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Sherry Phelps and B.A. Donelson-First State Bank of Stratford recently were honored with a Community Service Award. Story below. Congratulations!

Stratford's First State

On Saturday September 21, 2002, Stratford's First State Bank was acknowledged at the Independent Bankers Association as one of the large market community service award winners. Their Bronze award is a result of the efforts of First State Bank to reward children for academic excellence through the America's Promise program. First State Bank has participated in the America's Promise program over the last four years. In that program they have been active with reading assistance, mentoring, reading program with the library and many other

It is the mission of First State Bank to not only provide financial service and excellence but to be a key part in community activities such



See You At The Pole Held Wednesday

The community and Mary Allen and High School participated in See You At The Pole last Wednesday, September 18, 2002. Shown above, Mary Allen students and faculty enjoying doughnuts after their ceremony.



Bank Wins Award

as America's Promise and its work with young people.

This is the second state wide award that Stratford's First State Bank has received this year. In June of this year they were sited by the Texas Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club for the state award as an Employer of Excellence. This honor is made possible by an

Stratford FFA Places At Amarillo Contest

Stratford FFA places in the Agriculture Mechanics contest held by the Tri State Fair in Amarillo on September 14, 2002. Placing 1st in the livestock and horse trailer class, second in BBQ grills, and third place in the recreational class. Representing the Stratford FFA Chapter were Clint Adams and Zack Miller. The Students were present to discuss workmanship, skills displayed, practicality, and the design of the different projects.

Congratulations to the Stratford FFA Chapter for a job well done.

4-H Parent/Leaders **Association To Meet**

The quarterly business meeting of the Sherman County 4-H Parent/Leaders Association will be Monday, September 30, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sherman County Extension Office in Stratford.

Items of business to be discussed will include Evaluation of County Achievement Banquet, Enrollment Nights, Updates of plans for Fall and Winter projects and activities.

The organization is the booster club for the county 4-H program and all parents of 4-H members and volunteer leaders are invited to attend. For more information, contact Susie Spurlock, Sherman County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences at 366-2122.

Do you show him sincere kindness

Or do you turn him away

Adding to his dismay

Doing things to stem his efforts

Do you freely give him courage

In the form of good advice

Or by underhanded methods

Merely tighten up the vise.

To regain what he has lost

At least you can melt the frost

Life is rough, success is rougher

The other guy might well be you.

This we all know to be true

But is well to remember

Even if you cannot do this

It is well to help a loser

Elks-Tahoka Ticket Prices On Thursday

The Tahoka ball-game ticket prices at Dick Bivins in Amarillo will be \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

Pantry Board To Meet Thursday, Sept. 26

The Pantry Board will have a meeting on Thursday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the XIT building.

54 September 18 in Alamogordo, NM, the opening of the 4 lane divided Highway U.S. 54 from Alamogordo to El Paso. (shown at right) L/R Ray Hettic and SPIRIT Chairman, Max Zimmerman, Liberal, KS; SPIRIT Treasurer, Roy Ehly, Guymon, Ok; New Mexico Transportation Director, Pete Rahn: Gaynelle Riffe, Stratford; Roy Gilyard, El Paso; Dr. Steven Easley, Alamogordo, New Mexico towns on 54 were visited and invited to attend the SPIRIT Conference to be held in Liberal, KS October 10-11.



Shown above left to right Joe Flores, Stratford Fire Chief Eddie

Williams, and Leonda Fedric. Stratford Fire Department Receives Check

amount of \$900.00 recently from by them. Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies as an expression of

departments this amount when the program.

The Stratford Fire Department department works at a fire in rural received 6 checks totalling the areas, involving property insured

The thanks for the department's work contributed to reduce the amount event will assist individuals in your on the recent fire at the Country of loss involved by fire and more community who have epilepsy and The Texas Farm Bureau their hope this money will help the support. For more information Insurance Companies pay fire Stratford Fire Department in their contact Stefanie Meyer at 580-423-

"Kids For Epilepsy"

On Saturday, September 28th the first annual "Family Dine In Theater" event will be held. This event will include a spaghetti dinner catered by Texhoma Livestock Restaurant, hand roasted smores, a cotton candy machine, a movie on a 8' x 8' screen "featuring Scooby Doo" and popcorn. The event will be held in the Brady Meyer families backyard located at the end of Allison Street. The cost will be \$10 per person. All proceeds will benefit the High Plains Epilepsy (HPEA).

HPEA has been serving the Texas/Oklahoma Panhandle since 1972. It is a not-for-profit organization based in Amarillo. Clients from the Texhoma and surrounding areas benefit from the services provided. The services include neurological visits free of charge, lab work, EEG's and MRI's free of charge. Assistance with purchasing medications is provided on a short term basis. Approximately 1 % of the population will be affected by Insurance Company seizures at some point in their believes fire departments have lives. The money raised for this importantly, to prevent fires. It is their families. Thank you for your

Dear Parents,

Stratford High School will be open one night each week for student use. We began September 16, 2002. Students may come to school from 6:30 to 8:30 to use the library or seek instruction from the teachers on duty. There will be two or three teachers on duty each Monday to help students with homework or to help students prepare for upcoming exams. All students at times are in need of extra help or another explanation of complicated material. The high school staff believe this special time will benefit all students. Mr. Stewart will always be there to help students with Alg. II, pre-cal, calculus and math models. Ms. Hegglin will always be there to help students with Alg. I and The science geometry. teachers will alternate weeks.

The faculty at Stratford High School hopes parents will encourage their sons and daughters to take advantage of this special study time outside of the normal school day.

> Sincerely, Steve Haynes

Obits



Joe Mungia Jr

Monday, September 16, 2002 at United Hospital. He was 77. San Angelo, Texas.

John Rajentra officiating. Burial 1981. was in Stratford Cemetery-Morrison Funeral Directors.

Rosarv was held at 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Mr. Mungia was born May 18. 1926 in Yorktown, Texas. He was a farmer. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Stratford.

He married Lala Gonzales on October 22, 1948 in Columbus. Texas. He enjoyed fishing. He was a loving husband, father. grandfather and caretaker. He had been a Stratford resident since

He was preceded in death by son, Danny Mungia in 1977.

Survivors include his wife-Lala of the home: One daughter Rosa Noriega of Sonora, Texas. Four Mungia both of Stratford, Willie Mungia of Sonora, Texas and David Mungia of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Seven sisters: Eva Mungia Urias, Anita Mungia Gallardo, Adelfa Mungia Silva, Josie Mungia Cowan, Sandy Mungia Stewart all of Amarillo, Texas. Linda Mungia Hill of Hereford, and Julia Mungia Herbert Mungia of Edenburg, 80501. Texas. 17 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Box 58, Stratford, Texas 79084.

Ada Lu Jenkins

Ada Lu Jenkins, age 80 died Tuesday, September 17, 2002 at the First United Methodist church in Clayton, with Rev. Bob Boyd, pastor and Rev. Billy Rammage, pastor First Baptist church in Clayton, officiating. Please visit hassfuneralhome. Com to view the online obituary and leave a tribute.

Ada Lu was born on December 16, 1921 in Clayton, New Mexico, to J.B. Kimble and Clara (Sprinkle) Kimble. She was a lifelong resident of Clayton, New Mexico. Adu Lu graduated from Clayton High School in 1940 and attended Oklahoma State University for two years. She married E.C. "Hi" Jenkins on October 14, 1942 and he preceded her in death on September 25, 2000. Ada Lu was a member of the First Untied Methodist church in Clayton where she taught Sunday School and taught the Methodist Youth Fellowship for several years. She was also a member of the P.E.O. in Clayton. In addition to her husband, Ada Lu was also preceded in death by her parents and by her brother, J.B. Kimble, Jr.

She is survived by one daughter Barbara Wight and her husband Ken of Stratford, Texas, Two sons: Ron Jenkins and his wife Kay of Los Lunas, New Mexico and Dr. Michael Jenkins and his wife Pam of Clayton, New Mexico.

8 grandchildren: Trym Jenkins and Crystal of Los Lunas, New Mexico, Melissa Ramsey and her husband George of Los Lunas, New Mexico, Tricia Ann Cox and her husband Paul of Midland, Texas, Mark Jenkins and his wife Emily of Morgantown, West Virginia, Kathy Jenkins of San Diego, California, Kaci McBryde

and her husband Brad of Stratford, Texas, Kelly Wight of Friona, Texas and Keri Walden and her husband Nathaniel of Stratford.

11 great-grandchildren: Abby Ramsey, Halei Ramsey, Kylee Cox, Taylor Cox, Kade McBryde, Kenlee McBryde, Kyle Jenkins, Garrett Jenkins Mallory Jenkins Jaycee Joe Jenkins and Cameron Jenkins. One sister: Pat Denton and her husband Jim of Muldrow. Oklahoma.

Memorials may be made to the Clayton Senior Citizens Center, 19 E. Broadway, Clayton, NM 88415, The First Untied Methodist church of Clayton, 200 N. 5th Ave., Clayton, NM 88415 or to the Union County General Hospital, 301 Harding St., Clayton, N.M. 88415.

Raymond L. Martensen

Longmont, CO-Raymond L. Martensen of Longmont, CO, died Joe Mungia Jr., age 76 died Sept. 20, 2002 at Longmont

Mr. Martensen was born Feb. Services were held on 10, 1925 in Platte Center, NE to Thursday, September 19, 2002 at Arnold and Anna (Harms) St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Martensen. He married Gloralie Stratford at 2:00 p.m. with Fr. Hayes in Greeley, CO., on May 9,

He served in the U.S. Navy Stratford under the direction of 1945-46 and later was a farmer and a farm implement salesman.

Mr. Martensen lived in Wednesday, September 18, 2002 Stratford from 1963 to 1970. He moved from Phoenix, AZ to Longmont in 1998 and was a member of Rocky Mountain Christian Church. He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

> He was preceded in death by his parents and son Roger Martensen.

> Surviving are his wife of a son, Allen Longmont; Martensen and his wife Barbara of Pensacola, FL; a daughter, Sharon Powell of Lakewood, CO.; two brothers, Eldon and Arvin; two Velma Shipley sisters, and Clements; Mildred grandchildren, Sarah and Kristen Powell, Trudy, Morgan, Natilee

Also two step-children, five sons: Johnny Mungia and Joe step-grandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren numerous nieces and nephews.

> Visitation was held Monday, Sept. 23 at Ahlberg Funeral Chapel. Funeral service was 10 a.m. Sept. 23 at Rocky Mountain Christian Church. The Rev. Ed McQueen officiated. Interment followed at Ft. Logan National Cemetery in Denver.

Memorials may be sent to Salinas of Edenburg, Texas. Four American Kidney Foundation or brothers; Adam Mungia, Felix Boulder Community Hospital in Mungia both of Hereford, Robert care of Ahlberg Funeral Chapel, Mungia of Temple, Texas and 326 Terry St., Longmont, CO



The impala is a swift, graceful antelope that can leap up to 30 feet in a single bound.

Letters To The Editor

anonymous & a bonafide address is given. We will not print letters in the star anonymous or name on file. Mame will appear in paper. We will not print statements that are obscene or libelous per se. This paper assumes no responsibility for content and all views are strictly the view of the writer. Copies of letters which have been submitted to other newspapers will receive a low priority for publication. The newspaper reserves the right to edit letters with respect to length or notantially libelous material. potentially libelous material.

Dear Readers:

The rains have been great. The trees loved it, The grass loved it, the weeds have loved it and are growing. It is about time to clean up one last time for the fall.

The Daniels family cleaned up behind Brooks' and Naugle's buildings on Main Street and it looks great. Someone mowed the parkways on 3rd and Main by Brooks Video, Taylor Building and Jodie Lasley's Corner lot and I would like to thank you. After mowing and trimming Stratford Grain, Leo Vera and Sergio Anchondo trimmed behind the Taylor Building. Ann Johnson removed the jungle behind the Imagination Station. So Main Street is looking pretty good. The weeds need a little plucking and another sweep-up might be in order about November.

Now on to the Highway! That is what all the travelers see. Let's keep Stratford Beautiful.

Gaynelle Riffe

Teachers Attend Fall Workshop

Members of Gammi Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International Honorary Society for Women Teachers recently attended the Fall Workshop held in Amarillo and hosted by the chapters of Area Eleven of the Incoming Society. New presidents of all chapters were given training for the next two years and included Kathie Altman of Stratford, incoming president of Gamma Xi Chapter. The Treasurers and Secretaries were also given special training and included Shirley Hendricks. Dalhart, and Treasurer of Gamma Xi chapter. All others attended the Program of Work sessions on program planning on Educational Subjects of interest for the next two years. Mary Jo Ondracek. Dalhart, member of the state Committee on world Fellowship conducted the booth exhibit for that committee. Also in attendance at the meeting were Gamma Xi members Sandra Kelso. Cynthia Ballard and Nelda Askey of Dalhart. Mrs. Askey is First Vice President of Gamma Xi. From Hartley were Margaret Hormel and Mary Weatherford and from Dumas was Frances Holden.

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Jimmy L. Hatley will lead the seminar; C.P.A. Tax Specialist with the Internal Revenue Service stationed in Amarillo. The IRS is trying to become more 'Customer Friendly' and Jimmy is the coordinator of the new office of Education Taxpaver Communication.

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previously was a Tax auditor and has vast knowledge of the tax system and regulations.

The seminar will focus on the tax codes, regulations, and necessary preparations for the upcoming end-of -the-vear tax reporting deadlines. After the seminar. Jimmy will be available to answer personal and specific business tax questions. All information shared during this session is confidential and will not be used against you for the collection of taxes.

All interested persons are invited to attend the free seminar. For more information, please contact the Stratford Chamber of Commerce office (366-2260).

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** note new listing

"Lips" presented by Opportunity School Amarillo Civic Grand Plaza 806-372-5751

Amarillo Symphony presents Maxine Philippov, Van Cliburn Silver Award

Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782 **Broadway Series "Greater Tuna"** Oct. 1 & 2***

Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096 Bop Izzard Presents a 3 part series 2:00 p.m. Oct. 5 " History of Panhandle Indian Wars'

LaRita Theatre, Dalhart . 244-5646 Bus Tour Oct 19th Canadian foliage and Old Mobeetie

"A Clearing In the Woods" 7:30 p.m. [6-3:00 p.m.] Branding Iron Theatre WTAMU 806-651-2881 Oct. 2-5 ,6***

Lone Star Ballet "Street Car Named Desire" 7:30 p.m. Oct. 5***** Amarillo Civic Auditorium (806) 378-3096 or 372-2463 Oct. 6***

Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium 806-378-3096 Steven Curtis Chapman Oct. 14*** Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096

During the Middle Ages, bath houses in England were called stews and bathing was referred to as stewing.

Band Booster H. necoming Stew & Chili Supper

Friday, October 4, 2002 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. High School Cafeteria

Adults: \$5.00 Children (12 & younger): \$3.00 **Tickets Sold At The Door**

Farmer-Stockman Show. Oct. 10-12

The tenth annual Farmer-Stockman Show is scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 10-12 in Lubbock, Texas. The largest outdoor working farm and ranch show in the southwestern United States boasts acres of show site and crops for field demonstrations. The busy three-day schedule will include a variety of activities for the entire family. For producers. demonstrations exhibit modern machinery in harvesting, tillage. and hav handling. Livestock demonstrations include live cattle handling demonstrations. horse training sessions, cutting horse demonstrations, and current topic seminars. The popular Family Living area has expanded programs on health, quilting and entertainment country Crafters are performances. available for a unique shopping opportunity. The Farmer-Stockman Show is 1.5 miles east of Loop 289 on East 50th Street (Fm835) Show hours are 8 a.m.-6p.m. Daily. October 10. 11 and 12th. Call the show office for more details (806) 747-7134.

To remove fish odor from your hands, rinse them in fresh squeezed lemon juice or herb

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Lollies Line By Lorelyn Powers

On the first day of fall Monday, Sept. 23, 2002 our local temperature is 62 degree Fahrenheit.

The weather channel on TV says this summer we have had weird things happen-floods in south Texas, Fires in New Mexico and Colorado and Tornadoes doing lots of damage.

On Wednesday September 18, 2002 Stratford Citizens gathered at the Flag Pole at the High School and at Mary Allen Elementary. Then around five thirty the clouds were building up in the North and by 8 or 9 the area had a good rain which has made everything green and everyone happy.

Our Elks need our support as they play Tahoka, Friday, Sept. 26 at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo

As the trees gently blow in the breeze remember to be gentle, kind and forging to one another.

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Water usage are included as Appendices to this ordinance. Changes in rates and/or charges

Insofar as this Ordinance overlaps or amends any prior Ordinance of the City of Stratford, then this Ordinance shall supersede and amend such prior Ordinance should any section or sections of this ordinance be held to be void and without force and effect for any reason whatsoever by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portion of the Ordinance shall remain In full force and effect as though the void an unenforceable portion thereof, if any, had not been incorporated.

THIS ORDINANCE, WITH APPENDICES 'a' AND 'b'. PASSED AND APPROVED 13TH DAY SEPTEMBER, 2001

APPENDIX 'A'

- A. WATER (CONNECTION) FEE The following charges shall be made by the City of Stratford for each and every water tap connection made to the City's water mains, lateral, or water supply system.
- 1. 5/8 inch or 3/4 inch Meter w/backflow device \$435.00
- 2. 1 inch Meter w/backflow loop \$625.00
- 3. 2 inch Meter w/backflow loop \$1050.00

APPENDEX 'B'

- A. The monthly rate and charge for the first two thousand (2000) gallons of water used by Residential Customers is Nine Dollars (\$9.00)
- The monthly rate and charge for customers whose services are outside the city limits of the City of Stratford and are provided water service by the City of Stratford will be 1 1/2 times the rate of the Customers within the city limits of the City of Stratford.
- C. The monthly rate and charge for the first two thousand (222) gallons of water used Commercial (nonresidential) Customers is Nine Dollars (\$9.00).
- D. The monthly rate and charge for both Residential and Commercial Customers for each one thousand (1000) gallons of water used over and above the first two thousand (2000) gallons is Two Dollars (\$2.00).
- E. The monthly rates and charges for water service for water delivered into water tank trucks or water wagons in the City of Stratford, Texas, is one Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per one

thousand (1000) gallons, with no minimum charge.

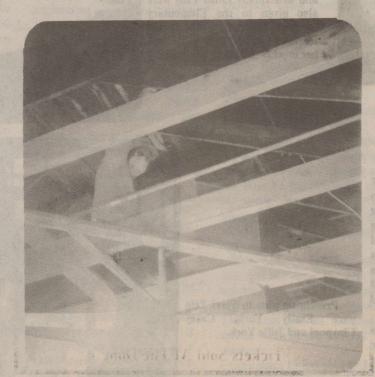
- F. The rate for water at the coin-operated facility (the old water tower) is Two Dollars (\$2.00) per one thousand (1000).
- G. A reconnection fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) shall be assessed and collected prior to the reconnection of utility

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Aduddell Earns Use Of Car

Dallas-In honor of her achievements, Mayrene Aduddell, has recently earned the use of a Pontiac Grand-Am. Mrs. Aduddell of Conlen, TX took delivery of her car at Phil Like Motor Company. Phil Like, presented her with the keys. Independent Beauty Consultants earn the use of Mary Kay career cars through outstanding sales and team building. The automobile incentive program has been an important feature at Mary Kay for years. The U.S. Mary Kay Fleet, one of the largest commercial fleets of GM Passenger cars in the world, includes 10,000 career cars valued at more than \$150 million. Mrs. Aduddell began her career as an Independent Beauty Consultant in April of 2001 and as a direct result of sales and team building accomplishments, became a sales director in August 2002. As a sales director, she provides education, leadership and motivation to other beauty consultants. Approximately 800,000 women in 37 markets around the world have discovered the advantages of owning their own business: Financial independence, flexibility, career growth, dynamic and modern sales incentives, and an innovative product line.



Zak Works On Imagination Station

Imagination Station work: Joe Zak spraying fire retardant on the wood ceiling, rafters and walls with the help of Alex Alvavz. Next Imagination Station Meeting Thursday, Sept. 26 at noon, Brown Bag Lunch.

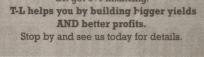
Man must cease attributing his problems to his environment, and learn again to exercise his will—his personal responsibility in the realm of faith and morals.

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22nd Annual Festival Of Arts & Crafts

Wesley United Methodist Church will be hosting its 22nd annual Festival of Arts and Crafts, December 7, 2002, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10.00. Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St. Hereford, Texas 79045 or call (806) 364-0774.

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THE STRATFORD STAR

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Qualifies For State BMX Finals

Stratford resident (shown at left) Jon Seawright qualified for the State BMX finals held in DeSoto, Texas on August 24th & 25th. When all the dust settled, Jon was second in the state in 11year-old-novice. He is now qualified for the Race of Champions and Grand National Finals to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on Thanksgiving weekend. Jon is currently selling "Worlds Finest Chocolate" candy bars to help finance his trip and race expenses. Jon wishes to thank all the Stratford residents for their support and is happy to represent our community.

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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

St. Joseph Catholic

6th & Pearl Rectory - 366 - 5687 Sunday morning: 8:30a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish) Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass **Church of Christ**

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 **Brent Farney**

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) Servicio De Adoration 11:00 am Servicio De Oraction 6:00 pm Servicio De Adoration 6:00 pm : Susninos Durante El Servicio.

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The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

Not too long ago a fellow who wanted some help in talking to an atheist friend approached me. "It's funny." he said. "this fellow is an atheist but all he wants to talk about is God." One of the fascinating wonders of our world is the fact of religion. People simply cannot avoid it. We re innately religious. Even those who reject God continue to talk about Him. And there is good reason. It's the way God created us. The Bible says, "He has also put eternity in their hearts" (Ecclesiastes 3:11). There is a sense of deity within us. There is a God consciousness present in us from birth. This being the case, men and women must act on this sense of the reality of God. On one side, they will suppress and reject the notion of God. But even in their rejection, they cannot escape Him. The rejection of God is really an affirmation he exists. On the other hand, men and women begin to seek God. This can be the beginning of a real relationship with Him. "He who comes to God Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00 p.m. must believe that He is, and that he is a rewarder of those who seek Him" (Hebrews 11:6). That's simple. To come to God, you must first believe He exists. That is, you accept the fact of His existence. You no longer suppress or reject the truth swelling up whine you. And so you look for more. You seek a relationship with God. This means there are different levels of faith. Simple belief in the existence of God is one thing. Trust in Christ as the Savior of your soul is quite another. When you believe in the existence of God vou have an intellectual faith. But when you come to God through Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:15 i faith in the sacrifice of Christ. you have saving faith. You become Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m. an adopted member of God's family.

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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 THE STRATFORD STAR
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Births

Logan and Leslic Neve proudly announce the birth of their son, Logan Cade, born on September 14, 2002 at 7:46 p.m. Cade weighed 8 lbs. and 11.5 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

Proud grandparents are David and Kay Hager of Lueders and Wilson and Betty Neve of Abernathy.

Great-grandparents are Jenny Watts of Stamford and Ruby Wisdom of Abernathy. He was welcomed home by his proud cousins Kaleb and Kyle Horsford of Stratford.

Fall Fashion Show Oct. 12

It's Fall 2002 Luncheon and Style Show time! GFWC/Prospectus study Club will again follow their luncheon with fashions from Kay's Klassics and Creative Casuals, both of Dumas, Club members will be the models.

The event will be held Saturday October 12, 11:30 a.m. at Mary Allen Cafetorium. Tickets are a \$10.00 donation. Funds benefit the many projects of the club.

Ticket sales stop Oct. 10 and none will be sold at the door. All club members have tickets available.

O'Brien & Engelbrecht To Speak To Study Club

Betty Lou O'Brien and Marihoward Engelbrecht visited Antarctica recently. They will share their adventures at GFWC/Prospectus Study Club on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 4:30 p.m. at Sherman County Library.

Sonja Kendrick is International Affairs program coordinator.

Final plans will be made for the Luncheon and Style Show Oct. 12. Stratford will also be hosting the Top of Texas Fall Board meeting Oct. 26.



If you really want crystal clear ice cubes, boil the water first and let it cool before you freeze it.



Girl Scout Registration

Recently Stratford Girl Scouts held their Registration Event at the County Barn. The girls that signed up made sundaes and received a Girl Scout water bottle. Daisy Girl Scouts is for kindergarten girls and their leaders are Shanda Davis, Desine Garza and Shawnda Jackson. Brownie Girl Scouts are for girls in the first, second and third grade. Their leaders are: Diana Claypool and Mellonee York. Junior Girl Scouts is for girls in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grade. Leaders for this group are: Lyllian Blake and Maria Solano. If your daughter would like to join Girl Scouts, please call Mellonee York after 4 p.m. at 396-1043.



Eating sundaes at Girl Scout Registration left to right Mary Ann Spurlock, Britney Garza, Monica Knight & Emily York.

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when accomplished during normal business hours (8:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday thru Friday). A customer who has services disconnected/terminated on three (3) or fewer occasions in the preceding twelve (12) months, may have service reconnected as scribed in section G. of the original ordinance or after normal business hours and on weekends, may have a service reconnected by After-hours an Reconnect Fee of Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) by or before 12:00 noon on the next regular business day.

The little old man was near death. His three sons sat in his room awaiting the inevitable end. While they were waiting they began to discuss funeral arrangements. The first son said, "We should have 10 cars for the funeral. That way, we'll take care of all the relatives and friends."

The second son said, "Let's just rent two cars and let our relatives follow in their own

cars."

The third son suggested,
"Why don't we just rent a
station wagon, the three of us
get in, and take the casket in

At this point, the old man, hearing all this, raised himself from his bed.

"Boys," he muttered, "stop arguing. Just get me a pair of pants and I'll WALK to the cemetery."



A shower was held Sunday, September 15, 2002 in the home of LeRayne Donelson honoring Ashley Eady, bride elect of John James. Shown above left to right is Sami White, Cindy James, Ashley Eady, Gladys Arnold and Joan Palmer. Kaitlyn White in front.

On Monday, September 9th all of Stratford's Girl Scouts gathered together to make patriotic pins. These pins were made to give out in remembrance of 9-11 and to give to our local heroes. The Girl Scouts made over 1,000 pins. Pins were given out at Duckwall's, First State Bank and at Express Lane. Pins were also given to the Elementary teachers. Presenting pins to the teachers was M'Lyn Wells and her mother Jennifer.





Presenting pins to Terri Teig were Emily York, Casey Claypool and Julie York.

(HOUSEACE)



NQB Captures 3rd Place

The Sherman County 4-H Nutrition Quiz Bowl (NQB) team captured 3rd place at the Panhandle District 4-H Nutrition Quiz Bowl contest. Team members Eric Burton, Jennie Witcher, Jennie Spurlock, and Brooke Barnard were congratulated by R.C. Adams, Tri-State Fair Executive Director. Nutrition Quiz Bowl is a fun way to learn consumer information, food and kitchen safety, food preparation and storage, basic nutrition, and how nutrition affects health. Connie Burton was the coach for the team assisted by Anna Witcher and Cindy Russell. Other 4-H'ers participating on the local level were Sunny Russell, Rhyan Burton, Autumn Witcher, and Roy Allen.

A Christian Is:
In the home it is kindness;
In business it is honesty;
In society it is courtesy;
In work it is fairness;
Toward the unfortunate it is sympathy;
Toward the weak it is help;
Toward the wicked it is resistance;
Toward the strong it is trust;
Toward the penitent it is forgiveness;
Toward the successful it is congratulations;
And toward God it is reverence and obedience.



As early as 4000 B.C.E., citizens of Mohenjo-Daro in what is now Iraq had houses with private bathrooms and an underground sewage system.



City Council Minutes

City Council Minutes August 13,

Stratford City Council met in Regular Session, Tuesday, August 13, 2002 at 7:00 with Mayor David Brown presiding and the following council members present: Joe Zak, BA Donelson, Bryan Mungia, Blake confer and George Harding.

Also present were: Don Nicholson, City Administrator; :LaRita City Clerk; Kathy Rendon, part-time City Clerk; Randy Agan, Chief of Police; Ken Forthman, Public Works Director; Kristine Olsen, Sherman County Development Committee: Wayne Smith. Cemetery Board: Nancy Kimball, Delinda Olivas, Becky Adams, Gail Hunsaker Corinna Morris, Marty Robertson, Shari Hudson, Tammie Hélmuth, Derra Neelv. Craig Bell, Cliff Adams, Jessie Preston, and Lyllian Blake.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

George Harding motioned to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2002 regular meeting with corrections, Blake Confer seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Joe Zak motioned to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2002 special meeting, BA Donelson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Becky Adams was present to discuss the Police Department. Becky questioned the council if there had been any action taken since the last regular meeting regarding their concerns on the police department there had been action taken:

recommendations were made from the council to the police department. Chief Agan stated there would be a committee to hear complaints from citizens. The Committee will be made up of the City Administrator, Mayor, citizen and another law officer

not employed by the City of Stratford. This process is in progress and hopefully to be up and available next month. The video cameras have been ordered and will be placed in two of the patrol cars. Blake Confer questioned as to why only two cameras were ordered instead of three. The third camera will be ordered when the money becomes available. Discussion took place on the "review board." BA Donelson questioned the citizens if there had been any complaints in the last thirty (30) days, and there had been none. BA stated that possibly something had been taken care of since the last

The parents just want the kids to be reassured that they will not be interrogated. Craig Bell stated to the citizens that if the kids are pulled over, there is guilt somewhere.

Jon King arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Becky Adams questioned the rumor she had heard about two of the officers leaving. Randy Agan confirmed the rumor was true, two officers are resigning in order to take higher paying jobs elsewhere.

Wayne smith was present on behalf of the Cemetery Board. Wayne had a recommendation to the council for a successor for the remainder of Jim Johnson's unexpired term on the cemetery board. The board's recommendation George Harding. Joe Zak motioned to the board's accept recommendation, BA Donelson seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Wayne Smith stated that hopefully the blueprints would be ready for the next regular council meeting. Joe Zak motioned to reappoint Becky Asher and Linda Spurlock to the cemetery board, Blake confer seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Jessie Preston was present on behalf of Sherman County

Library to request continued funding from the City from the FY 2002-2003 budget. Council thanked Jessie. No action taken. Item 3d was moved to later in meeting.

Discussion concerning the appointment of a Municipal Judge. Judge Ellsworth from Spearman interviewed on Monday, August 12, 2002. Mr. Ellsworth has requested \$740.00/month plus mileage at

\$3.65/mile. He would be in Stratford once/week. Corrina Morris was also present to discuss the Municipal Judge position. Discussion took place. Council requested that Ms. Morris return for an interview. No action taken.

BA Donelson spoke concerning the complaint committee for the police department: BA would like to see the committee formed within the next 60 days.

Joe Zak motioned to approve the funds for Sherman County Development Committee, George Harding seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Kristine Olsen questioned to the council as to the status of the State Football Signs. Discussion took place.

BA Donelson motioned to approve the International Building code Ordinance, George Harding seconded, all in favor. motion carried.

BA Donelson motioned to approve the International Energy Conservation Code Ordinance. Joe Zak seconded, and all in favor motioned carried.

Discussion took concerning the Scope of Main Street's utility relocation and engineering services. Don Nicholson explained to the council that the utilities lying under North Main Street must be relocated in conducting with the Main Street Project. Discussion place. Main Street committee retrograding the project funding and other factors

dealing with the project. Items tabled until further information can be gathered. BA Donelson motioned to

approve the bills, Joe Zak seconded, all in favor, motion

Joe Zak motioned to approve the financial statements. George Harding seconded, and all in favor motioned carried. Don Nicholson reported that

demolition at 101 S. Main is under progress. There will be a public hearing for the demolition of 202 S. Wall Next week.

Texas Rural Development regarding the grants for the city has run into a few problems.

First Southwest Company has sent some schedules for a \$500,000 to \$1.5 million dollar

Don has requested estimates for the roof on the McMahen Building which the city purchased. Discussion took place regarding other options for roof replacement/repair.

Panhandle Regional Planning commission will hold a public hearing August 27, 2002 at 5:15 p.m on the final completion for the Water Looping Project.

Don sated there was still some equipment remaining to be sold. Don asked the council if they wanted to re-advertise the equipment. BA Donelson motioned to let Don Nicholson, City Administrator, handle selling the equipment, Joe Zak seconded, and all in favor, motion carried.

Randy Agan stated he has received resignation from Robert Newburn and Adan Aleman effective September 1, 2002. Robert has met his contract obligation with the City of Stratford effective September 1, 2002. Discussion took place concerning compensatory time for both officers leaving. To date, Adan has 65 hours and Robert has 133 hours. Time will be paid

out at regular pay at the end of employment for both officers.

Randy stated that the cameras have been ordered, also he is in the process of working on the complaint review board.

Since the city will be without two patrol officers. Randy is also looking at other coverage for the

Lyllian Blake questioned the Bully Law, if it was still in effect? Randy Agan stated it is still a new law and has not been repealed. Discussion took place.

adjourned Council executive session under section 551.071 to discuss personnel, at

8:40 p.m. Council reconvened out of executive session at 9:23 p.m. Joe Zak motioned to change the City of Stratford's personnel policy to reflect the City Administrator has the final say on all employee firing, George Harding seconded,

with Bryan Mungia opposing, motion carried (4-1). Changes will be written and submitted to employees.

Kristine Olsen was present to give the council more information on the sewer project for a new business. Discussion took place.

Jim Taliaferro was present on behalf of Stratford schools to discuss the football signs.

BA Donelson presented to the council information regarding budgeting.

Council workshop.

Robert Newburn and Adan Aleman arrived at 10:00 p.m. Robert Newburn spoke about his employment with the City of Stratford and spoke highly regarding Chief Randy Agan.

Adan Aleman spoke about his employment with the City of Stratford and thanked the City

Council then thanked both

officers for their time and service to the City of Stratford. Meeting adjourned at 10:50

August 23, 2002

Stratford City Council met in Special Session Friday, August 23. 2002 at 12:00 noon with Mayor David Brown presiding the following councilmembers present: George Harding, Bryan Mungia, B.A. Donelson, Blake Confer and Joe Zak.

Also present were: Don Nicholson, City Administrator; Kathy Rendon, part-time City Clerk: Kristine Olsen, SCDC; and Gary Ellsworth.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Gary Ellsworth is present regarding position of Municipal Judge. He is from Spearman and has been on the Bench for nine (9) years. He teaches at the Municipal Court Center. He also runs the theater and is the Hosing

Gary believes in Community Service. He likes to give the opportunity to work off a citation and give back to the community. TML states that all community service workers are covered by

Gary states he has been told the City of Stratford is looking to have a Municipal Judge one day a

Gary is requesting \$370 every two weeks plus mileage.

Municipal software would free. He is only requesting that the City provide a computer for

Council went into Executive Session under Section 551.074 to discuss Personnel at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 12:58 p.m.

Council proposed to Gary: Municipal Judge two (2) days a month with no extra charges to the City. Spearman would be responsible for all expenses for dues/travel/training.

Gary states he would agree to those terms. He also states 09-10-02 would be the first day he could

begin term as Municipal Judge. Council states that the City of Stratford would require a written job description to be composed by Jon King, City Attorney and to be signed by Gary before being appointed and sworn in.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

September 4, 2002

Stratford City Council met in Special Session Wednesday, September 4, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor David Brown presiding and the following councilmembers present: Joe Zak, Bryan Mungia, Blake confer, BA Donelson, and George Harding.

Also present were: Don Nicholson, City Administrator; Eddie Williams, Fire Chief; Kathy Rendon, part-time City Clerk; Randy Agan, chief of Police; and Ken Forthman, Public Works Director.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Judge Gary Ellsworh is not able to be here tonight, Don Nicholson stated he would be here for the next regular scheduled council meeting.

held a Council Council adjourned in executive

session under section 551.074 at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel. Council reconvened out of executive session at 8:15 p.m.

with no action taken. Detailed information requested from the council for the next budget workshop. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

September 11, 2002

Stratford City Council met in Special Session, Wednesday, September 11, 2002 at 6:12 p.m. with Mayor David Brown present and the following council

members present: Joe Zak, Bryan Mungia, Blake Confer and George Harding.

Also present were: Don Nicholson, City Administrator: LaRita Butler, City Clerk; Kathy Rendon, part-time city clerk; and Ken Forthman, Public Works Director. Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Council held a budget A resignation letter was

submitted to the council from Chief of Police Randy Agan. Discussion took place.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Ordinance Amended

City of Stratford Ordinance 980921: Amended 9/16/99; 7/13/00: 9/13/01: 9/17/02

ORDINANCE

REGULATING RATES FOR THE USE OF WATER FOR THE CITY OF STRATFORD. TEXAS: PROVIDING AND REGULATING **DEPOSITS ADDITIONAL** DEPOSITS. TAP FEES. AND SERVICE CHARGES: AMENDING PRIOR ORDINANCES PERTAINING THERETO: AND PROVIDING SHOULD ANY SECTION OF OR PART OF ANY SECTION OF THIS ORDINANCE BE HELD VOID. THE REMAINING PORTIONS SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED.

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas finds it necessary to amend prior Ordinances regulating rates for the use of water within said City. deposits, tap fees and service

NOW THEREFORE. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS:

A. WATER-Along application for water service. the applicant shall pay the City of Stratford a deposit in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

B. WATER UTILITIES **BILLING-Mav** include Municipal Solid Waste

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pickup and disposal fees and charges as well as sewer Service fees and charges, as applicable.

In addition to any regular water utilities service deposit or reconnect fees, the City of Stratford may charge an additional water utilities service deposit to any customer whose disconnected or terminated for lack of payment when due.

D The additional water utilities service deposit specified above shall be in an amount not to exceed one and one-half (1 1/2) times the highest bill incurred by the customer in the customer's last twelve months of service or portion thereof: or one-sixth (1/6) of the customer's total billing for the last twelve months of service, or portion thereof, whichever is greater.

E. In the event that any customer of water service furnished by the City of Stratford does not pay the rates and charges, plus any penalty, on or before the 20th day after payment is due, all City operated water service shall be terminated.

F. Any consumer of utility services furnished by the City, whose utility services have been disconnected or terminated for non-payment of rates and charges therefore, may have such utility services resumed by paying all rates, charges and penalties due by him/her to the city, and in addition thereto, a Reconnection Fee is hereby prescribed by the City Council.

RECONNECTION FEE-For reconnect fees is included as Appendices to this Ordinance. Changes shall be facilitated by amending Appendix. Appendix 'B' shall define the Rates and Charges for to include Water Usage, Commercial, Residential,

Minimu, Thousand Gallon Rates and Re-Connect Fees. "Habitual Reconnects". defined as

customers of City provided utility services that have had service disconnected/terminated four (4) or more times in the preceding twelve (12) months, may only have service reconnected as described above/ "Non-habitual Reconnects", defined customers whose City provifed utility services have either not been disconnected/terminated, or have had City provided utility services disconnected/terminated on three (3) or fewer occasions the preceding twelve (12) months, may have service reconnected as described above or, after normal business hours and on weekends, may have service reconnected by paying After-hours Reconnect Fee (See Appendix'B' for after hour reconnect fee). (In addition to all rates and charges specified in paragraph 'F' above.) If payment is not received by 12:00 noon on the next regular business day. City provided utility services will be disconnected again and an additional Reconnect Fee will be assessed and shall be paid prior to reconnection of utility

H "BAD CHECKS" If a check tendered as payment for utility service drawn against insufficient funds or a closed account, City provided utility services will be immediately disconnected and will remain so until the customer pays all rates, charges, penalties and reconnect fees with cash or money order. The City of Stratford reserves the right to verify with the bank or financial institution that funds are available to cover any check tendered for payment.

RETURNED CHECK FEE Any check tendered as payment for utility service drawn agaisnt insufficient funds or a closed account, there will be a Twentyfive (\$25.00) Returned Check Fee

charged to the customer presenting such check.

CHECK APPEPTANCE Checks will not be accepted for payment of utility service if the customer has tendered check drawn against insufficient funds or a closed account on two (2) or more occasions in the proceeding twelve (12) months. In addition, a returned (unpaid) constitutes de facto non-payment of the account and will subject the customer to disconnection of service if the account remains unpaid as stipulated in paragraph E. Reconnection Fee and other charges, as applicable, as specified in paragraphs F, and G will apply.

'THEFT OF SERVICE Unauthorized and/or deliberated connection, reconnection or diversion of City Utility Service is a violation of Texas Penal Code. Chapter 31, Section 31.04, "Theft of Service, and may be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

L FIRE HYDRANTS Only the Stratford Fire Department or other authorized entities may draw water from City Fire Hydrants. back-flow prevention device (Reduced Pressure Zone) or air-gap is required.

REFUNDS the City shall hold any deposit made to the City until the utility service for which the deposit was made shall be terminated. Upon termination of such service, customer shall be entitled to a refund of such deposit, less any amount that is due and owing to the city.

N .RATES AND CHARGES For Water Taps (connections) and shall be facilitated by amending applicable Appendix. Appendix 'A' shall define the Rates and Charges for water connections including new meter, meter loop and backflow prevention device. Appendix 'B' shall define the Rates and Charges for Water Usage, to include Residential, Commercial, Minimum and Thousand Gallon

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The Varsity Lady Elk Cross Country team placed 4th in Amarillo out of A, AA, and AAA. Way to Go!

The J.V. & Varsity Cross Country teams competed at Amarillo this past weekend, September 21, 2002. Individual & team results were as follows:

J.V. Girls - Out of 150 runners, Erin Ashley finished 25th with a time of 15:30, Racquel Henderson 57th with time of 16:21, and Crystal Rueda 105th with a time of

Hudson 30th with a time of 14:34, Jayme Wilhem 36th - 14:43, 14:35, 5th Sunray - 14:36, 6th Allison Baskin 44th - 14:52, Dalhart - 14:45, 7th Happy - 14:44. Veronica Ortega - 49th - 15:01, 8th Nazareth -Amie Witcher 90th - 16:06, Haley Shamrock - 15:00, 10th Perryton -Buckles - 91th - 16:07.

Varsity Boys - Adam Witcher finished the 3 mile course in 21:30 weekend in Lubbock, TX. and Bill Walker finished in 21:50.

Varsity Girls - Out of 17: Following is the team standings runners, Yadira Ortega finished 11th with a time of 14:02, Brittany 14:04, 2nd Canyon - 14:06, 3rd Spearman - 14:31, 4th Stratford -

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Land for Sale: One (1) 640 Acre Tract cultivated land; 306.7 acres in CRP, 276.3 acres in CRP, 250.3 in Contact Department/Martha Mitts, First State Bank 396-5521.

3-12-tfn---

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Larry & Judy Drake

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Sealed proposals for the Window replacement for Sherman County Court house, Stratford, Texas will be received improvement contracts will be by Judge Kim Crippen, 701 N. 3rd, received by the Texas Department Room 206, Stratford, Texas, 79084 of Transportation (TxDOT) until until 4:00 p.m. Central Standard the date (s) shown below, and Time, October 1st, 2002, then then publicly read.

publicly opened and rad aloud. Proposals shall be addressed to Judge Kim Crippen. The scope of the work shall include window replacement, refurbishment of reinstallation, etc.

Plans may be examined at the the State Office. following locations:

AGC/F.W. Dodge Plan Room 1707 W. 8th Avenue Amarillo, Texas 79105 Phone: (806) 374-1924

Sherman County Courthouse 701 N. 3rd, Room 206 Stratford, Texas 79084

Window Contractors upon deposit listed below. Plans for the above of \$25.00 per set of plans. contract(s) are available from Additional copies may be TxDOT's website purchased upon receipt of \$25.00 www.dot.state.tx.us and plans shall be returned to the expense of the contractor. Architect for which a deposit was taken. All deposits shall be refunded in full if plans are returned in good condition to the Architect within ten (10) days after bid opening.

A cashier's check, or acceptable bidder's bond payable to Sherman County, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid submitted must accompany each proposal as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will promptly enter into a contract and execute such bonds as may be

effect for a period of thirty (30) national origin. days from the date of receipt Published i unless sooner returned.

observed by AGC shall be in effect 19, 2002. on this project.

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> No. 2053 In the Estate of Arthur E. Judd, Deceased In the County Court of Sherman County, Texas

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Arthur E. Judd, Deceased, were issued on September, in Cause No. 2053, pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to: Gay Billingsley.

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

c/o Gay Billingsley 329 Capri Arc Las Cruces, NM 88005

DATED the 23 day of September, 2002.

Louis T. Dubuque Attorney for Estate State Bar No.: 06154000 105 W. 7th, PO Box 1085 Dumas, Texas 79029 Telephone: (806) 935-6451 Facsimile: (806) 935-5611

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District: Amarillo

Contract 0041-03-019 for window sills where termite SEAL COAT in HARTLEY damage exists, ceiling removal and County, etc will be opened on October 09, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at

Contract 0904-00-0086 for CRACK POURING in POTTER County, etc will be opened on October 09, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must Pre-qualification submit Two copies of the plans may be information to TxDOT at least 10 obtained from the office of D. days prior to the bid date to be Scott Stark, Architect, 1500 S. eligible to bid on a project. Pre-Tyler, Amarillo, Texas 79101, qualification materials may be 342-9940, by qualified requested from the State Office

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Phone: 806-356-3283 Minimum wage rates are set The Owner reserves the right our in bidding documents and the to waive any informalities or rates will be part of the contract. irregularities or reject any or all TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on A proposal shall remain in the grounds of race, color, sex, or

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> Cheerfulness removes rust from the mind, lubricates our inward machinery, and enables us to do our work with fewer creaks and groans. If people were universally cheerful, probably there would not be half the quarter or a tenth part of the wickedness there is. Cheerfulness, too, promotes health and immortality. Cheerful people live longest here on earth, and afterwards, in our hearts.

Laurene Mills, Hobart, Indiana

The new minister's family was given a large pie baked by one of the congregation who was a rather poor cook. The pie was inedible, so the minister's wife reluctantly threw it into the garbage.

The preacher was faced with the problem of thanking the woman, while at the same time being truthful. After much though he sent the following note:

"Dear Mrs. Jones-Thank you for being so kind and thoughtful: I can assure you that a pie like yours never lasts long at our house!"



The first mailbox was created by Thomas Brown in 1810. Brown later served as governor of Florida.

Stratford Elk Shots!!



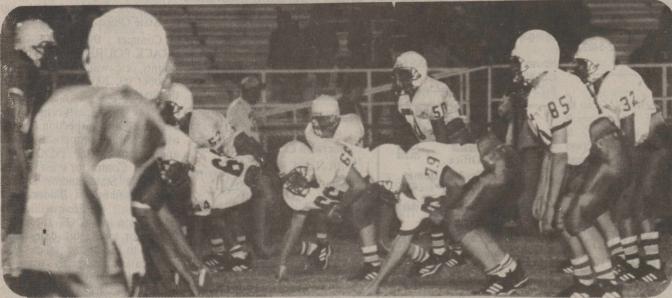
The Stratford Elks lost 46-20 to West Texas on Friday, September 20th.



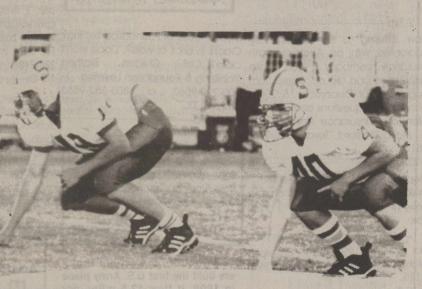
Denton Crabtree gave the pep talk on Friday, September



8th Grade Elk #80 Chad Smith.



The J.V. Elks beat White Deer last Thursday, September 19th. Shown above, #52 Corey Rendon, #64 Manuel Maldonado, #66 Connor Vincent, #79 Brad Reed, #50 Asbel Gomez, #85 Jared Ewers, and #32 Gustavo Rosales.



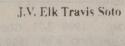
Stratford Elks #19 Denton Crabtree and #40 Chance Crowl.



J.V. Cheerleaders - Bottom (I-r) Chelsea Christian and Chelsi Thiessen. Top, Gina Mattocks, Yadira Ortega, and Allison Baskin.

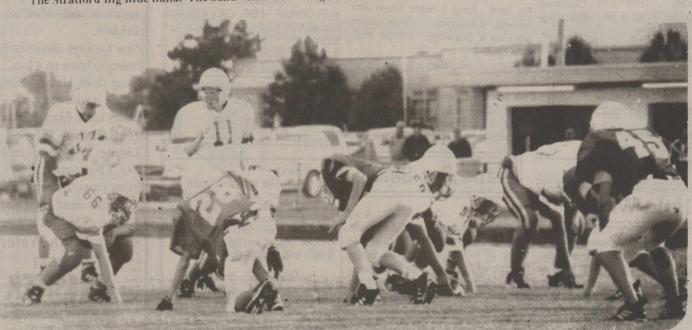


The Stratford Big Blue Band. The band will be marching at contest on October 19th.





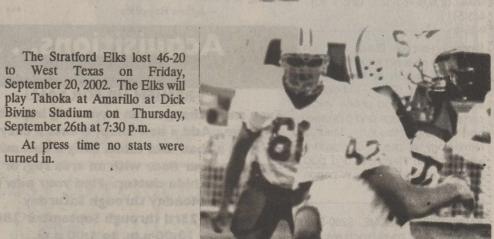
7th Grade Elk #88 Dean Lunz.



8th Grade Elks tied with White Deer 14-14 on Thursday, September 19th. Shown above, #22 Martin Beltran, #66 Harrison Walden, #11 Brant Cummings, #50 Gilbert Reta, and #52 Daniel Nusz.



7th Grade Elks lost to White Deer on Thursday, September 19th. #13 Alex Martinez, #74 Sandro Gomez, #51 James Smith, #67 Pablo Acevedo, and #27 Craig Kautz.



Stratford Elks #66 Clint Adams, and #42 Cass Melton.