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Stratford, TX 79084

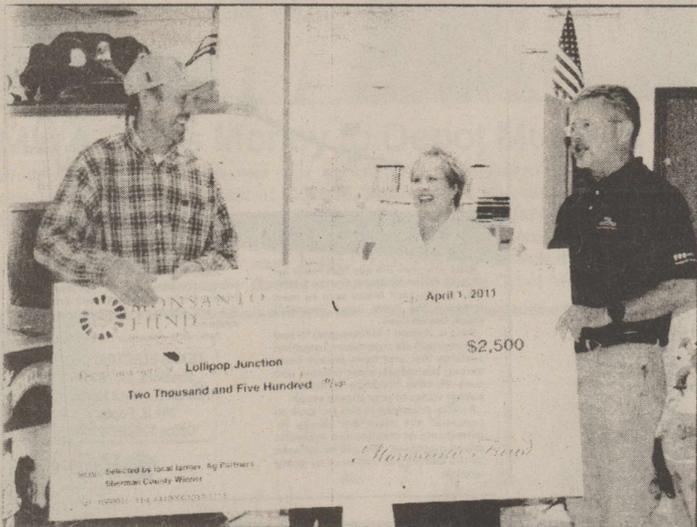


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## Sherman County Farmer Wins \$2,500 for Lollipop Junction through America's Farmers Grow CommunitiesSM Program

STRATFORD, Texas (April 4, 2011) - Mike Yanke of Gruver, Texas has been selected as a winner in the America's Farmers Grow CommunitiesSM program, which gives farmers the opportunity to win \$2,500 for their favorite local nonprofit organizations. The Monsanto Fund sponsors the program, and winning farmers designate a local nonprofit organization to benefit from the donations. Yanke has designated the Lollipop Junction, located in Stratford, Texas, to receive the donation.

Yanke says he is very excited to have been selected as the winner for Sherman County. "This is great. I'm glad I'll be able to help the kids with this money. They will certainly put it to good use."

Wesley Spurlock, president of the Stratford Area Youth Care Agency and Lollipop Junction, says, "I think (America's Farmers) Grow Communities is a neat program. We encouraged local farmers to sign up. I'm just glad it paid off. It's great that nonprofits from all over are getting help."

The \$2,500 donation was awarded at a ceremony held on Friday, April 1 at 2:30 p.m. at Lollipop Junction. Shown above are left to right Mike Yanke, Lollipop Board Member Jennifer DeAnda and Monsanto representative Bob Lee.

In more than 1,200 eligible counties, farmers can win \$2,500 for their favorite community non-profit. The Monsanto Fund expects to invest more than \$3 million in local communities. Previous Grow Communities projects resulted in the donation of nearly \$1.2 million in 477 counties in Arkansas, California, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, and South Dakota. In total, more than \$172,000 will be donated to nonprofits in Texas.

The America's Farmers Grow Communities program is part of a broad commitment by Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of Monsanto Company, to highlight the important contributions farmers make every day to our society by helping them grow their local communities. To date, more than 60,000 farmers participated in the program, which is designed to benefit nonprofit groups such as Ag youth, schools and other civic organizations. Visit [www.growcommunities.com](http://www.growcommunities.com) to view a complete list of winners.

## SCDC to co-sponsor Candidates Forum

The Sherman County Leadership Advisory Board & Sherman County Development will co-sponsor the Candidates Forum again this year.

In the past, the forum was held when there were contested races in local elections. Candidates from all races will be invited to participate, whether running opposed or not. The Candidates Forum is open to the public and will be held Mon., April 18<sup>th</sup> @ the Sherman County Barn starting at 7 p.m. Come to the Forum, visit with the candidates, ask your questions - AND THEN take advantage of your right to vote!!

Early voting begins May 2, 2011.

**Stratford Community Blood Drive**  
Sponsored by Happy State Bank Monday, April 11, 2011  
County Barn 5th & Maple  
3:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
All eligible donors who present to donate will receive a t-shirt from past designs at CMBC.  
Call 1-877-574-8800 for appt.

**Annual Livestock Association Meeting**  
To be held April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Sherman County Barn

**REMINDER:** The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District is still taking orders for landscape trees and spring flower bulbs. Call 396-5517 for more information or to place an order.

A benefit fund has been set up for Medical Expenses for Matthew Chaffee at The First State Bank of Stratford.

Stratford Angel Tree is looking for responsible persons to take over the angel tree project. Interested parties should contact Isabell at First State Bank (396-5521).

**S.C.O.T. Hall Memorial Day Flowers**  
Don't wait, Get yours early  
Call Karen Perrin @ 396-2097



## State Fair of Texas Lamb and Goat Tag Orders

The time has arrived to start ordering your Lamb and Goat ear tags for the State Fair of Texas. Anyone needing to order tags for the State Fair needs to come by or call the Extension office at 366-2081 and place your order by April 8<sup>th</sup>. Tags will be \$7.00 per tag. Contact the Extension office if you have any questions.

**COMING SOON DAYLIGHT DONUTS.**

## Steer State Tag Orders

The time has arrived to start ordering your Steer ear tags for the 2012 Major Stock Show Season. Anyone needing to order tags please come by or call the Extension office at 366-2081 and place your order. The deadline to order tags is April 11th. Tags will be \$7.00 per tag and validation will take place during the month of June. Contact the Extension office if you have any questions.

**The museum is in need of volunteers to set at museum 2 hours a month April through October. Call Kay 366-7679**

## Stratford Ex Student Reunion July 29-30.

**Gaynelle Riffe**  
Mailing lists for the honored classes are needed by April 5 with plans for the class activities. I have received updated mailings for class of 1961 and 1981. I need a volunteer to cook 200 + hamburgers for Friday July 29th.

The next short Ex-Student meeting will be April 5 at 7:00 p.m. at The Imagination Station to finalize mailings and plans for the 2011 reunion.

**Red Hats will meet Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at Elk Junction at 6 p.m.**

## American Legion Schedules Meeting

The Howard Norvell Green Post 262 of the American Legion will conduct its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2011 at the Sherman County Barn. Meeting time is 7:00 pm. This will be a very important meeting. We will be setting up the Barn for the Convention and going over last minute details prior to the District Convention on Saturday, April 9th. All Legionnaires are encouraged to attend and help prepare for the Convention. If you have any questions, please call Dennis Phelps at 753-7316 or Wayne Smith at 753-6708 or 366-3566.

## Storm Spotter's Class Thursday, April 7th

The Sherman County area, as well as many other areas around the panhandle, has been experiencing very dry conditions. Probably the last thing on anyone's mind is severe weather. Keep in mind that we are fast approaching the severe weather season here in the Texas Panhandle and although we think it might not be very bad this year, we want to make sure everyone is prepared when that day occurs again. As you can see from the pics, we are not immune to tornadic events here in the Stratford area. We want to make sure that we have plenty of eyes to help protect everyone in the City of Stratford and the surrounding area. We will be having a storm spotter's class this Thursday night, April 7th, from 7-9pm at the Fire Hall in Stratford. Many from our community have taken this class in the past, but remember you have to certify each year to be qualified to give a storm report to the National Weather Service. We encourage all community members as well as our EMS, Fire, Sheriff's office, and Police officers to come out and become a certified storm spotter.

Tornado pics on page 3

## American Legion Convention This Weekend in Stratford

The American Legion's 18 District will hold its annual Spring convention this Saturday, 9 April in Stratford. According to Harold Lehnick, Claude, who commands the District, representatives from the Districts 25 Posts are expected to attend. Hosting the one day event is Stratford American Legion Post 262 commanded by Wayne Smith who stated: "This is our first opportunity to host the District Convention and we are looking forward to having the delegates in our community. We are also proud to have Dr. Paul Matney, President of Amarillo College as our featured speaker and State Commander Ken Mueller as our Department Guest."

The convention will be held at the Sherman County Barn number 2, 501 South Maple and commence at 9:00am with registration of delegates and guests. The joint opening session with The American Legion Auxiliary will begin at 11:00 followed by lunch. Individual business meetings will continue at 1:00 and commence by 3:00, when the Memorial Service will be conducted; followed by key remarks by Dr. Matney. Post 262 will provide and evening banquet at 5:00 to conclude the event.

District conventions are held periodically to train Post leaders and provide information to delegates. The American Legion was chartered by congress in 1919 and stands as the nation's largest and most influential organization of war time veterans and dedicated to four pillars of service: Americanism, Children and Youth, Veteran Affairs and Rehabilitation and National Defense.



## Berry Honored for Sales Achievement

Walt A. Berry, Stratford, Texas, a representative of Modern Woodmen of America, has been named to Modern Woodmen's 2010 President's Club. This distinction recognizes Berry's high achievement in life insurance sales among the organization's representatives nationwide.

Founded in 1883, Modern Woodmen of America touches lives and secures futures. The Fraternal benefit society offers financial services and fraternal member benefits to individuals and families throughout the United States.

## CALLING ALL QUILTERS---

SCOT Hall's annual Garden Tour is expanding to include a Quilt Show!!! This event will be held the morning of Saturday, July 9th at SCOT Hall.

SCOT would like to show case the talents of quilters in our community at this event. Anyone who would like to display a quilt (either one they made or have received) is encouraged to do so. So that adequate arrangements can be made for the display, persons interested in exhibiting quilts are asked to contact Susie Spurlock at 396-2864 or email [lockspur@xit.net](mailto:lockspur@xit.net) as soon as possible.

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1120 E. Texas Hwy 54

## From the desk of Chief Powell



FROM ARKANSAS TO TEXAS OH, WHAT ARE WE DOING?  
FROM THE BIG CITY MALLS TO TRAIN HORNS AND COWS MOOING.

WHERE IS THE STARBUCKS OR PLACES TO SHOP?  
HONEY, ARE YOU SERIOUS? WHY MUST YOU BE A TEXAS COP?

HANG IN THERE, JUST GIVE IT TIME-JUST BEAR WITH ME AND WE'LL BE FINE.

HERE WE ARE, OVER SIX MONTHS IN, GETTING USED TO STRATFORD AND MAKING LOT'S OF FRIENDS.

WE FINALLY FOUND THE MALL AND STARBUCKS DOWN SOUTH,  
BUT OUR FEET MAY BE PLANTED IF WE CAN JUST FIND A HOUSE.

AS MOST HAVE FOUND OUT, POLITICS IS NOT MY GAME; WE ENFORCE THE LAW HERE, NO MATTER THE LAST NAME.

BY THIS I DON'T MEAN TO COME OFF THE WRONG WAY,  
WE JUST WANT TO KNOW WE'VE BEEN FAIR TO EVERYONE AT THE END OF THE DAY.

Our department is planning to host an Easter egg hunt this month!! Please keep an eye on our website, [www.stratfordpd.com](http://www.stratfordpd.com) and the Stratford Star for more details.

WE APPRECIATE YOU, STRATFORD!!

[WWW.STRAFORDPD.COM](http://WWW.STRAFORDPD.COM)

CRIME STATS FOR MARCH OF 2011 / STRATFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITATIONS ISSUED : 41

WARNINGS ISSUED : 50

BUSINESS CHECKS : 40

FEDERAL WARRANT ARREST - 1  
WARRANT ARREST - 4  
SEXUAL ASSAULT - 1  
CHILD ABUSE CASE - 1  
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE - 5  
PHYSICAL ASSAULTS - 2  
BURGLARY - 1  
THEFT OF PROPERTY - 1  
COUNTERFEIT MONEY - 1  
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS - 4  
HIT AND RUN ACCIDENTS - 2  
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - 2  
DWI (2) - 1  
JUVENILE RUNAWAY - 2  
HARRASSMENT - 1  
WELFARE CONCERNS - 4  
ANIMAL CALLS - 4  
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS - 2  
RECKLESS DRIVERS - 2  
CIVIL CALLS - 2  
TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS - 2  
ATV ON ROADWAY - 1  
911 HANGUP CALL - 1  
MEDICAL CALLS - 1  
ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS - 1  
LOST & FOUND PROPERTY - 1

## Scot Hall Scuttle

By Cindy Jackson

Have you ever wondered why we say: "God Bless You" after we sneeze? When someone sneezes his heart stops and saying "God bless you" when you sneeze means "I'm glad your heart started again." Saying "God bless you" when you sneeze keeps the devil from flying down your throat. The custom of saying "God bless you" after a sneeze was begun literally as a blessing. Pope Gregory the Great (540-604 AD) ascended to the Papacy just in time for the start of the plague. Gregory called for litanies, processions and unceasing prayer for God's help and intercession.

Get your Memorial Day flowers before they are all gone. Call Karen Perrin @ 396-2097.

April 6<sup>th</sup>-Exercise class starts at 8 a.m.

April 7<sup>th</sup>-Bingo 3 p.m.

April 8<sup>th</sup>-Games 3 p.m.

April 14<sup>th</sup>-Birthday Party 2 p.m. Bingo 3 p.m.

April 14<sup>th</sup>-Chicken House leave @ 5:30 p.m.

April 20<sup>th</sup>-Exercise class starts @ 8 a.m.

April 26<sup>th</sup>-SCOT Hall Board Meeting 5:15 p.m.

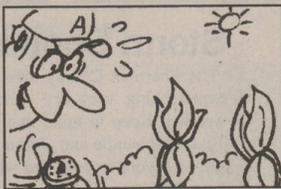
April 27<sup>th</sup>-Exercise class starts @ 8 a.m.

April 28<sup>th</sup>-Noon Luncheon Potluck.

Dues are due! The dues are \$24.00 for a year.

Thank you for being part of the SCOT Hall family.

Stratford Hospital District is seeking bids for lawn care at Stratford Family Medical Clinic, 1220 Purnell. The contract will run from April 1, 2011 through October 31, 2011. Requirements available at SHD offices 1111 Beaver Rd. Please submit bids to David Boggs, 1111 Beaver Rd., Stratford.



The compass plant is so-called because its leaves tend to line up in a north-south direction.



The smallest bird of prey is the white-fronted falconet, which is the size of a sparrow.



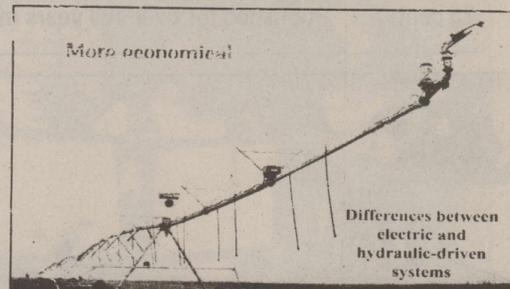
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## BUSINESSES

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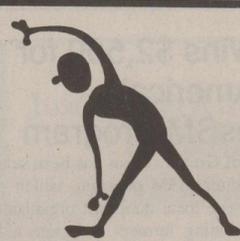
If you have not rendered your business personal property, such as inventory, equipment, and fixtures you must do it now to avoid a penalty of 10-50 percent. If you need additional information, contact the Sherman County Appraisal District at 402 N 3<sup>rd</sup> in Stratford or call 806-366-5566.



Have you seen the ads that insist hydraulic-driven systems are the better way to irrigate? Make sure to read between the lines - and we don't mean the oil lines. Fact is, Reinke "Electrogator" II and "Alumigator" electric-driven irrigation systems are, and have always been, among the safest, most reliable and cost-effective methods available to deliver water to your thirsty crops. Reinke encourages you to "dare to compare" the electrical energy requirements of electric and hydraulic driven machines. You will be amazed by the dollars you can save by going electric.

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4/20/2011

4/26/2011

WEDNESDAYS @ 8:00 A.M.

FOR 20-30 MINUTES

STRETCHING, STRENGTH & BALANCE

JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding — Cimarron Feeders would like to thank the entire community for their continued support over the years. CF has grown to be one of the largest employers in the area, allowing us many opportunities to give back to the community through generous donations to the public school and numerous county organizations. CF currently employs over fifty people from the surrounding area. We are grateful to all of the local vendors who provide us with cattle, commodities, supplies, and services that help keep this enterprise growing and supporting the local community. CF looks forward to the future growth of the community, and we thank you for helping us be a part of that continued growth.

## Attention to all subscribers!!

Effective immediately The Stratford Star will no longer be 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 \$30.00 and out of the area \$37.00. If you are paying for someone else's sub, you will be billed for that person. Due to the rising cost of postage, etc. we feel this is the best solution for us at this time. Thanking you in advance.

Marty

Stratford Hospital District

Elk Pharmacy  
Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM  
366-5505  
Angie Hipp, RPh

Stratford Family Medical Clinic  
Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
396-5583  
Tommy Brian, ANP

Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility  
396-5568  
Karl Punch, LNFA

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

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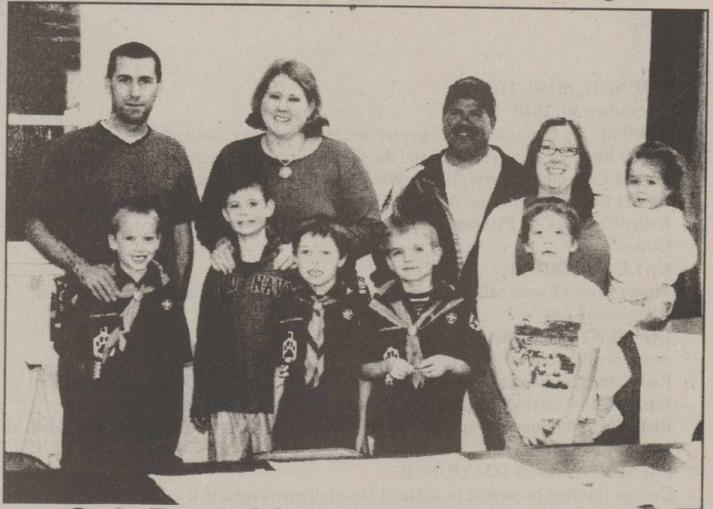
## Storm Spotter Class

A storm spotter class will be held on Thursday April 7th at 7:00 P.M. at the Stratford Fire Department. This is an opportunity to be trained to recognize tornado clouds as well as other types of clouds. Sherman County has a few volunteers who perform the task of storm spotter but we could use more. If you are currently a storm spotter or are interested in learning about it, please plan to attend the training. For more information contact Margaret Ewers Sherman County Emergency Management Coordinator at 366-2021



### MWA Gives Money to Depot Museum

Modern Woodmen of America was excited to give Stratford's Depot Museum matching funds in the amount of \$2500.00. Thanks to all who came to the Mexican Pile-on Dinner a couple of weeks ago, the Museum raised \$2600.00 and therefore was matched by Modern Woodmen up to \$2500.00. These funds will go toward updating the museum and for some needed repairs. Shown is Walt Berry presenting the check to Pat Hartman, Ty Hacker and Ann Wells of the Depot Museum board.



### Tiger Cub Pack 38 holds meeting

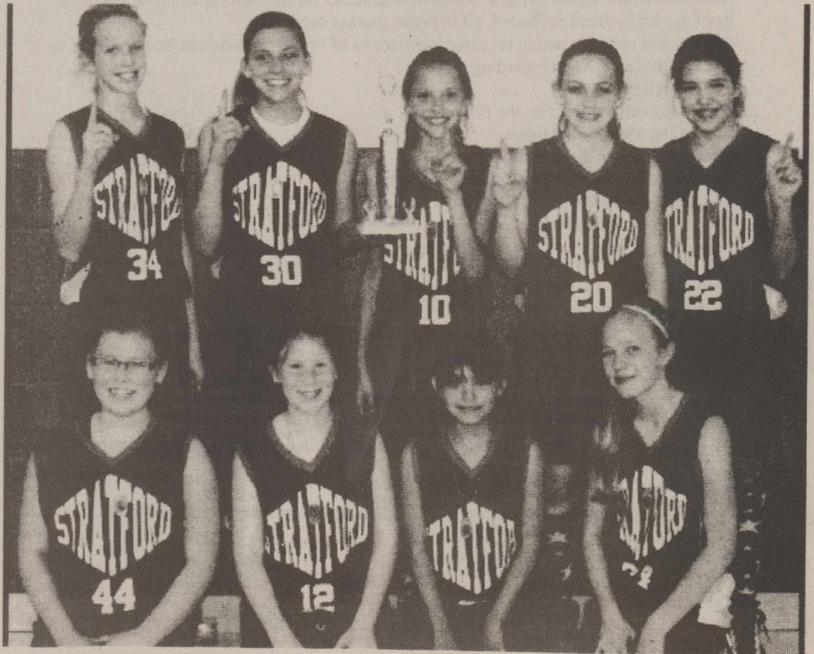
On Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, Tiger Cub Pack 38 met at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall and listen to Marty Robertson present a program on her business The Stratford Star. The Kids and adults asked many questions about the Newspaper business. This program will go towards them fulfilling their badge requirements. Shown above Morgan McNeely with son Mason; Tonya Smith with Tyler Smith, Cole Godsey Frank DeAnda and son James and Crystal Pitti holding daughter Sophia and her son Rein.



Tornado looking west down 31st St. Stratford May 1978



West of Stratford, Texas May 15, 2003



### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Girls win 1<sup>st</sup> place in tournament

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> girls won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Felt, Ok. Basketball tournament. Front row: Carlee Metcalf, Libbie Uttley, Vanessa Gonzalez, Mattie Fangman. Back row: Allie James, Laynee Burr, Shaylee Audrain, Kammie Guest and Nicolle Law. Coaches Pati and Scott.

### New regulations must consider impact on people, not just water

LUBBOCK, Texas (March 25, 2011) - The process of drafting new water use restrictions must consider the lives of people as well as the water in the aquifer, David Gibson, executive vice president of the Corn Producers Association of Texas, said Thursday at a public meeting on proposed water regulations.

"If this process is only about water, with no consideration for people, then something has gone tragically wrong with our system of government," Gibson said.

The meeting in Lubbock was one of five public meetings held by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District #1 to hear comments on draft regulations approved by the district board on Feb. 22.

"These draft rules have the potential to diminish economic activity, eliminate jobs, reduce land values, affect loan repayments, reduce revenue to school districts, cities and counties and crush prospering farms that hardworking families have worked for generations to build.

Gibson requested that the board delay final adoption of the rules to allow time for affected individuals, businesses and communities to work with the board on modifications to the draft.

"Agricultural producers recognize that something must be done to conserve water and slow the decline of the, Ogallala Aquifer. We realize the time has come and we are ready and willing to work with the board members to ensure the new rules will be fair and effective," Gibson said. "There is no required deadline the board must meet to adopt new rules so there is no reason for not taking the time to get this right."

"All we ask is that you give us some time and let us work with you to make modifications to these draft rules so that they can be implemented fairly and reasonably without devastating consequences."

If residents are unable to attend these meetings to present comments, Gibson said written comments must be submitted directly to the water district by 5 p.m. April 1. For more information about the proposed regulations, visit <http://www.TexasCorn.org>.

**Reminder**  
**Stratford Star**  
**Fax number is**  
**366-5884**  
**Office phone**  
**366-5885**

### Annual Fun Run

The Annual Big Fun Run and Family Fun Walk Series will be held Saturday, May 21st at Purple Park in Spearman starting at 8:30AM and Saturday, August 20th at 8:00AM starting at Perryton High School. Proceeds will benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters. Male and female first and second place prizes will be awarded in four divisions: 14 & under, 15-25, 26-40, and 41+. For runners participating in both races, they will receive an additional medal. To register for the 5K race or one mile fun walk call the BBBS office at 806-434-0016 or April Snyder at 806-202-2883. Registration will be available the day of the event.

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If a nation values anything more than freedom, it will lose its freedom; and the irony of it is that if it is comfort or money that it values more, it will lose that, too.  
—W. Somerset Maugham  
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OF COURSE *ELK JUNCTION* WILL BE OPEN FOR LUNCH ON SUNDAYS!!!

Special lunch buffet on Easter & Mother's Day  
Call 366-3400 for reservations today!

(Reservations are not required, but do help the planning process)

Remember Extended Hours Mon-Fri & Saturday!!

### 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 8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**First Christian Church**  
Pastor Gary Smith  
5<sup>th</sup> & Main  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (nursery)  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery)  
No Sunday Evening Worship Service

**First United Methodist**  
Rev. David Terry  
520 N. Main  
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Junior High UMY 5:00 p.m.  
Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.

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

**Church of Christ**  
N. 3<sup>rd</sup> & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. p.m.



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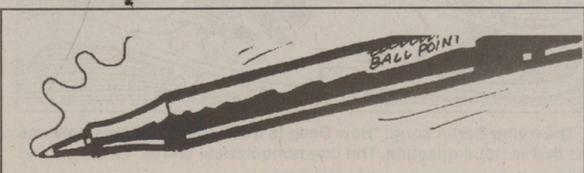
**Heritage Bible Baptist**  
Pastor Rick Carter  
302 S. Main  
For more Info-Call 396-2212  
Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
Evening Service 6 p.m.  
Wed. Service-7:30 p.m.

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

**La Mision Bautista**  
Mision Bautista  
491 S. Wall 396-5376  
Domingo-(Sunday)  
Escuela Dominical 9:45 a.m.  
Miercoles (Wednesday)  
Servicio De Adoracion 11 a.m. Estadio  
Biblico & Servicio De Oracion 6 p.m.  
Servicio De Adoracion 6 p.m. se Cuidamos  
Sesiones Durante El Servicio

**Eben-Ezer Templo Hispano**  
Asambleas De Dios  
Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela-  
806-366-3071  
205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287 268-2188  
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.-12 noon  
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



John J. Loud, an American inventor, patented a ballpoint pen in 1888.

# Stratford City Council Minutes

## COUNCIL MINUTES

December 30, 2010

Stratford City Council met in Special Session, Thursday, December 30, 2010 with Mayor Marca Ewers presiding and the following were present:  
Present Council Members: Bryan Wright, Ann Johnson, Brad Williams, Ricky Reed  
Absent Council Members: Joe Zak City Administrator: Scott Caldwell City Secretary:  
Kathy Rendon City Planner: George Harding

Others: None

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marca Ewers called the meeting to order at 12:11 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Accounts Payable for November 2010  
Ricky Reed motioned to approve the accounts payable, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Financial Statements for November 2010  
Ricky Reed motioned to approve the financial statements, Bryan Wright seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

### PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

George Harding presented to Council his equipment/vehicle list and the condition of each.

### COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discuss and consider action re: City of Stratford's Sewer Machine  
Scott's recommendation is to purchase the sewer machine from Baker Equipment. The insurance claim is currently being processed for the old sewer machine. Bryan Wright motioned to approve the purchase of the 740(c) sewer machine, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.  
Discuss and consider action re: repairs to City Hall roof  
After discussion, Bryan Wright motioned to contract for the roof repairs with Parsley's Roofing, Ricky Reed seconded, all in favor, motion carried.  
Discuss and consider action re: sewer services to El Primo's Restaurant Scott will get in touch with Kathy Allen regarding this.

### STAFF REPORTS

Scott Caldwell reported on the following:  
Cost of the Main Street lights  
Continuing department head meetings  
Have contacted appraiser for Spruce property bid

### CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

### ITEMS FROM THE-COUNCIL

Scott Caldwell will check on:  
Bricks on the "star" on Main Street  
Speed limit signs for Main Street  
There was some discussion regarding:  
Yellow lines on Main Street  
Main Street Committee needs to meet regarding Christmas decorations  
Ricky Reed commented on:  
He wants Scott to review and sign all letters being mailed by City Hall  
USDA grant

### ADJOURN

Ricky Reed motioned to adjourn at 1:20 pm, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Marca Ewers, Mayor

Attest:

Kathy Rendon

## COUNCIL MINUTES

January 11, 2011

Stratford City Council met in Special Session, Tuesday, January 11, 2011 with Mayor Marca Ewers presiding and the following were present:  
Present Council Members: Joe Zak, Bryan Wright, Ann Johnson, Brad Williams, Ricky Reed  
Absent Council Members: None  
City Administrator: Scott Caldwell  
City Planner: George Harding

Others: None

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marca Ewers called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### CONSENT AGENDA

No consent agenda items.

### PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

There were no presentations.

### COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discuss and consider action re: estimates for repairs to the street on S. 1<sup>st</sup> St. from S. Main St. to the alley between S. Main Street and S. Pearl St.  
After discussion, Ricky Reed motioned to approve the approximate \$18,000 expenditure, Brad Williams seconded, all in favor, motion carried.  
Discuss and consider action re: estimates for the replacement of water lines on S.1<sup>st</sup> from S. Chestnut to S. Pine St.  
After discussion, Ricky Reed motioned to approve the water line replacement and stop at Pine Street, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.  
Discuss and consider action re: Resolution authorizing Diversified Lenders Inc. to be the City's lender for the purchase of Incode Municipal Court and Cash Collections software  
Bryan Wright motioned to approve the resolution, Joe Zak seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

### STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

### ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

There were no items from Council.

### ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

## COUNCIL MINUTES

February 22, 2011

Stratford City Council met in Regular Session, February 22, 2011 with Mayor Pro-Term Ricky Reed presiding and the following were present:  
Present Council Members: Bryan Wright, Ann Johnson, Brad Williams, Joe Zak  
Absent Council Members: Mayor Marca Ewers  
City Administrator: Scott Caldwell  
City Secretary: Kathy Rendon

Others: None

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro-Term Ricky Reed called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### STAFF REPORTS

No staff reports this meeting.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from January 27, 2011 regular meeting  
Joe Zak motioned to approve the minutes, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Accounts Payable for January 2011  
Bryan Wright motioned to approve the accounts payable, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Financial Statements for January 2011  
Joe Zak motioned to approve the financial statements, Bryan Wright seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

### PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

There were no presentations to Council.

### COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discuss and consider action re: accept and review bids solicited by the City of Stratford for property described as Lots 6 through 10, Block 88, Original Town of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas  
There was discussion regarding the appraisal on the various lots. Only one sealed bid was received. It was from Felix Saenz for \$1525. After discussion, Bryan Wright motioned to decline the bid, Brad Williams seconded, all in favor, motion carried. The property will be re-advertised to accept sealed bids again.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

## ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

• Ann Johnson commented:  
o Prospectus Study Club would like to meet with the Main Street Committee for ideas and other recommendations for brackets and banners for Main Street Light Poles

### ADJOURN

Joe Zak motioned to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

## COUNCIL MINUTES

March 8, 2011

Stratford City Council met in Special Session, Tuesday, March 8, 2011 with Mayor Marca Ewers presiding and the following were present:  
Present Council Members: Joe Zak, Bryan Wright, Ann Johnson, Brad Williams, Ricky Reed

Absent Council Members: None City Administrator: Scott Caldwell City Secretary: Kathy Rendon City Planner: George Harding Municipal Court Judge: Cindy Jackson  
Others: Audra Meidinger

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marca Ewers called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### CONSENT AGENDA

There were not items.

### PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

There were not presentations.

### COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discuss and consider action re: Main Street Essentials request for placement of a greenhouse on the sidewalk at the northwest intersection of the N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Main Street

Audra Meidinger was present to request permission for the greenhouse. Bryan Wright motioned to approve the greenhouse, Joe Zak seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Discuss and consider action re: franchise agreement between the City of Stratford and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") dba Xcel Energy

After discussion, Ricky Reed motioned to approve the agreement with a 3% franchise fee rate, Bryan Wright seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Discuss and consider action re: ordinance No. 2011-0308 authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Stratford, Texas combination tax and revenue certificates of obligation, Series 2011; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said certificates; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject

As the application is still under review, this item will be tabled. Joe Zak motioned to move to table adoption of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the City's Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation to the City Council meeting to be held on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011, scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm, at the City Hall, 518 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Stratford, Texas, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Discuss and consider action re: Resolution 20110308 calling for the election of additional sales tax for the use of street maintenance

There was discussion about adding <sup>1/2</sup> cent to the current sales tax rate for street maintenance. Bryan Wright motioned to order the election for the additional sales tax, Joe Zak seconded, Ricky Reed opposed, all else in favor, motion carried.

Discuss and consider action re: purchase and installation of hydro-stop valves for fire hydrant located at the intersection c South Chestnut and South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

This fire hydrant has a small leak. It is fairly expense to purchase and install a valve. Since the leak is small, immediate repair is not necessary. Joe Zak motioned to table this item until future necessity, Brad Williams seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Council took a short recess from 7:03 pm to 7:07 pm

Discuss and consider action re: Incode Municipal Court and Cash Collections systems implementation and additional work

Per Tyler Technologies, the data conversion would cost \$6500. There are still several other issues that need to be taken care of:

Need to order another receipt printer for the front office

Need a connection between the Police Department and Municipal Court so that tickets can be entered from the Police Department side and then be uploaded to the Municipal Court side. Scott will check to see if crimestar and Incode can interface.

Ann Johnson motioned to table this item until further information can be obtained, Ricky Reed seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

### DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION RE: DELIBERATE REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT OF A POLICE OFFICER FOR THE STRATFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

There was discussion regarding hiring another full-time police officer. Chief Powell has interviewed a recent graduate from the academy. There was discussion regarding a need for a code enforcement officer. Joe Zak motioned to table this item until Council can have discussion with the Police Chief, Ricky Reed seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

### STAFF REPORTS

Scott Caldwell reported on the following:

Drove the city streets and rated them

Hire/bid out for cemetery maintenance services: possibly use City equipment but would buy their own fuel

Triple L Utilities payable for the extra work performed

Purchased a 10x16 Morgan building at the new sewer plant

Sewer plant phone line is now working. Now waiting on the contractor to complete their part. Liquidated damage might need to be considered due to overdue contract timeline

Ground-up millings were purchased for streets. The company is offering \$7 sq. /yd., with a minimum purchase of 600 yds to finish up a few projects

Currently getting prices for a planer

### ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

Mayor Marca Ewers reported that she attended Panhandle Days in Austin and will be providing a write-up in the

paper on details of her trip. She met with someone who might be interested in purchasing some of the bricks.

Scott Caldwell will contact the school regarding a design project for a "welcome to Stratford" sign, incorporating use of the bricks from Main Street.

Brad Williams questioned the "rut" at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main Street. It will be repaired when the rest of Main Street is completed.

There was some discussion regarding whether or not to paint the yellow stripe on Main Street

Joe Zak brought some discussion regarding patching Pine Street. Need to check the contract regarding asphalt1 be placed after the highway project is completed

Ann Johnson commented on:

U-turn signs on Main Street

Main Street committee needs to schedule a meeting

o County has relinquished 1/2 ownership of the old fire department tanker. City now owns 100%

County has issued a burn ban which is now in effect

Discussion regarding extra trash cans being placed due to burn ban

### ADJOURN

Joe Zak motioned to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Bryan Wright seconded, all in favor, motion carried.



The Irving Berlin song, "How Deep Is the Ocean" contains only one line that is not a question. The one nonquizzical line is "I'll tell you no lie."



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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of BARBARA JEAN EVERETT, were issued on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011 in Cause No. 2179, pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, as Independent Executor to:

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The attorney representing such Estate is as follows:

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Hunter & Oelke, PC  
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Dalhart, Texas 79022  
Telephone (806) 244-5632  
Telefax (806) 244-2863

All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2011.

HUNTER & OELKE, PC  
BY: WILLIAM HUNTER  
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## Card of Thanks

We would like to express our gratitude for all the phone calls and the thoughts and prayers during our recent illness. Thanks again

Tom & Donna Wagner & Family

## Card of Thanks

Thank you for all the calls and words of encouragement concerning Ray's procedure. Thanks to Pastor Gary and wife, Cathy, Billy and Jeanne and Dean and Joli for being at the hospital during that time. We thank God that Ray is feeling better each day. God bless each of you.

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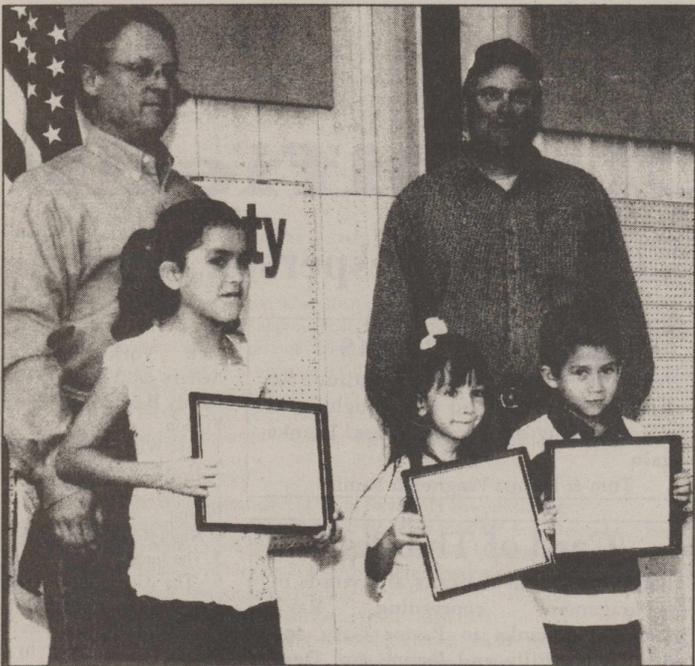
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## 2011 Stewardship & Awards Banquet



The 2011 Stewardship & Awards Banquet was held on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Sherman County Barn. Scott Buckles gave the opening remarks with invocation given by Brad Beckett of Church of Christ. A delicious meal was served and the awards program given after that. Shown above are the Coloring contest K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade winners who were announced and presented their certificates by Mark Hartman shown at back right along with Scott Buckles. Winners were Brianda Pinon-3<sup>rd</sup> place, Viridiana Contreras-2<sup>nd</sup> place and Adan Duran first place winner.



Shown above is Scott Buckles with Steve Baskin who presented the winners of the Poster Contest 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Cambri Cummings-3<sup>rd</sup> place, Lucero Garcia-2<sup>nd</sup> place and Laynee Burr-First place winner. Sponsors for this year's banquet were Vincent Insurance, Happy State Bank, Duncan Chevrolet, Stratford Grain, Premier Ag, Sunray Co-Op, Panhandle Irrigation, Buckles Insurance and Stratford Flying Service.



Last year's Conservation Farmer of the Year Winner Tom Moore presenting this year's winner Frank Mininger 2011 Conservation Farmer. Mr. Mininger was not present.



Brad Easterling CEA-Ag/Natural Resources, Sherman County was the speaker for the program.

### Fertilizing Lawns

By County Agent Brad Easterling

Spring is here and that means that lawns are greening up and starting to grow again. If you have not put out your first application of fertilizer yet it is still not too late. There are several things to keep in mind when putting out fertilizer each time. You should have a routine soil test run on your lawn each year to determine what the fertilizer recommendations are, this will prevent over fertilizing or under fertilizing your lawn. Soil sampling bags and forms can be picked up at the Texas AgriLife Extension office. If no soil test is going to be run then fertilizers with a ratio of 3-1-2 or 4-1-2 should be used in most instances as they will supply the nutrients needed without dramatically increasing phosphorous levels. A common example of a 3-1-2 ratio is 15-5-10, and a common example of a 4-1-2 is 16-4-8. For both common and hybrid Bermuda grass 4 split applications in spring, early summer, late summer, and fall are the best times to fertilize.

Many people will use the rule of the 4 holidays, Easter, Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day as an easy way to remember when to fertilize their lawn. For St. Augustine grass 2-3 applications are sufficient to maintain fertility throughout the growing season. St. Augustine grass that is mostly shaded by large trees will not require as much fertilizer and can get by with only 2 applications. Annually Bermuda grass requires 4-6 lbs. of nitrogen for lush green growth whereas St. Augustine grass will require 2-4 lbs. with shaded lawns requiring less. High traffic turf such as playing fields, golf courses, or if your lawn is the neighborhood football field will require more nitrogen to maintain growth throughout the year.

Approximately 50% of the nitrogen source in the fertilizer should consist of a slow-release form. Using a fertilizer that has all its nitrogen in a soluble source can create too much quick and lush growth. This excessive growth can lead to too much thatch, decreased root depth, and low resistance to disease and harmful insects.

Another option many homeowners may want to consider is purchasing a fertilizer with a pre-emergent herbicide mixed in to control unwanted weeds before they germinate this spring. For Bermuda grass, products containing 2,4-D and dicamba do a good job of controlling most broadleaves and many grasses. In St. Augustine grass, atrazine is labeled for use and works well on most broadleaves and grasses. For more information contact the Extension office or visit <http://aggieturf.tamu.edu>

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