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## Imagination Station?????

Eighteen persons interested in opening doors and windows, to bring an experience in the Arts, for youth and adults met at the Imagination Station Sunday, April 28. As the discussion progressed from Building renovation, finance and on to program, the remembrance of past programs and successes generated renewed enthusiasm for the wonderful vision begun in 1992. LeRayne Donelson will be chairing a Steering committee to study the viability of community support for the completion of the building renovation and organizing programs.

"It will take a village" to keep this vision alive for the benefit of Stratford and all area communities. Can you help? Some help will be skilled but some will be interested hands and time. Please just mention it to LeRayne Donelson, Kim Allen, Lori Spurlock, Karen Riffe, Dana Buckles, George Harding or your next door neighbor who in turn will contact one of the above.

## Mother's Day Ideas

The Sherman County Centennial Cookbook is still available. The cookbooks can be ordered through the Sherman County Extension Office. These would make great gifts for Mother's Day. This is a large 391 page cookbook of past and present Sherman County residents, collected over the last 100 years. The cost of the cookbook is \$16.00. If you would like to order one for Mother's Day, please call Roxie at the Extension Office by Friday, May 3, 2002. Orders can also be placed after this date. The phone number for the Extension Office is 806-366-2081 or 806-366-2122.

## Ex-Student Meeting Monday, May 6

All Ex-Students in the honored class years of '32, '42, '52, '72, '82, '92 are asked to attend the final planning meeting for the Ex-Student Reunion July 26, 27, 2002. All information for class activities will be included in the mailing and address corrections should be complete. The meeting is Monday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Exhibit Building.

## Prom Pictures Are Up At School

The Prom pictures are up. So if you would like to order some please come and look at them. Please turn the order into either the Junior High Office or the High School office by Monday, May 6th. Thank you.

## Summer Baseball Season Kick Off Fundraiser May 10

There will be a summer baseball season Kick off Fundraiser at Pendleton Park on Friday, May 10th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Burgers hot off the grill, 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!!!

## "Go Tell Celebration With Rick Gage"

Everyone is invited to a Non-Denominational Crusade on August 25-28 at Bulldog Stadium at Borger, Texas. There will be a "KICKOFF" Banquet for this life changing celebration on May 6, 2002. This is a critically important event for the celebration. Everyone is invited to this banquet for a great time of food, fellowship and sharing with Rick Gage at 6:30 at Frank Phillips College (Old Plainsmen Gym), 1301 W. Roosevelt, Borger, Texas. Charge is \$10.00 per person.

Please RSVP @806-274-2211 Borger Chamber of 806-273-2135 Mickey Blackmon.

## Storm Spotters Class Monday, May 6th

It May Not Be Raining Now but you can never count out the possibility of severe weather in Sherman County. Steve Drillette, Warning Coordination Meteorologist with the National Weather Service, will conduct a Storm Spotters class in Stratford, Monday, May 6th. The class will be at the EMS Building beginning at 7:00 p.m. All emergency responders are urged to attend and the class is open to the public as well.

Mr. Drillette's multi-media presentation will be a review of basic principles of storm spotting for those who have never been in a class before but also moves on to some technical information and review for those who have. Steve will also present a weather safety program for some of the students at Mary Allen Elementary on Monday afternoon.

The Emergency Management Office reminds all citizens that although we have not had a severe weather incident in several years, we are beginning the season for severe thunderstorms, hail, and tornados. Emergency Management Coordinator, Clovia Talley says, "Each of us needs to follow the progress of developing storms and have a plan of actions to take to protect our families and our property."

## Public Notice

City of Stratford  
Texas Community  
Development Program

The City of Stratford will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on May 9th at City Hall, 518 N. 3rd, Stratford, Texas, in regard to the submission of an application to the office of Rural Community Affairs for the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen's participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views and proposals to Don Nicholson, City Manager, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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## Ewers & Duke Advance To State

Two students from Stratford High School advanced to State UIL Competition in Austin. Marca Ewers, left placed 1st in Lincoln Douglas Debate and Tiffany Duke, right placed third in poetry. They will compete in Austin at the UT Campus on May 3rd. Congratulations.

## PreK & Kindergarten Registration

You may register your child for Pre-K or Kindergarten from May 1-May 22. Pre-K is for children 4 years old on or before September 1, 2002. Pre-K involves meeting certain qualifications on income and language. Those not qualifying for Pre-K will be placed on a waiting list and added to the program as space permits. The following information must be provided for both Pre-K and Kindergarten: valid birth certificate, updated shot record, and social security number. For more information, please call: Mary Pat Williams, Principal, Mary Allen Elementary at 366-3340.

## La Matricula de Pre-K y Jardin de la infancia

Usted puede registrar a su niño para el Pre-K o el Jardin de la infancia del 1 de Mayo at 22. Pre-K es para los niños de 4 años de edad los niños o antes de el 1 de septiembre de 2002. El criterio del Pre-K implica reunir ciertos requisitos como los ingresos, y el idioma. Los que no califican para el Pre-k seran colocados en una lista de espera y anadirlos segun se valla abriendo espacio. La informacion siguiente se debe proporcionar para ambos el Pre-K seran colocados en una lista de espera y anadirlos segun se valla abriendo espacio. La informacion siguiente se debe proporcionar para ambos el Pre-K y el Jardin de la infancia: certificado valido de nacimiento, el registro de vacunas, y el numero del seguro social. Para mas informacion, por favor de llamar a la Sra. Mary Pat Williams, la Directora, de la escuela Mary Allen elementales en 366-3340.

## Mathews & Young Honored

Carly Mathews was named TABC Academic All-State and Jessica Young was named Texas Sportswriters Honorable Mention All-State for basketball. Jessica Young has also signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Cisco Jr. College in Cisco, TX.



## Reed Advances To State

Adam Reed, center, won the Shot Put at the Regional Track Meet this past week-end with a throw of 51'3" and will advance to the State Meet in Austin. Dylan Everett, right, placed 3rd. Congratulations Adam and Good Luck at State!

## Good Luck Marca & Tiffany!!



## Exchange Students Tour Western Organics

Rotary International Group Study Exchange students for District 4830 Argentina and District 5690 USA toured Western Organics, Inc. last week. Shown from left: Rodney Burd of Western Organics, Lorena Menaker of Santa Fe, Argentina, Mariela L. Diedic of Santa Fe, Argentina, Mario S. Margarit of San Genaro, Alejandra E. Kraus of Tostado, and Jose F. Zenclusen of Esperanza.

## Sustainability of High Plains Aquifer Uncertain

The High Plains aquifer is one of the largest freshwater aquifers in the world and is threatened by continued decline in water levels and deteriorating water quality. Ninety-six percent of water pumped from the aquifer is used for irrigation. Additionally, the aquifer provides drinking water to about 80 percent of the 2.4 million people who live within the aquifer boundary. The High Plains aquifer has been significantly impacted by human activities. Groundwater withdrawals from the aquifer exceed recharge in many areas, resulting in substantial declines in groundwater levels. Agricultural chemicals are affecting the ground-water quality. In the past, the quantity of water was the overriding concern of residents but water quality should also be considered when evaluating the sustainability of the High Plains aquifer.

Increasing concentrations of nitrate and salinity can first impair

the use of the water for public supply and then affect its suitability for irrigation," said Kevin Dennehy, U.S. Geological Survey hydrologist and lead author of the report. A variety of technical and institutional measures are currently being planned and implemented across the aquifer area in an attempt to sustain this ground-water resource for future generations. However, because ground-water withdrawals remain high and water-quality impairments are becoming more commonplace, the sustainability of the High Plains aquifer is uncertain.

The article, "The High Plains Aquifer, USA: groundwater development and sustainability," by K.F. Dennehy, D.W. Litke, and P.B. McMahon was published in March 2002 in the Geological Society Special Publications 193, Sustainable Groundwater Development, by the Geological Society of London.

As the nation's largest water, earth, and biological sciences, and civilian mapping agency, the USGS works in cooperation with more than 2,000 organizations across the country to provide reliable, impartial, scientific information to resource managers, planners, and other customers. This information is gathered in every state by USGS scientists to minimize the loss of life and property from natural disasters; contribute to the sound conservation, economic and physical development of the nation's natural resources; and to enhance the quality of life by monitoring water, biological, energy, and mineral resources. An electronic copy of the abstract can be obtained on the web at [http://co.water.usgs.gov/nawga/hp\\_gw/HPGWhome.html](http://co.water.usgs.gov/nawga/hp_gw/HPGWhome.html). For more information on the High Plains Regional Ground-Water study contact Kevin Dennehy, Project Manager.

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

A recent presentation of the "NOW" program on the PBS Channel, hosted by Bill Moyer on the subject of "Ground Water", featured Boone Pickens and his proposal to pipe water from the Texas Panhandle to south and east Texas. Mr. Pickens failed to mention that one of the reasons south and east Texas have lost a great portion of their ground water is the abundance of Mesquite trees in the area.

The Parks and Wildlife department in San Angelo discovered that each Mesquite tree drinks 80 to 130 gallons of water per day, depending on the size of the tree. When Mesquite trees were taken out, the streams and lakes began to fill, and springs began to produce water. Because of the cost and the amount of work involved they could not get farmers and ranchers in the area to remove the trees.

According to the PBS program, Zimbabwe has instituted an aggressive program to eliminate the water drinking trees in their area, thus reclaiming their ground water.

Surely the leaders and representatives of the great State of Texas are as intelligent and as interested in the future of our state as the leaders of Zimbabwe. If not, we need to replace our leaders with people who will work for our best interest in insuring the preservation and conservation of our most precious resource.

Desalination of ocean and gulf water would be a more feasible solution to the water needs of south and east Texas. However, that would not be as easily controlled by a corporation, and therefore will probably not be developed until all of the water has been leached from the rest of the State.

When our water leaves the Panhandle of Texas we will lose many of our water dependent industries. Just because we do not have cities the size of San Antonio, Dallas, Ft. Worth and Austin does not mean we should

be considered expendable for their benefit. When they get our water, they can attract more people and industries, thus robbing other areas of the opportunity for growth, and even existence.

The Texas Panhandle is NOT a vast wasteland to be exploited by people who are only interested in money and power. It is time for the people of the Panhandle of Texas to wake up to the reality that we are being sold out and exploited under the guise of economic growth. We need to demand more protection from economic predators by our leaders. We need leaders who will enact regulations in our best interest.

Pampa, TX

Don Reed

## Sherman County 4-H Competes In District Livestock Judging Contest

Fourteen local 4-H youth participated in the District 1 Livestock Judging contest held April 20 at the West Texas A&M Nance Ranch outside Canyon. The Sr. Team brought home 5th Overall placing. The Sr. Team consisted of Justin James, Justin Edwards, Troy Shores, and Ole Dahl all of Texhoma. Three Jr. teams competed for Sherman County the members were Matt Freeman, Cody James, Pete Dahl, Nick James and Ryan Dahl of Texhoma, and Sunny Russell, Rustin Russell, Trevor Christian, Kaleb Horsford and Kyle Horsford of Stratford. Congratulations to each participant on a job well done.

It took the Democratic national convention 49 ballots to come up with Franklin Pierce as a presidential candidate in 1852.

## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

\*\*\* note new listing

- May 2,3,4 Greater Southwest Music Festival  
Amarillo Civic Center 806-373-6093
- May 3-5\*\*\* "You Can't Take It With You"  
Amarillo Little Theatre Academy 806-355-9991
- May 2-4\*\*\* "Romeo and Juliet" 7:30 Fri.Sat. 3:00 Sun.  
Amarillo College Experimental Theatre 806-371-5369
- May 4 Amarillo Chamber Music -Pepe Romero, Guitarist  
Santa Fe Building Ballroom, 806-358-0191
- May 14 The Canadian Brass  
Amarillo Symphony 806-376-8782
- May 10-12 "The Will Rogers Follies" Musical 8:00 p.m. Sun.2:30  
16-19 23-26 Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- May 10-12\*\*\* "Oliver"  
Amarillo College Children's Theatre 806-371-5369
- May 11 Martina McBride  
WTA&M Event Center
- May 17 "George Lopez" Comedian  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- May 19 Plus One Concert -Zoe Girl, Natalie Grant, Phat Chance  
Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
- May 25-27\*\* FUNFEST  
Thompson Park, Amarillo

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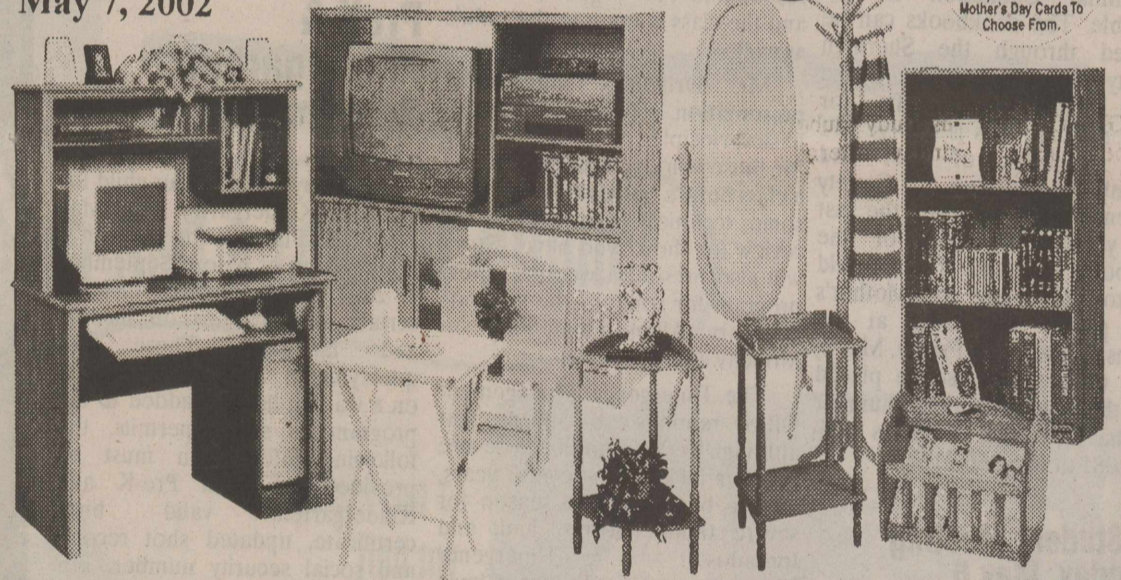
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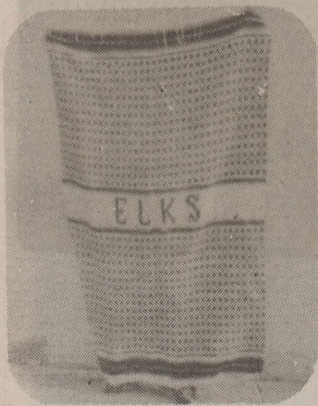
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**Timis Tidbits**  
By Timi Brown

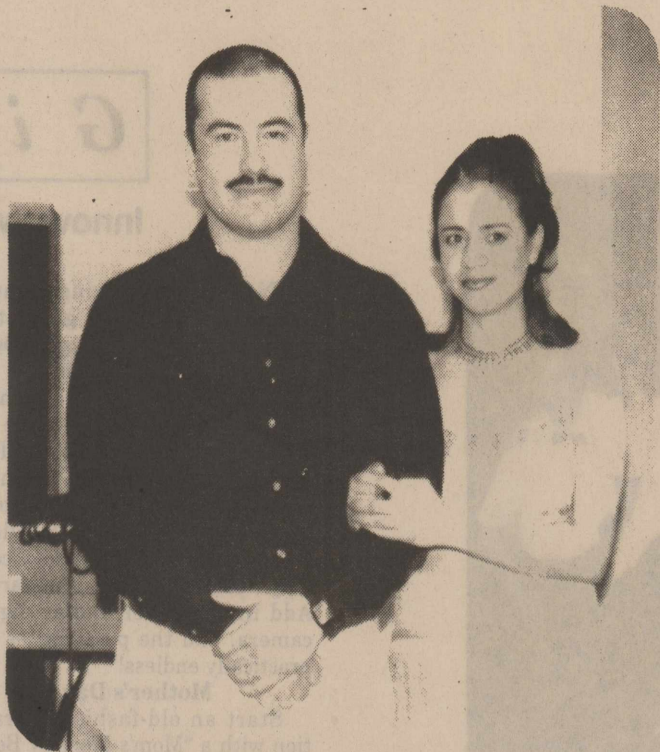
Happy day to you Sherman County Old Timers Readers, Citizens this 56 degree Monday, April 29, 2002. On looking on the calendar, April is almost gone then May graduation. June Bible school's then the Fourth of July. It makes one know that when busy, time flies.

Timi is very proud for the Zimmer's on the presenting to their family the flag flown over our Texas Capitol building.

Timi hopes Susie Harlow is mending. We want our peers and friends to pat shoulders and spread luv u for luv still makes the world go round.

**Births**

Jaycie Wheeler would like to announce the arrival of her baby brother, John Brody Wheeler! Brody was born on Saturday, April 20, 2002. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 1/2 oz and is 20 inches tall. Brody's parents are Colby and Jessica Wheeler of Stratford, Texas. His grandparents are Thom and Jeannie Sikora and John and Susan Wheeler of Stratford. Brody's great-grandparents are Ben and Florence Wheeler of Grenville, New Mexico, Dick and Jo Davenport, and Gene and Jeane Marshall of Stratford. Ruby Huggins is Brody's great-great grandmother.



Carmelo and Lucy Acevedo were honored with a shower Sunday, April 28, at the Mary Allen Cafeterium.



The actress known to the world as Sarah Bernhardt was originally named Rosine Bernard.

**Kerrick News**  
By Marylou McDaniel

A bunch of Stratford girls, parents & friends were in Amarillo over the weekend for AAU basketball.

Mike & Marylou McDaniel were there.

Terry & Barbara Schoonover spent the weekend at their Folsom, N.M. home.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters went to Woodward, OK., to watch grandchildren, Dasan & Jacy, play soccer. They are children of Duane & Stephanie.

Visiting with Jo June McDaniel Friday was Betty Fry of Texhoma.

Stratford Grain Bowling Team went to the State Tournament in Arlington over the weekend. Pat Boren is the captain. Other team members are Laura Baker, Dorinda Dashnow and two first year bowlers, Lauren Carter and Julie Bulls. Julie is a daughter of Jack & Conda Bell, formerly of Kerrick.

Don't forget Mother's Day Luncheon after church on May 12.

**Breast Cancer Screening Clinic**

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Stratford Family Medical Clinic, 1220 Purnell in Stratford on May 14, 2002.

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.

**Delta Kappa Gamma Holds Meeting**

Members of Delta Kappa Gamma met for their regular meeting on April 6 at the Senior Citizens' Center. Mary Jo Ondracek presided, and Mary Weatherford called roll and read the minutes. Sue Hamilton, area coordinated, initiated new members Sandra Kelso and Cindy Ballard. Also, Becky Amyx was recognized as transferring to the Dalhart Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. As a part of a Founder's Day program, the purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma were read, and Mildred Bosler and Frances Holden provided music. A memorial service was held for former member Kathryn Vineyard. Members wished Mildred Bosler, who is moving, good-bye and good luck. Refreshments were served by Nelda Askey, Shirley Hendricks, Mary Jo Ondracek and Portia Dees.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Depot Museum Fund Raiser  
May 19, 2002  
(Baccalaureate Sunday)  
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
County Barn  
Free Will Donation  
Take Outs Available

The Depot Museum Board Members would like to invite everyone to a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, May 19, 2002. We are asking for Free Will Donations to help with some upcoming projects. Take outs will be available. Please come and help support your Depot Museum.

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**Officers To Be Installed**

Officers for 2002-04 GFWC/Prospectus Study Club will be installed Sunday afternoon May 5, 2:00 p.m. at Sherman County Library.

There will be a business session, then installation. Members are to answer roll call, "What offices I have held in club".

To be installed are Laurie Spurlock, Mary Lou Albert, Linda Swain, Kathryn Bassett, ViAnn Reed, Patti Vincent, Marylou McDaniel, Marsha Wright, Margaret Reed.

Hostesses are the Social Committee.

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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  
Sunday morning: 8:30 a.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**

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**

Ralph Mireles  
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

**La Mision Bautista**

Mision Bautista  
401 S. Wall 396-5376  
Domingo-(Sunday)  
Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

Miercoles (Wednesday)  
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Servicio De Oracion 6:00 pm  
Servicio De Adoracion 6:00 pm  
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**Moms, A Gift From God**

Issues of character, sex, fidelity, and privacy are back in the news. At the same time, pollsters, pundits and political prophets recognize the decline of the family is seriously undercutting our society. Kids need their moms and dads. They need the security of faithful families. Promiscuous conduct along with relaxed divorce laws make breakups too easy. When dad thinks he has had enough, he takes and hike and files for divorce. The judge asks, "Are you two incompatible?" Dad says, "You bet." Bang! The gavel falls; the divorce is granted. Dads need to understand the value of their wives. "House and wealth are an sensitivity. They have no eye for God. As a result, many brothers and sisters fight over the family inheritance. Jesus asks the pointed question, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?" (Mark 8:36). So you get the money. In the meantime, you lose your wife. What good is the money? "An excellent wife is the crown of her husband" (Proverbs 12:4). "Her worth is far above jewels" (Proverbs 31:10). "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord" (Proverbs 18:22).

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**Kerrick Community Church**  
Pastor Roy Harris  
Community Building  
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday

**NOTICE**

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Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

**First Christian**  
Rev. Bob Sweeten  
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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  
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Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

**St. Joseph Catholic**  
Father Darryl Birkenfeld  
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Sunday morning: 8:30 a.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**  
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**  
Ralph Mireles  
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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**Moms, A Gift From God**

Issues of character, sex, fidelity, and privacy are back in the news. At the same time, pollsters, pundits and political prophets recognize the decline of the family is seriously undercutting our society. Kids need their moms and dads. They need the security of faithful families. Promiscuous conduct along with relaxed divorce laws make breakups too easy. When dad thinks he has had enough, he takes and hike and files for divorce. The judge asks, "Are you two incompatible?" Dad says, "You bet." Bang! The gavel falls; the divorce is granted. Dads need to understand the value of their wives. "House and wealth are an sensitivity. They have no eye for God. As a result, many brothers and sisters fight over the family inheritance. Jesus asks the pointed question, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?" (Mark 8:36). So you get the money. In the meantime, you lose your wife. What good is the money? "An excellent wife is the crown of her husband" (Proverbs 12:4). "Her worth is far above jewels" (Proverbs 31:10). "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord" (Proverbs 18:22).

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**Kerrick Community Church**  
Pastor Roy Harris  
Community Building  
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday





# Regional Track Shots!

Results for the Lady Elks that competed at the Regional Track Meet held in Levelland this past week-end are as follows: Discus - Deidre Tarver - 3rd; 1600 Relay - Carly Mathews, Heather Ashley, Amber Larance, Ajisha Sladek - 5th. Also competing, but not qualifying for the finals were 800 Relay - Brittany Hudson, Veronica Ortega, Amie Witcher, Lindsay Stein; 200 M - Amie Witcher, and 100 M - Amber Larance.

Adam Reed won 1st place in the Shot Put with a throw of 51'3" and will advance to the State Track Meet. Dylan Everett placed 3rd in the Shot with a throw of 47-9 1/2. Also competing at the Regional Track Meet were Jason Ashley, Adam Bell, Carlos Jacquez, Tony Ruiz, Chance Crowl and Isaac Chabolla and Skyler Walden. Congratulations to Adam and Good Luck at State!



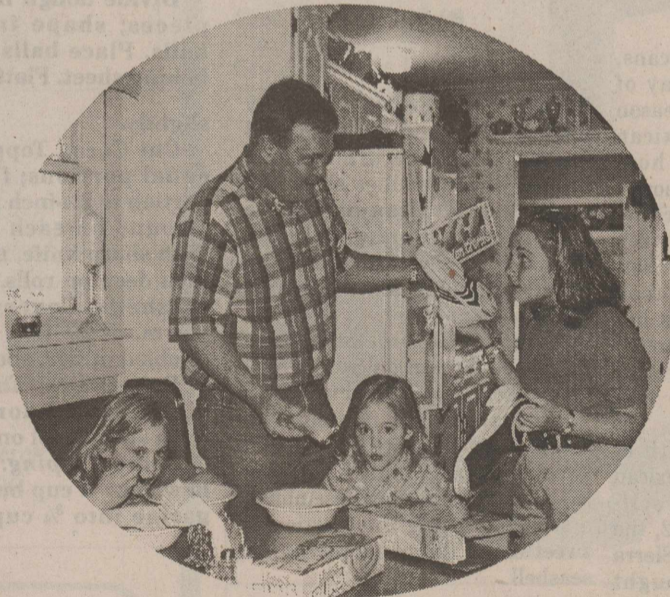
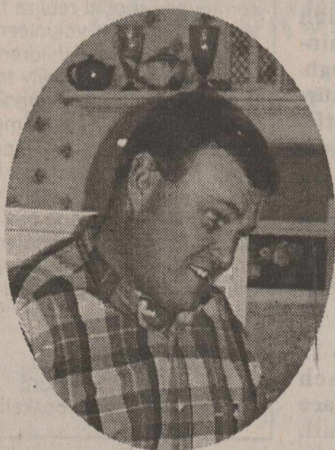
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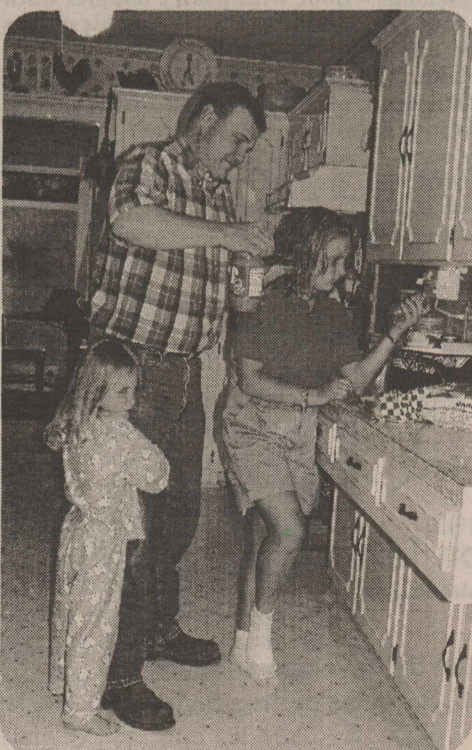
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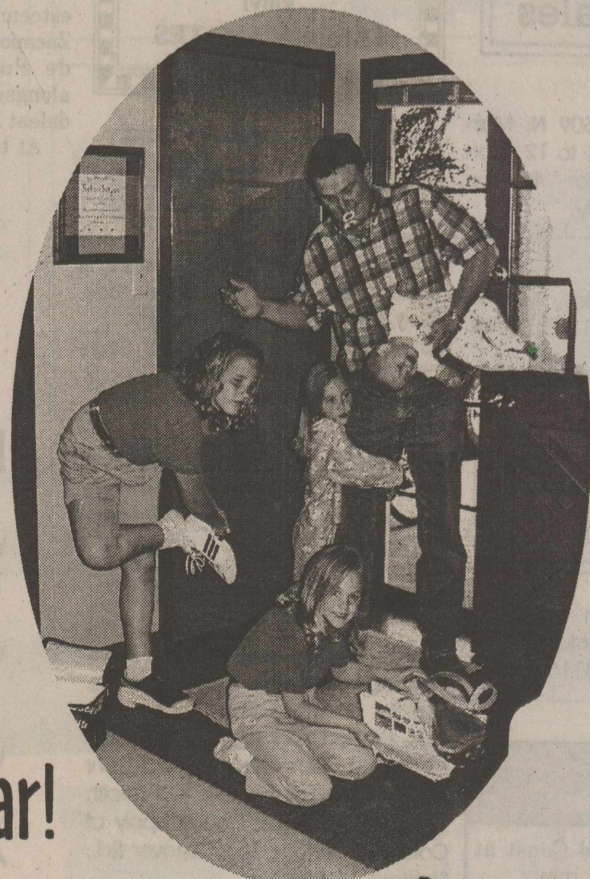
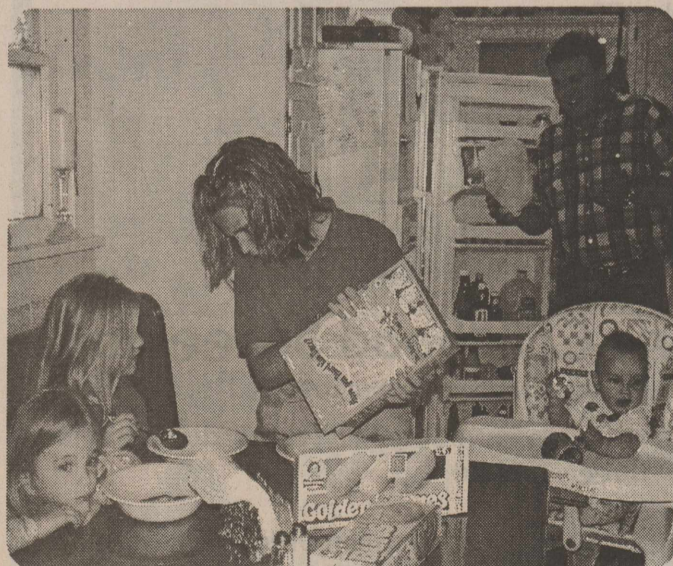


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