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Mexican Pile-On Dinner To Be Held To Benefit Stratford Fire Dept. and Stratford Emt's

There is going to be a "Mexican Pile-On" Dinner-Sunday April 23rd at the Sherman County Barn from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free will donation.

This is a fundraiser for the Stratford Fire Department and Stratford EMT's

The Community would like to thank these wonderful people who give so much of their time and hard work.

If you would like to help in any way please contact Marty at 396-5373 and leave message.

Marisela Tapia Fund At First State Bank

Contributions for Medical Expenses has been set up for Marisela Tapia at The First State Bank of Stratford.

Prom pictures can be viewed at www.ioctaylorphoto.com

Weather Spotters To Be Re-scheduled

Weather Spotters that was cancelled due to the smoke from the fires north of Amarillo causing the closing of HWY 287. We apologize to anyone wishing to attend on Thursday, April 6, 2006. We will re-schedule as soon as possible. Thank you, Sherman County Emergency Management.

Aggie Muster To Be Held Friday, April 21st

The XIT A&M Club will hold Aggie Muster Friday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Bar H Steakhouse. A sirloin dinner will be served costing \$13. Please respond to Dean Hauser at 366-3260.

Volunteer Party To Be Held

Wednesday, April 26th, 2:00 p.m. at Coldwater Manor Dining Room. Please come and let all of THANK YOU for a job well done. Thank you, Janice Vaughn, Activity Director
JoAnn Cobos, Activity Director

WANTED

The Imagination Station is looking for items that relate to transportation - cars, planes, trains, or boats. We would like to borrow them for Week of the Young Child. Our theme is Transportation and would love to have anything to add to our display. Call Laurie Spurlock at 366-2772 or Gaynelle Riffe at 396-5303 to drop off you items. We will take items up until April 15th and will be done with all items on April 26th. Thanks for your help!



Golf Team Wins District Meet

The Varsity boy's golf team won the District Golf Meet on Monday and Tuesday, April 10 and 11th at Borger and will advance to Regional Golf Meet on Monday and Tuesday, April 24th and 25th. Shown from left, Coach Dusty Stewart, Brady Bell, Walter Spurlock, Scott Hudson, Landan Luna, and Robert Seawright. (Photo courtesy of Susie Spurlock).

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Animal Health Issues Committee

On behalf of the Sherman County Emergency Management Plan and Sherman County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension, we are seeking volunteers to serve on the Animal Health Issues Committee. This includes dealing with animal health issues before, during and after a disaster or crisis. With the recent wild fires this has become a priority of the Sherman County emergency Management Plan.

This committee will prepare for a plan of action to prepare for, respond to, and recover from in the event of a crisis or disaster. This committee will also be an "advisory" committee to help solve any animal-related problems.

If you would like to serve on this committee then please contact Sandy Williams the Coordinator at 806-753-7331 cell or Sherman Hammons at 806-366-2122 office.

Don't Mess With Texas

By Sherman Hammons

Sherman County 4-H Members will be picking up Trash at our Adopt-A-Highway sight, one mile southwest of Telxhoma on Hwy 54, on Saturday, April 22, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. For those that need a ride please meet at the Extension Office at 9:30 a.m. All 4-H members are encouraged to participate in this community service project, please contact Sherman Hammons for more information at 366-2122.

Meet the Candidates. Tuesday, May 2, 7:00

By Gaynelle Riffe

The Imagination Station will host a voter's forum for the candidates of both the City Council and the School Board Tuesday, May 2. Early voting begins May 1 with the Election held May 13. Karen Riffe, as moderator, will introduce each candidate and direct prepared questions and questions from the audience for each race's slate of candidates. The forum will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Know your candidates and vote!

Boys and Girls Track Advances to Regionals

The area track meet was held this past Wednesday, April 12th in Panhandle. The Varsity boys placed 5th with 56 points. Those qualifying for Regionals on April 28th and 29th are as follows: 800 M Run: Case Crabtree - 1st 2:03.16; 110 Hurdles: Craig Kautz - 1st - 15.50; 200 M Dash: Case Crabtree - 2nd - 22.53; 1600 M Relay: 2nd - 3:27.92 (Craig Kautz, Hunter Buckles, Nelson Rodriguez, Case Crabtree); Shot Put: Rudy Portillo - 2nd - 45'05.50" and Sandro Gomez - 4th - 42'08.25. Girls qualifying are Katelyn Reed, Krista Reta, Whitney Garza, Whitney Reese, Kristen Crabtree, Kelsey Stein, Sinead Everett, and Perla Rueda.

Stratford Area Foundation Annual Meeting to be Held

Stratford Area Foundation and J.B. and Esther Riffe Endowment Sherman/Texas Co. Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at The Imagination Station at 202 N. Main in Stratford. Presenting 2005 Projects are Goodwell, Ok-Boy Scouts & Community Center, Texhoma Iris Club-Welcome Center, Stratford-The Imagination Station, \$50,000 Stratford Area Foundation Challenge Grant and \$10,000 J.B. Riffe Endowment Challenge Grant. Refreshments will be served by SHS Home Ec. Department.

EARLY DEADLINE FOR STRATFORD STAR FOR APRIL 27THS EDITION. PHOTOS AND ADVERTISING NEED TO BE IN BY FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST AT 12 NOON. DUE TO REGIONAL GOLF MONDAY & TUESDAY

Rattlesnakes are out looking for water. BEWARE!!!!

Safe Place - April Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month

1. When we think of sexual violence, we normally picture women or young girls but this abuse is not restricted to female victims. A significant portion of sexual abuse victims are men and boys. In the state of Texas, 1 in every 20 men has been victimized in their lifetime. If you or someone you love has been victimized, know that free services and support are available. Contact Safe Place at 240-5127 or our 24-hour hotline 800-753-7553, April is Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

2. Sexual! assault is a violent crime—a crime of control. It is an act that stems from rage, aggression, entitlement, and the determination to take control of another person. Sexual assault happens to people you know and is perpetrated by people you know, 3 out of 4 sexual assaults are committed by a person known to the victim. Speak up and speak out against sexual assault in our community. Call Safe Place, at 249-5127 or 800-753-7553, the sexual assault hotline, 24 hours a day.

3. According to the University Of Texas School Of Social Work, 2 million Texans have been sexually assaulted in their lifetimes.

Most of the rapists are not sinister strangers in ski masks. They are friends, neighbors, co-workers and classmates. Most of these assaults do NOT occur in dark alleyways in big cities.

They happen in the victim's home or in the home of the assailant, in our own community and in communities just like ours.

Familiar surroundings do not provide security. Rape is NOT a big city problem. It is a social problem and it affects us all. April is Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. For more information about how to stop this problem in our community, contact your local Rape Crisis Center, Safe Place Inc., at 249-5127, you can remain anonymous.



SHS Valedictorian

Stratford High School is proud to announce the Valedictorian for the Class of 2006 is Allison Baskin. Allison completed four years of advanced studies with a cumulative weighted grade point average of 102.021. Allison is the daughter of Steve and Sandy Baskin and plans to attend Hardin Simmons University to pursue a degree in biology as a pre-requisite for a career in physical therapy.

SHS Salutatorian

Jordan Taylor is the Salutatorian for the Class of 2006. Jordan also selected for himself the advanced studies offered by Stratford High School and completed his work with a weighted grade point average of 101.318. Jordan is the son of Joe and Cathy Taylor. He plans to attend Texas Christian University.

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Mayor Signs Proclamation

Mayor David Brown is shown above signing a proclamation proclaiming April as Stratford's Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. Shown with Mayor Brown is CASA Board Member Jim Ferguson.

Complete proclamation on page 5

STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Announces

Board Member Reception

May 7th, Sunday, at 2:00 p.m. til 3:00 p.m.

Coldwater Manor Board Room

Those leaving are Ronnie Brooks and Larry Drake. New Board Members are Kathy Allen, LaRayne Donelson and Kenton Kimball

STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT TO HOST RECEPTION

"The Stratford Hospital District will host a reception at Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility on Sunday, May 7, 2006 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The reception will be to honor the outgoing board members, Ronnie Brooks and Larry Drake, and to welcome new board members LeRayne Donelson and Kathy Allen

Hospital District Board President, Wayne Smith stated; "The District will miss the services of Ronnie Brooks and Larry Drake. This community owes both of these gentlemen a debt of gratitude for their honorable and faithful service. Ronnie and Larry both gave their all in the improvement and betterment of the services provided to our patrons. We hope the entire community will come and wish them well".

The District will also be welcoming it's newest members Kathy Allen and LeRayne Donelson. Smith stated that "both of these ladies bring a wealth of knowledge and compassion to the board room. I know the rest of the board joins me in welcoming them aboard. Kenton Kimball will also be serving his first full term on the board. He was appointed to the board last year to fill the unexpired term of Shannon Taliaferro. We are glad Kenton agreed to stay for a full term".



ELK TALES
By Lynda Hauser

Mrs. Glass has some interesting tidbits from her classes. Anatomy students have been taking heart rates and creating experiments to manipulate the increase and decrease in rate. They've done such things as jumping jacks, consciously controlling breathing, placing hands in the ice bath in the Athletic Dept., and also placing their hands in an unknown solution while blindfolded. Little suggestions like, "Don't worry, I'll give you something to wipe off the blood when you're through" helped to increase heart rates!

Biology students have been working on an internet web quest learning about each body system and its functions. This is in preparation for the TAKS.

The Environmental Science students have been working hard reviewing for the TAKS. They have been going through old tests for their review.

Mrs. Glass says she's so proud of all her kids with the hard work they have done for the TAKS. It's not any fun for them, but they realize how important it is, and they've really put forth extreme effort in this endeavor.

Mrs. Everett says: 10th and 11th TAKS test! PRAY!!

Miss Judd's fourth graders have been studying ecosystems and habitats in Science, and each student has picked an animal to research. Each student is making a model of their animal's habitat. We are also writing students from another Texas school and we have enjoyed receiving responses to our letters.

Several third grade students in Mrs. Duke's class recently received their cursive writers' licenses. Third grade students take a handwriting test to exhibit their cursive writing skills. If the student has mastered these skills, he receives a cursive writer's license from the TX Department of Handwriting at Mary Allen. The writer's license verifies a student's cursive writing success. Congratulations cursive writers!

Mary Allen had their Easter egg hunt and party on Thursday April 13. The fourth grade classes hid the eggs for the younger grades. Also Parent's Day will be on April 28 and the parents can join their children all day at school.

The eighth grade English classes have had the opportunity to write letters to Streaky Bay, Australia, Stratford's sister city. The students have done an excellent job of telling about themselves and Stratford, and we are hoping to hear back from them before school is out.

TAKS tests are being given all this week. We will all be glad when that's behind us!

Do You Want A Booster Line?

If you would like to buy a booster line or Advertisement for the Football Book please call Jessica Wheeler at 366-3324.

Toilet Paper Rolls Needed

Toilet paper rolls are needed for Week of the Young child. Please drop off empty rolls at 1301 Division-just put on porch. Thank you for your help.

Major Livestock Shows
By Sherman Hammons

These first three months of 2006 has been busy for all exhibitors of the Major Livestock Shows, On behalf of Jackie Burkhalter and myself, we would like to express our congratulation to FFA and 4-H members and their families that took part in the Major Livestock Show, it has been a successful year for exhibitors in Steers, Swine, Heifers and Scrambler Heifers. We would like to recognize the following students that placed in each show.

With the hot, humid days, San Antonio was a great show for Sherman County exhibitors. San Antonio market swine placing 4th was Danton Sutterfield, 5th went to Jenny Spurlock, Walter Spurlock and Kaleb Horsford both places 8th. This ones down and off to San Angelo one week later with Jacob Edmond placing 3rd with his market swine. We are all getting tired so, let's take a break!!

Well Houston steer exhibitors spent their Spring Break working hard showing. Case Crabtree stood 7th place with his market steer. Followed by market swine a week later, Scott Hudson took 9th place and Caleb Brown finished 10th.

With market animals finished up, we bring the pretty scrambler heifers and breeding heifers in. If YOU have not seen these kids line up and case down a calf you might want to ask one of these exhibitors how their experience was Pete Dahl and Derek Blain of Texhoma returned with their Herefords. Derek stood second in scrambler heifers followed by Pete in 3rd. Kaleb Horsford returned with his Maine Anjou which took 7th place. Following all the hard work and determination these exhibitors were joined by family, other exhibitors and Rodeo Announcer Bob Tallman in an awards Banquet. Derek received a glass trophy for winning 2nd place.

Concluding with breeding heifers, which all four exhibitors from Texhoma were in one class. Pete Dahl placing 7th, Ryan Dahl placing 9th. Katelyn Blain placing 12th followed by Derek Blain placing 15th.

We also had other exhibitors who competed in these shows. They did not walk away with a blue ribbon, but they are blue ribbon winners to us. They represented themselves, their families FFA and 4-H to their best ability. Congratulations to all of you exhibitors,

Local Scholarship Deadline

By Misti McBryde

There are two remaining local scholarship opportunities available for Stratford High School seniors. The following applications are due to Misti McBryde in the counselor's office no later than Tuesday, April 25th:

- Clint Adams Memorial** - application, short essay and resume.
- Earl and Conrad Riffe Memorial** - letter addressing future plans and goals, resume.

For more information, contact the counselor's office at 366-3322.

If man could be crossed with the cat it would improve man, but it would deteriorate the cat.
—Mark Twain

SHERMAN COUNTY 4-H FASHION SHOW HELD
By Susie Spurlock

Five Sherman County 4-H clothing project members competed in the county 4-H Fashion Show held April 6th in Stratford.

Participants were Mary Ann Spurlock, Desinya Garza, Jacie Seward, Landry Davis, and Jennie Spurlock.

The Fashion Show teaches youth self confidence in modeling, clothing construction and care skills, buying skills, textiles, fibers, and fabrics, and self-expression through clothing. Connie Burton, Cindy Russell, Reyna Everett, Jean Everett, Jeanie Bennet, and Jennie Spurlock served as volunteer leaders for the project assisted by project member's parents under the direction of the Texas Cooperative Extension.

Selected to represent Sherman County at the District 1 4-H Fashion Show to be held April 29 at Frank Phillips College in Borger. will be: Jennie Spurlock, Senior-Buying Casual Daywear; and Junior qualifiers Mary Ann Spurlock, Construction - Casual Daywear, Desinya Garza, Construction -Dressy Daywear, and Landry Davis, Construction-Specialty Wear. Jacie Seward was alternate winner in the Junior Construction-Specialty Wear. Best models at the county show were Desinya Garza, Junior and Jennie Spurlock, Senior. Judges for the Fashion Show were Jan and Jordan Meador of Dallam County.

Awards for the Fashion Show were provided by the Sherman County 4-H Parent-Leaders Association and the Sherman County Family and Community Education Council.

Lunch and Learn Meeting April 20
By Susie Spurlock

Lunch and Learn TEEA will meet Thursday, April 20 at 12 noon in the educational room of the County Extension Office. The program will be "Cooking for One or Two". All members are invited and guests are welcome also.

Lunch will be served at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Interested participants are asked to call the Extension Office at 366-2122 by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 18th so that adequate preparations can be made.

Educational programs conducted by the Sherman County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

Dinner Cruise on "The Imagination" Saturday, April 22
By Gaynelle Riffe

"The Imagination" Cruise Ship will set sail on a dinner Cruise, Saturday, April 22, 2006. The ship will embark from The Imagination Station Pier at 202 N. Main, promptly at 7:00 p.m. with the Captain's Reception followed by dinner and entertainment. The special cruise is preceding the upcoming April 25 & 27, Week of the Young Child Exhibit on "Transportation"; cars, remembering the 50 years of the Interstate System; trains; planes and of course, ships. The dinner seating is for 40 persons at \$25.00 per person. Reservations can be made with the steward, 6ayl Hording 366-2206.



Bake Sale Held to Benefit Relay for Life

A bake sale was held at First State Bank of Stratford on Friday, April 14, 2006 to benefit Relay for Life. It was reported it was very successful and the goodies were delicious for Easter Dinner. Shown above taking care of their Easter Baking were Tom Wagner and Shawn Meidinger.

Remember to come eat Mexican Pile-on Sunday, April 23rd from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

County Barn-Community fundraiser to benefit Stratford EMT's and Stratford Fire Department

Week of the Young Child

The Imagination Station is having a two-day event on Transportation to celebrate Week of the Young Child. Event days are April 25th (cars and airplanes) and 27th (boats and trains). We will be doing crafts and learning all about transportation. Any child 3 years old and older is welcome to attend. Please call 366-2772 for reservations or with any questions.

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3. To my friends who believe in me.
4. To my wonderful husband and family.
5. To the Stratford Star.
6. To the people who worked all day at the polls.

And I would like to thank God for reminding me that:
Sometimes the journey is just as important as the Destination.

Cindy Jackson

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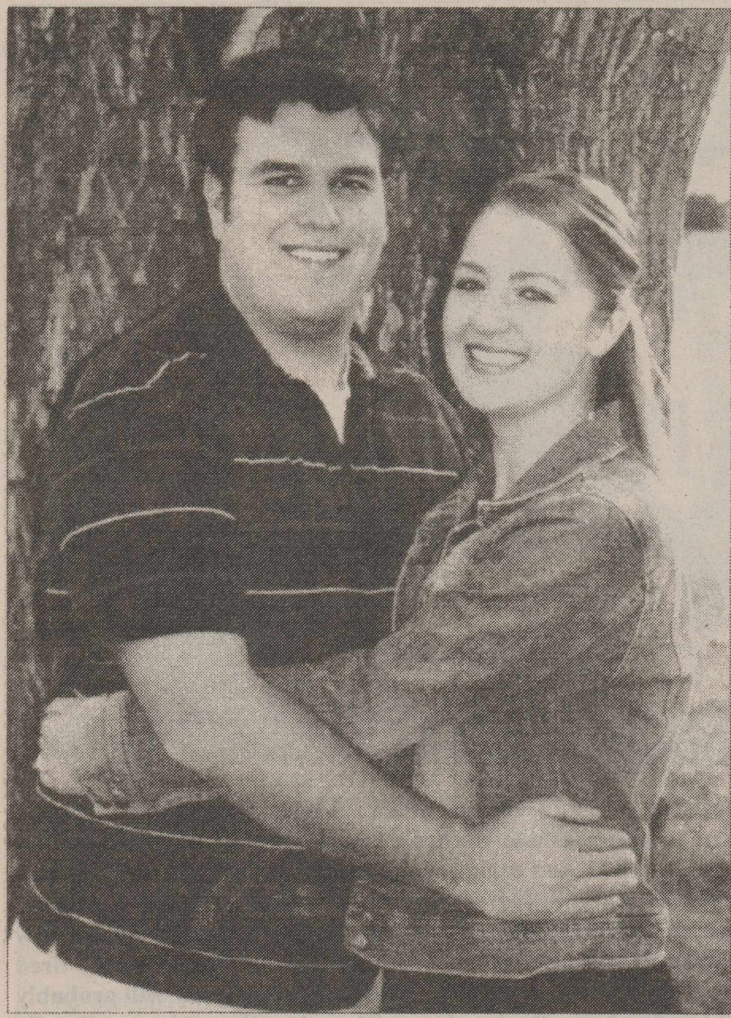
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The Reason Why I Relay

By Stacy Metcalf

I bet if you asked every Relay for Life participant why they relay, you would probably get a different personal story every time. We do, however, all relay for the same ultimate goal. We pray that Relay will give hope to others and cancer will someday be a thing of the past. We love fighting for a cure in hopes that no one will ever have to hear those terrible words, "You have cancer."

My sister-in-law, Angela Clay, heard those exact words in 2000. Angela was a nurse and mother in her 30's and in otherwise perfect health. For those who know Angela, it was extremely difficult to believe that this vivacious, young woman could have such a dreadful disease. Cancer is such a non-discriminating disease - it doesn't care if you're young, old, rich, or poor. One out of every 3 people will be told that they have cancer. Angela has now been cancer free for 6 years. She attended Sherman County's Relay last year and has coordinated Carson County's Relay.

In 2001, our family was dealt another blow. My dad called me on the phone one night to tell me that his PSA test was steadily climbing and the doctor felt that he likely had prostate cancer. I'll never forget the night he called and told me that he had the dreaded "C". That was what he called it. It was difficult for him to even say the word. Today, my dad is learning to live with cancer. He walked the survivor's lap at Sherman County's Relay for Life last year.

Relay give me a chance to honor people like my sister-in-law and my dad. Chances are, you know someone like my dad and sister-in-law. If you don't, stop for one minute and think what it would feel like to be that mother, sister, brother, or father who is fighting a battle with cancer. Please help do your part to eradicate this dreadful disease.

Long Term Care Insurance Program

By Susie Spurlock

Andy Crocker, Gerontology Health Specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension, will present "Long Term Care Insurance" to inform residents on what type of coverage this insurance policy offers, who benefits the most from the coverage, and is the policy right for you.

The program will be held Thursday, April 27, 2006 at SCOT Hall in Stratford beginning at 1:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Susie Spurlock, Sherman County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences at 366-2122 or Lynn Wells, SCOT at 396-2011.

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Births

Jennifer and Ben Hangartner would like to announce the birth of their son Kingston Jay. He was born March 6 in Plano, TX. He weighed 6 lbs. 15 ounces and was 19 and 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Keith and Tami King of Stratford. Paternal grandparents are Jay and Julie Hangartner of Frisco, TX.

Boys Golf Team Advances To Regionals

The Varsity boys and girl's golf teams and J.V. boys competed at the District Golf Meet held in Borger on Monday, April 10 and Tuesday, April 12th.

The Varsity boys won the District meet with a two-day score of 677. Sunray followed with 685 and Quanah was third with 713. Individual scores: Walter Spurlock - 78-85; Scott Hudson - 87-97; Robert Seawright - 80-78; Landan Luna - 88-92 and Brady Bell - 85-92. Robert was 4th place individual and Walter finished 5th place individual. They will compete at the Regional golf meet April 24 & 25th.

The J.V. boys individual scores as follows: Eric Riffe - 103-97; Andrew Correll - 102-96; Connor Vincent - 101-107; Josh Lanning - 103-98; Brant Cummings - 110-104.

The Varsity girls placed 5th as a team and individual results as follows: Merilee McDaniel - 104-108; Jordan Confer - 112-100; Kelsey Stein - 107-108; and Whitney Garza - 109-112.



Marriage Announced

Monique Newell and Jeb Brotherton were married March 11, 2006 at the First United Methodist church in Canyon, with Rev. Clark Williams officiating. Ring bearers were Kyler Brotherton and Brady Brotherton, nephews of the groom. Matt and Cody Brotherton, brothers of the groom, were ushers. Monique is the daughter of Mark Newell of Canyon and Jeb is the son of Richie and Linda Sue Brotherton of Stratford. They will reside in Canyon, Jeb is employed at Bell Helicopter and Monique is a homemaker continuing her education.

Want to go on a Dinner Cruise?

The Imagination Station invites you to a Dinner Cruise to open their Week of the Young Child, Transportation Exhibit, April 22. The Transportation Exhibit will celebrate fifty years of the Interstate Highway System. The exhibit will be featuring all modes of transportation: planes, trains, automobiles and ships.



Some people keep hedgehogs as pets to get rid of insects and other house pests.

Engagement Announced

Boyd and Shelly Mauldin of Amarillo, TX and Jim and Janel Hand of Stratford and Donnie and Shirley Morrow of Canadian, TX announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Lindsey Nicole Mauldin of Lubbock and Matt Keith Morrow of Lubbock, TX. The couple will exchange vows on May 20, 2006 at Sunset church of Christ in Lubbock, TX. The Bride to be graduated from Randall High School & attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Christ in Action, The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, The National Dean's List, The National Student Speech-Language and Hearing Association and the President's list. The groom to be graduated from Canadian High School, attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Christ In Action, The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Phi Alpha Theta, Phi Kappa Phi, The President's List.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

It's a girl for Randy and Lisa Irlbeck of Irving I Magdalena Colette was born April 13, 2006, 4:55 a.m. She weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches.

Mag was welcomed by two sisters, Mary, Ann and three brothers, Gilbert, Peter, and Theodore.

Grandparents are Ted and Joyce Irlbeck of Kerrick Brenda Taylor, Littleton, Co. was at Kerrick over the weekend.

Barbara Schoonover recently west to market in Dallas with the "girls" from Let's Get Acquainted.

Hunter & Noah Schoonover, Folsom* N, M. spent Easter vacation with their grandparents, Terry & Barbara.

Rett Schoonover celebrated his tenth birthday Saturday with all his cousins present. Hot dogs, cake and ice cream were enjoyed (In spite of the wind & dirt). Rett is the son of Brady & Trisha and brother of Reed & Reese.

Present were Roxan & Cody Bowman, Ashley, Caitlan Archie, Taylor, Sydney, all of Balingier; Kendra & Bryan Mungia. Justin, Madison, of Stratford; Hunter & Noah of Folsom, N. M.

Also grandparents Sandy & Ellen Tillery, Terry & Barbara Schoonover, And Kenna & Dempsey Collums, Gloria & Charlie Hernandez.

Bill & Pat Boren, Leo & Elaine Home took a trip to Kenton Sunday. They mainly went to see

Picture Canyon and found it to now be a 4 mile walk and a state controlled area! Mercy!

Easter slipped up on Kerrick! Plans call for a Mother's Day dinner.

Free Gardening Class to be Offered

North Plains Water Conservation District (NPWD) is offering a free "Water Wise" Gardening and Drip Irrigation for Homeowners Class on April 22 at the NPWD offices at 603 East 1st Street in Dumas. Participants will learn how to have beautiful landscapes that require less water and are suited to the panhandle climate. The class will be form 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon and participants will receive free materials and software. Contact Rhonda Artho at 806-935-6401 or atartho@npwd.org to sign up.

Health

(NU) - Stressful situations and events can put anyone in a bad mood. But when you find that you are angry on a daily basis, it's time to do something about it. Some supplements, such as Vital StressX, are specifically designed to help the body cope with stress. Vital StressX from Cyberwize.com contains a unique combination of seven of the most researched "adaptogens." This combination of herbs regulates cortisol and helps the body's natural defenses fight against external and internal elements that can contribute to anger. To learn more, call (800) 320-8807 or visit www.vitalstressx.com.

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First Christian

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5th & Main
Sunday School 9:45 am (nursery)
Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
No Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wed. : Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m.,
CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.

First United Methodist

Rev. Gene Weinette
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
St. Joseph Catholic
Rev. Dr. Johnson, Reiki Master
6th & Pearl
Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass, or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-5th Grade, Wed. afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Ernie Maiwald
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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
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Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist

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Sun.—Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Adult Choir Practice - 6:00
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As proof He accepted Christ's sacrifice for sin. "God raised Him up again" (Acts 2:24). Christ "humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore also God Highly exalted Him" (Philippians 2:8-9). Christ was exalted by being raised from the dead. He then ascended into heaven. The disciples saw Him. "He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9). Where did Christ go? "When He had made purification of sins. He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high" (Hebrews 1:3). Jesus Christ sat on the throne of heaven so that "every knee should bow...and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" (Philippians 2:10-11).

This truly is the Good News. Jesus Christ is risen and He is now reigning as Lord. You become a true Christian if "you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead" (Romans 10:9).

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Sherman County Child Welfare Board Meets

Shown above are Sherman County Child Welfare Board members at their meeting on Monday, April 10th at Sherman County Courthouse. Standing l to r are Patsy Harland, Ernie Maiwald, Belinda Hamilton and Investigator Danny. Seated are Kathie Altman, Paula Everett and Jessie Resendes.

EARLY DEADLINE FOR STRATFORD STAR FOR APRIL 27THS EDITION. PHOTOS AND ADVERTISING NEED TO BE IN BY FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST AT 12 NOON. DUE TO REGIONAL GOLF MONDAY & TUESDAY

They say the test of literary power is whether a man can write an inscription. I say, Can he name a kitten?
—Samuel Butler



Marisela Tapia is shown above. Several folks from Stratford went to visit over the weekend and she was so happy to see her little brother!! And other people from Stratford. She was excited to see Mrs. Judd. Her classmates at school sent her a cassette tape of each one saying a little something to her. They have now been in the hospital around 30 days. Her parents are very tired but really excited to see how well she is doing. They will probably get to come home Wednesday or Thursday. We wish you all well.



Modeling Pajama Bottoms

Modeling pajama bottoms they made in their 4-H Clothing group at the County 4-H Fashion Show were Jacie Seward, Desinya Garza, Mary Ann Spurlock, and Landry Davis.



County Fashion Show

Junior 4-H members participating in the County Fashion Show were Mary Ann Spurlock, Jacie Seward, Desinya Garza, and Landry Davis. The 4-H members collected items to be shared with Marisela Tapia as a community service project. Also participating in the County Fashion Show was Jennie Spurlock.

New York Times Best Sellers @ Your Library

By Sandy Baskin, Librarian Fiction

1. Two Little Girls in Blue by Mary Higgins Clark
2. Gone by Jonathan Kellerman
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Non-Fiction

1. Marley & Me by John Grogan
2. The World Is Flat by Thomas L. Friedman
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4. Manhunt by James L. Swanson
5. Laura Bush by Ronald Kessler
6. You're Wearing That? by Deborah Tannen
7. Team of Rivals by Doris Kearns Goodwin
8. Teacher Man by Frank McCourt

To check the availability of these items go to

Next click on "Search the catalog" and search Sherman County Library. Call 366-2200

and we will be happy to place a hold on the item for you.

"Shoo Fly" Don't Bother Me!

By Sherman Hammons

Are you being bothered by these little nuisance flies in your home? If so then you might have a fly problem. Any small fly can cause problems in the house but these might include drain flies, fruit flies, fungus flies and mosquitoes. Let's address the one that is common right now, the drain fly. It comes from outside to reproduce indoors, yes in your drains! The first steps in controlling flies are to determine the species of the fly.

Drain flies are about 1/6 inches long, dark in color and very hairy. Here are a few more things to help you identify these flies. They are weak flyers and make irregular, hesitating flights to go only a few feet. You will find them on the side of walls, around windows, showers, sinks and toilets. They are most active in the evening time. The good news is they don't bite humans or animals, they are only a nuisance.

How can you control drain flies in your home? Here are some tips. Need to find and eliminate the source-this is areas that are moist or organic debris built up. Areas like toilets (if they are not frequently used) drains, condensation from water lines and ceramic floors where water could collect. There are three different types of control, which include, manual cleaning, chemical and insecticides. The most effective way is manual cleaning. Clean toilets, drain pipes, and traps to eliminate

any gelatinous, rotting, and organic matter. Use a stiff long handle brush, and scrub toilets, and drains. When finish rinse using boiling water. This will stop flies from the start by removing their food source. Note: There is no benefit from treating with chlorine bleach or ammonia.

The second and a "fix for right now" is chemicals. Chemical drain and toilet bowl cleaner's are effective, but that does not solve the problem. It is a quick fix until you can clean the drain. Note: Follow the label directions carefully for best results. Also, if you have a septic system, read product labels carefully to make sure it is compatible with your system. NEVER rinse drain with bleach after using a caustic drain cleaner.

The last control and least effective is insecticides. If the area has been cleaned then this is not necessary. Insecticides does not control adult flies. Also, aerosol sprays will temporarily control adult flies, but this is not the solution. ALWAYS read the label and follow directions and safety precaution.

For more information, please contact Sherman Hammons in the Sherman County office of Texas Cooperative Extension at 806-366-2122.

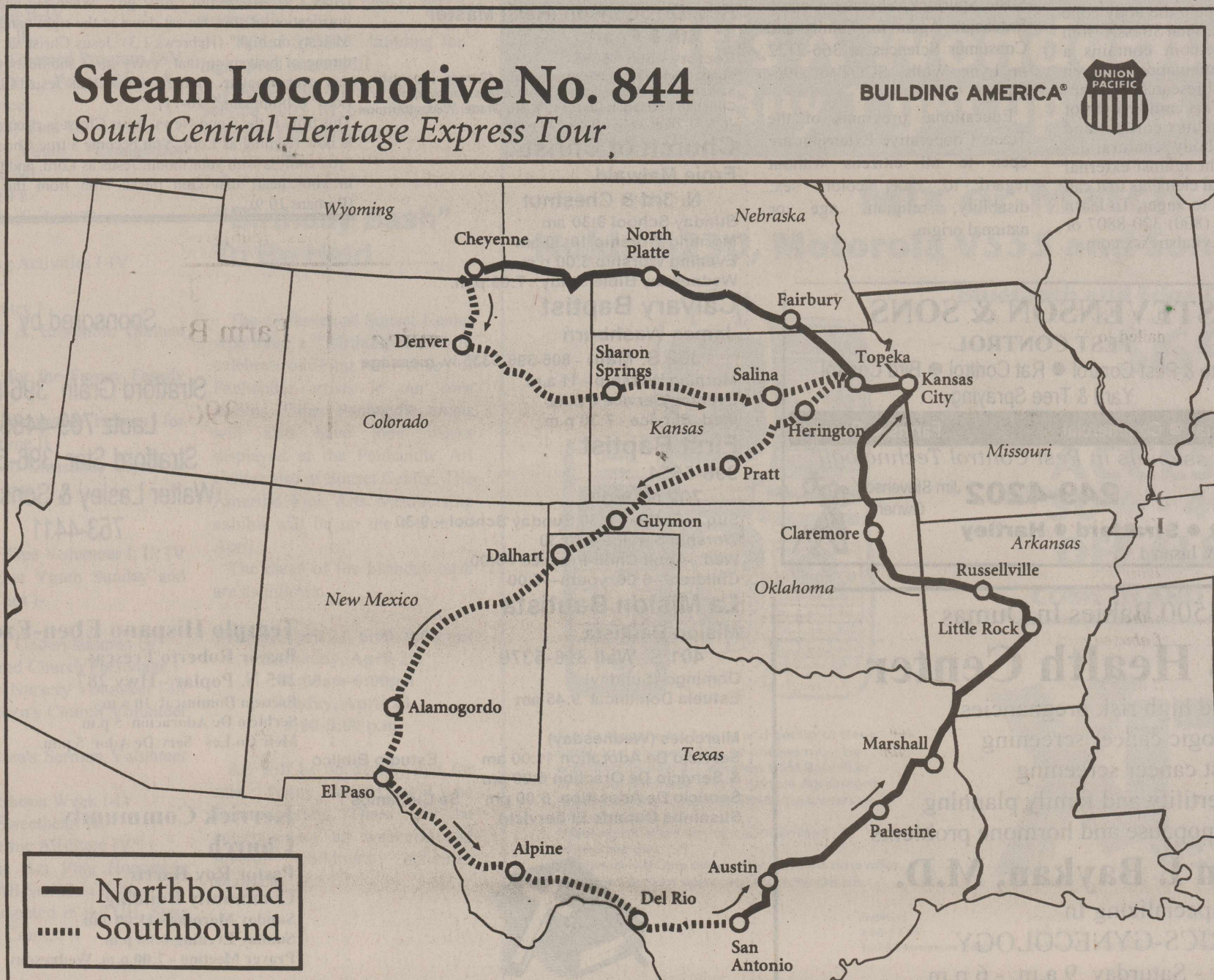
Chamber News

By Ann Wells

Union Pacific's Historic Steam Locomotive No. 844 to Visit South Central States on Heritage Tour

The Tour will take the locomotive to several locations for the first time

Omaha, NE, April 11, 2006-Union Pacific Railroad's historic steam locomotive, No. 844, will be on a 35-day, 10-state tour to celebrate the railroad's history and heritage. The *South Central States Heritage Express Tour* will begin on April 27 and No. 844 leaves Cheyenne, WY and travels to Denver, CO. The locomotive will make overnight stops and be on display, some towns. The steam locomotive will come through Guymon, Stratford and Dalhart on Saturday, May 6, 2006. A global positioning satellite is installed in one of the cars that is traveling with No. 844 and can be accessed at www.uprr.com Enter the word "Steam" in the search box for a shortcut to the map.





The Peasall Sisters will be at First Baptist Church on Sunday, April 23rd at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and hear these talented young ladies.

KACV-TV Spring Membership Drive

The completion of the KACV-TV Spring Membership Drive is scheduled for April 22-25. The on-air campaign will highlight KACV's newest local production, "Jim Wilson: A Place in My Heart", recorded at his sold-out February concert at the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts.

Due to the recent wildfires, the public television station rescheduled a portion of its membership campaign to assist in the fundraising efforts for the fire victims and agricultural losses.

"As a public service institution we felt it was the appropriate thing to do," said Missy Macon, Membership Coordinator. "We were already set up for a pledge drive, we just had to refocus our efforts. Now we are turning our focus back to our membership campaign."

During the pledge period, KACV asks viewers to make contributions to offset national and local programming costs and outreach services for preschool literacy. Contributors are eligible for special "thank you" gifts for their pledges.

"Jim Wilson: A Place in My Heart" will premiere Saturday, April 22 at 9:00 p.m. and will air again on Monday, April 24 at 8:30 p.m. Wilson will be in the KACV studios both evenings for interviews during the show and to autograph CDs and DVDs of the program. The DVD is exclusive to KACV. Other highlights include: "Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli: Amore Under the Desert Sky", "Barry Manilow: Music and Passion", "Andre Rieu: The Flying Dutchman", "Daniel O'Donnell: Songs of Faith", and "Antiques Roadshow".

Sponsors for the Membership Drive are the KACV Advisory Council and Josephine Anderson Charitable Trust. Kids Incorporated is also providing additional support for the drive.

Amarillo Coca-Cola Bottling Co. and Arctic Glacier are providing support during the drive, as well as Braum's and Schlotzsky's.

Licensed to Amarillo College, KACV broadcasts 24 hours a day on Channel 2 and is carried as Channel 3 on the cable system. The station serves the entire Texas Panhandle; area communities should check local listings for cable and translator channels.

For more information about the Drive, contact Macon at 371-5479 or the KACV website www.kacv.org.

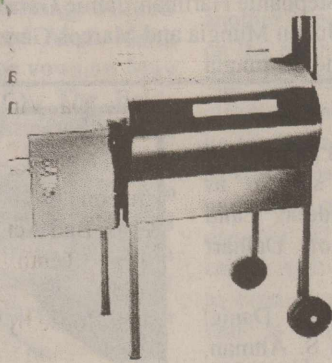
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF TEXAS-CITY OF STRATFORD

Whereas: The City of Stratford prides itself on giving back to the Community, contributing to the quality of life among our citizens, and
Whereas: The CASA 69, Inc., in association with the National Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Associates, speaks for the best interests of abused and neglected children who are involved in the juvenile courts; and
Whereas: More than 150 children in the Stratford area suffer from some form of abuse or neglect each year; and
Whereas: Through a national effort, Stratford community members are encouraged to join together to raise awareness throughout the month of April for those children fallen victim to abuse and neglect; and
Whereas: This effort will give abused and neglected children in our community, and around the country, a chance for a safe and positive future.
NOW, THEREFORE, I David Brown, Mayor of the City of Stratford, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim April 2006 as
Stratford's Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month
In this city, and in doing so, urge all citizens to join in a national effort to raise awareness and help prevent child abuse and neglect.
By David A. Brown Mayor of City of Stratford

Stratford Youth Baseball

Registration Night - Thursday, April 13th
Stratford H.S. Library
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Bring completed registration forms and fees to enroll in summer baseball.



Enter to win \$699 Traeger Grill
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Opening Night Ceremonies.

Top of Texas "Wildfire" Appreciation Benefit to be Held

Local Pampa Service clubs, business owners, and individuals have coordinated a free "appreciation" barbecue to all firefighters, emergency personnel, their families, as well as anyone who battled the recent wildfires that ravaged our Texas Panhandle.

The event will be held Saturday, April 22, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the MK Brown auditorium located at 1100 Coronado Drive, Pampa, Texas. Local entertainment, as well as a wildfire slide show will be the highlight of the evening.

The night will not end there. Stay and dance to the music of "Tommy Henson" from 9:00 p.m. until midnight in the Heritage Room. BYOB with set-ups available.

Donations will be accepted throughout the evening to raise money to defray costs suffered by local and volunteer fire departments.

Applications will be available to any fire departments wishing to apply for funds. For more information, please call Jacque Burklow at 665-6677 or Neil Fulton at 665-5121. Checks can be mailed to "Top of Texas Wildfire Benefit" at NBC Bank, 1224 N. Hobart, Pampa, Texas.

Honor Roll

Mary Allen Elementary
Honor Roll
5th Six Weeks

3rd Grade
Jordan Ruiz
Trevor Melton
Jacie Seward
Desinya Garza
Joseph Templeton
Madison Mungia
Magaly Guerrero
Vanessa Mendoza
Rett Schoonover
Landry Davis
Tyler Rouse
Bethany Everett
Makayla Gleaves

4th Grade
Mazie Vincent
Suzette Palma
Madeline Drake
Boston Hudson
Laura Torres
Angelita Gonzalez
Jacqueline Gonzalez
Tiffany Jimenez-Torres
Preston Burr
Nathan Bennett-Farris
Selina Terrazas,
Kathy Brooks
Janette Daniels
Ben Gilliland
Carlos Trejo
Sterling Audrain
Marisol Zamudio
Hunter Everett
Ricky Garay
Vanessa Pinon
Ellie Daniels
Mary Ann Spurlock

Teaming Up for the Fight

One in three Americans will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life gives everyone the opportunity to fight back and to make a difference in the battle against cancer.

Teams come from businesses, clubs, families, friends, hospitals, churches, schools, and service organizations. Be part of a Relay team and make a difference!

For more information about Relay For Life, complete and return this form to the address listed on the back side of this form. (Check all that apply below.)

YES! I want to participate in Relay.

- Learn more about forming a team
- Information on survivor activities
- Volunteer to help with the event
- Learn more about becoming a sponsor
- Make a donation (enclosed) of \$ _____
- Other _____

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone () _____
Email _____

Please make checks payable to the American Cancer Society.

Dogs believe they are human.
Cats believe they are God.
—Unknown

If a cat does something, we call it instinct; if we do the same thing, for the same reason, we call it intelligence.
—Will Cuppy

Light the way to a cure!

Give a gift to the American Cancer Society and keep the fire of hope burning with a luminaria in memory of someone lost to cancer, in honor of someone still fighting, or in special recognition of someone who has beaten this disease. Complete and return this form to the address below. (Note: To order more than one luminaria, please photocopy this form.)

Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____
which will light a luminaria during the luminaria ceremony at the American Cancer Society Relay For Life.
Date: _____ Time: _____
Sunset

In Honor of: _____
 In Memory of: _____

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone () _____
Email _____

Please make checks payable to the American Cancer Society.

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- Babysitter for the Farney Family I-I
- Decorated Homes for Christmastime II
- Played Christmas Carols at Nursing Home
- II
 - Angel Tree Volunteer I, II, IV
 - Sang at Youth Sunday and Youth Rallies I-
- III
 - Tutored Underclassmen IV
 - Repaired Church Parsonage I
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 - Academic All-State IV*
 - One Act Play Honorable Mention All-Star Cast II-III
 - Participated in the UIL State Marching Contest II

Voted: Class Favorite (I,III), Most Likely to Brighten Your Day (I), Best Attitude & Personality (II-III), Most Talented (IV), Most School Spirit (IV), and Most Outgoing (IV)

Jordan Taylor

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 - III (Team Captain, 2nd District, 4th Regionals)
 - IV (Team Captain, Experienced LD Champion, Friona tourney, 1st district, regional qualifier)
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 - II (sweepstakes, state marching contest qualifier)
 - III (I's in marching)
 - IV (Band President, 1st Chair Trumpet, area marching qualifier, sweepstakes)
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 - o Wired S.C.O.T. building for high speed internet III
 - o Played Taps for Memorial Day Service 2005 III
 - o Played in Veteran's Day Service I-IV

"Birthday Bash" To Be Held

The Galleries at Sunset Center will have a "Birthday Bash" to celebrate our First Anniversary of Panhandle artists in our own studios. Other Panhandle artists will also have their works displayed at the Panhandle Art Center also at Sunset Center. The Amarillo Fine Arts Membership exhibit will be up the month of April.

The dates of the birthday bash are as follows:

Friday, April 21, 6:00- 9:00 pm
Saturday, April 22, 10:00am-6:00pm
Sunday, April 23, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Art will be on display and for sale. Many artists will be demonstrating. There will be entertainment all weekend and several children's activities available.

Cards of Thanks

To the most wonderful people anywhere (The community of Stratford, Texas) Harriett and I want each person to know that we so deeply cherish the love, compassion, prayers, and efforts extended to give us comfort and support during the time of my illness. The breadth and depth of your love is absolutely magnificent. God's love is evident in your lives and how you express care for one another. This is what makes us so proud to call Stratford, Texas home. Please know all that you have done will forever be carried in our hearts and hopefully spread to others. God's blessings to you all.

Walter and Harriett Reed

On behalf of the Stratford Youth Basketball, I would like to say thank you to the following people. Our coaches this year were: 2-4 Grade Girls: Connie Bidy & Jolie Asher, Johnny Mungia & Rachelle Long, Desine Garza & Shanda Davis, Brent & Laurie Spurlock. 2-4 Grade Boys Coaches: Travis Melton & June Palmer, Coby & Cheryl Galla, Brenda Bell & Sheryl Allen, Ronna Riffe, Trisha Schoonover, & Dana Hess, Judd & Daina Butler. 5-6 Grade Girls: Judd & Daina Butler and Ernie Maiwald. 5-6 Grade Boys: Mark & Stephanie Hartman, Sean Hardman & Ruben Rendon, Blake & Jordan Confer. Thank you Desine Garza who set up the refereeing schedule. Those who helped were: Brenda Bell, Lynz McCracken, Scott Hudson, Coby & Cheryl Galla, Daina & Judd Butler, Shanda Davis, Desine Garza, Jolie Asher, Connie Bidy, Tim & Laurie Gilliland, Rachelle Long, Brent Spurlock, Nita Hudson, Merilee McDaniel, Shadley Audrain, Candie Bell, Harrison Walden, Katelin Reed, Sheryl Allen.

Also thank you to Chris Bell and Adam Bell who did a great job of Refereeing our 5th & 6th grade games. Johnny Hudson, Lance Horsford and Brenda Bell also helped referee the 5th & 6th grade games. Thanks to Daina Butler for taking care of the gym when I was gone. Thank you to Becky Asher for taking pictures and Connie Bidy for helping with that.

Thanks to all the parents for helping with the clock and keeping the book. And also for helping with clean up duties!

I would also like to thank Coach Hudson & Tim Gilliland for all your help!! Be sure if you see any of these people who volunteered their time, to say thank you. It takes all these volunteers to make this program a success. I hope I have not left anyone out, if I have I apologize, I appreciate everyone who helped out!!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Dinah Horsford for having everything in great shape and organized from the past years. You made my job a lot easier.

We played a total of 48 games with 117 kids participating. This is a great opportunity for all kids to learn the game of basketball. I would also like to thank the following people who helped out at our Coaches' game: Mark Keener, Johnny Mungia, Laurie Gilliland, Laurie Spurlock, Stephanie Hartman, Jamie Garza, Bryan Mungia, Kaylee Mungia, and coach Justin Mungia and Marcos Garza.

Thank, Kendra Mungia

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1. A resident of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman or Moore counties of Texas;
2. A "B" average or (80 or above);
3. A well rounded student with a good attitude.

There are no restrictions on the college or university to be attended by the recipient or the field of study to be entered by the recipient.

Applications are also available by calling the Dalhart Credit Office at (806)249-261 and should be returned to the office at 201 West 5th no later than Friday, April 28th.

Remember to come eat Mexican Pile-on Sunday, April 23rd from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. County Barn Community fundraiser to benefit Stratford EMT's and Stratford Fire Department

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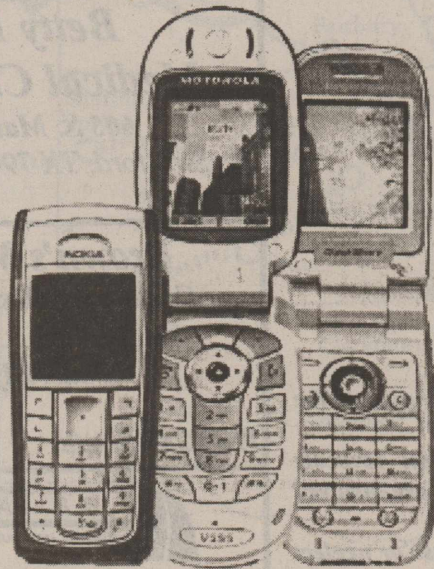
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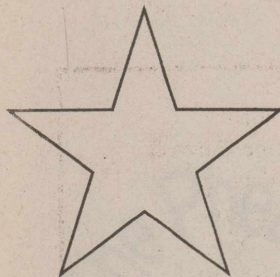
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4-20-c3x

Stratford Family Medical Clinic has opening for FT, RN or LVN Basic, as well as advanced trauma care in a rural health care setting. Contact Judy at 396-5583.
5-4-c3x

Wanted to Buy

Wanted to buy-Ford 428 and 427 Irrigation Engines Call 1-785-726-3288.
5-18-c

Wanted

Wanted to Rent: Minimum 3 years, 3 bedroom home, 2 children & 2 pets. Will pay well for clean and good repair. Call 366-3606 or 396-5334.
5-12-p

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To report Suspected Child Abuse, call

Kathie Altman-366-5611
Paula Everett-966-5445
Ken Forthman-366-2586
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Belinda Hamilton-827-7728
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Houses for Sale

For Sale by Owner: 915 N. Maple. 1404 sq. ft. 3 bdrms. or 2 big bdrms. & office, 1 bath. Large utility. Large fenced backyard with storage bldg. 366-2576 or 366-3575.
4-20-c4x

REDUCED: 3 Bdrm Brick, 2 baths on large corner lot. 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Located in Casa Bonita Addition. Call 366-2153 for appointment.
10-21-tfn

House for Sale at 1209 Division St. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nice neighborhood. Close to schools. Lg. Storage building in fenced backyard-attached garage. For more information call 934-3569 or 922-3569.
7-14-tfn

For Sale: 611 N. Chestnut, 3 Bdrm, 1 full bath-2 1/2 bath, CH/A detached garage, Big back Yard with storage building, close to school. Call 366-2401.
5-5-tfn

For Sale by Owner: 4/2/3 home on corner lot. Custom built in 1995. New carpet, 20 x 20 finished basement, fireplace, ceramic tile in entry, utility dining and kitchen, sprinkler system, open floor plan, Approx. 3200 total sq. ft. Call 806-934-3381 evenings or leave a message.
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NEW LISTING! Home with lots of storage, built-ins and well maintained! Gas top '00, central heat & air, fireplace, dishwasher, sink, faucet and garbage disposal replaced in '03, roof, '98, also H/A. Covered patio. 10x12 yard barn.
\$85,000

EASY TO ENJOY! This corner lot home comes with 3 bedrooms, 1.75 bath and chain link fence. Great family home. Call today to setup an appointment. **\$40,900**

SHOP IN BACKYARD! Nice 3 bdrm., 2 bath with 1 car detached garage.
Reduced to \$43,000

CORNER LOT! This 4 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath home has had C/H&A, sewer lines, and gas line recently replaced.
\$55,000

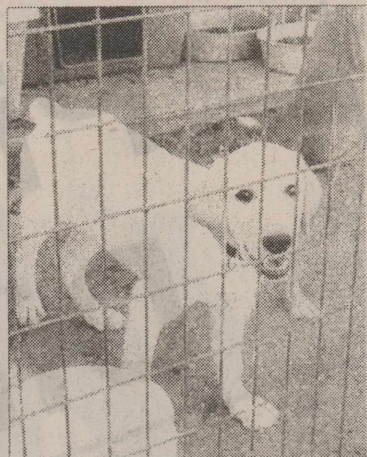
VERY NICE 3 bdrm., brick Austin Stone house on corner lot with side garage entry. Has flip-out Thermo pane windows, storm cellar, storage building with large fenced backyard, fireplace and large kitchen.
\$65,000

House for sale at 516 N. Chestnut-to be moved (para mover) Call 396-5304 or 753-6294-Se Habla Espanol
4-27-c2x

Home

(NU) - Forget the walk-in closet and the master bath; the morning bar is one of the hottest new home amenities. The typical morning bar includes a sink, small refrigerator, small dishwasher and counter for small appliances. One of the strategies to create a morning bar is to start with the faucet and sink. "The more popular faucet designs for morning bars are those with an elegant, traditional feel that enhance a refined decorating style," said Margie Rowe, senior target market manager for ShowHouse by Moen. For information, visit www.showhouse.moen.com or call (800) BUY-MOEN.

Pet of The Week



The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter needs your old blankets, towels, & rugs for the dogs and puppies. If you have any that you would like to provide them, please contact Linda Reimer at 244-6326 (leave message) or 249-5333. You can also drop them off at the shelter.

The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs and puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes and range in age from 4 weeks on up. The older dogs have been spayed and/or neutered & have their shots. These dogs need a good home.

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

Shown at right are some Wild Turkeys seen on Wednesday morning, April 12th near the railroad tracks, by the cemetery.

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO TAXPAYER

Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code Chapter 258, the Commissioners Court of Sherman County, Texas, Intends to consider the adoption of an official county road map.

The purpose of this action is to clarify the public verses private status of the existing rural road network. After adoption, the official county road map will serve as conclusive evidence of the public's right of access over roads shown on the map and of the county's authority to spend public money to maintain the roads included on the map.

The Commissioners Court of Sherman County will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 8, 2006 at 9:00 am in the Commissioner's Courtroom, at which a citizen has the right to protest the county's claim of a public interest in a road included on the map. A person may also file a written protest to the County Judge at any time prior to the public meeting.

The proposed official county road map will be available for viewing beginning April 7, 2006, during regular business hours at the Sherman County Courthouse.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered voters of the City of Stratford, Texas; (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Stratford, Texas;)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm on Saturday, May 13, 2006, for voting in a general election, to elect (1) Mayor and (2) Councilmembers for two-year terms and (1) Councilmember for a one-year unexpired term.

(Notifiquese, par las pretense, que las casillas electorales sitados, abajo se abiraran desde, las 7:00 a.m. hast alas 7:00 p.m. el 13th de Mayo, de 2006 para votar en la Election General para elegir (1) Mayor and (2) Council members two-year terms and (1) Council member/for a one-year term.

LOCATION) OF POLLING PLACES: DIRECCIONE(ES) DE LAW CASILLAS ELECTORALES):
Sherman County Courthouse
701 N. 3rd
Stratford, Texas 79084

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: (La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en):

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on (las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el) April 28, 2006

Issued this the 9th day of February, 2006 (emitada este dia 9th de February, 2006.

David A. Brown
Signature of mayor
(Firma del Alcalde)
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Sherman County Courthouse
701 N. 3rd
Stratford, Texas 79084
Between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
(Entre las 8 a.m. de la manafa y las 12 p.m. y 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.)
with the inclusion of early voting hours on May 4 and May 9 to be between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. beginning May 1, 2006 (de la tarde empezando el Mayo 1, 2006) and ending on May 9, 2006 (y terminado el Mayo 9, 2006).

Gina Jones
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votacion Adelantada)

Sherman County Courthouse. 701 N. Stratford, TX Address (Direction)

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Watch out for "Rattlesnakes, some have been killed in the city limits of Stratford.

Layered Cream Cheese-Sweet Potato Pie

- 1 Pillsbury Pet-Ritz frozen deep dish pie crust
- Cream Cheese Layer**
- 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, not softened
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon grated orange peel
- Sweet Potato Layer**
- 1 cup mashed, cooked sweet potatoes (about 1/2 lb. uncooked)
- 1/2 cup half-and-half
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon grated orange peel
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 egg

Place cookie sheet on oven rack. Heat oven to 350° F. In small bowl, beat cream cheese and sugar on low speed until well blended. Add egg; beat well. Stir in orange peel. Set aside.

Place sweet potatoes in food processor; cover and process until smooth. In large bowl, beat sweet potato layer ingredients with wire whisk. Spread cream cheese mixture in frozen pie crust. Carefully spoon sweet potato mixture over cream cheese mixture.

Bake on cookie sheet 50 to 60 minutes or until set and knife inserted near center comes out clean. Cool 30 minutes. Refrigerate until chilled, 3 to 4 hours. Store covered in refrigerator. 8 servings.

Tip: To prevent the layers from blending, do not soften the cream cheese prior to mixing. If preparing the recipe with the Pumpkin Spice Packet (included in Pet-Ritz pie crust packages during winter 2005), eliminate the spices and salt. Serve with sweetened whipped cream, if desired.

High Altitude (3500-6500 ft): Heat oven to 375° F.

One machine can do the work of fifty ordinary men. No machine can do the work of one extraordinary man.
—Elbert Hubbard

All work done mindfully rounds us out, helps complete us as persons.
—Marsha Sinetar

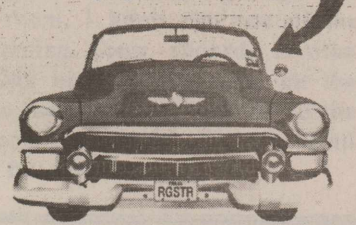
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benefit
Stratford Fire
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and Stratford
EMTs**

**Mexican
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Dinner**

**Sunday,
April 23rd**

**Sherman
County
Barn**

11:30 -2:00

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