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Band Banquet Invitation

The Members of Stratford Big Blue Band and the Band Boosters invite all past Band Booster Presidents to attend our annual banquet. It will be held Thursday, May 10th at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria. Come enjoy a meal as we celebrate another wonderful band season.

Band Concert Date Changed

The Band Concert originally planned for Monday, May 14th has been changed to Thursday, May 17th at 7 p.m.

Annual Memorial Day Service To Be Held

Stratford Chamber of Commerce announces plans for the Annual Memorial Day Service, May 28, 2001. The 4-H Horse Club will present the program. This program honors members of all the wars and military conflicts in recent history. Max Stephenson and his group of volunteers will decorate the graves starting at 7:00 a.m. on this Monday. Anyone who would like to help is encouraged to be at the Cemetery at 7:00. Max stated that currently, 200 graves are decorated. The Women's Division of the Chamber will supply refreshments starting at 9:00 a.m. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. and last approximately 30 minutes. Since Stratford is celebrating the centennial, did you know our cemetery has Nine Civil War Veterans? For their names, refer to the *God, Grass and Grit Vol. 1*. Everyone is invited to this service. Bring your lawn chair, as bench seating will be limited.

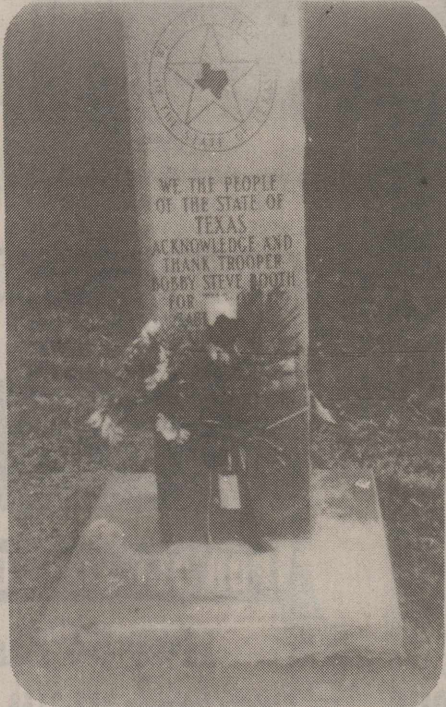
Stratford Baseball Association
Annual Work Day
Saturday, May 19th
9:00 a.m.

Happy Birthday Stratford's 100 Years

You are invited to a Birthday Party celebrating Stratford's 100 years, Saturday, May 12 at the County Court House from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Stratford Big Blue Sweepstakes Band will perform along with activities of recalling the moving of the records and other significant events. The Girl Scouts will present their time capsule buried in 1986 to be opened on the centennial. Birthday Cake will be served by the Chamber of Commerce. In case of bad weather, all activities will be held at the County Barn beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Summer Baseball Season Kickoff Fundraiser
Pendleton Park
Friday, May 11
5:30-7:30
Burgers hot off the grill with chips and ice cold cokes \$5.00
Homemade Ice Cream \$1.00
Players come meet your team and coaches!
The Entire community is invited! Come out and help us raise money for new uniforms and equipment!
WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!



National Police Week

Whereas, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day and the week in which May 15 falls as national Police Week; and

Whereas, the members of the law enforcement agency of Stratford play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Stratford; and

Whereas, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices of their law enforcement recognize their duty to protect the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception

and the weak against oppression; and Whereas, the men and women of the law enforcement agency of the City of Stratford unceasingly provide a vital public service;

Now, therefore, I, David Brown, the Honorable Mayor of Stratford call upon all citizens of the City of Stratford and upon all

patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 13th, 2001 as POLICE WEEK with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities, and in so doing have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security for all citizens.

I further call upon all citizens of the City of Stratford to observe May 15th, 2001 as PEACE MEMORIAL DAY in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

In Witness thereof, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Stratford to be affixed.

David Brown, Mayor
City of Stratford

Stock Certificates Now On Sale

Stock Certificates in the amount of \$100.00 per share can be purchased to help with the expenses of the celebration. Certificates will be redeemed in the year 2002 (you will get some money back). This is a way to finance the product expenses until the products can be sold. The stock certificates were designed by Greg Wright and will be a keepsake. Anyone wishing to help with the expenses of the Centennial in a lesser amount will be issued a Contribution Certificate. At the close of the Celebration Year, any products unsold will be turned over to the Museum or the Chamber of Commerce for their use.



Despite rainy weather, the Lion's Club Annual Broom sale had lots of business on Friday, May 4th. Dean Hauser Lion's Club Member far right, visits with Brenda Johnson. Steve Johnson is looking at all of the items on display.



May 12, 2001-2-4 p.m. Court House Lawn-Reenactment of moving the records, Melodrama of early Stratford, and Birthday party (cake and drinks).

May 12 & 13, 2001 First United Methodist & Church of Christ Churches special services will be held at both of these congregations. Notify each Church for more information. First United Methodist-520 N. Main-396-2178; Church of Christ 315 N. 3rd 366-5546.

The entire Panhandles is welcome to attend any of these activities souvenir items to commemorate the Celebration will be available. For more information, please contact the Stratford Chamber of Commerce-366-2260 or the Depot Museum 396-2582.

Centennial Celebration - Stratford

May 19, 2001, 9-4:00 p.m. Meet at the Depot Museum (17 N. Main).

Historical County Tour featuring: Coldwater Cemetery, Coldwater Ranch, Spurlock Chapel, Whaley Cemetery, and Pronger Ranch. Bring your own transportation and a sack lunch with drink.

Happy Mother's Day Sunday, May 13th

VIOLATIONS LETTERS TO BE SENT

It's that time of year again. WEEDS are growing taller and taller. City of Stratford Ordinances #164 and #248 require that all weeds and grass be kept mowed to prevent becoming unsightly and/or creating a fire hazard. These Ordinances also prohibit any other types of debris from being located on any real estate within the City of Stratford.

I have driven around town and found several places that look unsightly and eventually become fire hazards. I will be sending out letters to individuals this week to try and help take care of this problem all over the City.

Please try and remedy this problem before YOU get a letter.

Respectfully,
LaRita Butler
Interim City Administrator

The New Playground Equipment at Pendleton Park was also made possible by THE CITY OF STRATFORD AND GRANTS FROM THE AMARILLO AREA FOUNDATION!!

Obits

Victoria Christian

Clayton, NM-Victoria Christian, 104, died Tuesday, May 1, 2001, in Dalhart, Texas.

Rosary was recited at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 3, 2001 in St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, May 4, 2001 in the church by the Rev. George Silva, pastor, and the Rev. Billy Rammage, pastor of First Baptist Church. Burial was in Clayton Memorial Cemetery by Hass Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Christian was born in Taylorville, ILL., on Dec. 30, 1896, to Charles Thompson Durbin and Opal Lona Durbin. She was a devout member of the Catholic Church all of her life.

Survivors include four daughters, Irene Crisp and Pauline Leighton, both of Clayton, Rose Bookout of Tularosa and Nira French of Dalhart, Texas; two sons, Rex Christian of Stratford and Gail Christian of Amarillo; 20 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren; and numerous great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Clayton Memorial Cemetery, Clayton, NM 88415; or a favorite charity.

Ruby Lee Tillery

Poolville-Ruby Lee Tillery, 76, died Monday, April 30, 2001.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 3, 2001 in First Baptist Church of Jacksboro with James Haddock, minister, officiating. Burial was in Gibtown Cemetery in Jack County by Coker Funeral Home in Jacksboro.

Mrs. Tillery was a member of the Squaws and Rough Riders Club and the Stamford Old Cowboy Association. She was married to Loyd "Hoot" Tillery August 1979, in Graham.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Natacha Dyess of Trinchera, CO., and Wynette Pope of Amarillo; a son, Loyd Dwayne Tillery of Jacksboro; her

mother, Ada Blevins of Weatherford; two sisters, Grace Dowell of Bridgeport and Ruth Morris of Gruver; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to American Cancer Association.

Irrigation & Wheat Plot Tour

An Irrigation and Wheat Plot Tour will be conducted Tuesday, May 22, 2001 at the Oklahoma Panhandle Research & Extension Center in Goodwell, Oklahoma. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m., trailers will load at 8:45 and the tour begins at 9:00 a.m.

Plots and studies to be covered during the tour will include:

*Irrigated Wheat Forage Plots plus Grain Study, Rick Koehenower, OPREC

*Wheat Breeding and New Releases, Brett Carver, Ph.D., OSU

*Post Harvest Dormancy in Wheat, Gene Krenzer, Ph., OSU

*Bindweed Mites, Tom Royer, Ph.D., OSU

*Water Management with Irrigation Systems, Terry Hendrix, Panhandle Implement

There are two CEU's for certified crop advisors approved for the tour.

Lunch will be provided by Panhandle Implement. For meal reservations, please call (580) 349-5441 before May 18th.



Shown at left: These employees of Coldwater Manor danced and helped with the Cinco de Mayo celebration held at Coldwater Manor on Friday, May 4th. Shown from left: Esperanza (Hope) Vera, Norma Torres, JoAnn Morales, Lisa Guel, Marilu Chico, Tracy Gutierrez, and Ramona Rueda. Residents had a good time and enjoyed dancing themselves.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Hasn't the rain been great! The trees love it, the flowers and bushes love it and the WEEDS love it. It is time to mow and get Stratford ready for the visitors that have been invited to the Centennial Events this week-end May 12, 13.

Thanks for helping make Stratford Beautiful.

Gaynelle Riffe

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

- May 3-6, 11-13 "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991 (Musical)
- May 11-12 Palo Duro Canyon Pops Amarillo Symphony Palo Duro Canyon 806-376-8782
- June 22-24 "Ain't Misbehavin'" Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- June 7-- Aug 19 "TEXAS" Musical Drama Palo Duro Canyon 806-655-2181
- June 16 Kristin Chenoweth Special Event Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Aug 2 & 3 Rooster Morris and Waddle Mitchell Dalhart LaRita Theatre 224-5646

Stratford Centennial 2001 County Tour

Saturday, May 19th

A tour of historic sites in Sherman County that have contributed to the growth of Stratford in the past century will be Saturday, May 19th beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Depot Museum and concluding at 4:00 at the Pronger Ranch. The schedule for the day:

9:00 a.m. leave Depot Museum for Old Townsite Coldwater (14 mi). (Transportation - Private Cars - Rides will be available). 9:45-10:15 Memorial Service at the Coldwater Cemetery. 11:15-12:45 Bivins Coldwater Ranch/J.D. Rawlins Rock House (25 mi). Brick a sack lunch. Restrooms available.

1:30-2:00 Spurlock Community and Chapel restroom available (28 Miles)

2:25-2:40 Whaley Cemetery (14 miles)

3:00-3:45 Pronger Ranch restrooms available (8 miles)

4:00 Return to Stratford (9 miles)

In the case of bad weather, most of the trip is on pavement. The decision will be made at the Depot Museum at 9:00 if there is a change in schedule time. The tour can be joined or departed from at any time.

(Don't forget the Birthday Party 2:00 to 4:00, May 12 at the Courthouse).

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Timis Tidbits
By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Readers, Citizens this coolish fifty-degree Fahrenheit, Monday, May 7th, 2001.

From the Methodist hour May 6, 2001, the tour of Sherman County was cancelled due to wet weather but will happen May 19, 2001 weather permitting.

The Joys: Chris Haynes and Clint Parsons have graduated. Moisture, the Methodist Church Centennial, the wonderful 4-H club work, wonderful service at Coldwater Manor, Opal Bryant is doing better.

Concerns: Bryan Mungia on Tuesday will have surgery, Mike Wells is in the hospital, Mary Grace Hudson, the death of Natacha Dyess's mother, Phil Plunk mission trip where equipment was misplaced.

Thursday and Friday were very wet days which caused the tour of Sherman County Historical to be cancelled until May 19, 2001. The rain was wide-spread for it rained from Stratford to Clarendon where damage was heavy from tornado to Lubbock. On Sunday after lunch Timi & Lorelyn were anxious to see where the earth had gotten the moisture. We traveled south to Dumas. In Dumas, we stopped to see Betty & Baskin Brown & Bob Lee. Betty is recovering from knee surgery which Dr. Doug Albracht says will make things better for Betty.

We will be praying for Betty & Bryan Mungia as he goes through a very complicated surgery on Tuesday.

We want to congratulate the young people who are about to be married, Tami Davis & Randy Penrod, Ann Wells & Clint Vincent, Myranda Herring & Eric Newcomb.

To each Sherman County resident and our peers, we want to tell all to pat shoulders and tell people you love them is what makes the world go round.

Stratford Annual Staff & Planet Green

Dear Parents,

The Stratford Annual Staff is asking for your support and participation in our fundraising recycling program. It is estimated that over 140,000,000 empty inkjet cartridges ended up in our landfills last year. The plastic used in a typical cartridge is industrial-grade and takes at least 10 centuries to decompose. The money that can be raised from these wasted materials is in the millions and could generate urgently needed funds for materials and programs to help improve the quality of education. If you use an inkjet printer at home or at work, please remember to place your empty inkjet cartridge in a zip lock bag to be turned in to Tami King at our school. With your help our annual staff can generate the money that is very much needed. Please encourage family, friends and neighbors to participate in our school recycling program.

The annual staff hopes that this fundraising program will generate enough funds to help in the payment of processing our annual. With everyone's help, we hope to make this a continuing project for the years to come.

DON'T THROW THOSE EMPTY CARTRIDGES IN THE TRASH!!! THROW THEM IN A BOX and then call 366-3335 and we'll come get them! Thanks!

"Together we can make a difference"

It's said early Americans referred to the blackberry as a brambleberry.

Kerrick News
By Marylou McDaniel

There will be a Mothers Day Luncheon Sunday at 1 p.m. May 13th. If you have no other plans bring a dish and come join us. The Hamptons are our hosts.

Ian Alexander Weems will be graduating from WTA&M University May 12, 2 p.m. at Amarillo Civic Center with a Bachelor of Science in Geology degree. Ian is a grandson of Mabel Rogers.

Area Methodists will be attending Centennial activities of First United Methodist Church in Stratford Saturday and Sunday.

Patti McDaniel, Denver, will arrive late Friday for church activities and to spend Mother's Day with Marylou McDaniel.

Kenna Collums was named alternate for HOPE Scholarship at PSU.

Chandra Hawkins performed at a dance recital in Dumas Saturday night. She does ballet and tap. Attending were Leonard & Peggy Hawkins, Leroy & Barbara Judd and Leroy's daughters, Faith, Donna & LaNita.

Chandra's basketball team of grades 2-3-4 finished number one.

Terry & Barbara Schoonover attended Pioneer Days in Guymon.

Jo June McDaniel will be attending her 50th Class reunion at Texhoma May 11-12.

She hosted XI Epsilon Iota Sorority on May 1. They had their secret sister exchange and drew new names for the year. Present were LaVerne Lasley, Betty Lou O'Brien, Jean Everett, Liz Sanders, Marge Bryson.

Kylee Gillenwaters spent Saturday night with her grandparents, Bill & Donna.

The Brady Schoonovers had a cookout Sunday night for several friends. They pitched horseshoes. Present were Sean, Michelle, Haley & Monte Daniel, Perry & Kim Hitchings, Heath & Kenna Collums, Leonard & Chandra Hawkins.

Stratford Grain Bowling team was in Lubbock Saturday and Sunday for the State Bowling Tournament. Making the trip were Pat Boren & Marylou McDaniel of Kerrick, Betty Henry of Stratford and Ann Woolley, Dalhart. Their fifth member was Kim Malloy of Webster. Ann rolled a 510 series in one event. Marylou had a 186 game and received a pin. Team members also received a pin for "looking good" in their bowling attire!

Bill Boren went to Missouri to see the Joe Bill Boren family while Pat went to Lubbock. She took off early Monday for a fishing trip to Charetta.

A jest's prosperity lies in the ear of him that hears it, never in the tongue of him that makes it.

—William Shakespeare,
Love's Labor's Lost

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What is something everyone has, yet seldom misses? SPARE CHANGE! During the first two weeks in May your pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters (as well as anything else you might want to contribute) can add up to help out Lollipop Junction Day Care Center. Lollipop is a non-profit day care, providing preschool children with a warm, loving, and stable environment.

The cost of care per child is approximately \$16.00. Lollipop charges parents \$12.50 per day. Fundraisers cover the difference in cost. The 2000-2001 Varsity Cheerleaders are asking you to participate in a fundraiser for Lollipop Junction.

At Mary Allen Elementary and Stratford Junior High, containers will be placed in each classroom. At Stratford High School, containers will be placed in the HS office, the Library, and in Mrs. Stoy and Ms. Wells classrooms. All you have to do is drop your spare change into the containers each day. At the end of two weeks all the money will be counted. The class at each school, which collects the most money, will get to have a pizza party before the end of school.

Let's get busy and see how much money we can raise for Lollipop Junction Day Care Center. Just gather up all those pennies lying around, as well as a few nickels, dimes, quarters, and maybe a dollar or two, and share your spare!

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic To Be Held June 5th

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's health System will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Stratford Family Medical Clinic, 1220 Purnell in Stratford on June 5, 2001.

Breast Cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only, call 356-1905 or 1 (800) 377-4673 for more information.

Check Out The Library
By Sandy Baskin

The end of school is just around the corner leaving time for a summer filled with reading. New books at the library this week include: *On the Street Where You Live* by Mary Higgins Clark, *Still of the Night* by Meagan McKinney, and *Lone Eagle* by Danielle Steel. We have also added to our audio book collection The Mitford Series by Jan Karon and Jimmy Carter's book *An Hour Before Daylight*.

Interested in joining a reading group, there will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, May 16, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

Volunteers are still needed for the Summer Reading Program. The program will begin on June 5, 2001 and there will be a program every two weeks until July 31, 2000. Volunteers do not have to participate in every program but may sign-up for specific dates. Contact the library at 366-2200 if you are willing to help.

Annual Gem Mineral & Jewelry Show To Be Held

Amarillo, TX-May 1, 2001. The Golden Spread Gem & Mineral Society will present it's annual Gem Mineral & Jewelry Show and Sale May 19 & 20 at the Amarillo Civic Center. There will be jewelry manufacturers and dealers from across America exhibiting minerals, jewelry, wirewrapping, faceting, fossils and gem stones. There will be working demonstrations of lapidary equipment, silversmithing and rock polishing skills. There will also be a Wheel of Fortune where the kids can win fun prizes. Local enthusiasts will be exhibiting interesting displays. Door prizes will be given away hourly and the Grand Prize (Citrine Cathedral) will be drawn @ 5:00 p.m. Sunday. Show hours are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 PM Sunday. Donation Admission-\$2.00.

First Assembly of God

921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian

Rev. Bob Sweeten
5th & Main

Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
No Sunday Evening Worship

First United Methodist

Rev. Mark Metzger
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm
5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for
Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Darryl Birkenfeld
6th & Pearl
Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade. Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Mike Talley
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

Calvary Baptist

Stephen Schwenke
302 S. Main - 806-376-4553 lv. message
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist

Bro. Jerry Stewart
702 N. 3rd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m..
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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We will leave the church at 5:45 (RSVP -366-5546 or 366-2242)

SUNDAY SERVICES

AM.....BIBLE CLASS.....9:30
AM.....WORSHIP.....10:30
LUNCH at COUNTY BARN.....12:00
PM.....WORSHIP.....2:30

Questions???.....Call: 366-5546 or 366-2242

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

A Heart For Family

No fault divorce has become standard. Big hearts seem in short supply. Parents leave children in the lurch. Little hearts are torn. Children lose a sense of stability. They do not know whom to trust. "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any reason at all?" (Matthew 19:3). Good question. Society says, "Yes!" Jesus Christ has a different response. "Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female, "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh"? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate" (Matthew 19:4-6). The conclusion is simple. If God puts a man and a woman together as husband and wife, do men and women have a right to tear apart what God establishes? Even the disciples of Jesus backed away from this idea. "If the relationship of the man with his wife is like this, it is better not to marry" (Matthew 19:10). Again, Jesus has a different thought. Why divorce for any cause? "Because of your hardness of heart" (Matthew 19:8). Marriage takes big hearts. Family life necessities giving, loving hearts. The answer is soft hearts, new hearts, loving hearts, big hearts.

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Community Building
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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.
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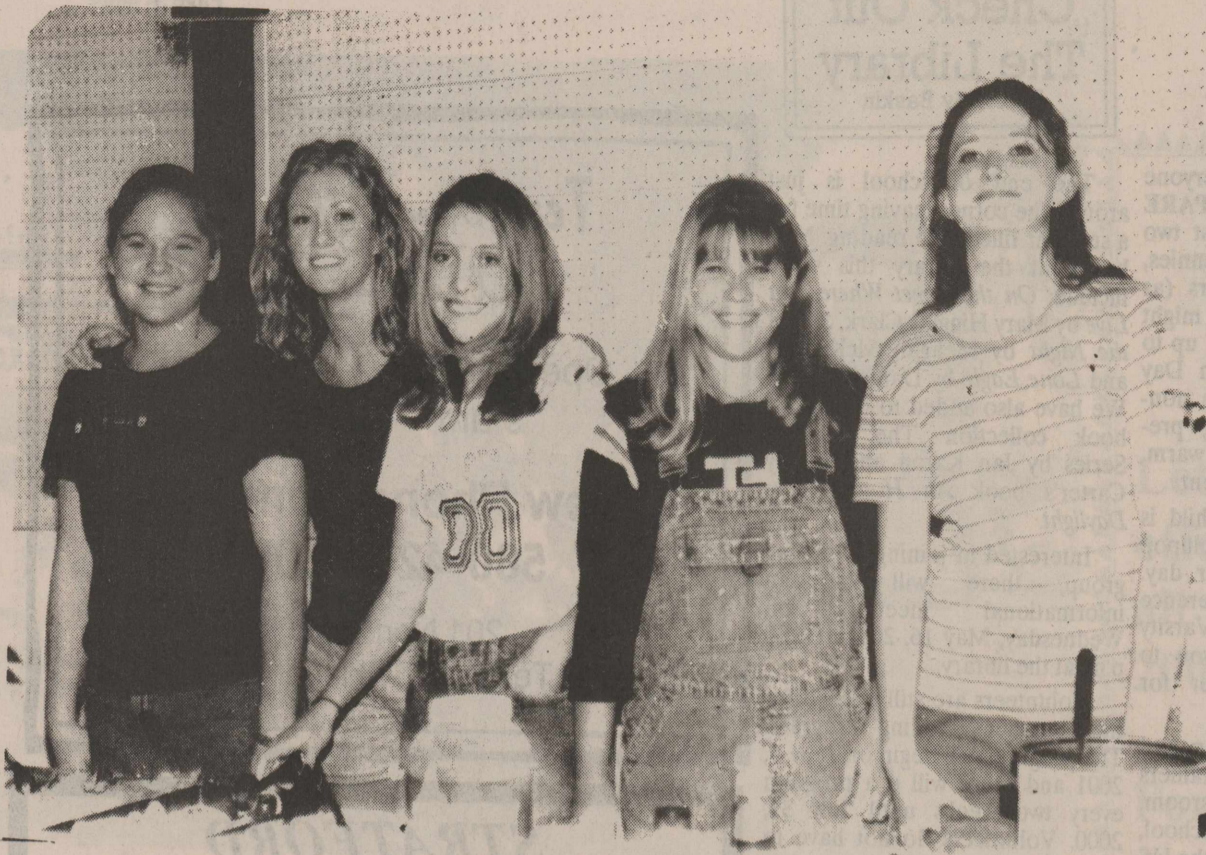
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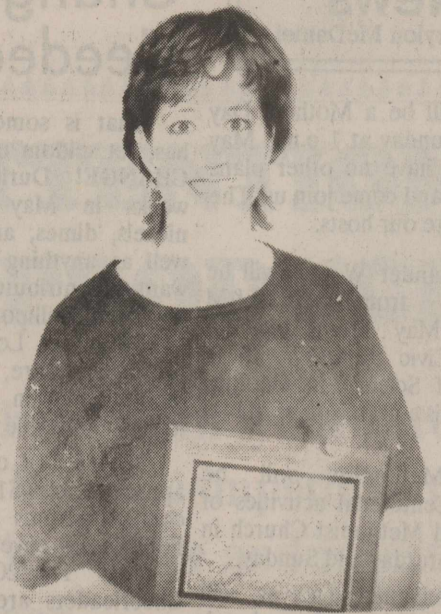
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Rent-A-Firefighter was held Saturday May 5th at the County Barn. This was to help Carly Mathews who is attending the "Down Under International Games this summer. All of the firefighters were rented out. Shown above helping to serve the meal are (l to r) Kayla Robertson, Carly Mathews, Brittany Hudson, Heather Robertson and Candra Holland.



Laurie Spurlock was named Outstanding Clubwoman/Volunteer at the Top of Texas District convention held recently in Dalhart. She is President-Elect of GFWC/Prospectus Study Club and as such is Program and Yearbook Chairman.

4-H Fishin' & Fun Overnight Camp And Fishing Tournament To Be Held

A 4-H Fishin' and Fun Overnight Camp and Fishing Tournament will be held at Greenbelt Lake on June 4-5, 2001 starting with registration at 2:00-3:00 p.m. on June 4th. The goal of the program is to introduce kids to fishing classes on safety, tying, environmental education, tackle making and casting. In addition, participants may enter the fishing tournament.

This fun activity is for the beginning and expert angler. Registration fee is \$15.00 per person. Each participant is asked to bring their own tents and necessities. Meals, snacks and program supplies will be provided. Call your local county Extension office for specific tournament rules and registration materials. Pre-registration is due to county Extension offices no later than May 28th.

Sherman County 4-H Council

By Mark Miller

Meeting started at 4:37 p.m., April 30, 2001, at Extension office. Officers were elected for 201-2001. President Trisha Teig, Vice-president Brad Reed, Secretary-Treasurer Walter Spurlock, Reporter Mark Miller, and Council Delegate Brad Reed. Business Friend of 4-H, Friend of 4-H, and Outstanding Leader of 4-H was nominated. Meeting ended at 5:30 p.m., next meeting will be May 21, 2001.

Births

Kian Riley Marshall was born Tuesday, May 1st, 2001 at 7:46 a.m. in Fort Campbell, KY. He weighed 7 lb. 14.7 oz and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Parents welcoming him are Josh and Casie Marshall and sister Keira. All doing fine!



The word cabbage comes from the Latin word 'caput' which means head.

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Happy Birthday, Norm!!

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Tyler Pickens competed in the Special Olympic's Area Spring Games held in Boys Ranch on May 5th. Tyler brought home 1st place in the 100 M Dash, 3rd place in the 400 M Relay, and 4th place in the softball throw. Congratulations Tyler!!



The Stratford Chamber of Commerce Proudly announces its commission of a commemorative centennial belt buckle. These buckles will be a limited collector's edition with a maximum number available of 350 pieces. The Buckles will be offered in the following two finishes:

*2-Tone Pewter with Brass accents-50 available with numbers of 1-50 of 350 Price \$50.00

*Fine Pewter-300 Available with numbers of 51-350 of 350 Price \$20.00 each.

Orders are currently being taken for either buckles through the Chamber office. A portion of the Pewter buckles will be ready for sale at the May 5, 2001, County Tour; and the Balance (2-Tone & Pewter) will be available at the May 12, 2001, birthday party located at the court house. As always, buckles will be available for sale at the Chamber office located in the City Hall.

The Buckles are products of the Siskiyou Buckle Company of

Ashland, Oregon. This company has produced products for many different area celebrations (Boise City, Hugoton, KS; and others). Make plans now to celebrate with Stratford during the centennial. These buckles would make great fits for family and friends, especially those who have moved away. The buckles will be available at the Centennial celebrations in May, the Ex-Student reunion, July 4th celebration, Jamboree in September, and the Pheasant Hunt in December. A second buckle is already under consideration to establish a collector's series.

For question, please contact Paula at the Chamber office 366-2260, or come by the office in the city hall. The Chamber appreciates the support of the community.

The memorabilia collection of belt buckles will be on display at First State Bank for viewing. For more information, call Stratford Chamber of Commerce at 366-2260



Heads Up On Headaches

Education Might Be Best Cure Of All

(NAPS)—There's a myth out there that women use headaches as an excuse for everything from taking a sick day to "spouse avoidance" (does the old catch-phrase, "Not tonight, dear, I have a headache" ring a bell).

The truth is that most women are too busy to let headaches slow them down. A recent survey conducted by Bruskin Research for the Motrin family of products found that three-quarters of women won't skip work and nearly that number won't miss a party because of a headache.

But ignoring a headache is one thing. Beating it is another. According to Dr. Mark Green, Clinical Professor of Neurology, Columbia University, and a prominent headache specialist, it helps to know what you've got. "Sinus, migraine and tension headaches have different symptoms," says Dr. Green. "Treating them properly means educating yourself about headache pain, and then choosing a pain reliever developed specifically for the type of headache you've got."

To help, the makers of Motrin are establishing a Headache Hotline (1-866-HEADHELP) starting April 23 wherein callers can get information about the different types of headaches and products that can help relieve their symptoms.

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Taming Stress Day By Day

(NAPS)—Though we all have stress in our lives, this is one area where we can learn from those who have a chronic illness and have to handle even more stress than the rest of us. Here, from experts at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, are some strategies for taming stress day by day:

- Simplify your life. Relax a few of your standards. In other words, let the grass grow.
- Plan ahead in situations that could cause stress. For example, if you expect to be in a situation in which you'll have to be waiting, take a book with you.
- Make plans for extra sleep before family gatherings or important events.
- Learn to say no.
- If old interests and activities become more difficult or too time consuming, replace them with new ones that fit your current needs.

• Do the unpleasant things early in the day so that you don't have to worry about them.

• Don't try to answer the phone on the first ring. Let it ring. Consider buying an answering machine.

• Schedule rest periods. Knowing that you are going to rest on a regular basis can stop you from feeling guilty about not completing a task.

• Learn to revise time sched-

ules. If you told a friend you would meet at noon, and are running late, is there any reason the appointment can't be changed to one? Finally, work toward the award for "Has the Best Sense of Humor." It never hurts to be able to laugh at yourself.

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, unpredictable disease of the central nervous system, usually diagnosed during the early adult years. A free copy of *Taming Stress in Multiple Sclerosis* is available from your local chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. To find out more about the programs of the National MS Society or to find the chapter nearest you call 1-800-FIGHT MS or log on to www.nationalmssociety.org.

Highway Horse Sense Give Wildlife A Brake

(NAPS)—You can save an animal's life...and your own peace-of-mind. Collisions between automobiles and deer account for over one million accidents each year. The Humane Society of the United States urges drivers to avoid collisions with deer and other animals by following these tips:

- Scan the edges of the road for wildlife about to cross.
- Slow down when traveling where animals are most likely to cross, especially in wooded and brushy areas, stream valleys and areas where two habitat types meet.
- Maintain a safe following distance.
- Expect to see more animals at dawn and dusk, the most active times for many wild animals and rush hour for drivers.
- Lower your dashboard lights slightly to enable you to better see the reflection of your headlights in the eyes of any animal near the road.
- Deer can't read crossing signs. Use caution at all times.
- If you see one animal, expect more to follow.

For a free brochure and bumper sticker, call The HSUS at (202) 452-1100, or send your name and address to Give Wildlife a Brake!, The HSUS, 2100 L St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20037.

Cooking Corner

Tip To Help You

Flaky Apricot Pockets Surprisingly Easy To Make

Crisp And Flaky Apricot Pockets
Servings: About 16 (can be served warm or cold)
1 package frozen puff pastry sheets (2)
2 jars (26 oz.) canned apricot halves, drained
1/2 cup sugar

Preheat oven to 375°. Thaw puff pastry for 30

minutes or according to directions on box. Drain apricots and slice each half into thirds; set aside. When pastry is thawed, put each sheet on a lightly floured surface and roll out to extend each side by approximately 1/2 inch. Cut each sheet into eight rectangles to make 16 pockets total. Fill bottom portion of each rectangle with 4-5 pieces of fruit; moisten sides with a bit

of water and pinch closed to form a square. Place pocket on a baking sheet and sprinkle generously with sugar. Cut 3 slits in the top of each for the steam to escape while baking. Bake at 375° for 25 minutes or until the pockets are golden brown.

For more information, recipes and serving suggestions using apricots, visit the Apricot Producers of California at www.apricotproducers.com.

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—Goethe



Students at Mary Allen Elementary and Mrs. Teig's high school speech classes heard Joe Weaver, Director of the Moore County Libraries, read and tell a story last Tuesday at the Sherman County Library to launch the Summer Reading Program. Volunteers are still needed for this project. Please contact the library at 366-2200. Shown above is the Pre-K class listening to Joe Weaver.

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Lorenzo Rosales sang for residents, staff, and guests at Coldwater Manor on Friday, May 4th in celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

Mother's Day in France is celebrated much like a family birthday, and it occurs on the last Sunday in May. Traditionally, the family gathers for dinner, and, at the end of the meal, a cake is presented to the mother.

Drinking Water Week

The week of May 6-12, 2001, has been slated as Drinking Water Week. The goal is to help people understand what they can do in their own homes to affect the quantity and quality of the water they drink.

Actions that ensure Texans have a clean water supply take place long before the water ever reaches the kitchen sink. Every day agriculture producers are working to conserve and protect our natural resources. Producers are putting in filter strips to prevent soil sedimentation and chemicals from entering our lakes and streams; rebuilding wetlands and many more activities that have positive impacts on water quality.

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) works hand in hand with producers to implement practices and programs to protect and preserve water quality and more importantly the environment. NRCS has a wide variety of programs and production techniques that protect the environment and enhance productivity.

"Farmers and ranchers care about the communities where they live, and work hard to do their part to protect and preserve the environment in which they raise their families. Our requests for technical assistance and program applications continue to grow as producers strive to do even more

to protect the environment and improve their production," John Burt, NRCS's State Conservationist said.

Since 1990, more than 43,000 acres of wetlands in Texas have been restored under the Wetlands Reserve Program. Wetlands filter and collect sediment from runoff water, helping prevent mud from clogging lakes and reservoirs farther downstream.

In the past year, NRCS has worked with producers to develop nutrient management plans for more than one million acres. These plans help producers manage the organic and inorganic nutrients so they are used by the crops and not allowed to escape to bodies of water.

More than 100,000 acres of buffer strips have been installed in the past six months. Buffer strips are small strips of land planted to permanent vegetation, along rivers, lakes and streams to filter pollutants before they reach the water.

"We are proud of the producers in Texas and their tremendous commitment to conservation," Burt said. "These are only a few examples of their strong commitment."

For more information on NRCS programs and activities please contact your local NRCS office.



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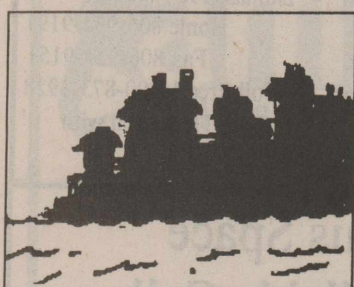
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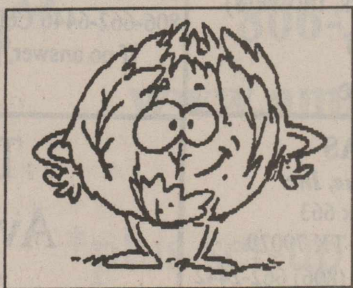
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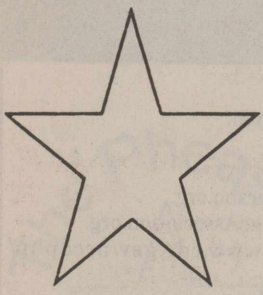
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Ice cream first appeared in Italy around 1559.

Cards of Thanks

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!! If you haven't driven by Pendleton Park yet, you need to do so and look at the change the new playground equipment has made. But if it wasn't for the volunteers this would not have been up and ready for the children. I would like to say thank you to the following people and their employers for letting them have the day off, if that's what you would call it, and showing up at the park Wednesday morning, April 25, 2001. Kyle Altmiller and Dean Hauser - First State Bank; Joe Zak, Joe Rangel, and Alex Aldavaz-Stratford Grain; George Harding, Jesse Resendes, Greg Wright; Daryl Salmon, Chris Hernandez, Randy Melton, Ken Forthman, James Johnson, Valerie Valenzuela - City of Stratford; Judd Butler - Coronado Feeders; Marsha Wright and Laurie Spurlock and all other Prospectus Study Club members for sharing the cost and help feeding the volunteers; Baskin Brown for letting us store the playground equipment in the barn near the park; Brown's Meat Locker, Coronado Feeders, Thriftway, and Stratford Feedyard for the donation of the meat, cheese, etc. for the hamburgers. A special thank you goes out to John Reynolds with Modlin Recreation for making the trip to our area and helping us get started with the project. I truly hope I haven't forgotten anyone if I did, I apologize, but thank you very much. Please call me and let me know who you are and I will get you the thank you, you deserve. Once again, if you haven't driven by the park, do so and see how much the kids are enjoying the new playground equipment. Also, there are a few more pieces that will be going up soon, so keep looking.
Thanks Again,
LaRita Butler
City of Stratford

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the NRCS staff for all their hard work, and the Sherman County SWCD Board for their support on my nomination for the Texas Region 1 Conservation Homemaker for 2001, and congratulations to our Sherman County SWCD #159 for being chosen Outstanding SWCD for 2001.
Sincerely,
Shannon Taliaferro

I would like to say thank you to all who came by, called or sent cards to me after my accident. Special thanks to Dr. Bassett, the nurses and staff at the clinic, to Larry and David on the ambulance and to Brother Jerry for the visit at the hospital. Your prompt and expert care helped a bad situation. God Bless all.
C.W. McMillon

Words are not enough to express our thankfulness to the people of Stratford during the passing of our mother. So many people expressed their concern for our family with calls, food, cards, and prayers. We were overwhelmed with the love shown us. Thank you to the community choir and to the Quartet for the beautiful music. Thank you to the ladies who prepared the dinner. It was delicious. and thank you to Bro. Jerry for the service and the love and support you gave us. May God Bless all of you,
John & Nina Lavake
John & Susan Wheeler
Carter & Brandie MacKenzie,
Colby, Jessica and Jaycie Wheeler
Marcus Lavake
Clay Wheeler,
Trew, Cara and Allie James



The underground stem of a plant is called a rhizome.

LADY ELK BASKETBALL CAMP

May 29 - June 1

Cost: \$25.00 includes camp T-Shirt (\$15.00 for each additional child from the same family)
Purpose of Camp: The primary purpose of the Camp is to help each girl improve herself in the fundamentals of basketball.
Camp Staff: Lance Horsford - Lady Elk Basketball Coach
Terry Davis - Assistant Lady Elk Basketball Coach
Site: Stratford High School Gym
Time: 9:00 AM - Noon
Age: Kindergarten - 9th Grade (2001-2002 School Year)
Grade Placement for 2001-2002 School Year
Deadline for Registration: May 14, 2001

Complete this portion and return to: Lance Horsford PO Box 1041 Stratford, Tx 79084

Camper's Name: _____

Grade for 2001-2002 School Year: _____

| T-SHIRT Size (circle one) | | | | |
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We as parents or guardians of the above named girl, hereby grant permission for her to participate in the Lady Elk Basketball Camp and acknowledge that she is physically able to participate in camp activities. We hereby release the Camp, its employees, and Stratford ISO from all claims for injury or illness which may be sustained by our daughter and authorize the director or his designee to seek a physician's care and authorize treatment of the above named camper on an emergency basis in the event such treatment becomes necessary while attending the Lady Elk Camp.

Signed: (parent or guardian signature) _____

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Sunray Co-op in Conlen is in need of elevator help. If interested call 384-2164.
5-10-1xc

Help Wanted: Now hiring High School boy for after school, week-ends and summer. Apply at THE General Store or call 366-5308.
5-10-1fn

Help Wanted: High School or Junior High baby-sitter with references to work in my home this summer keeping 2 children. For more information, call Yvette at 396-2562 or at work 396-5583.
5-10-2xc

FREE THINGS TO SEND FOR

(NAPS)—For information about type 2 diabetes and a widely prescribed medication, Glucophage, which helps the body make more effective use of insulin, and Glucovance, which incorporates Glucophage and glyburide into a single pill, visit www.glucovance.com or call Lanie Shapero at 609-897-4916.

For information on how to head off high heating bills, such as insulating attics and pipes, write the CertainTeed Home Institute for the free brochure "Tips To Head Off High Heating Bills" by calling 1-800-782-8777.

For information on winter fire safety or other fire safety topics, write to the United States Fire Administration, Publications Office, Building 1, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727 or visit www.usfa.fema.gov. Communities can apply to have

a Gold Medal Flour sign painted in their community. For information on how to file a proposal, write Gold Medal Sign Restoration, General Mills, P.O. 1113, BT2, Minneapolis, MN 55440 and will be accepted through February 28, 2001. Ten proposals will be selected on March 31, 2001 and will each receive \$1,000 toward the painting of their sign.

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Will San Antonio Be The Same

Did you notice the town was just a tad bit quieter while the Big Blue Band was out on the yearly band trip to San Antonio. We have to ask the question, "Will San Antonio be the same?"

Eighty plus band students, two band directors and a hand full of fearless sponsors traveled to San Antonio May 3-6th. The trip all began with a short pause in Amarillo, Texas to make a concert recording at the Civic Center. Everyone then loaded on the buses, shook, rattled, and rolled into San Angelo, Texas. Where a spread of steaks and all the trimmings awaited everyone at Zentner's daughter. Everyone then waddled out to the bus once more and had visions of the lights of San Antonio in their eyes. They arrived safely with one unexpected stop...A tire blow out about 67 miles from their destination. Never fear, the Cell phone was near. One quick call and a serviceman was on his way to replace the tire. Once again, they were on the road again.

Friday morning came early enough and everyone loaded the bus for Fiesta Texas Amusement Park. While there everyone had the chance to visit the musical productions, ride the water rides and the most popular rides. "The Superman" and the "The Rattlesnake" roller coasters. Friday evening everyone enjoyed free time down at the famous Riverwalk. Finding everything one could imagine from Giant Foam Cowboy Hats. To ice cream from the world famous marble slab creameries. Eating at the Riverwalk was a food lovers paradise. The endless choices of restaurants from Dick's Last Resort, Planet Hollywood, Fudrucker's Famous Hamburgers. To great Mexican Food. It was hard to decide on where to eat. Topping the evening off everyone enjoyed ice skating at the Crystal Ice Palace. While Michelle Quann and Kristi Yamuguchie, and Bonnie Blair were not there, there seemed to be plenty of ice skating hopefuls there to show their unique ice skating talents. What else can you do break down a youth's energy level at 10:00 at night?

If you still had any spring left in your step, you were sure to use it up at Schlitterban Water Park the next day. Tubing down man made water chutes, or traveling along the Lazy Man River for 7 hours was enough to work up a whale of an appetite. The final evening of fun ended up at the Magic Time Machine Restaurant. Having Cinderella, Snow White, A Pirate or even the famous Crocodile Guy wait on you was just too much fun. For some first times asking directions to the powder room was a complete lapse of sound judgement. They will know next time though!

As with all good things, the fun must end, and Sunday morning wake-up call at 5:30 a.m. was not the highlight of the trip for many. Getting back on the bus and rolling down the Highway in

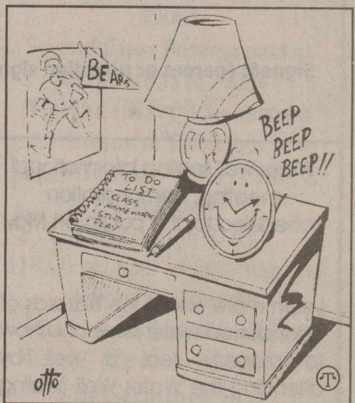
Caravan style back to the good old Panhandle town of Stratford. While many memories were made, and will be looked back on for years to come, what a great way to allow the hard work of all the band members, and directors to end a great year.

The last hip hop hooray, will be heard at the Spring Band Banquet on May 10, 2001, congratulations Senior Band members and all of you mighty Elk Band members.

Pointers For Parents Time Management Tips For Students

(NAPS)—A recent study showed that many students struggle to balance family obligations, friendships, classes, homework, after-school activities and jobs. Experts say that, by managing their time, students can learn more, get better grades and have more free time.

To help students manage their time more efficiently, parents are encouraged to share these tips offered by Sylvan Learning Center:



- Set achievable goals and establish rewards for meeting them, like taking a snack break, playing with a friend or doing something fun.
 - Stick to routines because they help to predict what is expected.
 - Make a daily "To Do" list.
 - Plan ahead for long-term assignments.
 - Break large projects into smaller, manageable tasks and prioritize what is most important.
 - Use a clock at your workplace to stay within budgeted time for an assignment.
 - Get organized by using a daily planner, color-coding notebooks and calendars according to subject, tasks and other themes.
- Time management and organizational skills are taught in Sylvan's Study Skills program. This program helps students in elementary, middle and high school develop a personal study process that works best for their learning style. For more information about this program visit www.educate.com.

District 2T-1 Lions International Youth Exchange Program Butts On Deployment

A winning student selected through the Lions District 2T-1 Youth Exchange Essay Contest will spend six weeks in mid-summer 2002 as an exchange student. The Essay Contest is open to young people age 17 through 20, regardless of school status. Transportation costs as well as personal travel and accident insurance will be paid by Lions District 2T-1 and the contest winners sponsoring Lions Club. The student must provide their own spending money (\$75-\$100 per week). The Lions International Youth Exchange Program operates in over 190 countries, and offers a host of opportunities to visit new and different cultures. What a tremendous experience for the Essay winner!

The District 2T-1 Youth Exchange Committee will host the Essay Contest, with applications available May 9, 2001 through High School English teachers, local Lions Clubs and the Lions District 2T-1 Youth Exchange Committee. The YE Application deadline is September 10, 2001 to the local Lions Club. Interview will be held September 29, 2001, with the selection of four (4) finalists. Interview of the four (4) finalists will be held October 6, 2001. The four (4) finalists will read their essay at the October, 2001 Cabinet Meeting. The winner will be announced at the end of the luncheon.

The Lions District 2T-1 Youth Exchange Program is also seeking Host Families for the Program. We have students from Europe, Australia, South America and Asia who desire to visit the United States and, of course, Texas. Exchange students normally visit during the summer months of June through August. YE students normally spend three weeks each with two different host families in different areas of the state, or in two countries. The hosting application deadline is December 15, 2001.

Any questions regarding the Essay Contest or being a Host may be directed to Lion Jan Bohls, YE District Chairman, at 806-362-4862, PO Box 56, Texline, TX 79087, or jbohls@xit.net

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Stormy T. Butts, a 1992 graduate of Texhoma High School, Texhoma, Okla., is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman, home ported in Norfolk, VA.

While on deployment, crewmembers from Butts' ship participated in damage control olympics, a competition designed to train the crew to properly handle a crisis at sea. The events included a fire-fighting gear race, a hose-manning competition, a protective suit dressout and desmoking compartments.

Butts' ship also visited Souda Bay, Crete where he had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the local culture and cuisine.

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Kellys Gymnastics Attends Meet

Editors Note: This article should have appeared with Kelly's Gymnastics pictures in last edition of the Star.

Kelly's Gymnastics competed April 21, 2001 at the State Meet/National Qualifying Meet in Snyder, Texas. Each competitor has to hit a qualifying score to advance to the National Gymnastics Meet held in San Antonio this June. The gymnasts to qualify are: Lyndi Berry of Texhoma on Floor and Double Mini, Destance Bohl of Texhoma on Double Mini, Tauna Britton of Hardesty on Floor and Double Mini, Whitney Britton of Hardesty on Double Mini, Meghan Brooks of Stratford on Floor, Carissa Cluck of Texhoma on Floor and Double Mini, Kira Downs of Stratford on Floor, Tramp and Double Mini, Jordan Hale of Guymon on Floor and Double Mini, Lyndsey Ingham of Texhoma on Floor and Tramp, Brittany Wood of Boise City on Floor and Double Mini, Troy Britton of Hardesty on Double Mini.

State Champions were also awarded by having the highest score in the state. Champions were: Tauna Britton for Level 5 floor & Level 8 Double Mini, Meghan Brooks for Level 5 Tramp & runner-up on Level 5 Floor, Kira Downs for Level 8 Tramp, Troy Britton for Level 5 Double Mini & Level 5 Tramp, Jordan Hale for Level 7 Floor.

Congratulations to all these gymnasts for a job done well. The National Meet will be held in June in San Antonio.

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- Switchhouse at www.switchhouse.com.
- Discovery Health Channel at Discoveryhealth.com.
- SoundsGood audioplayer at www.good.com.
- Uncle Wally's at www.unclewallys.com.
- Shriners Hospitals for Children at www.shrinershq.org.
- The American Stroke Association at www.StrokeAssociation.org.
- The KidsWalk-to-School program at www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/kidswalk/htm.
- The Centers for Disease Control at cdinfo@cdc.gov.
- iMotors at www.imotors.com.
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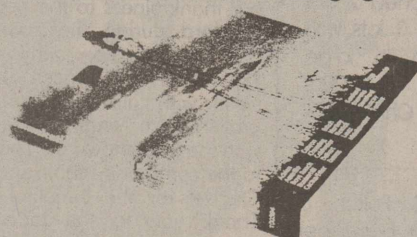
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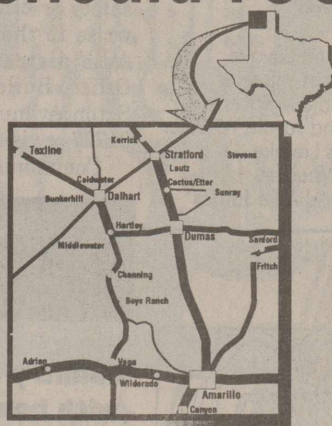
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