



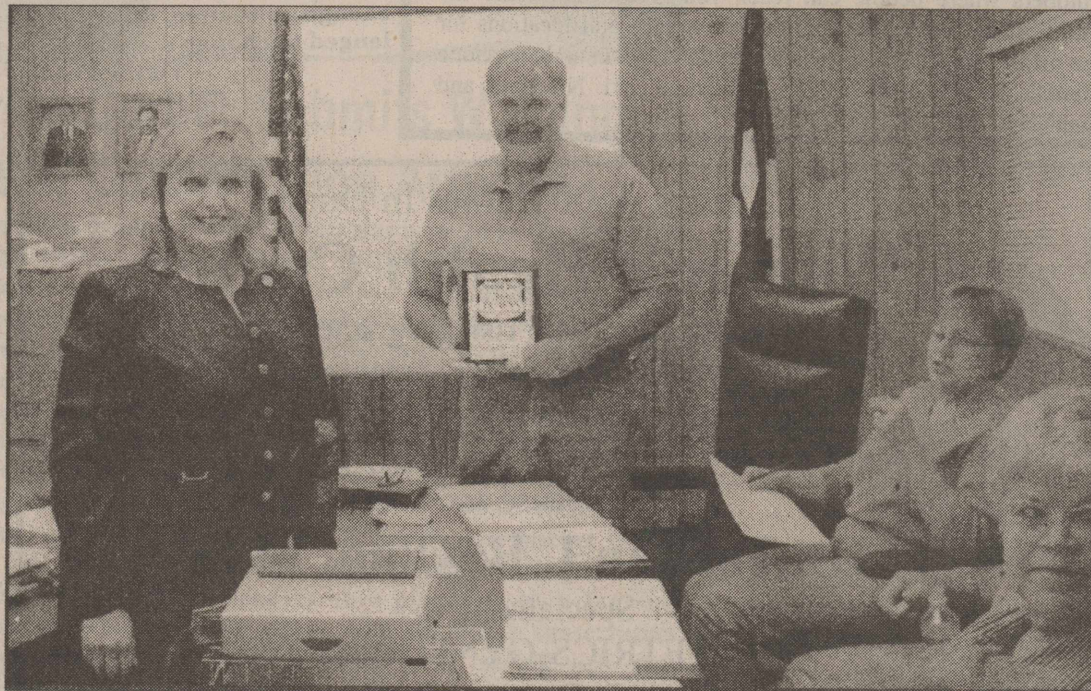
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City of Stratford Receives Plaque of Appreciation

Ports-to-Plains Vice-President Duffy Hinkle from Lubbock presents a plaque of appreciation to the city of Stratford for their many years of support, to Mayor David Brown with councilpersons Nancy Kimball and Connie Oquin looking on.

Stratford Hospital District Minutes Board of Directors Meeting May 9, 2006

Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors met for the regular business meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Coldwater Manor's Boardroom. Officers and Directors present were: Wayne Smith, President; Kenton Kimball, Vice President; LeRayne Donelson, Director; Kathy Altman, Director; Judy Griffith and Dr. Perry Basset representing Stratford Family Medical Clinic; Jimmy Lanning representing Stratford EMS; Debbie Beilue, Administrator; and Gail Schmidt-Witcher for Coldwater Manor. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Community Comments: None
New Board Members were sworn in. Wayne gave an appreciation to outgoing Board Members.

Breast Cancer Screening July 12

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at First United Methodist Church, 520 N. Main, in Stratford on July 12, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

All exams are done by appointment only.
Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Manor Friends to Meet August 7th-10 a.m.

Manor Friends will not meet until Monday, August 7th at 10 a.m. at Coldwater Manor.

Animal Issues Committee Meeting

Sherman County Animal Issues Committee meeting Thursday, July 6, 2006 7 p.m. at Stratford Fire Station.

Stratford Jamboree 2006 Entry Forms Available

Stratford Jamboree 2006, parade entry forms can be picked up at West Texas Gar or Stratford Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact Shannon Sellers at 366-2296 or Jolie Asher at 396-2136.

Election of officers:
Motion made by Kenton Kimball for Wayne Smith to be voted in as President by acclamation, seconded by Kathie Altman; motion carried 4/0.
Kathie Altman nominated Kenton Kimball for Vice President, seconded by Kathy Allen; vote carried 4/0.
LeRayne Donelson nominated Kathie Altman for Secretary, seconded by Kathy Allen, vote carried 4/0.
Wayne went over Board Protocols.
Minutes of previous meeting approved as presented.
Judy presented the financial report for Stratford Family Medical Clinic. Special meeting will be called on Monday, May 15 at 7:00 pm to discuss staffing plans for Clinic. Motion made by Kathie Altman for

approval to pay Stratford Family Medical Clinic payables as presented, seconded by Kenton Kimball; motion carried 5/0.
Motion made by Kenton Kimball to start the process of calling insurance companies on deductibles and coverage at the time of the visit or prior to the visit, seconded by Kathie Altman; motion carried 5/0.
Discussion on mowing contract. Reviewed Quarterly Budget.
Meeting adjourned for Break at 9:15 pm. Meeting resumed at 9:20 pm.

Jimmy Lanning presented the financial report for Stratford EMS. Motion made by Kathie Altman for approval to pay Stratford EMS payables as presented, seconded by Kenton Kimball; motion carried 5/0.

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CHAMBER NEWS

By Ann Wells

Fun, Food & Fireworks are scheduled at Pendleton Park Tuesday, July 4th starting at 6:00 PM. If you or your organization wants to have a booth, please contact Ann Wells at the Chamber of Commerce - P O Box 570, Stratford, TX 79084 or telephone 366-2260.

The Proceeds from the booths will help pay for the fireworks. Get your reservations in by Friday, June 30th, so we can mail out maps of the Park and more information. By contacting the Chamber, duplications can be avoided, thanks, and Happy 4th of July.

Main Street Enhancement Meeting with TXDOT

By Gaynelle Riffe

Reports Tuesday, June 20 on the Main Street Enhancement Project were a little disappointing.

The first report is the delay of completed plans for bids to contractors due to loose ends including right of way encroachment on US 287, and right of way on the north corners of US 287 and US 54 to soften the corners for turning. The city engineer has yet to submit a plan for water relocation. There is also the issue of the awnings with poles in the 200 block. The projected letting date now is December, if the plans can be finalized in August. Construction on US 54 could begin in February. The Main Street Project will be cut back due to rising cost since the grant was made in 2002. Every day of delay more cuts will need to be made because the city must stand the expense of any overrun. A special design was presented for the intersection at main and 3rd street. While it would have been something special, it was dismissed. (See it at City Hall). The Enhancement grant included three blocks of brick and storm drains; street and pedestrian lighting to 8th street; curbs and sidewalk to 8th street; relocation of utility lines underground in a brick covered strip behind the curbs. It is now possible that the project from 4th street to 8th street will have to be cut completely. Attending the meeting from TXDOT were Mark Tomlinson, Cheryl Luther, Randy Hochstein, Corky Neukum, David Davis, David Brown, Sean Hardman, George Harding,, DeWain Traylor, Gaynelle Riffe, Gayland Vandiver.



Scot Garden Tour Held Sunday, June 25th

SCOT Garden Tour was held on Sunday, June 25, 2006. The group that went met at Roxy Park and then toured the yards of BA and LeRayne Donelson, Howard and Valerie Naugle, and Martha and Leonard Duncan, Billy and Jeanne Bell and then on to Kerrick to see Bill and Pat Borens yard (shown above). Refreshments were served at Pat and Bill's. It turned out to be a gorgeous Sunday and everyone had a good time. Thank you Scot and to all who volunteered their yards.

Reviewed Quarterly Budget.

Debbie Beilue presented the financial report for Coldwater Manor. Motion made by Kathy Allen for approval to pay Coldwater Manor payables as presented, seconded by Kathie Altman; motion carried 5/0.
Quarterly Budget reviewed. Discussion on Van and applying for matching fund from Stratford Area Foundation.

Debbie Beilue presented the financial report for Stratford Hospital District. Discussion on CD's. Discussion on Insurances. Motion by Kenton Kimball for approval to pay Stratford Hospital District payables as presented, seconded by Kathy Allen; motion carried 5/0. Discussion on taxes.

Meeting adjourns to executive session at 11:30 pm. Executive session called to order at 11:31 pm. Executive session adjourned at 12:14 pm. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Falling Is A Serious Concern for Older Adults

By Susie Spurlock

Back in the early 1960's, comedian Dick Van Dyke made falling funny.

A few years later, in the mid-70's on "Saturday Night Live", so did Chevy Chase.

They took pitfalls on television and audiences laughed.

But now that the 21st century has come and both men- as well as millions of other Americans- are older, falling is not such a laughing matter.

In fact, approximately on-third of people over age 65 fall each year.

If that doesn't sound like something to be concerned about, consider this. Serious falls can lead to permanent impairment in functioning, resulting in a major loss of independence. Falls are associated with 40 percent of nursing home admissions.

Falls can even start a ripple effect of health problems that lead to death. Falling-with its high cost, both physically and financially- is nothing to laugh about.

Have A safe 4th of July

Fiesta! VBS at First United Methodist Church

FUMC invites all children ages 3 yrs. to 5th grade to participate in their VBS - Fiesta! This years VBS will be held nightly July 5-7th from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Children will get "fired up" about Jesus through great bible adventures; crafts, games, food & much more. Hope to see you there!! (For more information, contact FUMC at 396-2178).

Blood Drive Monday July 3, 2006

2 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Happy State Bank is once again sponsoring the Coffee Memorial Blood Drive on Monday, July 3, 2006 from 2p.m. until 7p.m. at the Sherman County Barn. T-Shirts for all who donate. Call 1-877-574-8000 to schedule an appointment.



Piper Bennett e-mailed a picture of the Tornado near Turpin, Oklahoma last Wednesday. We thought we would share it with our readers. Just a reminder what Mother Nature can do.

But while falling is something to be concerned about, many such incidents can be prevented. First, know the risk factors. While aging and disease are not synonymous, there are some changes associated with aging and chronic disease occurring in later life that contribute to risk for falling.

Because older people tend to have longer reaction time and poorer vision, something as simple as increased contrast can be a literal lifesaver. Since most falls outside the home occur on stairs, the use of contrasting tape or paint to mark the edges where levels change can improve safety for older adults. And hand rails are important also.

Regular vision check-ups and always wearing corrective lenses are important. Diseases such as glaucoma and macular degeneration, which contribute to risk, can be identified.

Diseases such as Parkinson's disease, arthritis and osteoporosis can contribute to the risk of falling, but with the proper medical care, including the right medications, physical therapy and assistive devices, that risk can be lessened. Other conditions may contribute to the risk of falling, including loss of muscle strength and flexibility, balance disorders, multiple medications, orthostatic hypotension (a drop in blood pressure upon standing), stroke and a history of falling. Risk associated with these conditions may be decreased through proper assessment and treatment by health care professionals including geriatricians, balance disorder specialists and physical therapists.

Multiple medications require physician and pharmacist review to uncover side effects, such as dizziness, unsteadiness, confusion, blurred vision, drowsiness, slowed reactions and fatigue, and to evaluate alternative medications or modify doses to reduce fall risk.

Some risk factors can be easily eliminated with a little knowledge about the condition. Orthostatic hypotension creates dizziness and unsteadiness, a person experiencing this condition will need to sit after lying and to rise slowly before walking.

Decreased physical strength need not be a function of age, although many older people do experience it. If they are otherwise in good health, older adults can increase their physical strength and lessen their risk of

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Letters to the Editor

OBITS

Barbara Sue
"Barbi" Robertson

Elkhart, KS: Barbara Sue "Barbi" Robertson, age 39 of Elkhart, Kansas died Sunday, June 18, 2006 at Via Christi Regional Medical Center - St. Francis Campus, Wichita, Kansas. She was born on February 1, 1967 in Boise City, Oklahoma the daughter of Silvano and Mercy (Flores) Deanda (Deceased) and Step-mother Carmon Deanda. Barbara graduated from Keys High School, Keys, Oklahoma.

Barbara was a Bilingual Teacher with the Alternative School in Elkhart. She was currently doing interior design in Elkhart.

She married Jacky J. Robertson in Red River, New Mexico on August 1, 1992. He survives.

Other survivors include her father and step-mother Sailvano and Carmon Deanda of Elkhart, KS. One daughter Jessica Harlan of Elkhart, KS. Three step-sons Matt Robertson of Elkhart, Jacob and Jason Harlan of Pampa TX. One step-daughter Billie Robertson of Elkhart, KS. Two brothers Arthur and Frank Deanda both of Stratford, TX. Two sisters Amy Antezan of Canyon, TX, and Angie Deanda of Amarillo, TX. and two step grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Mercy Flores.

Memorial Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 23, 2006 at the Church of God in Elkhart, Kansas with Pastor Bill Ramage officiating. The family suggests memorials be sent to Whistle Stop Park or to the Donors choice in care of Garnand Funeral Home, P.O. Box 854, Elkhart, Kansas 67950.

Dear Readers,

At the City Council meeting on Thursday, June 22, I was disappointed at the vicious reception the Ports-to-Plains, Vice-President, Duffy Hinkle received. She made the trip from Lubbock to update the city on the progress of the Ports-to-Plains corridor and to present them with a plaque of appreciation for their years of support. The attacks came not only from the newest City council member but from the Sherman County Economic Development Committee who were also on the agenda. (She was scheduled with the city two previous dates but the city rescheduled)

What was this about?

The Departments of Transportation of the four states involved with Ports-to-Plains; Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and New Mexico, contracted an independent firm to develop a corridor management plan. This plan identified the economic benefits and well as problems for the corridor. The plan identified 15 communities that might consider planning for a future truck relief route because the increase of truck traffic and hazardous materials carried on the roads. Stratford was one of the recommendations primarily because of the railroad crossings and the two busy highways. These were recommendations to the communities for long range planning. This was not developed by Ports-To-Plains Corridor but is used as a long range plan and marketing tool. Boise City, Oklahoma was one. They have the money earmarked and are planning their relief route. Dumas is one. They have some earmarked money for a relief route but have made no plans at this time. They would like to have transferred that money to their plans for a grade separation over the railroad on US 87.

Stratford had federal earmarked money, 4 million for a relief route study and 3 million for four lanes north of Stratford.

When I saw this in the mark up of the appropriation bill, I asked to have the relief money combined to the 4 lane divided because I knew the community was not ready for a grade separation relief route and we would lose that allocated money. The two funds were combined to the four lane divided development north of Stratford. Even though Stratford only received 5 million in the final bill. The earmarked money for Stratford was a significant amount to encourage

TXDOT to look at the north project that they were not intending to address for 10 years or more, (cost of 4 lane divided is about 1 million a mile)

So much for background that no one wanted to hear.

Because the Corridor Management Plan identified Stratford for a proposed relief route, Sherman County Economic Development Committee will no longer support Ports-to-Plains. The City council member suggested that the County and the City would no longer support the corridor and that everyone in the community feels the same way. They would like Stratford to be removed from the Ports-to-Plains map!

There is no money for a relief route and until the community asked for a relief route/ grade separation or safety concerns from an accident or traffic numbers, TXDOT is not interested in spending any time or money here. Transportation dollars are needed in growth areas such as Dallas, Austin, Houston, San Antonio, and Amarillo. Over a year ago, TXDOT did develop three options on record for a grade separation over the railroad road and U.S Hwy. 54 to eliminate the 4 way stop. These proposed routes are not set in stone and are for long range planning. As far as I know, no one is interested in long range planning. If the community asked today for a relief route it could not happen for at least 10 years. I have been working with SPIRIT 54 for about 10 years now and we are just a little closer to a

four lane connecting Oklahoma and New Mexico but not much because there is no active support. US 54 has been placed on the Trunk System which means maybe sometime.

I hope we can overcome the fear of change and can move on to a long range plan for transportation in Stratford to encourage economic growth and to have a larger vision for the whole country. Change is frightening and is especially so if a plan has not been developed. The reason for TXDOT public meetings is to give the public an opportunity for in put and to start planning for the future. What they have heard at this point from SCDC and the County and maybe the city and others is "we don't want change because I want the traffic by my door. If they are trapped by the railroad or traffic snarl so much the better -make them stop."

Gaynelle Riffe

P.S. I wondered where the move came from to dismiss me from representing this area in

transportation. Now I think I know and that makes me sad. If keeping Stratford alive and well didn't mean so much to me, I should take the money and time spent and go on a long, long cruise and never look back.

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PROPERTY LISTINGS

If you have property to lease or sell, houses or buildings to lease or sell or RV hookups for lease, the Chamber Office and the Sherman County Development Office would like to help you out. This is a free service offered by both offices to anyone in the county. There is a lot of activity going on right now and people walk in our offices every day looking for a list of houses to rent or buy, land for sale, and some people come in to inquire about RV/camper trailer hookups. Get your listing to one of the offices and please include two phone numbers where people can reach you. We'll make sure the other office gets the listing. Phone numbers and locations for the offices are: Chamber located at 305 N. Main and the phone number is 366-2260; SCDC located at 301 N. Main and number is 366-2897.

All changes, even the most longed for, have their melancholy; for what we leave behind us is a part of ourselves; we must die to one life before we can enter another.
—Anatole France

When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.
—Viktor Frankl

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Rylan Gerber Submits Winning Water Conservation Artwork

Dumas fifth grader, Rylan Gerber, was selected as the winner in North Plains Water District's (NPWD) annual Water Conservation Artwork contest. Rylans' colorful drawing, titled "Take Shorter Showers" was selected by a panel of judges to be featured on the cover of NPWD's 2007 water conservation calendar. Twelve other students had their artwork selected to be featured with one month of the year inside the calendar. The winning artist receives a fifty dollar cash prize, and each of the twelve monthly winners receive a twenty five dollar cash prize. The artwork will be featured in the 2007 water conservation calendar produced by the North Plains Water District office. They are free to the public and will be available beginning in October of 2006. The calendars have proven to be a fun and colorful way to reach the public with the water conservation message. Each month also features water saving tips that individuals can practice.

Rylan, a fifth grade student in Cheryl Coyle's class at Hillcrest elementary in Dumas, is the son of Chris & Kelly Gerber. The other twelve winners were from Dumas and surrounding towns. They were: Silvia Quintana, Sunset Elementary, Dumas; Sabrina Trujillo, Hillcrest Elementary, Dumas; Elizabeth Martinez, Sunset Elementary, Dumas; Ben Howell, Dalhart Elementary, Dalhart; Daniela Valles, Sunset Elementary, Dumas; Leonides Soto, Bob Kirksey Elementary, Booker; Cindy Mares, Sunset Elementary, Dumas; Erin Wilkins, Hillcrest Elementary, Dumas; Abby Daraphone, Sunset Elementary, Dumas; Luis Bernal, Hillcrest Elementary, Dumas; Autumn Volden, Green Acres Elementary, Dumas; and Dax Hayes, Sunset Elementary, Dumas. Any 4, 5 or 6 grade students living within North Plains Water District is eligible to submit their artwork for the competition. Information about the artwork contest is sent out to teachers within NPWD, and articles inviting submissions are also placed in area newspapers. Information on next year's competition can be obtained on the NPWD website at www.npwwater.com

Falls

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falling through a program of increased physical activity that might include walking, dancing, weight training, Tai Chi, stretching, and yoga. Tai Chi, a form of Eastern movement sequences is quite effective in improving balance in older adults.

Because so many falls occur at home or the home community, learning about high risk locations and correcting those risk factors will help. Examples include:

- Add more lighting to the home and outside for improved vision. Older adults need three times the light as younger adults to distinguish objects: three 100 watt lights are better than one 300 watt bulb.

- Use night lights in the bedroom, bathroom, and hall.
- Wear proper footwear; avoid those with slippery soles
- Remove clutter or scatter rugs from the floor.
- Avoid slippery surfaces, such as wet floors or bathtubs by using non-skid mats
- If prescribed, always use assistive devices, canes and walkers, and be extra careful in unfamiliar surroundings.
- Use the hand rails when going up or down staircases.
- Use proper foot stools when necessary to reach higher shelves.
- Install grab bars in the tub and near the toilet, and use them.
- Tape down telephone cords or use cordless phones.
- Raise chairs to a more functional level.

When out in the community, be careful of uneven surfaces, changes in levels of sidewalks or curbs, doors that are difficult or

too heavy to open and dimly lit parking areas.

Emotional issues can also be a factor in falling. Having a previous fall puts the older person at a higher risk for additional falls. Fifty percent of older adults who fall do so repeatedly. Needless to say, the idea of falling evokes fear in the minds of older adults.

Studies have found these fears to be intense in those who have fallen, but also in those who have not fallen but have known someone who has.

This fear can be a risk factor itself, since it can lead to restriction of activities, in turn resulting in loss of muscle strength and even social

connectedness. Reduce the fear of falling by utilizing some of the tips listed. In addition, practice ways to get up after a fall, with the assistance of a physical therapist and having an emergency response plan.

Additional information regarding on analyzing your home for fall prevention is available from Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas Cooperative Extension. The office is located in the annex of the Sherman County Courthouse. Materials may be requested by calling 806-366-2122. Educational programs and materials are available to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

We know we're getting old when the only thing we want for our birthday is not to be reminded of it.

—Author Unknown

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Rett Schoonover has two broken wrists! He and brother Reed were climbing a tree at lake Palo Duro Saturday when the limb Rett was on broke! They were camping with grandparents Terry & Barbara. That finished any ballgames for Rett.

His parents were at a 4th birthday party for Dempsey Collums. A large gathering of family and friends enjoyed a cookout.

Ted Irlbeck hosted the ice cream supper Friday night at the community center. Homemade ice cream of vanilla, peach and strawberry were enjoyed along with cobbblers, pies and cakes. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Ted.

Those present were Belinda, Jim & Jason Roberts, Joyce Irlbeck, Marjory Munden, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Jo June McDaniel, Gary Hudgens, Florecia Eslinger, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Jimmy, Kaylee & Kaiden Gillenwaters, Leo & Elaine Horne, Lynn & M'Lynn Wells, Bill & Pat Boren, Bud & Frankie Shields, Rolene Arkon, Marylou McDaniel.

Mabel Rogers fell not long ago. She would probably like to hear from friends. Her address is Wear Living Center, 400 West 14th, Room C-202-B, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Ted Irlbeck was surprised Saturday in Amarillo at the home

of son Dennis. It was his 80th birthday and all his children and a bunch of relatives came for the day from near and far. His children are Randy, Lester, Melvin, Dennis & Belinda. He has 14 grandchildren and all but one made it.

Two sisters, Teresa & Ray Tomesu & family, Kress and Marjory Hollenbaugh & family, Amarillo; nieces & nephews of Hereford; two brothers, Al, Cyril & Betty, Amarillo.

Also Joyce's sister Colleen Irlbeck & family of Dumas.

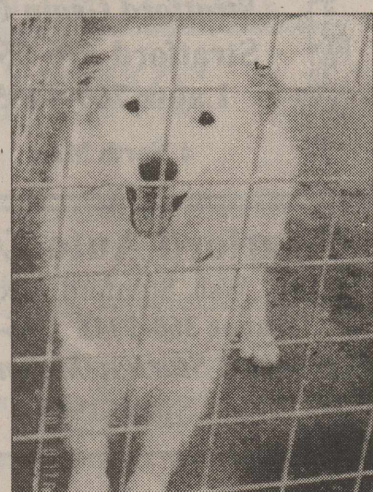
Joyce's birthday is July 18 and Ted's June 23.

Pat & Bill Boren's backyard was on the SCOT garden tour Sunday. A large group came out.

Weekend of Father's Day the Borens went to Rio Rancho, N.M., to visit with the Joe Bill Boren's. Sons Will and Brice made the Little League All Stars as did Kevin Carlisle of Abernathy.

Ralph Hampton spent a couple days in the hospital last week.

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.

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You can't depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus.

—Mark Twain

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Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
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4-H Rifle Team Captures 6th

Sherman County 4-H Rifle team captured 6th place honors at the State 4-H Rifle Match held in Rosenberg June 7th. Team members were Kaleb Horsford, Chandra Hawkins, Nathan White and Rustin Russell. Nathan also competed in the Top 10 Individual Shoot Off and placed 6th.

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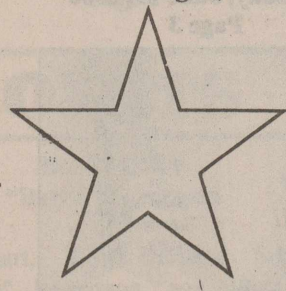
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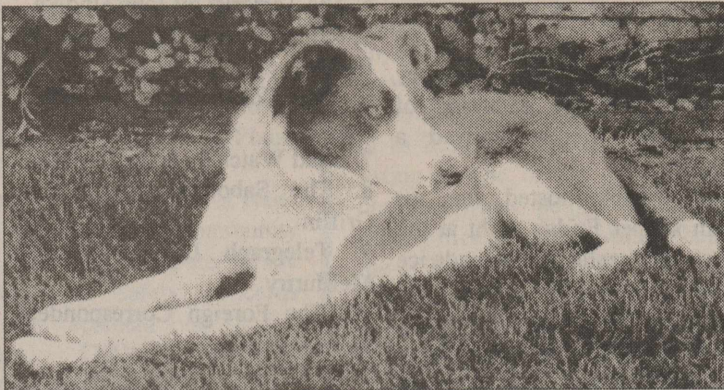
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We want to express our thanks and gratitude to all of our wonderful friends and family who have been so kind and supportive of us during Tommy's illness and passing. The prayers, visits, calls, food, flowers, and other memorials have been appreciated so much. There really is no way to express how very much it has meant to all of us. The food that was brought to the hospital and to our home and the dinner at church was all so wonderful and welcome. The service at church was beautiful, the community choir wonderful as always. We love the special music. Thank you. We want to thank all who attended the service at church and visited at our home. We feel so blessed to live in such a loving, compassionate community. Thank you all and May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely, Mattie
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and Mike

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State of Texas
County of Sherman
**ORDER PROHIBITING
OUTDOOR BURNING**

WHEREAS, the Sherman County Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Sherman County that all outdoor burning, including fireworks, is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the effective date of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code #352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to

public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas commission on Environmental Quality for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Natural Resources Code #153.048, and meet the standards of Natural Resources Code #153.047.

In accordance with Local Government Code #352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 12 day of June, 2006 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays, with an effective date of July 1, 1006.

Terri Beth Carter County Judge
Attest: Gina Jones by County Clerk, Louise Dettle, deputy.

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