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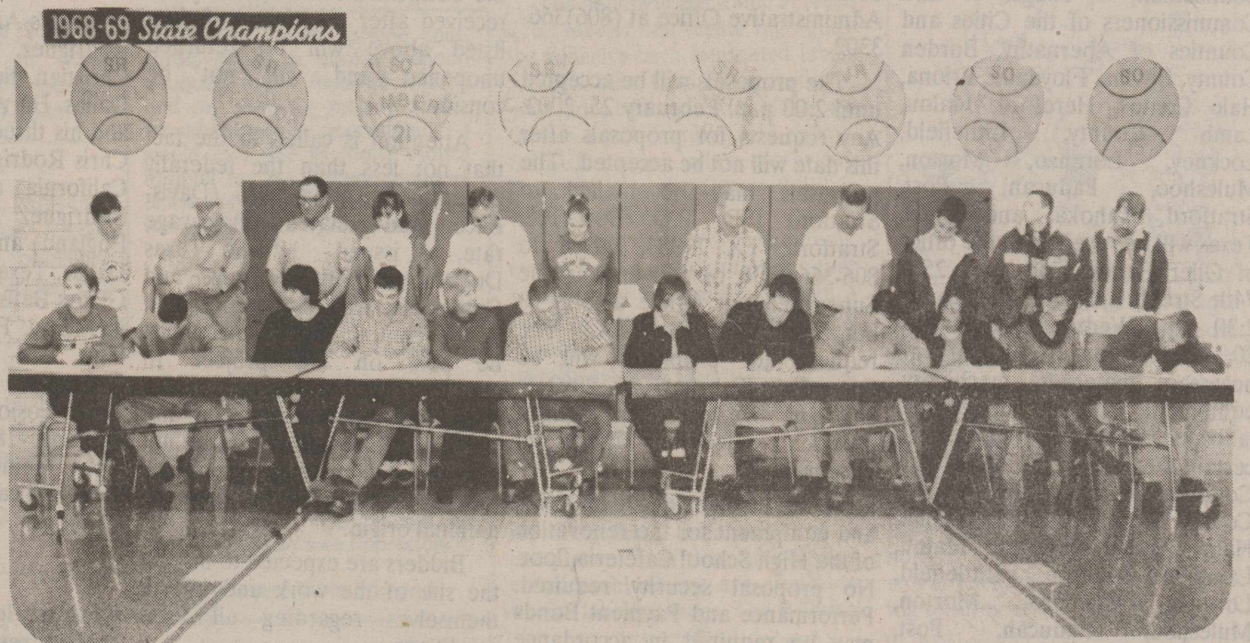
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Lori Collopy, Representative and trainer Data Communication Sales specialist for Panduit, a wiring and communication Products Company was at Stratford High School on Tuesday, February 5, 2001 to train Cisco students in wiring and fiber optics technology. Upon completion, they will be certified Panduit technicians upon completion. Shown from left, Mr. Dan Hembree, Jaret Pemberton, Lori Collopy, and Greg Mattocks.



## Six Elks Sign With West Texas A&M

Six Stratford Elks signed to play football with West Texas A&M and their new head coach Ronnie Jones. Signing to play were linebacker Skyler Walden, quarterback Adam Bell, receiver/defensive back Michael McAlister and linemen Nick Ashley, Wes Kimball and Adam Reed. Shown seated from left at the signing on Wednesday, February 6th, Jeanne Bell, Adam Bell, D'Lynn Reed, Adam Reed, Nan Ashley, Nick Ashley, Nancy Kimball, Wes Kimball, Skyler Walden, Kristi Walden, Valerie McAlister, and Michael McAlister. Standing from left: Brady Bell, Billy Bell, Ricky Reed, Katelyn Reed, Russell Ashley, Erin Ashley, Kenton Kimball, Phillip Walden, Harrison Walden, Marcus McAlister, and Roy McAlister. Congratulations and Best of Luck to these young men!

## Welcome Back Reception Held



Welcome Back Reception for Representative David Swinford who through redistricting has Sherman County back in his 87th District. L/R B.A. and LeRayne Donelson, hosts: Kathy Riffe, County Republican Chairman; Representative David and Joyce Swinford; Kim Crippen, Sherman County Judge; David Brown, Stratford Mayor.

A welcome back reception was held Tuesday, February 5 honoring Representative David Swinford and Staff. Representative Swinford represented Sherman County in the 87th District before the redistricting 10 years ago. The past years Sherman County has been well served in the 88th District by Representative Warren Chisum. Hartley and Dallam Counties have been placed in Representative John Smithee's 86th District.

John Smithee's District is Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith and Randall Counties. David Swinford will represent Sherman, Moore, Potter and Carson. Warren Chisum has the craziest district up and down then across serving 19 counties!! You will just have to see the map. The maps will be posted in the Sherman County Courthouse.

The reception was held in the Lobby of the First State Bank, hosted by the following: E.R. & Joan Bell, Scott & Dana Buckles, Rodney & Donna Burd, Jimmy & Ineta Chesher, Martin & Shannon Dettle, B.A. & LeRayne Donelson, Paul & Tina Freeman, Steve & Brenda Johnson, Kenton & Nancy Kimball, Walter & Kris Lasley, Gray & Gorjean Larson, Brad & Kaci McBryde, Doug & Joyce McBryde, Gared & Misti McBryde, Bill & Ginger Pittman, Rick & Connie Reinart, Andy & Karen Riffe, Bill & Kathy Riffe, Don & Gaynelle Riffe, James & Linda Spurlock, Neal & Mary Wayne Spurlock, Wes & Susie Spurlock, Jim & Shannon Taliaferro, Mel & Kathy Yates.

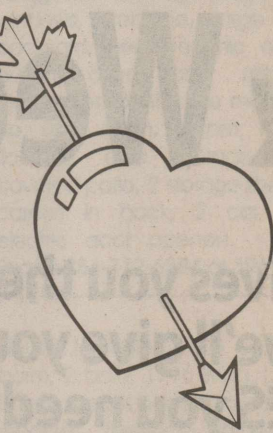
## Elks & Lady Elks District Champs!!



Lady Elk #35 Carly Mathews



Lady Elks #41 Heather Ashley and #11 Ashley Brown in the Lady Elks win over Gruver on Friday, February 8th.



### TRTA To Meet Thurs, Feb. 21

The Texas Retired Teacher's Association will meet on Thursday, February 21 at the XIT Museum beginning at 2 p.m. Marjorie Bolwhann will present a musical program, and a business meeting will follow. The public is cordially invited.

### SWCD Still Taking Orders For Seedlings

REMINDER: The Sherman County SWCD is still taking orders for windbreak seedlings. The order deadline is March 8 with delivery mid March. Some species are sold out but call 396-5517 ext. 101 or come by for complete information. The SWCD will take orders through March for larger trees. The selection is expanded and delivery is in April.

### Little Dribblers Time Again

It's time once again for Little Dribblers Basketball. The program is open to any 2nd-6th grade boy or girl. Entry forms have been sent home and are also available at the Principals offices. Entry forms will be due on Monday, March 4th by 4:00 p.m. Forms can be turned into the principal's office or to Dinah Horsford at the superintendent's office. We plan to start playing games the week of March 25th.

If you are interested in coaching a team or helping out in any other way, please call 366-2219. A volunteer program must have volunteers to be successful!!!

### Girl Scout Cookie Sale

Girl Scout Cookie Sale started on Saturday, January 26, 2002 and will continue to February 19, 2002. To place an order call 396-1043.

Cookies that they have this year are Trefoils, Thin Mints, Do-Si-Dos, Samoas, Tagalongs, Aloha Chips and new Ole' Ole'. Also new shortbread cookies.

### Lollipop Holding Community Garage Sale

Back by popular demand, Lollipop Junction is planning another Community Wide Garage Sale. Once again we will be seeking donations for the garage sale, so start cleaning out your closets, garages, attics and basements. We are planning to hold the garage sale on Saturday, March 16, 2002. Keep a watch in the Stratford Star for further information about the upcoming event and who to call when you have stuff that needs to be picked up. We are looking forward to another successful Garage Sale.

### Revival of Imagination Station????

Revival of the Imagination Station, are you interested?? Watch for meeting in February or March.



Stratford Elks from left: Michael McAlister, Cass Melton, Jason Ashley, Skyler Walden, and Josh King.



Stratford Elks from left: Chris Ortega, Adam Bell, and Wes Kimball.

## Legal Notices

**CITIES AND COUNTIES OF:**  
Abernathy, Borden County,  
Bovina, Floydada, Friona, Hale  
Center, Hereford, Idalou, Lamb  
County, Littlefield, Lockney,  
Lorenzo, Morton, Muleshoe,  
Paducah, Post, Stratford, Tahoka,  
and Tulia, Texas.

Sealed proposals addressed to  
the Honorable Mayor,  
Councilman, Judges and  
Commissioners of the Cities and  
Counties of Abernathy, Borden  
County, Bovina, Floydada, Friona,  
Hale Center, Hereford, Idalou,  
Lamb County, Littlefield,  
Lockney, Lorenzo, Morton,  
Muleshoe, Paducah, Post,  
Stratford, Tahoka, and Tulia,  
Texas will be received at the office  
of Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517  
74th Street, Lubbock, Texas until  
2:30 p.m., Wednesday, February  
20, 2002, for furnishing all  
necessary materials, machinery,  
equipment, superintendence and  
labor for cleaning and seal coating  
certain streets for the Cities and  
Counties of Abernathy, Borden  
County, Bovina, Floydada, Friona,  
Hale Center, Hereford, Idalou,  
Lamb County, Littlefield,  
Lockney, Lorenzo, Morton,  
Muleshoe, Paducah, Post,  
Stratford, Tahoka, and Tulia,  
Texas including other incidental  
items of work as called for in the  
specifications. Total square yards  
per City of County: Abernathy -  
33,983; Borden County - 128,956;  
Bovina - 64,831; Floydada -  
65,291; Friona - 50,362; Hale  
Center - 27, 744; Hereford -  
126,893; Idalou - 16,419; Lamb  
County - 117,738; Littlefield -  
71,923; Lockney - 22,513; Lorenzo  
- 19,776; Morton - 70,055;  
Muleshoe - 77,402; Paducah -  
16,403; Post - 56,295; Tahoka -  
40,211; Tulia - 45,026; Stratford -  
60,765. Total Square Yards -  
1,112,586.

Bidders must submit a  
Cashier's or Certified Check  
issued by a bank satisfactory to the  
Owner, or a Bid Bond from a  
reliable Surety company, payable  
without recourse to the order of  
the CITIES AND COUNTIES OF  
ABERNATHY, BORDEN  
COUNTY, BOVINA,  
FLOYDADA, FRIONA, HALE  
CENTER, HEREFORD,  
IDALOU, LAMB COUNTY,  
LITTLEFIELD, LOCKNEY,  
LORENZO, MORTON,  
MULESHOE, PADUCAH,  
POST, STRATFORD,  
TAHOKA, AND TULIA,  
TEXAS in an amount not less  
than five percent (5%) of the  
largest possible bid submitted as a  
guaranty that the bidder will enter  
into a contract and execute bonds  
and guaranty in the forms  
provided within ten (10) days after  
notice of award of contract to him.  
Bids without the required Check  
or Bid Bond will not be  
considered.

The successful bidder will be  
required to furnish a Performance  
Bond and Payment Bond, each in  
the amount of the contract,  
written by a responsible Surety  
Company, authorized to do  
business in the State of Texas, and  
satisfactory to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices  
must be stated in both script and  
figures. In case of ambiguity or  
lack of clearness in stating the  
prices in the bids, the Owner  
reserves the right to consider the  
most advantageous construction  
thereof, or to reject the bid. The  
Owner reserves the right to reject  
any or all bids, to waive  
formalities, and to accept the bid  
which seems most advantageous  
to the City's or County's interest.

Bidders are expected to inspect  
the site of the work and to inform  
themselves regarding all local  
conditions under which the work  
is to be done.

Payment for the work  
performed on this project will be  
paid for the Cities and Counties of  
Abernathy, Borden County,  
Bovina, Floydada, Friona, Hale  
Center, Hereford, Idalou, Lamb  
County, Littlefield, Lockney,  
Lorenzo, Morton, Muleshoe,  
Paducah, Post, Stratford, Tahoka,  
and Tulia, Texas.

Information for Bidders,  
proposals forms, plans and  
specifications are on file at the  
offices of the various City  
Managers, County Judges of the  
Cities and Counties of Abernathy,  
Borden County, Bovina, Floydada,  
Friona, Hale Center, Hereford,  
Idalou, Lamb County, Littlefield,  
Lockney, Lorenzo, Morton,  
Muleshoe, Paducah, Post,  
Stratford, Tahoka, and Tulia,  
Texas and Oller Engineering, Inc.,  
2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas,  
79423, (806) 748-5700.

Copies of the plans and  
specifications and contract  
documents may be secured from  
Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th  
Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423 for  
a non-refundable cost of \$35 per  
set.

OLLER ENGINEERING,  
INC.

Rich Oller, P.E.  
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Stratford Independent School  
District Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent  
School District requests proposals  
from interested contractors for  
new flooring in the High School  
Cafeteria. Specifications may be  
obtained by contacting the  
Administrative Office at (806)366-  
3302.

The proposals will be accepted  
until 2:00 p.m. February 25, 2002.  
Any requests for proposals after  
this date will not be accepted. The  
proposals may be mailed to  
Stratford ISD, P.O. Box 108,  
Stratford, TX 79084, Faxed to  
806-366-3304, or delivered to the  
Superintendent Office at 503 N.  
8th Street, Stratford, TX. The  
requests for proposals will be  
opened on February 25, 2002 at  
2:00 p.m. We reserve the right to  
accept or reject any and/or all  
proposals.

Items include labor, material,  
and equipment for the renovation  
of the High School Cafeteria floor.  
No proposal security required.  
Performance and Payment Bonds  
may be required in accordance  
with state law.

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### INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to  
David Brown, Mayor, City of  
Stratford, P.O. Box 188, Stratford,  
Texas, 79084-0188, for the  
construction of approximately  
12,310 linear feet of 6 inch and 8  
inch water main and all associated  
appurtenances entitled:

WATER SYSTEM  
IMPROVEMENTS  
EAST LOOP LINE &  
SOUTHWEST LOOP LINE  
TEXAS COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
PROJECT-FY 2000

will be received at the  
commission chambers in City Hall,  
520 N. 3rd Street, P.O. Box 188,  
Stratford, Texas. 79019-0231 until:

12:00 p.m.  
February 25th, 2002

A cashier's check, certified  
check or acceptable bidder's  
bond, payable to the City of  
Stratford in an amount equal to  
not less than five percent of the  
bid submitted, must accompany  
each bid as guarantee that, if  
awarded the contract, the Bidder  
will, within fifteen days after  
receipt of Contract Documents,  
enter into a contract with the City  
of Stratford and will execute  
bonds on the forms provided in  
the Contract Documents. Any bid  
received after the time and date  
listed above will be returned  
unopened and will not be  
considered.

Attention is called to the fact  
that not less than the federally  
determined prevailing (Davis-  
Bacon and Related Acts) wage  
rate, as issued by the Texas  
Department of Housing and  
Community Affairs and contained  
in the contract documents, must  
be paid on this project. In  
addition, the successful bidder  
must ensure that employees and  
applicants for employment are not  
discriminated against because of  
race, color, religion, sex, age, or  
national origin.

Bidders are expected to inspect  
the site of the work and inform  
themselves regarding all local  
conditions.

Contract Documents are on  
file and may be examined at City  
Hall, City of Stratford, 520 N. 3rd  
Street, Stratford, Texas, phone  
(806) 366-5581.

Plans and Specifications may  
be obtained from the Engineers,  
Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon  
Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110,  
phone (806) 353-7233 in the  
following manner.

Cost: Fifty Dollars (\$50.00),  
non-refundable, for each set of  
plans and specifications.

Performance and Payment  
bonds shall be set forth in the  
Contract documents.

The Owner reserves the right  
to reject any or all bids and to

waive any informalities in the  
bidding in case of ambiguity or  
lack of clearness, the Owner  
reserves the right to adopt such  
interpretations as may be most

advantageous or to reject the bid  
as informal. No bid may be  
withdrawn until the expiration of  
30 days from the bid opening date.

City of Stratford  
David Brown, Mayor

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## Obit

Armando Jose Rodriguez

Dallas-Armando Jose  
Rodriguez, husband of Rozan  
Christian, died February 3, 2002 in  
Dallas. He was survived by Rozan  
and his three children: a daughter  
Chris Rodriguez (of Los Angeles,  
California) and two sons Chapin  
Rodriguez (of Cambridge,  
England) and Max Rodriguez (of  
Dallas, Texas). He had one sister,  
Gladys Batista, who currently lives  
in Miami, Florida. Armando was  
born to Armando Loreto  
Rodriguez and Luisa Virginia  
Otero-Cosio Rodriguez on  
February 18, 1937 in Camaguey,  
Cuba. Memorials may be made to  
the American Cancer Society.

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Work while you have the light.  
You are responsible for the talent  
that has been entrusted to  
you.

—Henri F. Amiel

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## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

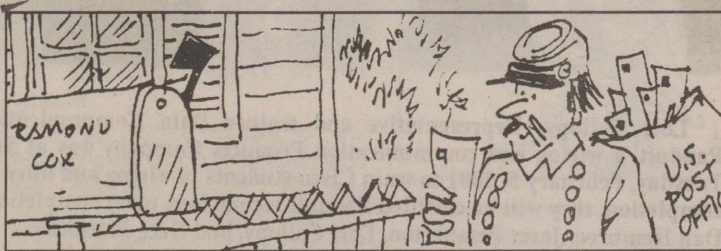
- Feb. 8-17 "Cabaret" Musical  
Amarillo Little Theatre Adventure Space 806-365-9991
- Feb. 14 "Love Letters" Dinner Theatre  
Dalhart LaRita Community Theatre Co/C/ 244-5646
- Feb. 13-17 "She Loves Me" Wed.-Sat. 7:30 Sun. 3:00  
Branding Iron Theatre WTAMU 806-651-2798
- Feb. 15-16 "Macbeth" 8:00 p.m.  
Stage Right Theatre 4418 S. Washington St.
- Feb. 16 Amarillo Symphony Janina Fialkowska, Piano  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- Feb. 21 Sugar Ray presented by Amarillo College  
Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
- Feb. 23 Third Day  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Feb. 26-  
March 10 "The Little Foxes" Classic Drama ALT Mainstage  
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-365-9991

## IRS To Present Information Update

Jimmy Hatley, CPA, Tax Specialist with the Internal Revenue Service will be presenting an update on Income Taxes February 21 in Stratford. A former IRS auditor, Mr. Hatley now provides education information to taxpayers. After his presentation, he will be able to address some concerns of program participants.

Mr. Hatley's presentation will be held in conjunction with the February 21 meeting of the Lunch 'N Learn Extension Education Club. The meeting will be held from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. in the educational room of the Sherman County Extension office. Other interested persons from the

community are invited also. Lunch will be served for \$2.00 per participant with information on tasty, quick to prepare beef dishes with information from the Texas Beef Council. So that adequate arrangements can be made, persons interested in attending are asked to call the County Extension Office at 366-2122 by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 20. Educational programs conducted by the Sherman County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.



The first uniforms for letter carriers were authorized by Congress on July 27, 1868.

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1.800.232.3312

2002 STRATFORD LITTLE DRIBBLERS BASEKTBALL ASSOCIATION

Registration Deadline: Monday, March 4, 2002 4:00 PM  
 Entry Fee : \$15.00  
 Grades: 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades

Turn in registration form to the School Principal's Office or Dinah Horsford at the Superintendent's Office.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 PARENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_  
 GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ BOY \_\_\_\_\_ GIRL \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size(circle one)

YM YL AS AM AL AXL

Paying by: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order \_\_\_\_\_

Waiver of Liability: I as a parent or guardian, hereby give permission for my child to fully participate in the Stratford Little Dribblers Basketball Association. I warrant that my child is physically able to fully participate in the said program. I hereby release any claim(s) for damages that my child or I, on my child's behalf, have against the Stratford Little Dribblers Association and any of their representatives in case of injury to my child. In the event that my child is injured during a Stratford Little Dribblers Basketball Association activity (games or practices) and not being available to be notified. I hereby authorize the Stratford Little Dribblers Association Coordinator or coach to take appropriate medical action as needed.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 This registration must be signed before your child can attend any practices or games. After the registration deadline, teams will be announced and coaches assigned. Games will begin the week of March 25, 2002.

If you would like to coach a team or help out any other way, please call 366-2219. **A volunteer program must have volunteers to be successful!!**

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 Don't be afraid of opposition. Remember, a kite rises against, not with the wind.  
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—Hamilton Wright Mabie



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**STRATFORD HEALTH NEWS**

Scabies is a small parasitic infection, caused by the mite *Sarcoptes Scabiei*, characterized by superficial threadlike burrows, intense itching (pruritus), and secondary bacterial skin infection. The impregnated female mite tunnels into the subcutaneous tissues and deposits her eggs along the burrow. The larvae hatch within a few days, but the intensely pruritic reaction may not occur for another 30 to 40 days. The patient may only have 10 or 12 burrows which are fine, scaly, threadlike lines with a tiny mite (black dot) visible at one end. However, there may be hundreds of the itching scaly papules with surrounding circular redness. The itching is most intense during night time hours. The term "the seven year itch" originated from chronic undiagnosed scabies.

Scabies is associated with personal skin-to-skin contact as with sexual promiscuity, crowding, poverty (poor hygiene), or with the hospital or nursing home setting. The scabies mite can remain alive for over two days on clothing or in bed linen, and therefore, can be acquired without direct skin-to-skin contact.

In adults, the scalp, face, and upper back are usually spared, but in infants the scalp, face, palms, and soles are more likely involved. Also, in infants the lateral edge of the feet may be infected. The burrows are usually found on hands (digital webs and palms account for 90%), wrists, penis, vaginal area, nipples, buttocks, under arms, and toes. The more numerous papules are usually found on the scrotum, penis, buttocks, groin, under arm folds, upper back, waistline abdomen, and feet. The papules are firm, red or brown, and 0.5 cm or larger in diameter.

There are several less common variants of scabies, including geriatric scabies with excoriations mainly on the back, nodular scabies mainly on the covered parts of the body and more resistant to treatment, crusted or Norwegian scabies which are psoriasis-like lesions of the palms and soles and occur in more immunocompromised patients such as HIV, and animal scabies (particularly dogs) with no burrows.

Treatment for scabies is fairly straightforward. Permethrin 5% cream (Elimite) should be massaged into the skin from head to the soles of feet usually in the evening before bedtime. Then 8 to 14 hours later the skin should be thoroughly washed or bathed. Usually one treatment suffices, but if living mites are observed after treatment, then the procedure should be repeated 7 to 14 days later. Crofomiton 10% cream (Eurax) is an alternative agent to permethrin. Infants should have scalp, temples, and forehead also treated with care taken not to get the cream in the eyes. What is of paramount importance and often not performed thoroughly is the washing of clothing, bed linen, and towels with scalding hot water and detergent at the same time the skin treatment occurs. Failure to wash bed linens particularly is associated with ongoing chronic infection. Carpets, sofas, and chairs should be vacuumed and also thoroughly cleaned. Finally, anti-itch medicines such as diphenhydramine (Benadryl) or hydroxyzine (Atarax) may be used symptomatically. Consult your local physician for diagnosis and treatment recommendations.

Perry Bassett, M.D., P.H.D.

**Travel Trailer Exemption Information**

North Plains Water District Board of Directors have approved a tax exemption for travel trailers, but owners still face tax bills from other taxing entities under new law.

The governing body of any taxing unit-except a school district-can exempt travel trailers from taxation under the new law. The law dictates that school districts tax travel trailers, official said. The law defines travel trailers as a house-trailer type vehicle or camper trailer that is less than 400 square feet designed primarily for living quarters in connection with recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use and not as a permanent dwelling.

To qualify for the exemption, travel trailers must have been registered under Texas law by January 1 and not be used for the production of income. This law does not apply to motor homes.

The Sherman County Appraisal District recently sent a notice to local taxing districts notifying them that they must vote for the exemption if they want to extend the exemption to taxpayers.

To qualify for the exemption, taxpayers must fill out an application form each year. Teresa Edmond, chief appraiser for the appraisal district, said the district plans to send exemption applications to travel trailer owners who live in taxing districts that have approved the exemption.

**Kerrick News**  
 By Marylou McDaniel

Bill & Pat Boren made a trip to San Antonio and Houston for a visit with brothers Charles and Joe Earl and Joe's wife Judy. They enjoyed the Natural Bridge Caverns, a boat ride on the river and the Alamo. When they got home, former Burlington, Co., neighbors Dean & Bonnie Witzell stopped by for a visit!

Peggy & Leonard Hawkins hosted a fish fry Friday night. Guests were a group of Peggy's relatives from Houlika, MS., Dick Holladay, Jason Holladay, Melanie Christensen & Cooper, Todd Foster. They returned home Saturday.

They visited with Mabel Rogers in Amarillo later Saturday.

Laurie Cisneros of Belleville, Illinois, recently visited with the Hampton family.

Nita Taylor and Buck Weaver attended the Extended Family supper at First United Methodist Church Sunday night. They were guests of John & Teri Teig.

Attending memorial service for Rebecca M. Walker in Dalhart Sunday afternoon at Lakeview Methodist were Wanda Woolsey, Gladys Arnold and Marylou McDaniel. Marylou participated in an Eastern Star funeral with others from Dalhart 1051.

Jo June McDaniel was taken to Dumas Hospital by ambulance last week. She had a "racing" heart and respiratory problems. As of Monday she was doing better.

**Check Out These Web Sites:**

- The Eldercare Locator at www.eldercare.gov.
- The Powder Coating Institute at www.powdercoating.org.
- IndyMac Bank at www.indymacbank.com.
- The Georgia-Pacific Health Smart Institute at www.gphealthsmart.com.
- NRA's Refuse To Be A Victim Program at www.nrahq.org safety.
- Junior Achievement at www.ja.org.
- Timber Crest Farms at www.timbercrest.com.
- Shriners International Headquarters at www.shrinershq.org.
- The National Clearinghouse for Professions in Special Education at www.special-ed-careers.net.
- Federated Kaufmann Fund at www.federatedinvestors.com.
- ShopEasy at www.ibill.com.
- Orange Glo International at www.greatcleaners.com.

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 Personal liberty is the paramount essential to human dignity and human happiness.  
 —Bulwer Lytton  
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 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  
 Wed. Adult Choir 8:00 pm

**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  
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 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 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist**  
 James Washburn  
 302 S. Main - 806-396-5335 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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 Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

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Kelly's Gymnastics Competitive season has started once again. Competing On January 12th at the Muleshoe, TX meet were: Meghan Brooks, Courtney Hartman and Justin Mungia, Stratford, Lindsay Kallenbach, Cherish Hays, Charity Hays, Rolla, Casey Barrett, Kaleigh Barrett, Elkhart. Carissa Cluck, Jessica Lomax, Destanee Bohl, Texhoma. Emalee Hanvey, Keyes, Lori Watson, Gruver, Brittany Wood, Tauna Britton, Keagan Britton, Hardesty.

Back row: Justin Mungia, Carissa Cluck, Lori Watson, Destanee Bohl. Front Row: Casey Barrett, Courtney Hartman, Meghan Brooks, Brittany Wood, Cherish Hays.



Kelly's Gymnastics of Stratford Texas recently competed in the Sooner State Winter Games in Norman on Saturday, February 1st.

The AT&T Wireless Sooner State Games is truly an Oklahoma Olympics involving everyone who wants to participate. Based on the Olympic format and officially endorsed by the United States Olympic Committee, the AT&T Wireless Sooner State Games is open to every amateur athlete in our state, regardless of age, sex or ability. The AT&T Wireless Sooner State Games is the largest multi-sport event in the state and provides an opportunity for all Oklahomans to develop their physical talent and competitive abilities in a proper setting.

The following are the results for Kelly's Gymnastics at the Sooner State Games.

|                      | Double Mini      | Tumbling         | Trampoline       |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Meghan Brooks        | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |
| Jordan Hale          | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Karli Thompson       | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |
| Kira Downs           | *1 <sup>st</sup> | *1 <sup>st</sup> | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Amanda McCarley      | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  |
| Emalee Hanvey        | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  |
| Lyndsey Ingham       | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  |
| CareyGrace Dillahunt | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | *1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Carissa Cluck        | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  |
| Brittany Wood        | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |
| Lindsay Kallenbach   | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | ??               | 5 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Kaleigh Barrett      | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Casey Barrett        | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Stephanie Boaldin    | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Rene Boaldin         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 5 <sup>th</sup>  | 5 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Kurt Boaldin         | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Jessica Lomax        | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |
| Destanee Bohl        | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | *1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Kodi Townsley        | **               | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  |
| Lori Watson          | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Cydney Hitchings     | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | *1 <sup>st</sup> | *1 <sup>st</sup> |
| Charity Hays         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |
| Cherish Hays         | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |

\*overall ages high score  
Team trophies:  
DM level 5  
Level 1 floor  
level 5 floor  
level 6 floor  
Level 2 tramp  
level 4 tramp\*  
level 5 tramp  
level 6 tramp  
level 8 tramp

## Did You Know?

(NAPS)—How would you define a hero? According to Jim Loose, author of *My Father's Eyes* (Brown Books, \$24.95), "a hero is a person exactly like the rest of us—who in a specific situation, in response to a tremendous challenge, behaves in a way that ascends to the height of human nobility." In his book, Loose, himself a veteran, pays tribute to The Greatest Generation and a hero he has known well, his military dad.



To address the growing epidemic of diabetes and increase awareness of the importance of long-term diabetes management, the American Association of Diabetes Educators, with support from GlaxoSmithKline, launched its Let's Face Diabetes campaign, spearheaded by Emmy and Golden Globe award-winning actress Jane Seymour. The campaign highlights that early detection and a proper treatment plan may prevent or slow the onset of deadly complications due to type 2 diabetes.

## February Scholarship Deadlines

Many scholarship opportunities are available for seniors at Stratford High School this spring. For eligibility information on the following scholarships, please call or come by the counselor's office.

Ronald McDonald House Charities/Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources-February 1st

West Texas A&M University Scholarships-February 1st

Angelo State University Carr Academic Scholarships-Feb. 1st.

Sybil B. Harrington Scholarships-Feb. 1

Helium Litigation Scholarship Foundation, Inc.-Feb. 1

Horace Mann Scholarship Program-Feb. 12

Commitment to Agriculture Scholarship Program-Feb. 15

Future Farmers of America Scholarships-Feb. 15

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative Scholarship-Feb. 15

2002 All-USA Academic Team-Feb. 22nd

Texas Telephone Association Fund-Feb. 25th

Oklahoma Panhandle State Foundation Scholarships. 1st-April 1st

Apple Banana Smoothie  
Makes two 8-oz. smoothies

2 bananas, frozen (peel before freezing)  
½ cup buttermilk  
1 cup Mott's Apple Sauce

Purée in blender and pour into chilled mugs.

Serving suggestions: Ideal for breakfast or an anytime snack. Substitute your favorite fruit (frozen).

Buttermilk Apple Sauce Pancakes  
Makes about 12 pancakes

2 cups flour  
1 dash salt  
2 tablespoons baking powder  
1 cup Mott's Apple Sauce  
2 eggs  
1 cup lowfat buttermilk

1. Combine dry ingredients in large mixing bowl.

2. Add wet ingredients and stir until well-combined.

3. Using ¼-cup measure, scoop pancake batter onto buttered griddle or skillet.

4. Flip when bubbles appear.

5. Cook until golden brown.

Serving suggestions: Delicious with a pat of butter, a sprinkle of powdered sugar and a cup of chilled Mott's Cinnamon Apple Sauce. Add more buttermilk as desired for thinner pancakes.

For more recipes, visit the Web site at [www.motts.com](http://www.motts.com).

## Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship Applications Available

The First Ag Credit, FCS - Dalhart Credit Office will award the 16th annual Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship to two deserving graduating high school seniors. The scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500.00 each to be paid \$250 for each semester. The applications have been mailed to area counselors in the Association's territory of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman and Moore counties. Applications are also available by calling the Dalhart Credit Office at (806)249-2616 and should be returned to the office at 201 West 5th no later than Friday, April 26th.

The eligibility requirements for the scholarships are as follows:

1. A resident of Dallam, Hartley, Sherman or Moore counties of Texas;

2. A "B" average or (80 or above);

3. A well rounded student with a good attitude.

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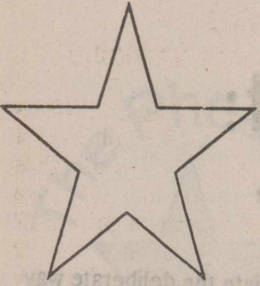
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### Card of Thanks

Thank you for the phone calls, cards, candy & cookie balloon bouquets that I received when I had my shoulder surgery. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. I would also like to thank Nancy Kimball for the balloon bouquet at the signing. The public support was great at the signing, also.

Thanks again,  
 Nick Ashley  
 and Family

We would like to sincerely thank the Stratford Volunteer Fire Dept. for their immediate response to the grass fire at our horse barn on Saturday. You all did an amazing job and we appreciate it.

Bobby and Karla Edmond

### Labeling Without Limits

(NAPS)—Here's a great idea for anyone looking for a better way to get organized—an ingenious labeling device that actually fits in your hand.



The handheld electronic P-Touch 1750 labeler can create high-quality adhesive-back laminated labels for files, bills, receipts, tax returns, your video collection, CDs, food containers, etc. It features a 15-character LCD display, prints one or two lines of text and prints in 8 different type styles.

P-Touch labelers, a modern, cost effective substitute for paper labels, were created by Brother, a leading supplier of electronic labeling systems. The PT-1750 usually sells for less than \$50 and makes a perfect gift for both disorganized and "neat-nik" loved ones alike.

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House for Sale: 604 S. Fulton, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1716 living, brick/steel siding, central heat/air, a/c new, vinyl windows, fireplace, large fenced backyard, new ceramic cook-top, built-in oven and microwave, dishwasher, pantry, ice maker hook-up, utility room, carpet, new vinyl flooring, attic storage w/stairs, covered patio, 2 storage sheds, 2 car garage, electric door openers. Phone 254-772-6584 or 396-2051.  
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### Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Camp is by Invitation Only. Boys and Girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 48 states and 7 Foreign Countries attended the 2001 Camp College Basketball Scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American Team. Camp Locations Include: Commerce, TX, Thousand Oaks, CA, Babson Park, FL, Gainesville, GA, Champaign, IL, Greencastle, IN, Dubuque, IA, Hillsdale, MI, Saint Paul, MN, Rochester, NY, Boiling Springs, NC, North Canton, OH, Lock Haven, PA, Bristol, RI, Athens, TN, Blacksburg, VA, Olympia, WA. There is also a Team All Star Camp for School and A.A.U. Teams. Team camp locations include: Thousand Oaks, CA, Babson Park, FL, Greencastle, IN, Hillsdale, MI, Boiling Springs, NC, Lock Haven, PA, Blacksburg, VA. For a free brochure, Call (704) 568-6801 ANYTIME.

### Educational Conference On Wind Energy Is Scheduled For Thursday, March 21 in Guymon

An educational conference on wind energy is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, in Guymon, Oklahoma.

The conference is sponsored by the Panhandle Regional Economic Development Coalition, Inc. (PREDCI) in cooperation with Xcel Energy. Assistance will be provided by Panhandle Implement. Professional people with the electric utility, Xcel Energy, will be present including Patrick Rendon from the company's Guymon office.

Part of the day's activities will include a presentation by Tim Hughes, Project Director of the Oklahoma Wind Power Initiative and President of the Oklahoma Renewable Energy Council. Another speaker scheduled is Steve Jones, an energy supply specialist from Xcel Energy's home in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Zilkh Renewable Energy, a wind power developer from Houston, Texas, will be part of the day's agenda. Wayne Walker from this company, will be on a panel to give the investor's perspective on wind energy projects. Walt Hornaday of Cielo

Wind Power, is also a participant on the investor/developer's panel. Cielo Wind Power has developed the Llana Estacado Wind Ranch in White Deer, Texas.

Greg Adams of Adams Ranch in Buffalo, Oklahoma, is scheduled to give a landowner's viewpoint. Adams is involved with a wind power project on his property.

"Rural landowners, especially in the Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas panhandle region and other interested people are encouraged to attend the conference," says Sam Cartwright, Executive Director of PREDCI. He added, "this gathering of experts gives us a chance to hear first-hand about this form of renewable energy without having to travel too far to learn more about the process."

The conference is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Texas County Activity Center in Guymon and wrap-up by 3 p.m. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. A registration fee of twenty dollars includes lunch catered by Kim's Ribs. To register, contact PREDCI at [prepci@ptsi.net](mailto:prepci@ptsi.net) or call 580-338-8500.

## The State's Role In The Seaboard Farms Project:

By David Swinford, State Representative

Over the past few months, there has been many letters and many questions raised about the rules and regulation of swine production facilities and pork packing plants. You may not believe it but I must have done a decent job of staying in the middle of this controversy because I have been criticized by the "against" folks for being "for" and the "for" folks for being "against". What I have really been is a resource for both groups giving the State's position for property rights, the right of capture concerning water, and the regulation and permitting of confined animal feeding operations (CAFO's). I have answered many questions for both sides and have had our state agencies make sure all questions were answered. This does not mean that anyone like the answers. In fact many people did not like the answers depending on what they wanted to hear. I must admit that I did not answer "statements" just specific questions. I still have a few letters that I am waiting on specific answers from the proper agency before I answer them. I must also confess that I have not spent much time answering questions for people outside the District. For one reason, they do not have a vested interest in our area environmentally or financially. For another reason, some of these folks represented environmental groups or animal rights groups that I did not feel were interested in our well-being as much as their own agenda.

One of the things I have tried to do was to speak out outlining the authority that the city and county commissioners have in regard to the location and regulation of CAFO's. I have tried to make them aware of the following:

1. Texas rules and regulations are very strict in comparison to most other states. This is the reason the hog industry located other places first.
2. Texas is a property "rights" state. In other words, if you own the property, you can do what ever you want as long as you do not violate health, safety or environmental rules. That is the very reason that the State Legislature has never given County Commissioners ordinance making authority. If every country had different rules, it would be like we had no environmental rules at all. TRNCC will make and enforce these environmental rules.
3. City Commissioners have ordinance making authority but it is limited to within their city limits or their extra territorial jurisdiction. This being the case, we will never have a hog facility located close to one of our towns.
4. There will be many outside forces rushing in to save us but we should focus on the Texas record and our citizens. Things that happened in other states that have more rainfall and humidity or more shallow water tables are not comparable with our area and our rules.
5. We cannot and should not take lightly the concerns of our citizens. There are legitimate concerns of property values may be affected. Our duty will be to weigh the good and bad of all the proposals and do what is best for the maximum number of our citizens.
6. As elected officials, we will be called on to make decisions on the separate issues of hog production and pork processing. It will be hard but the regulations and rules are very different between the two and should not be confused. TNRCC is ready and willing to help you.
7. We need to listen very carefully to what people are saying. There are differences between social issues and environmental issues and our electors expect us to know the difference.

I appreciate the deliberate way our County Commissions and our City Commissions research all aspects of these issues and discuss things in open meetings. They listen to everyone's comments and will make decisions that are based on research, facts, and personal knowledge by taking the time to go and see the plant and the production facilities before any decision is made.

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### 4-H Shooting Sports To Meet Feb. 18

The Sherman County 4-H Shooting Sports Project Club will meet February 18th at the County Exhibit Building in Stratford. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a hot dog supper.

4-H'ers who participated in the Spring 2001 District Rifle Contest will be recognized for their accomplishments with the presentation of plaques and ribbons following the supper. A business meeting will be conducted for the members with the following items to be discussed: Election of Club Officers, collection of \$25.00 project fee, introduction to

coaches, and sign up for target practice sessions.

Frank Vaughn and Junior Leaders will be conducting a required Safety Training for all members. Members must attend this session before they can participate in target practice.

For more information, contact either Cindy Russell at 727-4671, Susie Spurlock at 366-2122 or Wesley Spurlock at 396-2864.

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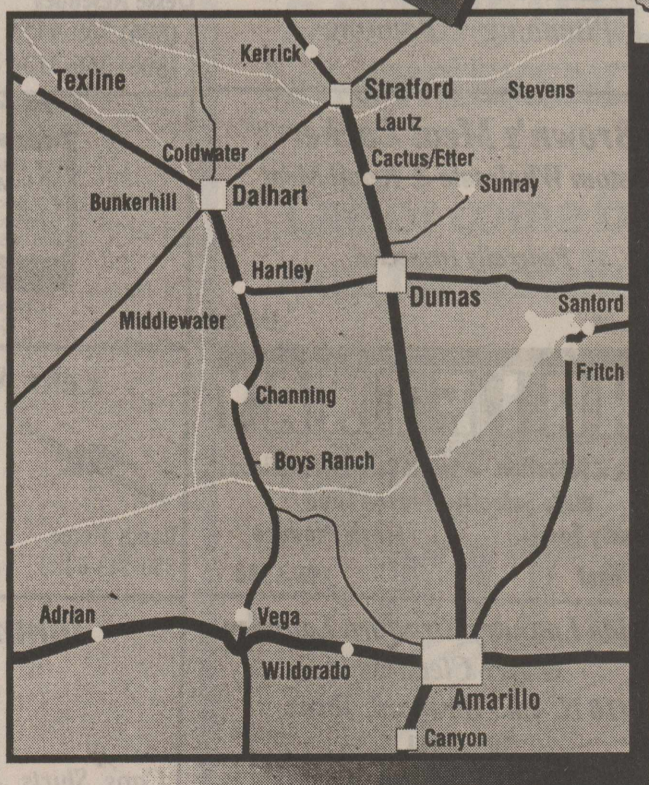
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