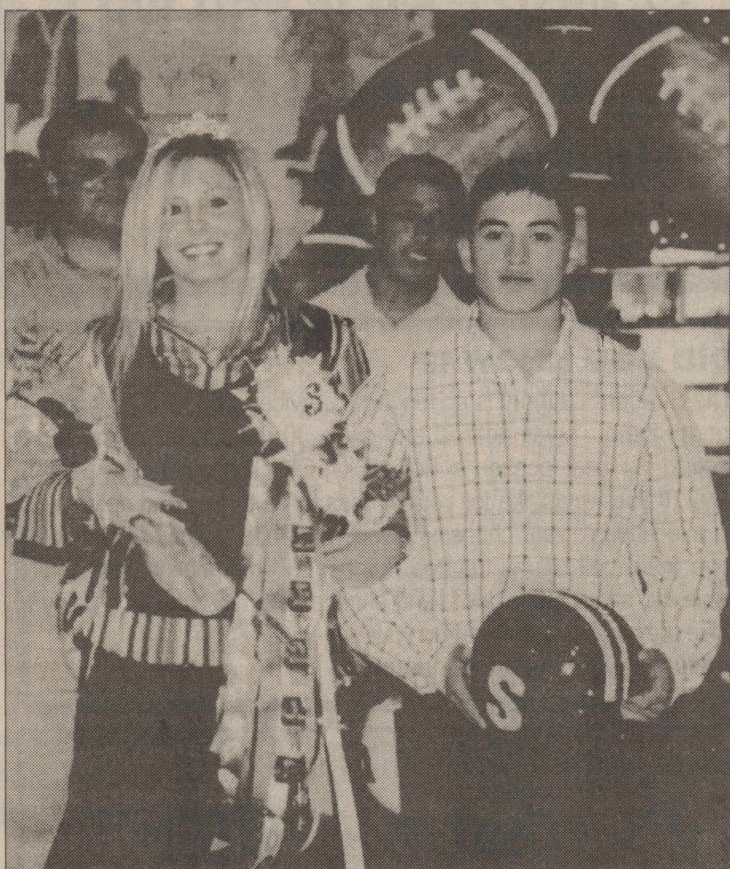
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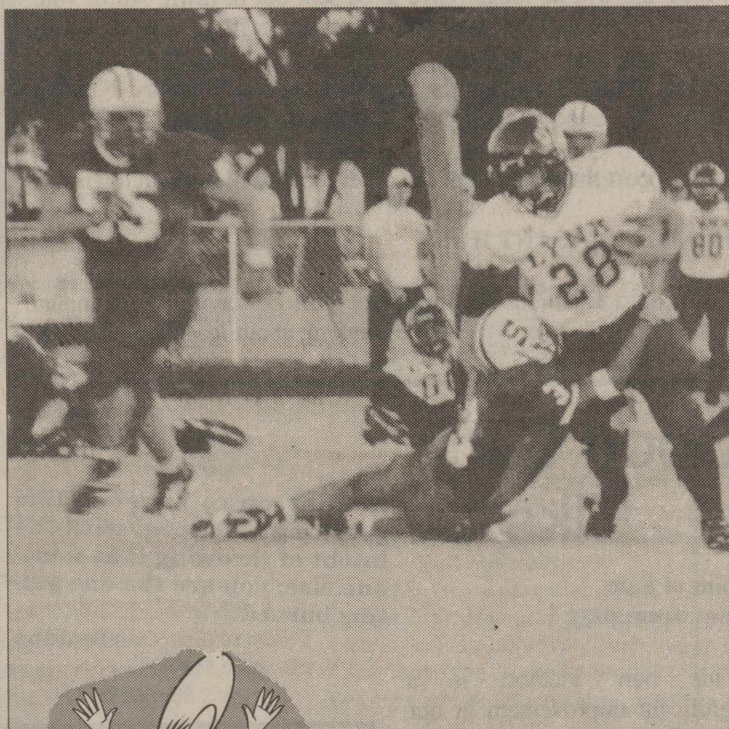
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Homecoming King & Queen

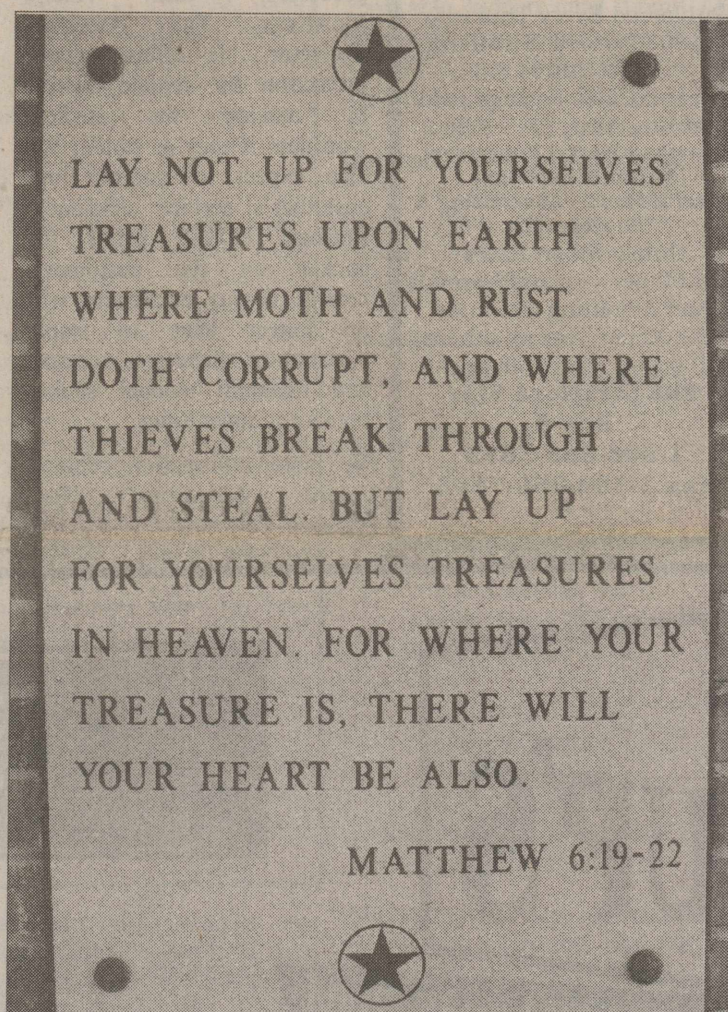
Crowned Homecoming King and Queen at the Pep Rally on Friday, September 10th was Lindsay Stein and Travis Soto.



Shown at left-Stratford Elks #3 Chris Ortega and #55 Mark Miller

**SENIOR CAR WASH
WILL BE
SATURDAY, SEPT.
18th FROM 9 TO 5
AT SCHOOL
PARKING LOT.**

**Good Luck
Elks**



LAY NOT UP FOR YOURSELVES
TREASURES UPON EARTH
WHERE MOTH AND RUST
DOTH CORRUPT, AND WHERE
THIEVES BREAK THROUGH
AND STEAL. BUT LAY UP
FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES
IN HEAVEN. FOR WHERE YOUR
TREASURE IS, THERE WILL
YOUR HEART BE ALSO.

MATTHEW 6:19-22

Scripture Describes Bank Philosophy

5th in a series by Tyler Haynes

Happy State Bank continues to amaze me with their business practices, high moral standards, and rock solid values. The feature point of this article is based entirely on their ethics. When you walk up to the front door of what I have already described as a breathtaking bank you will see, set in stone, a scripture that you would not likely see on any other financial institution. It is Matthew 6: 19-22 and it reads, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." This scripture is a fulfilled promise to God from Pat Hickman. It goes back almost 20 years. Pat Hickman knew that someday he wanted to be a bank president. He promised God that if he ever got the opportunity he would somehow acknowledge Him as instructed in Proverbs 3:5-6. In that verse it says, "...in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your path." Mr. Hickman's direct and literal interpretation of this proverb has

seen him through and as God directed his path God has built Happy State Bank into a prosperous business. Pat Hickman told me he is trying to say, "Don't trust your dollar. We want you to trust our bank, but that's not where your true treasure should be." Mr. Hickman also told me that in the past ten years he has had literally hundreds of customers come to him and say, "I'm banking with you because of that scripture verse." Pat Hickman then looks them directly in the eyes and says "hold on, that verse is not an advertisement claiming Happy State Bank to be more holy or more righteous than any other banks but merely an acknowledgement of who really runs Happy State Bank." You can see the sincerity in his eyes when he tells you that his bank is "unabashedly and unashamedly a Christian bank." Mr. Hickman insists that God built this bank, God runs this bank, and that is where their trust is and that is where they seek their guidance. I know the same attitude and morals will be present here in Stratford's Happy State Bank. As Greg Houlette, Sr. Vice-President told me, "It's just who we are, and that's the kind of bank I choose to be affiliated with." It's not an advertisement, just an acknowledgement that God does run Happy State Bank and He will run Stratford's Happy State Bank as well.

Point of Sale Sticker Printing introduced in Sherman County

Point of Sale Sticker Printing (POSSP) and a new vehicle registration sticker design are being introduced in Sherman County. The new registration stickers feature several improvements to deter sticker misuse and eliminate the need for state inventory control.

The new process was piloted in Caldwell and Bastrop Counties and was implemented in 185 counties across the state beginning August 25. This initial phase involves counties that do not process transactions through subcontractor stations (e.g. grocery stores) or automobile dealerships. These latter types of transactions will be piloted in McLennan, Williamson, Angelina and Harris Counties over the next full months, with full statewide implementation expected to be completed by early 2005.

Registration stickers will now be printed at the point of sale. Information specific to the registered vehicle will be printed directly on the sticker, which will help deter. TxDOT switched from license plate stickers to windshield stickers for most passenger vehicles about a decade ago to cut down on theft, and the new method will enhance these efforts. (Plate stickers are still used for motorcycles, trailers and some other types of vehicles.) Each sticker will show the last eight digits of the vehicle identification number, the license plate number, county of registration, and registration month and year.

Because each windshield and plate sticker is vehicle-specific, it is important for customers who own more than one vehicle to be sure they apply the sticker to the correct one. Also, customers should carefully follow instructions for peeling and applying the stickers. The new windshield stickers must be peeled from the back of the form; otherwise, it could be damaged and replacement stickers would be necessary.

Plate stickers should be peeled from the front of the form. When the POSSP method is completely implemented, the new type of stickers will be issued for all registration renewals, including in-person, mail-in and Internet transactions. POSSP prints the stickers on the customer's receipt, so stapling stickers and maintaining manual sticker books will no longer be necessary. This also eliminates the manufacturing and storage of 400,000 pre-printed sticker books annually for the current system.

In the past, yearly windshield stickers were printed in mass quantities based on projections of annual vehicle registrations. POSSP will eliminate the waste of excess stickers resulting from this process each year. As each sticker is printed "on demand" for a specific vehicle rather than pre-printed and later assigned to a vehicle, any internal accounting of the blank forms used for the POSSP is now optional rather than required. Registration transactions will be tracked through the state's automated Registration and Title System in much the same way as the precious method.

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The Cleaning Station To Open

Keri Harris and Doak Crabtree are shown above looking at the new improvements being made to the new Laundromat-The Cleaning Station. Grand Opening to be held Monday September 20, 2004. Keri and Bob have done all the work on the building themselves. (Check out Chamber News).

SPIRIT/54 Transportation Conference Report Continued

By Gaynelle Riffe

US Highway 54 (SPIRIT Corridor) Transportation Conference was held in Guymon, Oklahoma September 2, 2004. A report from the States District Engineers and the highway users continues from last week. Gary Shubert, District Engineer from New Mexico reported that US 54 from El Paso to Tucumcari are on the long range GRIP plan with funding for upgrade from Tularosa to Santa Rosa/1-40, however US 54 from Tucumcari to Nara Visa and the Texas Border are not on the plan. Mark Tomlinson, District Engineer from Texas reported on new funding methods for roads including Regional Mobility Authority Bonding for counties and cities, Toll roads and Shadow Tolls. SPIRIT has an advantage of one identified corridor as Borders & Corridors, NAFTA Corridor, Rural Transportation. He encouraged each state to keep their elected officials at state and federal level, informed of the transportation needs.

Robert Ward, Oklahoma District Engineer shared a recommendation to the State to name a portion of US 54 in Oklahoma for former State Representative Jack Begley

who was instrumental in getting US 54 four lane divided in Oklahoma. Oklahoma lacks 25 miles to complete the four lane in Oklahoma. Larry Thompson, Kansas Department of Transportation reported three projects on US 54 in the next 6 years; 4 miles from Oklahoma State line to Liberal; Mullinville; Pratt and Kingman.

Shelly Kock and family, K&J Trucking are a small fleet of 100 refrigerated since 1979. She was pleased to hear the states plans to upgrade US 54 but a red flag was raised from Texas on Toll Roads. Trucking is measured in pennies and the trucking industry will drive away from toll roads. Steve Benikikua with National Carriers represents 1000 trucks for the public and National Beef. The trucking industry makes it on back hauls therefore the area needs more industry to be serviced from back hauls from the Midwest and East Coast. John Prather, Groendyke representing 1000 trucks and 47 terminals reported on Electronic Credentials and Hauling Hazmat products which can not afford to drive on bad roads, congestion and bottle necks. Areas not keeping pace with good transportation will be bypassed by commerce.

Imagination Station Whale of a Sale Sat. Sept. 18

In order to help pay the utility bill, the Imagination Station at 201 Main St. is having a Whale of a Rummage Sale, Saturday, September 18th from 9:00 to 4:00.

Departments: **Clothing**-Men-Women-Children; **Greenhouse**: plants, planters, baskets, flowers; **Kitchen**-50 cups/mugs, small appliances, thermos, dishes; **Hardware/Guys Stuff**: light fixtures, tools, race car collection; **Toys & Books** Small Bike; **Linens**-bedspreads, sheets, pillows and cases; **Furniture**: desk, chairs, electric organ, dining room chairs, Sleeper sofa, **Unique Boutique** and New Items: **SNEAK-A-PEEK**, Friday, Sept. 17 4:00 to 6:00 for \$1.00 (fund raiser to keep the lights on!).

Lollipop Junction Annual Hamburger Feed Coming Soon

Lollipop Junction will be having their annual hamburger feed Friday October 8th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Sherman County Barn. Come eat before going to the football game. Stratford vs. Gruver.

Pep Club Selling Blankets

Pep Club is selling Elk and Lady Elk blankets. Perfect for football season! Call Jessica Wheeler @ 366-3324 or contact a pep club member to order.

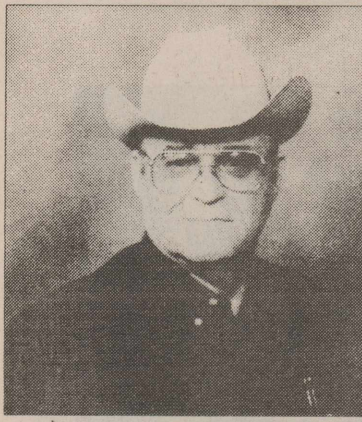
Spirit Camp Participants

If your daughter participated in Spirit Camp this summer she will also get to cheer at the football game on Friday, Sept. 24. The girls will need to wear their spirit camp T-shirt or a cheer uniform and will cheer until half time. Please have your daughter at the game at 7:20. Call 366-3324 if you have any questions.

Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays

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

Obits



Richard Lee Carter

Richard Lee Carter, 69, died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with Brent Farney, pastor, and the Rev. David White, pastor of First Baptist Church in Texhoma, officiating. Burial was at 2 p.m. Saturday in Goodnight Cemetery in Goodnight by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Carter was born May 3, 1935 in Lynn County. He was a Stratford resident since 1964. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Stratford. He served in the Army. He married Lugenia Hubbard on March 4, 1960, in Canyon. He taught vocational agriculture for 31 years. He was a member of the Vocational Agriculture Teacher Association and a lifetime member of TSTA.

Survivors include his wife, a son, Michael Lee Carter and wife, Cinda Raye, of Amarillo and two granddaughters, Taira Lee Carter and Shandra DaNae Carter, both of Amarillo.

The family suggests memorials be to Stratford ISD Education Foundation, PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084 or a favorite charity.

Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of intelligent efforts.

—John Ruskin

Amarillo Opera Sat. Sept. 18th

Amarillo Opera combines tragedy and comedy as they present two very different, but renowned operas, PAGACI and GIANNI SCHICCHI, ON Saturday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium.

PAGLIACCI is an Italian tragedy and is a play within a play. "Canio" is an actor who plays the part of "Pagliacci", who finds the play to close to real life and stabs his actress wife, "Nedda," and her lover, "Silvio," in front of the audience.

The complete opposite, GIANNI SCHICCHI is a comic opera about how the greedy relatives of a wealthy man are out-smarted.

Mila Gibson, Amarillo Opera Founder/General Director, said that both of the fall productions need an intimacy with audience, so the orchestra and conductor will be behind the set and the singers. "This is a real challenge for opera," Gibson explained. "We are putting the set and singing artists on the extended stage over the orchestra pit".

A complimentary pre-lecture will be held at 6:30 p.m., prior to the performance in the Civic Center Auditorium lobby. Ticket information 378-3096 or www.panhandletickets.com

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Chamber News

By Patty Tims

ATTENTION, THERE'S A NEW LAUNDRY IN TOWN

There have been several ads in the paper recently stating Stratford no longer has a laundry. This is not true. Bob and Keri Harris have purchased the laundry and are in the process of renovating the building.

The Harris's have purchased all new equipment: including, new washing machines, new dryers, and dry cleaning equipment. They have also requested that during this week, not to come into the building since all the equipment will be delivered. Keri said that it would be dangerous to come in at this time since the equipment is so heavy and the limited space to move around in the building. So please wait until the Grand Opening to come and look around.

The Grand opening will be September 20, 2004. Please make plans to attend this event. Keri and Bob will appreciate this and have done all the work on the building themselves.

This is a true example of the invisible hand theory at work. The effort put forth by the Harris's will benefit the whole community. Dry cleaning will no longer have to be sent out of town. All of your cleaning needs will be available here in Stratford and done by hometown people.

The Cleaning Station is the new name for our local laundry. Number to contact the laundry is 806-366-7627 or you may email them at

Please support them and all of the other local businesses in town.

ANNUAL PHEASANT HUNT

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce will be having their annual Pheasant Hunt. Farmer's please be thinking about leasing land to the chamber for this event.

Good Luck Elks

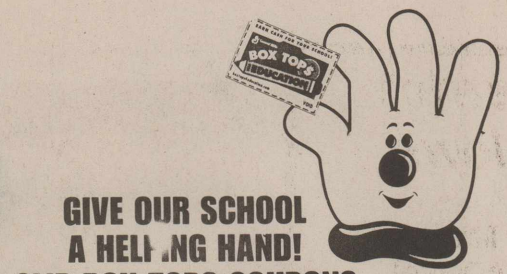
Point of Sale
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"This new method is a significant improvement in our processes," said Valerie McAlister, Tax Assessor-Collector. "It offers greater protection for vehicle owners by making the stickers worthless if they're stolen. We also expect to improve our customer's service efficiency. Because POSSP prints the sticker on the customer's receipt, county employees will no longer have to staple registration stickers to receipts and maintain manual sticker books and inventories.

For more information contact Valerie McAlister, Tax Assessor-Collector.

Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one getting burned.

—Buddha



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The Box Tops For Education program and United Supermarket are teaming up with General Mills to provide \$1,000 each to five schools that collect the most Box Tops coupons from now through Oct. 31.

We will only be competing against other schools with similar enrollment.

I will put a drop box at Thriftway or call me Ronda Mathews 366-2291 and I will pick up or give them a Mary Allen student.

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DID YOU KNOW !!!

The Stratford Laundry is no longer in service. That is right it is no longer there. I was notified and given 30 days to move my service to my local location in Boise City, OK (The West Side Laundry). If you would like for your clothes to be picked and delivered to a location of your choosing within a 10-mile radius of Stratford, give me a call on my toll free number. Remember we will continue the same great rates, and service you have come to enjoy. Give me a call today to set up your schedule. 1-800-547-2761 West Side Laundry.

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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Brady & Trisha Schoonover and children, Reed, Rett, and Reese spent Labor Day weekend at Fred's Spread near Rye, CO.

Ted & Joyce Irlbeck joined his brothers and sisters at Cyril Irlbecks in Amarillo for Labor Day weekend.

Couldn't catch up with others for their news!



Baby Shower Held

Blakelee Michele and her mom Amy Sladek were honored with a shower Sunday, September 12, 2004 in the home of Nancy Kimball. Shown above left to right are Marie Sladek, Bonnie Boardman, Amy and Blakelee, Janice Sladek and Alisha Sladek.

Scot News

By Mary Hill

Just a few reminders of some coming SCOT activities---

The birthday party will be Thursday, September 16th at 2 p.m.

Then, Scheduled for Saturday, September 18th is the "Petticoat Tour", which is a tour of the Wheeler area, including Mobeetic Jail Museum and Old Ft. Elliott. The group will leave SCOT Hall at 8 a.m. on Saturday, for a full day of interesting sights. Time is growing short, so hurry down to SCOT Hall to sign up.

September 21 is regular craft time, at 5 p.m.

In the planning stages are a SCOT Open House and a bean dinner. More on these events later, as plans are made.

Later this month there will be a program about the library, given by Sandy Baskin. She will give some tips about special things for seniors, audiotapes being one of them.

Hope to see you around!

Out of Town Guests- At JA's "80"- Birthday

Out of town visitors, Sunday Sept. 5 for JA's 80 birthday party were J.C. and Christine (Lasley) Claughton, Steve, Shelly (Lasley) Michael, Carter Chaloupka, Amarillo, Linda Jo (Lasley) & Paul Galvon- Ft. Worth, Imma Jean (Lasley) Alexander, Wichita Falls, TX, Lori Kendall, Lubbock; Opal (Lowe) & Chas Johnson, Matador, TX, Celeste Dettle, Colorado, Teresa Harris Holloway, Lubbock Pete & Oma Ruth Mhoon, Dumas, Dorothy Chaloupka, Dalhart and the Gene Sadlers, Amarillo. Dickie Lynn Schriber, Guymon.

TFWC District Meets Oct. 2

TFWC Top of Texas District Fall Board meets Saturday Oct. 2 in Dalhart. The meeting at Dalhart Senior Citizens Association begins with registration, visiting and refreshments 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Call to Order at 9:40 a.m. by Betty Unlaub, president. Marsha Wright is 1st Vice President and will hold a Reporting Workshop.

Two outstanding speakers are planned. Judge Ron Enns will speak on "Our Constitution" and Tom Cole, "Education in our Prison System".

Organ donation will be another topic of interest.

All GFWC/Prospectus Study Club members are urged to attend. Mail registration fee of \$5.00 and luncheon fee \$10.00, total \$15.00 by Sept. 25, to Betty Unlaub, P.O. Box 302, Dumas, TX 79029

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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 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

St. Joseph Catholic

Rev. Dr. Johnson, Reiki Master
6th & Pearl

Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:00a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass. or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. afternoon Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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N. 3rd & Chestnut

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Morning Worship 10:30 am
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Early Service 9:00 a.m.
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The Patience of God

Human beings are notoriously impatient. We want things done right now or yesterday. We often become impatient with our children, our husband or wife, the boss at work, our fellow workers or those who work for us. We then pray, "Lord, give me patience, right now!" It's a good thing God isn't like that. Even though we neglect our duty to God, even though we neglect things like Sunday worship, Bible reading and prayer, God is patient with us. To put it on a more personal level, the Bible says, "The Lord is...patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance"(2 Peter 3:9 In other words, God is exceedingly patient with you; and you should be very grateful for God's patience. Do you realize God is patient with you for a very special reason? God is patient with you because He wants you to repent. In the end you know that refusal to live your life by God's rules is sin. You also know your neglect of Sunday worship, Bible reading and prayer displeases God. In response, God is patient with you. He wants you to turn back to Him. God is giving you time, time to repent. God also does not want you to perish. He does not want to have to punish you for your sins against him. God is therefore giving you time, time to repent. Isn't it therefore time for you to turn away from sin and turn back to God?

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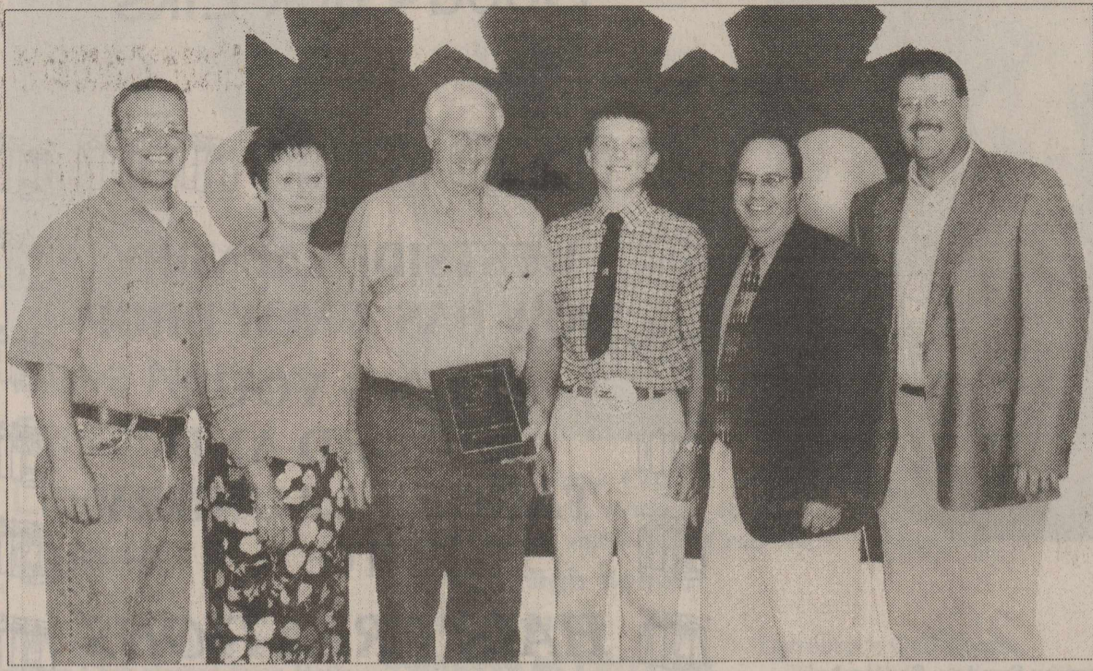
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Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.
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Kerrick Community Church

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

4-H

Achievement Banquet-



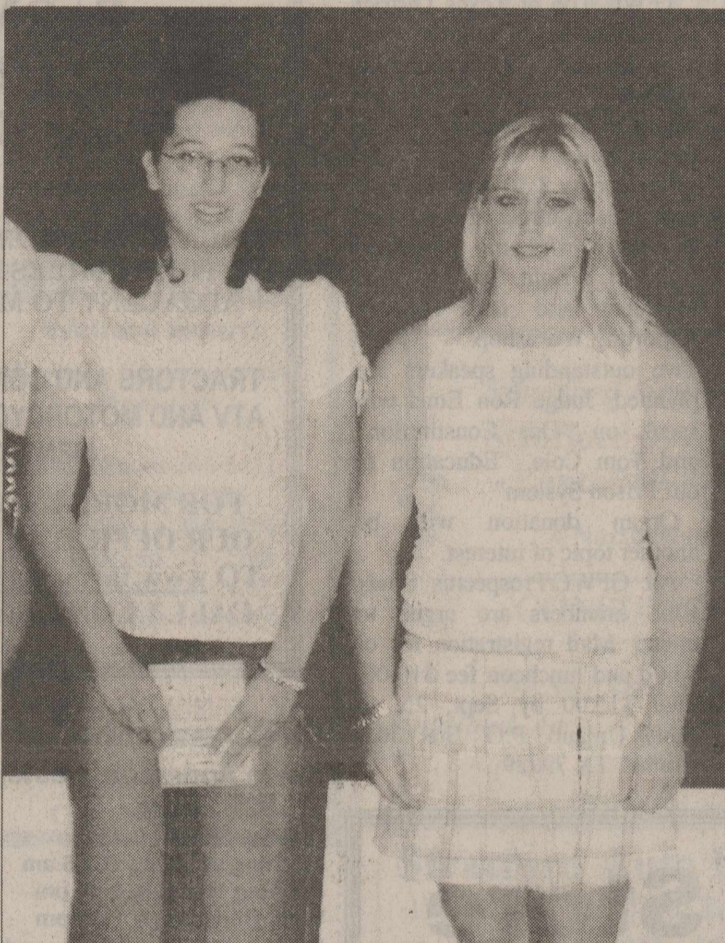
Kaleb Horsford presented the Friend of 4-H Award to Stratford Independent School Board of Trustees. The board has generously supported the 4-H program through recognition of this extra curriculum activity, curriculum enrichment groups and special interest groups. Shown above left to right are Garec McBryde, Patti Vincent, Joe Reinari, Kaleb, Superintendent Jim Taliaferro and Brent Spurlock.



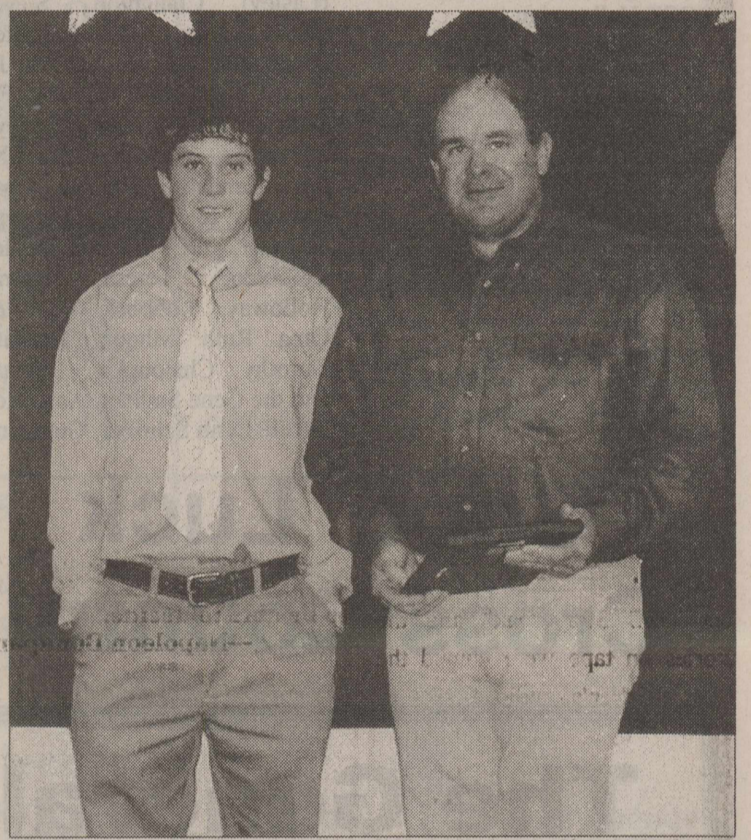
Mary Cross of First State Bank recognized 2003 Gold Star recipient April Kautz for her Gold Star honor and presented her family with the portrait that was displayed in the bank lobby this past year. Mrs. Jeanette Artho accompanied April to the banquet.



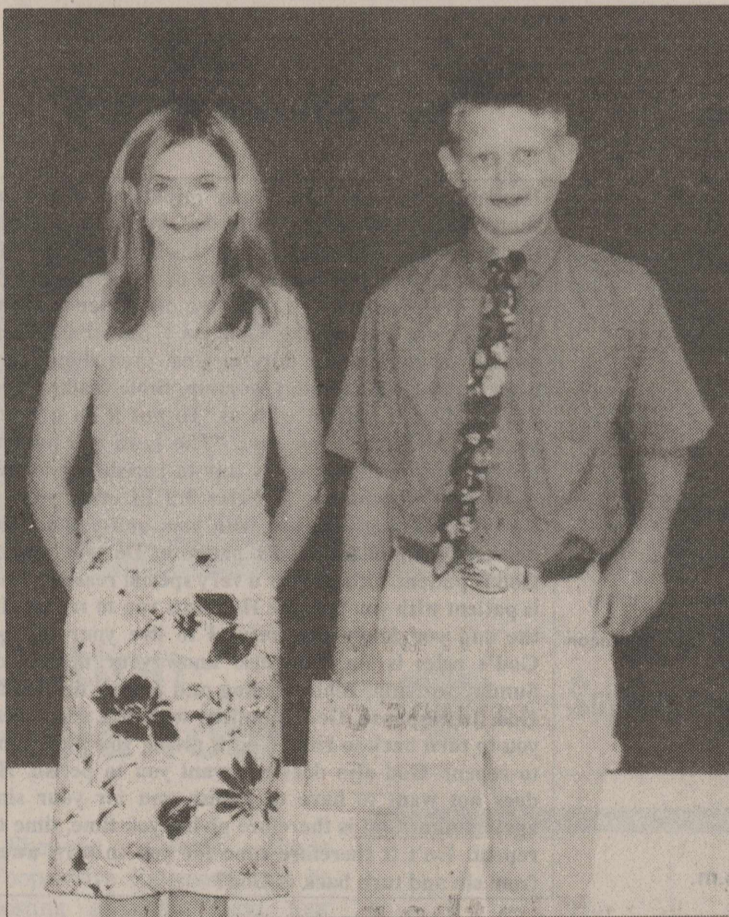
Shiloh Dickenson was also a Silver Star Award recipient at the banquet. April Kautz presented Shiloh with her award.



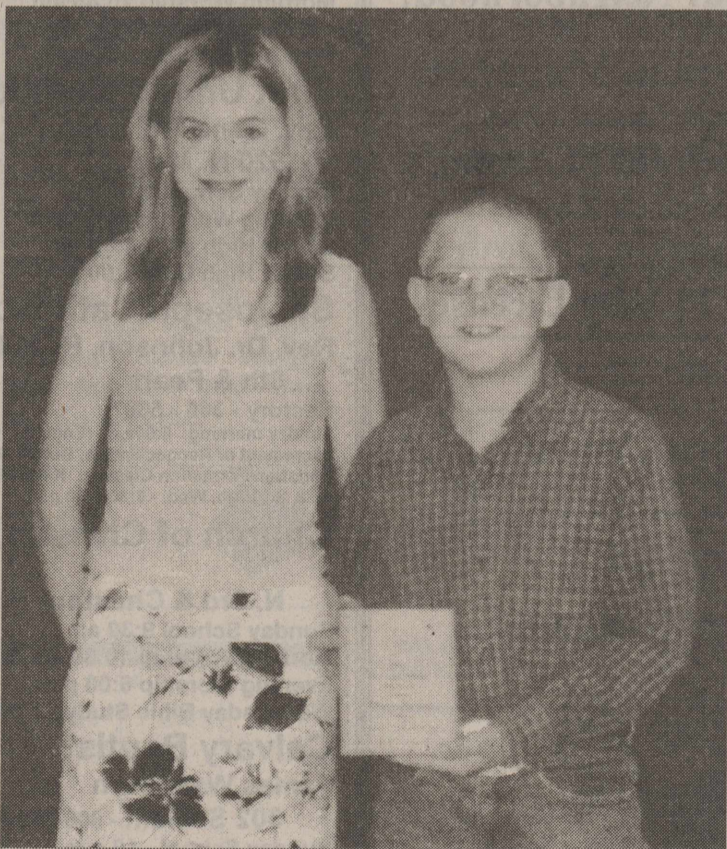
Jennie Spurlock received the Silver Star Award from April Kautz at the 2004 4-H Achievement Banquet. The Silver Star Award recognizes members ages 12-14 for continued project accomplishments, leadership, and community service.



Lem Russell was presented the Outstanding 4-H Leader Award at the 4-H Achievement Banquet from Walter Spurlock. Lem serves as a leader for Shooting Sports project and president of the county 4-H Parent-Leaders Association and supports the county Livestock Show and Sale.



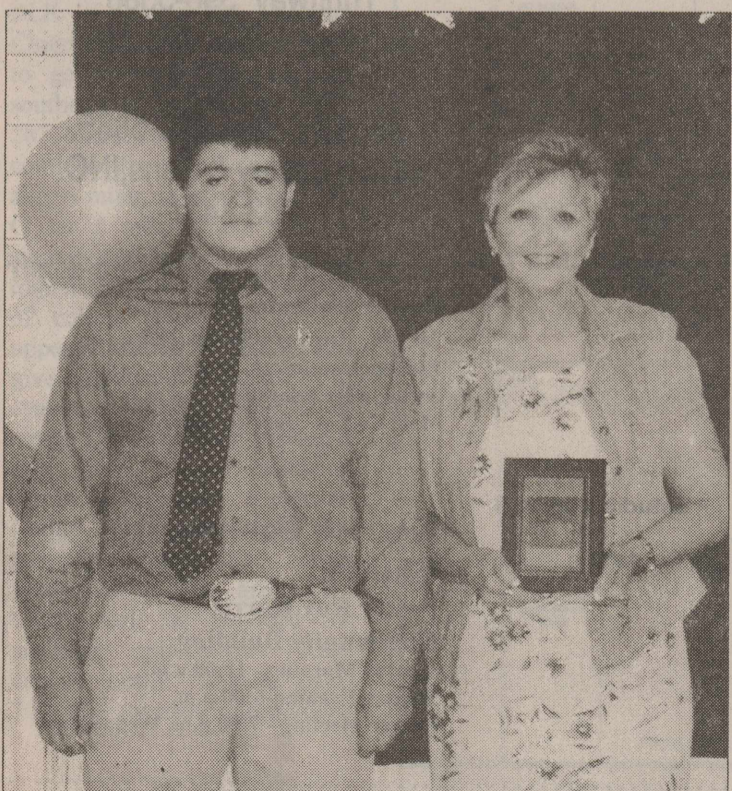
Shiloh & Kaleb Horsford-who was presented the Bronze Star Award.



Bronze Star Award winners were Kyle Horsford and Rhyen Burton. These awards honor 4-H members ages 9-11 for outstanding work in a variety of projects and activities. Shiloh Dickenson assisted with the presentation.

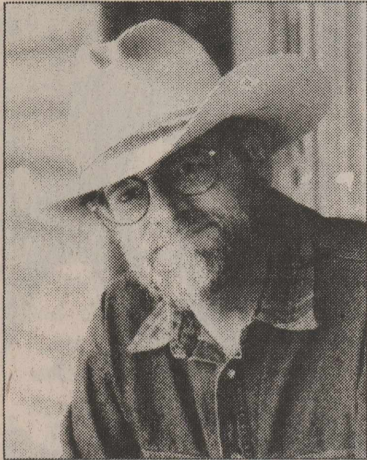


Walter Spurlock was named Gold Star recipient at the 4-H Achievement Banquet. Mary Cross of First State Bank presented the honoree with a recognition certificate and pin.



Business Friend of 4-H honor was extended to Thriftway of Stratford represented by Kathy Melton. Rustin presented the award to Kathy citing the support to Sherman County youth through the county Livestock Show and Sale and sponsorship of the 4-H Bake and Food shows.

August 23, 2004



John Erickson

Hank The Cowdog Program Held

"Hank the Cowdog In Concert" is a 60-minute program of innocent fun and wholesome family entertainment. Through songs and readings, John R. Erickson brings to life the characters from his award-winning "Hank the Cowdog" series of books and audio books.

John R. Erickson is a fifth generation Texan, raised in the small Panhandle town of Perryton. He has a degree from the University of Texas, studied two years at Harvard Divinity School, and left Harvard three hours short of a master's degree in theology. After marrying Kristine Dykema in 1967, he spent 15 years writing in the early morning hours and working at odd jobs, including eight years as a ranch cowboy. After receiving many rejection slips, he started his own publishing company in his garage and self-published the first ten *Hank the Cowdog* stories.

Hank the Cowdog is now a national character and his books and tapes have sold in the millions. Hank appeared in a thirty minute animated episode on "CBS Storybreak" and the stories on tape were named the best children's audio books of 1993 by the American Audiobook Sellers Association.

Erickson has also established a reputation as a speaker and performer. He has appeared at

conventions, conferences, and banquets in 17 states and provinces; has been a keynote speaker at conventions attended by librarians, teachers of English, reading, special education and drama; and has spoken at the Library of Congress, the Institute of Texas Cultures, the Houston Children's Museum, and the Witte Museum in San Antonio.

Since he began performing his work in schools in 1984, he has left a trail of *Hank the Cowdog* books in hundreds of communities, from the Texas Gulf Coast to Fairbanks, Alaska and has appeared before more than 1.75 million people.

Recently, *Hank the Cowdog* books have found a new home at Penguin Putnam, the nation's largest publisher of children's books. Rights have also been purchased by Nickelodeon to produce an animated movie.

In an unprecedented move, Erickson recently donated a serial story to newspapers across the nation. This *Hank the Cowdog* "mini-story" has now been seen in over 200 newspapers in 31 states by over 8 million people.

Erickson was born in Midland, Texas on October 20, 1943. He now lives on his ranch near Perryton, Texas, with his wife and son, Mark where he ranches and continues to write books in the *Hank the Cowdog* series as well as non-fiction western books and a syndicated column.

Erickson presented this program to Mary Allen and Middle School Students on Tuesday, September 14th.

Nothing is more difficult, and therefore more precious, than to be able to decide.
—Napoleon Bonaparte

Advice is like snow; the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind.
—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Deadline to register to vote in the November elections is October 4th. You may register at the County Tax Assessor/Collector's Office or the Sherman County Public Library during regular working hours

As one goes through life one learns that if you don't paddle your own canoe, you don't move.
—Katharine Hepburn

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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The CITY OF STRATFORD

conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the

CITY OF STRATFORD

from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 3.78 percent

on September 23, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.

The City of Stratford

is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held

on September 23, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.

at 518 N. Third St. Stratford City Hall

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

- Sept. 9-19 "Kimberly Akimbo" Dark Comedy
ALT Adventure Space
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Sept. 16-18-25 "Beauty and the Beast" Children's Drama
Mat: 18-19-26
Guymon Community Theatre 580-338-0019
- Sept. 18 "PAGLIACCI" and "GIANNI SCHICCHI" Amarillo Opera
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Sept. 23-26 Disney On Ice, "Monsters, Inc."
Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-3096
- Sept. 25 Robert Levin and Ya-Fei Chuagn, pianist, Symphony
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- Sept. 26 Harrington String Quartet
- Oct. 1 Chamber Music Amarillo 8:00 p.m.
Family Support Services Loft Space 1001 S. Polk
www.chambermusicamarillo.org 806-23603545
- Oct. 6, 7, 8, 9 "The Old Boy" Drama 7:30
Branding Iron Theatre, WTA&MU Canyon 806-851-2777
- Oct. 9 Lone Star Ballet "A partnership with Russia"
Amarillo Civic Auditorium
- Oct. 7-24 "Hello, Dolly!" musical
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991

Maple Mesquite Wings

Ingredients:

- 5 pounds fresh or frozen chicken wing pieces (thawed, if frozen)
- 2 tablespoons oil
- 4 tablespoons McCormick® Grill Mates® Mesquite Seasoning, divided
- 1 cup maple or pancake syrup
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice

Directions:

1. Combine wings with oil in a large bowl; toss to coat evenly. Sprinkle wings with 1 tablespoon mesquite seasoning; toss again to coat evenly.
2. Combine syrup, lemon juice and remaining 3 tablespoons mesquite seasoning; set aside.
3. Grill seasoned wings over direct medium-high heat for 15-18 minutes or until done, turning often. Remove wings from grill and drizzle with half of syrup mixture; serve remaining syrup mixture as dipping sauce.

For more flavorful tailgating tips and recipes, visit the Web site at www.mccormick.com.

SIMPLE HASS AVOCADO AND TOMATO SALAD (Makes 8 servings)

- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 teaspoons vegetable or canola oil
- ¼ teaspoon honey
- ¼ teaspoon ground cumin
- ½ teaspoon each salt and black pepper
- 2 ripe Hass avocados, seeded, peeled and thinly sliced into half rounds
- 4 ripe tomatoes cut into ¼-inch thick slices
- 1 can (5oz.) pitted ripe olives, drained
- ½ cup crumbed queso fresco (use feta cheese as an optional substitute)

In small bowl combine lime juice, oil, honey, cumin, salt and pepper; set aside. Alternate sliced avocado and tomato on a plate. Add olives. Drizzle with dressing. Garnish with queso fresco.

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The SHERMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the

SHERMAN COUNTY

from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 5 percent

on SEPTEMBER 13, 2004 at 8:00 A.M.

The SHERMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held

on SEPTEMBER 23, 2004 at 8:00 A.M.

at COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM



Haile Named Stratford Lions Club Queen

On Sept. 7, 2004 the Stratford Lions Club elected Evan Haile to be their 2004-2005 Queen. Evan is the fifteen-year-old daughter of Jack and Barbara Haile and a sophomore at Stratford High School. Evan participates in band, UIL competition and one act play. She is looking forward to serving the Stratford Lion's Club this year.

Cross Country Girls will be running on Saturday, Sept. 18th at Thompson Park in Amarillo Good Luck



Lady Elk Cross Country team competed at the Wolf Creek Classic this past week-end. Shown from left, Whitney Ricketson, Shiloh Dickenson, Yadira Ortega, Brittany Hudson, Lucero Ortega, and Kristen Crabtree.

Jr. High/High School Cross Country Compete at Perryton

Stratford Junior High traveled to Perryton this past Saturday to compete in the annual Wolf Creek Classic Cross Country Meet. The junior high girls competed against 16 teams, as approximately 150 runners competed on the tough, hilly course at Wolf Creek. The Stratford Lady Elks finished in 5th place as a team scoring 146 points and just missing 4th place by a narrow margin of 10 points. Sierra Valenzuela was the first Lady Elk to cross the finish line. She received a 6th place medal with a time of 14:38, improving her time from last year by 1 minute and 13 seconds. Erika Duran was also a medalist finishing in 11th place with a time of 15:01. Becky Rosales was the third Lady Elk into the chute with a 34th place finish and a time of 16:09, beating her time from last year by 1 minute and 7 seconds. Mabel Gardena finished in 60th place with a time of 16:55; Janet Reyes was just behind her in 62nd place with a time of 17:02. Alma Marquez finished the race in 17:50. Mary Lou Maldonado ran the tough course in 18:30, and Pearl Morales rounded out the Stratford runners with a 23:07. The junior high girls will compete at 9:00 on Saturday in the third Annual Follett Cross Country Meet held at the

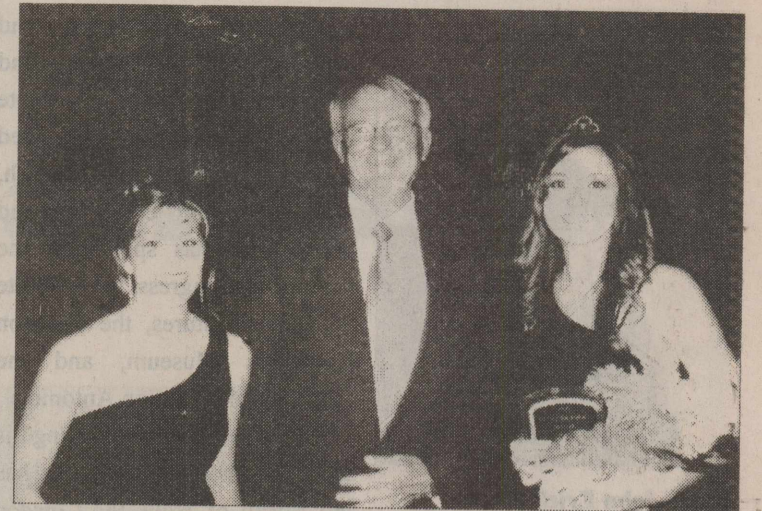
Darrouzette Golf Course.

The High School Cross Country team also competed in the Wolf Creek Cross Country meet on Saturday morning. Final team results were not accurate; however, the Lady Elks were listed in 6th place out of 13 teams with 171 points. Yadira Ortega finished first for the Lady Elks with a 13th place medal performance and a time of 14:05, improving from last year by 39 seconds. Kristen Crabtree was

the 2nd Lady Elk across the line medaling in 16th place with a time of 14:10, improving her time by 1 minute and 50 seconds. Brittany Hudson took the chute

in 25th place and a time of 14:30, beating her time from last year by 20 seconds. Lucero Ortega was the 4th Lady Elk to finish the course with a 36th place finish and a time of 14:51,

improving 1 minute and 24 seconds from last year. Whitney Reese rounded out the scoring with a time of 15:46, improving by 1 minute and 5 seconds. Shiloh Dickenson ran the course in 16:15, improving her time by 27 seconds. The Lady Elks will compete next Saturday in Thompson Park in Amarillo at 1:30. Come on over and watch these girls compete.



Seiler Wins Talent Contest

Texas Farm Bureau held its annual Queen and Talent District contest in Borger, Texas on August 14, 2004. Pictured above (l-r) Heather Seiler, won the talent contest and will going to State competition in San Antonio in December. Mr. Ralph Detten-State Director for District I, and Dana McLaughlin from Spearman won the queen contest. Congratulations!! Heather.

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board
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Ken Forthman-366-2586
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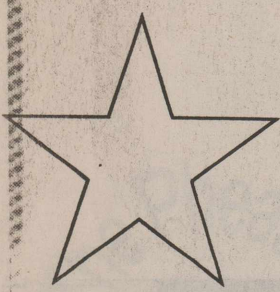
Shown at left-On August 14, 2004 the Stratford Fire Department members tested hose. The department members tested 2,000 feet of fire hose checking for leaks or problems with the hose. Members present were: Eddie Williams, Jack Gore, Sandy Williams, Ronda Mathews, Norma Rangel, Danny Davis, Dean Hauser and Jesse Mariscal. Guest and former member of the Stratford Fire Department assisting with the hose testing was Kevin Payne. Pictured: Norma Rangel, Jesse Mariscal, Jack Gore and Kevin Payne.

Cotton Field Tour

Sherman County Texas Cooperative Extension will be hosting a cotton field tour September 22, 2004 at 1:30 p.m. The tour will take place at the Sherman County Cotton Variety Trial Test Plot on Asher Farms. The field location is BLK 1T Section 214, Sherman County. Driving directions are to go approximately 1/2 mile southeast of Stratford on HWY 287, turn south on to C.R. 7 and continue for approximately 1 and 1/2 miles, turn west on C.R. O for 1 mile. There will be signs posted to assist. The field tour will evaluate the feasibility of cotton production in the upper-northwest panhandle and give producers a chance to evaluate different varieties of cotton that have been produced this year. Randy Bowman, Texas Cooperative Extension Cotton Specialist, will be providing insight into cotton production in this area. Two CEU's will be provided for pesticide applicators. Please contact Leslie Neve at (806) 366-2081 for more information.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				5 Bushland (H) JV Only 7:30 PM	6 Homecoming Spearman (H)	7 JHS Cross Country @ Perryton - 9:00 AM
		8 NO SCHOOL		9 School Board Meeting - 7:30 AM		
		10 JHS Back to School Night - 7:00 PM	11 District FFA Meeting - Canyon	12 MAE Back to School Night - 7:00 PM	13 White Deer (H) 5:00 PM 7:30 JV	14 Dalhart (T) 7:30 PM
				15 HS Cross Country @ Amarillo Thompson Park - 9:00 AM		
				16 JHS Cross Country @ Pampa - 9:00 AM		
				17 Senior Car Meet		
				18 Tri State Fair - Amarillo		
				19 Sunray (H) 5:00 PM 7:30 JV	20 End of 1st Six Weeks	21 ACT Test - California
				22 Tulia (H) 7:30 PM		22 Cross Country @ Lubbock, Moe Simmons Park - 8:00 AM
				23 Tri State Fair - Amarillo		
				24 Bushland (T) 7th grade 5:00 11th 7:30 5:00 PM		
				25 Begin 2nd Six Weeks		
				26 State Fair of Texas - Dallas		

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For Sale: rustic, western metal art open size bed, headboard, footboard and rails...never used. \$400—call Carolyn Tarver 806-396-5810 or 806-366-2393. 9-23-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

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Garage Sales

Garage Sale Saturday, September 18th from 9 to 2. In building next door to Brooks Video. 9-16-c

Jode & JA are having a "under the carport sale"-8 a.m. - ? 311 N. Chestnut, behind Church of Christ. Lots of stuff! 9-16-c

Houses For Sale

Owner Financing, Buying a House Made Simple. All 3 Bdrm. 319 S. Main, 611 N. 3rd. Call Brett Cummings 366-7664 (hm) or 753-6677 (cell). 1-2-04-tfn

3 Bdrm Brick, 2 baths on large corner lot. 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Located in Casa Bonita Addition. Call 366-2153 for Appointment 9-30-c

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Must see! Beautiful home on 1 acre. 2,100 sq. ft. 4 yr. Old, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, double car garage. Open floor plan w/lg kitchen. Call Johnny @ (806)366-3584 or Brian @ (559)947-3272. 4-1-tfn

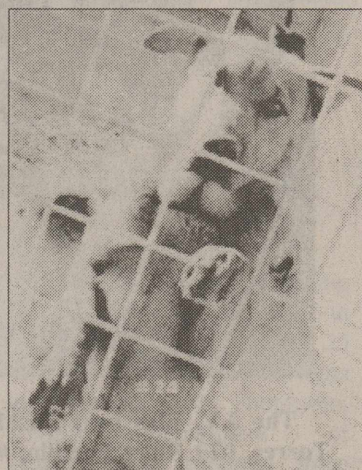
For Sale: 3850 Sq. Ft. living area, 4 BR, 2 1/2 baths, basement, covered patio, 2 car garage, corner lot w/circle drive. 420 N. Chestnut. Call 806-396-2348. 7-10-tfn

For Sale by owner: 3 bedroom, 1 & 1/2 baths, dining room, large living and utility rooms; 1 car garage w/shop; newly remodeled bathroom; new kitchen counter, cabinet, and dishwasher; carpet 2 years old. 1800 sq. feet (w/garage); vinyl siding, large 3-lot yard (90'x140'), 6' backyard picket fence w/ 3 gates, large storage building, backyard gym. \$39,900. 213 S. Fulton. Call (432) 586-6324 or (432) 940-6324. 7-29-tfn

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Pet of the Week



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.

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 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 car for them 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.

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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.

Buyers-You will fall in love with this 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home! The home has been lovingly taken care of and is wonderfully decorated. The kitchen, dining and living room are all open. Large master suite. Master bathroom shower has a wall with beautiful glass blocks. The property also includes a superb shop which is 1152 sq. ft. and has 2 overhead garage doors. The shop also has heat & air and includes a 1/2 bath. Great patio. Near schools. \$98,500.

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.

Super nice home has been recently refurbished with new floor coverings and paint. It has walk-in closets. \$33,000.

Well maintained home in nice neighborhood. This home has large kitchen with dining area and large living room. Two large bedrooms, with large living room. Two large bedrooms, with large walk-in closets, plus office with closet that could be third bedroom, two full baths and large utility room. Two car attached garage, sprinkler system, CHA, and large shop in fenced backyard. We are offering a one-year home warranty with this home. This is a must see home ready to move into, for more information call 806-570-5716 or 806-655-2560. 10-28-c

House for Sale: 601 S. Fulton. Call 366-7609. 10-7-c

For Sale: 3-bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, 2 car garage. Lots of storage. New roof, new H/A/C, new kitchen countertops & cooktop. Extra large lot w/storage bldg. Great location, close to schools. 1206 N. Butler. 366-2070. 9-9-tfn

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To read without reflecting is like eating without digesting.
—Edmund Burke

Good Luck Elks

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSES TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT (S)

Dist/Div: Amarillo
Contract 0066-01-016 for SEAL COAT in DALLAM County, etc. will be opened on October 14, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at

www.dot.state.tx.us
And from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
PO: 14086

State Office
Construc./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office (s)
Amarillo District
District Engineer
5715 Canyon Dr.
Amarillo, Texas 79105-2708
Phone: 806-356-3283

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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Stratford Independent School District Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District requests proposals from interested vendors for a new four door midsize car. Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Administrative Office at (806) 366-3302.

The proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. October 4, 2004. Any requests for proposals after this date will not be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford ISD, PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, Faxed to 806-366-3304 or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The requests for proposals will be opened on October 4, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals.

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It is well to read everything of something, and something of everything.
—Henry Brougham

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, September 23, 2004, at 8:00 a.m. Sherman County Commissioners Court will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed 2004-2005 budget. The Proposed Budget is on file in the Sherman County Clerk's Office and will be considered for final adoption immediately following the hearing.

Location: Commissioner's Courtroom, Sherman County Courthouse, 701 N. 3rd, Stratford, Texas.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, September 15, 2004.

Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body.
—Richard Steele

Cards of Thanks

We want to thank our church family and friends for the prayers, food, flowers and cards when Mom passed away. You are all great people.

Earl & Betty Blair
Bryan, Brenda,
Brittany, Brandon and
Bradley Blair
Lori Blair and Zachary

Growing older has its blessing. Thanks to my family, friends and my extended family, you are made my day! The cards received the sharing memories, the flashing of cameras, just made me know how very precious my family and friends are. Thanks to Orlanda, Jacque, Jode, Tucker, Lashala, Slate & Shannon and to all who came, from this aging hearty-thanks a bunch!

Joyce Ann Lasley

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, visits, cards, and meals that we received during my surgery. Thank you again.

Mark & LaRenda Wright

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Saying thank you a million times would not be sufficient for the kindness this community has shown to me and my family in the last four months. All the cards, calls, food, flowers, Those who drove me to Amarillo every day for 28 days, cleaned my house. Have just been overwhelming. Even as I write this thank you memo tears come to my eyes when I think of of all the prayers that have been said in our behalf. Had all of you not been praying, things would have not gone so smooth. I can truly say that our family has been blessed by your generosity. This community has gone far beyond the call of duty in doing so. The community of Stratford is not just our home, I can say you are my family!! When times get rough the family gets tough. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!!!!

James, Michelle,
Chandler, Chase

HOMECOMING 2004



2004 Homecoming court and escorts at Pep Rally on Friday, September 10th. Seated from left, Deidre Tarver, Brittany Hudson, Lindsay Stein, Allison Baskin, Haley Buckles, and crown bearer Deborah Molina. Standing from left, crown bearer Chandler Lutes, Cory Rendon, Chris Ortega, Tyler Haynes, Mark Miller, Travis Soto, Asbel Gomez, Ryan McDaniel, Tony Ruiz, Adam Gomez, Trent Boyd, and Josh King.



King Travis Soto gave the team the pep talk.

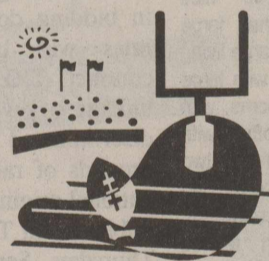


Stratford Elks lost their homecoming game on Friday, September 10 to Spearman with a score of 37-34. Stratford Elks shown, #77 Rudy Portillo, #52 Ryan McDaniel, #23 Tyler Haynes, #66 Connor Vincent, #44 Brady Bell, and #80 Travis Soto.



The 2004 Homecoming Court and their escorts at the football game on Friday, September 10, 2004. Shown from left, Haley Buckles with her father Scott Buckles, Allison Baskin and her father Steve Baskin, Homecoming Queen Lindsay Stein and her uncle Chris Kempf, Brittany Hudson and her father Gregg Hudson, and Deidre Tarver and her father Lee Tarver.

Elks Fall To Spearman



The Stratford Elks lost their first game of the season on Friday, September 10th.

The Elks fell to the Spearman Lynx 37-34.

Tony Ruiz carried the ball for 74 yards on 12 carries and scored three touchdowns. Josh King carried the ball 41 yards on 17 carries and scored two touchdowns and scored on a two-point conversion run. Also scoring two points on a PAT was Travis Soto.

Travis Soto finished the night with 109 yards on 8 catches followed by Tyler Haynes with 46 yards on 5 receptions.

King threw the ball for 266 yards on 19 of 32.

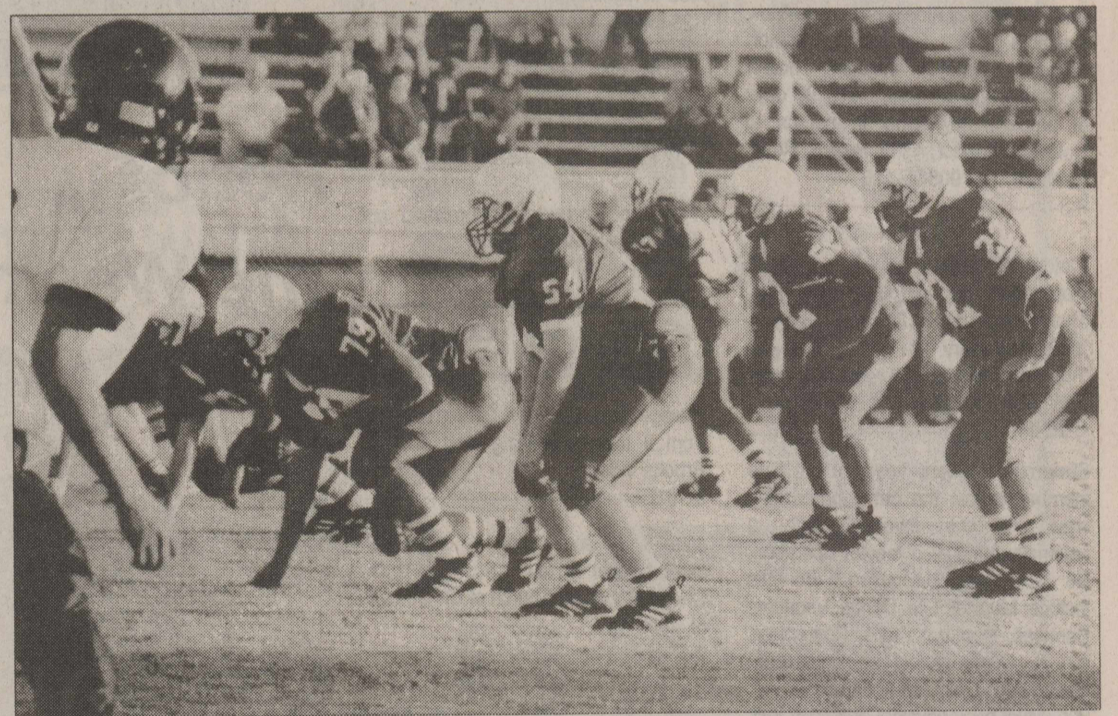
The Elks defense was led by Ryan McDaniel with 12 tackles followed by Chris Ortega with 7 tackles. Asbel Gomez, Brady Bell, Mark Miller, and Luis Trejo each had five tackles for the night. Also contributing to the Elks defense were Josh Lanning, Case Crabtree, Tyler Haynes, Connor Vincent, Caleb Brown, Cory Rendon, Travis Soto, Kelby Smith, and Jared Ewers.

The Elks will travel to Dalhart on Friday, September 17th. Good Luck Elks beat the Wolves!!!

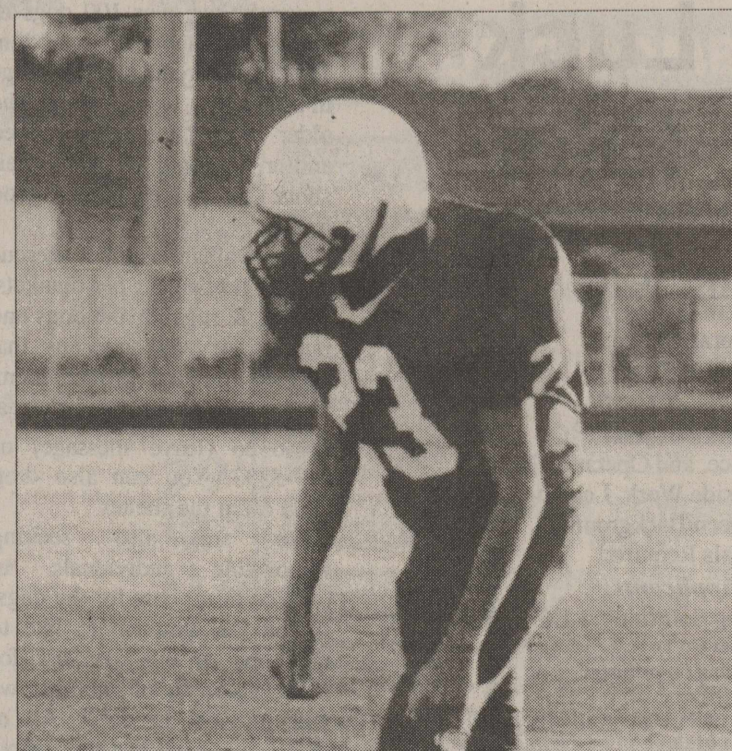


J.V. Elk quarterback #7 Hunter Buckles gets around Bushland's defense on Thursday, September 9th. Also shown #27 Chad Smith.

Stratford Varsity Elks will be traveling to Dalhart, Friday, September 17th to face the Dalhart Wolves- Good luck



The J.V. Elks beat Bushland 60-0 on Thursday, September 9th. Elks shown #58 Paco Torres, #79 Rudy Portillo, #64 Eric Riffe, #30 Alex Martinez, #52 Steven Rueda, and #22 Craig Kautz. The 7th, 8th, and J.V. Elks will play White Deer here on Thursday, September 16th with games starting at 5:00 p.m.



J.V. Elk #23 Landan Luna.

7-8- & JV will be playing at home on Thursday, Sept. 16th against Gruver Good Luck boys Games start at 5 p.m.

Are you ready for some Football???????