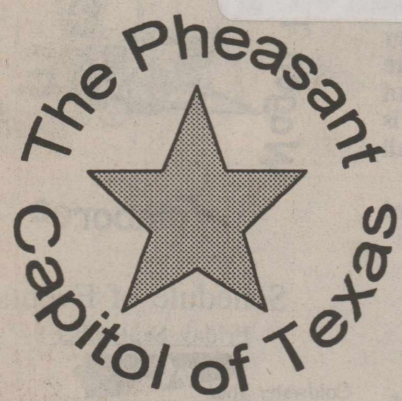


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SCOT Musical August 12th

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.

Cross Country Practice Starts Thursday

High School Cross Country practice starts Thursday, August 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the football field.

God, Grass, Grit, Volume III- Soon To Go To Publisher

Volume III of God, Grass and Grit will soon be sent to the publisher, with delivery expected in plenty of time for Christmas gifts. NOW is the time to order your copy and those for your friends and family. Pre-publication price is \$35 good until September 30. There will be a limited number of unsold copies printed and they will sell for \$45. To order, contact Selma Pendleton or Marilyn Harkins, or pick up an order blank at the Depot Museum, or other places in town.

Fifth Annual Benefit Golf Tournament (Circle of Friends)

The Stratford Chapter of the Circle of Friends is hosting a couples scotch scramble Golf Tournament August 26 and August 27 at the Stratford Country Club starting at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$120.00 per team and a limited amount of golf carts will be available-donations accepted. Please contact Pat Johnson at 806-396-2243, Kris Lasley, at 806-753-4421 or Nelda Stacy at 806-396-2238 for all the details. Your support will be greatly appreciated. The Circle of Friends is a Non-profit Volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo. The purpose of the Circle of Friends is to provide cancer patients and their families financial assistance in times of crises and to support programs in Cancer treatment education and research.

Powder Puff Derby Football Game To Be Held Friday, Aug. 11

Are you ready for some football? The Gals around town are suiting up to kick off the first football game of the season with a Powder Puff Derby. "The Lollipops" & "The Tootsie Pops" and the are vying for the Championship title of Stratford Super Gals Friday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. at The Elk Stadium. Lollipop Junction Day Care Center needs your support so join us for a good cause.

The concession stand will be offering Hotdogs, Lemonade and ice tea. Admission is 12 years and over \$2.00 Under 12 \$1.00 and under 5 years free.

Come see who will be crowned Homecoming King and help the Lollipop Kids cheer the teams to victory.

4-H Achievement Banquet Aug. 21

The annual 4-H Achievement Banquet will be Monday, August 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Exhibit Building. All 4-H members will be recognized for their project work in addition to special awards be presented. The highlight of the evening will be the announcement of the Sherman County Gold Star winners.



Class of 1950: Top L/R: Claude Sloan, Jack Davis, Joe Crabtree, Marlene Brown Knapp, Bill Boren, Jack Reed, Robert Hurst. Seated L/R: Jenelle Reynolds Brock, June Worley Nelson, Cathrine Williams Todd, Wendolyn Flores Vincent, Dale McWilliams Jackson, Peggy Koontz Bosley. Others attending not pictured, Bobby Dick Farris, Donna Jean Bryant, Bill Gore, Lloyd King, David Duval.

Congressman Combust To Be In Stratford

Congressman Larry Combust will be in Stratford on August 15, at 10:00 a.m. for a meeting with the public. The meeting will be held in the lobby of First State Bank.

Congressman Combust will present B.A. Donelson an American Flag that has flown over our Nation's Capitol. This is in honor of the newly remodeled Bank.

We would like to invite everyone to come and welcome Congressman Combust to Stratford.

4-H Enrollment Night August 28th

All Sherman County youth age 8 and enrolled in the 3rd grade through age 19 are invited to attend the annual 4-H Enrollment Night Monday, August 28 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the County Exhibit Building in Stratford.

Youth will learn of the variety of projects available through the youth development program of the Texas Agricultural Extension and how parents can become involved also during the evening.

Hot dogs will be served to all who attend. All youth who plan to participate in the county 4-H program are reminded to come and complete an enrollment form at this time. For more information, contact the Sherman County Extension Office.

SHS Announces Registration

Students who will be in grades 9-12 and attended Stratford Schools last year and completed pre-registration in the Spring can pick up their class schedules at the high school on Friday, August 11.

Seniors - 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Juniors - 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Sophomores - 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Freshman - 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Students who are new to Stratford or did not complete pre-registration last year can register at the high school office from 8:30 - 11:30 or 1:00 - 3:30 the week of July 31. New students will need a current shot record and transcript. Students who do not have these records should contact the school at 366-3330 or stop by the office for assistance in getting these records from the previous school.

Classes begin Wednesday, August 16 at 8:15 a.m.

Mary Allen Registration

Students in grades 1-4 who were previously enrolled in another school may register at Mary Allen Elementary August 7-15 from 8:30 until 3:30 if you have not already done so. To enroll you must present a social security number, birth certificate, shot record, and enrollment card from a previous school. If your child is entering Kindergarten this year you must present a social security number, shot record and birth certificate. Pre K forms may be picked up at Mary Allen Elementary during registration time. If you have any questions please call 366-3340. Classes will begin August 16 at 8:15.

Stratford ISD Back To School Supper

Stratford ISD would like to invite the public to a Back to School Supper Monday, August 14, 2000 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. We will be serving hamburgers with trimmings and potato chips. The Stratford Chamber of Commerce will be serving homemade ice cream. There is no charge for the meal. Come out and greet the staff as we begin a new year and meet our new staff members as we show our support for Stratford ISD staff and students.



Bonar Park visited by Ermalee Bonar Skillman, whose property donation made the park possible and Sherman County Historical President, Mary Woodford Wisdom.

School Board Minutes

The Stratford ISD Board of Trustees met in special session on Thursday, July 13, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

President Steve Johnson established a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Board members present: Steve Johnson, President, Joe Reinart, Vice-President, Ted Allen, Rick Reed, Max Christian, Garek McBryde, Ronna Riffe, Jim Taliaferro, Superintendent.

Steve Haynes gave the invocation.

The proposed dress code was discussed. Steve Johnson made the motion and Ted Allen seconded to accept the dress code as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board of Trustees then held a budget workshop.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

The Stratford ISD Board of Trustees met in special session on Thursday, July 20, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in the Home Economics building.

President Steve Johnson established a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Board members present: Steve Johnson, President, Joe Reinart, Vice-President, Ted Allen, Ricky Reed, Max Christian, Garek McBryde, Ronna Riffe, Jim Taliaferro, Superintendent.

Others present: Steve Haynes, Jerry Hunkapiller, Mary Pat Williams, Travis Melton, Brad Thiessen, Jim Rittenbury, Del Ware, and Geoffrey West.

Steve Haynes gave the invocation.

The Board recognized the achievements of Jessica Walton for receiving a scholarship in journalism and will attend Texas A&M University. Judy Stoy has been recognized for her lesson plans on GT differentials that have been broadcast on the District Web Site.

Mr. Haynes gave the high school report. The cheerleaders did a great job at camp. He also talked about the high school TAAS scores.

Mr. Hunkapiller gave the junior high school report and discussed the junior high school TAAS scores.

Mrs. Williams gave the elementary report and discussed the Mary Allen Elementary TAAS scores. All three principals have studied these scores and have specific plans to help improve where needed.

Travis Melton have the transportation report. Brad Thiessen reported that 9 athletes had gone to camp.

Mr. Taliaferro gave the superintendent's report. Tax collections were at 96.57% compared to 97.32% last year. The ditch work continues on the

grease traps and kitchen drainage. The sprinkler system at Mary Allen Elementary is almost complete. The gym floor as well as the cafeteria painting project will be finished shortly. Mr. Taliaferro praised the custodians for their work. Mr. Taliaferro gave the district TAAS report. The reading scores for all students in all grades was 86.1% The math score was 89.6% and the writing score was 95.5%. Other items discussed were the PA system, school prayer, and the new marquee being donated by Coca-Cola.

Mr. Taliaferro also reported on the library grant worth \$70,000 to automate the libraries. Mrs. Young has done a fine job with this application. The investment report was given.

Joe Reinart made the motion and Ricky Reed seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Ricky Reed made the motion and Garek McBryde seconded to charge the same meal prices as last year. They will be: PK-8 - Breakfast \$1.00, Lunch \$1.25; 9-12 - Breakfast \$1.00, Lunch \$1.50; Guests - Breakfast \$1.00, Lunch \$3.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Joe Reinart made the motion and Ricky Reed seconded to accept the LEK computer proposal for Mary Allen Elementary. This is TIF grant money. The per unit proposals were as follows: Motion carried 7-0.

The action on the proposals for wiring the Mary Allen Elementary was tabled pending the receipt of more information. This is also TIF grant money.

The action on new activity buses was tabled pending the re-bid process. No bids were received on Eagles. The bid that was received was from Bluebird: \$107,860.00 and \$111,280.00.

No bids were received on vans. The district will re-bid.

No bids were received for bleachers. The district will look at this project at a later date.

Ricky Reed made the motion and Joe Reinart seconded to authorize the Del Ware Companies to proceed on the building project within the restraint of the budget as presented. All prime contractors will be bonded as required by law. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Johnson made the motion and Ronna Riffe seconded to accept the appraisal calendar as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ted Allen made the motion and Ronna Riffe seconded to hire Colette Moorhouse subject to assignment. Motion carried 7-0.

Joe Reinart made the motion and Ricky Reed seconded to adopt the Student Code of Conduct as presented with changes cited. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Johnson made the motion and Joe Reinart seconded to approve high school, junior high school and Mary Allen Elementary Student Handbooks as presented with changes cited. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board of Trustees adjourned to executive session pursuant with Texas Government Code 551.074 to discuss personnel at 9:35 p.m.

The regular meeting was called back into session at 9:54 p.m.

The Board of Trustees discussed the Standard Operating Procedures and evaluated them.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.



Class of 1940: L/R Russell Boney, Mary Woodford Kidwell Wisdom, Betty Rae Lee Brown and Principal, M.E. Cleavinger.



Class of 1930: Margarite Massey Terrel and Mary Martin Riffe.



Shown bottom left: The 1960's quartet; J.D. Plunk, Karl Kirkwood and Jimmy Cameron accompanied by Lorraine Mehner.

Cactus Feeders Web Site-Targeted To Buy Cattle Over The Web

"Our one-time capacity of 480,000 head requires that we be aggressive and creative in purchasing cattle to be fed," says Mike Engler, president of Cactus Feeders. "Our new web site lets us reach out beyond the traditional order buyer and sale barn sources to work directly with cattle producers. We'll still use traditional means to locate cattle, but we're excited about the new opportunities available through the Internet."

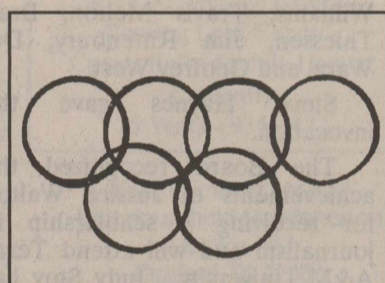
Accessible www.cactusfeeders.com the Internet site allows cattlemen to offer their cattle for sale twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Cactus cattle buyers will review the information received via the web site. "Then, in order to get better acquainted and to look at the cattle, one of our buyers will call on the producer and complete the sale," Engler adds. For producers, selling direct to Cactus Feeders saves traditional marketing costs and represents the most cost efficient way to market their cattle.

Cactus Feeders operates nine feedyards including seven in Texas and two in Kansas. Founded in 1975, the company is recognized as the largest cattle feeding operation in the world and is 32% owned by their employees. In addition to the direct buy of feeder cattle, Cactus also offers custom feeding as well as the ability for cattlemen to retain ownership through a "60/40 Alliance" program.

For more information, contact Cactus Feeders at 1-877-698-SELL (7355) or by email at info@cactusfeeders.com.



In the Middle Ages, you were supposed to throw eggs at the bride and groom.



The official revival of the Olympics began in Athens in 1896. It was not until 1912 that women were allowed to compete.

Obit

Barbara Kay "Bobbie" Cummings

Roff, OK-Barbara Kay "Bobbie" Cummings, 70, formerly of Sherman County and Amarillo, died Friday, August 4, 2000 in Ada, Oklahoma.

No services were planned. Arrangements were by Criswell Funeral Home of Ada, OK.

Mrs. Cummings was born in Stratford November 3, 1929. She attended Stratford, Texas Grade School and Graduated from Stratford High School. She married William E. "Billy" Cummings, September 19, 1947 at Stratford. He preceded her in death October 7, 1991.

Mrs. Cummings was a homemaker and a Methodist.

She is survived by 3 sons, Kevin Cummings, Corpus Christi, TX, Kyle Cummings, Roff, OK and Tim Cummings of Oklahoma City, OK. 3 daughters in law, Debbie Cummings, of Corpus Christi, Annjolee Cummings of Oklahoma City, and Cary Cerney of Roff, Ok, 4 granddaughters, Casey Cummings of Corpus Christi, Rachel Cummings of McKinney, TX, Erica and Hailey Cummings from Oklahoma City, OK.

The suggests memorials may be made to a favorite charity in Mrs. Cummings' name.

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To Report Suspected Child Abuse, Call

Kathie Altman - 366-5611
Arlene Baker - 366-5318
Joyce Dodson - 366-5608
Patsy Harland - 827-7568
Viola Kautz - 396-2058
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Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

- June 7 "Texas" (Mon.-Sat.)
- Aug. 19 Palo Duro Canyon 806-665-2181
- Aug. 9-12*** Hamlet- Stage Right Theatre 8:15p.m. Sam Houston Park, Line and Western Adm. Free
- Aug. 11 Don Edwards- Country Western LaRita Theatre, Dalhart C of C 244-5646
- Aug. 12 SCOT Musical Fund Raiser SCOT Hall 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- 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 806-378-8782
- Sept. 28 "A Chorus Line" Musical (Sun. Mat.)
- Oct. 15 Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991

PREDCI Testifies In Texas

Testimony concerning the future improvements of US Highway 54 was presented July 27 at a regular meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission. The meeting was held on the campus of Texas Tech University.

"Since US Highway 54 is a major economic influence in the panhandle area, PREDCI was asked to testify on the importance of the transportation artery's future improvements," according to Sam Cartwright, executive director of the Panhandle Regional Economic Development Coalition, Inc. (PREDCI).

Mr. Cartwright's comments to the commission were on behalf of the efforts of Texas' members of S.P.I.R.I.T. (Southwest Passage Initiative for Regional and Interstate Transportation). S.P.I.R.I.T. is an organization of individuals, cities, counties, businesses and organizations in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas dedicated to improving US Highway 54 from El Paso, Texas to Wichita, Kansas.

In order to receive major attention in Texas, US 54 is required to be on the Texas Trunk System, a priority improvement program of the Texas Department of Transportation. Mr. Cartwright urged that US 54 in the Texas

panhandle be made a part of the Texas Trunk System. PREDCI's region extends into Sherman and Dallam counties in Texas therefore, having a prime interest in the efficiency of the highly traveled road.

An update on the state of Oklahoma's process on US 54 was also requested to be given by Mr. Cartwright. He reiterated that an increase of 5.2 million dollars was recently pumped into the ongoing project because of the efforts of Oklahoma panhandle representative Jack Begley.

Mr. Cartwright also stated "obviously, the four laning of US 54 from El Paso to Wichita and beyond will greatly improve the efficiency and safety of the movement of goods, services and people." He also testified that "the route is already becoming a favorite for an alternative NAFTA (North America Trade Agreement) trade route, especially for the maquiladoras (shared industries) in the Juarez, Mexico area and reverse movement from the northeast area of the United States."

Accompanying Mr. Cartwright was Patrick Rendon of Southwestern Public Service Company and a board member of PREDCI. SPS has a major interest

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF STRATFORD TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Stratford is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$245,468 for water system improvements in the southern portion of the City of Stratford. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF TEXHOMA TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Texhoma is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$250,000 for water system improvements in the southern portion of the City of Texhoma. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

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also, in US 54 as the highway cuts through a large part of Mr. Rendon's coverage area.

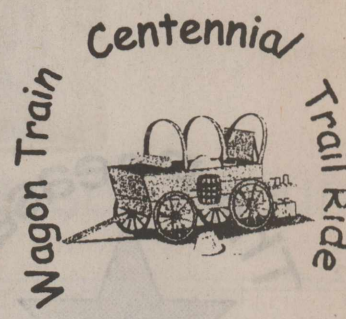
Also attending and making comments were: Max Zimmerman from Liberal, Kansas (Mr. Zimmerman is Chairman of S.P.I.R.I.T.); Jack Taylor of the Liberal Chamber of Commerce; Gaynelle Riffe, Stratford, Texas and a board member of S.P.I.R.I.T.; Kristine Olsen, Sherman County Development

Committee and board member of PREDCI; Jack Haile, sheriff of Sherman County; P.J. Pronger, Dalhart Chamber of Commerce and John Van Doren, Mayor Pro-Tem, Alamogordo, New Mexico.

The Gold Institute is at www.goldinstitute.org. Butler GUM at www.LivingYounger.com.

Duck brand painting tapes and drop cloths at www.duckproducts.com. Kraft Kitchens at www.kraftfoods.com.

Stratford, Texas
September 8-10, 2000



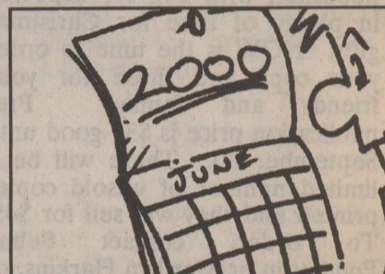
Schedule of Events

Friday, September 8

- Coldwater Tour 10:30 a.m. School Tours
- 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Set up camp
- Public Tour 2:00 p.m. Buffalo Shoot
- 6:00 p.m. Six miles horse race
- 7:00 p.m. Chuck Wagon Supper
- Local Entertainment
- Cowboy Poets and Storytellers
- Local History, Bonfire
- Saturday, September 9
- 6:00 a.m. Chuck Wagon Breakfast
- 6:30 a.m. Leave camp for Stratford
- 9:00 a.m. Range chicken, goat, and rabbit show at Country Barn
- 12:00 - 4:00 Live music - "Texas Rhythm" at the Depot Museum - Concession stand provided by museum board
- 2:00 p.m. 4-H Play Day (Arena)
- 2:30 p.m. Old Timers Reunion and Program (School)
- 4:00 p.m. Jamboree Parade "America's Promise" (Main Street)
- 5:00 p.m. Lion's Club BBQ (Country Barn)
- 6:00 p.m. Invitational 20 Team Ranch Rodeo (Round 1 - Arena)
- 10:00 p.m. Rodeo Dance "South Forty" (Country Barn)

Sunday, September 10

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast (Arena)
- 10:00 a.m. Cowboy Church (Arena)
- 2:00 p.m. Ranch Rodeo (Round 2) (Arena)



The Olympic games, held in Olympia, Greece, were so important in ancient Greek life that they were used as the basis for the calendar.

Stratford Independent School District has announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch program and/ or School Breakfast Program. The cafeteria has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUALLY		MONTHLY		WEEKLY			
	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED		
1	\$10,855	\$15,448	\$905	\$1,288	\$209	\$298		
2	14,625	20,813	1,219	1,735	282	401		
3	18,395	26,178	1,533	2,182	354	504		
4	22,165	31,543	1,848	2,629	427	607		
5	25,935	36,908	2,162	3,076	499	710		
6	29,705	42,273	2,476	3,523	572	813		
7	33,475	47,638	2,790	3,970	644	917		
8	37,245	53,003	3,104	4,417	717	1,020		
9	41,015	58,368	3,419	4,865	790	1,124		
10	44,785	63,733	3,734	5,313	863	1,228		
11	48,555	69,098	4,049	5,761	936	1,332		
12	52,325	74,463	4,364	6,209	1,009	1,436		
For each additional family member add:								
			+\$3,770	+\$5,365	+\$315	+\$448	+\$73	+\$104

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of the free and reduced-price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available by writing the word "NONE". An adult household member must sign the application.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, The Food Service Director will review application and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Jim Taliaferro, Superintendent PO Box 108 Stratford, TX 79084 Phone (806) 366-3303.

Households that list a food stamp or TANF case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy Day to you, Sherman County, Old Timers Readers, Citizens this seventy-six degree Fahrenheit Monday, August 7, 2000.

The Board of Sherman County Depot Museum have sent out letters to the community reminding citizens of the Engineers Club. It is composed of persons who contributed one hundred dollars to Sherman County Depot Museum. Secondly, support SCOT's monthly birthday parties which occur on the third Thurs. of the month.

The brochures for centennial Jamboree is ready for citizens to select the activities that they can support.

Of area support for Franklin Graham Texas Panhandle Festival 2000 dates and time August 18-20 at 7:00 p.m. Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo, TX opens one hour before and first come first serve basis, no money needed.

When we hear the name Graham, we think of Franklin's father Billy and Mother Ruth. And George Beverly Shea raising his melodious tenor voice in praise singing "How Great Thou Art".

In our mail came news from XIT from the Publication XIT Connections that on Thursday, June 8, 2000 had a full capacity crowd at the County Barn, XIT held their Customer & Employees Appreciation Dinner - The Welcome was given by Tommy Baskin, President, invocation by Kenton Kimball. Among those present who were prize winners were Joan & E.R. Bell - digital camera, Mrs. Marcelle Sutton - BBQ grill, Dee Dee Dewees - 27" TV. This event happened while Timi was still recuperating in Dumas Hospital. Sounds like a great time was had by all.

By invitation of Reba Davis who is house sitting at James Spurlock's, we will take our bug spray since flies are bad and biting and Reba's eye medication so we can doctor her eyes and go for a drive in the country to sit with Reba and re-visit the country home of Linda & James Spurlock.

From the Methodist hour joys & concern, Joys - Mary Woodford Wisdom Birthday, Don and Gaynelle Riffe's twelve grandchildren, the Methodist Garage Sale was very successful. Concerns - R.J. Hill, Bill Sladek in the death of his sister, Bud Shield after his accident of being thrown off a horse, L.B. Blake who is in Amarillo, Zola Mae Aduddell, Terri Teig's mother in her radiation treatment, the family of Bobbie Cummings to whom we tender personal and Old Timers prayer support of her death.

Again we want to remind our peers to pat shoulders and spread Luv because they make the world go around.

Pointers On Pets

Take A Year-Long Vacation From Fleas

(NAPS)—While summer may mean family barbecues and vacations at the beach for you, it can also mean fleas for Fido.

Flea season is at its height during the summer months, so you'll want to make sure that your pets are protected. Your veterinarian can prescribe a monthly flea control such as PROGRAM® (lufenuron) Flavor Tabs®, which prevents flea



A monthly oral flea control prescription can keep your pet and your home flea-free all year long.

eggs from developing and causing a flea population explosion. In fact, the medication in PROGRAM Flavor Tabs has been proven to be 100 percent effective in preventing flea populations. Furthermore, because PROGRAM Flavor Tabs is an oral monthly tablet, it does not leave a pesticide residue.

Pet owners should also remember that even though summer is the season when fleas tend to thrive most, given the right conditions, fleas can survive indoors even in January or February. Using PROGRAM Flavor Tabs year-round will keep your pet and home flea-free throughout the summer and all year long.

Walton Selected

Jessica LeaAnne Walton, a graduate of Stratford High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Walton received a Harold Lawrence Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000, payable \$500 each semester of the first year. This year the Lawrence Memorial is awarding 45 grants to students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet and who have compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

This year the TILF awarded 422 new awards and will renew approximately 208 awards for a total of 630 scholarships for 2000-01 with an approximate value of \$1,082,000. Recipients may attend any approved college or university in Texas.

Walton competed in Ready Writing at the 2000 UIL Academic State Meet. She also participated in UIL Headline Writing, Persuasive Speaking, Editorial Writing, Marching Band, and Solo & Ensemble competitions throughout her high school career. She was Drum Major, and was named a national Merit Commended Scholar. She was a member of National Honor Society, and was active in the community through her volunteer efforts.

Walton plans to attend Texas A&M University-College Station and major in Journalism.

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Student Events

July 25, 27, August 8, 19
HoopLife 2000 - For Further Details See HoopLife Happening
Great Music by Aurora and Local Band Just Add Water - Winner of "Battle of the Bands" July 4th Contest
Special Championship Trophy Presentation by Avery Johnson, San Antonio Spurs Guard

Wednesday, August 16

Back to School Prayer Fest 2000
Dick Bivins Stadium - Praise, Worship & Preparation with Riley Armstrong - 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 19

Student Night - Concert for "Generation You"
Dick Bivins Stadium - 7:00 p.m.
Special Music By Rebecca St. James and Switchfoot
Testimony from Avery Johnson - San Antonio Spurs Guard

STUDENTS' EVENT

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Special Guests Brent Smith & Clark Bartram

*** HOOPLIFE 2000 CHAMPIONSHIP***

Saturday, August 19
Dick Bivins Stadium Parking Lot - 4:00 p.m.

Special Guest - Avery Johnson - San Antonio Spurs Guard Will Be Presenting Championship Trophies and Jerseys

Special Music by Aurora and Local Band Just Add Water - Winner of "Battle of the Bands" July 4th Contest

Because he and President Andrew "Old Hickory" Jackson were so close, James Polk was often referred to as "Young Hickory."



Haynes Competes

Tyler Haynes recently competed in the North Texas Junior PGA western regional golf tournament held at Green Tree Country Club in Midland. Tyler qualified for regionals with first place at Phillips CC in Borger, 77, Canyon CC, 72, and Comanche Trail Golf Course in Amarillo, 73. He also placed second at two tournaments and third in three tournaments.

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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

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Morning Worship 10:50 am
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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

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Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

Calvary Baptist

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Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Chandlers Given Going Away Party

Don & Mayrene Aduddell, hosted a going away Barbecue for Rev. Rob Chandler and Tonya Wednesday August 2- Friends enjoyed a last visit with the Chandlers as they leave this community for Bryan, TX. Rob will begin his ministry there the first Sunday in September. Many many friends wished them well. Pictured: Don, Taylor Nicole, Rob, Mayrene and Tonya.



Moore's Celebrate "50th"

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Moore

Ed and Marge Moore of Stratford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering July 12-16 at Red River, NM. Hosts for the event were the children and grandchildren of the couple. Moore married the former Margie Bauer of Boise City, Oklahoma on July 27, 1950 in Boise City, Oklahoma. The couple previously resided in Simla, Colorado and Boise City, Oklahoma. They have lived in Stratford for 41 Years and are owners of Moore Implement Co.

Engineer's Club Time Rolls Around Again

Letters went out this week to individuals and businesses in the community reminding them that it is once again time for the museum to seek members for the Engineer's Club. The Engineer's Club is made up of friends of the Sherman County Depot Museum who have contributed \$100.00 or more. This annual tradition is the main source for funding our community's historical museum.

The names of the names of the Engineer's Club members are engraved on a plaque that is displayed at the museum and for each additional year that the \$100.00 donation is made, a star is added by the members name. If you did not receive a letter but would like to join the Engineer's Club, please make your contribution payable to the Depot Museum and drop it by during museum hours or give it to one of the board members.

Your current board members are: Clovia Talley, Rolene Arkon, Lynda Hauser, E.R. Bell, Eugene Griffin, James Johnson III, Arthur Judd, Pat Johnson, and Billy Joe Ross. Thank you for making this wonderful addition to our community possible. The Board.

Cats and dogs share a common ancestor, a tree-climbing meat-eater called *Miacis*, which lived 40 million years ago.

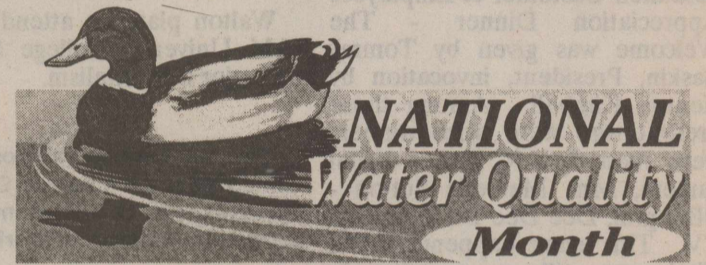
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Consumer News

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Each year, tragedies occur when vehicles run into illegally parked trucks on roadway shoulders. So NATSO, a group representing travel plazas and truck stops, has launched a nationwide public service campaign urging drivers to seek safe, legal parking. It is placing ads in magazines to remind truckers that they put themselves and other motorists at risk when they park alongside the roadway.

Keeping kids occupied isn't something to consider only enroute to a destination. Making sure they are busy at the hotel is just as important. That's why, from June 15 - Aug. 31 while supplies last, all guests at the Comfort Inn and Comfort Suites hotels will receive a free "Pokemon the Movie 2000" activity book. So make your reservation today.



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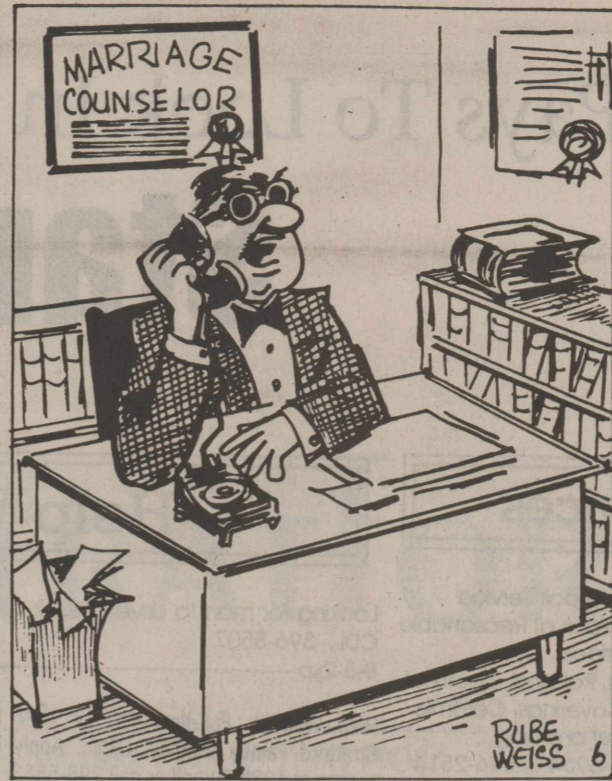
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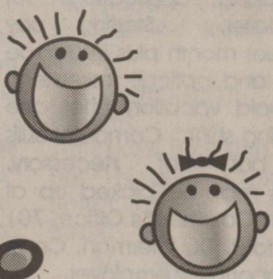
The Stratford Elks football team started two days on Monday, August 7, 2000. The Blue/White scrimmage will be on Friday, August 18th.



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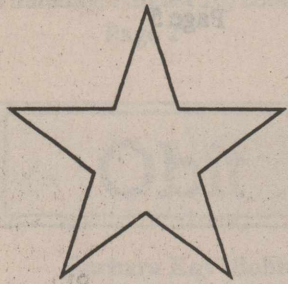
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Wanted: Carrier for the Dumas Shopper. Call 935-4111 and ask for Jessie. 8-3-4xc

Land For Sale

80 Acre tract Native Grass between Stratford & Dumas on pavement. \$500 a acre (will split 40/40). 806-353-3562. 8-10-1fn

Land for Sale: One (1) 640 Acre tract cultivated land; 306.7 acres in CRP, 276.3 acres in CRP, 250.3 in CRP. Contact Trust Department/Martha Mitts, First State Bank 396-5521. 3-12-1fn



In the 2000 Olympics, women will be competing in water polo, the modern pentathlon, the pole vault and the hammer throw for the first time.

A giraffe can go without water longer than a camel can.

Legal Notices

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given to owners of the property hereinafter described or referred to and all other interested persons as provided by law, that the City Council of the City of Stratford will hold a Public Hearing on the 10th day of August, 2000, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Stratford City Hall, 520 North Third Street, Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, to consider a zoning change of the following described property, to wit:

Tracts A & B, Casa Bonita Addition, Unit Two

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STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is the recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Rural Utilities Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or handicap shall be excluded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities.

The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is Doug Schoppe, Comptroller. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regulations listed above from and/or file a written complaint with this organization; of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250; or the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Washington, D.C. 20250. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.

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Stratford Independent School District Legal Notice

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Activity Bus-47 Passenger

The proposal will be accepted until Monday, 2:00 p.m., August 28, 2000. Any request for proposal after this date will not be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford I.S.D., P.O. Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, Faxed to 806-366-3304, or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N. Eighth Street, Stratford, TX. The requests for proposals will be opened on Monday, August 28, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. Specifications may be obtained from the Superintendents office.

We reserve the right to accept or reject any and or all bids.

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Interested parties may contend for or against the creation of the reinvestment zone, the boundaries of the proposed reinvestment zone, whether all or part of the City of Stratford should be included in such proposed reinvestment zone and the concept of tax abatements for the proposed reinvestment zone.

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1999 or 2000 Model Used Van

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FIGGY-FUDGEY PUDDING CAKE

1 cup all purpose flour
¾ cup granulated sugar
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt

¾ cup milk
¼ cup butter, melted
1½ teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup chopped Blue Ribbon Orchard Choice or Sun-Maid Mission or Calimyrna Figs
¼ cup semisweet chocolate morsels, optional
¼ cup chopped, toasted pecans
¾ cup packed light brown sugar
¼ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
1¾ cup hottest tap water

Heat oven to 350°F. In ungreased 8- or 9-inch square pan, stir together flour, sugar, 3 tablespoons cocoa powder, baking powder and salt. With fork, blend in milk, butter and vanilla until smooth. Stir in figs, chocolate morsels and pecans. Sprinkle brown sugar and remaining ¼ cup cocoa even over top. Pour hot water evenly over top. Do not stir. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, until sauce forms on bottom and cake on top is set. Cool for 15 minutes. Serve in dessert dishes, spooning sauce from bottom of pan over each serving. Top with ice cream or whipped cream and fresh raspberries, if desired. Makes 9 servings.

NEWS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Breaking The Internet Barrier For Seniors

(NAPS)—More than 45 million seniors in the U.S. are not online. That's because seniors feel the Internet lacks usability. Specifically, navigation is too confusing, screens are too small and shopping is too complicated.

However, a provider of integrated Internet services has responded to the challenge by developing a range of services designed to address the needs of seniors.

Brian Deutsch, president and CEO of the company called SAGEport says, "We are like AOL for seniors—an easy and simple way for seniors to get online and find the information that's important to them."

The site features:
• Easy-to-use e-mail and instant access to the resources and capabilities of the Web,
• An intuitive design featuring easy-to-read fonts, buttons and icons, simple navigation and easy-to-use tutorials,
• Descriptive Web site links within dozens of personalized channels created specifically with seniors' interests in mind, including health and personal finance, politics, grandparenting and continuing education,
• Current news and feature articles relevant to seniors,
• Chat rooms and bulletin board, and
• An online marketplace offering a broad selection of products and services.

For seniors who currently do not have access to the Web, the company will offer SAGEvision, the first comprehensive Internet appliance and service bundle which includes everything seniors need to get online. SAGEvision will be available later this year.

To learn more, visit their Web site at www.sageport.com.

You Can Make It

Here's a simple, quick project that will add color to your lawn or patio. Drawings are actual-size for tracing the parts to ordinary-size pine, cedar or redwood lumber. A handful of nails, some glue and your skill will join the separate wood pieces to form the 16-inch square planter base with attached gable roof. Makes an attractive well casing cover too! Overall height is 39 inches. (#520...\$7.95 plus \$2.50 shipping charge).

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3545 Stern Avenue, St. Charles, IL 60174-5407
Mail payment or call 24-hour order line: 1-800-747-1429
\$20 Washing Well Planter Plan.....\$10.45
\$40 Planter Plan Packet.....\$23.70
(Includes plan #520 plus five more patio & lawn planter plans)
\$8 "You Can Make It" Catalog.....\$4.00
(Three hundred of plans & books plus \$4.00 rebate offer)
IL residents add 6.25% sales tax - prices include delivery charges
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Until 1973, the Central American country of Belize was known as British Honduras. Its official language is English.



The first lie detector was developed by John Larsen in 1921.