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Stratford Hospital District Receives Matching Grant

Stratford Hospital District receives a matching grant from the Stratford Area Foundation for a Van to more economically transport 1 to 2 patients to Amarillo Physician appointments. This van will be handicap equipped. L/R: Stratford Area Foundation President, Walt Berry and Administrator Martha Mitts; Hospital District Administrator Debbie Beilue and President Wayne Smith.

Officer Promotions announced at Happy State Bank

J. Pat Hickman, Chairman & CEO of Happy State Bank, announced the promotion of three officers and election of one new officer at the bank's Annual Stockholders Meeting held April 5. Gary Hinders was promoted Senior Vice President and Senior Lender, Rick Reinart was promoted to Senior Vice President and Senior Lender, and Jason James was promoted to Senior Vice President. Melinda Cardwell was elected as a new officer for the bank.

Rick Reinart will now serve as Senior Vice President & Senior Lender. He attended West Texas State University graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business. Reinart is also a graduate of the Texas Tech School of Banking and the Southwest Graduate School of Banking at SMU. He has 21 years of banking experience, the last four years with the Happy bank, working out of the Dumas office. Reinart is involved in the Dumas

Noon Lions Club, volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and previously served as a Texas Representative on the American Bankers Association Ag Committee. He is a member of St. Thomas The Apostle Church. He and his wife, Connie, have six children, Marcus Reinart, Jenny Carter, Heather Carter, Tiffany Phelps, Holly Dillon, and Mark Carter and six grandchildren. Reinart is extensively involved in the farming and cattle industries.

About Happy State Bank

Happy State Bank is one of the Texas' fastest-growing financial institutions, serving individual consumers and local businesses in eight North Texas communities. Established in 1908, Happy State Bank now serves more than 20,693 customer's accounts. With banking locations in Happy, Canyon, five locations in Amarillo (3423 Soney, 3131 Bell, 5050 South Western, 500 Tascosa Road, and 203 West 8th), Stratford, Dalhart, Dumas, Panhandle, and Sunray. Happy State Bank prides itself in exemplary personal service - including 24 conveniently located ATM machines. Happy State Bank serves customers from more than eight Texas counties with a wide array of traditional personal banking services plus trust and mortgage services, X-Press Phone and On-Line Banking, and cutting-edge business banking services.

Early Deadline

The Stratford Star will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2006 for Memorial Day. Deadline for next week's issue is Friday-May 26th at 12 noon.

Relay for Life Luminaria Sacks

Remember, Relay for Life coming soon, please turn in your Luminaria sacks to Happy State Bank or Suzanne Trayler for processing.



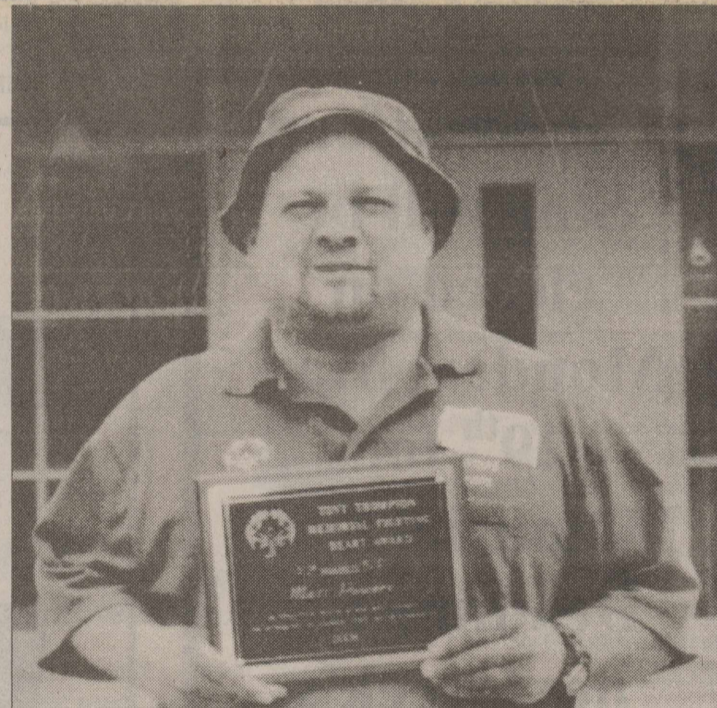
Disposal of Tree Limbs

The City of Stratford and Carter's Tree Service in partnership disposing of tree limbs. Carter's Tree Service trims trees and feeds the city's chopper reducing the handling of tree limbs at the landfill. The mulch is available to the public at the landfill.



Barnard Qualifies

Brooke Barnard, qualified for Texas High School Rodeo Finals to be held in Abilene, TX, June 10-17. She qualified in Goat Tying. To qualify for the Texas High School Rodeo Finals one must be in the top 10 in the Region. Brooke qualified to Tri-State High School Rodeo Finals to be held in Vernon, TX, June 2-4 and Qualified in Pole Bending and Goat Tying at Tri State Finals. Brooke is the daughter of Pat and Nita Barnard and sister of Bret. She will be a sophomore this coming school year at Stratford High School. Brooke would like to thank the following people for providing sponsorship: Wesley and Cindy Miller, Dan and Alicia Law, Joe Pete Flores-Farm Bureau Insurance Leonda Fedric, Dr. Mike Flores, Bill and Jeanne Bell, Bill Mires and her school friends. Good luck Brooke!



STRATFORD PATRIOTS REPRESENT STRATFORD AT AREA GAMES

Matt Powers was presented the "Tony Thompson Fighting Heart Award" at Area Spring Games in Boys Ranch on May 6th. This award is presented every year to an athlete who best exhibits the attributes of courage, spirit & determination. Area 16 consists of the entire Texas panhandle and hundreds of athletes. As always our athletes represented and Exhibited the qualities of true Olympian athletes. We are very proud of all of them.

Boys Ranch Area 16 Track Results:

- Relay—2nd Matt Powers
 Steven Kimbrell
 Danton Sutterfield
 Tyler Pickens
- Field Events—
 Seth Kimbrell 1st
 Steven Kimbrell 1st
 Linda McKinney 1st
 Tyler Pickens 5th
 Matt Powers 2nd
 Danton Sutterfield 4th
- Track Events—
 Steven Kimbrell 2nd
 Linda McKinney 3rd
 Tyler Pickens 3rd
 Matt Powers 2nd
 Danton Sutterfield 2nd

Stratford Patriots that were unable to attend were Wade Plunk & Brian Zinck.

Why I Relay

By Sue Hudson

When I was asked to write a few words about "Why I Relay", my first and almost immediate response was "No, I can't do that"....thinking, "I'm not a writer"! But after thinking about it, I knew I must attempt to answer "Why DO I Relay?" I need to answer that question in honor and in memory of my many family and friends who have been lost to the dreaded enemy, CANCER.

Cancer is no respecter of person...it knows no age, no gender, no social class. My dearest Uncle Pinky was diagnosed and died of brain cancer in his late 60s. One of my family's strongest, Aunt Hilma, died of cancer only a year ago at the age of 96... Aunt Billie at age 74. Many friends, Clois, Nancy, Wanda, Lynn, Judy, Mike....I could go on and on... have also died after a heroic effort to defeat their disease.

I "Relay" because of these people that I have loved and lost. They are the reason that I want the funding for cancer research.....to help those of us who are left to fight the disease. Cancer research has come so very far. The first chemo was such a shock to the body and caused severe side effects. Today's chemo seems to be less severe to most people. There are drugs for the nausea and many do not lose their hair. Today's chemo and

radiation together seem to have a success rate far superior to any treatment from the past.

Relay for Life is only one of the funding choices of The American Cancer Society. Through this activity, many dollars are raised for ACS. Using these dollars for research is one way that we can conquer this killer among us. The American Cancer Society also supports each cancer patient that needs help during their illness. Supplies can be obtained through ACS....wigs, hospital beds, wheel chairs, bedside toilets, pads, and many other necessary items required for individual personal care. This is how Sherman County residents can reap the harvest of dollars given during Relay for Life.

If you have not been personally affected by cancer, you will be. Think about someone near to you and imagine how you would want to help them. You can not defeat cancer alone, as you would a thief or robber. Join a team for Sherman County Relay for Life and together let us defeat this robber....the robber of life!!

Joyce McBryde and I are the Advocacy Chairmen of Relay for Life. Be thinking of "Why DO You Relay"??? During the event on June 2, we will be asking some of you this question. Do you relay in honor or memory of a loved one?? Do you have a message you would like American Cancer Society to receive?? Is there a question you have for your Legislators?? If you do, we will see that these messages and questions are sent to the appropriate designees.

These are the reasons that I RELAY??? Why DO you RELAY???

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

The Memorial Day Celebration will be hosted by the Chamber of Commerce on Monday May 29 at 10:00 AM. The 4-H Horse club will present the colors. We invite you to come and honor our veterans. Please BRING A LAWN CHAIR. Hope to see you at the Cemetery.



ELK TALES
By Lynda Hauser

Obits

JANIE ELIZABETH CLAYTON HARLAND

TEXHOMA, OK. — Janie Elizabeth Clayton Harland, 96, died Monday, May 15, 2006.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday May 18th, 2006 in Texhoma Church of Christ with Ron Eggleston, minister, officiating. Burial was in the Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

She was born July 26, 1909, to Tom and Jessie Widick Clayton two miles east of Texhoma on the family farm. She graduated from Texhoma High School in 1927 as valedictorian and attended PAI at Goodwell. Janie taught school five years, four of them in Texhoma. For more than a decade she was recognized by the Texhoma Alumni Association as their oldest member.

She married Edward H. Harland on July 26, 1932, and set up housekeeping 1/2 mile south of the Clayton farm. In 1939 after the loss of her father and brother, she and Ed bought their own farm two miles east and four miles north of Texhoma. They moved her mother in with them, and Jessie made her home with them until her death in 1959.

Janie was a homemaker during a time that required a lot of hard work before the era of fast foods and microwaves. She always cooked for her family as well as farm laborers during harvest times. She had milk cows on the farm which she continued to milk until she was almost 80 years old. A large garden was always in her summer projects which required watering and tending as well as the canning of the produce. Home-grown fried chicken was a

main part of many of the summertime meals that her family enjoyed after a hard day's work.

"Janie is living proof that hard work won't kill you," Jerry Harland said at her 90th birthday party.

Janie was an active member of Texhoma Church of Christ where she was a Bible scholar and teacher. She saw to it that not only did her family attend church but in her free time at home, she sent World Bible School correspondence courses to India and Africa. She furnished hundreds of Bibles to these students so they could know about Jesus and God.

After the passing of her husband in 1980 she did more traveling. She especially loved the trips she took with her daughters and grandchildren to historical points of interest. She was an avid genealogist and founding member of the Texhoma Historical and Genealogical Society. Besides being a major contributor to the "Panhandle Pioneer" 11 book series, she wrote seven family history books and one book of poetry.

One of her most outstanding honors was being named "Pioneer Day Queen" in 1994 and the second honor was having her family chosen as Oklahoma Panhandle State University's Family of the Year in 2000.

She was a founding member of Keenagers at Texhoma which gave her opportunity to use her love and keen skills for playing games. The domino game, forty-two, was her favorite.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Sam; her husband; and two grandchildren, Kendall Harland and Shilda Harland.

She is survived by four sons: Edward Lee, Kenneth and wife Carmen, and Fred and wife Claudia, all of Texhoma, and Ernest and wife Bonnie of Oxford, Miss.; four daughters, Janelle Eggleston and husband Evan and Lorraine Baird and husband Jim, all of Hooker, Loretta Farabee and husband Richard of Texhoma and Kathy Switzer and husband Larry of Stratford, Texas; 24 grandchildren; and 39 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to High Plains Children's Home in Amarillo or Mountain States Children's Home in Longmont, Colo.

The ESL classes' invitation to World War II Navajo Code Talker, Teddy Draper of Chile, Arizona has been accepted. Mr. Draper, who is now in his eighties, will travel with his granddaughter to Stratford to speak at the Nov 10 Veterans Day program at Stratford High. Originally, were only 400 Navajo Code Talkers in World War II. Time has greatly diminished that number. More information of the valuable work of the Code Talkers will be published as Veterans Day nears. The code, based on the Navajo language, was never broken, and the Code Talkers were pledged to silence for many years after the war in the event their services were needed again. They were finally honored with Congressional Medals of Honor by President Ronald Reagan.



Resendes Graduates

Sid Resendes son of Jesse and Elida Resendes, graduated Saturday, May 13th from Baylor University with a degree in health Sciences with a concentration in Pre-Medicine. He plans to either attend Medical School and SOME day be a Radiologist or continue his graduate studies and exercise Physiology.

Chamber News

By Ann Wells

The Circus is coming Sunday June 11. The 2 performances will be at 2:00 P M and 4:30 PM. The Chamber invites you to come out and enjoy the big top with animals, performances, pony rides and a camel ride.

Advance tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children. Tickets are available at Dairy Queen, Brooks Video, West Texas Gas and Chamber of Commerce Office 366-2260.

XIT TRAIL OF SALES PROMOTES RURAL TOURISM DALHART

Yard sales, flea markets and food will attract 100s of shoppers to the annual "XIT Trail of Sales" on June 3. But good deals are not all they'll find, said one Texas Cooperative Extension agent. A little tourism and history will be mixed in for bargain hunters who make their way along the 75-mile stretch of highway that follows the XIT Trail through Charming, Hartley, Dalhart and Texline, said Susie Breitling, Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Dallam and Hartley counties. The annual "XIT Trail of Sales" is sponsored by Extension and Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce. The outdoor shopping trip is designed to be fun, Breitling said. "We designed activities to foster rural tourism and commerce with a tip of the hat to bygone days once filled with a trail full of cowboys and cattle herds," Breitling said.

The string of sales from Charming via state Highway 385 to Hartley then via Highway 87 to Dalhart will bring visitors into the heart of XIT country. Texline will be the fourth and final stop, via state Highway 87 from Dalhart. For visitors from New Mexico, Colorado and Oklahoma, the trail will be reversed. Selling begins at 8 a.m. and runs through 5 p.m. Shoppers may start at any community involved. Locator maps, with sales sorted by address for each of the participating communities, will be available at the Charming

Mercantile in Channing; at 918 Contact Dean Rhodes at the 7th Street in Hartley; Prairie Dog Mercantile in Channing at (806) 235-3800; Jennifer Been in Junction in Dalhart; and the Oasis Convenience Store in Hartley at (806) 365-0042; Textline. Residents interested in Kristine Olsen at the Chamber office in Dalhart at (806) 244-\$10 fee to ensure a spot on the 5646; and Alicia Riley in Texline map and need to contact their community chairman to register. to participate with a sale site.

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR HOT DOGS AT STRATFORD GRAIN CO.

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Movies Beginning May 26

X-Men: The Last Stand
PG-13 Hugh Jackman Halle Berry

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The DaVinci Code
PG-13 Tom Hanks

Over the Hedge
PG Animated

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LOAN OFFICER

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

A birth announcement in the Dalhart Texan last week concerned some former Kerrick residents; Jolie Gwen Bowers was born March 21, 2006. She is the daughter of Jarrett & Jennifer Bowers. She weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Joe & Linda Zinser and Don & Gwen Bowers, Great grandparents are Nina Elms Harris, Mary Pat Bowers and Edna Heiskell,

Nina & Linda are former residents of Kerrick

Gladys Arnold and Marylou McDaniel attended Eastern Star in Dalhart May 18. A Memorial program was given by Cindy Echols of Lubbock. She is Arthritis/Diabetes Research Chairman of District 2. She was accompanied by her husband Tom.

Donna Baker and Cindy Stewart of Colorado City, CO. were in Kerrick over the weekend. They were preparing cemetery plots for Memorial Day.

Shelby McDaniel graduated eighth grade last week. Attending were Jo June, John and Nicholas.

Visiting Jo June Sunday were her brother Penny and Linda Whitson of Clayton,

Lavert & Tammy Avent of Kenton hosted a fish fry Sunday. The fish was brought by Dusty & Juan of Missouri. Also there were Steve & Jaree Elliott & Carly of Highland, OK. And Tyler & Mesion Avent and Brady, Trisha, Reed, Rett & Rese Schoonover,

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

PUBLIC RELEASE

Texhoma Independent School District NSLP Supplement

The Texhoma Elementary School at 4th and Denver in Texhoma, Texas announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. The program provides breakfast and lunch for the periods between June 5, 2006 and June 30, 2006. This program is free for all children between the ages of 1 and 18. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. No applications are necessary. However, we would appreciate notification the day before if you intend to eat breakfast and before 9:00 a.m. on the day you plan to eat lunch. This will help us prepare enough food for each meal. Meals will be provided at the elementary school cafeteria.

Schedule of Open Days

June 5 - June 9
June 12 - June 16
June 19 - June 23
June 26 - June 30

People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or political belief. Any one who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.



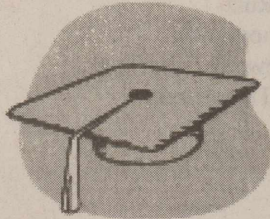
First State Bank hosted Graduation day rehearsal with its annual Party on Wednesday, May 17th. Shown above are some of the Seniors that were at the party. Shown at right are Tim Weldon and Calli Hamilton. Refreshments served were cake, sodas & bottled water. Several students won gift certificates to Subway, Dairy Queen and Bain Tire. First State Bank wishes to send Congratulations to all of our graduates of 2006! We are proud of you!!!!!!



CIGARETTES FOR ANTS

To make an all around insect spray, just place one cigarette in 1 quart of water and allow it to stand overnight. The nicotine that is released is a deadly poison. Place the mixture in a spray to kill ants, etc.

It's Graduation Time!



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Relay for Life June 2, 2006

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life "SADDLE UP FOR A CURE" FRIDAY, JUNE 2 ND 6:30 p.m.-??? Sam Bass Football Stadium, Stratford, TX Members of the committee shown at left are left to right: Walt Berry, Cindy Cummings, Desine Garza, Terri Teig, Laurie Gilliland, Suzanne Trayler, Stacy Metcalf, Nikie Berry and Melissa Maiwald.

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Animal Issues

Committee Meeting
Animal Issues Committee Meeting, June 1, 2006 at 7 p.m. Stratford Fire Station

A family is a unit composed not only of children but of men, women, an occasional animal, and the common cold.

—Ogden Nash

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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

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Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Ernie Maiwald
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., Adult

Calvary Baptist

James Washburn
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Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Adult Choir Practice - 6:00
Children—6:00, youth—7:00

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RESURRECTION FAITH

What makes a Christian? Is it being born in a Christian nation? Generally speaking, Muslims are born in Muslim nations. But where do we find an exclusively Christian nation. The United States is certainly not exclusively Christian. Our courts are gradually eradicating Christian symbols, prayers, and gatherings from public places such as our schools. So what does it mean to be a Christian? Just being born in America certainly does not make you a Christian. To really be called a Christian, you must be a follower of Jesus Christ. Now when I say this, I don't mean that you follow His teachings. That is included. But I also mean you follow the person called Jesus Christ. "But how in the world do I follow a dead man," you say. You don't follow a dead man. What makes Christianity distinct from every other religion on the face of the earth is the fact that Jesus Christ is not dead. He is very much alive. Yes, He was killed on a cross almost two thousand years ago. He rose again from the grave. He did so bodily. After His resurrection Jesus said to His disciples, "See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have" (Luke 24:39). Then Christ ascended bodily into heaven. From the exalted position of Lord and King, this same Jesus pours upon people like us the Holy Spirit. So Romans 10:9 defines a Christian person this way: "That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved." That is, you must have a faith in the bodily resurrection in your heart and you must dedicate your life to the service of Christ.

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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday



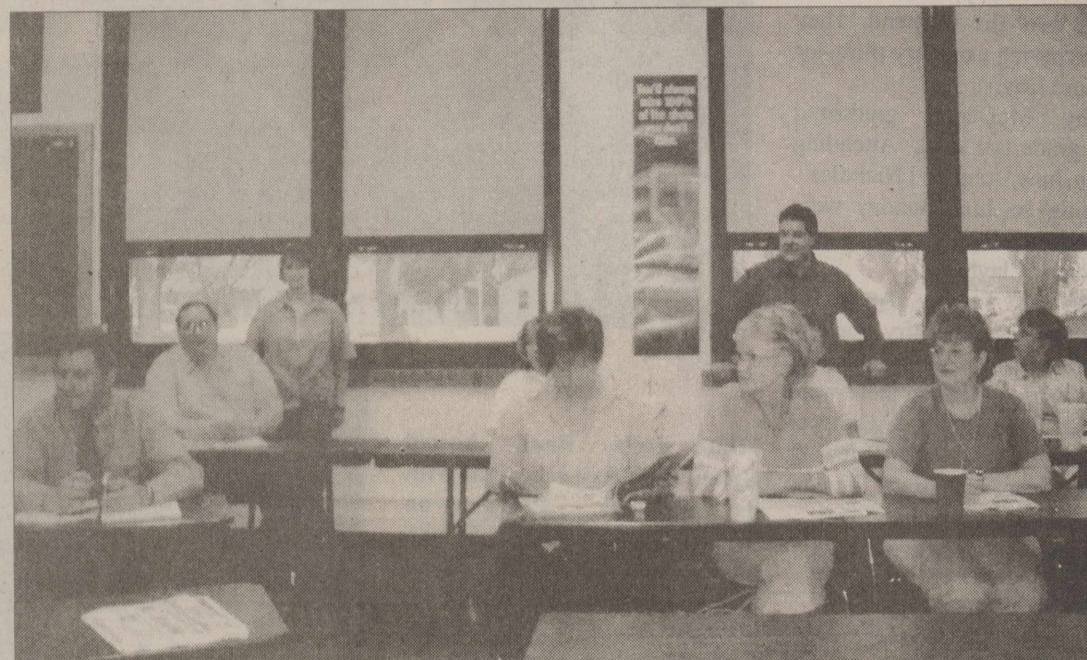
Stratford Fire Department members shown above left to right are Jack Gore, Jesse Mariscal, Sandy Williams, Danny Davis, Ernie Maiwald and Eddie Williams. They are wearing their Wildfire Gear that was made possible by Whips and Wheels held last fall.



Stratford Fire Dept. Purchases New Equipment

Money raised by the community supported Mexican Pile-On was used to purchase a mobile generator and lighting system for the Stratford Fire Department. This piece of equipment can be used for lighting and to operate electrical equipment at structure fires, car accidents and other emergency operations. Stratford Fire Department appreciates the support from the community and invites citizens to come by the station and check it out. Shown above are Fire Dept. members left to right Jack Gore, Sandy Williams, Jesse Mariscal, Danny Davis, Eddie Williams and Ernie Maiwald.

Shown at right are just a few of the folks that attended the Dispensing Unit meeting held recently at the Stratford High School. Shown in the background is David Dickerson- Public Information Officer for Region 1 Texas Department-State Health Services who presided over the meeting.



DUKE TIP HONORS LOCAL SEVENTH GRADERS FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

DURHAM, N.C. - Some of the most academically talented seventh graders in the U.S. will be recognized this spring for their exceptional scores on the ACT or SAT. Seven Stratford 7th graders received the honor of being allowed to participate in the Duke Talent Identification Program. These 7th graders took the ACT test in December alongside eligible high school students. Matt Correll and Heidi Brooks both scored high enough to receive State Recognition Honors based on their outstanding scores on the ACT test.

The Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) Recognition Ceremonies honor top-scoring students from the program's annual Seventh Grade Talent Search, in which academically talented students take the above-level college-entrance exams (SAT or ACT) as a way to learn more about their abilities. This year, of the 70,024 participants, 22,342 students (32%) have been invited to attend State Recognition Ceremonies and 1,234 students (1.8%) have been invited to the Grand Recognition Ceremony.

The Grand Recognition Ceremony honors seventh graders who have earned scores better than 85% of college-bound seniors who took the same tests. The event will be held May 22 at Cameron Indoor Stadium on the Duke University campus in Durham, NC. The keynote address will be given by Dr. Huntington F. Willard, Director of The Institute of Genome Sciences and Policy and Vice Chancellor of Genome Sciences at Duke University.

The State Recognition Ceremonies honor seventh graders who have earned scores above the average score of college bound seniors. Working with host academic institutions, Duke TIP sponsors 33 different State Ceremonies in its 16-state Talent Search region during the months of May and June. Speakers include university administrators and professors from the host institutions, state and government officials, and former Duke TIP students.

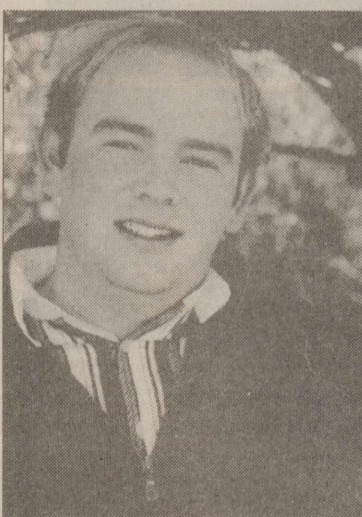
"The Recognition Ceremonies are inspiring events," says Martha Putallaz, Ph.D., Executive Director of Duke TIP. "It is rare that so many gifted students can come together to be honored for their achievements and encouraged by their intellectual peers. The honorees have proven, at this young age, their capacity for great things. We hope they consider their achievement to be an invitation to pursue an ambitious path in life."

Duke TIP's Talent Search identifies seventh-graders in sixteen states in the Southeast, Midwest, and Southwest who have scored in the top five percent on a grade-level achievement test. In addition to the above-level testing experience, Talent Search participants receive educational materials and resources through 10th grade to help them develop to their full potential. Based on SAT or ACT scores, students may also qualify to participate in Duke TIP's Summer Studies or e-Studies programs.

Duke TIP is a nonprofit, educational organization that identifies and helps cultivate the talents of academically gifted youth. Since 1980 over 1.4 million students from all parts of the world have participated in the program. The program is sustained by student fees and donations from individuals, corporations and foundations. For more information about Duke TIP's Talent Search or programs, call (919) 668-9100 or visit www.tip.duke.edu.

A business that makes nothing but money is a poor business. —Henry Ford

For more information about Stratford ISD Gifted and Talented Program, contact Jessica Wheeler at 366-3324.



Robert "Nathan" French

French Awarded Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship

First Ag Credit, PCS - Dalhart Credit Office recently awarded the Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship to Robert "Nathan" French. This is the 20th year the scholarship has been awarded to deserving graduating high school seniors. The \$1,000.00 scholarship is named in honor of Burke Bell who served as manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart from 1960 - 1982. Recipient was selected from the Association's territory of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore counties.

Mr. French is the son of Brian and Barbara French and the grandson of FAC member Nira French Gross. Mrs. Gross presented scholarship at THS Graduation on Friday, May 19th.

After graduation from Texline High School he plans to attend Angelo State University. His major will be Business and plans to pursue a career as a Real Estate Developer. While attending THS he has participated in the National Honor Society, Gifted & Talented, Student Council serving as Vice President his Senior year, yearbook staff, library and office aide, varsity basketball team manager and game announcer. He was named as Whose Who Among High School Student's Member National Honor.

Honor Roll

Mary Allen Elementary
Honor Roll
6th Six Weeks

- 3rd grade
- Carlos Castaneda
- Landry Davis
- Bethany Everrett
- Desinya Garza
- Makayla Gleaves
- Magaly Guerrero
- David Marquez
- David Marquez
- Trevor Melton
- Vanessa Mendoza
- Madison Mungia
- Tyler Rouse
- Jordan Ruiz
- Rett Schoonover
- Jacie Seward
- Joseph Templeton

Mary Allen Elementary
Honor Roll
6th Six Weeks

- 4th grade
- Daniel Acosta
- Sterling Audrain
- Nathan Bennett-Farris
- Kathy Brooks
- Preston Burr
- Ellie Daniels
- Janette Daniels
- Madeline Drake
- Hunter Everett
- Ricky Garay
- Ben Gilliland
- Angie Gonzalez
- Jacqueline Gonzalez
- Boston Hudson
- Erin Huggins
- Suzette Palma
- Vanessa Pinon
- Citlaly Soto
- Mary Ann Spurlock
- Selina Terrazas
- Laura Torres
- Carlos Trejo
- Mazie Vincent
- Marisol Zamudio

In the business world, everyone is paid in two coins: cash and experience. Take the experience first; the cash will come later. —Harold Geneen

Thornberry Reminds Producers of Wildfire Aid Application Deadline

(Amarillo) Producers in counties affected by the recent wildfires may be eligible for financial assistance through the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP). The deadline to apply for the cost-share program is May 31.

"One reason the fires in our area were so devastating is because thousands of miles of fences were burned. These funds can help restore those fences, but folks who are interested must apply before the deadline," Thornberry said.

ECP provides farmers and ranchers with emergency funds and technical assistance to rehabilitate ranches and farmland damaged by natural disasters. Producers should contact their county FSA offices for information about eligibility, conservation practices covered, and the amount of cost-share available.

Counties in the 13th Congressional District that are eligible for ECP assistance are: Carson, Collingsworth, Cooke, Donley, Gray, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Oldham, Potter, Roberts, and Wheeler.

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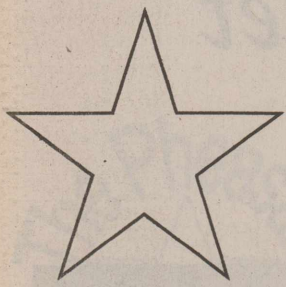
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Weight Watchers is coming to Stratford starting June 6th at Mary Allen Elementary School. For more information call Desine Garza at 753-6484.
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Used Tire Sale: Duncan Chevrolet-366-5557.
7-28-tfn

For Sale or Lease-212 N. Poplar-40' x 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585.
4-1-tfn

For Sale: 16 x 76, 3 Bdrm, 2 B, mobile home on corner lot. Call 396-2536
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For Sale: 2003 Yukon XLT Suburban, 36 K miles, loaded. 366-3520.
5-11-tfn

For Sale: 2-corner lots, 1st street and S. Maple. Call 366-3134 or 769-4440.
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For Rent

Small 2 bedroom house, fenced backyard and garage. Call 396-2125.
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Services

VERY REASONABLE LAWN MOWING THIS SUMMER!!!! Call Bryce Cummings & Trevor Christian 366-7664.
5-25-3x-c

Need Help? Small repairs, minor plumbing, and fix it ups. "CATER TO THE ELDERLY" For more information call Dick Bachman 366-7679.
5-18-tfn

Garage Sales

Garage Sale: Sat. May 27th 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. 210 N. 3rd. Bunk Beds, Washing machine, end tables and clothes
6-1-c

Cards of Thanks

The Stratford Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank everyone who helped with the Mexican Pile-on Fund Raiser for the Fire Department and EMS. We appreciate the support from our community. A special thank you goes to Marty Robertson who got the ball rolling. The money raised for the Fire Department was used to purchase a generator and light system for use during emergencies.

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful.

- Ann Landers

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-c4-x

REDUCED: 3 Bdrm, 1 1/2 bath on large corner lot, 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. 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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\$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.
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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 Thermane windows, storm cellar, storage building with large fenced backyard, fireplace and large kitchen.
\$65,000

For Sale by Owner: 901 N. 3rd, 1476 Sq. ft., 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, garage and 2 small decks. Corner lot, lg. fenced yard. 366-2576.
5-11-tfn

House for Sale: 1202 N. 5th. 2418 Sq. ft. 4 bdrms, 1 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, office/sewing room, fireplace, fenced backyard. Lot adjacent with house 125' x 300'. Call Gale at 366-2294.
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Legal Notices

Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees has resolved to sale the house located on Lots 9 and 10 on Block 13, Original Town for Stratford, Sherman County, Texas as same in shown on the map or plat of said Town, and recorded in the Deed Records of Sherman County, Texas. The house will be moved from said property by the selected proposer. For a proposal packet please contact Lynette Kautz at 806-366-3302.

Seals proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM, Monday June 5, 2006. Any requests for proposals after this date will not

Fritch museum Publishes cookbook

The Lake Meredith Aquatic & Wildlife Museum announced the publishing of its new cookbook entitled: Panhandle Palette: A Cookbook from the heart of Lake Meredith in the Texas Panhandle, Fritch, Texas, 2006. According to Renee Cunningham, museum director, the book is not the first of its kind from the museum.

"The museum published its first cookbook in 1986 I believe," Cunningham stated. "This is a new book with a lot to offer other than just really good recipes." Cunningham said that the new cookbook not only offers recipes from the past but also some updated additions along with some original art and poetry from some local citizens.

"In this book we have some poetry from Patsy Wheless Sims a former museum director and local volunteer of many years," Cunningham said. "Patsy's work really adds something special to the publication."

Cunningham said that also included are some pencil drawings by local artists Betty Rusk, Roberta Phillips and the late LaNelle Philling.

"The proceeds of the cookbook will go to the LaNelle Poling Memorial Fund for the expansion of the museum," Cunningham said. "The annex room of the museum will be expanded by about 600 square feet in order to house the Gems of the Playas exhibit given to the museum by the Northwest Texas Museum Association when it finishes its tour of the plains states in 2008." According to Cunningham the cookbook is only one way in which the museum hopes to raise the funding for the expansion.

"We do have some grant applications in review and others pending submission," Cunningham said. "We are constantly asking for donations to help fund the project."

Cunningham said the cookbook costs \$10 each and are available at the museum or for ordering plus shipping and handling. To order one simply call the museum at 857-2458 from Noon-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday or send your donation to LMAWM, P.O. Box 758, Fritch, TX 79036.

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To report Suspected Child Abuse, call

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be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford ISD, PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The proposals will be opened on June 5, 2006 at 2:00 PM. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals, to make awards as they may appear advantageous, and to waive all formalities in bidding. For further information, please contact the Stratford ISD business office at 806-366-3302. Bids will be reviewed at the Board of Trustees meeting on June 8, 2006. SISD will not discriminate in the procurement process in regard to age, race, sex, beliefs, national origin, handicapping condition, or limited English proficiency.

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Sherman County Sheriffs Office Notice of Impoundment of Estray

On the 24th Day of April, 2006, I impounded the following estray;

Kind-Bovine
Breed-Mixed, Charolais/Hereford
Color-Yellow with a white face and feather neck
Sex-Steer
Age-Calf Size-app. 180 lbs
Brand, earmark or other identifiers-No brand, a yellow ear tag with the no. 84 hand written on the front of the tag.

and on the 2nd Day of May, 2006, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Sherman County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Sherman County, Texas for the

owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the day of 25th May, 2006, said estray will be sold at public auction at Dalhart, Texas.

Witness my hand this 2nd Day of May, 2006.

Jack Haile
Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, May 11, 2006, Thursday, May 18, 2006 and Thursday, May 25, 2006.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SHERMAN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 69th District Court of Sherman County, on the 13th day of February, 2006, by Gina Jones District Clerk of said 69th District Court of Sherman County for the sum of \$14,510.27 plus post judgment interest in the annual rate of 10% plus annum, plus costs of suit of \$179.00, plus attorneys fees of \$809.50 in a certain cause in said Court No. 4590 and styled *Chaparral Energy, L.L.C., an Oklahoma Limited Liability Company Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program*, placed in my hands for service, I, Jack Haile as Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas, did on the 15th day of March, 2006 levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Sherman County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

An undivided 37.5% oil and gas leasehold interest, and any and all overriding and mineral interests owned by Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program, in the

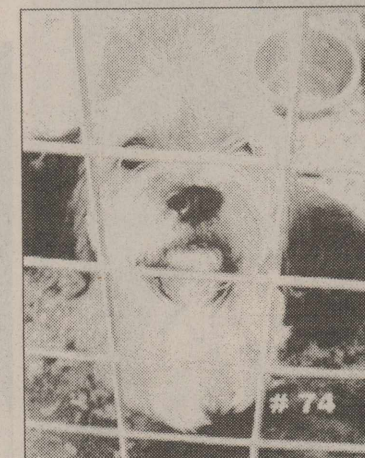
Oil and Gas lease dated September 16, 1975, which is recorded in the Oil and Gas Lease Records volume 140, at page 310, of the records of Sherman County, Texas, from Samuel own Ross and Myrtle Elizabeth Ross to George W. Arrington Oil Co. and Win. L. Arrington covering Section 72, Block 1-T, T&NO RR Co. Survey, Sherman County, Texas

Sold subject to any and all liens. May include any and all delinquent taxes.

And levied upon as the oil and gas leasehold interest, overriding royalty and mineral interest of Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program, and that on the first Tuesday in 2006, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Courthouse door of Sherman County, in Stratford, Texas, at 10 a.m. by virtue of said levy and said writ of Execution I will sell said above described oil and gas leasehold, overriding royalty and mineral interest at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said 1985-A Managed Drilling Program. And in compliance with law, I give this Notice by Publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately proceeding said day of in the Stratford Star newspaper published in Sherman County. WITNESSED MY HAND this 20th day of March, 2006.

Jack Haile
Sheriff Sherman County, Texas.
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, May 11, 2006, Thursday, May 18, 2006 and Thursday, May 25, 2006.

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.

Area Foundation Elects Officers May 17, 2006

The Stratford Area Foundation met Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at the First State Bank in Stratford. Election of officers was held with the following results: President Walt Berry, Vice-President Johnny Davis (Goodwell), Secretary, Alicia Law, Administrator Martha Mitts. A financial report was received. The Stratford Area Foundation has received \$45,550 toward the \$50,000 Challenge to conclude December 2006. The \$10,000 challenge grant for the Riffe Endowment/Texas County has reached \$4,250.00. Grant request from Stratford Area Foundation to the Stratford Hospital District and from the Riffe Endowment/Sherman County to Texhoma Iris Garden were accepted. Gifts to the Stratford Area Foundation and the Riffe Endowment/Sherman Co; Riffe Endowment/Texas County in the form of memorials and honorariums (birthdays, anniversaries, congratulations) adding to the challenge grants will be received at The First State Bank of Stratford

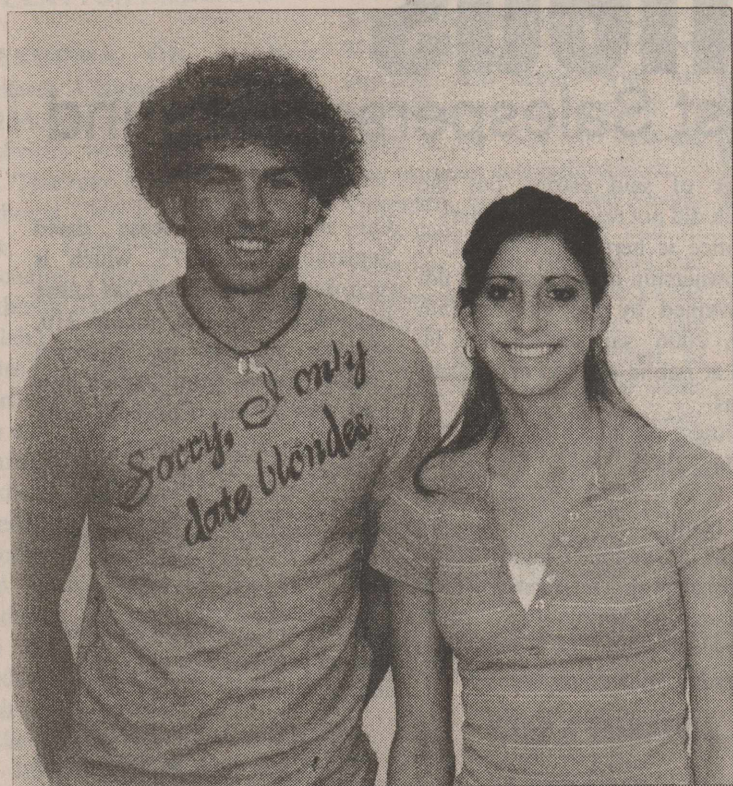
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Early Deadline
The Stratford Star will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2006 for Memorial Day. Deadline for next week's issue is Friday-May 26th at 12 noon.

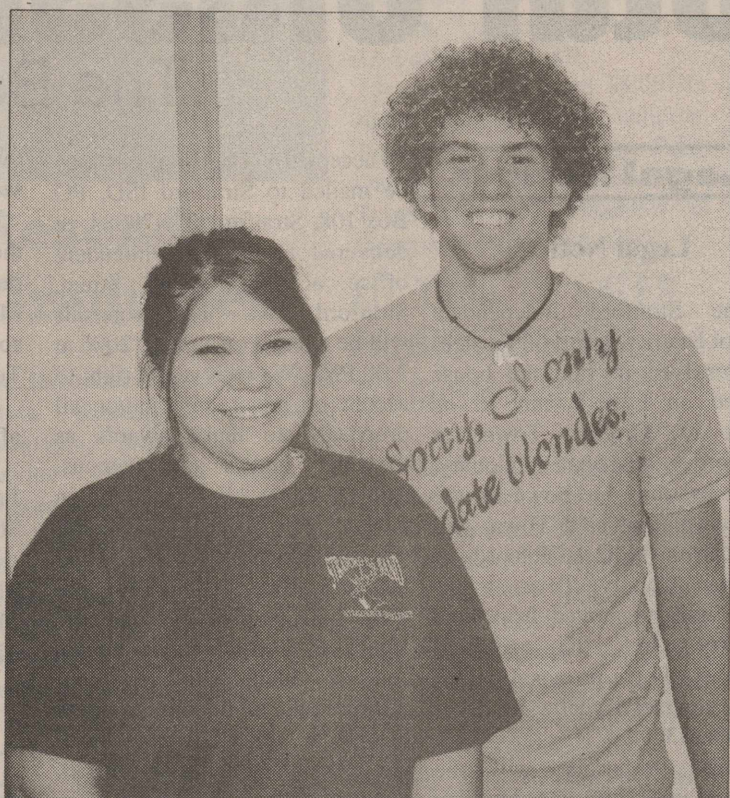
The phrase "down in the dumps" is thought to derive from the Dutch word "domp," which means haze or dullness.

Food was first served on a commercial airplane in 1919.

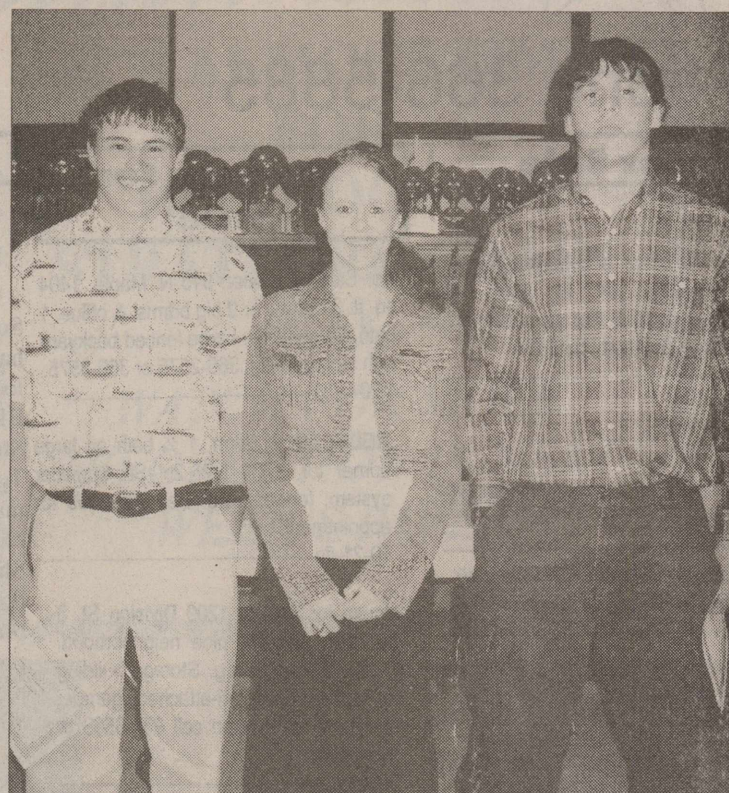
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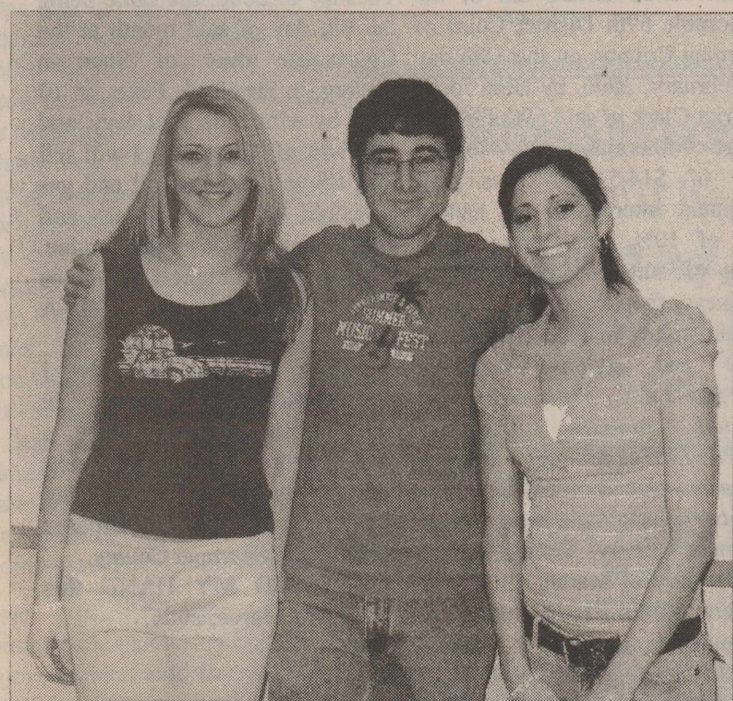
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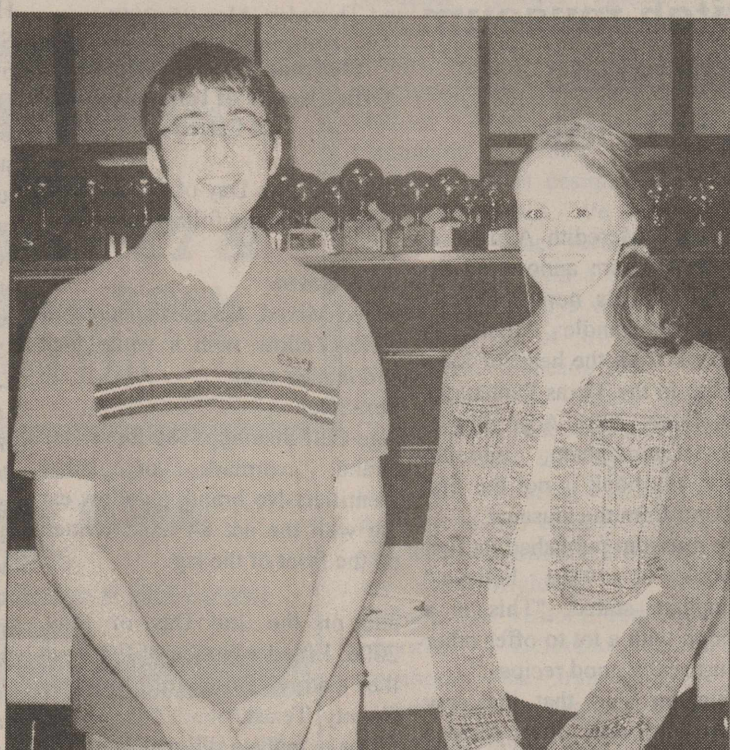
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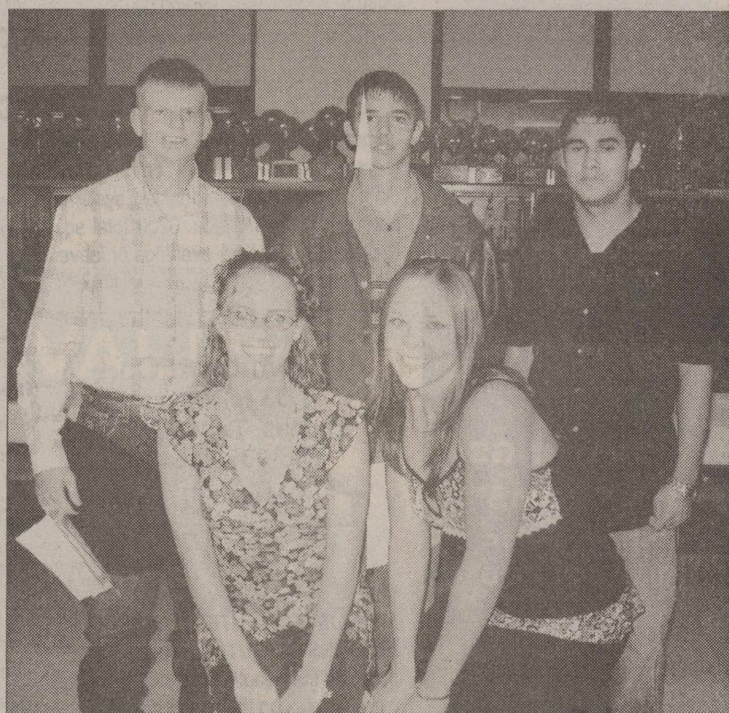
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Allison Baskin, Jordan Taylor & Cassi Garza



OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD
JOHN PHILIP SOUSA AWARD
Jordan Taylor – John Philip Sousa Award & Emily Shafer – Outstanding Leadership Award



OUTSTANDING AWARDS
In front l-r: Brandi Chaffee – Outstanding Woodwind, Chandra Hawkins – Outstanding Freshman. In back l-r: Morgan Crabtree – Outstanding Marcher, Chad Smith – Outstanding Percussion & Gustavo Rosales – Outstanding Brass

A Graduation Message

Whether it is high school, college or graduate school, graduation presents decisions, challenges, and many opportunities. It is a time for looking forward and discovering one's path and purpose. We look in different places for answers and direction.

Some people might think of Dr. Seuss as an unlikely place to turn, but he has a book, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" which has wonderful advice for any graduate. In the same type of verse and with the clever illustrations many have grown to love from Dr. Seuss, he encourages his readers to find the "success that lies within us."

Giving this book and a note of congratulations has become a favorite graduation gift of mine. I also include a Bible verse. It is Proverbs 3: 5, 6 which reads, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not to your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he shall direct your paths." This is the important message.

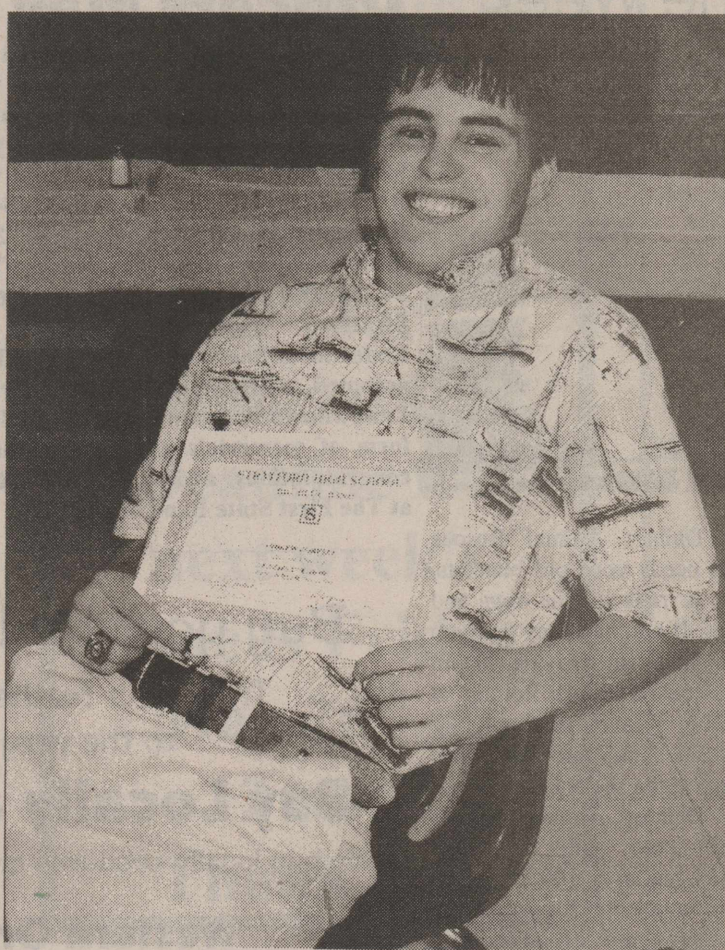
A sequence of events in my life proved that a limited view of things could not provide the best and most rewarding course for me.

At my graduation I knew exactly how things should go. With a master's degree in school counseling, I would quickly find a job and immediately begin my new profession. It did not go that way.

There were no jobs available. So I accepted a position as an aide in the counselor's office at a large elementary school. I decided this would open the way for a regular counseling job. That did not quickly happen. I continued to work as an aide.

As the next school year approached, there were counseling positions available in several new elementary schools. I decided on the school that would be best for me. (I had not yet taken to heart the verse from Proverbs and was still trying to outline my own course.)

During that time, I also discovered a statement from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker



LAZIEST SENIOR
Andrew Correll

Eddy, "When we wait patiently on God and seek Truth righteously, He directs our path." To me it reinforced the Proverbs message and helped me to understand that I needed not only to trust and acknowledge Him, but to wait patiently, and seek God's plan (not my own way). When it became obvious that I might not be selected for the school I wanted, I began for the first time to really try to see what God had planned for me. I then realized another school would have more opportunities to give to and help children, but it was not what I wanted. More humility was needed.

When asked to serve at the school I had before resisted, I was able to go joyfully and with great expectation of good. The extra time spent working as an aide proved to be a valuable experience. I loved my work, the

children and the school. What gratitude I felt! I knew my course had been directed.

Dr. Seuss says to "get on your way!" But Solomon in all of his wisdom tells each graduate how to do it - to "trust in the Lord with all your heart." What wonderful

blessings I found by choosing His path!

Shellie Evans lives in Abilene, TX

Big News, Ant Kills Elephant

In Africa a hungry ant can enter an elephant's ear and eat them from the inside out. A number of elephants every year fall prey to ants

Peaches & Cream Shake
16 oz Frozen Sliced Peaches
1 cup Frozen Non-Dairy Creamer, thawed
1 large scoop Vanilla Ice Cream or Frozen Yogurt
¼ tsp. vanilla

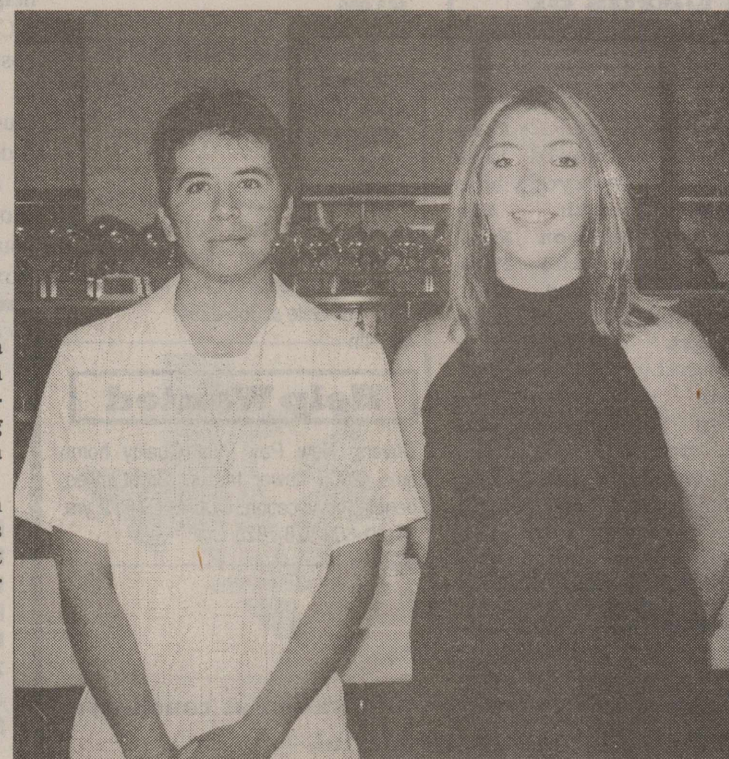
Place all ingredients in a blender and process on high for 1-2 minutes, or until well-blended. Pour into serving glasses and garnish with a peach slice.

During June and July, you can play Family Freezer Pleasers Online Instant Win Game. Visit www.BringUsToYourTable.com for game details.

Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole.
—Roger Caras



LOADING CREW
L-R: Morgan Crabtree, Daniel Nusz, Eric Riffe, Michael Reinart, Ryan Ewers, Rustin Russell, Crystal Peregrino, April Peregrino, Trena Maiwald, Jake Lawrence, & Justin Lanning



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