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Conversational Spanish Class To Be Offered In August

Conversational Spanish will be offered by Jerry Hunkapiller, Junior High Principal. The price of the class will be \$35.00. Class will meet on Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in August. Class dates are as follows: August 1, 8, 15, and 22. Only 20 students will be allowed in this class. We will meet in the junior high library. Please call 396-5974 to reserve your seat.

B's Nails To Have Public Open House

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce is pleased to introduce a new business to our town. B's Nails is now open in conjunction with the Great Lengths Salon.

A public open house will be held Tuesday, July 25, 2000 from 1-3:30 p.m. at the salon. Refreshments will be served. Come by and welcome Brenda Cotney as a new business owner.

SCOT Musical August 12th

SCOT Musical August 12, 2000 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Scot Hall. Tickets \$5.00 adults, children 6-12 years \$2.50.

Fund Raiser Event, come and enjoy.



New Doctor Honored

Dr. Perry E. Bassett, M.D. and his wife Kathy were honored with an Open House on Sunday, July 16, 2000 from 2-4 p.m. The reception was held at Coldwater Manor. Dr. Bassett began seeing patients on Wednesday, July 19 at the Stratford Family Medical Clinic.



2000 Old Timer King & Queen

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club announces the selection of Walter Lasley & Maurine Plunk as 2000 Old Timer King & Queen. They will be crowned and honored during the celebration on September 9th. Everyone is invited to join the festivities. This is the 40th year Old Timer events have been sponsored by the club.



Jamaica-July 30th

Food, games and music will be served up in abundance at St. Joseph's Church 2nd Annual Jamaica (pronounced "ha'mike'a") on Sunday, July 30th from 12 noon until 6 p.m. at Pendleton Park.

There will be delicious brisket tacos (tacos de barbacoa) from meat marinated and prepared by Jeff & Lynette Kautz. And don't miss the famous "Wurstfest style" sausage, like the kind served at the Sausage Dinner in February! The Men's Group will be cooking up 300 pounds of freshly-made farm-raised sausage that you can buy in a tortilla, or by the pound cooked or uncooked. There will be many food delights from Hispanic culture, like aguas frescas (drinks made from fruit), gorditas (meat pockets), tortas (pork sandwiches), chili rellenos, and much more. In addition, there will be hamburgers, hot dogs, homemade ice cream fresh fruit and soft drinks.

This year there will be a special Jamaica Soundstage in the southwest corner of the park featuring a variety of live music entertainment throughout the afternoon. At 12 noon, Fiddler Jean Warren and guitarist Joe Gillis of Levelland, members of the group The String Technicians, will take the stage to perform a fine repertoire of western, Celtic and light jazz music. The "No Name" Band of Stratford will take the stage around 1:30 p.m. At 3 p.m., el Grupo Solucion from Dumas will perform Norteno music. At 4:30 p.m. Algo Simple, a family band from Hereford, will feature Tejano and country music. Throughout the afternoon, D.J. Joe Botello of Dumas will keep the music rolling during intermissions.

There will be a variety of game booths, including Coke ring toss, shave balloons, face painting, loteria, space jumper, dunking board, cake walk, and maybe a sack race and egg toss. Look for some good second-hand items at the White Elephant Sale. Those attending can also try their luck at winning more than 12 different prizes in the Jamaica Raffle. Each ticket is a \$2 donation, or purchase a book of 7 tickets for a \$10 donation. The drawing will be held around 5:30 p.m. and ticket holders need not be present to win.

Proceeds from the event will benefit St. Joseph's Church Building Fund. Parishioners are in the midst of a \$100,000 fundraising campaign, to expand and renovate the church sanctuary, and have already raised \$33,000. Your support is greatly appreciated! For more information, contact John Husmann, coordinator, at 806-366-2263.

PREDCI Adds Members

Since its inception in 1998, the Panhandle Regional Economic Development Coalition, Inc. (PREDCI) has increased the coalition's membership base from four to a dozen membership partners.

PREDCI is a not-for-profit corporation which promotes and assists existing businesses in seven counties in three states: Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas. The organization also prospects for new businesses and industry for the same area.

Most recently joining the coalition's ranks is the Sherman County Development Committee office in Stratford, Texas. Kristine Olsen is the Executive Director of the county organization and is a new member of PREDCI's Board of Directors.

Ms Olsen joins other board members as follows: Ron Strecker (PREDCI President) of PTCI/EagleNet, PTSI; Jim Bostwick, CPA (PREDCI Vice President), representing the Hooker Chamber of Commerce; Pat Rendon (PREDCI Secretary/Treasurer), Community and Economic Development Manager, Southwestern Public Service Company; Wayne Hill, City of Guymon's City Manager; Al Chill, President of Guymon Industrial Foundation; Don Scott, Guymon businessman representing the Guymon Chamber of Commerce; John Nye, insurance/investments agent, representing the Texoma Chamber of Commerce; Vienna Lee, Executive Director of Morton County Development in Elkhart, Kansas; Bill Greenfield, with SPS representing the Beaver County Chamber of Commerce; Rod Avery, City Manager of Boise City and Doug Little, agribusinessman, representing the Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce.

PREDCI has a new membership investment structure which the coalition is offering to interested organizations and businesses in the region. The investment schedule has five levels of memberships. Each level's dollar amount increases depending on the size of a business or organization wishing to belong.

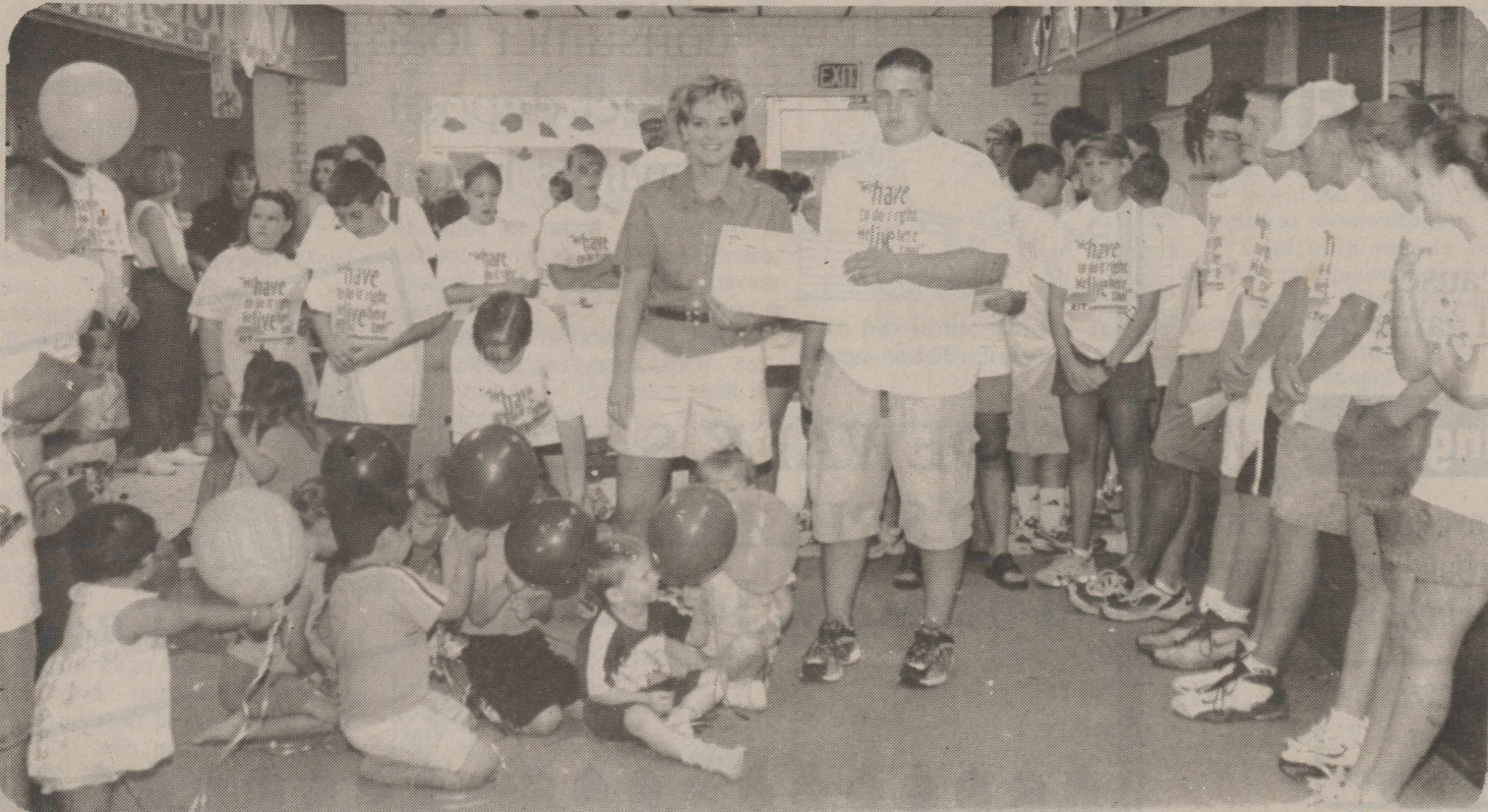
During PREDCI's young existence, numerous businesses in the panhandle region have been assisted and new businesses have been prospected to move or expand in the region.



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The Stratford Independent School District Dress Code Policy
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Kathy Duggan, XIT Marketing Manager, presented Wes Kimball - representative for youth organizations - a check for \$500.00 for their community service help of delivering XIT directories on Thursday, July 13, 2000. Also on hand from XIT to help the youth deliver directories were Sonya Clark - Network Sales Representative, Trena Howell - Sales & Customer Relations Rep. - Renae Andrews - Marketing Asst., and Lorren Hallmark - Marketing & Media Relations Rep. Helping organize & assist the youth were Nancy Kimball, Rev. Mark Metzger, Brenda Brownlee, Lisa Crabtree, Linda Haynes, Valerie Naugle, and Wesley Spurlock.



The Youth Organizations donated their Community Service money to Lollipop Junction. Shown above presenting Lollipop Director Daina Rouse, with a check is Wes Kimball. 30 Youth turned out to assist XIT on Thursday, July 13th. 17 represented First United Methodist Church, 8 - First Christian Church, 1- First Baptist Church, 2 - Church of Christ, 1 - Boy Scouts, 1 - 4-H. Lollipop Junction extends a big thank you to XIT & the Youth for their donation.

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Obituaries

Johnnie Alora Taylor

Johnnie Alora Taylor, 88, died Friday, July 14, 2000 at Memorial Hospital in Dumas.

Services were held in Stratford at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2000 in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jerry Stewart, pastor officiating. Interment was in Stratford Cemetery under the direction of Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Taylor was born March 11, 1912 in Jourdan, Texas. She had been a Stratford resident since 1938. She was a homemaker.

She married Tommy Taylor on October 3, 1932 at San Antonio, Texas. He died on June 20, 1992.

She is survived by one daughter Patricia Johnson of Stratford, Texas, Bob Taylor of Woodland Park, Colorado and one brother Kimmer Winn of Jourdan, Texas. Two Grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Memorials may be made to the Memorial Hospice 224 E. 2nd in Dumas 79029 or Stratford EMT Association.

PREDCI
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At this time, PREDCI is working with a company from another state which has shown an interest in Guymon. According to Sam Cartwright, PREDCI's Executive Director, "this company is exploring its future with an enhanced product which will have numerous applications for years to come. The business would also add to the economic diversity of the region."

Other projects which PREDCI has worked or is working included counseling with small businesses in Boise City and Beaver. Working with ventures in Harper County and Sherman County has also taken place says Mr. Cartwright. He added that Ms. Lee and PREDCI have also collaborated on future projects for the Elkhart, Kansas area.

Mr. Cartwright encourages inquiries about membership in PREDCI or people wanting a club/organization presentation on the economic development of the region. He can be reached at 580-338-8500.

Mary M. Munger

Mary Modean Munger, age 85, of East Canton, Ohio died Sunday morning in her home following a brief illness.

Daughter of the late Tim and Hattie (Gamble) Flores, She was an East Canton resident since 1952, prior to which she had resided in Canton and Stratford, Texas. She was the former owner-operator of Uptown Beauty Salon in Louisville. Was a member of Mt. Tabor United Methodist Church, East Canton, the Centerville Women's Club and the Friendly Neighbors.

She was a 1933 Graduate of Stratford High School.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Hose Flores; one sister, Faye Lynn Flores.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph Munger to whom she was married 56 years; one daughter, Hattie DeWalt of Nashville, TN; two brothers, Wendell Flores of Stratford, S.F. Flores of Midland, TX; two sisters, Sybil Boney and Emma Lou "Babe" Cannon, both Amarillo, TX; several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Wednesday, July 19, 2000 at 10 a.m. in the Mt. Tabor United Methodist Church with Rev. Michael Hennessey officiating. Interment was in Calvary Cemetery.

Religious Poems Sought From Stratford-Area Poets

Good news for sincere poets! The Bards of Burbank is offering a \$1,000 grand prize in their Poetry Competition 2000, free to everyone. The deadline for entering is August 4, 2000.

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less: Free Poetry Contest, PMB250, 2219 W Olive Ave., Burbank, CA 91506, or enter online at www.friendlypoets.com.

"We think religious poems can invite achievement," says Dr. John Scribner, the organization's Contest Director. "We're especially keen on inspiring amateur poets and we think this competition will achieve that. Texas has made many wonderful poets over the years and I'd like to discover new ones from among the Stratford-area grassroots poets."

Every cause produces more than one effect.

—Herbert Spencer

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

- June 7 "Texas" (Mon.-Sat.)
Aug. 19 Palo Duro Canyon 806-655-2181
- June -July
Each Wed. Center City High Noon on the Square
Potter Co. Courthouse Amarillo 806-372-6744
- July 14-16
21-23, 28-30 "Waiting for Godot" Piscean Productions
Stage Right Theatre, 4418 Washington Amarillo
806-345-8089 or 353-7888 8:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. sun. mat.
- Aug. 4, 5, 6 "NO, NO, A Million Times NO" Melodrama
LaRita Theatre, Dalhart C of C 244-5646
- Aug. 6 TEXAS ORIGINALS members of TEXAS Company
Branding Iron Theatre Canyon 2:00-7:30 806-655-2181
- Aug. 11 Don Edwards - Country Western
LaRita Theatre, Dalhart C of C 244-5646
- Aug. 19-20 POW-WOW
Tri-State Fairgrounds 806-358-3277
- Aug 26-27 Khiva Shrine Circus
Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-4297
- Aug. 26 Center City Polk Street Party 2000
Amarillo 806-372-6744 4:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.
- Sept. 4 Discover 2000 Symphony & Fireworks
Amarillo Discovery Center
- Sept. 17 "Anything Goes" Musical
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-4297
- Sept. 23 Beethoven & Bravura Violin
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- Sept. 28 "A Chorus Line" Musical (Sun. Mat.)
Oct. 15 Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Nov. 3 Randel Chamber Orchestra
St. Paul United Methodist Church 806-376-8782
- Oct. 21 A Barber and Vivaldi Sandwich (Violin)
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- Nov. 6 Music by Andrew Lloyd Weber
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-4297
- Nov. 18 Ode to Joy
Amarillo Civic Chorus, Lubbock Chorale, W. T. A&M Chorus
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- Nov. 30 "Private Lives" Comedy
Dec. 10 Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Jan 13 Tony Bennett
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- Jan. 18-28 "Aint Misbehavin'" Musical (Touring Production)
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Jan. 20 COPLAND & 2001 Trumpet
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- Feb. 6 "Jekyll & Hyde"
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-4297
- Feb. 17 SHOSTAKOVICH'S FIFTH Piano
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762
- March 2 Randel Chamber Orchestra
Paramount Terrace Christian Church 806-376-8762
- March 1-10 "The Beauty Queen of Leenane" Drama
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- March 31 BEETHOVEN AND BRAHMS Piano
Amarillo Symphony Civic Auditorium 806-376-8762

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Stratford is looking good. After the rains, the yards are lush, the flowers are blooming and the trees are smiling. Our best foot is forward to welcome the Ex-Students home July 28-29. There are a few lots with weed just a lush as the yards and they need attention before the weekend.

It takes each of us to Keep Stratford Beautiful. It is wonderful to have all the park areas in town. The City is doing a great job, however, every tree, bush or grass planted must be maintained and the older these areas get the more maintenance and trimming. Planting is the fun part, maintenance is the work. Each of us can help by picking up trash, pull a weed or two and yes, maybe even help trim trees and bushes. The parks are really a challenge. Each park has had it's own problems with the users. At present, the South Chestnut has fallen on hard times with trees broken off, basketball goal knocked down and the merry-go-round damaged. It would be helpful for those observing destructive behavior to stop it or call someone who can. We will all be better for it. In any case, let's all work together to Keep Stratford Beautiful.

Gaynelle Riffe

Depot Museum News

By Millie Hacker


The Ex-Student Exhibit is ready for the Reunion July 28 & 29. On exhibit are old desks, a slate board, letter jackets, a cheerleaders outfit and many photos. If you have anything to add, there is still time to bring it by the museum.

The next exhibit will be installed August 15. Wanted are saddles that have been ridden in Sherman County: Old or new, child's saddles, trophy saddles, bronc riding saddles, roping or bull doggin' saddles, or whatever other kind you have also bring a blanket to put under them-the museum will have saw horses to display them. This saddle exhibit will be especially for the Stratford Jamboree Days, Sept. 8 & 9 & 10th. The museum will have them on display until Nov. 10th.

Also bring your stories about these saddles. The stories will be typed up & displayed with the saddles.

The museum has 3 saddles on display-a side saddle that belonged to Elizabeth Ross, who came to Sherman Co. in 1902-we display a saddle that belonged to Judge Rawlings as he came to Sherman Co. in the 1870's, and also on display is Sheriff W.R. (Bill) Gamble's saddle made in 1918 by Miles City Saddlery, Miles City, Montana. Come read the interesting story that this saddle has).

Remember to bring your saddles for display August 15th, we are looking forward to a really great exhibit.



VICKIE ROLEN

Best Wishes
Hope You're Having Fun
From
Reno Dave



The melody of The Star Spangled Banner was originally known as *Anacreon in Heaven*.

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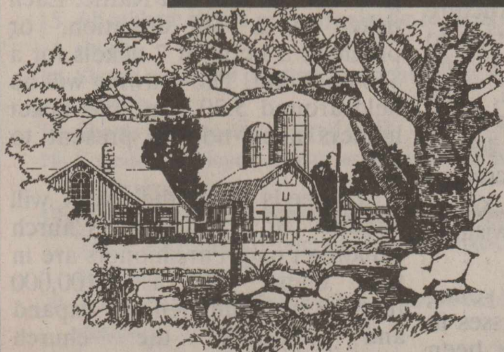
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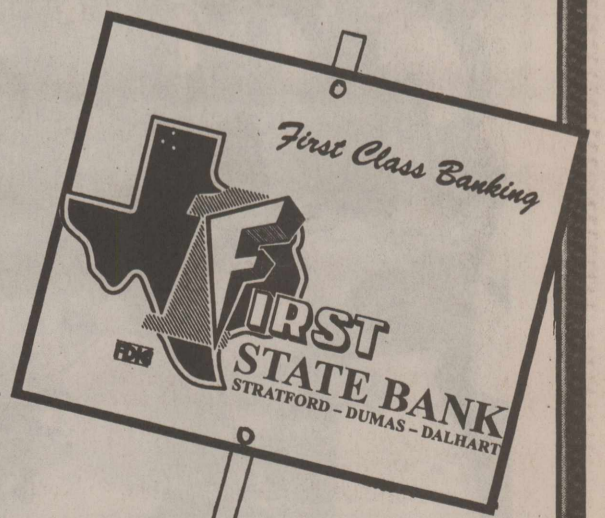
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SIDEWALK SALE SPECIAL

Thursday, July 20th



Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

A very solemn day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, Citizens since this is the day we pay funeral tribute to Johnnie Alora Taylor whose memorial services are being held at 10:00 a.m.

Even on occasions like this life goes on so let us turn to our calendar for OT's, SCOTS annual Hamburger fry which takes place Thursday, July 27, 2000 At SCOT Hall. Probably members will be called on to supply some items the organization will provide the meat let us make it a good time of visiting an appreciation.

The second item we want to mention is Stratford High School reunion which takes place Friday-Sunday July 28-30, 2000. All former teachers and students will find an interesting place to fill and enjoy this social effort. A great deal of personal work has been put into this effort.

Sunday, July 16, 2000 was a big day for Stratford in welcoming the new resident Dr. And spouse Dr. Perry Bassett and Kathy. The welcome was held at Coldwater Manor. The only facility in Sherman County large enough to accommodate such a large gathering free gratis.

The funeral service is nearing so we will close by reminding our peers that encourage shoulder pat and expressions of LUV, make the world go around.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Kerrick Church had a breakfast Sunday followed by worship service.

Visiting recently with Mabel Rogers in Amarillo were Peggy, Chandra, Kenna Hawkins and Brandi Wells.

Ted & Joyce Irlbeck and granddaughter Nicole went to the gospel program in Dumas Saturday night. Nicole and Rodney of Arlington have been visiting with the Irlbecks and Jim Roberts family for about six weeks.

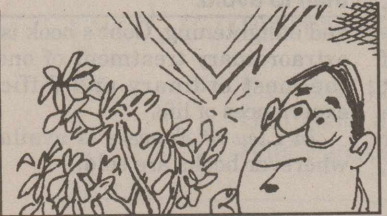
Bill & Pat Boren went to Colorado Springs and Lake San Isabel for a couple of days last week.

Marylou McDaniel attended TFWC Summer Workshop in Amarillo July 12. Also going were Margaret Reed, D'Lynn Reed, Marsha Wright and Liz Sanders.

Bill, Sandy and Amy Taylor, Eules, spent the weekend with his mother, Nita Taylor.

Merilee & Marylou McDaniel took Mike McDaniel out Saturday for supper in celebration of his birthday.

In a nice, long telephone conversation with Lore Dietrich July 10 learned that Frank & Valarie Dietrich were married May 20. The ceremony was held at the Dietrich Morgan Mill Ranch. Frank is enjoying being the father of her three children aged 9, 13, & 14.



Some cultures believe that lightning will not strike an elder bush.

TEXAS PANHANDLE Festival 2000

with Franklin Graham
Dick Bivins Stadium - Aug. 18-20 - 7 pm nightly

Exciting news! Amarillo, TX has been chosen as one of the four cities nation-wide (six world wide) to host the Franklin Graham Crusade Festival 2000. It will be held Aug. 18-20th in Dick Bivins Stadium nightly at 7 p.m. Prayer began over 2 yrs. ago when hopes were generated for Franklin Graham to come to the Texas panhandle. Last fall when those plans were announced work began in earnest.

Christians all across the panhandle are getting more and more excited now as the time draws near. This event will shake our area like never before for the Kingdom of God. Only the Lord Jesus Christ knows how many souls will be won to the Kingdom during the Festival. And it is more than just a one-time event. A festival involves thousands of Christians from local churches in a process which God has used hundreds of times around the world to bring lost and hurting people to Himself. At the present time 183 area churches are participating.

The goal is to mobilize the Christian community to assemble as many people as possible to hear the message that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life; give opportunity for personal commitment and refer inquiries to a local church for follow-up and nurture. The key to a Festival's success is the involvement of thousands of Christians. A Franklin Graham Festival has been designed so that the focus is on the local church. There are rich spiritual blessings as people from "your" church get involved. Adult and children's choirs being formed from churches across the panhandle as well as congregational, children and youth leaders, counselors and follow-up teams. Finances for the Festival come from varying supporters, churches and offerings.

Pre-Festival activities began in earnest in Jan. 2000 when the Festival office was opened in Amarillo. These have included Christian Life and Witness Classes, a deep emphasis on prayer for all aspects of the Festival, prayer gathering have already taken place and many churches are actively praying for the Festival...A children's choir of 2000 is expected to be assembled.

We as Christians need to be praying for the Holy Spirit to give Franklin Graham (and Billy Graham as he holds Crusades this year in Nashville, TN and Jacksonville, FL.) the words that will touch the hearts of listeners. That of the persons who will attend the Festival in Amarillo in Aug., the believers will be

strengthened and non-believers will commit their lives to Jesus Christ. Pray for the local churches as they reach out to those who do not know Christ and as they help new Christians grow in their faith. That the Holy Spirit will give wisdom and strength to Festival leaders and staff. And that God will supply the spiritual and financial resources for each of the Festivals needs.

Texas Panhandle Festival 2000 is a non-profit organization. Franklin Graham comes at his own cost. He will speak at all programs except the Kidz Fest. All seats are free, no tickets required, seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis. A love offering for the Festival expenses will be received each night, if needed. Please take note of the schedule and the special musical guests for the various events.

My prayer is that many hearts will be touched, and lives brought to Christ through this Festival and we will see revival spread through this whole area. I know you'll be blessed by attending this Holy Spirit led crusade for Christ. If you wish to help financially, contributions can be sent to Texas Panhandle Festival 2000, P.O. 15407, Amarillo, TX 79105-540. I hope you'll make plans to attend!

Schedule of Events

Friday, Aug. 18th 7 p.m. with Franklin Graham Dick Bivins Stadium (Fairgrounds)

Special Musical Guest: Paul Overstreet

Sat. 19th 10 a.m.-12 noon Kidz Fest Dick Bivins Stadium, Featuring: Bibleman Musical Guest: Chris Davis

Sat. 19th 4:30 p.m. HoopLife 2000 Championship

Avery Johnson-San Antonio Spurs will present winners trophies

Sat. Aug. 19th 7 p.m. Student Night Concert for "Generation Y-ou" Musical Guest: Rebecca St. James Testimony from Avery Johnson.

Sun. 20th Festival 2000 with Franklin Graham Bivins Stadium 7 p.m. Musical Guest: Jaci Velasquez.

Texas Panhandle Festival 2000 with Franklin Graham, Aug. 18, 19, 20, 2000. 7:00 p.m. nightly, Dick Bivins Stadium.

Vacation Bible School To Be Held

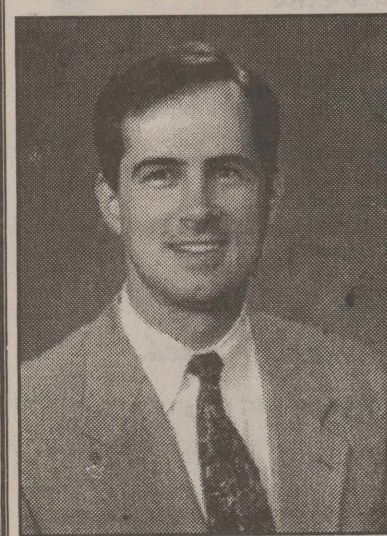
First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School will be Saturday, July 22.

It will be "The Ultimate Adventure with Jesus" and will be from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Ages 3 yr. olds-6th grade (2000-2001 school year). Lunch will be provided-everyone is welcomed.

Community-Wide
Garage Sale
In Dalhart, Saturday, July 22nd
Come Join The Fun!
Maps and information available from the Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce
102 E 7th
806-244-5646 chamber@dalhart.org
Or on the internet at
www.dalhart.org

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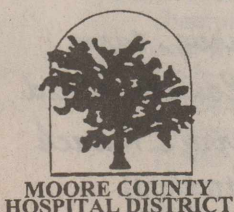
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A man travels the world over in search of what he needs and returns home to find it.

—George Moore

SCOT Birthday Party

Thursday, July 20th

2:00 to 3:00 PM

SCOT Hall

Happy Birthday:

Darlene, Les, Sam, Gaynelle and Jack

Assembly of God

Rev. Dean Williamson

921 Fulton

Sunday School 9:45 am

Morning Worship 10:45 am

Evening Worship 6:00 pm - Youth Serv. - 6 pm.-Sun.

Wed. Royal Rangers (Pioneers) 6:30 p.m.

Wed. Royal Rangers (Straight arrows & Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.

Wed. Missionettes - 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm

First Christian

Rev. Rob Chandler

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. Mark Metzger

520 N. Main

Sunday School 9:40 am

Morning Worship 10:50 am

Junior High UMY 5:30 pm

Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for

Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Darryl Birkenfeld

6th & Pearl

Rectory - 366 - 5687

Sunday Liturgies: Sat. Evening - 7 p.m. (Bi-lingual)

Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:30 p.m.

Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:25 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Mike Talley

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.

Calvary Baptist

Stephen Schwenke

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Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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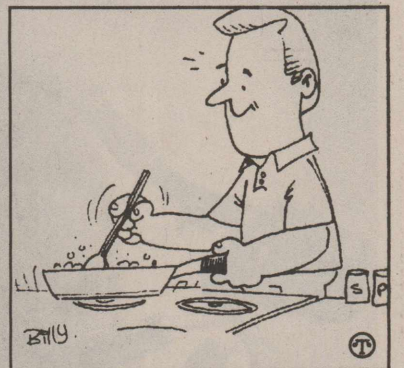
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A Debt Of Gratitude

A religious lawyer asked Jesus to name the first and greatest commandment. Jesus did not hesitate. He quoted the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might" (Deuteronomy 6:5, Matthew 22:37). Here is a word under this heading of love. "You shall fear only the Lord your God; and you shall worship Him and swear by His name" (Deuteronomy 6:13). These words are similar to the First Commandment. "You shall have no other gods before Me." (Exodus 20:3, Deuteronomy 5:7). We express love for God with worship, reverence and respect. Satan tried to get Jesus to repudiate His love for the Father. "The devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; and he said to Him, 'All these things I will give you, if you fall down and worship me'" (Matthew 4:8-9). Jesus would have none of this devilry. "Go Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only' (Matthew 4:10). Jesus worshipped the Father. His obedience was not a burden but a way to show His love. We fail in love. We are imperfect. The loving obedience of Jesus Christ pays the debt of gratitude we owe.

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Vows Exchanged

Stephanie Erin Becker and Christopher Winn Keeney, both of Arlington, were married June 17, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at First Christian Church, Arlington. The Rev. Beverly Carnes officiated. A reception followed at Fossil Creek Golf Club, Fort Worth.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Becker of Midwest City, Oklahoma. She is the granddaughter of Albert Becker of Fort Smith, Ark., and Mrs. Patricia Pardun of Costa Mesa, Calif. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald D. Keeney of Arlington. He is the grandson of Leo Keeney of Amarillo and Mrs. Sis Steinberger of Stratford.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Matron of honor was Darla Bilderback of Austin. Best man was Brian Bilderback of Austin. Koby Keeney of Arlington, brother of

the groom, was a groomsman, Celeste Keeney of Arlington, sister-in-law of the groom, was in the house party. Cooper Keeney of Arlington, nephew of the groom, was an honorary attendant. Doug Becker of Midwest City, OK, brother of the bride, was an usher.

The bride is a 1999 of Oklahoma State University where she received her BA in Journalism/Public relations. She was a member of the OSU Pom Squad and Gamma Phi Beta sorority. She is a corporate recruiter for AmeriCredit in Fort Worth. The groom is a 1996 graduate of Texas Tech University where he received his BBA in Marketing. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He is an Area General Manager for AmeriCredit in Arlington.

After a honeymoon to Grand Caymen Island, the couple will reside in Arlington.

Births

Clint & Tricia Fesler of The Woodlands, TX. are the proud parents of Claire Marie Born July 14, 2000 weighing 10 pounds 10 ounces and 22 inches long.

She is welcomed home by sisters Hannah and Rebecca and brother John.

Maternal grandparents are Pat and Jana Campbell of Conroe, TX, paternal grandparents are Bill and Betty Fesler and great grandmother Emma Naylor, all of Stratford.

Coby and Cheryl Galla announce the birth of their son Landon Keath born July 6, 2000. Landon weighed 6 lbs. 14.2 oz and was 19 inches long. He was welcomed by his big brother Braiden age 4.

Grandparents are Steve and Vickie Beattie, Mike Galla of Stratford and Luann Galla of Amarillo. Great grandparents are Jean Turner of Stratford, G.L. Sherrod of Duncanville, TX, Roy and Pat Green of Elk City, Oklahoma, Bob and Nancy Beattie of Amarillo and W.J. and Mona York of San Saba.

2000 Feist High Panhandle Directory On Its Way

Lubbock, TX-The new Feist area-wide telephone directory is on its way to people in the High Panhandle region.

Delivery of the new Feist directory began in Mid-June. A total of 45,000 directories are being hand delivered and mailed to homes throughout Cimarron, Texas, Beaver, Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley and Moore counties.

"Users can look forward to the same easy-to-use book they've come to rely on," said CEO Roberta Feist. "The new Feist High Panhandle Directory includes useful maps, community event information, 357 pages of classified ads and 26 pages of money-saving coupons."

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Mrs. Brian Vogler (nee Cathy Corbitt) of Hereford was honored with a shower Saturday, July 15th in the home of Betty Fesler, shown above left to right Louise Vogler of Hereford, Jessica Corbitt of Bonham, Cathy Vogler and Bobbie Wilson of Stratford.



Mandi Bell, bride-elect of Chris Haynes was honored with a shower on Saturday, July 8, 2000 in the home of Lisa Crabtree. Shown from left: Joy Haynes of Pampa, TX, Pat Wynn of Follett, TX, Jennifer Lynn of Lubbock, TX, Linda Haynes, Mandi Bell, Geneva Bell, Jeanne Bell, Doreen Hambrick of Amarillo, TX, and Dr. Valerie Engelbrecht of Oklahoma City, OK.

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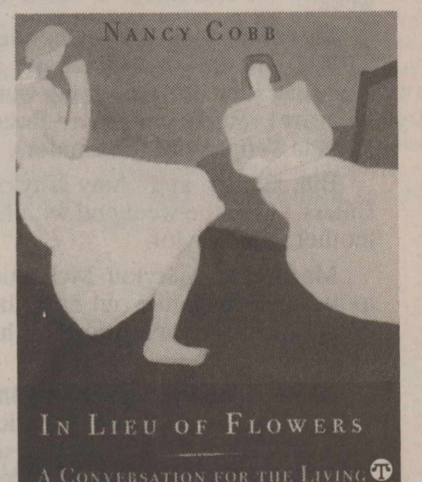
News of Books

How To Help A Friend In Grief

(NAPS)—An eloquent new book that combines humor and heart-break has opened a much needed dialogue about a very tough topic: loss. In her book, *In Lieu Of Flowers* (Pantheon, \$19.95), author Nancy Cobb has written a great and lasting book about grief.

Critics report that by the grace and wit of her writing Cobb has shown that it is possible to confront death without the veil of denial. In her book, written with intelligence, charm and even humor, Cobb bravely tells her own stories of loss and those of many of her friends. Her personal tragedies center on the suicide of her father to escape further deterioration from Alzheimer's, the death of her mother, also stricken with Alzheimer's and the loss of a close female friend to cancer.

As unsentimental as it is moving, *In Lieu of Flowers*, is a heart-felt exploration of the experience of loss. It is the kind of reading that enlightens our awareness that death is, after all, what binds us together most fiercely. Candid, powerful,



Cobb's candor and refreshing perspective made the deaths of those she loved—and death itself, a subject to explore rather than to avoid.

and enlightening, Cobb's book is an extraordinary treatment of one of the most ordinary and difficult experiences of life.

In Lieu of Flowers is available wherever books are sold.

Local Club Members Attend Special District Workshop

Members of GFWC/Prospectus Study Club attended a special workshop conducted by the newly elected officers of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) on July 15 at Amarillo Federated Clubhouse to obtain materials for the new 2000-2002 administration and to meet the TFWC officers in a casual setting. The workshop was hosted by Top of Texas District.

Local members attending were Marsha Wright, Club President; Margaret Reed, TFWC Literacy & Mentoring; Marylou McDaniel, Public Relations; D'Lynn Reed, TFWC Past, President, Top of Texas; Liz Sanders.

At the beginning of the administration, the TFWC officers travel to each of the 14 districts to bring the good news of Federation to the clubwomen. Members of the TFWC Traveling Team are President Mary Beth Guy from Kirbyville, Bobbe Mitchell President-elect from Sanderson, Barbara Winingham First Vice President from Bowie, Patricia Siegfried-Giles Second Vice President from Lancaster and Mary Melton Recording Secretary from Killeen.

Although traveling to each district in Texas takes the officers away from family and business for the month of July, President Guy feels that the effort put forth by the Traveling team is very important. She said, "Traveling to

each district gives the officers an opportunity to visit with many clubwomen who don't always go to the annual convention. This makes the officers very approachable which is important in an organization as large as the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs." Mary Beth Guy is the 51st President of TFWC. The theme for her administration is "Spanning the Millennium with Bridges of Faith, Friendship and Federation".

Each member of the Traveling Team shared her expertise on

valuable new information that will assist clubs in planning their 2000-2002 programs and projects. For example the GFWC Woman's health program has been revised and will include important information concerning Social Security. The Libraries 2000 Program is being continued on a national level, and literacy, safety in the home, and disability issues will have special emphasis in this new administration.

The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the largest and oldest nondenominational, nonpartisan, international service organization of volunteer women in the world. TFWC boasts over 8,000 members in 300 clubs throughout the state. GFWC/Prospectus Study Club was founded in 1955 and became affiliated with TFWC in 1956.

Dean's & President's List Named At WTAM

More than 1,100 West Texas A&M University students made it - 294 students were named to the President's List, and 835 students earned mention on the Dean's List for the 2000 spring semester.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.85 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Students on the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.25 and less than 3.85 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Area recipients include: Lori C. Brooks, Senior - Social Work; Angie DeAnda, Senior - Sports/Exercise Sci; Barbara J. Dewees, Sophomore - Reading; Susan E. Dewees, Junior - Criminal Justice; Joseph B. Presley, Junior - Sports/Exercise Sci; Paula E. Soto, Freshman - Pre-Vet Medicine; Nathaniel R. Walden, Freshman - Agriculture.

Graduates Named

Degrees were officially conferred on 476 West Texas A&M University graduates at the May commencement ceremonies.

The University awarded master's degrees to 74 graduates and bachelor's degrees to 402 graduates.

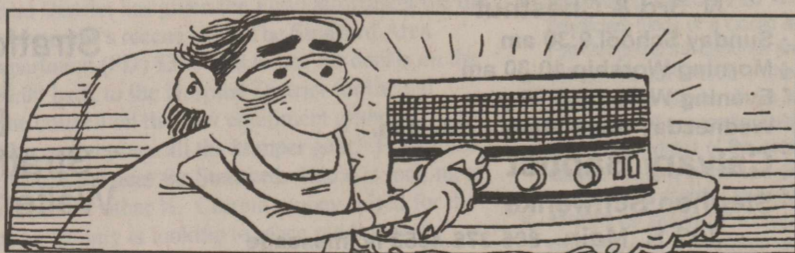
Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and were eligible to wear gold honor cords. The three levels of recognition are Cum Laude (3.50-3.74), Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.89) and Summa Cum Laude (3.90-4.00).

Fourteen graduates received Summa Cum Laude honors. Twenty-five students graduated with Magna Cum Laude honors, and 59 students graduated with Cum Laude honors.

The graduating class represented three countries, 8 states and 88 cities and towns in Texas.

Stratford graduates include:

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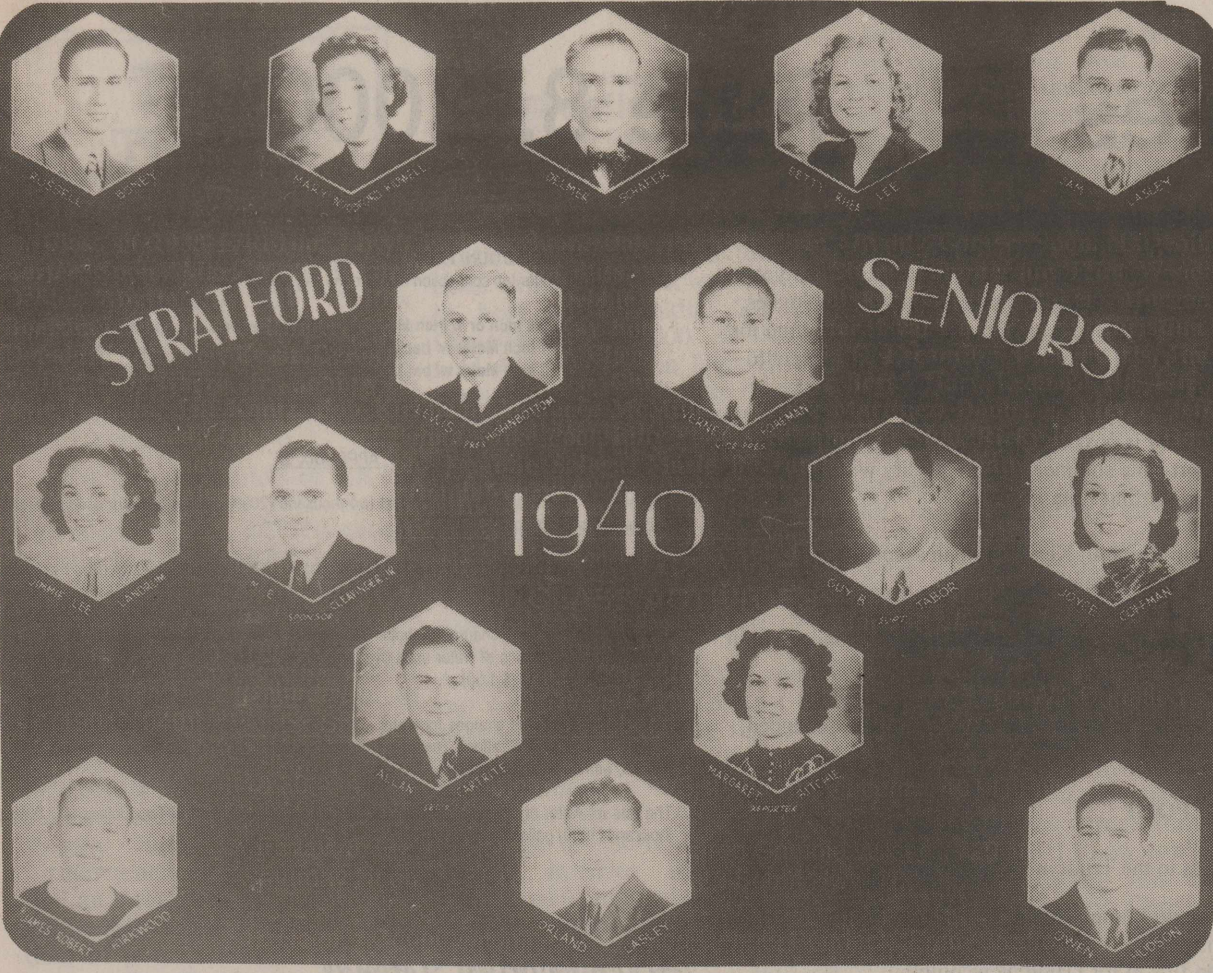
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1965	12 Noon	Country Home of Boyd and Debbie Spurlock	From Stratford--South Hwy 287 13 mi.- East on FM1573 7 miles-North Co 16 .1 mi.- W. 200 yds.
1970	Saturday Noon,	El Tejano Restaurant	South Hwy. 287
1980	Friday 8:30 Saturday Brunch 9:00-11:30 Saturday 2:00 to 4:00	Home of Jeff & Lynette Kautz Home of Rex & Bernice Christian Ice Cream Home of Bill and Janice Sladek	907 N. Maple 1112 Beaver Rd 1220 N. 5 th
1990	Saturday, 11:00 a.m.	Family Fun Swimming and green fee golf available After Banquet Visiting	Stratford Country Club Hwy. 54 West 3 miles on right Texas Electric Hwy 54 East



The 13-year old North Plains All-Stars from Dumas, recently won the Area Tournament by defeating Plainview 10 to 2, Pampa 10 to 8 and then Pampa again in the final game 8 to 5. This area championship qualified the team for the State Tournament to be held in Amarillo at North Randall on July 22 and 23. The team is made up of players from: STRATFORD-Josh King; SUNRAY-Kevin Moore and Aaron Raymond; DALHART-Ross Lasley and Justin Werner; and DUMAS-Ross Cawl, Miguel Garcia, Allen Trailer, Sammy Sartain, Jose Flores, Brady Bynham, Herby Martinez and Daniel Moreno. The all-stars are coached by Ricky Bynham and Chris Porter. Congratulations!

**"The Ride For
Life-Around Texas"**

Shown at right: Buddy Boren, a cancer survivor began a bicycle ride on July 4th around the border of Texas, about 3500 miles, to get the message out to people with cancer not to give up hope, survival is possible. Boren was in Stratford on Wednesday, July 12th.



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Stratford City Council met in Regular Session Thursday, June 8, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor David Brown presiding and the following council members present: Marcus Lavake, Johnny Garza, Ken Forthman, and Craig Bell.

Also present were: Ric Walton, City Administrator; LaRita Butler, City Clerk; Jon King, City Attorney; Eddie Williams, Fire Chief; Jim Dewees, Chief of Police; George Zaricor, Ricardo Chabolla, Mark Cavitt, Cheryl Ricketson, Renee Cavitt, Terri Kelling, Allan Ricketson, Mary Pool, Paulette Palmer, Dwayne Plunk, Jimmy White, CEO Xit Communications; Garold McDaniel, and Linda Spurlock.

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Paulette Palmer was present to brief the council on David Newcomb's condition. Council thanked Paulette.

APPROVE MINUTES

Craig Bell motioned to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2000 minutes with changes; Johnny Garza seconded, with Ken Forthman opposing, motion carried.

STATUTORY COUNCIL BUSINESS

Marcus Lavake was given the oath of office by Notary Public, LaRita Butler.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL

Jimmy White, with XIT Communications was present to discuss franchise agreement. Jimmy handed the council current copies of the Franchise Agreement. Jimmy spoke on more details concerning the agreement; 50-70 regular channels will be available, several premium channels and pay per view channels. This service will not necessitate any additional wires or lines to be laid. Prices are expected to be competitive with current cable carrier. The current Franchise with Classic Cable is not exclusive; therefore, this allows another provider to come in

the area. Craig Bell asked if someone does not currently have XIT phone service, would someone be allowed to have CATV? The additional equipment would be a set-top box inside the house.

Betty and Wayland Brown arrived 7:50 p.m.

Jimmy gave additional details on the options available. The agreement would be for 10 years, same as Classic's contract. Mayor Brown asked if a technician would be in town, Jimmy answered yes. Facilities and quality of service would be the same as the telephone. Emergency Broadcast would also be available. Ken Forthman questioned on the availability of office and repairman, discussion took place. Craig mentioned the possibility that service may be better due to two companies providing same service in the same town. Mayor Brown would like to see a guarantee that a service man and office would be in Stratford for the term of the contract. Craig Bell motioned to approve the first reading of the Agreement, with changes, Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor, and motion carried.

Discuss Water Tower Restitution with Concerned parties. Concerned citizens were present to discuss cost of repairs to the water tower located on Hwy 287 North. Discussion took place. Actual cost of repairs is \$600.00, which will be divided among the students involved and will be paid in one lump sum.

Consider animal permit for Ricardo Chabolla. LaRita Butler briefed the council on the current situation concerning the permit. Johnny Garza then explained the situation to Ricardo in Spanish. Discussion took place. Mayor Brown felt the only way to see this situation handled properly, would be to have a public hearing on a Zoning Change for the entire property located west of the Railroad tracks, Neals Addition etc... **If Zoning is not changed, everyone with animals anywhere within the city limits of Stratford must obtain a permit.** No Action taken.

Paula Nusz, Mae Plunk, and Reba Pittman arrived 8:40 p.m.

George Zaricor voiced is concern on the cats in the area of the 1300 block North Division. City Animal Control officer has placed a cat trap in the area, but the policy is, cats with tags are returned to the owners, and tomcats are put to sleep. Ric will have Daryl put more traps out. George also voiced his concern on the City Administrator moving to Dumas. George does not, as a taxpayer, want to pay the

City Administrator to travel to and from Dumas. Mayor Brown stated Ric would have to drive at his own expense.

Mae Plunk was also present to voice her concern on a barking dog in the 500 block of South Main. Council asked her to file a written complaint with the Judge.

Paula Nusz, Chamber of Commerce, thanked the council for help on funding her trip to Dallas. Paula gave the council a brief talk on her trip. Chamber is also request funds from hotel/motel tax fund; Craig Bell motioned to approve the funds, Johnny Garza seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Trade-in value of 1" meter to upgrade to a 2" meter was discussed for B.A. Donelson. Discussion took place on the actual cost of the meters, including a back-flow device, which now has to be placed on every newly installed meter. Ordinance, which includes the price of water meters will be changed, in order to increase the price of 1", 1" & 2" meters due to the new law requiring back-flow devices be installed in every new meter. The cost for trade-in would be \$500.00, if the City has to do a new water tap, the cost will be \$800.00. There is currently a moratorium on any additional 2" meters.

Kristin Olsen arrived 9:15 p.m.

Eddie Williams, Fire Chief, was present to give the council an update on the Fire Department. The Stratford Hospital District has given the Fire Department the old ambulance, to replace the Fire Department's rescue unit. The Stratford Area Foundation has given the Fire Department (FD) \$3500.00 to use for decals on the new unit; the FD then gave \$2500.00 back to the Hospital District for the old ambulance. Eddie also updated the council on the new equipment grants, \$11,056.00 was applied for, and this will replace all the bumper gear. Texas Fire Committee has approved to purchase 1/2 the gear for Stratford. Eddie is looking at Stratford Area Foundation to purchase the other 1/2. Current money raised for the new fire station is \$48,000; Sherman County is looking to place money in the budget for this project. Total cost for the new building is approximately \$265,000.00. The fire truck, which was donated by the Texas Forrest Service, will be painted soon. Eddie also briefed the council on the Fire Department's temporary change on the by-laws. The council then thanked Eddie.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Cemetery Ordinance was discussed. Mayor Brown suggested getting 1 councilmember, 1 cemetery board member, and 1 local citizen to revise the cemetery ordinance, as a cemetery review committee. Discussion took place. Craig Bell motioned to lift the moratorium, Ken Forthman seconded, Johnny Garza opposed, and motion carried, with Marcus Lavake abstaining.

Discuss McKee Avenue, Spur to SR 15. Mayor Brown met with Judge Fesler and they did a "walk around" the area. Due to the cost of moving the utilities, in order to get the state to make this a spur to Highway 15, the city and county have agreed in principle, to repair and rebuild this portion of McKee Avenue. The City and County will jointly request from the state, modification of the turning radius at the intersection of Highway 287 and McKee Avenue.

Discuss City Administrator Position moved to further on agenda.

Consider changes to City of Stratford's Employee Policy. All "City Manager" will be changed to "City Administrator"; addition of Good Friday as a holiday, additional vacation day each year of service after 20 years, not to exceed 25 years; maternity leave, minimum of 6 weeks unpaid leave, residency of city employees, 10 minute response time for "on-call" employees and 20 minute response time for all other employees. Employee policy will be typed with changes and present to council for review and approval at the July 13th council meeting.

Discuss additional employee. The City is possibly looking at an additional full-time employee in the future, and part-time summer help. The City will hire Martin Acevedo for part-time summer help starting June 12, 2000.

Craig Bell motioned to approve Bain Tire bill; Ken Forthman seconded, all in favor motion carried with Johnny Garza abstaining.

Ken Forthman motioned to approve all other bills, Marcus Lavake seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Ken Forthman motioned to approve the financial statement, Craig Bell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ric Walton reported on the changes to the Truth in Taxation law. Ric reported on the ditch work done on Purnell Street. The culvert for Iowa Vet Supply is in. Mayor Brown questioned Ric, who fills in for David Newcomb? Ric suggested the city possibly looking at contracting with another town to supervise water operation, due to lack of water license.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Jim Dewees stated he has no report at this time.

ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

Johnny Garza stated has had numerous complaints concerning the City Administrator moving to Dumas. Questioned was raised about whether or not the job can be performed to the best interest of the City.

Craig Bell apologized to the council for his temper earlier. Craig would like for animal control to look at the number of tomcats caught in the area of 1300 block North Division.

The City will hold a public hearing concerning the rezoning of the Neal's Addition, entire area west of the Railroad tracks.

There will be a roundtable meeting June 27, 2000.

Meeting adjourned 11:50 p.m.

RICHARD WALTON CITY ADMINISTRATOR

DAVID BROWN, MAYOR CITY OF STRATFORD

CITY OF STRATFORD ORDINANCE 980921; AMENDED 9/16/99; 7/13/2000

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING RATES FOR THE USE OF WATER FOR THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR AND REGULATING DEPOSITS AND ADDITIONAL DEPOSITS, TAP FEES AND SERVICE CHARGES; AMENDING PRIOR ORDINANCES PERTAINING THERETO; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS INCIDENT THERETO; AND PROVIDING THAT SHOULD ANY SECTION OF OR PART OF ANY SECTION OF THIS ORDINANCE BE HELD VOID, THE REMAINING PORTIONS SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas finds it necessary to amend prior Ordinances regulating rates for the use of water within said City, deposits, tap fees and service charges;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS:

- A. WATER - Along with application for water service, the applicant shall pay to the City of Stratford a deposit in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).
- B. WATER UTILITIES BILLING - May include Municipal Solid Waste pick-up and disposal fees and charges as well as Sewer Service fees and charges, as applicable.
- C. In addition to any regular water utilities service deposit or reconnect fees, the City of Stratford may charge an additional water utilities service deposit to any customer whose service was previously disconnected or terminated for lack of payment when due.
- D. The additional water utilities service deposit specified above shall be in an amount not to exceed one and one-half (1 1/2) times the highest bill incurred by the customer in the customer's last twelve months of service or portion thereof; or one-sixth (1/6) of the customer's total billing for the last twelve months of service, or portion thereof, whichever is greater.
- E. In the event that any customer of water service furnished by the City of Stratford does not pay the rates and charges, plus any penalty, on or before the 20th day after payment is due, all City operated water service shall be terminated.
- F. Any consumer of utility services furnished by the City, whose utility services have been disconnected or terminated for non-payment of rates and charges therefore, may have such utility services resumed by paying all rates, charges and penalties due by him/her to the City, and in addition thereto, a Reconnection Fee is hereby prescribed by the City Council.
- G. RECONNECTION FEE - A Reconnection Fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be assessed and collected prior to the reconnection of utility services when accomplished during normal business hours (8:00AM - 5:00PM, Monday through Friday). "Habitual Reconnects", defined as customers of City provided utility services that have had service disconnected/terminated four (4) or more times in the preceding twelve (12) months, may only have service reconnected as described above. "Non-habitual Reconnects", defined as customers whose City provided utility services have either not been disconnected/terminated, or have had City provided utility services disconnected/terminated on three (3) or fewer occasions in the preceding twelve (12) months, may have service reconnected as described above or, after normal business hours and on weekends, may have service reconnected by paying an After-hours Reconnect Fee of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) by or before 12:00 Noon on the next regular business day. (In addition to all rates and charges specified in paragraph "F" above.) If payment is not received by 12:00 Noon on the next regular business day, City provided utility service will be disconnected again and an additional Reconnect Fee will be assessed and shall be paid prior to reconnection of utility services.
- H. "BAD CHECKS" - If a check tendered as payment for utility service reconnection is drawn against insufficient funds or a closed account, City provided utility services will be immediately disconnected and will remain so until the customer pays all rates, charges, penalties and reconnect fees with cash or money order. The City of Stratford reserves the right to verify with the bank or financial institution that funds are available to cover any check tendered for payment.
- I. RETURNED CHECK FEE - Any check tendered as payment for utility service drawn against insufficient funds or a closed account. There will be a Twenty-five Dollar (\$25.00) Returned Check Fee charged to the customer presenting such check.
- J. CHECK ACCEPTANCE - Checks will not be accepted for payment of utility service if the customer has tendered checks drawn against insufficient funds or a closed account on two (2) or more occasions in the preceding twelve (12) months. In addition, a returned (unpaid) check constitutes de facto non payment of the account and will subject the customer to disconnection of service if the account remains unpaid as stipulated in paragraph E. Reconnection Fee and other charges, as applicable, as specified in paragraphs F. and G. will apply.
- K. "THEFT OF SERVICE" - Unauthorized and/or deliberate connection, reconnection or diversion of City Utility Services is a violation of Texas Penal Code, Chapter 31, Section 31.04, "Theft of Service, and may be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
- L. FIRE HYDRANTS - Only the Stratford Fire Department or other authorized entities may draw water from City Fire Hydrants. A back-flow prevention device (Reduced Pressure Zone) or air-gap is required.
- M. REFUNDS - Any deposit made to the City shall be held by the City until the utility service for which the deposit was made shall be terminated. Upon termination of such service, customer shall be entitled to a refund of such deposit, less any amount that is due and owing to the City.
- N. RATES AND CHARGES - For Water Taps (connections) and Water usage are included as Appendices to this Ordinance. Changes in Rates and/or Charges shall be facilitated by amending the applicable Appendix. Appendix 'A' shall define the Rates and Charges for water connections including new meter, meter loop and backflow prevention device. Appendix 'B' shall define the Rates and Charges for Water Usage, to include Residential, Commercial, Minimum and Thousand Gallon Rates.

Insofar as this Ordinance overlaps or amends any prior Ordinances of the City of Stratford, then this Ordinance shall supersede and amend such prior Ordinances. Should any section or sections of this Ordinance be held to be void and without force and effect for any reason whatsoever by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portion of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect as though the void an unenforceable portion thereof, if any, had not been incorporated.

THIS ORDINANCE, WITH APPENDICES 'A' AND 'B', PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13TH DAY OF JULY, 2000.

By _____ Attest: _____
Mayor, David Brown City Administrator

APPENDIX 'A'

- A. WATER TAP(CONNECTION) FEE - The following charges shall be made by the City of Stratford for each and every water tap connection made to the City's water mains, laterals, or water supply system:
- 1. 5/8 inch or 1/2 inch Meter w/ backflow device..... \$ 435.00
 - 2. 1 inch Meter w/ backflow loop..... \$ 625.00
 - 3. 2 inch Meter w/ backflow loop..... \$ 1050.00

APPENDIX 'B'

- A. The monthly rate and charge for the first two thousand (2000) gallons of water used by Residential Customers is Eight Dollars (\$8.00)
- B. The monthly rate and charge for the first two thousand (2000) gallons of water used by Commercial (Non-residential) Customers in Nine Dollars (\$9.00).
- C. The monthly rate and charge for both Residential and Commercial Customers for each one thousand (1000) gallons of water used over and above the first two thousand (2000) gallons is One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$ 1.50).
- D. The monthly rates and charges for water service for water delivered into water tank trucks or water wagons in the City of Stratford, Texas, is One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$ 1.50) per one thousand (1000) gallons, with no minimum charge.
- E. The rate for water at the coin operated facility (the old water tower) is Two Dollars (\$ 2.00) per one thousand (1000) gallons.

Newsworthy Trends

It's Possible To Enjoy The Luxury Of Spa Treatments Without The Spa

(NAPS)—Spa industry leaders are sharing their "pampering know-how" to create super-indulgent at-home beauty treatments designed to renew the body and refresh the spirit. These recipes were developed by experts from the world's most exclusive spas in exchange for a donation to Cancer Care, Inc. The experts reveal how to easily and inexpensively recreate therapeutic spa treatments at home with ingredients found in almost any health food or drug store. The recipes share one common ingredient: Vaseline Petroleum Jelly. A popular classic among the "beauty elite," including Hollywood celebrities, supermodels, spa experts and makeup artists, Vaseline is known for its ultra-moisturizing properties and its versatility.

- *Mix fresh batch for each use.
- AFTER SUN SKIN SOOTHER from Elizabeth Arden Red Door Salon & Spa, New York, N.Y.
- 1/4 cup Vaseline Petroleum Jelly
- 2 to 3 drops Lavender Oil (Optional)
- Mix Vaseline Petroleum Jelly with 2 to 3 drops of lavender oil. Take a warm bath, pat skin dry. Apply mixture all over the body. This will soothe skin that is dry from sun exposure.
- * Mix fresh batch for each use.
- GOLDEN DOOR FOOT SCRUB from The Golden Door, Telluride, CO
- 1/4 cup Vaseline Petroleum Jelly
- 1/4 cup-Epsom or Sea Salts
- 2-4 drops Any Essential Oil
- Fill bathtub with warm water. Briefly warm the Vaseline Petroleum Jelly in a bowl. (A double boiler system is best. Do not microwave Vaseline Petroleum Jelly). Test mixture to make sure it is not too hot. In a larger bowl mix Epsom or sea salts with your favorite essential oil. Add warm Vaseline Petroleum Jelly to the mixture and mix well.
- Soak feet for 10-15 minutes. This will soothe and soften feet in preparation for the scrub. Scrub your feet vigorously with the Golden Door Foot Scrub. Finish your exfoliation with a steamed cloth, scented with your favorite oil.
- * Mix fresh batch for each use.

Here are three Spa In a Jar recipes you can try:

GREEN TEA AND VITAMIN C ANTIOXIDANT FACIAL MASK (can be used on hands as well) from Body Beautiful Spa, Aurora, Ontario, CAN

1/2 cup Vaseline Petroleum Jelly
1/4 cup Green Tea
2 capsules Vitamin C

Brew 1/4 cup of herbal green tea. Let cool. Add 2 vitamin C capsules and mix well. Apply mixture gently to face and neck. Coat face and neck with a thin layer of Vaseline Petroleum Jelly to create a "mask." Keep "mask" on face for 20 minutes while you enjoy a warm bath including your favorite essential oils or salts. Rinse "mask" off your face and pat dry.

Chocolate: A Healthy Food?

You have probably heard that chocolate isn't good for you. But new studies show that's not entirely true!

At one time, people, including scientists, thought that chocolate could cause acne and tooth decay and had no nutrition. However, recent studies have shown that chocolate does not cause acne or make it worse. As for teeth problems, there is no proof that chocolate causes cavities or tooth decay. Instead, cocoa butter in chocolate can coat teeth and help keep plaque from forming.

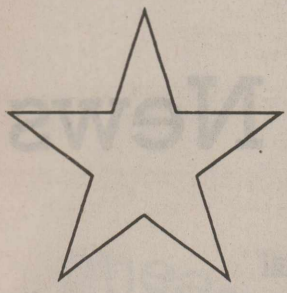
Researchers in California also have found that some chemicals in chocolate, phenolics, may even help lower the risk of heart disease. But it is not known whether those in chocolate do actually help prevent heart disease.

With more than 300 chemicals, chocolate is known for making people feel good. Caffeine, working with other chemicals, provides a "lift." And some of the chemicals in chocolate cause brain chemicals to work more in parts of your brain that keep you alert.

Some findings concerning chocolate are controversial. While research continues on chocolate, it is important that you remember one thing: Although chocolate isn't all bad, too much of any food can be.



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For Sale: Sears Refrigerator, 2 set of chrome wheels - size 15 wheel and size 16 wheel, both sets fit Chevrolet. Heavy-duty hitch for under bumper - fits 98 Chev. or GMC. 1 dresser. Come by 313 Stickney. 7-13-2xp-----

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House For Sale

For Sale: 3 Bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, 1 mile north on Beaver Road. \$40,000. Call 396-5632. 7-20-4xc-----

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In the fields of observation, chance favors only the prepared mind.
—Louis Pasteur

Card of Thanks

Sherman County 4-H would like to thank everyone who supported the concession at the recent baseball tournaments. Proceeds raised from the event will be used to purchase awards for upcoming contest, conducted the annual club and council officers' Leadership Retreat, and purchase equipment to enhance county programs. A special thanks to XIT Telephone for the donation of cooked beef for the sandwiches. Thanks is also extended to Lynette Kautz for organizing the concession and to all the parents and 4-H members who took the time to work the event.

A sincere thank you to all those who came to my 65th birthday party and also to those who would have wanted to come but were unavailable. You all helped make it a very memorable occasion. A very special thanks to my family and anyone else who put together such a total surprise.
Ronald Engelbrecht

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In her films, Shirley Temple always had 56 curls in her hair.

Real Estate & Tax Seminar To Be Held

If you want to sell your real estate and are concerned about the taxes, this information may be beneficial to you. The world of financial planning and real estate management is dynamic and ever changing. It is sometimes difficult to find information that is useful and important...information that can be generated locally by people that you can understand and trust.

We would like to offer you an opportunity to join us at an informational seminar on 1031 Tax Free Exchanges. 1031 of the tax code provides one of the best strategies for the deferral of capital gains taxes that would ordinarily arise from the sale of real estate. Exchanging defers the recognition of the capital gains tax, leaving the property owner with substantially more proceeds to purchase a replacement property.

This seminar will give you a chance to speak with and hear from area experts such as Stephanie Hrycyk, Ph.D., educator and financial adviser; Jane Elliott, CRS, CRB, ERA Jane Elliott Realtors; Wayne Cogdill, Attorney/Intermediary; Chris Hornstra, SRG Commercial Real Estate, Inc.; Oth Miller, Attorney; and Jed Welsh, Land Advisor.

Tom Jahnke, marketing director for Passco Real Estate Enterprises, Inc. will be discussing his company's role in the 1031 exchange process. Passco specializes in exchanges and has a proven track record of success.

Please join us for this exciting presentation and discussion, the first in a series concerning 1031 Exchanges. We look forward to meeting you and getting your input. Our meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., July 27, 2000, at the Ambassador Hotel at I-40 and Georgia, Amarillo, Texas.

The seminar is free. If you are interested in joining us, please call to let us know the number that will be coming, so we can reserve a space for you. The telephone number is 800-753-5584 or 396-7275.

Swanson® Lemon Herb Grilled Chicken
Pre Time: 5 min. Cook Time: 30 min.

1 can (14½ oz.) Swanson® Chicken Broth (1¾ cups)
3 tbsp. lemon juice
1 tsp. dried basil leaves, crushed
1 tsp. dried thyme leaves, crushed
½ tsp. pepper
4 to 6 bone-in chicken breast halves, skinned

MIX broth, lemon juice, basil, thyme and pepper.
GRILL chicken 30 min. or until done, turning and brushing often with broth mixture. Discard remaining broth mixture. Serves 4.

Swanson® Herb Grilled Vegetables
Pre/Cook Time: 20 min.

½ cup Swanson® Chicken Broth
½ tsp. dried thyme leaves, crushed
½ tsp. black pepper
1 large red onion, thickly sliced
1 large red onion, thickly sliced
1 large green or red pepper, cut into wide strips
1 medium zucchini or yellow squash, thickly sliced
2 cups large mushrooms

MIX broth, thyme and black pepper. Brush vegetables with broth mixture.

GRILL vegetables 10 min. or until tender, turning and brushing often with broth mixture. Serves 6.



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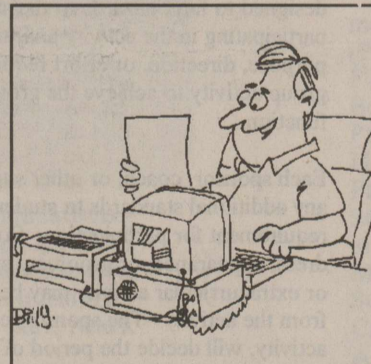
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Stratford Independent School District News

This dress code policy was adopted by the Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees on July 13, 2000. The policy itself is not that much different than the expectations the Administrators of Stratford Schools have been working under for years. However, the expectations have now been placed in policy. Please become familiar with this policy. We hope a full understanding of these expectations will make shopping for school a successful event. The Board of Trustees and the Administration wish all a safe and restful remainder of the summer.

STUDENT CONDUCT: DRESS CODE

FNCA
 (LOCAL)

PURPOSE

The District's dress and grooming code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. In addition, dress and grooming standards promote community values and good citizenship and enhance a safe, orderly educational environment.

CAMPUS DRESS CODE

Each campus must establish its own dress code that incorporates and is consistent with the dress and grooming standard set by this policy. Individual campus' have authority to designate a uniform for students to wear on a voluntary basis.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE

Male students must wear clean clothing (shorts, shirt, slacks, jeans, trousers) that is not torn or damaged. Female students must wear clean clothing (shorts, dress, blouse, skirt, slacks, jeans) that is not torn or damaged. Pants must be worn with the waist at waist level, and shirts or blouses must be buttoned. All students must wear shoes and appropriate undergarments. Appropriate shorts may be worn under the following guidelines:

1. Shorts will be dress shorts or denim shorts.
2. Shorts must be hemmed and be neat and tailored similar to that which is acceptable in some retail businesses today.
3. Shorts must extend below the length of all fingertips, unless the student is in grades pre-K-4.

All students will exemplify grooming standards that project a positive image for the student, school, and District. Hair must be clean and neatly groomed and worn in a style that does not cover the eyes or eyebrows.

Male students' hair must be neatly trimmed and worn in a style above the eye brows that exposes the earlobes and has a length above the top of the collar of a button-up shirt or crew-neck tee-shirt. Male students must be clean-shaven.

INAPPROPRIATE GROOMING

The following hair styles or colorings are inappropriate grooming for any student at school or a school-related or-sanctioned activity:

1. Spikes or other sculptured hair styles.
2. Neon or other hair colorings or bleaching, whether permanent or temporary, in a shade or tone that the principal determines to be unnatural, such as, but not limited to, neon orange, neon pink, magenta, any shade of blue, any shade of green, violet, purple, white, yellow.
3. Hair coloring or bleaching for the purpose of creating differences in color, shade, or tone between sections of individual strands of hair or areas of hair on the head, e.g. "tips."
4. Patterns or designs shaved or cut into the hair, e.g. "mohawks," rat-tail hairstyle, partially shaved heads.

INAPPROPRIATE OR UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE

The following clothing and accessories are inappropriate attire for any student at school or a school-related or-sanctioned activity:

1. Skirts must extend below the length of all fingertips, unless the student is in grades pre-K-4. Length of skirt or dress shall be adequate to insure dignified seating.
2. Loose-fitting cotton jersey drawn in at the ankles and waist.
3. Pants worn below the natural waistline or sagging or extremely loose pants ("baggies").
4. Shirts or blouses that reveal undergarments or cleavage, midriff length tops that leave exposed skin, or halter tops.
5. Exposed undergarments.
6. Bedtime attire, pajamas, undershirts, or undergarments worn as outerwear, e.g. boxer shorts.
7. Clothing made of any see-through material, fish net, or very loosely-woven fabric.
8. Shirts or blouses that are split up the side such that the vent or split is unfinished and extends above the natural waistline.
9. Unhemmed or cut-off clothing of any kind.
10. Muscle shirts, shirts with oversized arm holes, or backless shirts, blouses, or tops.
11. Any clothing made of Spandex or similar body-hugging fabric or material.
12. Slippers, or house shoes.
13. Sunglasses, headbands, hats, or caps worn inside a school building.
14. Hair rollers, hair curlers, plastic hair bags, and other similar grooming items worn inside a school building.
15. All athletic shorts or shorts similar to design to athletic shorts.
16. Shorts made out of jersey material or any mesh material.
17. Shorts that are not tailored to fit.
18. Spandex or bicycle shorts worn by themselves or under other shorts.
19. Shorts that extend below the knee but above the ankles. These are usually denim; reach to the mid-calf, and are associated with "baggies."
20. Wind shorts including Umbro or those similar in design.

CLOTHING WITH WORDS OR PICTURES

Clothing worn at school or school-related or-sanctioned activities may not display printed statements or pictures:

1. that are vulgar or obscene;
2. that are related to or depict sexual activity;
3. that promote hate or violence in general or are directed at any specific person or group of persons; or
4. that are related to or depict the use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco.

JEWELRY, BODY PIERCING

Students may not wear on the outside of their clothing any jewelry or similar artifacts that are obscene or distracting or that are likely to cause disruption to the educational environment.

Students may not wear facial jewelry of any kind, including any type of tongue piercings, other than non-distracting earrings worn on the ear. Male students may not wear earrings at all.

Any body piercings must be covered at all times while students are under the school's jurisdiction.

GANG ATTIRE AND GROOMING

Clothing, grooming, or any attire that identifies or connects a student with a gang is prohibited at school or school related or-sanctioned activities.

PRINCIPAL'S AUTHORITY

The principal will determine if clothing or attire not addressed in this policy creates a distraction to the educational process and may prohibit that clothing or attire for his or her campus. Administrators have the discretion to determine the appropriateness of dress and grooming and to make special exceptions, including for religious or medical necessities.

DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

A student whose clothing violates the dress code will be assigned to in-school suspension either for the remainder of the day or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school.

GROOMING VIOLATIONS

If the principal determines that a student's grooming violates the dress code, the student will be given the opportunity to correct the problem at school. If the problem is not corrected, the student will be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day or until the problem is corrected.

REPEAT OFFENSES

Repeated offenses of the dress and grooming code may result in more serious disciplinary action. In all cases, administrators will follow the procedures and requirements of the student Code of Conduct in assessing disciplinary measures.

COCURRICULAR AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Sponsors, coaches, or persons supervising or directing cocurricular or extracurricular activities may establish additional dress, appearance, and grooming standards for students participating in those activities, subject to the principal's approval. Any additional standards will be designed to limit hazards to the safety of students participating in the activity and to further the desired unity, purpose, direction, or effort required for the organized group activity to achieve the group's goals and carry out its function.

Each sponsor, coach, or other supervisor will communicate any additional standards to students before the activity as a requirement for participation. Students who violate the dress, appearance, or grooming standards for a cocurricular or extracurricular activity may be removed or suspended from the activity. The sponsor, coach, or supervisor of the activity, will decide the period of removal, and the principal will maintain authority over the operation of the school and all its activities.

Código de Vestuario y Arreglo Personal

El código de vestuario y arreglo personal del Distrito es establecido para enseñar arreglo personal e higiene, instilar disciplina, prevenir perturbación, evadir riesgos de seguridad y enseñar respeto para la autoridad. En adición, los criterios del vestuario y arreglo personal promueve los valores de la comunidad, buena ciudadanía y aumenta un seguro ambiente ordenadamente educacional. Estudiantes masculinos deben llevar ropa limpia (shorts, camisa, pantalón de mezclilla, patalón de vestir) que no estén rompidos o dañados. Estudiantes femeninas deben llevar ropa limpia (shorts, vestido, blusa, falda, pantalón de vestir, pantalón de mezclilla) que no estén rompidos o dañados. Pantalones deben ser usados al nivel de la cintura y camisas y blusas deben ser abotonadas. Todos estudiantes deben de llevar zapatos y prenda interior apropiada. Shorts apropiados deben llevarse bajo las siguientes pautas:

1. Shorts serán shorts de vestir o shorts de mezclilla.
2. Shorts deben ser hechos con un dobladillo pulido y hecho a medida semejantes a los que son aceptable en algunos negocios de venta de hoy.
3. Shorts deben extender a lo largo de la punta de los dedos, a menos que el estudiante está en los grados pre-k-4. El largo de los shorts/skorts deben ser adecuado para asegurar el sentarse dignamente.

Todos los estudiantes ejemplificarán criterios del arreglo personal que proyecten un imagen positiva para el estudiante, la escuela y el Distrito. El pelo debe de estar limpio y bien arreglado y llevado en un estilo que no cubra los ojos o cejas. El pelo de los estudiantes masculinos deben ser limpiamente rebajado y llevado en un estilo mas arriba de las cejas que ensene los lóbulos de la oreja y que tenga una medida arriba del cuello de una camisa abotonada o una camiseta de cuello redondo. Estudiantes masculinos deben de estar afeitados.

Los siguientes estilos de pelo o coloración son arreglos personales impropio para cualquier estudiante en una actividad de la escuela o relacionado de la escuela o sancionado:

1. Pelo de cepillo u otro escultrados estilos de pelo.
2. Neon u otras coloraciones de pelo o blanquear, ya sea permanente o temporal, en un tono en que el director determine que no sea natural, como es, pero no limitado a, neon anaranjado, neon rosa, rojo purpureo, cualquier tono de azul, cualquier tono de verde, violeta, morado, blanco, amarillo.
3. Coloración de pelo o blanqueador para el propósito en crear diferencia en color o tono entre secciones de mechass individuales del pelo o areas del pelo en la cabeza, e.d. "puntas."
4. Patrones o diseños razurados o cortados en el pelo, e.d. "mohawks," estilo de cola de rata, cabezas razuradas parcialmente.

Las siguientes ropas y accesorios son ajuarios impropios para cualquier estudiante en una actividad de la escuela o relacionado de la escuela o sancionado:

1. Faldas deben extender a lo largo de la punta de los dedos, a menos que el estudiante está en los grados pre-k-4. El largo de la falda debe ser adecuado para asegurar el sentarse dignamente.
2. Pantalones de jersey flojos elasticados o con cordón en el tobillo y cintura, e.d. "sweats."
3. Pantalones elevados debajo de la cintura natural o pantalones caídos o extremadamente flojos ("baggies").
4. Camisas o blusas que revelan ropa interior o escote, blusas a lo largo del abdomen que dejan expuesta la piel o corpiños.
5. Enseñar ropa interior.
6. Ajuares de dormir, pijamas, camiseta interior o ropa interior llevada como ropa por fuera, e.d. calzoncillos.
7. Ropa hecha de material transparente, malla o tela tejida muy suelta.
8. Camisas o blusas que esten habiertas de los lados como que la abertura está sin terminar y extiende arriba de la cintura natural.
9. Ropa sin bastillar o cortadas de ninguna clase.
10. Camisas musculares, camisas con mangas muy anchas, camisas sin espalda, blusas o blusas cortas.
11. Cualquier ropa hecha de material estrecho o similar a material de cuerpo ajustado.
12. Zapatillas o pantunflas.
13. Gafas de sol, bandas de cabeza, sombreros o cachuchas puestos dentro del edificio de la escuela.
14. Tubos de pelo, rizadoros de pelo, bolsas de plástico para el pelo y otras similares cosas para arreglarse llevados dentro del edificio de la escuela.
15. Todos los shorts atléticos o shorts semejantes en el diseño a shorts atléticos.
16. Shorts hechos de material de jersey o cualquier material de malla.
17. Shorts que no son hecho a medida.
18. Shorts de spandex o bicicleta llevados por sí mismos o bajo otros shorts.
19. Shorts que bajan debajo de la rodilla pero arriba de los tobillos. Estos son generalmente mezclilla; que lleguen a la mitad del muslo y se asocian con anchos "baggies."
20. Wind shorts incluyendo Umbro o esos semejante al diseño.

Ropa llevado en actividades de la escuela o relacionado de la escuela o sancionado no pueden exhibir declaraciones impresas o dibujos:

1. que son vulgar u obsceno;
2. que son relato o representa actividad sexual;
3. que promueve odio o violencia en general o son dirigidas a cualquier persona específica o grupo de personas; o
4. que son relacionados a o representa el uso de drogas, alcohol o tabaco.

Estudiantes no deben llevar por fuera de su ropa ninguna joyería o artefactos similares que sean obscenos o distraerentes o que son probable de causar disturbio al ambiente educacional.

Estudiantes no deben llevar joyería en la cara, cualquier tipo de perforaciones de la lengua. Sí se puede llevar aretes en el oído. Estudiantes masculinos no pueden llevar aretes de ninguna manera.

Cualquiera perforación del cuerpo deben de estar cubiertos siempre mientras que están en la jurisdicción de la escuela.

Ropa, arreglo personal o cualquier tipo de atavio que identifica o conecta un estudiante con una pandilla es prohibido en actividades de la escuela, relaciones de la escuela o sancionado.

El director determinará si ropa o atavio no mencionada en esta póliza creará una distracción al proceso educacional y puede prohibir ese ropa o atavio para su propia escuela. Directores tienen la discreción de determinar el apropiado del vestuario y arreglo personal y para hacer excepciones especiales, incluyendo para necesidades religiosas o médicas.

