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No more Holiday pins from Bobbie

A sad day for folks in Stratford and surrounding areas. Bobbie Strong since 1982 has always made pins to give away on special holidays. When she started out it was only to her family, then a thank you to the choir, then to the congregation. When she started out it was about 20 pins, and then went up to 300 pins for every holiday. She gave them to all businesses in Stratford and many others were blessed to receive one of them.

Bobbie and Ken Strong moved to Stratford when Bobbie's folks retired and came to live in Stratford in 1982. So she has been doing pins for 33 years. But at the end of December, 2015 she officially quit making the pins, but she is not sitting around doing nothing. She and a lot of other crafty folks meet at the County Barn on Tuesdays from approximately 10 am to 2 p.m. and they have been crocheting scarves for the homeless. It is a simple pattern and lots of folks have helped on this project. So far they have given away about 209 scarves to Faith City Mission and the homeless shelters. Every scarf is put in a bag with a note saying "made with love". They also have donated several scarves, head bands and blankets to Piper Bennett, who helps out the homeless in Canyon and Amarillo. Also during the time she has lived in Stratford she was a Dispatcher at the Sheriff's office for 10 years before she retired. She has also crocheted hats and donated to Don Harrington Cancer Center. Kay Payne and she have painted boxes for the NIC unit at the hospitals where they have donated baby hats, blankets, etc. so the parents of the babies can put the items in a box in the memory of their babies. Bobbie has never really retired, just working hard at something else and making so many lives so much better with her gifts and of her time. She truly is a blessing to Stratford and an Angel too many. Bobbie said anyone is invited to come to the County Barn on Tuesday and help with this project, or paint on their own or whatever they enjoy doing. We have so many talented folks in this town and we are grateful to all of them. They also will accept donations of yarn, etc. if you have some you would like to get rid of. Again thank you Bobbie for all that you do. Bobbie is shown above and upper right just a few of the pins she has made over the years.

American Legion Schedules Meeting

The Howard Norvell Green Post 262 of the American Legion will conduct its February meeting on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at SCOT Hall. Meeting time is 7:00 pm. All members are encouraged to attend as we will interview and select the Boys State and Girls State nominees for 2016. Fundraiser for Boys State and Girls State will also be discussed. Memorial Day-Preliminary planning will also be completed. If you have need of any information, please call Robert McGinnis at 396-2212, Bob Marr at 580-817-0775, or Dennis Phelps at 396-5316



Come out to the Stratford High School basketball games this Friday against Sunray to support the Junior Class of 2017!
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Dinner Theater

The Stratford High School one-act play cast and crew will host a dinner theatre on March 21 featuring a performance of the play Unexpected Tenderness. The meal--a salad, pork tenderloin, macaroni cheese, green beans and cupcakes--will begin at 6:00, followed by the play at 7:00. A silent auction will be open for the duration of the evening. Tickets are \$15. For tickets, contact Taylor Aduddell, Bret Barnard, Juan Carlos Camberos, Brendan Campbell, Blake Griffin, Courtney Griffin, Nicole Law Matalin Mace, John McBroom, Carlee Metcalf, Branson Palmer, Brenda Portillo, Val-mari du Plessis, Russell Spurlock or Daniela Valdez.

Advisory: This year's play contains brief instances of spousal and child abuse.

WHAT: The High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show

WHEN: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 4

WHERE: Amarillo Civic Center North Exhibit Hall

WHO: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association

WHY: This is a good opportunity to learn about how crops use water; soil moisture sensors; irrigation scheduling tools; variable rate irrigation; considerations for integrated irrigation, crop and pest management; and new/emerging irrigation technologies.

After a great catered lunch, we will hear an update from Kathleen Jackson, Board Member on the Texas

Water Development Board about statewide water issues of particular interest to agriculture. And Tiffany Dowell

Lashmet, with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Amarillo, will be the keynote speaker, addressing water law--agricultural law hot topics. There will be a variety of exhibitors from industry, local irrigation/agribusiness, and agencies at the Trade Show.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to come ask these experts about issues pertaining to agriculture and water.

CONTACT: Please feel free to call me, Kay Ledbetter, at 806-683-2736 to make arrangements for interviews on that day, or just show up and I will be there to help you find the people you are interested in talking to. I am attaching the conference brochure for you to look at and determine possible topics and individuals of interest.



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Story Time @Your Library

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SAVE THE DATE:
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
ANNUAL SAUSAGE DINNER
Sun. February 21st, 2016
At the
Sherman County Barn
From 11:00am - 2:00pm
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10:00 -10:30 a.m.

Ladies Yoga-Tuesdays 9:15-10:00 a.m.

Bingo-Second Tuesday 7 p.m.
4th Thursday Immediately following
noon luncheon

Monthly Luncheon-4th Thursday-12 noon
(covered dish luncheon)

Stratford Country Club Membership Drive

The Stratford Country Club is having a membership drive from February 1 - June 15. New members will be assessed only \$100.00 membership fee and \$65.00 monthly dues during this time instead of \$150.00 membership fee. Please contact Suzanne Ashly at First State Bank 396-5521 for more information or to enroll.

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Home Country By Slim Randles

Windy's pickup truck was the third one to arrive at the scene of the fender bender. Both cars pretty well plugged up the road, and once it was determined no one was hurt, and the police had been called, Windy surveyed the situation.

1. Weather - decent if you're wearing a coat.
2. No one's going anywhere for a while.
3. A small crowd had gathered on the shoulder of the road.

A small crowd? Nay I say unto you, not in the world of Alphonse "Windy" Wilson. That there, gentle reader, is an audience.

"You folks come here often?" he asked these strangers. They looked at the fields and the cattle and shook their heads no. That, you see, was the icebreaker. The tip of the iceberg icebreaker.

"Yessir, now you take in there these car accidentals. Brings me to mind of the time ol' Harvey drove his wheel tractor flat into Myers Lake that morning. Seems his occidental rod twitched into third degree and afore you know it, he'd had a discomfortation right there in the water.

"Nice warm day, howsomever. Summer you know. Yessir. That was the summer it heated up so much Old Man Garcia's hens started layin' soft-boiled eggs. That's a fact. He brought one over to my house and he cracked it open and showed me. Soft-boiled. Sure as sugar. He took one down to the Mule Barn truck stop and showed it to the boys later. It sure did make them laugh. Saw 'em through the winder.

"It was so hot people in these parts started running between shady patches. It was so hot wellsir, me and Doc figured ol' Harve mighta just driv that tractor into the lake on purpose! Had to wader on outta there, 'course, and that cooled him down a mite. Ever' kid in town had one a them squirter guns, and may my spur rowels lock tight and get the peewaddles if there weren't grown-ups askin' them kids to squirt 'em!"

"Now when's the last time you saw that? Thought so. That was one heilvetius hot summer, friend, and you can tell 'em I said so."

Listen to Windy's Words of Wisdom on the Home Country podcast at www.homecountryshow.com.

Golden Nail Nomination due Feb. 8

Amarillo Chamber of Commerce is soliciting Golden Nail Nominations for the coming Golden Nail Awards Dinner, April 7, 2016. Nomination are for activities in the year 2015, support letters should be limited to 3 and the persons given name should be used (not Mr. and Mrs. Etc.). Categories as follows: **Individual, Business, Foundation** - Support of the arts with contributions a minimum of \$1000.00. In kind gifts are accepted with proof of value. **Golden Touch Award** - is for unique or innovative arts event or activity in the 2015 year. **Distinguished Volunteer**- Individual Supportive of event as a volunteer. Service cannot be associated with the individual employment. The award is not based on financial contributions. **Up and Coming Distinguished Volunteer**-Any individual up to 35 years of age who has supported the arts or event through volunteerism. Nominations should be sent to Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, attention Becky Zenor, 1000 S. Polk, Amarillo, TX 79101. For more information contact Becky Zenor or Gaynelle Riffe, Stratford

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Thanks-Marty

Publisher Seeks Stories From Local Folks

Hometown Memories Publishing Company intends to save a big slice of local history before it's lost forever.

Karen Garvey, Senior Editor at Hometown Memories Publishing is asking local folks to share their memories for a living history book. She invites anyone with yarns about the "good old days" in Texas Upper Panhandle to write them down and mail them to her for possible publication in the book. The hardcover coffee table book will contain tales of bygone years from people who actually lived them.

To encourage participation, Garvey is offering a \$250.00 award for the most appealing story. There will also be two \$100.00 runner-up awards and a cash award for best picture.

"I'm not looking for genealogy," says Garvey. "What we want to save are true stories about things that once were commonplace but are virtually unknown to today's generation. The contributor's descendants will love them for it. Life today is not what it used to be," continues Garvey. For example, any golden-ager could tell an interesting tale about things like wringer washing machines, downtown cowboy movies on Saturday, radio drama programs, feed sack dresses or old fashioned outhouses. Garvey explains, "Stories like these are not only great fun to read, especially for old-timers, but they're usually left out of the official history books. I hope some of these books will still be around in 200 years so that people will know that old-timers were more than a name or a faded picture. But that we were real people with real lives." Especially wanted for the book are stories that involve humor, odd, unusual, frightening or mysterious events, romance stories ("How I Met My Spouse"), local myths and legends and ghost tales. The deadline for story submission is April 30, 2016.

Garvey requests that anyone interested in submitting material for the book phone her toll free, at (877) 491-8802 for instructions or visit the web site at www.hometownmemoriesonline.com.

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Recipes

Skinny Mac 'N Cheese

Serves 5

- 1½ lbs (700 g) cauliflower (half of a large head or 1 small head)
- 8 oz (250 g) uncooked elbow macaroni (2 cups/500 mL)
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled
- 1½ cups (375 mL) chicken stock or chicken broth
- ½ cup (125 mL) milk
- 2 Tbsp (30 mL) flour
- 8 oz (250 g) reduced-fat sharp cheddar cheese (2 cups/500 mL grated)
- 1 cup (250 mL) 2% plain low-fat Greek yogurt
- Salt and black pepper (optional)

1. Cut cauliflower into large chunks, keeping core intact. Using a Veggie Strip Maker, grate cauliflower florets into large Stainless Steel Mixing Bowl to measure 3 cups (750 mL).

2. Place cauliflower and macaroni in Rockcok Dutch Oven or Deep Covered Baker. Using Garlic Slicer, slice garlic into Dutch Oven.

3. Whisk stock, milk and flour with Stainless Steel Whisk until blended. Pour into Dutch Oven; mix well.

4. Microwave, covered, on HIGH 17-20 minutes or until macaroni is tender, stirring once halfway through cooking.

5. Meanwhile, grate cheese with Microplane Adjustable Coarse Grater.

6. Using Silicone Oven Mitt Set, carefully remove Dutch Oven from microwave to Stackable Cooling Rack. Add yogurt and 1½ cups (375 mL) of the cheese; stir until well blended. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with remaining cheese.

7. Microwave, covered, on HIGH 1 minute or until cheese is melted.

Cook's Tips

The easiest way to grate the cauliflower so it stays in the bowl is to hold the Veggie Strip Maker at an angle into the large bowl while grating the florets. You can add color and flavor by adding two large peeled carrots, grated into short pieces with the Veggie Strip Maker.

Learn More

At the company's in-home cooking shows, you can see and try products, prepare and sample recipes, and learn quick and easy food preparation techniques as well as get tips on how to entertain with style and ease—transforming the simple to the spectacular. For more information, visit www.pamperedchef.com or www.facebook.com/PamperedChef. For other mealtime tips, recipes and cooking supplies, visit www.pamperedchef.com/mealtimeinminutes.

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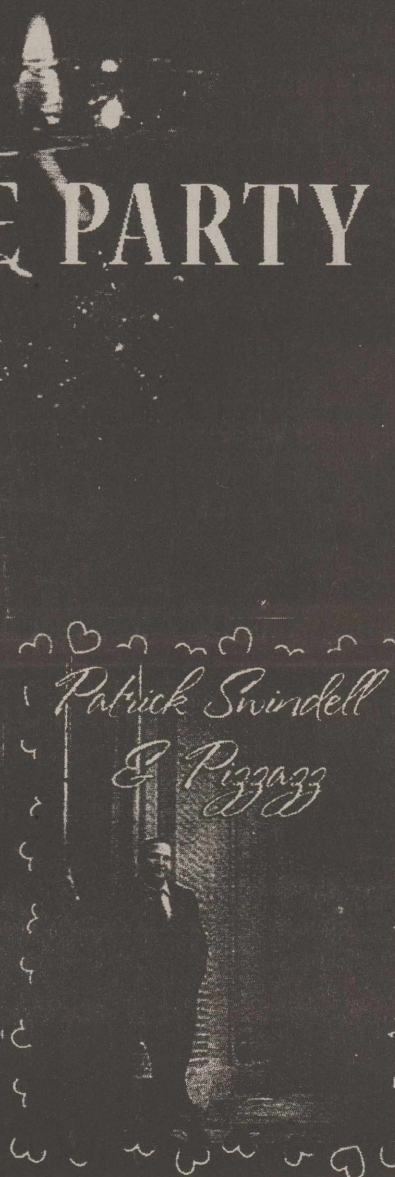
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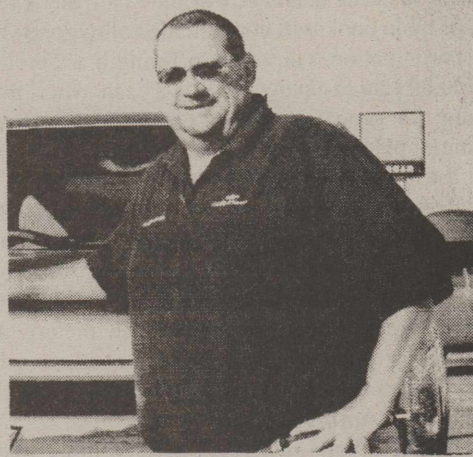
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My article has not been written in a while because of the holidays and I do this in spurts. I have witnessed several basketball games since my last report; we have played a lot of good basketball games on both sides (boys and girls.) We played the top notch competitors Canadian and Gruver blah blah blah! Now we are on the back of the district and if we want to be commanders of the district we have to win on the road!!!!. So we have talked about basketball so let's talk about other things. "Rodney walking is walking." Technically it is traveling" says SBS! This reporter was sitting in the stands by BM and I thought he said that the WT Boys were from Norway but actually they were in the doorway!!!! That is a Johnny Mark Keener-ism!!!! Okay let's play hard aggressive defense and make some free throws!!!! Remember this...hand in the bucket every time. Let's play for our country and our troops overseas. Thank you Lord for everything you have given us. Once an Elk always an Elk.

Roger Malon Allen
 Class of 1981

P.S. I am writing this with pink hair because MB said it would make my hair grow but it just made my hair pink.



2016 TREE SALE

Time is here once again for Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual Spring Tree Sale. Order forms are ready and can be picked up at our office at 418 North 4th in Stratford, or we can mail it if you give us a call. We can also email the order form if you supply us with an email address. Just call us or email us at shermswcd@xit.net.

While we try to list as many species that are available for this area, we cannot list them all. If you have any special wants or wishes as far as trees go this year, please call the office at 396-5517 ext. 3 and we will be happy to try and find what you need.

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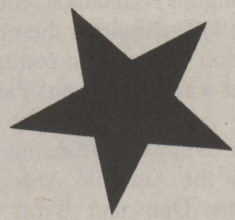
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We all know that there are children who have free breakfast and lunch provided for them at school Monday through Friday. Have you ever stopped to think what these children do for food on the weekends? Have you ever eaten lunch on Friday and then not had another actual meal until Monday morning? Can you imagine trying to listen to your teacher on Monday morning when all you can do is watch the clock and count the seconds until lunchtime? Unfortunately, there are children in Stratford and the surrounding towns in the Texas panhandle who face this struggle every weekend and during school holidays. Snack Pak 4 Kids is a program that provides food for children in these situations every weekend of the school year. 100% of all money is used for food only.

YES!!! I want to adopt a child for: **Stratford ISD**

- 1 year- \$133 (number of children ___)
- 1 month- \$14 (number of children ___)
- 1 week- \$3.50 (number of children ___)
- other- \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Organization _____

School you are sponsoring _____

Checks are payable to "Snack Pak 4 Kids." Please designate Stratford in memo line of your check.

Snack Pak 4 Kids
701 Park Place Ave
Amarillo, TX 79101
806-337-5252

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selling, garage
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appreciate your
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366-5885**

I'm tired of all this nonsense
about beauty being only skin-
deep. That's deep enough. What
do you want, an adorable
pancreas?

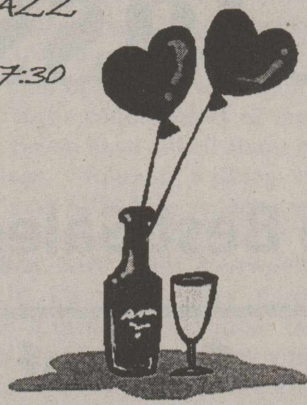
—Jean Kerr

All we actually have is our body
and its muscles that allow us to
be under our own power.

—Allegra Kent

Bring your valentine and join us
 for an intimate evening of
 wine, hors d'oeuvres, and dancing with
 Patrick Swindell and PIZZAZZ
 Saturday, February 13th at 7:30
 at The Imagination Station

Admission: \$100 per couple
 For tickets please call 753-6018 or
 email karen_riffe@yahoo.com



3rd Six Weeks Honor Rolls & Perfect Attendance Winners

3rd Grade

A Honor Roll

Dane'ja Agu-White
 Lynley Albert
 Bryce Braden
 Tripp Hudson
 Santiago Ibarra
 Marlet Quintero Hernandez
 Faith Tims

AB Honor Roll

Addison Bell
 Makenzie Bell
 Bo Engelbrecht
 Daniela Gonzalez
 Jocelyn Goznalez
 Iram Guerrero
 Abigail Gutierrez
 Deidre' Hininger
 Michelle Lopez
 Jonathan Mendoza
 Jasmine Moczygemba
 McKinzie Moore
 Nathan Morillon
 Luis Ortega
 Allison Roberts
 Danniell Sallee
 Treyton Smith
 Julio Valdez Valenzuela
 Maripaz Vallejo Mateos

4th Grade

A Honor Roll

Morgan Clift
 Paola Howell
 Omar Jacquez
 Karston Long
 Kimberly Mendoza Miranda
 Joaquin Michel
 Abraham Ortega
 Jasmine Ruedas
 Caitlyn Skiles
 Briana Tello Nava
 Mila Thompson
 Linda Vega

AB Honor Roll

Manuel Acosta Marquez
 Abigail Botello
 Gracey Garcia
 Zaeleigh Gutierrez
 Cole Hinds
 Abigail Ibarra
 Jeremie Lupercio
 Meghan McNeely
 Claudia Ramirez
 Evelyn Reyes Ibarra
 Cielo Rios
 Izakia Salas
 Angel Soto
 Magdalena Thomas

PERFECT ATTENDANCE winners for the 3rd Six Weeks

out of 99 students are:

PK- Christina Murphy
 KG- Macie Lawrence
 1st- Hudson Holland
 2nd- Marize Howell
 3rd- Iram Guerrero
 4th- Linda Vega
 CONGRATULATIONS!!

AAF/HF Discretionary Grant Program

Each year, the Amarillo Area Foundation and its supporting organization, The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation, consider grant requests from charitable organizations located within the northernmost 26 counties of Texas. The application process is competitive and charitable organizations located within the Texas Panhandle are encouraged to apply. (Individuals and non-charitable agencies are not eligible to apply for funding.) Grant applications are considered by the Amarillo Area Foundation and its supporting organization, The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation, via a single application. The Harrington Foundation does not receive grant requests directly from nonprofit organizations. During 2016, the discretionary grant cycles will be as follows:

Applications Due March 1 and July 1
 Board Review-April/May August/September

Applications are available at aaf.spectrumportal.net and must be submitted through the online portal. Please click on the 'Application' page of the grants page to get more information about the Spectrum Portal and the application process. Upon submission, applications and accompanying materials become the property of the Foundation and are used as deemed appropriate. These materials may be reviewed with others as part of the assessment process. Information may also be shared with other foundations and funding sources that call for information about community projects.

The Boards of Directors are responsible for final approval of each grant request. Since the Foundation receives funding requests far in excess of funds available for grants, the application process is competitive. A decision not to fund a proposal does not necessarily reflect on the merits of the applicant or the value of the project. Visit www.amarilloareafoundation.org/grants for more information. Applicants are encouraged to contact Foundation staff to arrange an appointment to discuss the potential request or questions. For more information about the Amarillo Area Foundation or about applying for grants, contact Kathie Grant, Grants Administrator, (806) 376-4521 or kathie@aaf-hf.org.

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Amarillo Area Foundation Request for Grant Proposals

On behalf of Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC, responsible for the management and operations of the Pantex Plant, the Amarillo Area Foundation (AAF) announces a Request for Proposals (RFP). The Advisory Committee for the CNS Pantex Community Investment Fund, a component fund of the Amarillo Area Foundation, will entertain proposals from nonprofit and charitable institutions throughout the twenty-six northernmost counties in the Texas Panhandle (individuals and non-charitable organizations are not eligible). Grant amounts will range from \$500 to \$10,000. The application process will be competitive and organizations who fit the eligibility requirements and whose work is in line with the priorities are encouraged to apply. The priorities for funding are:

- *Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, and Shelter)
- *Children, Youth, and Family
- *Community Development
- *Education
- *Financial Literacy
- *Health and Wellness

Priority will be given to proposals from organizations located and operating in twelve contiguous counties surrounding the Pantex Plant. These counties include Deaf Smith, Oldham, Moore, Hutchison, Gray, Donley, Hall, Armstrong, Swisher, Randall, Potter and Carson.

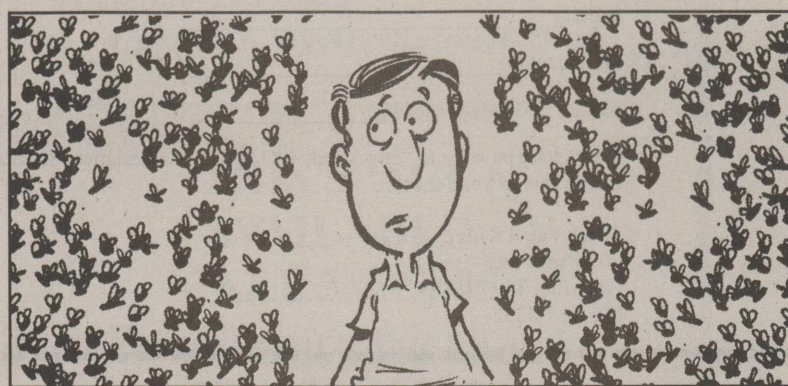
Applications are available online at aaf.spectrum.net and are due February 12, 2016 by 12:00 noon. Training for the online Spectrum system will be held Wednesday, January 13th from 1:30pm-2:30pm and again on Tuesday, February 9th from 9:00am-10:00am. The link to register for the training is <http://bit.ly/1LOOBI>. Questions regarding registration for training can be directed to Roxann Ball, Program Officer, at 806.376.4521 or roxann@daaf-hf.org.

If you have any questions about eligibility or the grant process, please contact Kathie Grant, Grants Administrator, at 806.376.4521 or kathie@aaf-hf.org. If you have any questions about priorities, please contact Jessica Tudyk, Grants Manager, at 806.376.4521 or jessica@aaf-hf.org.

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Before winning the presidential election in 1860, Abraham Lincoln had lost eight elections for various offices.



Insects outnumber humans 100,000,000 to one.