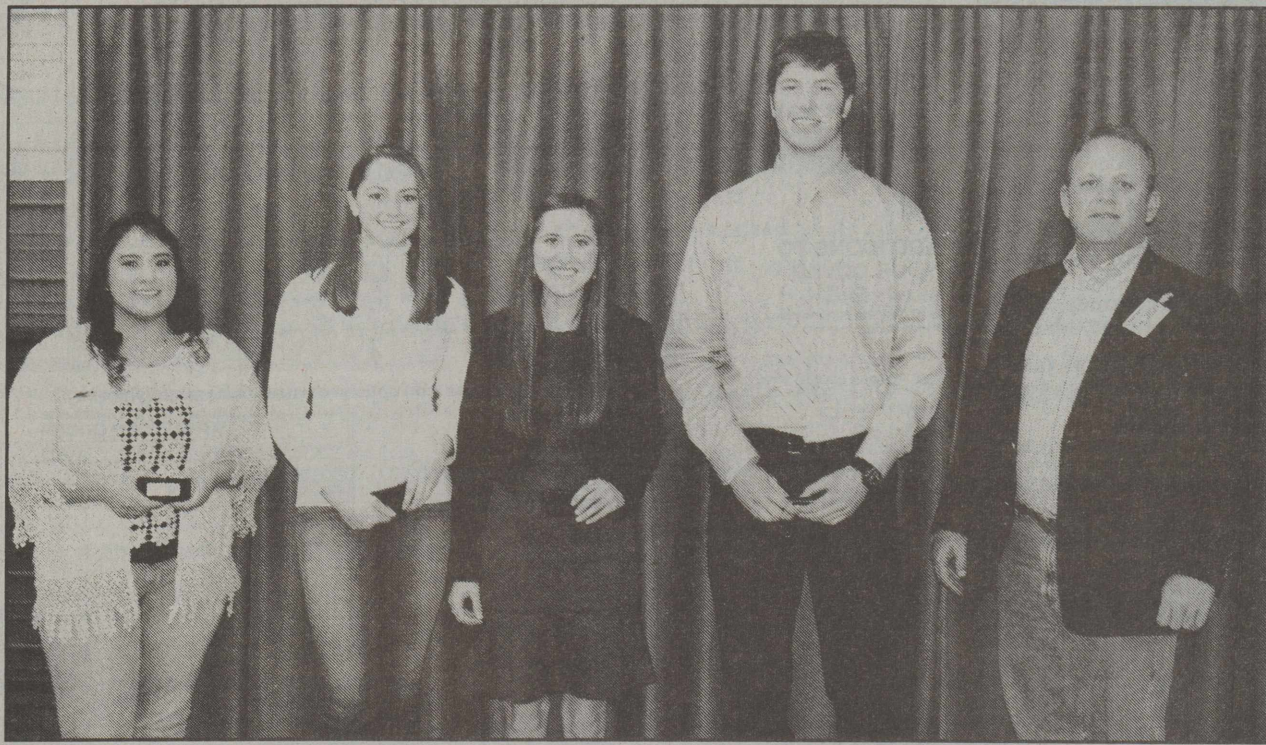


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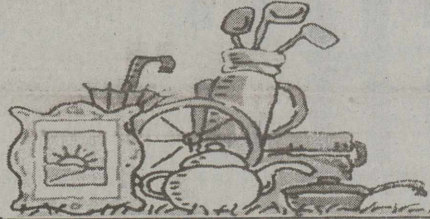
## XIT Hosts 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Meeting

Shown at left The 2017 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program recipients are (left to right): Marissa Espino, Kate Allen, Katherine Bezner and Russell Spurlock. Gared McBryde, XIT Director (far right), presented the recipients with engraved gold key chains.

Shown below-This photo shows all of the lucky cash prize winners at this year's Annual Meeting of XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Full story on page 4 of this week's edition:

We still have some great treasures left, so  
**Acquisitions**  
is having a mini warehouse sale on  
Tuesday evening, March 28th  
from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
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Stratford Grain Company would like to thank everyone who contributed to the feed project for the Lipscomb Wildfire Relief. The generosity of our friends and neighbors makes us proud to be a part of this community

### Attention: Pre-Kindergarten students

Pre-Kindergarten registration will begin April 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30. If you would like to enroll your child at Mary Allen Elementary PK come to the office for registration.

### Sherman County Livestock Association

## ANNUAL MEETING

April 3, 2017

7:00 p.m.

High School Ag Shop

A medical fund has been set up at First State Bank of Stratford for Jorge Ramirez. Jorge is a 2016 graduate of Stratford. He was involved in a vehicle accident on his way to work. He is facing a lengthy recovery & surgery.

## STRATFORD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER

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***Menu: Chicken fried steak, chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert & drink - FREE WILL DONATION***



# Obituaries



## Ermalee Claire (Bonar) Skillman Died February 25, 2017

She was born in Stratford in 1925 to Pharmacists Lee Ellen (Bowen) & C. Russell Bonar. She is survived by children Sherry Skillwoman & Stephanie. Grandchild Sasha (Dang) Sawhill. She was preceded in death by Child Shelley; Sisters Kathryn Brock & Lucille Lyons.

Mrs. Skillman Graduated from Stratford High School; Colorado Women's College; University of Texas in Austin; Wichita State University in Kansas (BA). Her Career was with the Stratford City Drug Store and the State of Kansas Job Service. For decades she worked for social justice & involvement in beloved art & music groups in the Wichita, Kansas area. Celebration of Life will be Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 11-4 at Mid-America All-Indian Center at 650 N. Seneca in Wichita, Kansas. In Lieu of Flowers make your donations to your local fine arts or social justice groups to honor her best. The full obituary can be seen at <http://www.thejacksonmortuary.com>

## Home Trends

### A Comfortable Way To Save On Energy

(NAPS)—When it comes to getting a good deal on home cooling and heating, an increasing number of homeowners are going underground.

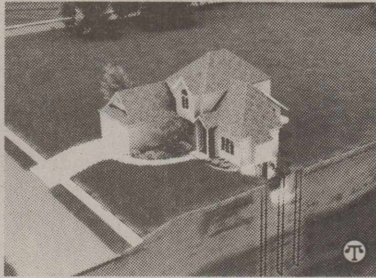
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For further facts, see [www.waterfurnace.com/switch](http://www.waterfurnace.com/switch).

## SOAP's Annual Dinner Theatre

It's time again for SOAP's annual dinner theatre. This year's production is *The Miss Firecracker Contest* by Beth Henley. The dinner theatre will be held Monday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mary Allen Cafetorium. A silent auction will also be held in conjunction with the dinner theatre to help fund future productions as well as provide scholarships for Theatre camps. Tickets will be \$15 per person. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact one of the actors, crew, or Sandi Wheeler at (806) 884-9279.

### The Miss Firecracker Contest

#### Cast:

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Kenlee McBryde - Popeye Jackson  
Taylor Aduddell - Elaine Rutledge  
Noah Harris - Delmount Williams  
Zorro Daniels - Mac Sam  
Natalia Niave - Tessa Mahoney

#### Alternates:

Brenda Portillo  
Akira Vacio  
Annahi Ruiz  
LiliaTraylor  
Jacob Sanchez

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Carlos Reta  
Nick Payne  
Daisy Ruiz  
Dany Valdez  
Nadia Fierro

#### Directors:

Sandi Wheeler  
Stacy Metcalf

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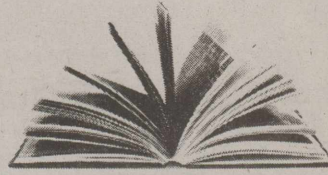
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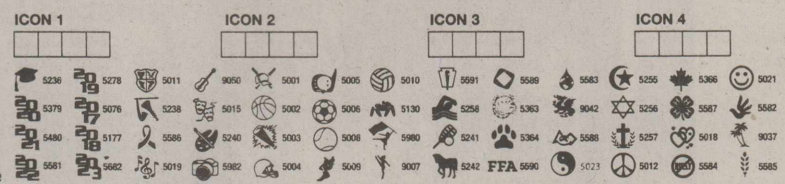
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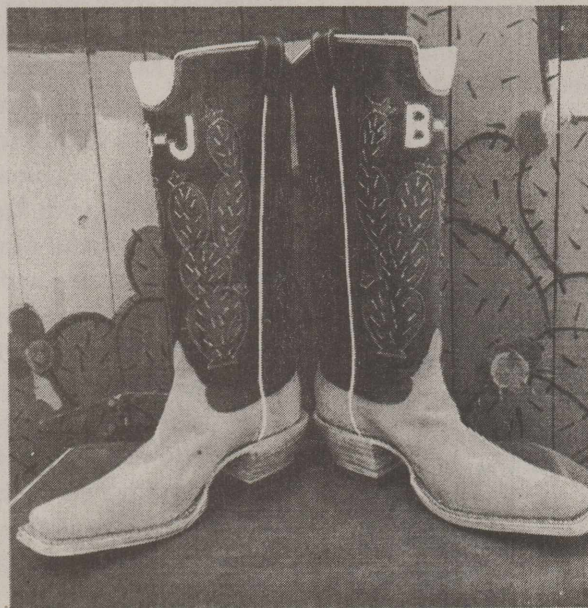
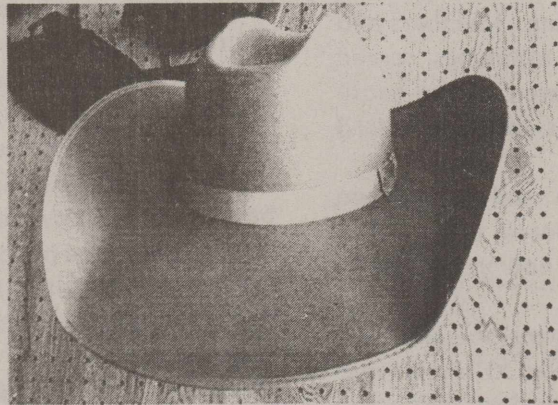


## Stratford Ex-Student Reunion 2017

Stratford Ex-Students in the Classes ending in a 7 will have a planning meeting Thursday, March 30 at 7:30 at The Imagination Station. Honored year classmates in Stratford will receive a class mailing list to update.  
An addition to the Friday Night Hamburgers; Saturday Parade, Barbeque, Street Party will be a Ranch Rodeo on Saturday early evening and Sunday Afternoon.

## "Best of Broadway" LaRita Theatre

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## What's Happening- In Stratford

One Act Play  
The Miss Firecracker Contest  
Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.  
At Mary Allen Cafetorium

Spring begins Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

March 17, St. Patrick's Day

Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

April 18, 19 and 20 Week of the  
Young Child (Wild West)

May 6-Kentucky Derby Party

Storm Siren testing on  
Wednesdays at 12 noon

Scot Hall Activities-  
(Listed elsewhere in paper)

## SHS Dual Credit Parent Night

Parents of incoming Sophomore, Junior and Seniors students:

We will be having our first annual Dual Credit Parent Night on Thursday, April 6th at 6:00 pm in SHS Library. Dual credit course offerings allow our students to earn college credit while still in high school. Representatives from Amarillo College will be here to present information on the dual credit program and requirements. Please join us to learn more about next year's increased Dual Credit offerings for our HS students!

## SHS Doble Crédito Noche de Padres

Padres de estudiantes entrando Segundo Año, Junior y Seniors:

Tendremos nuestra primera noche anual de Doble Crédito para Padres el Jueves, 6 de Abril a las 6:00 pm en la biblioteca de SHS. Ofertas de cursos de crédito dual permiten a los estudiantes de ganar créditos de colegio mientras que aún asisten la secundaria. Representantes de Colegio de Amarillo estarán aquí para presentar información sobre los requisitos y programa de crédito doble. Por favor acompañanos para aprender más acerca de los aumentos de Crédito Dual ofrecidos para el año que viene para nuestros estudiantes de HS!

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he takes art as seriously as physics,  
chemistry or money.

—Ernst Levy

## The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

**First Assembly of God**  
Kevin Anderson, Pastor  
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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.  
Christian Formation Classes K-6 Grade Wed. Afternoon  
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.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Children 6 p.m. youth 7 p.m.

**Heritage Bible Baptist**  
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Thurs. Service 7:00 p.m.



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Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.-7 p.m.  
Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

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## XIT Hosts 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Meeting

The 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. was recently held on Wednesday, March 8th, at the Rita Blanca Coliseum in Dalhart. Members and invited guests were presented with a XIT stainless steel tumbler as they registered for the meeting. Members' children and grandchildren (ages 12 years or younger) were given a light-up bubble shooter when they registered for door prize drawings.

The first member to register for this year's meeting was Burla Austin of Texline. When the 50<sup>th</sup> member of the Cooperative registered, Doug Taylor of Kerrick, the quorum was officially met to proceed with the business meeting.

There were 110 members registered this year at the meeting. Members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal of roast beef with all the trimmings, served by XIT's management and employees. The meal was catered by The Loose Caboose of Dalhart. The invocation before the meal was given by Russell Routon, XIT Customer Service Manager.

The coliseum was decorated with colorful royal blue and lime green tablecloths on the tables, along with pots of multi-colored tulips. The podium on stage was adorned with a beautiful green and yellow floral arrangement from Sharon's Flowers.

XIT Board President, J.W. McClellan, Jr., welcomed the membership and introduced the guests. Among the invited guests were retired XIT employees Ruby Smith and Elvin Ringo, and XIT's Corporate Attorneys Greg Oelke and Don Richards.

Gared McBryde, XIT Director, Kathy Duggan, XIT Assistant Manager, and Trena Howell, XIT Customer Service Relations Representative, then presented the 2017 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program recipients and their families to the membership. This year, four recipients were chosen to each receive \$4,000 scholarships: Kate Allen, Katherine Bezner, Marissa Espino and Russell Spurlock.

Kate Allen is a senior at Dalhart High School. She plans to attend Texas A&M University in College Station to obtain a degree in Nutritional Science with a minor in Journalism. She hopes to be a large animal veterinarian. Katherine Bezner of Dalhart High School plans to attend Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to obtain a degree in Agricultural Leadership-Extension Education. Her plans are to become a County Extension Agent. Marissa Espino of Texline High School plans to attend Amarillo College in Amarillo to obtain an Associates Degree and complete the Dental Assistant Program. She would like to become a dental assistant. Russell Spurlock of Stratford High School plans to attend Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to obtain a Degree in Agribusiness. He would like to work as an agricultural lending agent at a bank. Each recipient was presented with a gold engraved key chain. Since the start of the program back in May 2000, XIT has awarded a total of 95 scholarships.

A special presentation was then made by XIT General Manager, Darrell Dennis, to Cathy Taylor, XIT Billing Manager, and Bill Green, XIT Combination Technician, who are both retiring this year. Cathy Taylor was presented with a beautiful bouquet of fresh cut flowers from Gary Finch, XIT Secretary-Treasurer. Taylor is retiring at the end of June after 24 years of service to the Cooperative. Bill Green is retiring in August after 16 years of service. They will both be missed greatly.

The business meeting was convened with J.W. McClellan, Board President, residing.

Darrell Dennis, XIT General Manager, was then introduced and began by thanking The Loose Caboose for catering the meal and the City of Dalhart for their help in setting up the coliseum for the meeting.

Manager Dennis talked about the completion of the construction in 2016 of the Rural Fiber-to-the-Home Project, which included 742 route miles. One hundred percent (100%) of XIT's rural members have been converted over to fiber optic lines, which provided XIT the ability to increase Internet speeds in the rural areas. He also talked about the upgrade to fiber for services in the Vega market, which was also completed in 2016. This provided higher speed Internet in the market, along with other updated services for phone and TV. Dennis also talked about the possible changes being considered this year by the Texas Legislature in regards to the Texas Universal Fund. He concluded by encouraging any member who might have any questions to give XIT a call or to come by the headquarters' office for a visit.

Charlotte Burkhalter, XIT Controller, then presented the financial reports of the Cooperative, and its wholly-owned subsidiary, XIT Telecommunications & Technology, Ltd.

President, J.W. McClellan, Jr., then called on Jeremy Lenz, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, to present the committee report. After reading the report, Lenz then introduced the directors up for re-election. Those nominated were Marcia French, District I, Dallam County; Larry Kemp, District II, Hartley County; and Walter E. Lasley, District III, Sherman County.

President McClellan then called for any nominations from the floor. When there were no nominations from the floor, the directors were elected by acclamation to serve another three-year term.

J.W. McClellan, Jr., Board President, Barry Poling and Gared McBryde, XIT Directors, along with Trena Howell, XIT Customer Relations Representative, then conducted the drawings for door prizes. Brendan & Heidi Schmidt's daughters, Mishayla and Laura, assisted in the drawing of the prize tickets.

The winner of the \$500 cash grand prize was Craig Lawrence. Winners of the \$300 cash prizes were Bonnie McKie, Leo Martinez and Roy Harris. Cece Yelek and Heidi Schmidt were \$100 cash prize winners.

After the drawings were concluded, the meeting was adjourned.

Immediately following the Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors met at the Cooperative's headquarters office for their Organizational Meeting. At the meeting, the following officers were re-elected: J.W. McClellan, Jr., President; Walter E. Lasley, Vice President; and Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer.

Thank you to everyone who attended the 66<sup>th</sup> XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Annual Meeting! We appreciate your patronage!

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## Legal Notice

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of R. Howard Naugle, Deceased were issued on March 13 2017, in Cause No. 2265 pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to:

VALERIE DUNCAN NAUGLE  
902 North Pearl Street  
Stratford, Texas 79084

Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:

Representative of  
Estate of R. HOWARD NAUGLE, Deceased  
C/O Greg Oelke  
LAW OFFICES OF GREG OELKE, PC  
507 Denrock Avenue. P.O. Box 792  
Dalhart, Texas 79022

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

DATED: March 13, 2017

LAW OFFICES OF GREG OELKE PC  
By Greg Oelke  
Attorney for Applicant  
Published in the Stratford Star Thursday, March 23, 2017

## Help Wanted

Coldwater Manor in Stratford

Texas is looking for experienced RN's LVNs and CNA's. If interested please come by 1111 Beaver Road for an application or send your resume to [dgross@shdistrict.com](mailto:dgross@shdistrict.com) EOE

Coldwater Manor in Stratford, Texas is now accepting application for a person to work in the Dietary Department and Housekeeping. If interested come by 1111 Beaver Road in Stratford, TX for an application. EOE

## Mitchell Theaters

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## Card of Thanks

Friends:

There are no words to express our gratitude for the humbling outpouring of prayers, generosity, and compassion upon Howard's passing. We appreciate all the food, paper goods, cards, flowers and plants that flooded our homes. Above all, we will forever cherish the kind thoughts and memories about Howard that have been shared with us. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you again.

Valerie Naugle  
Keely, Rhea & Haskell Chumley  
Keisha, Tommy, Hudson & Tessa Holland  
Corey, Bailey, Bristol & Elliott Naugle

## Card of Thanks

Thank you again to the community of Stratford for the prayers of comfort in the passing of our mom, grandma and great grandma, Carol Rhoton. Once again, thank you to those that were able to attend the service! This has been quite a journey for our family...thanks for all of your support!!! A special thanks to Coldwater Manor and the entire staff for the special care given to mom...we could not have asked for any better!!!!  
May God Bless You All!

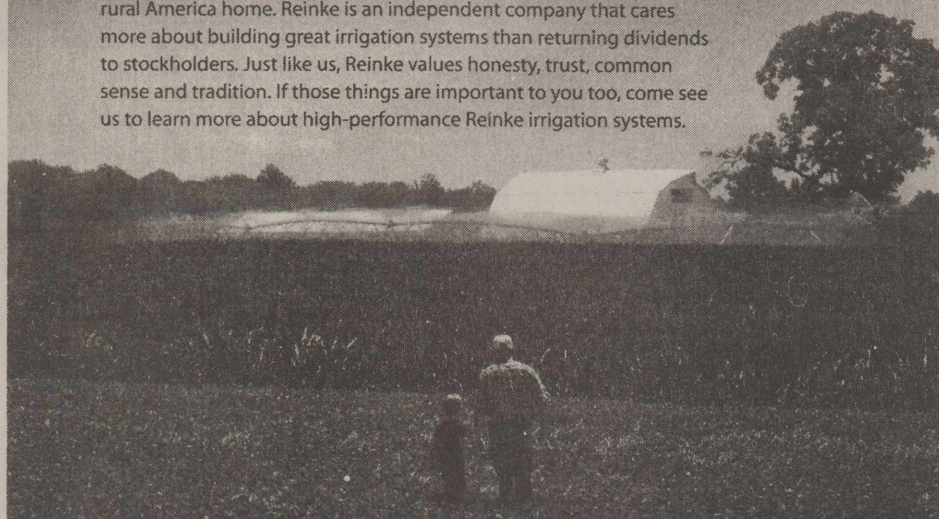
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## Stratford Hospital District

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Stratford Family Medical Clinic

### Stratford Family Medical Clinic

Mon. - Thurs 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fri, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
396-5583 Tommy Brian, ANP & Krista Brown ANP

### Elk Pharmacy

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"Check our Competitive pricing"  
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366-5505 Shelly Worley, PharmD, RPH

### Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility

396-5568 Mark Moore, LNFA

### Stratford EMS

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

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

## 2017 STRATFORD GOLF SCHEDULE

DATE	SITE	DIVISION
April 3, 10	District - Borger (Phillips CC)	GIRLS/BOYS
April 24, 25	Regional - Odessa	GIRLS
April 26, 27	Regional - Odessa	BOYS

## STRATFORD ELKS

### 2017 TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

DATE	SITE	Divisions:
March 23	Dalhart HS Invitational	v v
March 30	Stinnett West Texas JH Relays	v v
March 31	Stinnett West Texas HS Relays	v v
April 7	Liberal HS Invitational, Liberal, KS	v v
April 8	JH District Meet, Sunray	v v
April 13	HS District Meet, Fritch	v v
April 19	Area Meet, Panhandle	v v
April 28 - 29	Region 1 Championships, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa, TX	
May 11 - 13	UIL State Championships, Austin, TX	





## LOCAL FAMILY-OWNED COMPANY CELEBRATES MAJOR MILESTONE

*DB&E Thanks Customers After 70 Years in Business*

This week, DB&E Co, LLC, of Dalhart is celebrating 70 years of service throughout the Texas Panhandle, northeastern New Mexico, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southeastern Colorado.

The family-owned business, which provides complete water well systems on a turnkey basis for agricultural, municipal and residential customers, was originally founded in April 1947 by C.P. "Pete" Metcalf.

Mr. Metcalf, who was regarded as the local pioneer of water well drilling and pump installation, was known far and wide for his dedication to providing quality customer service. He proudly oversaw DB&E's operations until his passing in 1986.

Today, DB&E thrives under the direction of the family's second and third generations who ensure Mr. Metcalf's customer-oriented business philosophy remains intact. It's this dedication to customers that has allowed DB&E to successfully create and maintain long-standing relationships, becoming one of the oldest family-owned companies in the region.

As a thank you for trusting in DB&E for the last seven decades, customers and residents throughout the region are invited to stop by the DB&E Dalhart Headquarters at 1315 Highway 87 South during the week of March 27th through March 31st for Customer Appreciation Week.

The DB&E team will be on hand with free refreshments, great giveaway opportunities and, of course, some friendly conversation!

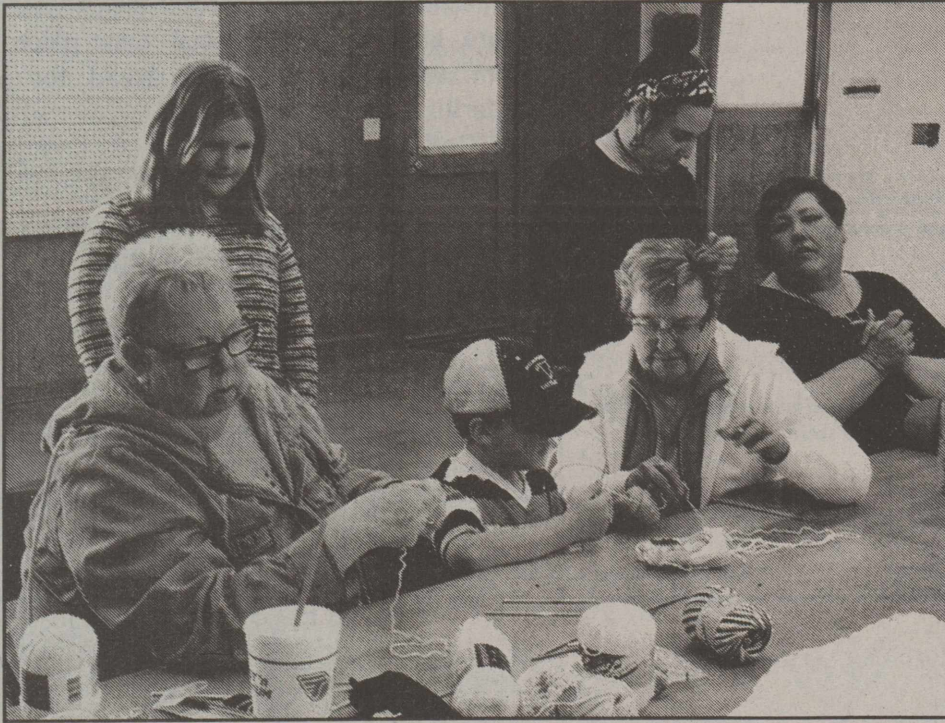
For more information on DB&E and its history here in the Panhandle, log onto [www.dbe-1.com](http://www.dbe-1.com).

### Summer and Fall Enrollment Opens April 5

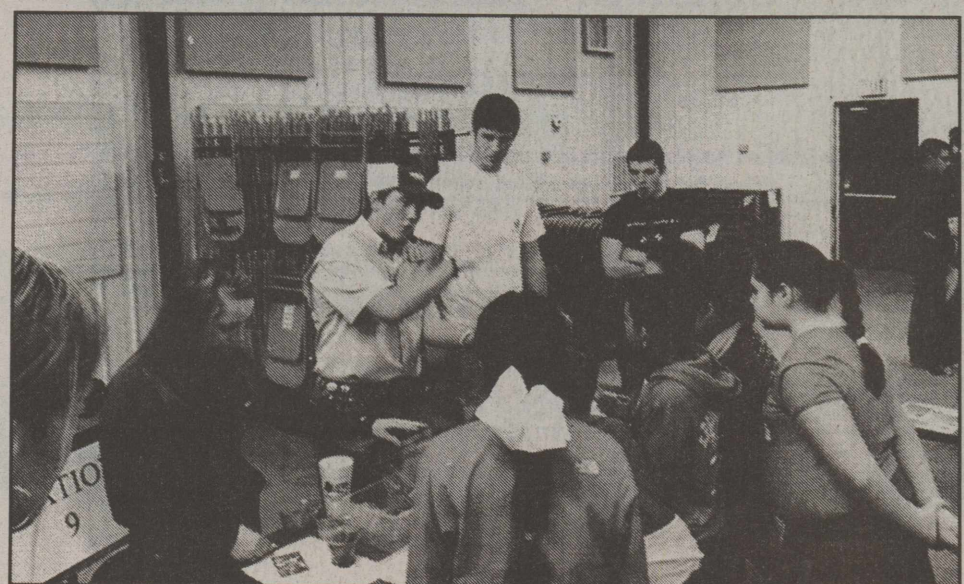
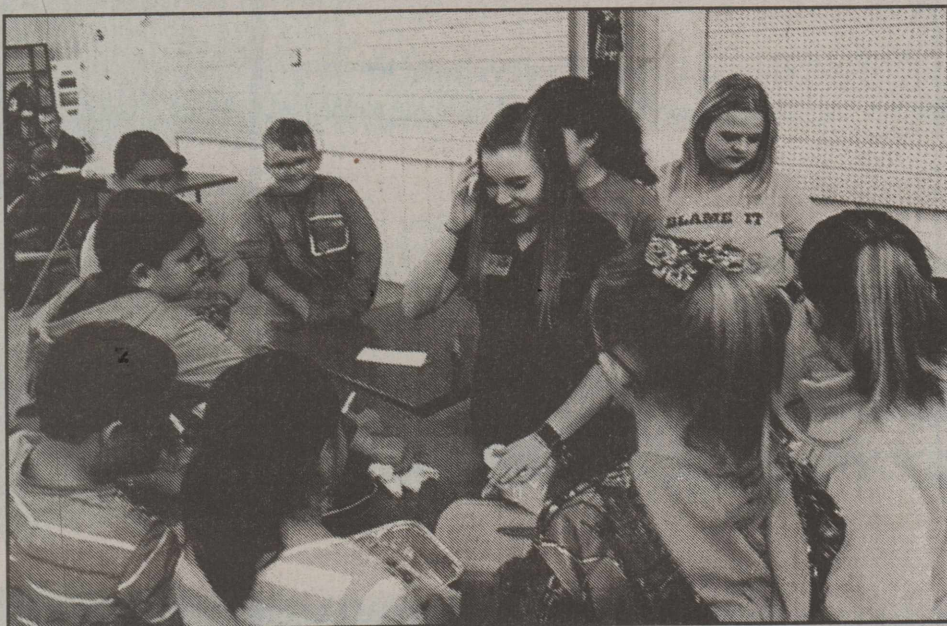
Goodwell, Ok/a. - Enrollment opens April 5th for 2017 Summer and Fall classes at Oklahoma Panhandle State University. Make plans to join the success and let us help you reach your dreams!

Panhandle State has degrees in five areas of study including Agriculture; Business and Technology; Education; Liberal Arts; Science, Math, and Nursing. Our friendly faculty and staff are ready to assist you as you work to meet your goals. Select the best option for you with courses available online, in the evenings, and at the Guymon Classroom in addition to the traditional weekday courses.

Contact the Panhandle State Admissions Office at 580-349-1370 for more information.



Several Sherman County 4-H members met with Stratford's Crocheting & Painting Angels during Spring Break & Learned to Crochet



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Founder  
Pete Metcalf

**HELP US  
CELEBRATE  
70 YEARS  
OF SERVICE**

## THANK YOU STRATFORD!

As a thank you for trusting in DB&E for the last 70 years, we invite you to join us for a special **Customer Appreciation Week** March 27th through March 31st!

Just stop by DB&E headquarters at 1315 Highway 87 South in Dalhart for refreshments and a chance to enter our big service giveaway! Prizes include:

- Free Gearhead Repair
- Free Swage Patch
- Free Pull & Set on a Pump

