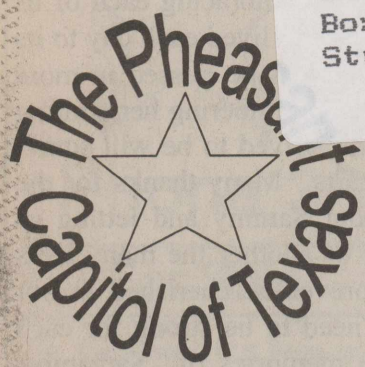


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Walter Spurlock exhibited the Grand Champion Swine – Buyer John and Laurie Ewers.



Matt Correll exhibited the Grand Champion Goat – buyer Bill Osborn.



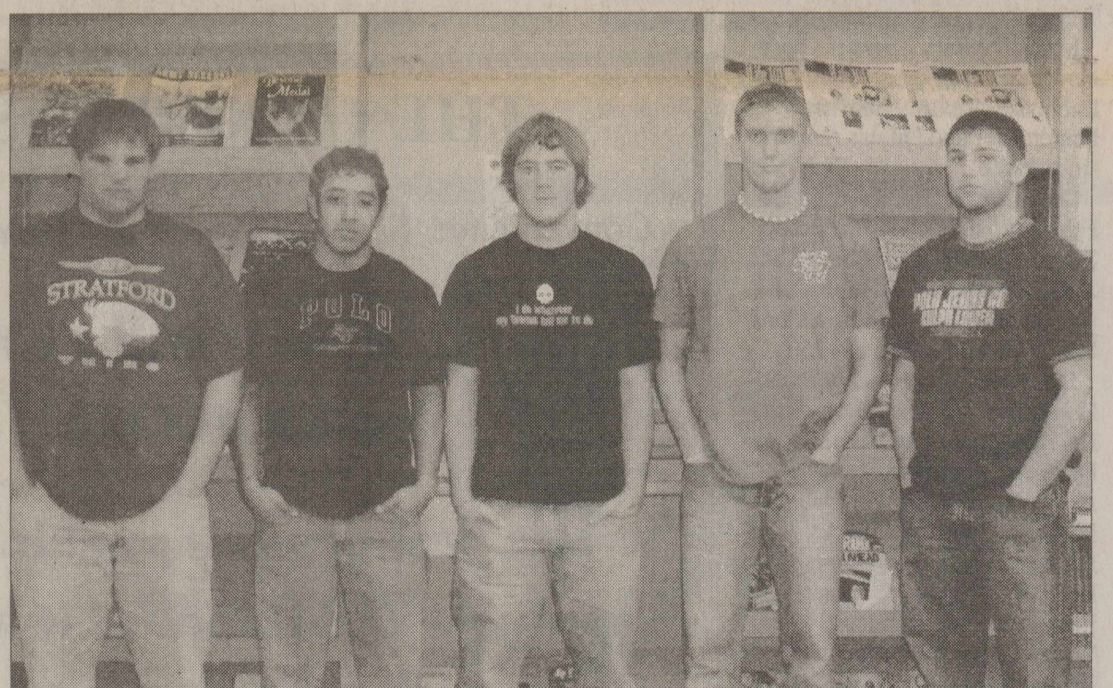
Chelsea Christian exhibited the Grand Champion Lamb – buyer First State Bank of Stratford.

## Sherman County

## Livestock Show



Clayton Johnson exhibited the Grand Champion Steer and buyer was 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Texhoma.



### TSWA-All State Football

TSWA All-State Football. L-R: Mark Miller – 1<sup>st</sup> Team Offense – Tackle and 1<sup>st</sup> Team Defense – Def. Line; Tony Ruiz – 3<sup>rd</sup> Team Offense – Running Back; Ryan McDaniel – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Defense – Linebacker; Tyler Haynes – 1<sup>st</sup> Team Offense – Receiver; Josh King – 1<sup>st</sup> Team Offense – Quarterback.

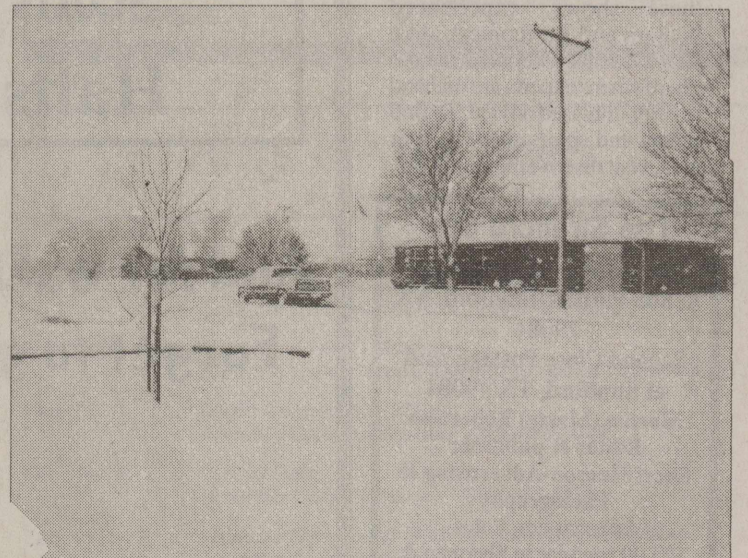
### Texhoma School Board Election

The Texhoma Texas Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on Saturday May 7, 2005. The first day to apply for a place on the ballot is Monday, February 5, 2005 and will continue through March 7, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 5<sup>th</sup> and Denver Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. School will be closed on February 14, 2005 for vacation. Information concerning applications during this time will be posted on the window at the school.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 20, 2005 and continue through May 3, 2005. Early voting will be conducted at the Superintendent's office from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Board members whose term will expire are Vicki Freeman and Cody Cartwright. Holdover members are Jay Blume, Christina Smith, and Jay Murphy.

### Beat Sunray



### Stratford Receives Snow

Stratford reported 5 inches of snow falling on Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.

### School Board Election-May 7th

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 7, 2005. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may do so from February 5 through March 7, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 503 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, from 7:8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

School will be closed for Spring Break march 10 through 15, 2005, and candidate applications may be filed at The Sherman County Public Library with Sandy Baskin. Hours are as follows: Monday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Friday-Closed, Saturday 9 a.m.-12p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Wednesday, April 29, 2005 and continue through May 3, 2005. Early voting will be conducted in the Administrative Office Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Board members whose term will expire are Ricky Reed and Joe Reinart. Holdover members are Gared McBryde, Patti Vincent, Brent Spurlock, Steve Hays and DeWain Traylor.

### Good Luck Elks & Lady Elks

### Manor Friends To Meet

Manor Friends will meet at Coldwater Manor on Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

### Stratford Youth Basketball

It's time once again for Stratford Youth Basketball. The program is open to any 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade boy or girl. Entry forms have been sent home and are also available at the Principal's offices. Entry forms will be due on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> by 4:00 PM. Forms can be turned into the principal's office or to Dinah Horsford at the superintendent's office.

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!!

Sign up form on page 4

### Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays

Cowboy Church will meet every Wednesday at the County Barn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcomed to attend

### Card Shower for Irene Wakefield

There is a card shower for Irene Wakefield who will soon be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday! Send cards to: Irene Wakefield C/O Kim Clayton 4225 Hampton Dr. Valdosta, GA 31605 Happy Birthday-Irene

### Trees to be Available at SWCD

REMINDER: If you are interested in windbreak/landscape trees, call the Sherman County SWCD at 396-5517 ext. 3 as soon as possible. Orders must be placed by the first week in March.



## Depot Museum Needs Tractors

Sherman County Depot Museum will be displaying Tractors this spring. If you have tractors of any size that you would like to display please contact the Museum at 396-2582 or Ann Wells at 396-2527. Thanks from the Depot Museum Board.

## Date Set for Story Time at Library

The Sherman County Public Library will offer a shortened Spring Session of "Story Time" beginning Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> followed with February 28, March 7, and March 21. Story Time will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. and end at 10:15 a.m. Programs are open to all children of Sherman County ages 3-5. Pre-enrollment is encouraged to allow for the purchase of adequate supplies. For more information, please contact Sandy Baskin at 266-2200.

## Beauty

(NU) - Over time, restorative dentistry, such as crowns and bridges, may become dull, discolored and worn, resulting in a less-than-dazzling smile. When this happens, dentists usually replace the old crowns and bridgework, a process that can be inconvenient and uncomfortable. Is there a viable alternative? Yes, thanks to the development of Lumineers by Cerinate. Lumineers are revolutionary new "smile enhancers" that use contact-lens thin, patented Cerinate porcelain to hide unsightly dental work. For more information or for a dentist referral, call (800) 972-1236 or visit [www.cerinate.com](http://www.cerinate.com).

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You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty.  
—Mahatma Gandhi  
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# Chamber News

By Patty Tims

## HELLO AGAIN

The Chamber of Commerce would like to thank these businesses and families for renewing their memberships: Bobby Edmond Horse Sales, LTD., E.R. & Joan Bell, A.E. Pronger, Western Organics, Duncan & Boyd, XIT Communications, Doshier, Pickens, & Francis, P.C., Stratford Grain, Don Riffe Farms, and T & L Irrigation

Without the support of these families and businesses, the Chamber of Commerce would not be able to serve the community of Stratford. Once again, thanks to all of you.

If you would like to become a member of the Chamber, please come by the office, Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, or call 366-2270. Help us make a difference.

## SMALL BUSINESSES

Stratford is full of small businesses that are owned by local people. I recently received a letter from a small business owner. In this letter it indicated that 85% to 90% of the business they receive is from out of town.

The message I am receiving from this letter is that we need to support our local businesses. Everyone is trying to get along and make a living, but we could be supporting our local businesses more. I am guilty of shopping in Dumas or Amarillo if I am there, but I attempt to shop in Stratford as much as possible.

If you need repairs on your vehicle, bodywork, groceries, lumber supplies, household items, gifts, makeup, look here before you leave town. I personally do not want to lose any more businesses. Do you?

If there is a small business in town that would like to be featured in the Chamber News, please contact me at 366-2260, I would love to help in any way I can.

## PICTURE THIS

Since there are so many homes for sale by owners, the Chamber of Commerce will be starting a new bulleting board. We encourage you to take a picture of your home, along with information regarding the square footage, how many bedrooms, bathrooms, and what ever information you would like a prospective buyer to know. The bulletin board will be in the Chamber office and updated as homeowners bring in information. This will be a free service to the general public. Homeowners, please take advantage of this opportunity.

## GRAND OPENING

The General Store will be having their Grand Opening on March 9<sup>th</sup>. The General Store offers weekly specials and any building supplies you could need. Please support this local business and stop by to see for yourself, the improvements that have been made. Make plans to attend the Grand Opening on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Thought for the day

Be grateful for your many blessings

## Beat Sunray

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## To the loving people of Stratford:

Words cannot express how deeply you have touched our hearts. My family and I were overwhelmed by such kindness and love from this small town. I now know why my life should be spent here in Stratford. Thank you so much for the food, cards, gifts & flowers. But most of all for embracing each of us through our tragic loss. Samantha lived each day to its fullest. Our darling daughter will be missed in more ways than we can imagine. Remembering her smiling face and the good person she strived to be will somehow help fill our empty hearts. Many thanks for the touching letters written about Sammy and letting us know that how in one way or another the many lives she touched. They will forever be cherished in our hearts and minds. We all need to be strong for each other and never forget the memories of Samantha. We love you all and are comforted knowing that someone will always be there for us. God Bless this town and the wonderful people that hold it together.

Love,

Kathy, Jim & Chris



Samantha Rae Hart

"Daughter, Sister, Cousin, Niece, & Friend"

## Obits

### Kathleen (K) L. Steffensen

Lubbock-Kathleen L. Steffensen, 59, of Lubbock, died Sunday January 23, 2005 at her residence in Lubbock.

Celebration of Life Services were held at 1 p.m. Thursday, January 27, 2005 at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with Dr. Ken Horn officiating. Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Kathleen Steffensen was born October 25, 1945 in Knox City to Ernest and Genevieve (Johnson) Wilson. K was raised in Petersburg and moved to Lubbock in 1964. She was a salesperson for Cathey Wholesale for 14 years.

She enjoyed being with her children, grandchildren, her pets and friends.

K is preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her sons, Brian Steffensen of Lubbock and Kevin Steffensen of Beaumont, a brother, Oscar Wilson and wife Bobbie of Stratford, Grandchildren, Emily, Cameron and Spencer Steffensen and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Heart Association, 4630 50<sup>th</sup> St., Lubbock, TX 79414 or American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Rd., Lubbock, TX 79424.

### Ludell Meil

Dumas, TX-Ludell Meil, age 76, died Saturday, January 29, 2005 in Stratford, Texas.

Services were held on Tuesday, February 1, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. in St. John's Lutheran Church of Dumas, Texas. Rev. Don Poole, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church of Dumas, Texas officiating. Burial was in Dumas Cemetery in Dumas, Texas.

Mrs. Meil was born November 14, 1928 in Lubbock, Texas. She was a homemaker and Dumas resident since 1959.

She married Homer Meil on February 16, 1949, in Posey, Texas. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She was preceded in death by a son, Homer Dee Meil, Jr., in 1950.

Survivors include her husband Homer Meil of the home; Son-Dwayne Meil and daughter-Denise Spiker, both of Amarillo, Texas; Son-Douglas Meil and wife, Becky of Dumas; Two brothers-Hilton Foerster of Lubbock, Texas and Luther Foerster of New Home, Texas; Slater-Arvie Schultz of Idalou, Texas; Six grandchildren-Wendy, Michael, Mark, Nathan, Charly and Brett; Great grandchildren: Cray, Cutter and Taegan.

Memorials may be made to American Parkinson Disease Association, 1250 Hylan Blvd., Suite 4B, Staten Island, NY, 10305.

### Leisure

(NU) - For boat and outdoor enthusiasts, there's a surefire way to cure the winter blues: boat and sports shows. Each year, the National Marine Manufacturers Association hosts boat shows from coast to coast that are open to the public. At these shows, experienced boaters and newcomers alike find a friendly, relaxed atmosphere where experts are on hand to offer unbiased advice. To find a boat and sports show in your area, visit [discoverboating.com](http://discoverboating.com).

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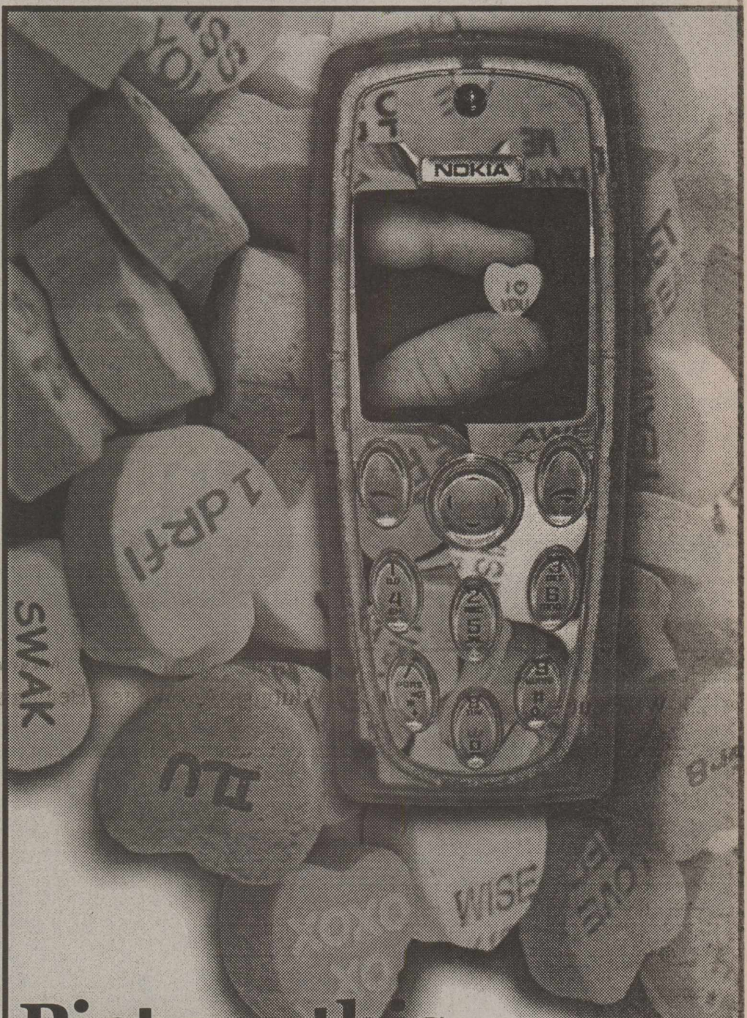
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## Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Chandra Hawkins had two pigs in the Sherman County Stock Show. One placed third and the other fifth.

Nita Mae Taylor will be taking some radiation treatments in Amarillo the next few weeks.

Jo June McDaniel, Marylou McDaniel and Cliff Abbott were among the 25 SCOT members who had dinner at the Chicken House in the Griggs community Saturday night.

Kaiden & Kylee Gillenwaters, Amarillo, spent the weekend with grandparents Bill & Donna.

It was a taffy pulling birthday party in Clarendon Sunday! Annette Hampton shares a birthday with Keegan Callaway, 2 and Caleb Craig, 6. Caleb lives in Plainview. Also there were great-grandparents Don & Martha Ellison of Stratford and Ralph James Hampton.

## New York Times Best Sellers at the Sherman County Public Library

1. The Broker by John Grisham
2. The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown
3. The Five People You Meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom
4. State of Fear by Michael Crichton
7. Nightfall by Nelson DeMille
9. A Salty Piece of Land by Jimmy Buffett
10. London Bridges by James Patterson
11. I Am Charlotte Simmons by Tom Wolfe
12. Black Wind by Clive Cussler
15. The Cat Who Went Bananas by Lillian Jackson Braun
19. Entombed by Linda Fairstein
20. Life Expectancy by Dean Koontz
22. Jonathan Strange and Mr. Norrell by Susanna Clarke
23. Whiteout by Ken Follett
24. Angels and Demons by Dan Brown
30. Song of Susannah by Stephen King
32. Demon Rumm by Sandra Brown
33. Echoes by Danielle Steel
35. The Dark Tower by Stephen King.

## Lions Clubs Help Communities Thrive

(NU) - Do you ever tell yourself, "Someday I'm going to get involved in my community"? Now is your chance. By joining an organization such as Lions Clubs International, you can help people within your community or on the other side of the world.

As a Lions volunteer, you can become involved in projects such as building community playgrounds, assisting in vision screenings at schools, aiding seniors, improving the environment, building homes for the disabled, supporting diabetes education and conducting hearing screenings.

Lions club members are men and women who share a commitment to service and take great pride in making an impact on local and global communities. Investing time in Lions club projects gives members a sense of connectedness to the community and an opportunity to make friends, gain leadership skills and network with others while having fun. Lions also provide opportunities for youth through youth exchange programs, youth camps and Leo clubs.

## Burke Bell Memorial Scholarship Applications Available

The First Ag Credit, FCS-Dalhart Credit Office will award the 19<sup>th</sup> 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) 249-2626 and should be returned to the office at 201 West 5<sup>th</sup> no later than Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

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.

There are no restrictions on the college or university to be attended by the recipient of the field of study to be entered by the recipient.

The award is named in honor of Burke Bell who served as manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart from 1960 to 1982.

Past recipients include: Daniel C. McCann, Kristina S. Altman, Della E. Jenkins, Michia D. Lunt, Gregory L. Pool, Tara J. Porter, Brent D. Shoulders, Justin D. Carthel, Clinton D.

Vincent, Michelle L. Pearce, Randa L. Clayton, Kiki D. Carthel, Kimberly G. Weatherford, Travis S. Zinck, Ross W. Jones, Kamber N. Sherrod, Elizabeth A. Davis, Julie M. Kimball, Hollye N. Callis, Chelsea A. Hand; Thea D. James, Adam J. Ford, Samantha M. Crum, Brett D. Gibson, Katie J. Moore, Whitney A. White, Benjamin D. Moore and Ashlee B. Glock.

## Beat Sunray

## Lions Clubs Help Communities Thrive

From 2002 through 2003, Lions Clubs International's nearly 1.4 million members worldwide volunteered an estimated 65 million hours and donated \$667 million. The organization was founded in 1917 and with 46,000 clubs in 193 countries, it is the world's largest service organization.

Lions Clubs International Foundation, the grant-making arm of Lions Clubs International, has awarded \$342 million to provide food and clothing to victims of earthquakes and hurricanes, give youth the tools to succeed in the classroom, empower the disabled through vocational training, and equip clinics and hospitals with new technology. SightFirst, an aggressive \$143.5 million program, is working to eradicate blindness.

As a Lions club member, you will make a difference in the lives of others. Membership is through invitation by a local Lions club. To learn more, contact your local Lions club. You can find information about local Lions clubs at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

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## Basketball

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade Lady Elks beat White Deer 16-11 on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Chelbye Ellis was high point with 5 points followed by Sunny Russell and Channing Zieman with 4 points each.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lady Elks beat White Deer 37-17 on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Sinead Everett led the Lady Elks with 19 points followed by Stephanie Bell with 8 points.

The J.V. White Lady Elks beat Canadian 31-29 on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Yesenia Ibarra and April Peregrino led the Lady Elks with 8 points each followed by Whitney Garza with 7 points. On January 27 and January 29<sup>th</sup> the J.V. White played in the Canadian Tournament and came away with First Place. In their first game, they beat Borger 45-28. April Peregrino was high point with 16 points followed by LaRissa Luna with 14 points. In their second game, the Lady Elks beat Perryton 54-11. LaRissa Luna led the Lady Elks with 14 points followed by Whitney Garza with 12 points. In their final game, they beat Shamrock 47-21. April Peregrino was high point with 18 points followed by Whitney Garza with 10 points.

The J.V. Lady Elk Blue team beat Vega 47-44 in overtime on January 25. Merilee McDaniel was high point with 14 points followed by Jordan Confer with 11 points. On Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, the Lady Elks beat White Deer 45-40. Jordan Confer led the Lady Elks with 20 points followed by Merilee McDaniel with 9 points.

The Lady Elks beat White Deer 46-39 in overtime on Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup> to remain in first place in District play. Allison Baskin led the Lady Elks with 19 points followed by Shadley Audrain with 8 points.

The Stratford Elks beat Vega 57-49 on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Tyler Haynes led the Elks with 17 points followed by Chris Ortega with 13 points and Josh Lanning with 10 points.

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Sunday School 9:45 am (nursery)  
Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)  
No Sunday Evening Worship Service  
Wed. : Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m.,  
CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.

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Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
Ernie Maiwald  
N. 3rd & Chestnut  
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Morning Worship 10:30 am  
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Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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Late Service 11:00 a.m.  
Growth Groups Nightly 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. - Youth Group Teen Kids 7:00 p.m./Adult Choir 7:00

## The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

**Disciplined Living**

Every athlete knows practice makes perfect. College basketball players, who shoot over 80% from the charity stripe, practice. They shoot the ball hundreds of times to perfect that one shot from that single position. And the practice pays off. The same thing is true in other areas of life. To do well at teaching, for example, you have to practice. The best performance in the classroom might come when a lesson or a course is being taught the third or fourth time. The principle also holds in the spiritual realm. Listen to what the apostle Paul says to followers of Jesus Christ. "Just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification" (or, holiness) (Romans 6:19). Paul is talking about doing something over and over again. He is telling us holy living comes from practice. Of course, you must have the Holy Spirit living in you. But if the Holy Spirit is in you, you will practice living a holy life. Just as practicing sin leads to greater sin, practicing good behavior leads to holiness. But this takes discipline. Just as a basketball player must be disciplined to practice to play the game, so life itself requires discipline and practice. Living a clean life, a life without drugs, without promiscuous sex and without unseemly behavior, takes discipline and practice. Living a Christian lifestyle takes discipline and practice. Overcoming a sin, like using pornography, takes discipline and it takes practice. But with the power of the Holy Spirit present in your life, you can live a disciplined life, which actually leads to holiness.

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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.  
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## Health

(NU) - Germs. We're exposed to them everywhere, every day. Coming down with the common cold, the flu or other infections seems inevitable. While many germs are harmless, others can cause serious infections. Washing your hands is the most important thing you can do to keep from getting sick. To wash your hands effectively, use warm water and a germ-fighting soap like Dial Complete Antibacterial Foaming Hand Wash, found in supermarkets and drugstores nationwide. Rub hands for about 15 seconds, making sure to get underneath fingernails, and rinse well.





## Grand Opening Held

Walt Berry had a Grand Opening-Open House on Wednesday, January 26, 2005. Shown above with Walt-left to right Scott Buckles, John Nye, unknown, Pat Hartman, Elida Gonzales, Leonda Fedric, Marilyn Harkins, unknown, Kenny Jackson, Walt Berry, Kathy Allen, Mary Cross, Dick Bachman, Unknown.



## Showmanship Honors

Showmanship honors at the Sherman County Livestock show were awarded to L/R: Tyler Haynes - Sr. Swine Showmanship; Case Crabtree Senior Steer Showmanship; Jordan Johnson - Jr. Steer Showmanship; Rhyon Burton - Jr. Goat Showmanship; Kyle Horsford - Jr. Swine Showmanship; Trevor Christian - Jr. Lamb Showmanship; Chelsea Christian - Sr. Lamb Showmanship; Craig Kautz - Sr. Goat Showmanship

### Easy Focaccia

1 pouch (16 oz.) Pampered Chef Pantry Pizza Crust & Roll Mix (including yeast packet) (One 16 oz. pkg. hot roll mix can be substituted)  
2 cups very warm water (120°F-130°F)  
2 garlic cloves, pressed  
½ cup (2 oz.) grated fresh Parmesan cheese, divided

In large bowl, combine pizza crust mix and yeast packet. Add water and garlic; whisk for 1 minute or until dough is shiny and smooth (dough will be very soft); set aside.

Lightly brush bottom of Stoneware Bar Pan with olive oil. Grate half of Parmesan cheese over bottom of pan. Pour dough into pan; spread evenly. Sprinkle dough with remaining cheese. Allow to rise, uncovered, in warm place 30-60 minutes or until doubled in size.

Preheat oven to 425°F. Bake 18-20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven to cooling rack; cool at least 20 minutes. Slice into bite-sized cubes using serrated knife. If desired, serve focaccia with assorted dipping oils and sauces. Yield: 24 servings.

February 2005

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## STRATFORD YOUTH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION 2005

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, February 15, 2005 4:00 PM  
Entry Fee : \$15.00  
Grades: 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades

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

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

\*\*Every parent will be asked to help with the clock, book, clean-up, etc. It will be your duty to find a replacement if you are not able to fulfill this obligation. If these jobs are not taken care of, we will not be able to continue with the games.\*\*

Shirt Size(circle one)

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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 Youth 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 Youth Basketball and any of their representatives in case of injury to my child. In the event that my child is injured during a Stratford Youth Basketball Association activity (games or practices) and not being available to be notified, I hereby authorize the Stratford Youth Basketball 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.

If you would like to coach a team please call 366-2219. **A volunteer program must have volunteers to be successful!!**

## Business Directory

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**We Sell Seed & Fuel**  
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Stratford, TX 79084 806-396-2623

**Joe Flores**  
**Farm Bureau Insurance**  
396-5538 office  
396-5389 home

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**Custom Wholesale & Retail Meat**  
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Hwy 287 South 396-2513

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Jesse Resendes  
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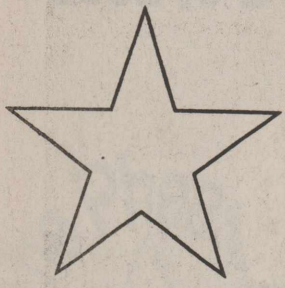
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1-800-753-2792

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## For Sale

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Call or come by Let's Make Arrangements to take care of your Valentine. We WILL be open Feb. 12 & 13th. Find flowers, balloons, candy & plush, as well as food items (Dinner for 2, cookies, cakes, chocolate covered strawberries) from the LMA Tea room. See Ya Soon! Call 366-7673. 2-3-c

Julie's Ion Spa-Valentine Day Special Couples De-Tox 2 for 1. Bring in your valentine today! (Located inside Let's Make Arrangements). Will be closed Feb. 11-Feb. 14. Call for appt. today. 366-7673. 2-3-c

## Help Wanted

Cimarron Feeders needs a full time member to join the Yard Maintenance Dept. Responsibilities will include equipment operation and general feed yard maintenance. Great benefits that include: Medical, Life & Dental insurance as well as 401K, vacation & bonuses. Come fill out an application. Questions? Call: Chad @ 580-543-6383 ext. 500. Must pass physical and drug test. EOE. 2-3-c4x

Presser Wanted: Experienced preferred but will train. The Cleaning Station 366-SOAP 2-3-p

Stratford Family Medical Clinic is in need of a full time nurse. Must be able to draw blood and start IV. Apply at the clinic or call 806-396-5583. Must be able to multitask. 2-3-tfn

Looking for dependable, reliable & loves to work with children. Fulltime/partime position. Must apply in person. No phone calls please. Lollipop Junction 9-30-tfn

## Pet of the Week



The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter needs your old blankets, towels, & rugs for the dogs and puppies. If you have any that you would like to provide them, please contact Linda Reimer at 244-6326 (leave message) or 249-5333. You can also drop them off at the shelter.

The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs and puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes & range in age from 4 weeks on up. The older dogs have been spayed and/or neutered & have their shots. These dogs need a good home.

We are also seeking responsible individuals to provide foster care for the dogs. If you feel you would like to take one or two and care for them for a couple of months, we will provide the food. All of these dogs have had their shots and are looking for lots of love. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 for additional information.

## Services

SANDY'S "ROUN-TUIT" SERVICE Home Repair, Welding, Painting, Odd jobs, Mower Repair. No job too small. "If you can't get around to it," CALL SANDY! 753-7354 or 727-4692 9-16-tfn

I will do little handwork jobs for the elderly at a reasonable cost. Call Dick Bachman 366-7679. 8-19-tfn

If you need errands ran, Help around the house, Or just Odds & Ends, etc. call Bryce Wright at 366-5928 for more information. Leave message. 1-27-c

## For Rent

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Newly remodeled Very spacious, 2 bedroom New appliances Central heating & air-Washer/Dryer hookups Clean, comfortable & convenient Professionally managed SENIOR DISCOUNT Contact Laura Jo Smith 753-6540 after 4:30 p.m. or leave message

FOR RENT...Office space on Main Street for rent. For information call (806)396-5541. 11-27-tfn

For Rent: 2-bedroom house, utility porch, fenced backyard and garage. 396-2125. 1-6-tfn

For Rent: 1 Bedroom furnished apt., 6th & Fulton. Call 396-5541 daytime, 396-5692 at nights. 1-28-tfn

## Beat Sunray

## Lost

Lost: Border collie last week. May have gotten into someone's pickup at Post Office. Has collar and tags with North Texas Wholesale on it. Answers to Maggie. Belongs to James Crawford. Reward-if found call 396-2268. 2-3-c

## Land for Sale

Land for Sale: Section 66 and South 1/2 of Section 67 Block 8, Capital Syndicate sub-division. Dallam County CRP to 9-30-2007. Contact Trust Dept at First State Bank of Stratford 806-396-5521. 10-23-tfn

\*\*\* Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose. —Helen Keller\*\*\*

## Nutrition

(NU) - Half of all Americans surveyed for the "brand new" "Dole Poll" said that no amount of weight loss from a low-carb diet would be worth the potential negative health impact. With such side effects as headaches, fatigue and foul breath being more frequently reported by low-carb dieters than those on conventional regimens, the Dole Poll findings are more evidence that the Atkins bubble has burst, says Jennifer Grossman, the director of the Dole Nutrition Institute. Grossman says that this backlash is already affecting the grocery industry, with less than half as many low-carb products introduced in 2004 than in 2003. More information is available at www.dolenutrition.com.

## Houses For Sale

For Sale: House and furnishings as a package. 1320 sq. ft. living; detached garage; sprinkler system. \$49500.00. Shown by appointment only. Trust Dept. 396-5521. 9-25-tfn

For Sale: 3BR, 1.75 bath home at 603 S. Fulton. 2 living areas, dining room, master bedroom with 2 walk in closets. Lots of closets and storage throughout the house. Large backyard with above ground swimming pool, metal storage shed and covered patio. 2 car garage. Brick and vinyl exterior for maintenance free up keep. Contact Rhonda Browne after 6:30 at 366-7597 or leave message. 12-9-tfn

3 Bdrm Brick, 2 baths on large corner lot. 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Located in Casa Bonita Addition. Call 366-2153 for appointment. 10-21-tfn

For Sale: Our home at 619 S. Pearl. 2572 sq. ft. living area, 3 b, 2 b, fireplace, heated tile floor in den & kitchen, 2 car garage, separate storage garage extra lg. Lot 366-5829 or 753-7775. 4-22-tfn

FOR SALE BY OWNER...Beautiful 4 bedroom home, large sized rooms, 3 full baths, office, large utility room, basement, covered patio, beautifully landscaped backyard. W/deck. This house is located in a GREAT neighborhood!! 202 Kay Ave. Approx. 3800 sq. ft. Call 806-366-2482. 4-22-tfn

PRICE REDUCED 300 N. WALL \$86,000.00 Owners need to sell this really nice home on large lot. This 2 br., 2 bath home, office, could be 3rd bedroom. With 2 car garage, sprinkler system and much more could be yours for nothing down. Sellers willing to pay some or all the down payment and closing cost, for a qualified buyer. This is a great deal! For more info. Call 806-570-5716 or 806-655-2560 ask for Toni. 11-25-tfn

## Cards of Thanks

Saying thanks seems so little after all Stratford has done for our family. Thank you for all your prayers. We give a very special thank you to all the kids that were there for Cody. May God bless each and every one of you. Tom & Dixie Ewers

Sherman County 4-H would like to extend appreciation to everyone who supported the concession during the County Livestock Show and Sale. Thanks to Connie Burton, Cindy Russell, and Belinda Hamilton for coordinating the concession. Thanks is also extended to all members and parents who donated food and worked the activity. Thanks to Thriftway, Brown's Meat Locker, Amarillo Coca Cola, Allsup's, Kountry Donuts, United, Miller Paper Company, Stratford High School Student Council and Dairy Queen for their donations to this successful fund raiser.

\*\*\* To be stupid, selfish, and have good health are three requirements for happiness, though if stupidity is lacking, all is lost. —Gustave Flaubert\*\*\*

Ad Rem Land Co. 803 S Bliss Dumas, TX 79029 806-935-7364



Stratford Agent:

Raymond Wiley 806-676-7457 806-744-5270

2-bedroom 2-bath home with recent updates, new floors, carpet, and paint. 33,000

3 bedrooms 1.75 bath, Large master suit with walk-in shower, workshop with double garage and C/H&A. 95,000

3 bedroom 1.75 bath. This home has a new sewer line and has had carpet professionally cleaned. Move up to this beautiful house. Possible lease before purchase 89,900

2 bedroom 1.75 bath home with style. Large living and dining areas, hardwood floors and updated bathrooms. 78,900

Very cute 1 bedroom .75 bath home that would make a great rental property. 15,000

2 bedroom 1 bath home, this would make a great starter home. 25,000

Nice 3 bedroom 2 bath home with a 1 car detached garage and a shop in the backyard. 50,000

This 3 bedroom 2 bath home is located in a prime location in a quite neighbor-hood and close to schools. 125,000

This 4 bedroom 1.5 bath home is a very nice corner lot with a great fence. C/H&A, sewer lines, and gas line all recently replaced. 60,000

For Sale by Owner: 4/2/3 home on corner lot. Custom built in 1995. New carpet, 20 x 20 finished basement, fireplace, ceramic tile in entry, utility, dining and kitchen, sprinkler system, open floor plan, approx. 3200 total sq. ft. Call 806-366-2303 evenings or leave a message. 11-4-tfn

For Sale 604 S. Pearl 3/1.75/2 1950 sq. ft. w/2 living areas, new C/H&A and tile. Large covered patio, workshop and shed. 366-3288 evenings or leave message. 1-27-tfn

## Parenting

(NU) - Your child has outgrown the crib and is ready for a new bed. But what type of bed should you buy and how will your child adjust to it? To help children and parents with the transition, American Innerspring Manufacturers, a national non-profit group dedicated to spreading information about sleep, has underwritten a printing of "Sleepy Creepy," a bedtime book geared toward toddlers who are leaving their cribs for "big-kid beds." To request a free copy, visit www.aiminfo.org or call (800) TUCK-ME-IN.

## Health

(NU) - Out of the hundreds of procedures he performs each year, the last thing hair-transplant surgeon Dr. Robert Dorin expected to do was perform surgery on his father. Robert M. Dorin Sr. had been losing his hair for many years, but few people knew how much it bothered him. Then one day, the elder Dorin mentioned to his son that he was considering treatment. Dorin decided to surprise his father by scheduling a hair transplant procedure for him as a birthday gift. The procedure took about seven hours. After three weeks, there were no tell-tale signs of the hair transplant. To learn more about hair-restoration surgery, visit www.truedorin.com.

## Legal Notices

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary in the Estate of Levi M. Worley, Deceased, were issued on December 6, 2004, in Cause No. 2088, pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to: Mary Joyce Reese. 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 laws.

Mary Joyce Reese  
Box 1164  
Stratford, Texas 79084

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

DATED the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 2005.

Hunter & Oelke, P.C.  
By Kimberly L. Allen  
Attorney for the Estate  
State Bar No.: 12199270

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Crop Production Clinic To Be Held

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual Crop Production Clinic will be held at the Oklahoma State University, Panhandle Research and Extension Center on Thursday, March 10, 2005 at Goodwell, OK. The clinic will begin with registration at 8:00 a.m.

Topics and speakers will include: Utilizing Mesonet in Crop Production, Al Sutherland, OSU; N Rich Strips, Roger Gribble and Rick Kochenower, OSU; Use of Animal Waste in Crop Production, Jeff Hattey, PhD, OSU; Sunflower Pest Control, Tom Royer, PhD, OSU; Field Bindweed Control, Curtis Bensch, PhD, OSU; Effect of Animal Waste on Soil Chemical Processes, Clem Turner, OSU.

There are 6 total C.E.U.'s for certified crop advisors approved for the clinic, including 1.0 Nutrient Mgt., 3.0 Soil & Water Mgt., and 2.0 Pest Mgt.

Kim's Ribs providing for those attending meetings. Please RSVP by March 4<sup>th</sup> to (580) 349-5440.

\*\*\* Be sure that it is not you that is mortal, but only your body. For that man whom your outward form reveals is not yourself, the spirit is the true self, not that physical figure which can be pointed out by your finger. —Cicero\*\*\*

## You're invited to



Join in the celebration of the future of agriculture and its people at this year's John Deere Day. Stop in and take a look at the latest in agricultural equipment and technology. Get to know our friendly parts and service staff, or just chat with your neighbors... they'll all be there. Don't miss this year's John Deere Day!

Date: February 4, 2005

Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. -Lunch Served 12:00 p.m.

Location: 1108 NE 12th J.D. Dealership



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1108 NE 12th  
Guymon, OK

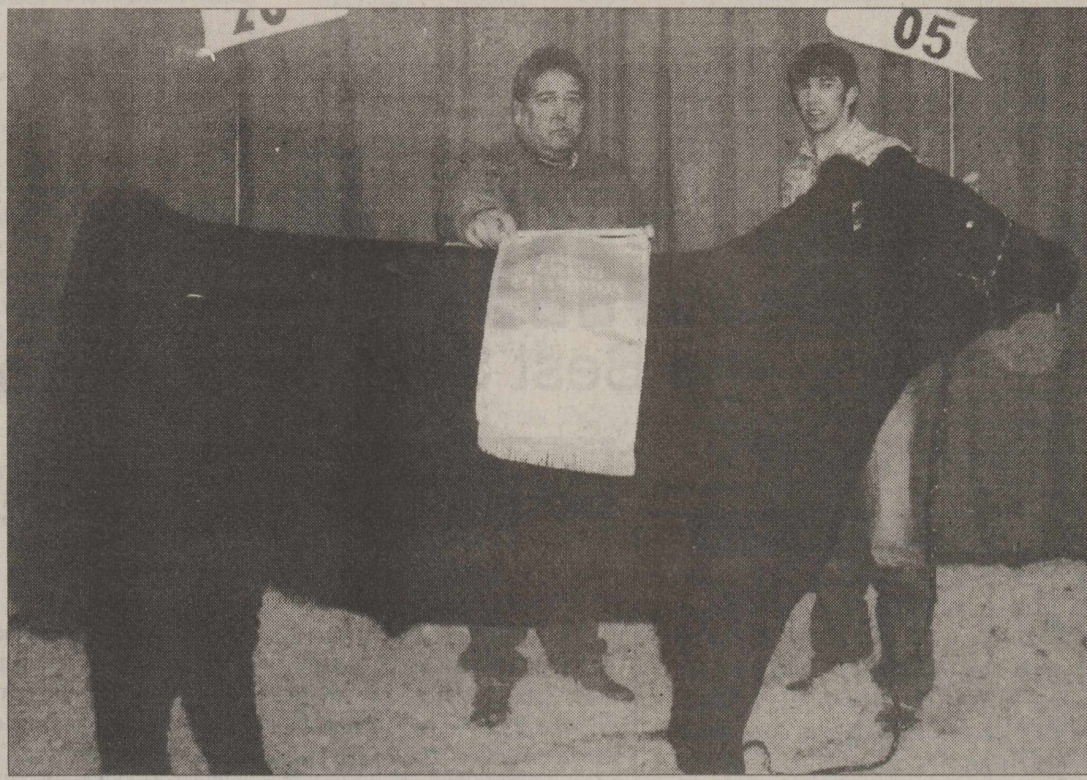
## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

- Feb. 5 "Lift Every Voice Concert" Amarillo Opera Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-7464
- Feb.10-27 "Sweeney Todd" Musical Amarillo Little Theatre Adventure Space 806-355-9991
- Feb. 10 David Copperfield Magic Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Feb. 10-12 Circus Gatti Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
- Feb. 19 Amarillo Symphony "POPS" John Bayless piano Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-8782
- Feb. 24 Chamber Music Amarillo Family support Services Loft Space 806-236-3645
- Feb. 24 MercyMe, Jeremy Camp, Monk & Neagle and the Afters Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
- Feb. 25 Chamber Music Amarillo "Polk Street Jazz" Family Support Loft Space 1001 Polk
- Feb. 25-27 "The Miracle Worker" AC Youth Theatre Amarillo College Ordway Auditorium 806-371-6363



# 2005 Stock Show



Case Crabtree exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Steer – buyer Panhandle Implement – Guymon, OK.



Reserve Grand Champion Heifer was exhibited by Calli Hamilton – buyer Texhoma Wheat Growers.



Shown at left-Ransom Lermon exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Goat-buyer Murphy Farms.



Shown at right-Chelsea Christian who exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Swine. Chelsea also had the Reserve Grand Champion Lamb.

Prices Effective thru Feb. 2-6, 2005



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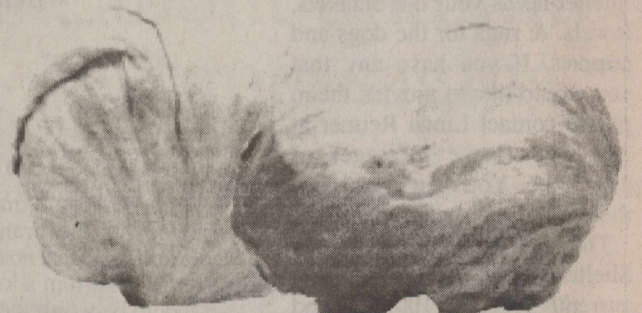
Ground Beef  
SUPER  
Family Pack  
73% Lean

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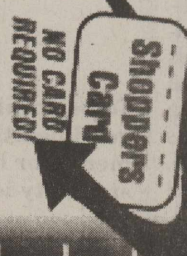
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for



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