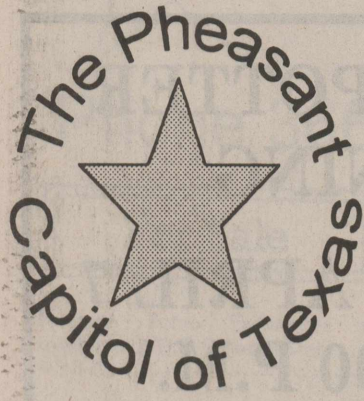


Sherman County Museum  
 Box 1248  
 Stratford, TX 79084



# THE STRATFORD STAR

75 CENTS

Published for OVER 100 YEARS IN STRATFORD, SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS 79084 usps 523

NUMBER 14 April 3, 2003

## Imagination Station Making Plans For Week of the Young Child

The Imagination Station is beginning to make plans for the Week of the Young Child, April 22 and April 24, 2003. The committee of Laurie Spurlock, Yvonne Pittman, Ann Johnson, and Mellonee York sent out fliers and are preparing for a successful program called "First Night". Pre-K and Kindergarten children will be invited to attend learning sessions consisting of stories, make and take activities, and games.

## Manor Friends Meeting

Just a reminder for all members of Coldwater Manor Friends and any other interested persons to attend the regular meeting at 10:00 p.m. April 7, in Coldwater Manor Rest Home.

If anyone has relatives or knows of someone locally who is related to persons who are serving our country in the war against Iraq, please contact the Star office-366-5885. Thank you.

## Cowboy Church Meets Wednesdays

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

Stratford Jamboree and Stratford Ex-students coming August 1st and 2nd. Check the Star for a list of activities at a later date.

## Book Fair At Mary Allen

Prospectus Study Club is sponsoring a Book Fair, at Mary Allen Elementary School April 8 through 11, 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Family night will be April 10th from 5 to 8 p.m.

## April-Keep Stratford Beautiful Month

April is Keep Stratford Beautiful month. It is time to seep Main Street curbs and gutters. Meet Saturday, April 5th at 7:00 a.m. and bring broom and a scoop.

## Blood Glucose Screening April 9th

The Stratford Hospital District is pleased to announce a free Blood Glucose Screening on Wednesday, April 9th. The screening will be held at the Stratford EMS building on Beaver Road from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information, contact Jimmy Lanning or Larry Norris at 396-2844.

## Storm Spotter Training April 7

Sherman County Emergency Management in conjunction with the National Weather Service will present the annual Storm-Spotter Training on Monday, April 7, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. The training will be held at the Stratford EMS building at 1109 Beaver Road. The class should last approximately two hours and the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

## Stratford Chamber Banquet

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce would like to invite the entire community to our annual banquet scheduled for Monday, April 14. The banquet will be held in the County Exhibit building. The Silent Auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the dinner and program to begin at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be catered by Bar-H of Dalhart and feature rib-eye steaks!

The theme for this year's banquet is "Salute To Stratford Independent School System, An Exemplary School". Our entertainment will be students of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. These young men will perform original Cowboy Poetry. The *Citizen Of The Year* award will crown our evening's events.

Tickets for the Banquet may be obtained from any Chamber or Women's Division member, or the Chamber Office. The cost of the tickets is: Single - \$14.00, and couple - \$25.00. The deadline for early ticket sales is April 3, 2003.

Make plans now to attend this community function. The silent auction will be filled with unique and exciting items. See who wins the coveted *CITIZEN OF THE YEAR* award and honor the wonderful school system of Stratford. For more information, contact the Chamber office (366-2260).

## Winners Announced

The drawing for the raffle to raise funds for the Clint Adams and Dylan Everett "Down Under Bowl" Trip was held on March 7 during the Little Dribbler's games. The lucky winner of the beautiful gazebo Bird Feeder made by Clint's grandfather was Jennifer Wells. Lynda Hauser won the spirited Elks blanket made by Dylan's grandmother. Nan Ashley won the wishing well and Betsy Gonzalez from Cactus won the garden items.

Clint and Dylan thank you for all your support and would like to announce the next items for raffle. They are a beautiful handmade twin size quilt donated by Dianna Hays or a 90 pound box of beef donated by Cimarron Feeders. Tickets are available for these items by contacting one of the boys or their family. The drawing for these items will be held at the next dinner, which is a Calf Fry/Bar-BQ/Fish Fry to be held at the County Barn on Saturday, April 12.

## Stratford Ex-Students

Stratford Ex-Students met Monday, March 17. Those present voted to keep the original Ex-Student date of July 25-26 for this year. Notification for a date change must be one year in advance for those making plans and setting vacation dates. The Class of 1993 had already made plans for the 10 year reunion at the original date. Perhaps they can stay for the Jamboree the next week-end. The Ex-Students will meet Tuesday, April 15 at 7:00 at the Imagination Station. Class plans and updated address lists should be complete.

## Stratford Youth Baseball Organizational Meeting

The Stratford Youth Baseball will have an organizational meeting on Monday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Old High School Library. If you are interested in coaching or have input concerning the organization, your attendance is encouraged. If you have any questions please call 366-2219.



## April-Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month

Mayor David Brown is shown above signing a Proclamation proclaiming April as Stratford Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month. Shown above left to right are B.A. Donelson, Duane Pittman and Ronnie Brooks.

Story on page 5

Daylight Savings Time This Weekend Don't Forget!!!

## Investments Just For You

Investments Just For You, will be offered to interested persons on Thursday, April 10, 2003. The program will be held in the lobby of First State Bank of Stratford located at 302 N. Main Street beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Participants will learn about the trends in saving, tools for saving, evaluating investment return rates, and tips for saving. Presenters will include Brent Futrell and Sherry Phelps of First State Bank of Stratford and Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, Sherman County.

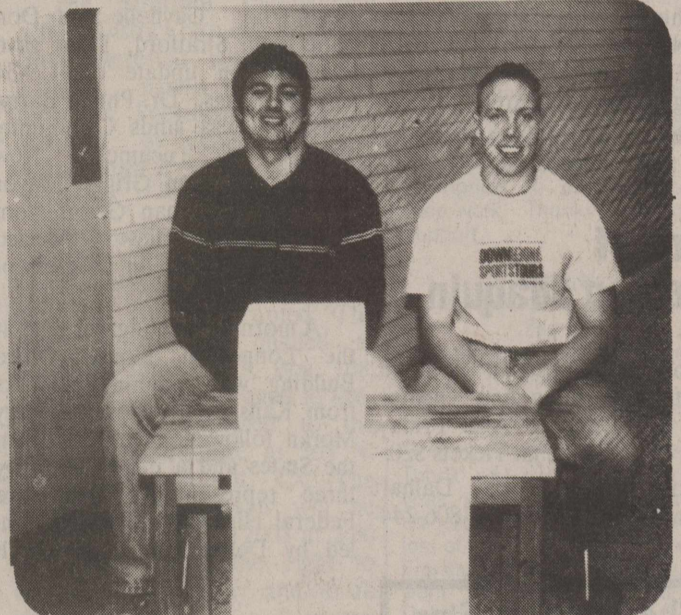
Research studies estimate that 70% of Americans live from "paycheck to paycheck", courting financial disaster if their income is suddenly reduced or stopped. Generally, Americans are not saving for a "rainy" day; there are consuming it all today.

The seminar is designed to assist individuals in understanding the budding blocks for financial success and basic investment principles. In addition, individuals will become aware of ways to find money to invest.

Investments Just for You is sponsored by First State Bank of Stratford, Sherman County Family Living Committee, and Texas Cooperative Extension.

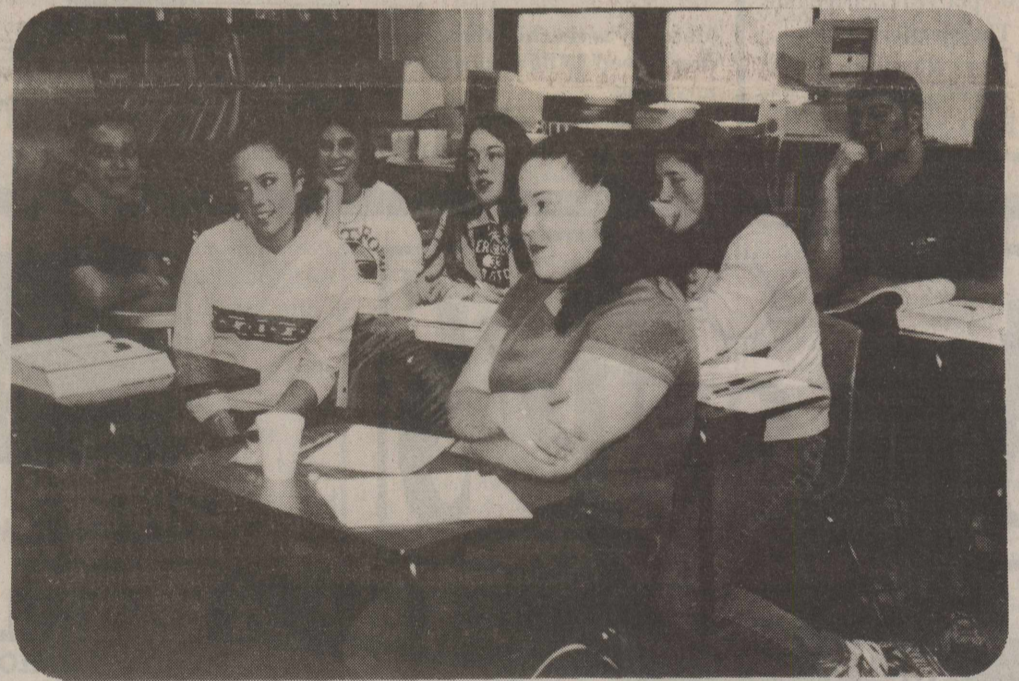
Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aid or accommodations are asked to contact the Sherman County Extension Office at 366-2122 in advance to see how accommodations can be made. Educational programs of Texas Cooperative Extension serve people of all ages regardless of sex, race, socioeconomic level, color, religion, disability, or national origin.

For more information, contact First State Bank of Stratford, 396-5521 or Texas Cooperative Extension Sherman County office at 366-2122.



## Down Under Bowl Calf/Fish Fry; BBQ & Bake Sale April 12, 5-7 p.m. at County Barn

Clint Adams and Dylan Everett invite the community to join them for the Down Under Bowl calf/fish fry and BBQ Saturday, April 12, between 5 and 7 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn. This is the young men's last scheduled fund-raiser for their trip to play in the Down Under Bowl in Australia this June. Besides the meats, the menu includes homemade bread, potato salad, cole slaw, and dessert. There will also be a bake sale with goodies donated by many of Stratford's finest cooks.



Shown above students in one of Mrs. Paula Everett's classes at Stratford High School.

## Stratford ISD Education Foundation

The Stratford ISD Education Foundation will enhance and enrich an already very good school environment. We believe that the Stratford School system is above average; after all, my husband and I chose to teach here instead of other places most of our teaching careers and we chose to educate our son here. (I believe that until an educator, a Student, or a parent has been exposed to other school systems, that the positive environment of the Stratford schools can easily be taken for granted. Comparison with other school systems can quickly show that what Stratford has is educationally special.)

If each citizen associated with local education either directly or philosophically would contribute what he feels that he can to help build a financial base for the Education Foundation, the value to be derived will be broader and more in depth. With interest from the fund being used for enhancing the knowledge and the experiences of the staff and the student body beyond that which can be regularly funded for a Texas public school, then the quality of the Stratford School system can remain in the edge of new developments in the future. The students of Stratford ISD, of course, will reap the benefits.

For the Education Foundations objectives to be achieved, you the public must believe that any funds which you contribute will be a good investment in the future of students, of the school environment, of the community and the rest of the school district. I, as a retired teacher, have always believed in investment in the future. A professional educator spends every working day believing that what he is doing will be of benefit in some way to the future of each student. Please join with me by remembering to invest in the future by contributing to the Stratford ISD Foundation with memorials and with honorariums. (Contributions may be made payable to the Stratford ISD Education Foundation and mailed to PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 7908).

Lugenia Carter

## Golf News

The Varsity boys & girls golf competed at the Sunray Invitational held at Pheasant Trails in Dumas. Results were as follows:

Boys: Tyler Haynes - 72 - 3rd place Medalist; Matthew Taliaferro - 78, Josh King - 94, Jason Ashley - 90, Robert Seawright - 93 for a total of 333 points (5th highest score is thrown out). Team was 2nd place overall behind Spearman.

Girls: Deidre Tarver - 113. On March 3rd at Dalhart Deidre won 1st place among Singles.

## Women's Forum Honors Distinguished Service Award Recipients for 2003

The Women's Forum-Amarillo Area honored six women from the Texas Panhandle during the Distinguished Service Awards luncheon on April 5th at the Amarillo Country Club. Those honored were Susan Cohen, LeRayne Donelson, Dusty McGuire, Judy SoRelle, Margaret Payton, and Jan Weishaar.

The Distinguished Service Awards originated in 1975 as part of the Women's Program at West Texas A&M University, and is now a regular program of the Woman's Forum-Amarillo Area.

The awards honor outstanding women who have helped shape the development of the Texas Panhandle through extraordinary volunteer efforts.

LeRayne Donelson has devoted significant volunteer efforts to benefit many people, especially children, in her Stratford community and the entire Panhandle area.

Donelson was appointed as a charter member and chairperson of the Sherman County Child

Cont. on page 2



## Spirit Goes To Washington DC

Nine representative of the Southwest Passage Initiative for Regional and Interstate Transportation (S.P.I.R.I.T.) met with most of the Congressmen and Senators or their Legislative Assistants from the four-states of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico in Washington DC on March 20th to further reinforce the importance of a four-lane US-54 from Wichita, Kansas to El Paso, Texas.

Those persons attending from Kansas were Jack Taylor, secretary and Max Zimmerman, Chairman of SPIRIT from Liberal and Bernie Koch, Vice Pres, Wichita Chamber of Commerce who gave a report on the Kansas segment of US-54. Don Scott, civic leader from Guymon represented Oklahoma reporting on the progress through the Panhandle. Gaynelle and Don Riffe from Stratford, Texas gave everyone an update on US-54 through Texas. Dr. Phillip Barry, sponsored by the four-state Pres. of Mesa, lands Community College in Tucumcari, New Mexico and Ron Griggs, Mayor of Pro-Tem, and Joan Griggs from Alamogordo, New Mexico We still need more sponsors on updated everyone on progress of the S.365 bill.

A morning meeting was held at the Longworth House Office Building with opening remarks from Kansas Congressman Jerry Moran followed by reports from the States and a presentation by three representative from the Federal Highway Administration, led by Debra Elston, Research

Program Manager. A great deal of information was shared pertaining to the reauthorization of the transportation bill later this year and the steps that are necessary in that procedure.

Dan Alpert, Legislative Assistant to Senator Jeff Bingaman gave the group a review of two pending bills that directly benefit US-54. Bill #S.290 and HR 523 specifically names US-54 from Wichita, Kansas to El Paso, Texas the S.P.I.R.I.T. Corridor as a High Priority Corridor in Federal legislation, making the corridor eligible for additional Federal Highway Funding and other national recognition. Senate Bill #S.365 is named "Rural 4-Lane Highway Development Program" which designates specific funds out of the future federal highway program for upgrading two-lane roads like US-54 to four-lane status. Both bills are being co-sponsored by the four-state legislators and others across the country. SPIRIT asks that letters of support for these bills be sent to your Congressmen and Senators.

Meetings were also held later in the day in the offices of our coalition Congressmen and Senators. The support for US-54 as a major International Corridor continues to build. Progress continues to be made in Washington and in the State Capitols as well.

Max Zimmerman, Chairman (620)624-7095.

### Lifestyles

(NU) - They're ringing everywhere — in restaurants, bookstores, coffee shops, schools and movie theaters. No longer for tycoons alone, cellular phones are firmly embedded into the American culture. For information about issues facing today's cellular phone lifestyle, log on to [www.cellularguard.com](http://www.cellularguard.com).

Donelson  
Cont. from page 1

Welfare Board in 1979, where she began a long career as a child advocate. She was co-founder of the first rural Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Agency and has since spent many hours recruiting CASA volunteers as well as serving as a mentor, advisor, and fundraiser for CASA.

Donelson has been a Girl Scout leader, a Sunday School teacher at the First Baptist Church, a charter member and chairperson of the Sherman County Older Texans organization, a director of the Sherman County Museum Board, and a board member of Leadership Texas Child Welfare League of America. She has been active on the boards of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission-Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Board, the Harrington Regional Medical Center, the Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation, and the Dalhart Community Theater "LaRita."

Donelson was awarded the Child Welfare Board Volunteer of the Year Award in 1988 and the Child Welfare League of America Board Leadership Award for the Southern Region in 1990. She was chosen Beta Sigma Phi Woman of the Year in 1980, Stratford's Citizen of the Year in 1984, and was honored with the KVII-TV's "Seven Who Care" Award in 1987.

Past recipients have been: 1984 Marilyn Albert; 1985 Timmie Brown; 1993: MariHoward Engelbrecht; 1998-Gaynelle Riffe; 2000 Margaret Reed.

Courage is the virtue which champions the cause of right.  
—Cicero



The pretzel was first made by monks in southern Europe as a reward for children who learned their prayers. It is shaped to represent the crossed arms of a child praying.

## Obit

Frank Cole James

Boise City, OK Cole James, 88, died Thursday, March 27, 2003 in Woodward.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 29, 2003 in First Baptist Church with Brian Long officiating. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery in Stratford, Texas, by Cimarron Mortuary.

Mr. James was born in Cimarron County on Dec. 4, 1914. He married Blanche Crabtree on Dec. 3, 1939 in Kerrick, Texas.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Ben Tom James of Kerrick; a daughter, Gwyn Tiano of Santa Fe, NM; a sister, Lois Garner of Boise City; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to a favorite charity.

## Sons of The San Joaquin

Sons of the San Joaquin. LaRita Performing Arts Theater, Inc. - 311 Denrock Ave. Friday, April 4th at 8:00 p.m. Tickets \$20.

For tickets call Dalhart Chamber of Commerce 806-244-5646.

## The Stratford Star

Published Every Thursday at 309 N. Main, Stratford, Texas 79084

Second Class Postage paid at Stratford, TX. 79084

Martha (Marty) Robertson

Editor & Publisher

Shari Hudson - Advertising & Darkroom

Subscription Rates

\$25.00 per year in Sherman and Adjoining Counties

\$32.00 per year all others

\$20.00 per year college rate

The Stratford Star

Box 8

1-806-366-5885

Fax 1-806-366-5885

## Rock 'n Roll Worship Circus

Rock 'n Roll Worship Circus-Free admission. Call for your free tickets at (806) 244-4624.

April 16th, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. at 1929 Apache Drive (across from XIT Arena) in Dalhart, Texas.

Sponsored by FireHouse @People's Church

Maturity is reached the day we don't need to be lied to about anything.

—Frank Yerby



April 6, 2003 thru April 19, 2003

DIET PEPSI, MOUNTAIN DEW OR  
**PEPSI COLA**

3 LITER BTL.  
**\$1.99**



6 PACK  
**\$1.69**

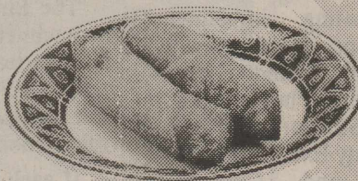
AQUAFINA  
**DRINKING WATER**

24 PACK / .5 LITER  
**\$6.49**



LANA'S PORK  
**EGG ROLLS**

REG. \$1.29  
**2 FOR \$1.29**



BAR-S JUMBO  
**MEAT FRANKS**

16 OZ. PKG. / REG. \$1.29  
**99¢**

**SANTA FE TORTILLAS**

8 IN. FLOUR OR 32 CT. CORN  
**99¢**

EA.



CITRUS, MANGO OR TROPICAL PUNCH  
**TAMPICO PUNCH**

GALLON

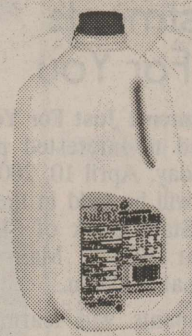
**BUY ONE GET ONE FREE**



Store No. 52  
101 S. Poplar  
Stratford, Texas  
(806)396-5334

ALLSUP'S HOMOGENIZED

1% OR 2%  
**MILK**  
GALLON  
**\$1.99**



**Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream**

Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough, Cherry Garcia, Phish Food, NY Super Fudge Chunk, Chocolate Fudge Brownie Chunk

**\$2.99**



SMOKED TURKEY OR COOKED HAM

**ARMOUR LUNCH MAKERS**

2.6 OZ.  
**99¢**



TOM'S CORN OR TORTILLA

**CHIPS**

REG. \$1.89  
**2 FOR \$3**



## ALLSUP'S COMBO MEALS

COMBO NO. 1	2 CORN DOGS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$1.99
COMBO NO. 2	2 HOT LINKS WITH BREAD & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$1.99
COMBO NO. 3	3 TAMALES, HOWLERS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$1.99
COMBO NO. 4	SAUSAGE / EGG BISCUIT & 16 OZ. COFFEE	\$1.29

**ALLSUP'S "MOO" GET ONE FREE!**

BUY 12 GALLONS OF FRESH ALLSUP'S MILK...

Collect Self Stick "Moo" Stamps Today & You Could Win FREE Milk For A Year!



The funeral for Frank James was held March 29 at Boise City Baptist Church. The sanctuary was full with family and friends. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery. Sympathy is extended to his family.

The fund raising barbecue for Denton Crabtree's football trip to Hawaii was attended by a large crowd.

Kylee Gillenwaters and her daddy, Jimmy, came for a visit with her grandparents, bill & Donna, Saturday.

Jo June McDaniel had Sunday lunch with Betty Fry in Texhoma.

Heard Saturday that the area between Lake San Isabel and Westcliff, CO. had received, (are you ready for this?) 84" of snow! Guess where "Fred's Spread" is located!

**Green Beans and Ham Casserole**  
4 servings  
Prep Time: 15 minutes  
Cooking Time: 5 minutes

- 2 cups cooked ham, chopped
- 1 can (10 oz.) cream of mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup 1% milk
- 1 bag (16 oz.) Birds Eye® frozen Cut Green Beans
- 1 can (2.8 oz.) French-fried onions

In a microwave-safe casserole dish, mix ham, soup, milk and green beans.

Cover and microwave on high for 10-12 minutes, or until well heated.

Remove and sprinkle top of casserole with French fried onions.

Return to microwave and cook, uncovered, for 3-5 more minutes.

For additional information on the variety of products offered from Birds Eye or additional recipe ideas, visit [www.birdseyefoods.com](http://www.birdseyefoods.com).

\*\*\*  
It is not so much our friends' help that helps us, as the confident knowledge that they will help us.  
—Epicurus  
\*\*\*

Identity theft seems to be the crime of the new millennium. And it is not something that just occurs in the big cities. We have every type of crime that Dallas or Houston has it's just that it is proportionate to the number of people we have. The first case was two years ago. A person out in the county had received a credit card application in the mail and had thrown it in the trash. About a month later the credit card company called and wanted to know if the address correction was correct. Apparently someone had removed the credit card application from the trash, called the 1-800 number and had the card activated and then called the company and said they needed the address for deliveries changed to an Amarillo address. Luckily the card has not been used.

A lady came by the office to see me and explained that she had her Social Security checks on direct deposit. She had noticed on her bank statement that it had not been deposited that month. With the help of the bank the lady learned from Social Security that her checks were being sent to a post office box in Washington State and that she was to report it to her local sheriff's office. After several phone calls I had the lady make a sworn statement that she still lived here, that she was still alive and the checks needed to come to her bank. Whether Social Security ever prosecuted the person or did anything I was not able to find out.

Last week there was a burglary out in the county and the only thing stolen was some cash and all the person's identification, Social Security card, driver's license and every other form of identification. Nothing else in the house was touched. I guess that identification is worth more and easier to fence than a television or a stereo.

Please remember not to give any information to anyone over the phone or computer unless you were the one that contacted them and be very aware of what you do with your trash.

**Do Well, Be Well Class To Be Offered**

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

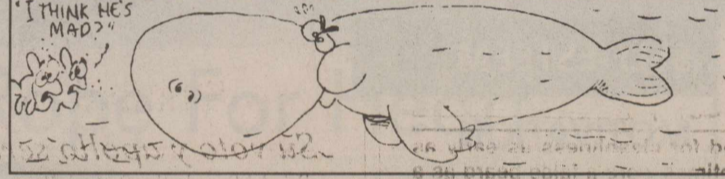
The class will be conducted April 22 and 29, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 at the Stratford EMS building. Class time will be 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost of the class will be \$10.00 per individual or couple. Financial assistance is available.

Topics of the class will include understanding about diabetes, meal planning, exercise, foot care, diabetic medicines, and blood glucose levels. Guest speakers will

include Dr. Perry Bassett, Margy Schorenhals of Spearman, Gayland Vandiver, Cisco Garcia, Jimmy Lanning, Larry Norris, and Susie Spurlock.

To register for the class, call or come by the Sherman County Extension Office located at 701 N. Third Street in Stratford, telephone 366-2122. Registration deadline is April 17, 2003. Persons who need special services are asked to contact the Extension office one week prior so that adequate arrangements may be made.

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



When a sea elephant gets angry, his nose fills with air, swells like a balloon and forms a snout up to 20 inches long.

The Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show will be held Saturday, April 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church of Texhoma Fellowship Hall. The Fashion Show and Awards Ceremony is open to all interested persons in the Stratford and Texhoma communities.

Judging of contestants will begin at 10:00 a.m. Eleven 4-H'ers plan to participate in the event. Twenty-one members from the Stratford and Texhoma communities have completed project work and gained skills in the areas of clothing construction, clothing care, grooming and modeling, textile art, knowledge of fibers and fabrics and participated in educational tours.

Community members are invited to the Fashion Show to show their support of youth and view the accomplishments of members. Sponsors of the Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show are the Sherman County 4-H Parent & Leaders Association, Sunray Coop, Sherman County Texas Extension Education Association, and Texas Cooperative Extension Service.

Educational programs sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service serve all people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

- (NAPS)—Regardless of your financial status or station in life, there are always smart ways to invest and save money.
- Even in today's volatile market, there are investment solutions. Americans for Financial Security (AFS) offers these practical solutions to smart investing:
1. Have a savings goal
  2. Research a variety of investment types and opportunities
  3. Do some quick preliminary calculations of your own
  4. Interview more than one financial advisor
  5. Closely read statements from your investment company
  6. Review your investment progress annually

7. Consider changes to investment strategies in response to market trends
  8. Consult your financial advisor before you make a change
- To help in the decision-making process, AFS offers free online

investment calculators at [www.afswebsite.org](http://www.afswebsite.org). These easy-to-use calculators will answer many preliminary questions about investment finances, making it easier to set goals.

AFS helps members by monitoring crucial small-business legislation, supplying free tax and business information, granting thousands of dollars in scholarships and offering money- and time-saving benefits. For more information, call 1-800-492-1016 or visit [www.afswebsite.org](http://www.afswebsite.org).

\*\*\*  
Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not one bit simpler.  
—Albert Einstein  
\*\*\*

**VOTE FOR**  
◆◆ Homer Meil ◆◆  
**Candidate for**  
**Stratford Hospital Board**  
*Your Vote & Support Will Be Appreciated*  
*On May 3, 2003*  
Pd. Pol. Ad Pd. For By Homer Meil, P.O. BX 340, Cactus, TX 79013

15 Years, 4500 Babies In Dumás  
**Women's Health Center**  
Normal and high risk pregnancies  
Gynecologic cancer screening  
Breast cancer screening  
Infertility and family planning  
Menopause and hormone problems  
**Dr. Turhan I. Baykan, M.D.**  
Specializing In  
OBSTETRICS-GYNECOLOGY  
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 935-6599  
110 S. Bliss

**First Assembly of God**

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

**First Christian**

Rev. Bob Sweeten  
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**

6th & Pearl  
Rectory - 366 - 5687  
Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass.  
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-1 Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Church of Christ**

Larry Evans  
N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist**

James Washburn  
302 S. Main - 806-396-5335 lv. message  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 6 p.m.  
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

**First Baptist**

Brent Farney  
702 N. 3rd  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Church Training 6:00 p.m..  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

**La Mision Bautista**

Mision Bautista  
401 S. Wall 396-5376  
Domingo-(Sunday)  
Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

Miercoles (Wednesday)  
Servicio De Adoracion 11:00 am  
Servicio De Oraction 6:00 pm  
Servicio De Adoracion 6:00 pm  
Susninos Durante El Servicio.

**The Churches of Stratford Welcome You**

**My Servant Will Justify Many**

Many people reject the notion of Christ shedding His blood to save sinners. Such a blood religion is no religion for gentlemen they say. But such people don't reject the example of Christ. In fact, they are pleased to follow His example. And they pat themselves on the back when they do so. But as for the blood of Christ being given in payment for their sins, that's disgusting. Then there are those who do embrace the death of Christ for sinners. They glory in the cross. And they trust in Christ alone as the only adequate payment for their sins. These people are on the way to heaven. But when you ask them for whom Christ died, their answer is that He died for everyone. He died for all! and these people will not accept any other answer. All always means all and that's that! But what does the Bible tell us? Jesus Himself said, "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). This was in keeping with the Old Testament prediction where God said, "My Servant will justify many" (Isaiah 53:11). One thing is clear. These verses talk about many and not all. And the fact of the matter is, we know, from our common experience, that not all people believe in Christ as a ransom payment for sin. I began by talking about such people. And so, does Christ justify all people? No, Christ does not give all people right standing before God. In the end, there are people who must pay the just penalty due to them for their own sins. Hell awaits such people. The words of Christ stand, He came "as a ransom for many." And the words of Isaiah stand, "My Servant will justify many." Are you one of the many for whom Christ died?

Sponsored by:  
Thriftway 396-5586  
Stratford Grain 396-5541  
Lautz 769-4485  
Ellie's 396-2092  
Stratford Star 396-5885  
Walter Lasley & Sons, INC  
753-4411

**Templo Hispano Eben-Ezer**  
Pastor Roberto Frescas  
205 N. Poplar - Hwy 287  
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.  
Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.  
Meir Co Les Serv De Ador 5 p.m.

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

**HELP US CELEBRATE COMMUNITY BANK MONTH**  
*You're Invited to a free Hamburger Cookout on Friday, April 4, 2003 at the Happy Bank/XIT Parking lot located at 401 N. 3rd from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (In the event of bad weather, it will be held at the County Barn)*

**HAPPY BANK**  
GENUINE HOMETOWN BANKING.  
Branch of The First State Bank of Happy  
Member FDIC

**366-BANK (2265)**



## Imagination Station Open House

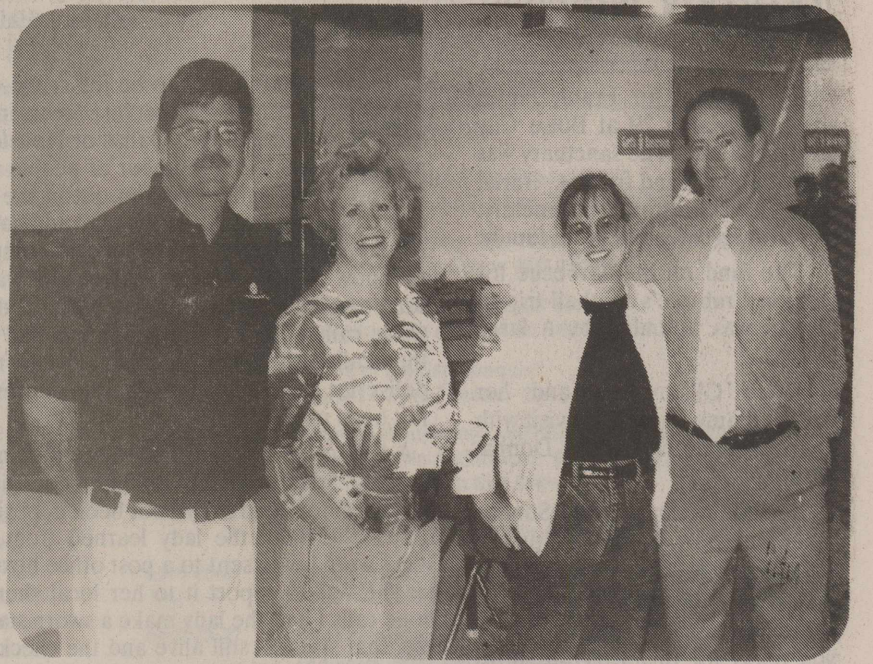


Entertaining for the Imagination Station Open House: "Piano Trio" Nina Lavake, Marihoward Engelbrecht, and Rolene Arkon.

Over sixty persons enjoyed the Imagination Station Open House Sunday, March 30. Visitors were served from a lovely refreshment table and were entertained by the Piano Trio: Marihoward Engelbrecht, Nina Lavake, and Rolene Arkon. Students from Stratford Independent School displayed their Art. Tours were provided for Phase I: Computer Lab, Office and Reception room; Phase II: (Next project) Kitchen, Bathrooms, Exhibit Room entry; Phase III Exhibit room; electrical (what is hot, what is not) dry wall, paint. Phase IV; Craft/Art room, Storage and Costume Room.

The Imagination Station programs are offered to the public through volunteers. If you would volunteer a little time, the Imagination Station would like to put you on a volunteer list to be contacted to give the opportunity to help with programs of your interests.

The next program offering for Week of the Young Child April 22 and 24 is "100 years of flight" honoring the Wright Brothers. The program is already full. With more volunteers it could be expanded.



Imagination Station Open House; Andy & Karen Riffe and Kay & P. J. Pronger excited about the dream they started in 1990 is continuing to be a special place for the Stratford community and area.

**VOTE FOR  
KEN FORTHMAN**

*Candidate For  
Stratford Hospital Board*

Your Vote and Support  
Will Be Appreciated!

Pol. Ad. Pd. For By Ken Forthman, P.O. BX. 291, Stratford, TX 79084



Enjoying the Imagination Station Open House: L/R Nettie Harding, Bill & Selma Pendleton, Lorelee Funk, (Master Builder) George Harding, Brent Spurlock, Kim Crippen. Background board members Laurie Spurlock, Jeanie Bell, Yvonne Pittman, Ann Johnson.

\*\*\*  
The most successful politician is he who says what everybody is thinking and in the loudest voice.

—Theodore Roosevelt

\*\*\*

ACHIEVEMENT

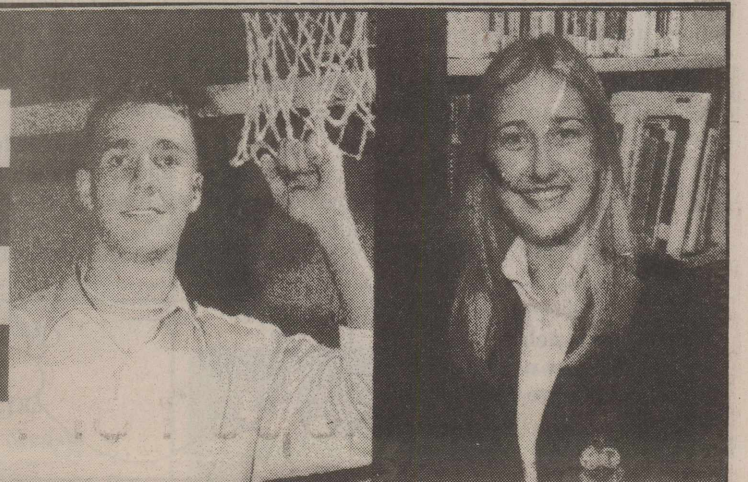
DISCIPLINE

RESPONSIBILITY

LEADERSHIP

SELF-ESTEEM

MOTIVATION



San Marcos Baptist Academy is a private boarding school for boys in grades 6-12 and girls in grades 8-12. Day school is available for boys and girls in grades 6-12.



There will be an information session at the J.W. Marriott (5150 Westheimer, Houston) on Thursday, April 10th at 7:00 p.m. Please come and learn about curriculum, campus life, and admissions for the upcoming 2003-2004 school year. PUBLIC INVITED.

2801 Ranch Road 12 . San Marcos, TX 78666 . 1-800-428-5120 . e-mail: admissions@smba.org . www.smba.org  
San Marcos Baptist Academy does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origins.

### AgriPartner Report

Week of March 27, 2003

Dallam, Sherman, Hartley & Moore Counties

Heavy infestations of bird cherry-oat aphid exist in some wheat fields in the Texas Panhandle. The aphid is very common in wheat but not in the large numbers that currently exist. It is about the size of a greenbug but very dark with a red tint area around the base of the cornicles. Unlike greenbug and Russian wheat aphid, bird cherry-oat aphid doesn't cause detectable damage to the leaves. Fields can look green yet conceal a very heavy bird cherry-oat aphid infestation. Recent research suggests that bird cherry-oat aphid may be almost as damaging as greenbug in wheat.

Greenbugs continue to develop in area wheat. A few fields have reached the economic threshold justifying an insecticide application to control them.

A few Russian wheat aphid have been reported. Current infestation levels are very light but this aphid will likely continue to increase up to the time that wheat begins to head.

Cowpea aphid has been reported infesting area alfalfa. This aphid can be a serious pest in alfalfa capable of killing new growth. The aphid is generally black but with whitish legs that has a black area at the joint of the first two leg segments.

Check alfalfa for developing alfalfa weevil infestations.

### Scot Talk

By Mary Hill

March SCOT Luncheon, as usual, was just right! The food was extra special--The Easter decorations on the tables, done by Coldwater Manor, were beautiful. The program was informative, with Susie Spurlock explaining the upcoming class on type II diabetes. The class will begin on April 27, and run for six weeks. Betty J. Brown talked on prescription drug cards and ways that senior citizens might get help with medical bills.

Some up-coming activities to remember are the visit to the Goodwell Hilltoppers on April 8 for dinner. The bus will leave SCOT Hall at 5:45 p.m. Then on April 11, the bus will go to the Chicken House, north of Kerrick, for a meal. (Not sure about time on this one, so we will be reminding you).

The usual activities are Bingo on first and third Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.; the birthday party on April 17 at 2:30. Board meeting will be April 22; luncheon on April 24, and dance on April 26. (If you like to dance, come join us. We won't check on your age.) Sounds like a busy month!

Computer classes seem to be growing-so much so that classes have been moved to the library instead of SCOT Hall.

We hope to see you at some of the activities. (Or maybe ALL of them!).

\*\*\*  
Because I have confidence in the power of truth and of the spirit, I believe in the future of mankind.

—Albert Schweitzer

\*\*\*

\*\*\*  
One cloud is sufficient to eclipse a whole sun.

—Baltasar Gracian

\*\*\*

\*\*\*  
In any sport, the anticipation of what might happen is almost as important as what actually happens.

—Bob Costas

\*\*\*



At 188 decibels, the whistle of the blue whale is the loudest sound produced by any animal.

\*\*\*  
My speciality is being right when other people are wrong.

—George Bernard Shaw

\*\*\*

### C & M CATTLE STOCKER CALVES FOR SALE

97 Steers - Avg. weight 425 at \$98.50  
132 Steers - Avg. weight 446 at \$92.00  
36 Heifers - Avg. weight 295 at \$93.79  
138 Heifers - Avg. weight 480 at \$88.00

Plus Feed & Processing for all of the above!  
Many More To Choose From!

NEW ARRIVALS WEEKLY  
For Processing & Pre-condition Contact

Chuck & Margie Murdock  
580-544-2603 - Boise City, OK

Celebrating the community!!

AMERICA'S PROMISE  
THE ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH



That's something we do every day.

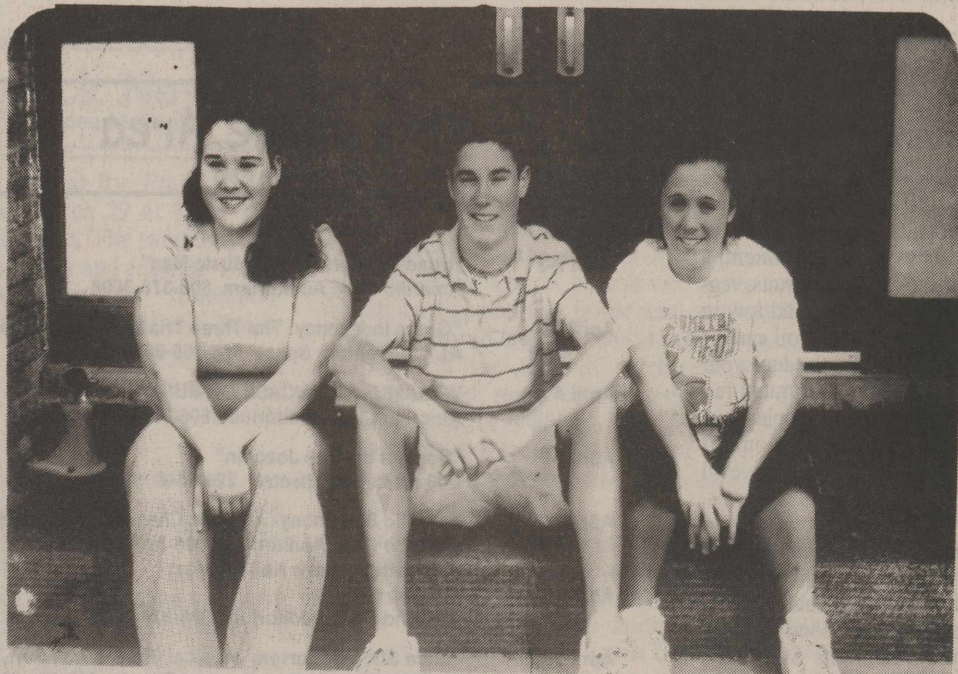
We are a community bank!

Built locally to serve locally. And customers like you are the reason we are able to support our towns.

First State Bank would like to invite you to drop by our lobby throughout the week of April 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving snacks and refreshments throughout the week.

Just to say... "Thank You."





Winning honors at the One Act Play Competition from left, Alicia Renzelman - Honorable Mention All-Star Cast, Matthew Taliaferro - Outstanding Stage Manager, and Tiffany Duke - All-Star Cast.

## UIL One Act Play Held

Stratford High School competed in the UIL One Act Play Competition on March 21 at Stinnett.

They presented the play "Cinderella of Loreland". The students participating were Jayme

Wilhelm, Brian Booth, Dylan Everett, Maira Argomaniz, Allison Baskin, Cheyenne Zieman, Chance Lowrey, Alicia Renzelman, Heather Robertson, Tiffany Duke, Katelyn Reed, Corey Rendon, April Kautz, Matthew Taliaferro, Staci Hays, Stephanie Washburn, Nora Gomez, and Jessie Daniels. Terri Teig directed the play. Tiffany Duke was named to the All-Star Cast and Alicia Renzelman to the Honorable Mention All-Star Cast. Matthew Taliaferro was honored with outstanding Stage Manager.



## Jump Rope For Heart

On February 11-14 students jumped all over heart disease and stroke by participating in Jump Rope For Heart. 229 students jumped and 74 of those students helped by raising more than \$3,100.00 for the American Heart Association. Funds raised for Jump Rope For Heart help fight

heart disease and stroke, the nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers. "This year's event was huge success," said Ronda Mathews Jump Rope For Heart coordinator. "We're very proud of all the jumpers, and we all had a lot of fun." I sincerely thank the students and their families for their support of the 2002-2003

Jump Rope for Heart program and Success.

Jump Rope For Heart is a program designed to promote physical fitness and heart health through the fun activity of jumping rope. It is co-sponsored by the American Heart Association and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

## Child Abuse Hurts Us All

Together We Can End the Pain

By Kari Bezner, Executive Director, CASA 69, Inc.

### The Numbers Don't Lie

If you think child abuse doesn't affect you, you couldn't be more wrong. It may not be in your home, or on your block, but child abuse is a problem that affects all of us. When a child suffers, we all suffer. In 1998, according to the Department of Health and Human Services, there were nearly three million reported cases of child abuse or neglect in the country. As if that is not alarming enough, every day an average of three children die as a result of abuse and neglect. While the thought of harming a child, or anyone for that matter, is incomprehensible, it is important that we not only recognize the pain the children feel, but the long-term effects child abuse has on our community as a whole.

Children who suffer abuse or neglect are 53 percent more likely to become juvenile delinquents, 38 percent more likely to be arrested as adults, and 38 percent more likely to become violent criminals, according to a study conducted for the National Institute of Justice. What's more, abused and neglected children are involved in delinquency and criminal activity earlier, commit more offenses, and more often become chronic or repeat offenders. Abused children also have lower IQs and reading ability, higher rates of unemployment, more low-paying jobs and higher rates of suicide attempts. Additionally, the costs associated with child abuse are phenomenal. The National Institute of Justice estimates that child abuse costs this country approximately \$56 billion annually; however, the human loss is incalculably greater.

### How Can We Help?

You've seen the statistics. You've heard the reports. Child abuse happens all around us, and even though you may not recognize it or see it, you do suffer the effects. So you may ask yourself, "What can I do about it?" In a word, "Plenty." For years, community volunteers across the country have given abused and neglected children a second chance for a positive future. It can be as simple as reporting a case of abuse. Child help USA provides the resources to recognize the signs of abuse, as well as the necessary tools to report abuse and neglect quickly and easily. Through the work of such programs as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Clubs, HOST, and various other mentoring programs, at-risk children are given guidance and hope for a better future.

While these volunteer programs are crucial in identifying abuse and mentoring children, there is a need for programs to assist abused and neglected children through the legal process in search of safe, permanent homes. Example of this type of organizations is the Court

## From Beginning to End

Red tasted like the bittersweet apple that caused the devil to cackle. Jesus saved us from our sin by dying for all men.

Red felt like freedom as we held our flag high. The Dead equaled a great sum and caused America to sigh.

Red looked like our towers on that horrible day. It didn't take hours for us to say "NO WAY!"

Red is a brother to pink; they thought we'd never link Osama to the planes. Soon he will be in chains.

Red smells like mama's apple pie; then we sent her boys into Iraq to die. In the ground they will lay; Now someone is going to pay.

Red sounds like the bombs that will win this war. Our Navy has sailed its ships ashore. Saddam is considered a coward and will be overpowered.

This is a great message for all terrorists to see. We will rise from all wreckage and now you will know how it feels to flee,

By: Ashton Robinson  
Stratford High School  
11th Grade  
Stratford, Texas

Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Association locally known as CASA of the 69th Judicial District. These programs recruit and train community volunteers to advocate for children in court, helping them to find loving homes. Through the work of these every day individuals, these vulnerable children find safe, permanent homes where they are given a second chance to grow. To date, over a million children have been given a second chance for a positive future with the help of CASA. Locally, CASA 69 Inc. has advocated for more than 450 children in the Dumas, Stratford, Dalhart, and Hartley area.

As a court appointed volunteer, you take on a number of roles. You are a fact-finder for children in need. You are a powerful voice for a child in court. You are a "watchdog" for a child who otherwise may have no one. You have the power to provide the link between where a child is and where that child wants to be. And the work of these volunteers goes beyond the physical support they provide to abused and neglected children. In 1999, court appointed advocates provided service hour's equivalent to more than \$360 million in taxpayer money.

The statistics are staggering, and while it may seem overwhelming, there are many ways in which we can help. We all have the power to make a difference. In doing so, we will experience the satisfaction of knowing we've made a lasting impact on our community and its children for many years to come.

### THE TIME IS NOW

There is no better time to get involved with your local CASA program. April is recognized nationally as "Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month," which means there are countless ways to help. You can become a sponsor for the 4th Annual Light Vigil to be held April 3rd in Dumas, Stratford, and Dalhart. By attending the Light Vigil, you may light a candle of hope in honor of the abused and neglected children in our community. Lastly, become a volunteer, CASA 69 is currently recruiting volunteers to go through the Spring training in May. Becoming a volunteer does not take special talents it only takes someone who is caring, persistent, and responsible. Today, we can all spend a little extra time to make an impact that lasts forever. For more information about how you can help in CASA's mission please call 244-2684.

## Easter Favorites

### Honey Is A Sweet Addition To Traditional Easter Feasts

(NAPS)—A traditional Easter feast isn't complete without a succulent ham, and nothing complements a ham better than honey. Whether paired with spicy cloves or topped with rings of juicy pineapple, a honey-glazed ham is always the star of the Easter buffet.

Honey comes in hundreds of varieties, depending on the floral source the honey bee visits, so there are limitless options this Easter. A rich, dark buckwheat honey perfectly complements a slow-baked ham, while a light, floral clover honey adds sweetness to a tangy vinaigrette, amply topping mixed greens or fresh spring vegetables.

The sweet flavor of honey goes well with other seasonal treats, too. Honey is delicious baked into scrumptious hot cross buns or whipped into creamy butter and spread on muffins.

Just in time for Easter enjoyment, the National Honey Board has a delicious honey-glazed ham recipe that is sure to be a long-time family favorite.

For additional honey recipes, go to [www.honey.com](http://www.honey.com).

### PINEAPPLE HONEY-GLAZED HAM

- 1 (4 to 5 lb.) fully cooked boneless ham
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 8 oz. can pineapple slices
- 1 tablespoon ground mustard
- Dash of ground cloves

Bake ham on rack in shallow baking pan at 325°F for one hour or to 120°F on a meat thermometer. Drain pineapple; reserve juice. Combine



Family and friends will "bee" pleased with this honey of a ham.

reserved juice, honey, mustard and cloves; mix well. Score top of ham, if desired, and arrange pineapple slices on top. Generously brush honey mixture over entire surface. Bake about 30-45 minutes longer or to 140°F; baste every 10 minutes. Let stand 10-15 minutes before slicing.

Makes 12 to 16 servings

Looking for ways to spice up honey-glazed ham leftovers? Try these tasty options.

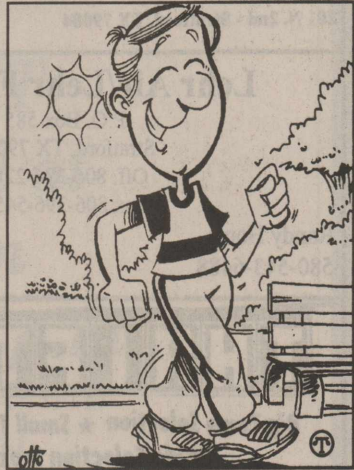
- Place slices of ham between flaky biscuits and drizzle with honey for a sweet and savory snack
- Chop up leftover ham and mix into a chef's salad topped with honey-dijon dressing
- Cut up ham and stir into warm honey baked beans

## HEALTH NEWS & NOTES

### Walk To A Healthier Life

(NAPS)—Walking is America's most popular form of exercise. Doctors say walking also strengthens mental and emotional well-being. To make walking a part of your routine, follow these steps from the American Podiatric Medical Association:

- Before you get going, visit your podiatrist. He or she can give you tips on shoes and exercises to make sure your feet are healthy and ready to walk.



- Choose a quality, lightweight walking shoe with breathable upper materials. Fit is vital.
- Wear padded socks.
- Move at a steady pace, brisk enough to make your heart beat faster. Breathe deeply.
- Land on the heel of your foot and roll forward to push off on the ball of your foot.
- Cool down after a long, brisk walk.

Learn more at [www.apma.org](http://www.apma.org) or 1-800-FOOTCARE.

\*\*\*  
A friend is, as it were, a second self.  
—Cicero  
\*\*\*



The only two angels identified by name in the Bible are Michael and Gabriel, who appear in the Book of Daniel.

Want to make the most of your acres this year?

Plant the Panhandle's PROVEN moneymaker!

TRIUMPH SEED

665 Z 2003 C

95-105 DAYS

- Good, stable oleic content
- Outstanding yield potential
- Excellent oil content
- Very good plant health
- AMAZING opportunities for oil or birdfood markets!

Ask about 150 DAYS Zero-Payments/Zero-Interest!

sunflowers work great as a double crop alternative!

Call Bill Wagner (806)662-1276

Home Office: (800)530-4789 [www.triumphseed.com](http://www.triumphseed.com)

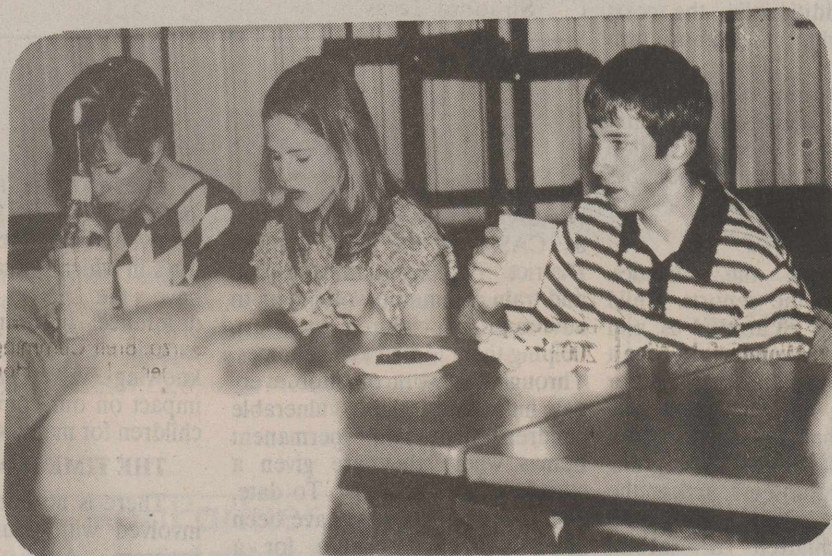




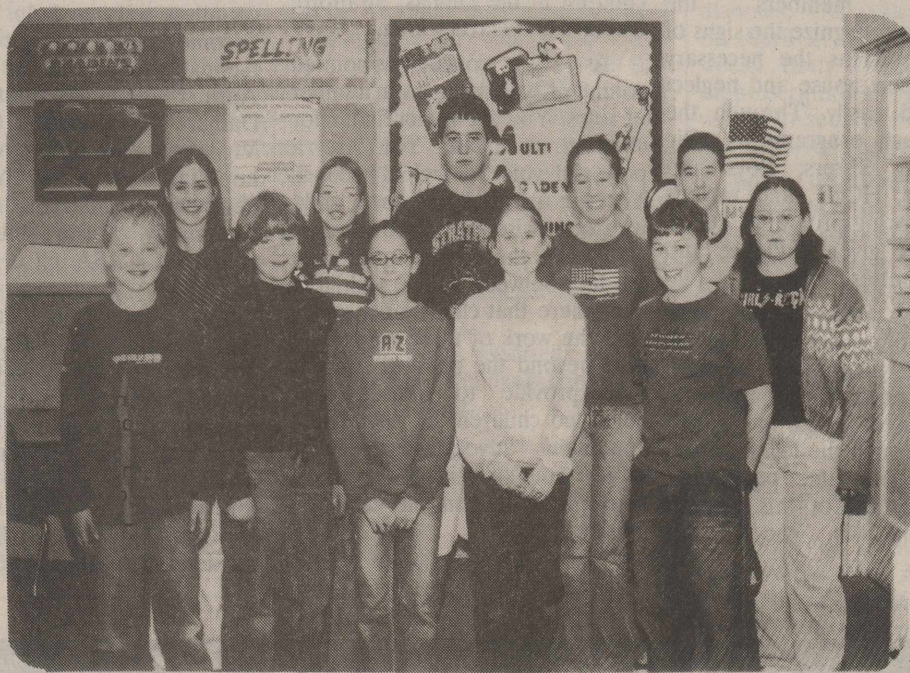
From left, Lari Wells, Christy Wells, and Ann Wells helped with the Depot Museum Spaghetti Dinner Fund-raiser on Sunday, March 23rd.



Marge Moore and Dorothy Haile greeted guests at the Spaghetti Dinner.



Lisa, Kristen, and Case Crabtree enjoyed the Spaghetti Dinner.



Spelling bee participants from left, Eric Burton, Evan Haile, Sunny Russell, Lisa Walls, Deborah Molina, Harrison Walden, Brooke Barnard, Juliana Taliaferro, Connor Aduddell, Bryce Wright, and Ashley Duschl.

### Walls Advances To Regional Spelling Bee

Eleven students from Stratford Junior High competed in the annual Sherman County Spelling Bee. They spelled against students from Texhoma for the title of Sherman County Champion. The contest was held in Stratford on March 25, 2003, and consisted of a junior and senior division spelling bee. Those participating in the junior division were: Eric Burton, Sunny Russell, Connor Aduddell,

Brooke Barnard, and Deborah Molina. Sunny Russell was the county champion in this division, with Eric Burton being named runner-up.

In the senior division, Bryce Wright, Harrison Walden, Ashley Duschl, Lisa Walls, Evan Haile, and Juliana Taliaferro participated. Lisa Walls was the senior champion, and Juliana Taliaferro was runner-up. As senior division champion, Lisa will advance to the Regional Spelling Bee that will be held on the West

Texas A&M University Campus on April 5, 2003. At this contest awards will be presented to each county finalist with special awards for some of the top finalists. First prize will be an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. to compete in the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee.

Congratulations to all participants and winners, and good luck to Lisa as she competes in Canyon!

### Beauty

(NU) - Tom Cruise, Whitney Houston and Julia Roberts all have them — big white smiles that make them the envy of fans. Unfortunately, stained teeth are a way of life for millions of Americans. The good news is, you don't have to be a movie star to make your teeth beautiful and white again. For information about teeth whitening procedures, visit [www.rembrandt.com](http://www.rembrandt.com).

### Home

(NU) - Your home heating system holds the key to making your home comfortable and efficient during the cold winter months. Stay warm this winter without spending a fortune. For ideas to make your home more comfortable and efficient, visit [www.heil-hvac.com](http://www.heil-hvac.com).

### Food

(NU) - Are you puzzled when you face the egg display in the dairy case? Learn the meaning of egg grades to make an informed buying decision. For information about eggs and proper egg handling and cooking, visit [www.aeb.org](http://www.aeb.org).

### Women's Health

(NU) - It's important to take care of yourself in your menopause years. For overall health, experts recommend a balanced diet rich in fruits, vegetables and grains and low in saturated fat. Olive oil can replace other oils to reduce your consumption of saturated fat. OleoMed olive oil supplements are unique combinations of pharmaceutical-grade olive oil with vitamins, minerals, herbs or other nutrients designed to provide natural nutrition solutions to help you support specific health needs. The OleoMed Mood Balance formula contains St. John's Wort and the OleoMed Femme formula contains Evening Primrose Oil. For more information, visit [www.oleomed.com](http://www.oleomed.com) or call 1-800-391-0909.

### Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

\*\*\* note new listing

- April 2-3 Broadway Series "The Music Man" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- April 3-6 18,19 "Gross Indecency: The Three Trials of Oscar Wilde" ALT Adventure Space 806-355-9991
- April 4 WTA&MU SHOWCASE OF MUSIC Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-651-2840
- April 4 "Sons of the San Joaquin" Dalhart LaRita Theatre 224-5646
- April 12 Amarillo Symphony- Amarillo Civic Chorus WTAMU Chorus Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782 (Following Golden Nail Awards)
- April 18 The Fab Four Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- April 25-27 "Little Shop of Horrors" musical Fri.Sat.7:30 Sun.3:00 Amarillo College Experimental Theatre 806-371-5359or5987
- May 1-3 "A Different Moon" 7:30 [27-3:00] Branding Iron Theatre 806-651-2881
- April 26 Lone Star Ballet "From Galway to Broadway" Amarillo Civic Auditorium (806-378-3096 or 372-2463
- May 1-4\*\*\*\* "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Junior company Amarillo Little Theatre Adventure Space 806-355-9991
- May 2\*\*\*\* Amarillo Symphony presents Randel chamber Orchestra Civic Center Auditorium 806-376-8782

## Business Directory

**WALTER LASLEY & SONS INC.**  
*THE Feedyard*  
Since 1953  
753-4411

**Stratford Grain Co.**  
Stratford 396-5541  
Lautz 769-4485  
4 North Main

### CONSUMERS

208 Texas  
**We Sell Seed & Fuel**  
Farmland, Acco, & Moorman Seeds & Diamond Shamrock Products  
366-2261

**Stratford Auto Electric**  
119 S. Wall, Stratford, Texas 79084  
Phone 366-5941 366-5857  
*Alternator, Starter, Magneto Repair*  
Since 1964

**Betty Brown's Medical Claim Service**  
605 S. Main P.O. Box 7  
Stratford, TX 79084 806-396-2623

**Brown's Meat Locker**  
*Custom Wholesale & Retail Meat*  
Federally Inspected

Hwy 287 South 396-2513

**A & I PARTS CENTER**  
AUTOMOTIVE AND INDUSTRIAL PARTS — THE CAR CARE PEOPLE  
**Jerry Ewers**  
Manager  
P.O. Box 1146 (806) 366-5561  
201 N. 2nd - Stratford, TX 79084 Fax: (806) 366-2583

**Lehr Air/Lehr Fertilizer**  
P.O. Box 585  
Stratford, TX 79084  
Off. 806-396-2284  
Fax 806-396-5454  
Randy Home 580-543-6488  
Randy Cell 806-683-2830

**THRIFTWAY**  
Big Town Selection ★ Small Town Friendliness  
Wide Selection Frozen Food  
Quality Foods Fresh Produce  
Hwy 54 East 396-5586

**This Space Available**  
Call 366-5885

**This Space Available**  
Call 366-5885

**COLDWATER MANOR**  
*"LOVE SPOKEN HERE"*  
1111 BEAVER RD., STRATFORD, TX  
(806)396-5568

**STEVENSON & SONS**  
PEST CONTROL  
Termite & Pest Control • Rat Control • Bird Control • Yard & Tree Spraying  
Residential • Commercial • Farms • Ranches  
*"Professionals in Pest Control Technology"*  
Licensed & Insured  
249-4202  
Dalhart • Stratford • Hartley

**Robert's Service Center**  
400 S. Poplar  
396-2882  
Auto Repair & Lawn Mower Repair

### Blue Stuff of Stratford Texas

Betty Chamberlain  
802 N. Pearl St.  
Stratford, TX 79084  
(806)366-2843  
E-Mail: [rjb@xit.net](mailto:rjb@xit.net)

**Allen-Tarver Insurance Agency**  
Carolyn A. Tarver  
Auto • Home • Life • Commercial  
Bus: (806)396-5810 • Res: (806)396-2393

**Joe Flores**  
Farm Bureau Insurance  
396-5538 office  
396-5389 home

**Jesse's Gun Shop**  
Gun Repairs • Sales • Cleaning  
Hours: Mon. - Fri. - 1730 - 2000  
Sat. - 0800-1600  
Jesse Resendes  
(806) 769-4454  
111 S. Maple  
(806) 366-3134 Shop Stratford, TX 79084

**Your Home Town Pharmacy..**  
ELK PHARMACY  
317 N. Main  
P.O. Box 360  
Stratford, TX 79084  
806-396-4505  
Major Prescription Plans Accepted  
Gayland Vandiver, R.Ph.  
Debbi Vandiver Owners  
Carlton Cards...Millionaire Candy, Gifts  
Cookie and Balloon Bouquets

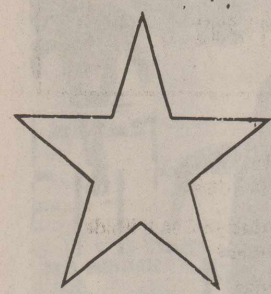
**Tommy's Embroidery**  
580-423-7718  
Texhoma, OK  
210 Hwy 54 West  
Caps, Shirts, Jackets, Baby Blankets, Towels,  
Towel Wraps, School Logos, & Much More!

**Westside Laundry/Stratford Laundry & Dry Cleaners**  
410 N. 4th - Stratford, Texas  
396-2841  
Owners - Jerry & Janie Smith  
Operators - Bob & Keri Harris

**Joe Taylor, Photography**  
PO Box 27  
1305 N Chestnut  
Stratford, TX 79084  
806-366-2459  
Weddings, Portraits, Etc.

**Rockin' C Cross Appraisals**  
Farm, Ranch & Residential Appraisals  
711 Purnell  
P.O. Box 1172  
Stratford, TX 79084  
Bus: (806) 366-7525 Fax: (806) 366-7515  
DAVID J. CROSS General Certified Real Estate Appraiser  
Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma





It Pays To Look In The

# Star Classifieds

..The Best Salesperson Around

Phone 366-5885

## For Sale

Propane Bottle Exchanges now available at THE General Store. 4-18-1fn-----

We have Holland Barbecue Grills and Commercial Front Deck Lawn Mower. Call for more information. 727-4671. 5-2-1fn-----

The Trees are here!!! at THE General Store. 4-3-2xc-----

Time for Hats treatment for your early prevention of weeds and crabgrass. THE General Store. 2-13-1fn-----

Shrubs and Perennials arrived with the trees at THE General Store! 4-3-2xc-----

Rentals available at THE General Store. Appliance dolly, sheetrock jack, cement mixer, and rotatiller, airless paint sprayer, and rotary hammer drill. 8-1-1fn-----

For Sale: 1994- 26' Dutchmen classic F.W.R.V. rear kitchen, awning, nice, sleeps 6. 1996 Honda 300 Fourtrax 4x4 4 wheeler, front and rear racks - nice. 727-4681. 4-3-2xc-----

For Sale: 2001 Ford Explore Sport - 2 door, automatic, A/C, all power. Call 396-2047 or 679-0692. 3-13-1fn-----

The Trees are coming...The Trees are coming to THE General Store soon. 3-20-1fn-----

Watch what's happening in the parking lot at THE General Store. 3-20-1fn-----

For Sale: Travel Trailer Tilt Bed Trailer, Five good hot fence-chargers 120 volt. 14 ft. boat with trailer and 2 motors, 2 walk behind lawn mowers, rotatiller and lawn edger. Call 396-2572, or see at 402 S. Maple, J.D. Smith. 4-3-4xc-----

Stratford Country Club now taking reservations for new cart sheds. Call 366-2723 for information. 3-27-2xc-----

## Services

Is your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in brick or walls? Doors won't close?...Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo, TX. 1-4-1ypd-----

**New & Used Appliances**  
Factory Authorized Service  
Whirlpool, G.E. & Frigidaire  
**BABER SUPPLY**  
DishNetwork Sales & Service  
1-800-292-4023 1-580-423-7255

## HANG-N-THERE

### Custom Painting Quality

\*Interior/Exterior \* Drywall Repair  
\*Texture \* Specially Interior Finishes  
\* Water Damage  
FREE Estimates  
806-366-2850  
References available

\*\*\*  
Many strokes, though with a little axe, hews down and fells the hardest-timbered oak.  
—William Shakespeare,  
*Henry VI, Part 3*  
\*\*\*

## For Rent

Casa de Renta - 2 Recamaras  
Cocina y Sala 366-2493, 753-7761. 4-3-2xp-----

House for Rent: 2 bdrm, living room, kitchen. Call 366-2493 or 753-7761. 3-20-2xp-----

For Rent: Small 2 bdrm house with fenced backyard. New storm windows & carpeting. 619 N. Wall. 396-2364. 9-12-1fn-----

For Rent: 1 Bedroom furnished apt. 6th & Fulton. Call 396-5541 daytime, 396-5692 at nights. 1-28-1fn-----

For Rent: Nice 2 bedroom house, central heat & air. Good Location. Call 806-333-7418. 10-17-1fn-----

## Houses for Sale

House for Sale: Great Location, beautiful corner lot, 2 large bedrooms, 1 large bath, garage, central heat/AC. 806-659-2345. 8-2-1fn-----

Houses for Sale: 1997 4 bedroom, 2 bath, Saturn Modular Home with or without barns & land. Call for details. 727-4648. 4-3-1xc-----

3,600 sq. ft. 3,000 living, 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living areas w/double fireplaces, covered/lighted patio, 2 car garage, corner lot, near both schools, 1220 N. Chestnut. For more info. call 1-903-732-5402 or 396-2498. 1-3-1fn-----

For Sale: 3 Bdrm, 2 bath brick home, double car garage, fenced in backyard, across from City Park, 702 N. 7th. Call 396-2425, 396-2845, 396-5841, or 396-1050 for more information. 1-16-1fn-----

I'M MAD...AT BANKS WHO DONT GIVE HOUSE LOANS BECAUSE OF BAD CREDIT, PROBLEMS OR NEW EMPLOYMENT. I DO, CALL L.D. KIRK, HOMELAND MORTGAGES, (254)947-4475. 4-3-1XP-----

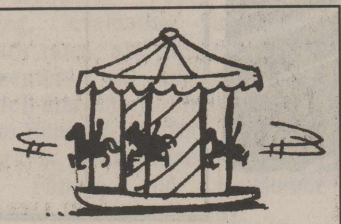
For Sale: 2800 sq. ft. country home with 3 acres located three miles west on hwy. 54, 1/2 mile south on FM 2014. 4 Bedroom, 2 bath, nice office, large living area, dining room with built in china cabinet and bay windows, 2 car attached garage; 45x82 Quonset Barn with hydraulic lift in floor; corral, granary, well house, AND 1000 sq. ft. rent house with 3 bedroom, 1 bath. For more information call Brett Cummings: 727-4664 or 753-6677. 3-20-1fn-----

House for Sale: 2 bdrm, large backyard, 414 N. Fulton, \$25,000. Call 727-4646. 3-20-2xc-----

House for Sale: 2 bdrm, large backyard, 414 N. Fulton. \$25,000. Call 727-4646. 4-3-2xc-----

## Wanted

Wanted: Farm home for Rottweiler mix. 4 1/2 - 5 yrs. old, neutered, loving, loyal watchdog. Call 806-355-4185. If no answer, please leave name and number. 4-3-2xc-----



Between 2,000 and 3,000 carousels were produced in the U.S. from the 1880s to the early 1930s. Today, about 175 of them are still operating.

## Money

(NU) - Most Americans insure their major assets, including house, car and valuables. Yet, many fail to protect their most important asset — their income. Do you know enough about your disability coverage? A disability calculator and other financial planning tools can be found on [www.soundfinancialplan.com](http://www.soundfinancialplan.com).

## Travel

(NU) - Are you trading amusement park lines and bumper-to-bumper traffic for museums, castles and new cultures? If you're a first time traveler to Europe, it may be tough to tell the euro from a gyro. But, not to worry. Just request the free Western Union World Travel Tips brochure. Write to World Travel Tips, c/o MS&L, 79 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016 or e-mail your request to [westernunion@mslpr.com](mailto:westernunion@mslpr.com).

## Legal Notice

### Stratford Independent School District Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District requests proposals from interested contractors for acoustic panels for noise reduction. Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Administrative Office at (806) 366-3302.

The proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. April 11, 2003. Any requests for proposals after this date will not be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford ISD, PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 7984. Faxed to 806-366-3304, or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The requests for proposals will be opened on April 11, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals.

Items include labor, material, and equipment for the renovation.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, April 3, 2003, and Thursday, April 10, 2003.

## LEGAL NOTICE

Sherman County is accepting bids for plaster, repairs, and painting around basement windows in courthouse. Painting should be submitted as a separate bid. Please contact Sherman County Judge's office (806) 366-2021, for specific details. Bids will be accepted through April 10, 2003.

Published in The Stratford Star on Thursday, March 20; Thursday, March 27 and Thursday, April 3, 2003.

## Life Advice

(NU) - "Someday, I will organize my closet." Tomorrow. I will start my diet." If your life is full of things to do "someday" or "later," visit [www.beststeps.com](http://www.beststeps.com) for tips on starting your to-do list today.

## Cards of Thanks

The Stratford Coaching Staff would like to thank the volunteer workers for making the track meet a successful event this past week-end.

To the Pantry, Cowboy Church, Martha Mitts, the many drivers who took me to Amarillo everyday, for the donations, and prayers I would like to say Thank You Very Much. Mary Lou...your chicken and noodles were great!!  
Ava Griffin

## Card of Thanks

The Stratford High School Cheerleaders and Pep Club would like to thank everyone who supported the track meet concession stand. The concession stand is one of the main fundraisers. The funds are used to purchase uniforms, supplies, ribbons, paper, etc., and whatever else is needed to promote school spirit. A big THANK YOU also goes out to the parents for their willingness to provide food or help work. Thanks again for the support.

Sincerely,  
SHS Cheerleaders  
Pep Club  
ViAnn Reed and Paula Everett  
sponsors

Thank you for the calls, cards, visits, memorials and especially the prayers for our family in the loss of our Mother and Grandma, Frances Brewster. We especially want to thank the staff of Coldwater manor who gave Mother such wonderful care over the years.

Lynda and Mike Hart and family  
Lana and Benny Smith and family

I would like to personally and as an organization thank everyone that volunteered to help with the Stratford Youth Basketball program. It takes many volunteers to make this program successful. We had a total of 110 kids that participated in the program. The people that made this possible were the coaches: Kelli and Mike Fitzwater, Kendra Mungia, Darlene Walker, Dawn Crabtree, Tiffany Confer, Greg Wright, Brent Farney, Desine Garza, Brett Cummings, Jere Don Keener, Lance Horstford, Eric Werner, Lori and Daniel Mungia, Brenda Bell, Lloyd and Brenda Meroney, and Ted Ziemann. Helping officiate games were: Brad Reed, Chris Bell, Adam Bell, Blake Confer, Eric Werner, Brenda Bell, Tim Gilliland, Lance Horstford, Mark Keener, Brittany Hudson, Amie Witcher, Adam Witcher and others that I am sure I have forgotten to mention. Many parents helped run the clock and the book for each game. Everyone in the community should realize that if it weren't for these volunteers, your children and grandchildren would not have the opportunity to better themselves in the game of basketball and have some quality time with friends. A great big thank you goes to ViAnn Reed for helping out at the gym each night. I hope I have not left anyone out, but if I did, it was not intentional and you are appreciated also. When you see these people, pat them on the back and thank them for what they've done for our youth.

Dinah Horstford  
Stratford Youth Basketball

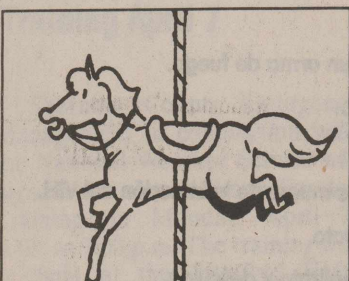
I would like to thank all my many friends who came out to support my dinner for my trip to Hawaii.

Thank you,  
Denton Crabtree

## Help Wanted

Environmental Administrative Assistant. Murphy Farms - Texhoma is looking for a full time environmental assistant. Applicant must have computer knowledge and be trained in Word and Excel. Organization skills, filing, accounting skills needed. Please contact the HR dept. at 580-423-1404. 4-3-1xc-----

D & C Greenhouse is seeking a temporary full/part time dependable salesperson to operate the store in Stratford. Duties: assisting customers, maintaining plants, and operating cash register. Starting pay is \$6.00/hour. Send resume to D & C Greenhouse, 36 Nelson Drive, Spearman, TX 79081. Call (806)659-5171 for more information. 4-17-c-----



In the early 1900s, some British-made carousels featured lifelike carvings of domestic or military heroes.

OCEAN OF WATER - 2,400 acres sprinkler irr., large wells (approx. 3' of depletion since 1983), suitable for peanuts, potatoes, corn, milo, wheat, cotton, seed production and permanent pasture, fully fenced (barbed wire-steel & wood post) and fully equipped for livestock production, 2580' elevation, 22.5' rainfall, adjoins major hwy. MARCH 31st DEADLINE TO TRANSFER PEANUT BASE TO THIS PROPERTY!  
SHERMAN CO., TEXAS - 640 acres of good land with 1/2 miler nozzled at 3000 GPM, pavement.  
ETTER, TEXAS - 937 and 640 acres across the highway from each other - choice irrigated land - well improved - buy one or both!  
MOORE - HUTCHINSON CO. - 640 acres on pavement in good water area with two irrigation wells and U.G. pipe. Priced for further irr. development!  
MOORE CO., TEXAS - 1388 acres with two - 1/2 miler, new barbed wire & steel post fencing, 3 mi. hwy frontage.  
EAST OF DUMAS - 1 1/2 section irrigated farm with history of seed maize production, on pavement near large feedyard.  
WE NEED listings on irrigated, dry, C.R.P. or native grassland anywhere in the northern Panhandle or Oklahoma Panhandle.  
[www.scotlandcompany.com](http://www.scotlandcompany.com)  
Shawn Gillespie 806/922-5532  
Ben G. Scott - Broker 800/933-9698 day/eve.

## MURPHY FARMS - TEXHOMA

### PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES

- \*Do you take pride in your work?
- \*Do you like intense, hard work?
- \*Are you more positive than your associates?
- \*Do you like a job where you know what you are doing "makes a difference"?
- \*Are you a person who believes in doing things the right way?

MURPHY FAMILY FARMS, in Texhoma, OK, has immediate openings for Full-time Production Employees.

Prior experience not essential. Structured training program provided. Work hours average 50-55 hours per week.

Competitive salary and excellent benefits for full-time employees.

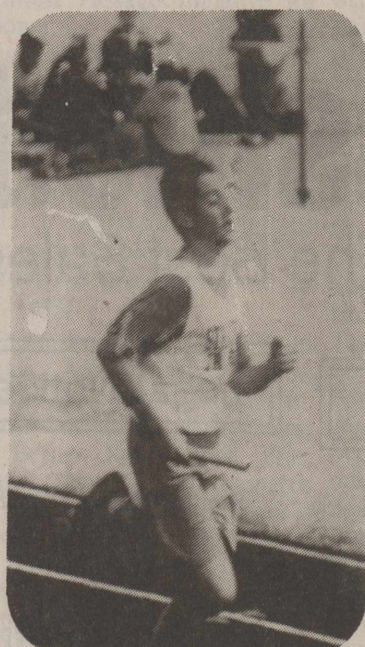
GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL GROWTH!!!!!!

For application information call (580)423-1404 or send resume to:  
Murphy Farms - Texhoma  
ATTN: Human Resources Dept., P.O. Box 409, Texhoma, OK 73949  
EOE





Scott Hudson



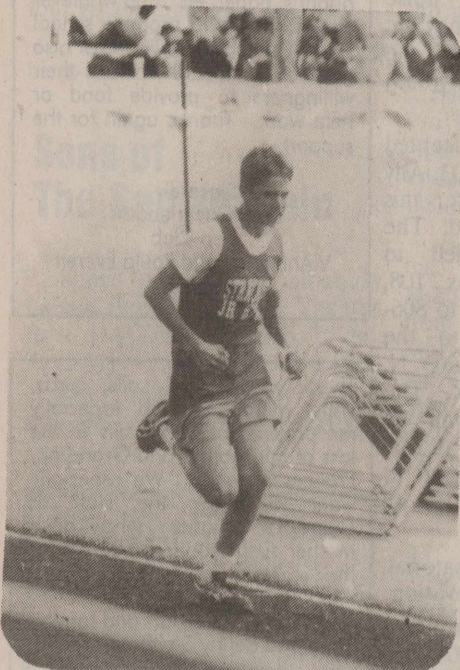
Corey Carter



Katrina Harkins, left and Ivy Valenzuela



Rhia Everett, left and Candie Bell



Chad Smith



Hunter Buckles

# TRACK SHOTS!



Amanda Watts, right



April 2003

SPRING



Andrew Correll, far left and Corey Rendon



Allison Baskin



Adam Witcher



Brant Cummings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 FFA Wildlife Contest - Borger	2	3	4 End of 5th Six Weeks JH Prom - 7:00 PM - Cafeteria	5 HS Prom - 7:00 PM - Cafeteria
		6	7 HS District Golf Meet - 9:00 AM - Boys Only - Borger NO SCHOOL - SNOW DAY	8 Begin 6th Six Weeks HS District Golf Meet - 9:00 AM - Girls Only - Borger	9 HS UIL Concert Sightreading Contest - Boys Ranch	10 Annual Meeting - Stratford Area Foundation - 7:00 PM - Imagination Station
		11	12	13	14 Early Literacy Parent Training - 6:30 - 8:00 PM	15 HS Area Track Meet - Pantherdale Regular School Board Meeting - 7:00 PM
		16	17	18	19	20 Happy Easter
		21	22 PK & K to Imagination Station	23 Early Release	24 PK & K to Imagination Station	25 Deadline to submit grant to Stratford ISD Education Foundation
		26	27	28	29 SDAA & TAKS Math - Grades 3-6 and 11	30 10th Grade TAKS Math 3rd Grade TAKS Reading Retake SDAA & TAKS Reading - Grades 4-6 Exit TAKS Retake
						High School Night School Every Monday Night 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Don't walk away

[www.itsuptoyou.org](http://www.itsuptoyou.org)

Real Moments in America for Children

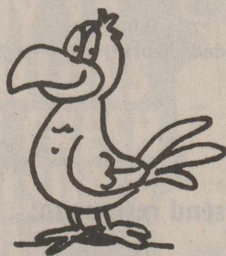
NO DÉ LA ESPALDA

[www.itsuptoyou.org](http://www.itsuptoyou.org)

Acontecimientos Verdaderos sobre niños en Estados Unidos

## Home

(NU) - Can you have too much cooling power on a hot summer day? Can your air conditioner be too big for your home? That is indeed possible, so before you buy a central air conditioner, ask a qualified heating and cooling contractor to analyze your home's heating and cooling needs and determine the proper size system for your home. To find a heating and cooling contractor near you, log on to [www.tempstar.com](http://www.tempstar.com).



Jefferson kept a mockingbird named Dick in the White House study, and let the bird ride on his shoulder whenever possible.

## Every.....

- 2 seconds a public school student is suspended
- 8 seconds a high school student drops out
- 11 seconds a child is reported abused or neglected
- 15 seconds a child is arrested.
- 34 seconds a baby is born into poverty.
- 1 minute a baby is born to a teen mother.
- 2 minutes a baby is born at low birth weight (less than 5.5 pounds)
- 3 minutes a baby is born to a mother who received late or no prenatal care
- 17 minutes a baby dies.
- 2 hours a child is killed by firearms.
- 2 hours a child is a homicide victim.
- 4 hours a child commits suicide.
- 8 hours a person younger than 20 dies from HIV infection.
- 24 hours 4 children die from child abuse.
- 24 hours 13,700 children are abused and neglected.

## Cada...

- 2 segundos se suspende a un estudiante de la escuela pública.
- 8 segundos un estudiante de preparatoria abandona los estudios.
- 11 segundos se denuncia el maltrato o descuido de un niño.
- 15 segundos se arresta a un niño.
- 34 segundos un bebé nace en la pobreza.
- 1 minuto una adolescente da a luz a un bebé.
- 2 minutos un bebé nace con bajo peso (menos de 5.5 libras).
- 3 minutos una mamá que recibió atención prenatal muy tarde o no la recibió da a luz a un bebé.
- 17 minutos muere un bebé.
- 2 horas muere un niño por disparo de un arma de fuego.
- 2 horas un niño es víctima de homicidio.
- 4 horas un niño se suicida.
- 8 horas una persona menor de 25 años muere de la infección del VIH.
- 24 horas 4 niños mueren debido a maltrato.
- 24 horas 13,700 niños son víctimas de maltrato y descuido.