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STUDENTS EXPLORE THE U.S. LEGAL SYSTEM DURING SUMMER FORUM

National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and Crime Scene Investigation Provides Specialized insights

WASHINGTON, D.C. — This summer, outstanding high school students from across the United States will take part in a unique career development program in our nation's capital during the six-day program. The National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) will introduce students to challenging careers in the legal profession and forensic science.

"Through intensive simulations, students will have the opportunity to exercise the skills used by Supreme Court justices who rule on key issues facing our country today, in addition to serving as the esteemed legal teams that argue on behalf of and against those issues," said Dr. Marguerite Regan, Dean of Academic Affairs for the National Youth Leadership Forum. "Because our legal system plays a vital role in our daily lives, the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and Crime Scene Investigation offers students the opportunity to learn directly from partners at law firms, forensic pathologists, criminal defense attorneys and prosecutors, as well as professors and other experts in the legal profession. This is where the future for many students begins to take shape."

The curriculum for the Forum on Law and CSI is based on actual events, which allows students to learn from the examples set by attorneys of law and court officials from municipal court to the U.S. Supreme Court. The process encourages students to develop perspective and resolve. Throughout the Forum, students will examine how court cases often change the legal system.

In the past, the Forum on Law and CSI has visited several law firms and area courthouses, including the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Superior Court and various county circuit courts. The program has also included visits to some of our nation's most prestigious law schools, including Georgetown Law, The George Washington University Law School and American University Washington College of Law.

Founded in 1992, the National Youth Leadership Forum is an educational organization established to help prepare extraordinary young people for their professional careers. Forums are offered across the United States in a wide variety of career fields, such as national security, law and crime scene investigation and medicine. Over 50,000 young people have attended NYLF programs.

Caitlin Graham the 15 year old daughter of Michael and LaQuita Graham of Texhoma and the granddaughter of Frank and Barbara Vaughn of Stratford, TX will be attending the forum in Washington DC due to her academic excellence in high school. She will attend the forum on July 17

through the 22. Caitlin will be a Sophomore at Goodwell High School. Caitlin's extracurricular activities include the membership in the High School Academic Team, High School Band, and she will be a second year High School Cheerleader. Caitlin was nominated and accepted to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and CSI. Congratulations Caitlin and have a great time.

Sherman County Run-Off Election Tuesday, July 31

Voting Locations on Tuesday, July 31:

Texhoma Residents will vote in Texhoma

All other Sherman County residents will vote in the Sherman county courtroom in Stratford

EARLY VOTING: MONDAY-FRIDAY JULY 23-27

Early voting for all Sherman County Residents including Texhoma residents will be in the Sherman County Clerks office during normal business hours Residents over age 65 may request a ballot by mail by calling the Sherman County Clerks office 806-366-2371



2012 Old Timer King & Queen named

Donnie Ellison has been named the Old Timer King and Elsie Pickens has been named the Old Timer Queen by Prospectus Study Club. They will be honored on Saturday, July 28 during the Jamboree days and Ex-student reunion. More details in future editions.



J B & Patty Brown Cattle Joins Membership of American Angus Association

JB & Patty Brown Cattle, Stratford, TX are new members of the American Angus Association, reports Bryce Schumann, CEO of the national breed organization headquartered in Saint Joseph, MO.

The American Angus Association, with nearly 30,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 19 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information, keeps production records on individual animals, and develops industry-leading selection tools for its members. These programs and services help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce quality genetics for the beef cattle industry and quality beef for consumers.

Stratford EX-Student Reunion July 27, 28

By Gaynelle Riffe

Over 1700 ex-students have been invited to Stratford to celebrate class reunions for honored classes 1942, 52, 62, 72, 82, 92, and 2002. The honored classes have made their plans and help is needed for the activities on Friday night. Andy Riffe is the chief hamburger cooker by help is needed to keep the drinks & fixin's in order and 12 freezers of ice cream (made early and put in cups, stored at the grocery store). Please offer to help.

I have had only one response to updated addresses published in the paper.

Run off election for Sheriff

Tuesday, July 31

Deadline for Thursday, July 19, 2012 issue of The Stratford Star is FRIDAY, JULY 13TH @ 2 P.M.

Stratford Star office will be closed Monday, July 16th thru Sunday, July 22, 2012

Thank you

Community Closet Thrift Store

As we take baby steps to organize and open Stratford's only thrift store, we are making "adjustments" to accommodate the community and workers' schedules. There has been very little interest in the Community Closet on Saturdays. Therefore, the store will change its schedule to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10:00 until 4:00.....located on Highway 54 East, the old John Deere Building just past Primo's. First United Methodist Church took the initiative to begin the Community Closet. However, the church is asking that everyone take part in working in the store. You can sign up for as little or as much time as your schedule allows. If you can work one hour on one day, we need you. If you can work all three days, we invite and encourage you to come by the store and let someone know you are available. Perhaps you are only available of an evening. There will be an opportunity for you to sign up to organize and sort merchandise after hours. At this time, donations are about to get ahead of the workers! All proceeds will go back into the community. There are organizations that are always running a little low on funds. The Community Closet would like to help those organizations. Community Closet is a non-profit organization and will make donations to those groups needing assistance. The suggestions for funding have been, The Angel Tree, Special Olympics, The Pantry and The Samaritan Fund administered by the Ministerial Alliance. Perhaps you have other suggestions that could be considered by the Community Closet Thrift Store board. Please, feel free to ask questions about any part of this community project by stopping by the store. We would love to show you what you are "missing out on"!! We have a really good time.



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2 p.m. till closing

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**From the desk of
Chief Powell**



**Below, is a list of our crime statistics
for the month of June 2012**

- ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
- RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY
- ASSAULT - FAMILY VIOLENCE (2)
- HIT & RUN - PEDESTRIAN
- HIT & RUN - AUTOMOBILE
- WARRANT ARRESTS (2)
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS (2)
- HARASSMENT
- SUSPICIOUS PERSON
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF (2)
- RECKLESS DRIVER
- JUVENILE CALLS (2)
- RUNAWAY JUVENILE
- VAGRANT
- ANIMAL CALLS (8)
- FOUND OPEN DOOR
- AGENCY ASSIST. (2)
- FIRE ALARM
- CIVIL
- MOTORIST ASSIST.
- NOISE COMPLAINTS (2)

WE STILL NEED 3 MORE TEENS TO SIGN UP FOR OUR PUBLIC SAFETY EXPLORER PROGRAM TO GET IT OFF THE GROUND. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH OUR YOUNG ADULTS AND HELPING THEM WITH THEIR CAREER GOALS. OFFICERS WILL BE MAKING A LIST OF HIGH GRASS, WEEDS, JUNK APPLIANCES, OLD CARS, ETC. THIS WEEK. LETTERS WILL BE MAILED AND CITATIONS FOLLOW, SO PLEASE...HELP US OUT!!

STRATFORD, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

"FIRM BUT FAIR IS OUR MOTTO AND THIS IS WITH EXPERIENCE AND PROFESSIONALISM. DON'T FORGET TO "FRIEND" US ON FACEBOOK... VISIT US AT STRATFORDPD.COM AND BE LOOKING FOR OUR NEXT OPEN HOUSE, COMING IN THE FALL.

HOPE EVERYONE IS HAVING A GREAT SUMMER!!!!

CHIEF JOE POWELL

**Kindle Drawing @
Your Library**

By Sandy Baskin-Librarian

The Sherman County Public Library is pleased to be able to award a Kindle e-Reader to one lucky reader from our library. To enter, library patrons must come by the library and pick up a purple reading log. Readers must then write down every book that you read from our library. For every book that you check out and read, you will be entered into a contest but remember, the books must be from our library. One book equals one entry. Reading logs must be turned in no later than 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 20th, the first day of school, with the drawing to take place on Wednesday morning, August 22nd. Contest is open to all age groups so get busy and read! For more information about this contest contact the library at 366-2200.

303 N. Main Street
Stratford, Texas
(806)396-MAIN

Show your school spirit
It's time to order cheerleading
outfits & kids jerseys



Come see us for sizing
Main Street Essentials

Curb Appeal

By Gaynelle Riffe

July 23: TV will feature Stratford; TXDOT and dignitaries will be present for the Dedication of the Main Street Enhancement Project; and July 27, 28 Ex Students are invited for a reunion and the Jamboree. Stratford has an opportunity look really good to visitors by cleaning up, mowing, chopping weeds (even in the streets!) cleaning gutters, etc. Main Street and 3rd Street will be featured so those areas are especially important. The lovely brick insets in the sidewalk should have the weeds pulled (this will be a constant). The highways are the first opportunity to make a first impression. Time to clean up for our visitors and for ourselves.

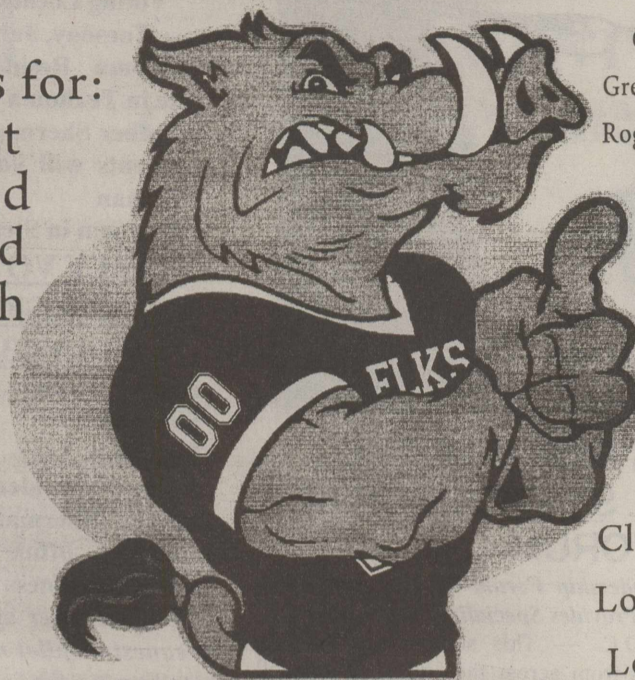
The drought is not over and trees are stressed and in trouble. Dead limbs should be removed and their legs shaved. (My tree trimmers asked about trimming the trunks (legs). The growth of suckers do just that, they suck the moisture depriving the tops of the trees.

Stratford is a nice clean town (mostly). Let's put on our Sunday Dress for the coming visitors. As the advertisement "We'll like the way we Look".

**2012
HOGMAN GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Prizes for:

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd
- 4th



Contact for Info:
Greg Wright 753-7059
Roger Allen 753-7833

- Also:
- Closest to Pin
 - Longest Drive
 - Longest Putt

**JULY 13, 2012
STRATFORD COUNTRY CLUB
TEE OFF @ 6PM
Entry Fee \$25**

(Entry fee gets you a T-shirt and Burger meal)
This is our main fund raiser, so come join the fun!!!

**Summer Activities @
Your Library
Afternoon @ the Movies**

- 7/11/2012 - 1:30 p.m.
- 7/18/2012 - 1:30 p.m.
- 7/25/2012 - 1:30 p.m.
- 8/01/2012 - 1:30 p.m.
- 8/08/2012 - 1:30 p.m.

Summer Reading Program

- 7/12/2012 - 3-4 p.m.
- 7/19/2012 - 3-4 p.m.
- 7/26/2012 - 3-4 p.m.

Book Talk-Book Club

- 7/16/2012 - 9-10 a.m.

For more information about any of these activities, call the Sherman county Public Library at 366-2200.

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Friday July 13th 2:00 pm
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SCOT QUILT SHOW JULY 28

Come enjoy over 30 one of kind quilts and cool off from the July heat by attending the SCOT Quilt Show July 28th. Sponsored by SCOT, the quilt show will be held during Stratford Jamboree on Saturday from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm at SCOT Hall. Admission to the show is \$5.00 per person. Proceeds from the show will go toward SCOT activities.

Circle the date, call your family and friends, and enjoy the talents of Sherman County residents, friends, and family that day. Tickets may be purchased in advance from SCOT Board Members or at the day the day of the show.

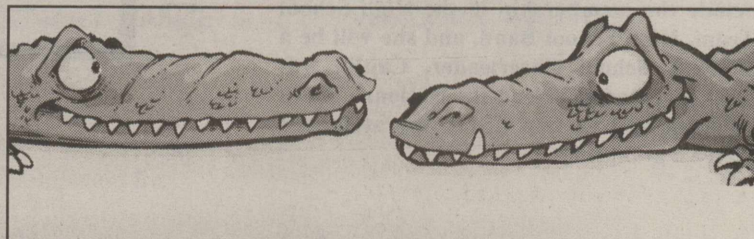
Don't miss this year's show as the next SCOT Quilt Show will be held in 2014.

**Attention to all subscribers!!
Rate change**

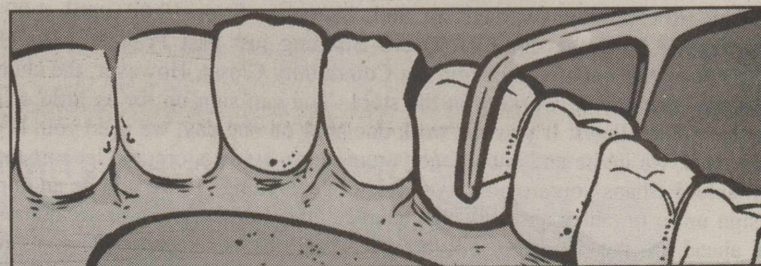
The Stratford Star is no longer sending out notices when your paper is due. Check the label on the paper and see what month your subscription expires. **I will be putting "Stars" on the current month" If you have a Star on your label it means that your sub expires that month.** If you are not sure the amount you owe if you live out of the area call 753-7373 and double check. Locally is \$33.00 and out of the area \$40.00. If you are paying for someone else's sub, you will be billed for that person. The Stratford Star, PO Box 8, Stratford, TX 79084

Thanks-Marty

Whenever I hear any one arguing for slavery I feel a strong impulse to see it tried on him personally.
—Abraham Lincoln



One way to tell the difference between alligators and crocodiles is by their teeth. On crocodiles, the fourth tooth on each side of the lower jaw projects outside the snout when the mouth is closed.



Those who don't floss miss cleaning 35 percent of the surface of their teeth.

Stratford Hospital District

"Proudly serving the medical needs of Stratford and Sherman County."

Stratford Family Medical Clinic

Mon. - Thurs. 8 AM - 5 PM, Fri. 8AM - 3 PM
396-5583 Tommy Brian, ANP

Elk Pharmacy

Mon. - Fri. 9 AM - 5:30 PM
366-5505 Angie Hipp, RPh

Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility

396-5568 Karl Punch, LNFA

Stratford EMS

9-1-1 or 396-2844 Jimmy Lanning, Director

The Stratford Hospital District operates on a non-discriminatory basis, giving equal treatment and access to services without regard to sex, race, religion, age or ethnicity.



5th Annual Palo Duro Hot Dog 15 K and 3-person Relay to be held

Oscar Baeza, Sr.

This Saturday, July 14, 2012 will be a special day for the Baeza and Garza families from Stratford. Starting at 8 a.m., the 5th Annual Palo Duro Hot Dog 15K and 3-Person Relay will get underway from the north rim of the Palo Duro Canyon to the south rim on Highway 207 south of Claude, TX. The day will be special because it is the 5th running of the race and it is also what would have been Oscar Baeza Sr., our dad's, 65th birthday. On December 18, 2002, a shock reverberated through our entire family and through the town of Stratford. On that fateful day we were blindsided by the news that our dad had taken his own life. It was a devastating blow and was just one week shy of what would have been another fun, silly, and laughter-filled Christmas. After that day, nearly ten years ago, holidays were never the same. Hindsight is 20/20 and although we never imagined it to unfold this way, we realized there were signs that we never followed up on.

Depression is a slippery slope. For some, it could be as simple as a day of feeling blue, for others it can seem like an inescapable black hole that continues to drain your life one day at a time. And it doesn't just happen overnight, but over time depression can change a loved one into someone you don't recognize. In our case, the change was so gradual that we didn't see it till it was too late. Or maybe it was because we thought we knew our dad. We knew he was a strong man and never let anything keep him down for long. Maybe we figured it was just a rough patch and he would prevail like he always did. Maybe it was just that we never imagined a man so full of joy, life, and laughter would be gone like this.

Treating depression is no different than treating any other type of illness. As one may take insulin for their diabetes, there is a real biological basis for depression too. It also takes patience, love, and support from those closest to help whether it's a support group or Christian counseling. There is a stigma associated with depression or any mental health ailment and it needs to stop. Right now.

The Palo Duro Hot Dog 15K and 3-Person Relay was put together for these purposes. Each year we, brothers and sisters and our families, come together to execute race day. We work aid stations, cook hot dogs, give out awards, and share our story with runners, spectators, and volunteers. The race raises awareness, promotes advocacy, and challenges people to recognize the signs and symptoms of depression and other mental health issues. Monies raised from runners? Registration fees are provided to mental health beneficiaries in the Texas Panhandle to further their outreach in these areas. Donations and sponsorships provide the means to put the event on. This race has a reputation for being challenging, and HOT! We have a number of runners who come back year after year to better their race times and for the camaraderie that the race provides for runners and those whose lives have been touched by depression and suicide. Please visit our website, www.palodurohotdog.com today to register for the event or to donate to our cause. You can get involved a number of ways: run the Individual 15K (9.3 miles) or 3-person relay where each team member runs 5K (3.1 miles), volunteer (register on website), donate (every dollar raised touches someone's life!), or just come and offer your support and have fun watching. Packet pickup will be this Friday at the Ambassador Hotel (3100 I-40W) from 4-7 p.m. Race starts at 8 a.m. on Highway 207 approximately 12 miles south of Claude, TX

Thank you
Dario Garza, Gracie Fierro, Jamie Garza, Enedit Baeza, Oscar Baeza Jr., and Erika Wisdom (and families).



Couple to Wed July 21st

Brenda Liz Aguilera of Stratford and Ismael Iram Villado of Jimenez, Chihuahua will be married on Saturday, July 21, 2012 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stratford. The Bride is the daughter of the late Luz Elodia and Humberto Aguilera. Groom to be is the son of Isidro Villado and Maria De Los Angeles Rey.

Surprise 60th Birthday Party

Marylou & Patti McDaniel went to St. Louis, MO to attend a Surprise 60th birthday party for Marylou's niece, Sherri Hutchison, June 29th. The party was given by Sherri's daughter and son-in-law, Lori & Mike Whitcraft in Florissant, MO. Joining local friends & family were Sherri's mother, Thelma Smith of Dumas; from Longview, TX, brother Ron & Lana Hutchison and their daughter, Samantha; from Lubbock, brother, Scott & Nita Hutchison, Maura & Justin McCullough; and Mindy Carter, Waco. Also from Dumas, Stephanie Smith, Genesis & Taylor. Much food, laughter and stories were enjoyed by all in spite of record setting heat in the area.

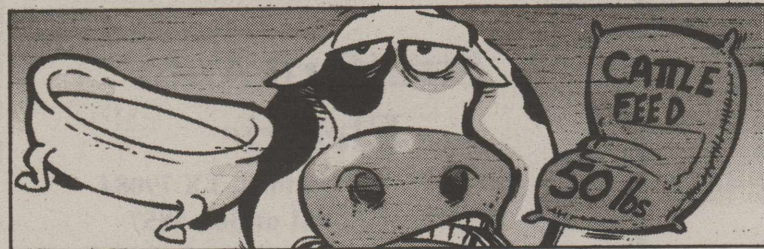
Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Billy and Judy Collums from Houka, Mississippi visited with the Collums family over the 4th of July week. Billy is Heaths' Father and Judy is his Aunt.

Over the weekend Heath, Kenna, Dempsey, and Jackson Collums met family from Mississippi in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Kenna has a cousin, Cooper Christian, roping in the Youth Finals rodeo in Shawnee. They had a great time visiting and site seeing.

Brenda Taylor of Denver spent several days in Kerrick.



Cows drink anywhere from 25 to 35 gallons of water each day—equal to a bathtub filled with water. They also eat 40 to 50 pounds of feed per day.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
420 Main Street • Stratford TX
Ages 3-years-old through 4th Grade Welcome!



Date: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
July 16th, 17th & 18th

Place: Sanctuary
First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
420 Main Street, Stratford TX

Time: 5:30 - 8 p.m.

Contact: Church Office
806-366-2301
Cathy Smith
806-584-4879
Ashley Lavake
806-753-6049
Leonda Fedric
806-366-5992
806-753-6759

Where kids discover God's lifesaving love!

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

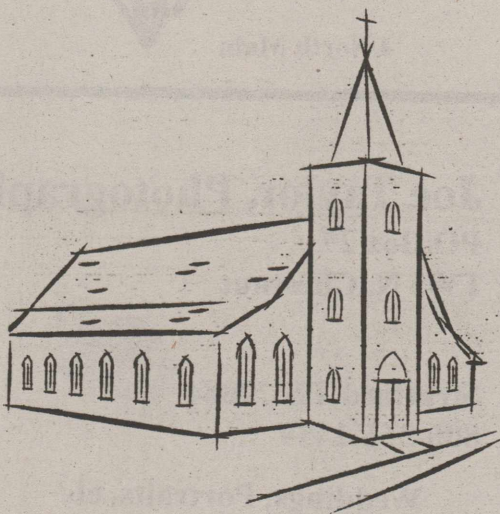
First Assembly of God
Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
Pastor Gary Smith
5th & Main
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (nursery)
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery)
No Sunday evening Worship Service

First United Methodist
Rev. Jim Smith 396-2178
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Junior & Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church
6th & Pearl
Rectory 366-5687
Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. (English) 9:30 (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass or t.
Christian Formation Classes K-6 Grade Wed. Afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High. Wed. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Pastor Jason Stone
702 N. 3rd
Sun.-Coffee 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Children 6 p.m. youth 7 p.m.



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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

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Asambleas De Dios
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205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287-268-2188
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Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

Kerrick Community
Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
10 a.m. Worship Service

La Mision Bautista
Mision Bautista
401 S. Wall 396-5376
Domingo (Sunday)
Estuela Dominical 9:45 a.m.
Miercoles (Wednesday)
Servicio De Adoracion 11 a.m. Estudio
Biblico & Servicio De Oracion 6 p.m.
Servicio De Adoracion 6 p.m. se Cuidamos
Susunos Durante El Servicio

Private pesticide applicator license training set Aug. 9 in Amarillo

Contact: Brandon Boughen, 806-373-0713,
bwboughen@ag.tamu.edu

AMARILLO — The Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Potter County is offering private pesticide applicator license training on Aug. 9 at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo.

The training session begins at 8 a.m., according to Brandon Boughen, AgriLife Extension agent for Potter County. The three and a half hour training will give participants the needed information to take the private applicator license test, which will be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Cost of the training is \$60 and all materials will be provided.

Anyone in the Texas Panhandle may and are encouraged to participate if they need a private pesticide applicator license, Boughen said. The private pesticide applicator license is for agricultural producers and land owners who apply restricted-use pesticides to their own property.

RSVPs are requested by Aug. 3, and can be made by contacting Boughen at 806-373-0713.

Rainwater harvesting seminar scheduled July 28 in Clarendon

Writer: Kay Ledbetter, 806-677-5608, skledbetterAag.tamu.edu Contact: Leonard Haynes, 806-874-2141, l-haynes@tamu.edu

CLARENDON — An educational rainwater harvesting seminar, complete with a hands-on installation demonstration, has been scheduled for July 28 in Clarendon, according to Leonard Haynes, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agent for Donley County.

The seminar will begin with registration from 8-8:30 a.m. at the home of Sarah Sorelle, 507 W. 5th Street. Sorelle, who is helping sponsor the event, has offered her home as a demonstration location due to her interest in conserving water.

"The hands-on installation demonstration will be led by the world-renowned rainwater harvesting expert, Billy Kniffen, who has presented this topic at several locations across the United States," Haynes said. Kniffen is the AgriLife Extension state rainwater harvesting specialist.

Following the hands-on portion, a meal will be provided along with an educational program at the Donley County Activity Center, 4437N. State Highway 70. The program will end around 3 p.m., he said.

There will be a \$10 registration fee per person. Checks should be made payable to Donley County Texas AgriLife Extension and mailed to Box 682, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by July 25 to the AgriLife Extension office in Donley County at 806-874-2141 or 806-282-7680, Haynes said. Call the same numbers for more information or directions.

Haynes said this meeting is a joint effort between Greenbelt Water Authority, City of Clarendon, Sorelle and AgriLife Extension, and targets communities within the Greenbelt Water Authority — Clarendon, Hedley, Memphis, Childress, Quanah and Crowell — but is open to anyone.

"Not only has the Greenbelt Water Authority identified depletion of water resources as a major concern, but the Texas water-supply planning process has identified that surface and groundwater supplies will not be able to meet future water demand," Haynes said.

Water conservation and development of alternative water supplies is necessary to meet the growing demand for fresh water, according to Kniffen. Rainwater harvesting is an innovative alternative water supply approach anyone can use. Rainwater harvesting captures divers and stores rainwater for later use.

Captured rainwater is ideal for use in landscaping, because the water is free of salts, minerals and chlorine and it adds water back into the ground and aquifer, Kniffen said. It is also useful in attracting and providing water for birds, wildlife and livestock and brought into the home for non-potable or potable use.

Implementing rainwater harvesting techniques directly benefits local communities by reducing demand on water supplies, and reducing run-off, erosion and contamination of surface water, he said.

In many communities, 30 to 50 percent of the total water is used for landscape irrigation, Kniffen said. Capturing rainwater for use in the landscape makes efficient use of a valuable resource, reduces water bills and reduces demand on the water supply.

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Garden City, Kansas
www.sequoyah8.com
620-275-2760

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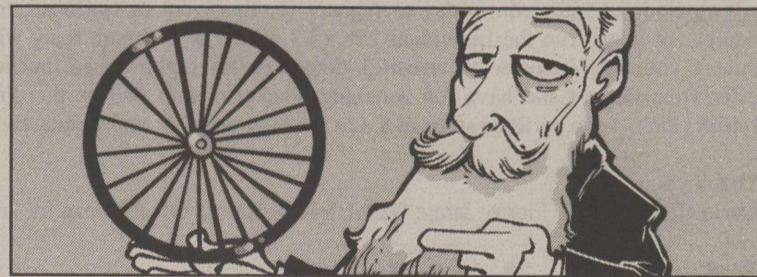
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Sunday, July 22, 2012
Thank you**



The pneumatic tire was invented by John Boyd Dunlop in 1888 for use on push-bikes. Boyd also invented the word "pneumatic."

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"SHOW YOUR AMERICAN PRIDE"



This is the theme for the Stratford Jamboree Parade to be held Saturday, July 28, 2012. If you or your organization want to participate call the SCDC Office at 366-2897 or email scdc@xit.net or stop by 301 N. Main St.

KFDA CHANNEL 10 is coming to Stratford!

Monday, July 23rd **KFDA** and their news team, along with several others from will be here to do the 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. live broadcasts. KFDA encourages local vendors, non-profits, arts & crafts people to bring your products/wares/food to Main Street and join them for the afternoon and evening. There is no charge and each person(s) or group will be responsible for tables, supplies, electricity, AND cleanup. Activities will be going on and the public is invited to watch and/or participate. Bring your lawn chairs.
Brought to by KFDA Channel 10 & Sherman County Development.

Saturday – July 28, 2012

STRATFORD JAMBOREE PARADE

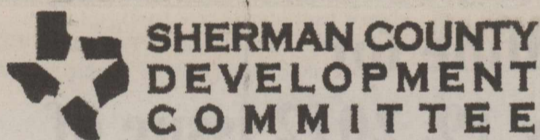
Parade Theme: "SHOW YOUR AMERICAN PRIDE!"

****Your entry should be at the High School by 9:45 a.m.**

NAME ON PARADE ENTRY: _____
CONTACT PERSON(S): _____
PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____
EMAIL _____

PLEASE CHECK THE CATEGORY FOR YOUR ENTRY:

Buggies or Wagons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Float	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Float	<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Entry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Float	<input type="checkbox"/>	Antique Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horseback Single Rider	<input type="checkbox"/>	Riding Clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>



Vendor Information Sheet for the 2012 BLOCK PARTY

Date: Saturday - July 28, 2012
Where: Main Street in Stratford, Texas
Vendors/ Food Booth: Spaces are 10' x 10' and are \$25 each. Booth spaces are assigned by SCDC. Food vendors will not be allowed to sell meat items because of the cook-off. Applications will be taken on a first come first serve basis. Vendors are subject to approval; anyone with inappropriate items will be asked to leave. Any leased space not paid for by 12 noon on Friday, July 27, 2012 will forfeit their space unless prior arrangements have been made with SCDC. Forfeited spaces may be re-sold immediately without further notice to previous vendor. No security will be available. Contents in the rented space are the sole responsibility of the vendor. No tables, chairs or electricity is furnished.
Set up: Saturday after 1 p.m.
Move Out: Vendors can move property on/off Main Street any time Saturday. No vehicles will be allowed on Main St. after side streets are blocked off until after 11:45 p.m.
Parking: Parking will be allowed on the side streets, not on Main Street.
Liability: Vendor may not hold Sherman County Development Inc, any of its committee or board members, its agent(s), the City of Stratford, or Sherman County responsible in case of personal injury or damage to items on exhibit or in their possession.

Call SCDC Director Kathy Allen at 806-366-2897 or 753-6897 for additional information.

Make all checks payable to Sherman County Development Inc.
Mail form with payment to: SCDC
PO Box 652
Stratford, TX 79084

Or drop off the form with payment at the SCDC Office @ 301 N. Main St.

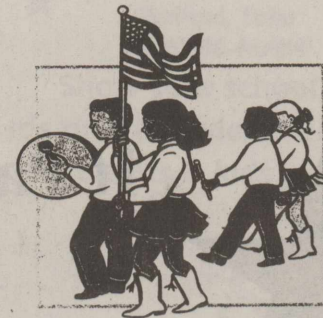
SCDC BLOCK PARTY

Vendor Application

NAME OF BUSINESS _____ DATE _____
VENDOR CONTACT NAME _____
MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____ FAX _____
EMAIL _____

What are you selling in your booth?

PAID: Yes _____ No _____



ALL OF THESE FORMS CAN BE FOUND OUTSIDE THE SHERMAN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE ON MAIN STREET.

July 28, 2012 - Stratford, TX

1st Annual Coldwater Creek BBQ Cook-Off

\$100 per team* – Meat will be furnished.

Team Name: _____
Head Cook: _____
Phone Number: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

1:00 p.m. Check in & set up
1:45 p.m. Head Cooks Meeting
6:00 p.m. Turn in 4 Hamburgers to Judges
6:35 p.m. Turn in 6 Ribs to Judges
7:15 p.m. Awards announced

*Team consists of 1 head cook & up to 3 helpers. Water is available, no electricity but you can bring your own generator if needed. Cook-off will be over before dark. Each team will be responsible for cooking 30 burgers & 3 sides of ribs to be sold to the public. All meat will be furnished.

For more information contact –
Sherman County Development
806/366-2897 or 806/753-6897
Email: scdc@xit.net

STRATFORD JAMBOREE & SCDC BLOCK PARTY

WELCOME!! to you and your business and thank you for participating in the SCDC Block Party, part of the Stratford Jamboree Celebration. The Jamboree is the most important annual event in our community. Held during the last weekend of July every year, the Jamboree attracts lots of people. Class reunions are scheduled during this weekend so many ex-students who no longer live here can come back to see old friends and family and enjoy all the fun!

The schedule for Saturday, July 28th looks like this:
11:00 a.m. Parade on Main Street – "Show Your American Pride!"
11:30 a.m. BBQ @ the Park (following the parade)
Includes Invocation & Star Spangled Banner
12 Noon Kids Games @ the Park
1:00 p.m. Cookers: Check-in time
1:30-4 p.m. Quilt Show @ SCOT - \$5 admission
2:00 p.m. Depot Museum & Schools open for visitors
4:00 p.m. Main St. will be blocked off for activities
****Please park on the side streets after this time.**
6:00 p.m. Ex-Students Social @ Imagination Station on Main St.
6-6:35 p.m. Cookers: Turn in burgers & ribs for judging
7:00 p.m. Block Party
7:15 p.m. Cook-off Awards Announced
8:30-11:30 p.m. Street Dance featuring Agave Posse from Amarillo

So, once again - Welcome to the 2012 Stratford Jamboree -
PARADE LIONS CLUB BBQ @ NOON QUILT SHOW
COLDWATER CREEK COOK-OFF BLOCK PARTY
STREET DANCE VENDORS' BOOTHS

Sincerely,

Kathy Allen, Director 806.753.6897 (cell)
Sherman County Development Inc
PO Box 652
Stratford, Texas 79084

RED, WHITE & BLUE JAMBOREE BANNERS



The Stratford Volunteer Fire Dept will be hanging the patriotic banners this year. Sherman County Development will help out by taking the orders for the banners. Businesses can call the SCDC office at 366-2897 to reserve your banner. ALL proceeds will go to the Fire Dept. Banners will go up before July 23rd and come down the week after the Jamboree.