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## Homecoming 2016

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### Happy State Bank T-shirt proceeds donated to Lollipop Junction

On Thursday, September 15, 2016 Trisha Keener, Vice President of Stratford's Happy State Bank, presented Julieta Ortega, Director of Lollipop Junction, with a check for \$1,178— 100% of the proceeds raised by Happy's annual T-shirt giveaway.

We are so Happy to support Lollipop and all of the great work that the people who are involved with the non-profit daycare do for our community. Thank you again to all of those who came out to get their T-shirts and donate to this great cause!

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### War Memorial Education Center proposed for Texas Panhandle

Our freedom is not free, and the proposed Texas Panhandle War Memorial Education Center will serve to ensure that the brave servicemen & women of the Texas Panhandle who've made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom will never be forgotten. On Wednesday, September 7th Mary Nell Lemert, Chairwoman; Ron Boyd, Co-Chair; and Sheri Brosier, Co-Chair of the Campaign Executive Committee for Texas Panhandle War Memorial Education Center visited Happy State Bank to share with the community what the facility will mean for the Texas Panhandle.

The proposed Education Center will be located adjacent to the existing War Memorial at 1-27 and Georgia in Amarillo. The 12,546 square foot facility is unique both in its purpose and functionality. Nothing like this remarkable facility exists in Texas. The purpose of the Education Center is to honor, to educate, and to inform.

The proposed facility is not a museum, but an education center intended to tell the stories of the individuals from the 26 counties in the Texas Panhandle who have died to protect our freedom. This state-of-the-art center will bring 240 years' worth of history on American conflict to the fingertips of visitors through digital archives and video interviews with veterans from the Texas Panhandle. All information is true and accurate, explained Lemert. It will all be factual, even if it's not politically correct. The group explained that the first floor of the Education Center will take visitors on an interactive and chronological journey through each conflict in which the US military has fought. The second floor will honor our local heroes and tell their personal stories in an engaging environment. Visitors will be able to search digital archives by the name of a veteran to find their story. The personalized experience is intended bring the effects of war into focus and provide a lasting understanding of how our communities have been impacted by each US conflict.

Children from all over the Panhandle will be able to visit the Education Center, but the impact of the facility will reach even beyond our 26 counties. Lemert and Boyd explained that approximately 60 tour buses stop in Amarillo to visit the existing War Memorial, and this is expected to increase with the Education Center.

This \$8.5 million project is currently in the fundraising stage. "We are a long way from breaking ground, but we are not going to stop until it's done," Brosier said. The group has traveled to numerous communities in the Panhandle to share their stories, explain what the Education Center will be, and to invite the communities to join in their efforts.

Happy State Bank is a proud supporter of the proposed Texas Panhandle War Memorial Education Center, and brochures with information on the project are available in our lobby. To learn more about the Education Center or to find out how you can support this incredible effort please contact Rex Lemert at 806-373-7961, rexihopllc.com or Mary Nell Lemert at 806-679-6058, mnl@mnlemert.com.

### STUCO Fund Raiser

STUCO will be raffling 3 powder cooked insulated cups. Made by KT King Powder Coating. Tickets will be for sale at the Homecoming Game & with STUCO members. Tickets are \$5.00 each ticket or 5 for \$20.00

### ACT Boot Camp Coming to Sherman County Barn!

The ACT has become such an important component to college acceptance and scholarship dollars that it is now MANDATED in over 15 states...and this trend is growing! Stratford High School has responded by hosting an intensive, school day Boot Camp offered by Test Prep Seminars, a leader in college readiness and test preparation.

This is a \$350 program that Stratford High School is very proud to offer their students for only \$39! This comprehensive program is designed to:

- Quickly raise student test scores
- Minimize student anxiety
- Increase access to scholarship dollars
- Identify college readiness
- Maximize student potential
- Improve college entrance opportunities

This intensive school day ACT Boot Camp will be available Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> in the Sherman County Barn at 501 S Maple Street, Stratford, TX 79084.

To learn more, visit [www.testprepseminars.org](http://www.testprepseminars.org) or contact Ms. McBryde at 806-366-3322.

## Happy Anniversary New Life Chiropractic!

One year ago, we were presented with the opportunity to open a satellite office in Stratford and it's been an amazing journey for us. We appreciate the people of Stratford for allowing us to become part of the town family. We've witnessed the resurgence of the community in the past year and we hope to continue to be a positive part of the changes. We have been given the privilege to treat everyone from babies, to middle school/high school athletes, to weekend warriors and those of us that would rather not count birthdays anymore and like every family, there's been good times, tough times, fun times, and good ole' times. We've seen every personality under the sun and heard many stories that may be true ....or slightly exaggerated and we've been blessed to hear testimony after testimony and see the healing happening every week. In short, our time here has been absolutely amazing!

In celebration of our 1 Year Anniversary in Stratford, New Life Chiropractic would like to give back to the community which has so lovingly embraced us. Any new patient that comes in on September 23<sup>rd</sup> or September 30<sup>th</sup> will get their new patient exam for FREE. This is our opportunity to serve the community more and to add to our already amazing family here in Stratford. We would like to personally thank Kathy Allen for helping us with the move to Stratford and Mika Bell for allowing us to crank up the air conditioning inside Strandz N Tanz! Please call to schedule an appointment for a new patient exam on September 23<sup>rd</sup> or the 30<sup>th</sup>. 806.337.2084 or 806.803.9660. We are open from 8am to 5pm.

### CHOO, CHOO LOLLIPOP NEWS

Lollipop Junction is making plans for the non-profit, childcare center fall fundraisers. This year, the organization will be selling Zak's Cheese and Pumpkin Rolls on a pre-paid order basis.

Zak's Cheese offers an assortment of cheeses, summer sausage, fudge and other treats appropriate for holiday parties and gifts. In addition, popcorn and other delights are offered in the sales brochure. Items ordered from Zak's Cheese would be delivered the week of November 14th.

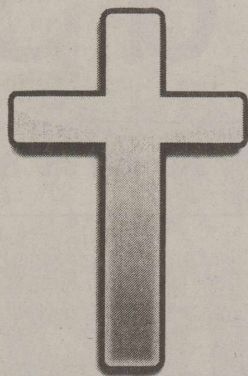
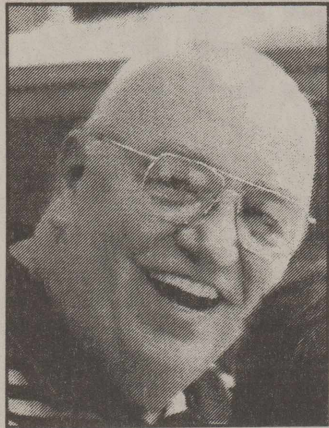
Lollipop Junction is partnering with Biti Pies to offer Pumpkin Rolls. The made from scratch pumpkin roll will be filled with cream cheese and chopped pecans in a ten inch log. Each pumpkin roll will sell for \$15.00 and will be delivered the week of November 14th.

Orders for Cheese and Pumpkin Rolls will begin October 3 and end October 21. Sales brochures for the items will be available from parents of children cared for at Lollipop Junction, at the child care center located at 210 N. Main, Stratford or from a board member. Persons interested in ordering are encouraged to call 366-5886 to request a sales brochure.

All proceeds from these sales will go toward new equipment for the center and replacing the roof due to spring storm damages.

Mark the first two weeks in October as time to order Zak's Cheese and Pumpkin Rolls from Lollipop!!!

# Obituaries



## Ron Murphey

June 13, 1948-September 13, 2016

Ron Murphey, 68, of Texhoma passed away Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital in Oklahoma City.

The son of Lloyd and Marguerite Esther (Bivins) Murphey, Ronald Scott Murphey was born June 13, 1948 in Syracuse, Kansas. Ron was raised near Cunningham, Kansas where he attended Cunningham school system graduating with the Class of 1966.

Ron attended Pratt Community College before transferring to Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, receiving his BS degree in HPER. He obtained his Masters degree in Educational Administration from Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva.

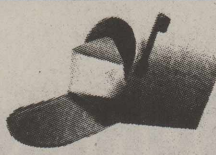
Ron and Vickie Luvell Ellison were married on May 29, 1970. She preceded him in death in July 1980. Ron and Diane Mathers were married on January 1, 1982. Ron served in the U.S. Army Reserves and was a member of the Texhoma United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the OK Coaches Association and the OK Basketball Coaches Association.

Mr. Murphey was a devoted basketball coach and administrator, serving at Felt from 1971 to 1980, Texhoma from 1980 to 2000, at Plainview from 2001 to 2011 and then again at Felt in 2014 before his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Vickie; one sister, Anita Murphey and one brother, Bill Murphey.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Murphey of the home; their six children, 18 grandchildren and one great granddaughter: Sheri (Dennis) Alber and children, Ashley & Alexandra of Holdrege, Nebraska; Cindi (Victor) Trevino and children, Erica, Emily, Morgan & Payton, along with Ron's great granddaughter, Adeline of Groom, Texas; Dr. Shawn (Dr. Ryan) Scott and children Ty & Kory of Marlow, Oklahoma, Rhonda (Zach) Searcy and child, Lane of Shattuck, Oklahoma, Jerod (Julie) McDaniel and children, Jaci, Alex, Luke, Aven, Sienna & Esta of Texhoma, Oklahoma; and Crystal (Jesse) Mariscal and children, Jacob, Thomas & Matthew of Stratford,

## Letters to The Editor



**SUBMITTING A LETTER:** Letters should be no more than 200 words and can be mailed to PO Box 8, Stratford, TX 79084 or faxed to 366-5884 or e-mailed to [stardm@xit.net](mailto:stardm@xit.net). Please include your street address (NO PO boxes), daytime phone number and full name. All submissions are subject to editing for length, libel, clarity and taste. The newspaper has the last say on whether a letter will be published. Letters to the editor are the opinions of the writer, not the newspaper.

Dear Stratford Community,  
We are new to Stratford having moved here in 2015.

Our Family loves this community, the Stratford ISD, the people and the kids.

We are asking the Stratford community to please pray every day (prayer is simply talking to God) for all the children in the Stratford ISD, especially the kids in sports. Please agree with us according to Matthew 18:18-20 for no injuries, safe travel and victory for the Stratford Elks. Our words carry weight, what we say is what we have. According to Proverbs 18:21 life & death are in the power of the tongue.

We love the school spirit and all the community support for the Elks! Thank you parents, teachers & coaching staff of the Stratford Elks football team for raising your sons, students & players to be upright, Godly, responsible young men. We appreciate the hard work that parents, coaches & teachers do to teach youngsters sportsmanship, life skills and common sense.

We traveled over 100 miles last week to watch a football game in a community that does not share the same values.

GOD, GRASS & GRIT!!  
Monte & Jessica Thompson  
Proud parents of a varsity Elk and a future Lady Elk.  
Monte & Jessica Thompson

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Texas; along with numerous nieces and nephews and a host of other family, friends and associates.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon, September 17th at 3: 00 p.m. at the Texhoma Gym in Texhoma, Oklahoma with Rev. Mike Enright, pastor of the Texhoma United Methodist Church officiating. Interment followed at the Texhoma Cemetery. Services were under the care of the Bunch - Roberts Funeral Home of Guymon.

## SCOT HALL ACTIVITIES

Men's Pool-daily 1 p.m. M-F

Ladies Mexican Train Dominoes-  
Mondays 1:30 p.m.

Ladies Chair Exercises-M-W-F  
10:00 -10:30 a.m.

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

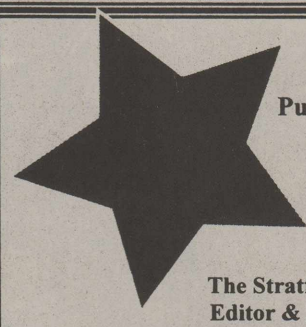
Monthly Luncheon-4<sup>th</sup> Thursday-12 noon  
(covered dish luncheon)

## 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

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Come celebrate **HOMECOMING**  with us before you go to the game!!

Friday - Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> we'll open at our regular time, 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.

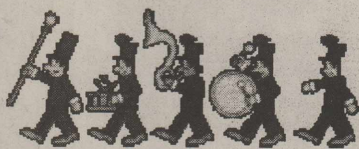
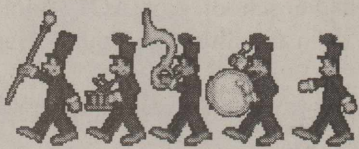
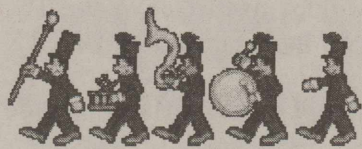
AND THEN OPEN AGAIN FROM 5 - 8 p.m.!!

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## Band Boosters Homecoming Enchilada Dinner

Friday, September 23, 2016

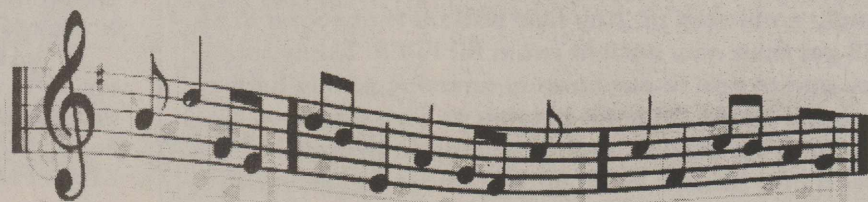
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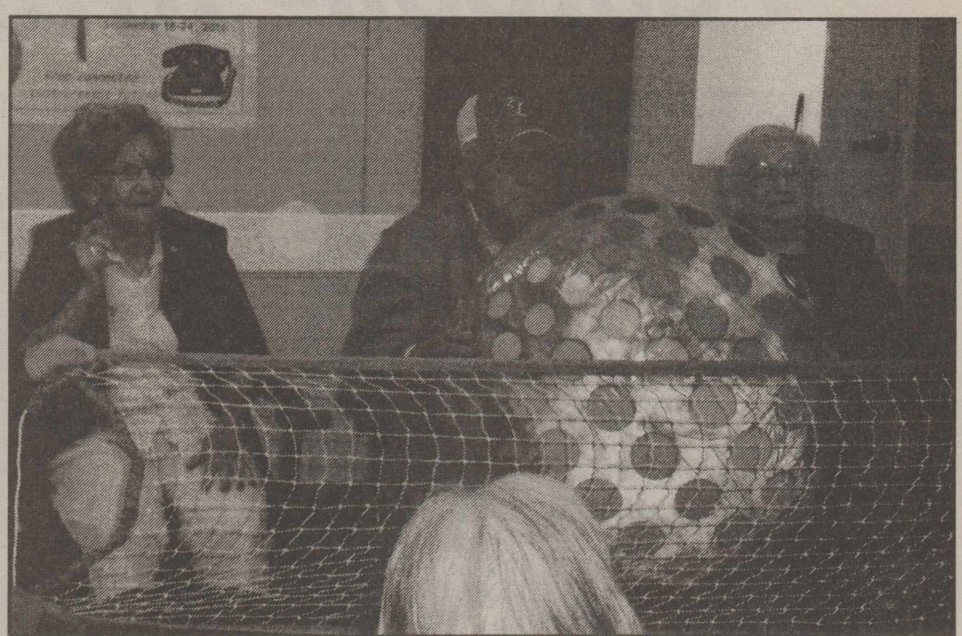
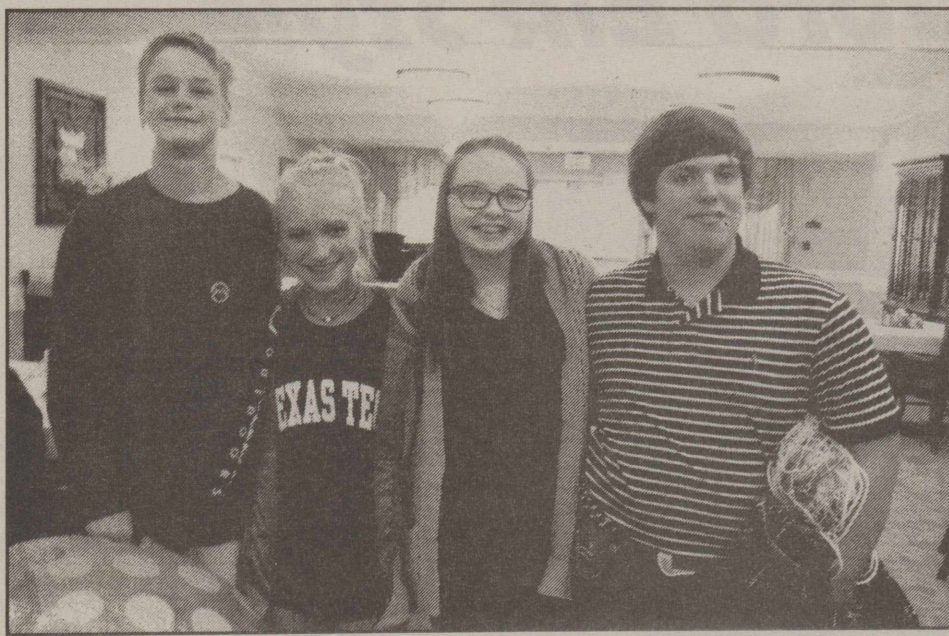
5:00-7:00 PM

Tickets \$8.00 each

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**GO BIG BLUE!!!**





## Dalhart High School Visits Legacy

By Paula Nusz

Dalhart High School's Hospitality and Tourism class made a visit to Legacy on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. They brought a beach ball and net for the residents to play seated volley ball. The short thirty minute time slot produced many laughs, smiles and hollers as everyone took a turn hitting ball. Eight residents and four students along with their sponsor had a wonderful time. Shown above are students BassWieck, Kenadee Walker, McKamie Miller and Spencer Coffee. Residents shown above are Helen Pack, Wid Stevenson and Mavis Davis.

## Wheat Producers advised to take advantage of existing soil nitrogen

Writer: Kay Ledbetter, 806-677-5608, skledbetter@ag.tamu.edu Contact: Dr. Jake Mowrer, jake.mowrer@tamu.edu

COLLEGE STATION - As producers across the state are planting winter wheat, it is important they consider crediting soil nitrogen in their management plans, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialist. Dr. Jake Mowrer, AgriLife Extension state soil fertility specialist in College Station, said producers can save money in fertilizer costs by taking advantage of existing soil nitrogen and still make expected yield goals.

Each year producers must determine what and how much nitrogen they will use to fertilize their crop, Mowrer said. His study is determining how soil testing can help producers know how much nitrates their soil already contains so they can credit that to their overall needs.

He said a study in the Hill Country on the effect of reducing nitrogen fertilizer applications to wheat based on soil test nitrates at depths as great as 3 feet was the first of its kind on a cool-season crop.

Previous studies on warm-season crops such as corn, sorghum and cotton suggest nitrates may be credited to 24 inches without affecting yield, Mowrer said.

"We know that crediting nitrogen fertilizer could save an estimated \$23 per acre for cotton and \$31 per acre on corn and grain sorghum. But what about wheat - how does it respond to this program?"

Working with a producer in Itasca on a project funded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Southern Sustainable Agriculture and Research Education, he said their goal was to produce 60-bushel per acre wheat. Soil samples were taken to 48 inches prior to planting in October 2015. The soil is Houston black clay.

Nitrogen from the soil was credited in different plots down to 36 inches. The wheat was harvested June 10. The full application of nitrogen performed the same as a credit to 6 inches and 12 inches, Mowrer said.

"Our results indicate that yield in wheat was not affected by crediting nitrate-nitrogen in the soil profile to a depth of 12 inches," Mowrer said. "However, yields in this study were adversely affected when fertilizer was reduced by crediting nitrate deeper in the profile."

He said the reason for this may lie in the different efficiencies at which wheat takes up nitrogen already in the soil, as compared to nitrogen that is applied at the surface.

"At 24 and 36 inches, there was a range of 10-60 pounds of nitrogen," Mowrer said. "Surface application of a liquid fertilizer was less efficient than recovery of existing soil nitrate. This result will be explored more closely in the next growing season."

Mowrer said soil fertility is the most limiting factor in plant growth, right after water.

"We know the best you can do productionwise is determined by the amount of water. Nitrogen is the input needed for crops right behind water."

And, he said, the timing of any necessary fertilizer applications once the soil testing is done will affect the growth of wheat.

"We recommend putting out a third of the nitrogen upfront, and then right before jointing put out the other two-thirds," Mowrer said.

"But remember, we can't manage the rate unless we know what is in the soil to begin with," he said. "Voluntary soil testing isn't as widespread as we would like to see it. Soil testing is a really, really important part of managing our nutrients, particularly for nitrogen for grain production or 2 pounds per acre of nitrogen for grass."

"If there is some nitrogen in the soil, we can adjust that rate," he said. "But you don't know what is there unless you test it. We recommend you can credit what you find all the way down to 2 foot."

Another study he is working on is examining the different root systems to see if they make a difference in what nitrogen can be utilized, as well as determining if types of soils matter.

Following up on the results in the previous year's wheat study will be a top priority in the coming season, Mowrer said.

"Although topdressing with surface applications is the recommended procedure for wheat at jointing, there are new technologies for fertilizer delivery that may hold the potential for increased nitrogen-use efficiency over what we see today with stream bars and tips."

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## 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.

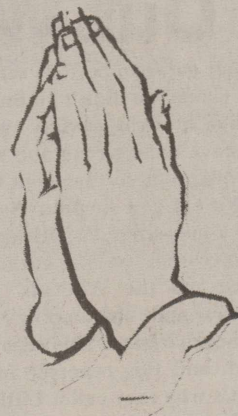
**First Christian Church**  
 5<sup>th</sup> & Main  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (nursery)  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery)  
 No Sunday evening Worship Service

**First United Methodist**  
 Rev. Steve Ulrey 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**  
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 Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass or t.  
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 Jr. & Sr. High. Wed. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**First Baptist Church**  
 Pastor Ron Whitt  
 702 N. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Sun.-Coffee 8:30 a.m.  
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 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed. Children 6 p.m. youth 7 p.m.

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 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

# Football- Stratford Elk Style



Stratford Elk #3 Shay Hess picks up some yards for the Elks on the carry in the Elks loss to Canadian.



Stratford Elk #22 Gage Brooks racks up some yards on the carry in the Elks loss to Canadian. Team mates # 5 Kade McBryde and #7 Fernando Jacquez are ready to assist.

## Canadian 42 Stratford 14

By the Elk Express Staff

The clash of football giants Canadian and Stratford was everything it was hyped to be for the first quarter, but the Elks fell short in the remainder of the game for a 42-14 loss in the non-district game.

Quarterback Kade McBryde was 5 of 16 in passing for 119 yards and two touchdowns. A 73-yard pass reception by Daniel DeCasas accounted for the first Elk score in the first period while a fourth-quarter reception by Sergio Guerrero for six yards completed the Elks scoring.

On the ground, the Elks were limited to 77 yards with the longest run by Pedro Ortega for 10. Defensively, McBryde led with six tackles and 10 assists. Gage Brooks had a solo tackle and nine assists.

Brooks added two PATs for the Elks and also punted five times for a 38.40 yard average. Julio Duran was named the Special Teams player of the week while Carlos Gonzales was the Scout team player.

The Elks, with a 2/1, season record, will seek revenge against Littlefield in a Homecoming non-district game Friday night. District play for the Elks begins October 7th at home against Sunray. Other district games (following the new district alignment) include Panhandle, Sanford-Fritch, West Texas High, and Boys Ranch.

Score by quarter:

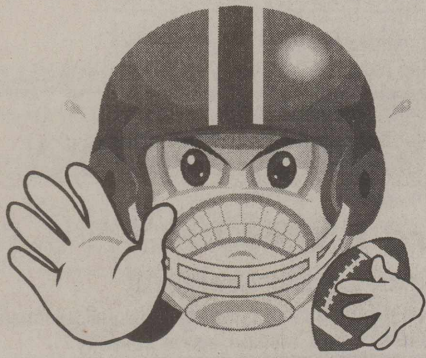
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## Homecoming 2016 Good Luck Elks Beat Littlefield

### Editor's Note-Something New

Starting with this week's issue the football story will be written by the Elk Express Staff of Stratford High School. A Big thanks to Harletta Carthel and kiddos for agreeing to do this. Hope all you readers enjoy reading their articles.



Roger Allen Class of 1981

Littlefield vs Stratford

Spearman vs West Texas

White Deer vs Kress

Borger vs Perryton

Sunray vs Vega

Wellington vs Panhandle

Georgia vs Ole Miss

Florida vs Tennessee

Oklahoma St. vs Baylor

Arkansas vs Texas A&M

Pittsburgh vs North Carolina

Wake Forest vs Indiana

Arizona vs Buffalo

Minnesota vs Carolina

Denver vs Cincinnati

Cleveland vs Miami

Pittsburgh vs Philadelphia

Tie Breaker San Diego 22 vs Indianapolis 29

### Challenge

Ty Hess Class of 2016

Littlefield vs Stratford

Spearman vs West Texas

White Deer vs Kress

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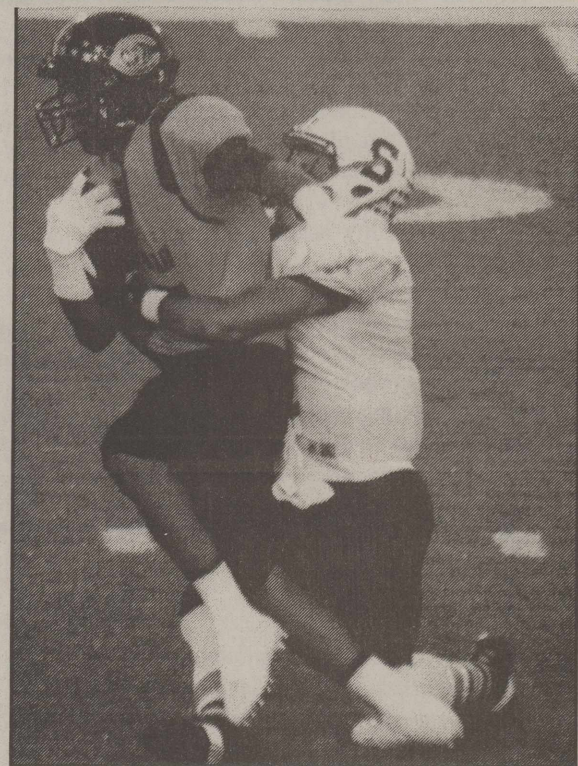
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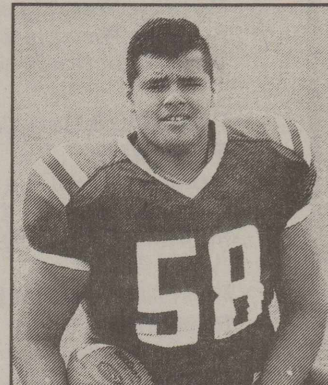
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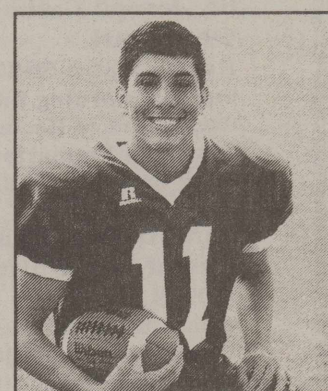
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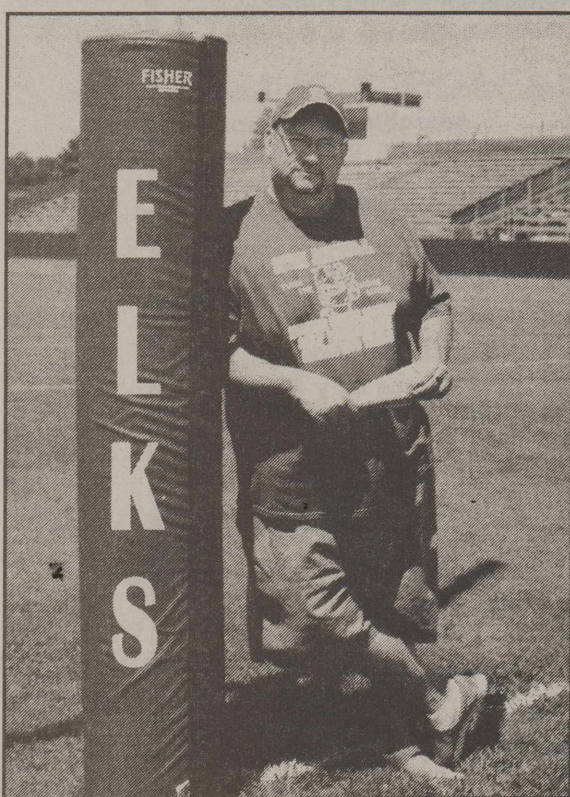
Stratford Elk #5 Kade McBryde wraps up Canadian player in the Elks 14-42 loss to Canadian on Friday, September 16, 2016.



Scout Team  
Carlos Gonzalez



Special Teams  
Julio Duran



## Time Out With Rog!

This article is either going to be 75% serious or maybe even ¼. Well the game at Canadian didn't go the way we wanted but it didn't turn out like it could've! Boys we can learn from this game, things we have done wrong and things we can improve on. That's all we are going to say about this game because that game is over and it's a new horizon. So let's fill up the tanks and get ready for homecoming!!! This week we have Littlefield coming in for homecoming so let's not focus on the glitter and glamour and focus on the Wildcats. This week let's have aggressive practices and outstanding focus on a 3! Team coming from the South Plains! This reporter was trying to find info on Littlefield, and this reporter found they are from a small acreage that's why they call it Littlefield!!! So boys don't focus on kissing the queen focus on kicking a Wildcat. So let's all meet at EL Same Bass Stadium and I hope your belly is full of the Band's enchilada dinner and be prepared to play a bigger school then we are and send them back to the South Plains with their tail between their cat ears. Please pray for all who are sick and our national Leaders. Once an Elk always an Elk.

Roger Malon Allen  
Class of 1981

P.S. This is the third out of 4 games we have played us a bunch

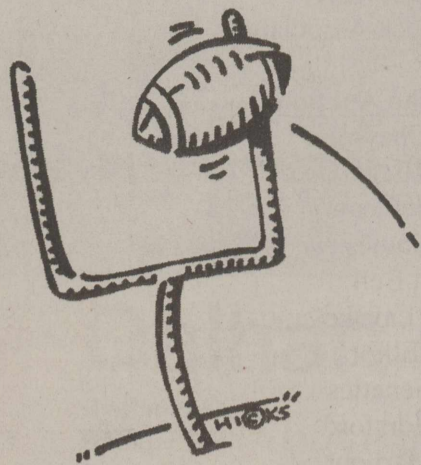
of felines. That goes back to my ¼ or 75%

P.S.S. When this reporter wants to write a P.S. I will write a

P.S. whenever I want BM!

P.S.S.S. Mrs. Carter you tried to teach me but I didn't pay

attention



J.V. Elk #20 Andy Gutierrez scores on a 2 point conversion after Villegas touchdown.

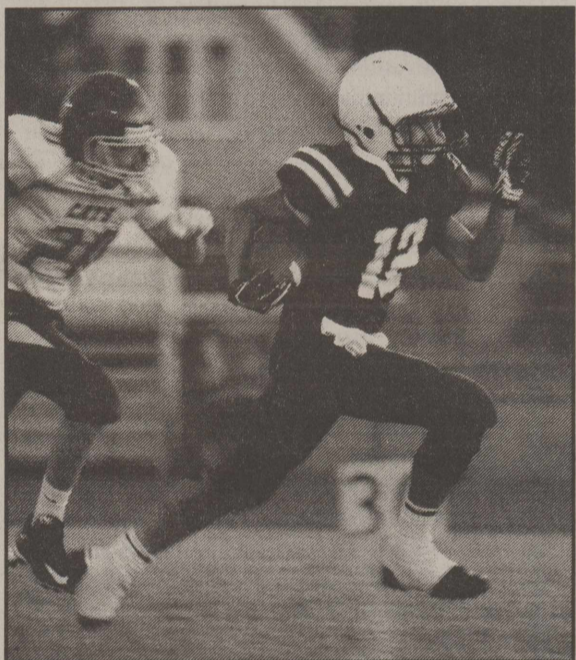


J.V. Elk #11 Iuden Romero catches the pass and scores on the run in the Elks win over Sunray.

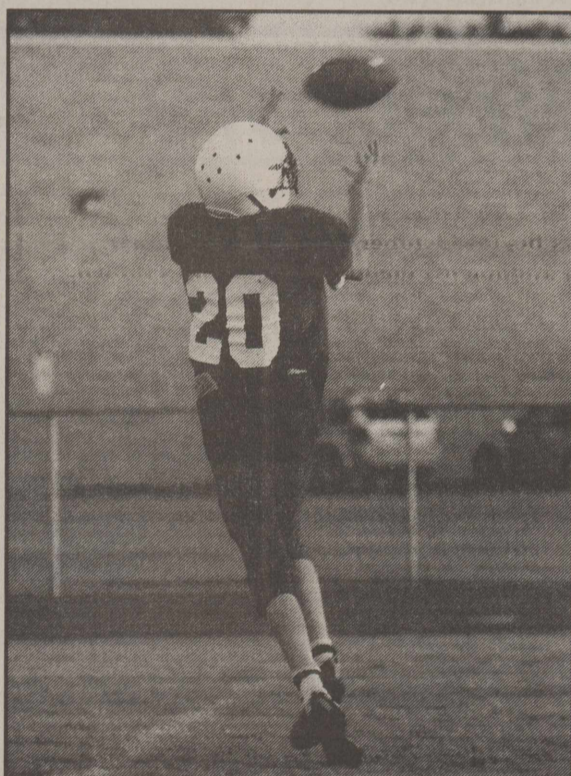
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 Thanks Ladies I appreciate you



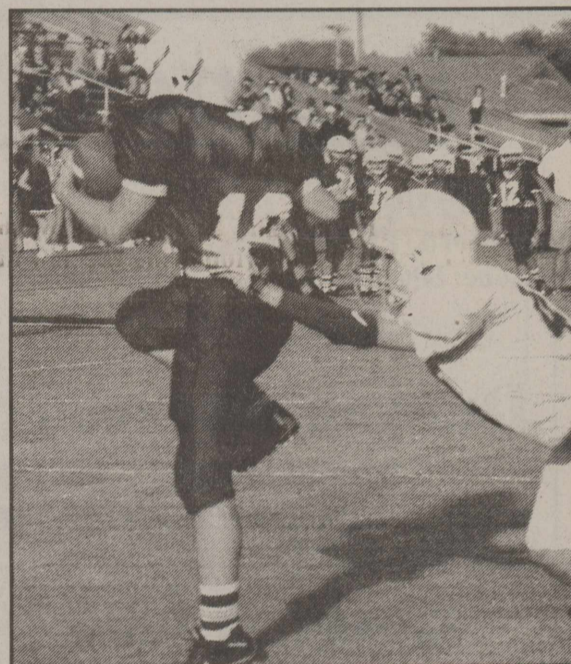
Jeana Jackson escorted by the Elk gave the pep talk on Friday, September 16, 2016.



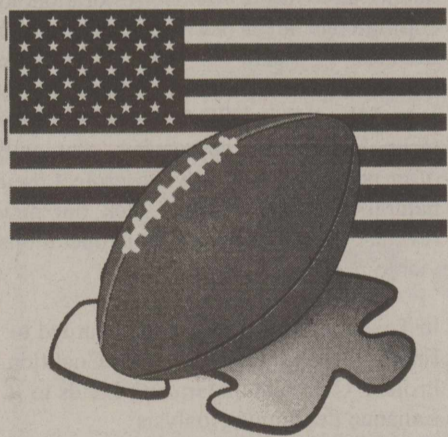
Tyler Stone #10 for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade catches the ball for an Elk touchdown against Sunray.



8<sup>th</sup> grade Elk #20 Benjamin James catches the pass to score for the Elks in their 20-30 loss to Sunray on Thursday, September 15, 2016.



J.V. grade Elk #12 Abraham Villegas fends off Sunray defenders to score in the Elks 38-22 win over Sunray.



7<sup>th</sup> grade quarterback #13 Tyler Smith gains some yards on the carry against Sunray.



7<sup>th</sup> grade Elk #68 Anthony Gonzalez causes Sunray player to fumble in their 6-8 loss on Thursday, September 15, 2016.



7<sup>th</sup> grade Elk #19 Ramiro Reyes picks up some yards on the carry in the Elks 6-8 loss to Sunray.

Homecoming 2016

Good Luck Elks

Beat Littlefield

## STUCO Fund Raiser

STUCO will be raffling 3 powder cooked insulated cups. Made by KT King Powder Coating. Tickets will be for sale at the Homecoming Game & with STUCO members. Tickets are \$5.00 each ticket or 5 for \$20.00

## Voters who cannot obtain one of the seven forms of approved photo ID have additional options at the polls

AUSTIN – Today, Sherman County Clerk Gina Gray reminded Texans that voters who cannot obtain one of the seven forms of approved photo ID now have additional options when voting in person.

My office is working to make sure all the voters in Sherman County are ready to cast a ballot. These new options for voters who cannot obtain photo ID are currently in place and will be used in the November Election.

As provided by a court order, if a voter has a reasonable impediment to obtaining one of the seven forms of approved photo ID, the voter may vote by (1) signing a declaration at the polls explaining why the voter is unable to obtain one of the seven forms of approved photo ID, and (2) providing one of various forms of supporting documentation.

Supporting documentation can be a certified birth certificate (must be an original), a valid voter registration certificate, a copy or original of one of the following: current utility bill, bank statement, government check, or paycheck, or other government document that shows the voter's name and an address, although government documents which include a photo must be original and cannot be copies. If a voter meets these requirements and is otherwise eligible to vote, the voter will be able to cast a regular ballot in the election.

The seven forms of approved photo ID are:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
- Texas license to carry a handgun issued by DPS
- United States military identification card containing the person's photograph
- United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph
- United States passport

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the approved photo ID must be current or have expired no more than four years before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

Voters with a disability may continue to apply with the county registrar for a permanent exemption to showing approved photo ID (which now may be expired no more than four years) at the polls. Also, voters who (1) have a consistent religious objection to being photographed or (2) do not present one of the seven forms of approved photo ID because of certain natural disasters as declared by the President of the United States or the Texas Governor, may continue apply for a temporary exemption to showing approved photo ID at the polls.

Early voting for the November 8 Election begins October 24 and ends November 4.

Voters can learn more by visiting [VoteTexas.gov](http://VoteTexas.gov) or calling 1-800-252-VOTE, or visiting these websites:

Websites: [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us) [www.votetexas.gov](http://www.votetexas.gov)

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FMI Contact: Sherman County Clerk 806-2371

The Sherman County Livestock Association would like to thank all of those who attended the Tailgate Party. The food and entertainment was wonderful. We are very fortunate to live in a community that supports its youth the way Stratford does. We would like to say a special thanks to the people that cooked food, Greg Wright for providing the music and Bryan Clift for the auctioneering. Without you, this would not have been possible!

### Cooks

Hog Slat  
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Chuck Harbour  
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### Buyers at the Auction

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Chuck Harbour  
Chad Hinds  
Eddie Metcalf

Thank You –

Sherman County Livestock Association

**USDA Invests \$26.6 Million to spur agricultural innovation in rural and urban communities Texas Coastal Areas and Grazing Lands to Reap Benefits**

TEMPLE, Texas, Sept. 13, 2016 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will invest \$26.6 million in 45 new, national projects to spur agricultural innovation in rural and urban communities through its Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) in fiscal year 2016.

Nationally, the funding will leverage more than \$32.5 million in matching funds from cash and in-kind sources from the grantees for a total of \$59 million, more than doubling the federal investment. The 2016 projects focus on water quality, conservation finance and assistance to existing and potential historically underserved USDA customers. CIG, administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), is funded through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

"This year's national CIG competition resulted in diverse projects - from established focus areas such as water quality and Gulf of Mexico restoration, to cutting-edge areas such as conservation finance," said NRCS State Conservationist Salvador Salinas. "It is essential that USDA explore new technologies and approaches that will offer producers new ways to protect their natural resources as they seek out new revenue streams to keep their operations viable."

In Texas, national CIGs were awarded to:  
Entity: National Grazing Lands Coalition  
Project: Outreach on Grazing Lands to Enhance Economic Analysis (Cost Benefits) for Conservation Changes  
NRCS Funding: \$787,145

Entity: The Nature Conservancy

Project: Restoring the Gulf: Leveraging Deepwater Horizon Funds with Impact Investment  
NRCS Funding: \$321,072

The length of time for project completion is three years. The CIG projects are designed to engage EQIP-eligible producers in on-the-ground conservation activities such as demonstrations that will result in new technologies and approaches that can benefit similar producers regionally or nationally. CIG awards competitive grants to local and state units of governments, institutes of higher learning, non-governmental organizations, American Indian tribes and individuals.

CIG has an impressive track record of fostering innovative conservation tools and strategies. With funding from this announcement, USDA has invested \$173 million to fund 414 national CIG projects since 2009.

For more information about CIGs Texas, visit your local NRCS office, USDA Service Center or [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/cig/](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/cig/).

Marty Bains new address is 3440 Corinth Parkway #303 Corinth, TX 76208  
Marty said she would love to hear from everybody.

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Coldwater Manor is now taking applications for immediate hiring in the Dietary Department and Housekeeping. Must be 18 years or older, if interested stop by Coldwater

Manor at 1111 Beaver Road Stratford, TX for an application. EOE

The City of Stratford is accepting applications for an Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer until the position is filled. Must have high school diploma or GED and computer skills. Please contact Chief Randy Hooks for a complete job description or with any questions at 806-366-3051. 9-22-tfn

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 In accordance with the State of Texas statutes and provisions of the City of Stratford, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the 2016/2017 budget for the City of Stratford, Texas on September 27, 2016 at 6:00 pm. The hearing will be held at City Hall, 518 N. 3rd Stratford, Texas.

Ricky Reed, Mayor City of Stratford

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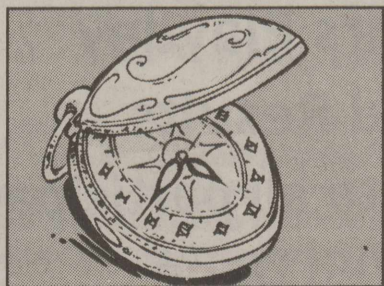
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**2016 Sherman County Silver Spurs Playday Year-End Results**

**First Place Winners:**

**Pee-Wee Age Division**

Barrels: Wyeatt Causey buckle Sponsored by Bain Tire of Stratford  
Poles: Wyeatt Causey buckle Sponsored by Stratford Farm Supply  
Flags: Wyeatt Causey buckle Sponsored by AgTexas of Amarillo  
Goat Tying: Wyeatt Causey buckle Sponsored by WC Land & Cattle of Stratford  
Wild Card: Wyeatt Causey buckle Sponsored by Stratford Grain

**Clover Age Division**

Barrels: Melinda Ortega buckle Sponsored by Bobby Edmond Horse Sales of Clyde Poles  
Melinda Ortega buckle Sponsored by Bryan & Jana Clift of Stratford  
Flags: Melinda Ortega buckle Sponsored by Happy State Bank of Stratford  
Goat Tying: Alyssa Ortega buckle Sponsored by Steve & Kay McAdams of Stratford Wild Card: Melinda Ortega buckle Sponsored by XIT Communications of Dalhart

**Junior Age Division**

Barrels: Kennedy Elliott buckle Sponsored by Texhoma Livestock Auction Poles: Kinzey Causey buckle Sponsored by -K Veterinary Clinic of Stratford  
Flags: Kennedy Elliott buckle Sponsored by Texhoma Wheat Growers Goat Tying: Kinzey Causey buckle Sponsored by Stratford Feed Yard Wild Card: Kinzey Causey buckle Sponsored by First State Bank of Stratford

**Intermediate Age Division**

Barrels: Josh Ortega buckle Sponsored by Clements Insurance of Stratford Poles: Yessina Valdez buckle Sponsored by Texas Pride Trailers of Stratford  
Flags: Kaytly Clift buckle Sponsored by Capital Farm Credit of Dalhart Goat Tying: Kaytly Clift buckle Sponsored by Cactus Feeders

Wild Card: Kaytly Clift buckle Sponsored by Texas Farm Bureau of Stratford

*A special Thank You to the 2016 Buckle Donors listed above and the general SCSS donors which were Mr. Ed Reust of Texhoma, Anchor D Bank of Texhoma, Stratford Animal Hospital, JBS Coronado Feedyard of Dalhart, and BAR13 Livestock Co. Of Stratford. Without each of your help, we would not have been able to run the playday series as efficiently as we did!*

In the photo are:

Back Row: Yessina Valdez, Kennedy Elliott, Joshua Ortega, and Kaytly Clift  
Front row Melinda Ortega, Kinzey Causey, Alyssa Ortega, and Wyeatt Causey



**Second Place Winners: Clover Age Division**

Barrels: Alyssa Ortega Poles: Alyssa Ortega Goat Tying: Melinda Ortega Wild Card: Alyssa Ortega

**Junior Age Division** Barrels: Kinzey Causey Poles: Kennedy Elliott Flags: Kinzey Causey

Goat Tying: Abby Ortega Wild Card: Abby Ortega

**Intermediate Age Division** Barrels: Kaytly Clift

Poles: Kaytly Clift

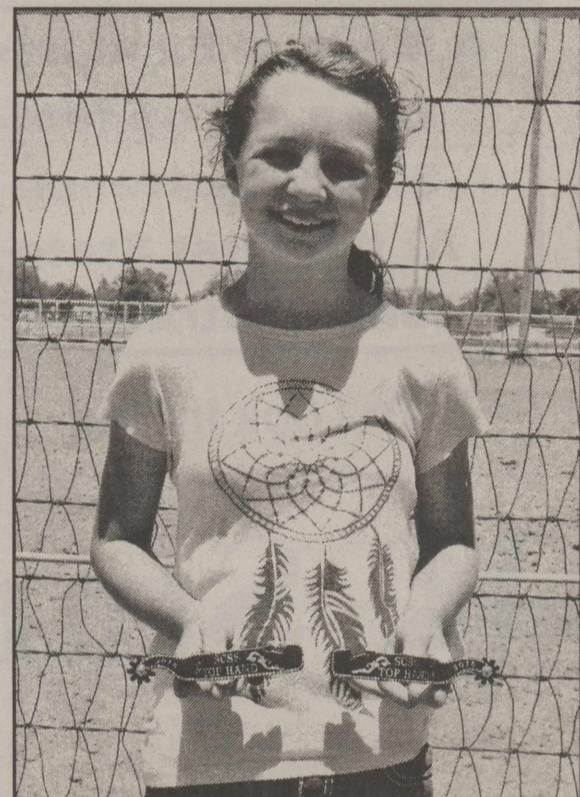
Flags: Yessina Valdez

Goat Tying: Joshua Ortega Wild Card: Joshua Ortega

*All Second Place Jackets were customized with their name, and event they placed in for each participant. Thank You to Duncan Chevrolet for your donation to these kids!*

*Pictured are back row: Yessina Valdez, Kaytly Clift, Kennedy Elliott, and Joshua Ortega.*

*Front row are Abby Ortega, Alyssa Ortega, Kinzey Causey, and Melinda Ortega.*



**2016 Sherman County Silver Spurs Top Hand**

This year's top hand award went to a young lady who just recently discovered a love for horses and a passion to compete. We started riding practice in August 2015 where you could count on her being at every practice. She quickly caught on to the events and was eager to practice them! She learned the basics of riding, reining, and general horsemanship those fall months and when she came back to practice after taking the winter months off, boy could you tell a difference! The confidence this young lady brings to the arena is like no other 4-H member I know! She bought her first horse in the fall and by March was already trying out a new horse for a step-up and she gladly handed her previous horse over to her sisters to begin learning on. This young lady attended a horsemanship clinic in Dalhart and began riding tilt after dark almost every night. The passion and drive behind this girl is outstanding, therefore this year's 2016 SCSS Top Hand award goes to Miss Kaytly Clift. She won a pair of spurs and a pair of custom-made spur straps made by Mr. JD Howell. Keep up the great work Kaytly and we look forward to watching you chase your dreams!

**2016 Sherman County Silver Spurs Members**

Back Row: Yessina Valdez, Kaytly Clift, Kennedy Elliott, Stevan Martinez, Joshua Ortega holding Wyeatt Causey, Miguel Vargas, Solana Vargas, and Ellie Clift. Middle Row: Rhette Howell, Turley Howell, Kaedyn Kimball, Abby Ortega, Melinda Ortega, Kinzey Causey, and Brennan Lyman.

Front Row: Alyssa Ortega. Not pictured are Shay Clements, JayLee Lane, Snow Lopez and Ashlynn Eaton



**2016 Sherman County  
Silver Spurs Playday  
Year-End Results  
Congratulations to all participants  
A Job Well Done**

**Third Place Winners: Clover Age Division** Barrels: Turley Howell Poles: Turley Howell

**Junior Age Division**

Barrels: Stevan Martinez Poles: Stevan Martinez Flags: Stevan Martinez Goat Tying:

Kaedyn Kimball Wild Card: Stevan Martinez

**Intermediate Age Division** Barrels: Yessina Valdez Poles: Joshua Ortega

Flags: Joshua Ortega & Wild Card: Yessina Valdez

*All of these winners won a Bucket sponsored by Clift Land Brokers of Stratford as well as a hoof pick. Thank you Bryan and Jana for your generous donation as I know these buckets will come in hand as these kiddos hit the road for playdays and rodeos!*

*Pictured from left to right are Yessina Valdez, Turley Howell, Joshua Ortega, Stevan Martinez, and Kaedyn Kimball.*