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## Pronger Family

The Pronger Family about 1927. Can you name all the Prongers in this family picture? The Pronger Exhibit will be at the Depot Museum until September 29<sup>th</sup>. Come by to see it.

### The Imagination Station News

Gaynelle Riffe

The "Whale of a Sale" was successful and will help keep the utilities on for at least 5 months (depending on gas prices). The Imagination Station was full of wonderful things thanks to those who shared their extras. The items that did not sell will be shared with Lollipop Day Care, missions, Safe Place, Salvation Army and Goodwill. (The Imagination Station benefited also).

Next! Watch for the "Haunted Treasure Island" Thursday, October 27; An Exhibit on the "43 Presidents of the United States" in November and the Christmas Parade Stew Supper November 30.

Do remember the Computer Lab is open to the Public, 4 days a week. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday and is available for classes.

### Pantry Meeting Sept. 22

Pantry Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 22 at XIT Building at 7 p.m.

**SCOT HALL  
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PROGRAM  
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MARTHA MITTS &  
SHERRY PHELPS  
SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> AT  
2:00 P.M.**

### Notice

Effective October 1st, the Sherman County Public Library will increase fines from a \$2.00 maximum to \$5.00 on all materials.

**PRAISE SERVICE  
7:30 P.M.  
Each Wednesday  
County Barn**

## Good Luck Stratford Elks Beat Tulia Beat Sunray

### Seventh Grade Students Qualify for the Duke University Talent Identification Program

Ten Stratford Junior High School students have met the qualification criteria for the Duke University Talent Identification Program, or the TIP program. This program is the largest of its kind in the nation and selects students from over 6,150 junior high and middle schools in the 16 state region. Students are identified based on their TAKS scores from the previous two years. After being identified, candidates are invited to complete the SAT or ACT college entrance exams. In addition to the testing experience, students will receive several publications as well as a certificate of merit for

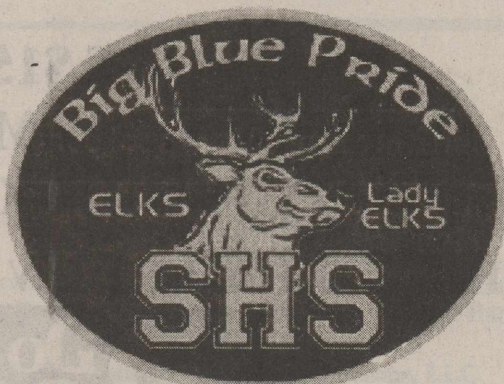
participating in the TIP program. The goal of the TIP program is to motivate, enrich, and academically challenge some of our community's brightest young people.

Qualifying for the Duke TIP program this year are Catheryn Arisano, daughter of Chase and Carla Griffin; Christopher Hart, son of Jon Hart and Kathy Hart; Kyle Horsford, son of Lance and Dinah Horsford; Michael Ortega, son of Maria Ortega; Tyler Wright, son of Greg and Marsha Wright; Heidi Brooks, daughter of Ron and Margaret Brooks; Krystal Brown, daughter of Jason and Laura Brown; Lindsy Confer,

daughter of Blake and Tiffany Confer; Matthew Correll, son of Rex and Sherry Sladek, and Tiffany Hughes, daughter of Tim and Donna Hughes.

For information of this or any other programs for the gifted and talented students at Stratford ISD, please contact Jessica Wheeler, Gifted and Talented Coordinator, at 366-3324.

### Prospectus Study Club Fundraiser for Scholarships and Community Projects



### The SHS Chrome Vehicle Emblem

The Prospectus Study Club will be selling SHS Chrome Emblems. These emblems are just like the ones that colleges sell to go on the back of your car or truck. The emblems cost \$20.00 and you can get yours pre-ordered now by contacting Marsha Wright of D'Lynn Reed.....or any Prospectus Study Club Member. These will make great gifts for any student of SHS and will also make a great Christmas Gift.

### Main Street Enhancement Project is on GO!

The Main Street Enhancement Committee hosted TXDOT for lunch and planning, Thursday, September 15, 2005 at The Imagination Station.

Attending from TEXDOT; Amarillo District Office were District Engineer Mark Tomlinson; Enhancement Design Planner, Cheryl Luther and Pat Brinkman, Landscape designer; Dumas Area Office were Randy Hochstein, Area Engineer, Tracy Muno and Corky Newkam; and from Stratford, David Davis. Main Street Committee were Sean Haynes, Clint Seward, and Mary Hardman, David Brown, George Hording, Gayland Vandiver and Gaynelle Riffe.

Discussions were on choices for final plans: relocating water and electric lines on Main Street; lighting; curbs & gutters; drainage; what can stay and what must go; brick/concrete; time line for the project.

At this time the plan is to connect the storm drains on Main Street, west to the Storm system on US 287 at 4th street. The natural surface flow of drainage will still be to the east and the storm drains will take care of the excess standing water, (we won't need to jump the water at the Post Office) The storm drains on US 287 will be upgraded to accommodate the Lanning, Hunter Buckles, and upgrade to 4 lanes on US 287 which will connect the 4 lane divided highway south to the proposed 4 lane divided Highway north to the Oklahoma line.

The Enhancement Committee must have their final plans to TXDOT by November in order for TXDOT to submit the final engineered plans to the State in January. The plans will have to pass judgment from the Texas Historical Commission and the State Transportation Commission.

The Main Street Enhancement Committee is excited to be moving forward after more than three years and also a little apprehensive to the inconvenience to the community of the street and sidewalk under construction. It will be great when it is done and the brick street will last hopefully another 80 years.

### Sherman County 4-H Council Holds Meeting

Sherman Co. 4-H Council met Tuesday, September 13, 2005. Walter Spurlock, Rustin Russell, Kaleb Horsford, Kyle Horsford, Cindy Russell, Cindy Dickenson and Susie Spurlock were present. We discussed ideas for National 4-H Week October 3-8, 2005. We also discussed ideas for a community service project. Our next meeting is November 6, 2005.

## Good Luck Cross Country

### STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION September 13, 2005

The Stratford ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, September 13th in the High School library.

President Joe Reinart established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Board members present: Joe Reinart Steve Hays Barney Willborn  
Gared McBryde DeWain Traylor  
Brent Spurlock Patti Vincent  
Tim Gilliland,  
Superintendent

Guests present were Lynette Stratford, David Davis. Main Street Committee were Sean Haynes, Clint Seward, and Mary Pat Williams.

Mrs., Williams led the invocation.

Mr. Gilliland gave the district monthly recognition. It was as follows: Gallic Hamilton and Rustin Russell received the Gold Star Award at the Sherman County 4-H Achievement Banquet. They will also receive a \$1000.00 scholarship. This is the highest achievement award at 4-H'er can receive. Congratulations to both of these students.

Steven Rueda was named the 1A-2A player of the week for the 1st week of the football season by the Amarillo Globe News. He was also received honorable mention at the Amarillo National Bank. Josh Lanning, Hunter Buckles, and Brady Bell received honorable mention by the Amarillo Globe News. Congratulations to these Elk football players.

Yadira Ortega placed 7th out of 107 runners in the 1A-3A division at the Amarillo Cross Country Meet. The girl's team placed 4th overall. Congratulations to these runners.

Mrs. Williams gave the elementary report. The Elementary / Junior High UIL Academic meet will be on November 18 at Frank Phillips College in Borger. The 3rd grade students will help deliver Meals on Wheels next week.

Mr. Seward gave the Junior High report. He reported an enrollment of 170. He reported on the 7th and 8th grade football and cross country teams. He reported that about 75 parents attended to the Back to School night on Monday, September 12. The Junior High will attend a drug awareness assembly on Wednesday. The Junior High students are participating in some on-line testing for math and reading. Additional science and social studies materials have been ordered to help students prepare for the TEKS. The 8th graders are selling magazines.

Mr. Haynes gave the High School report. He commended the custodial staff for the clean facilities at the High School. The junior class is selling magazines. Tuesday, September 20th will be "Constitution Day" at the high school. The high school staff continues to have their departmental meetings. He reported 72 parents at the Back to School night. The 9th and 10th graders have completed English benchmarks. Seven new computers have been ordered for the science department. High school enrollment is currently at 206.

Mr. Gilliland gave the superintendent's report. The cost per mile for transportation for the month was 400. He then gave the budget summary. Monthly expenditures are at 91.24% and revenue collected at 100.42%. Tax collections are at 96.50%. He then

gave the quarterly investment report. SEE ATTACHMENT

A short recess was taken at 7:35 PM.

At 7:51 PM the board entered into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

At 8:41 PM to board reconvened to open session.

Discussion was held on a new route bus, a freezer for the Mary Alien Elementary cafeteria and mileage reimbursement.

Employees using personal cars for school business will be reimbursed .400 per mile as long as no school vehicle is available. Renovation plans were discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:56 PM.

### Treat'n Troops

Our troops need our thoughts and prayers...and care packages. These items will be packaged and sent to a specific local soldier who will in turn distribute them to troops in his platoon/unit.

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If your organization is interested in providing a particular item, please call Sue Hudson for more information on items that can be donated in bulk.

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The mark of a successful man is one that has spent an entire day on the bank of a river without feeling guilty about it.

—Author Unknown  
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## Senior Car Wash

The Senior Car Wash was held on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. The seniors washed 305 cars. Way to Go!!!!

## "Geriatrics on the Go" coming to Texhoma

Mark your calendar for October 4, 2005 when "Geriatrics on the Go" Mobile Health Fair will be coming to Texhoma.

The mobile health fair will be at the Texhoma Community Center located at 207 N. 2nd Street from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The fair will feature free educational information for seniors, caregivers of the elderly, family members caring for an aging loved one, healthcare professionals working with geriatric clients or students interested in geriatric nursing.

Free health screenings will include glucose, cholesterol screening, and blood pressure checks. Topics to be presented by Amarillo College Nursing Students include: diabetes management, mental health issues and aging, controlling cholesterol, medication management, eating right, exercise for older adults, fall prevention and safety, hypertension/high blood pressure, osteoporosis education, care giving and aging, men and prostate health, women and breast health, and snuff out smoking.

The fair co-sponsors are Texhoma Keenagers and Sherman County Extension Family and Consumer Science program. For more information, contact Susie Spurlock at 366-2122 or Ola Mae Roden at 806-827-7495 or Karen Russell, Amarillo College Division of Nursing at 806-356-3691.

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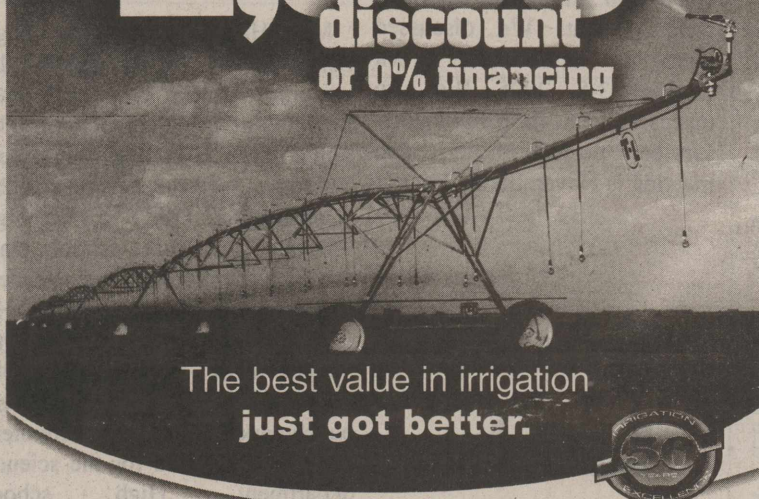
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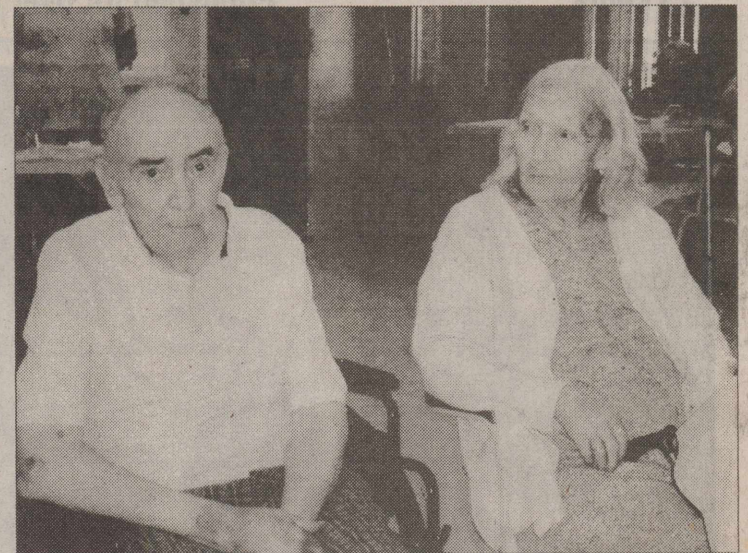
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Shown above is Mrs. Hamilton's music class performing for the Coldwater Manor Birthday party on Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at Coldwater Manor. Birthday honorees for the month of September were Maida Walker, Jerry Freeman, Jane Willey and Betty Barnett. Shown at right are Jerry Freeman Maida Walker.



## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

- Sept. 16-24 Tri-State Fair and Rodeo Amarillo Fair Grounds 806-376-7767
- Sept. 15-Oct. 2 "Aida" Musical Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
- Sept. 24 "Hansel and Gretel" Amarillo Opera Civic Center Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Oct. 4-5 "Peter Pan" Broadway Series Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- Oct. 9 Chamber Music Amarillo Free Concert 2:00 p.m. Amarillo Museum of Art 2200 S. Van Buren
- Oct. 15-16 League of Celtic Nations Amarillo Baxter Bldg. Fairgrounds 806-374-4243
- Oct. 15-16 Canadian's Fall Foliage Festival & Prairie Rivers Musical Canadian, TX 806-323-6234
- Oct. 20 Polk St. Jazz Chamber Music Amarillo Free concert Amarillo Museum of Art 2200 S. Van Buren 6:00 p.m.

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**Kerrick News**

By Marylou McDaniel

Kerrick community will have a supper Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish and a hearty appetite.

The Grice family reunion was Sunday at the community center. Barbara & Terry Schoonover were hosts for the 46 attending.

Sherri Hutchison, Arnold, MO., has been visiting her mother and others. Marylou McDaniel had Saturday night supper with Thelma & Duane Smith and Sherri in Dumas.

Jo June McDaniel and the community says Thank You to the Crabtree family for a donation to the Community center. The Crabtrees had a family reunion in August.

Bill & Pat Boren visited with Kerry, Kelly Carlisle and boys, Kevin & Kole at Abernathy over the weekend.

Nita Mae Taylor's hip is healing nicely according to the doctor. She is with daughter Linda Keener.

Ciccy Harris can tell quite a story about being in Louisiana after the hurricane!

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters hosted a supper & canasta party Saturday night for Frankie & Bud Shields, Rolene Arkon & Jo June McDaniel.



**Maddox & Tooley Exchange Vows**

Erin Elizabeth Maddox of Dallas, Texas and Brett Alan Tooley of Irving, Texas were united in marriage on Saturday, August 6, 2005 at seven o'clock in the evening at Oak View Baptist Church in Irving. Dr. Jim Gerlach officiated. A reception followed at the Irving Heritage Center.

The bride is the daughter of Russell and Dana Maddox of North Richland Hills, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Donna Kendrick and the late Curtis Kendrick of Stratford, and of Benonia Maddox and the late Wayne Maddox of Miami, Texas. The groom is the son of the late Larry and Mary Tooley of Irving. He is the grandson of Deane Tooley and the late Harley Tooley of Monrovia, California and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mize.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a champagne colored ball gown. The gown featured a strapless neckline and fitted bodice with a dropped waist leading to a full skirt with a sweep train. The entire bodice was encrusted with crystals and beads along with intricate embroidery. She carried a bouquet of pale pink bouvardia and roses.

Matron of honor was Amanda Myers of Euless, Texas. Bridesmaids were Lacy Moses of Mineral Wells, Texas, Elisabeth Burnham of Suffolk, Virginia, and Shannon Hassell of Keller, Texas.

The bride's two young cousins, Dana Kendrick of Bellevue, Washington, and Jeanine Quast of Fort Worth were the flower girls. House party included Alida Barnes, Gwen Martinez, Jennifer Savage, and Sherri Fehr. Best man was Brian Tooley, brother of the groom, of North Richland Hills. Groomsmen were Kevin Vinson of Irving, Brian Savage of McKinney, Texas, and Andrew Maddox, brother of the bride, of Houston. Dominic Raymond, nephew of the groom, of W. Hollywood, California, was the ring bearer. Braden Kendrick, cousin of the bride, of Frisco, Texas, was the bell ringer. Ushers were Jeff Hastings, Gary Martinez, Angel Olvera, and Chet Teichman.

Erin is a 2002 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, where she received her bachelor of behavioral science degree in communications. She is employed by Woman's Missionary Union of Texas where she is the graphic designer. Brett is a 2000 graduate of University of Texas at Arlington, where he received his bachelor of business administration degree in marketing. He is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at the University of Dallas. He is employed by Fidelity Investments where he is a service trader.

Following a honeymoon in Hilton Head, South Carolina, the couple now reside in Irving.



**Newcomb Honored**

Carrie Newcomb, bride elect of Jason Nusz was honored with a shower, Saturday, September 17, 2005 in the home of Verlie Norris. Shown above left to right are Jennifer Melton holding Kaytone Melton, Sandy Newcomb, Carrie, and Lorree Nusz.

**Good Luck  
Cross Country Girls**

**New York Times  
Fiction Best Sellers at  
the Sherman County  
Public Library**

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2. The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown
3. The Historian: A Novel by Elizabeth Kostova
4. Point Blank by Catherine Coulter
7. Chill Factor by Sandra Brown
9. Slow Burn by Julie Garwood
10. Without Mercy by Jack Higgins
11. Lifeguard by James Patterson
12. Vanish by Tess Gerritsen
14. The Mermaid Chair by Sue Monk Kidd
15. Sweetwater Creek by Ann Rivers Siddons
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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.

**First United Methodist**  
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Junior High UMY 5:00 pm  
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

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

**Church of Christ**  
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N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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Wed. Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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The Lady Elk Cross Country Team and two from the basketball pack competed at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Amarillo Invitational this past Saturday. Shown standing from left, Allison Baskin and Katelyn Reed who ran with the JV division and are part of the of pack, Mary Lou Maldonado, Perla Rueda, Kristen Crabtree, Whitney Reese and kneeling Lucero Ortega and Yadira Ortega. See story in this edition. Photo courtesy of Cindy Dickenson.

### LADY ELKS CAPTURE 3RD AT THE 34TH ANNUAL AMARILLO INVITATIONAL

The Lady Elks Cross Country Team traveled to Amarillo this past weekend and ran at Thompson Park for the second time this season. The final result ended up being a team that has showed much improvement over the course of the last four weeks. Sixteen teams in the division II race, (class A through AAA), took the start line at 10:40 Saturday morning and the Stratford girls came away with a hard fought 3rd place finish. The Borger girls finished 1st with 65 points and they were closely followed by Spearman (2nd) with 76 points. The Lady Elks edged district rival Vega for 3rd by outscoring them 128 to 137. Panhandle wound up 5th with 186 points followed by Sunray with 215. Yadira Ortega would be the first runner to cross the line for the Lady Elks and finished 3rd overall with a time of 13:27. Only Becca Rapstine from White Deer and Tara Shields from Spearman would outrun Yadira on this day. Yadira improved her time, that she ran four weeks ago by 7 seconds and looked very strong with her finishing kick. Sophomore, Kristen Crabtree, also finished in the top 10 with her 7th place finish and excellent time of 13:40. This was a 36 second improvement from the Tascosa Meet and Kristen continues to look stronger and stronger each week. Watch out for this young lady as the district meet is just four weeks away. Perla Rueda, one of two freshman girls on the squad, continues to get better each time she races. Perla finished in 31st place running the tough Thompson Park course in a time of 14:36. This was a dramatic improvement over her

57th place finish and 15:11 time she ran several weeks ago. Sophomores Whitney Reese and Lucero Ortega would finish 42nd and 45th running times of 14:51 and 14:54 respectively. Both of these young ladies made mark improvements over their 15:12 and 15:28 times as well. Mary Lou Maldonado ran a 17:05 which would be a 15 second improvement over her 17:20 time she ran a Tascosa. The distance between our #1 runner and #5

runner which is the most important statistic in a cross country race dropped from 1 minute 54 seconds to 1 minute 27 seconds. These young ladies are to be commended on an outstanding effort this past weekend and we wish them the best of luck at the Lubbock Meet this coming Saturday. Allison Baskin and Katelyn Reed, two of our sixteen basketball pack girls, ran this past week in the JV division and did an outstanding job. Allison ran a 14:59, which was good enough for 20th place out of 123 runners and Katelyn ran a time of 23:18. Good job girls and keep up the hard work!

### JUNIOR HIGH LADY ELKS CAPTURE HUGOTON INVITATIONAL TITLE

15 schools, 81 girls and 9 teams took the start line at the Hugoton Invitational this past weekend, and the Stratford Junior High girls were simply the best when all was said and done. Even though there was no official team trophy awarded to the winner in the junior high division, the Lady Elks finished with a low score of 55 points, 32 points better than that scored by Stanton County (87). There was also some outstanding individual performances that contributed to the team score (s) over the mile race that the junior girls ran. 7<sup>th</sup> grader Kelsie Keener finished 2nd overall with an excellent mile time of 6:18. The next two Young Ladies, Erika Duran and Janeth Reyes, finished 7th and 8th respectively by running times of 6:42 and 6:43. Alma Marquez would be the next Lady Elk to finish running the course with a time of 7:01, which was good enough for 16th place. Rubi Rueda was the 5th Lady Elk to cross the line and with a time of 7:12 (22<sup>nd</sup> place). Brianda Chavoya and Beatriz Marquez would round out the top 7 for the Stratford girls by finishing 29th and 34th and running times of 7:23 and 7:30. The Lady Elks would get 7 in before Stanton County got their first 5 in. Here are the remaining names and times for the rest of the Lady Elk Junior High runners: Kristina Woodburn 7:33 (36), Kimberly Ricks 7:40, Jessica Ibarra 7:42, Krystal Brown 7:58, Esmeralda Sauzameda 7:50, Perla Morales 7:57, Berenice Rios 8:16, Morgan Carter 8:26, Catheryn Arisano 10:05.

All these young ladies should be commended for their outstanding effort this past weekend and a big congratulations on their first place team finish. The Stratford girls easily had the best participation once again with their 16 entries in the race. These young ladies will be off next weekend, but will resume their competitive racing on Saturday, October 1st at the Annual Sunray Meet. Good job Lady Elks and keep up the good work!



### ELK TALES By Lynda Hauser

I think my computer is working OK now. We've had a hard time here at school with a virus.

Can you believe it? Friday is the end of the first six weeks! This school year is one-sixth over! That means report cards will be going out next week.

7<sup>th</sup> grade Reading: We will finish *The Summer of the Swans* this week. AR points are due by Friday for this six weeks so students will have some AR time in class.

8<sup>th</sup> grade Technology Applications: We will begin creating book report documents that students prepared for English class using Microsoft Word.

Constitution Day is September 20, and all schools are required to teach about the U.S. Constitution on or about that day.

*See You at the Pole* was held at 7:15 a.m. on Wednesday.

On Thursday, September 22, school pictures will be taken. They will be taken on a green background. When you order the pictures, you will select a background from numerous options. The background you choose will be digitally added to your portrait.

Senior pictures will also be taken that day. The setting fee is \$23.00. This gets your picture in the annual, on the hall panel, and on the replica of the panel in your diploma cover. Blunck's will mail flyers to each senior. This year they have a package that is similar in price to Family Photo and other discount studios.

The 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and JV football teams play Sunray there Thursday. Our Varsity will play

Tulia there on Friday. The Pep Rally Friday will start at 2:30.

Saturday is an ACT date, Borger Speech Tournament, and



## Soccer Time

The Kids are playing soccer on Monday and Tuesday nights at the Ball Field.

Cross Country Meet at Lubbock.

Mrs. Glass's Biology classes are working on a computer project in the computer lab. Her Anatomy classes are looking at tissue samples through the microscopes.

The Family and Consumer Science: Nutrition and Food Technology have been researching in the school library a nutrient of their choice. They have to know how it is used by the body, what foods contain that nutrient, what happens if there is

a deficiency or excess in the body. They will be presenting these as an oral presentation during class this week. Then we will begin learning about the new Food Guide Pyramid and then start doing more cooking labs. The students seem to be really

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## Good Luck Stratford Elks

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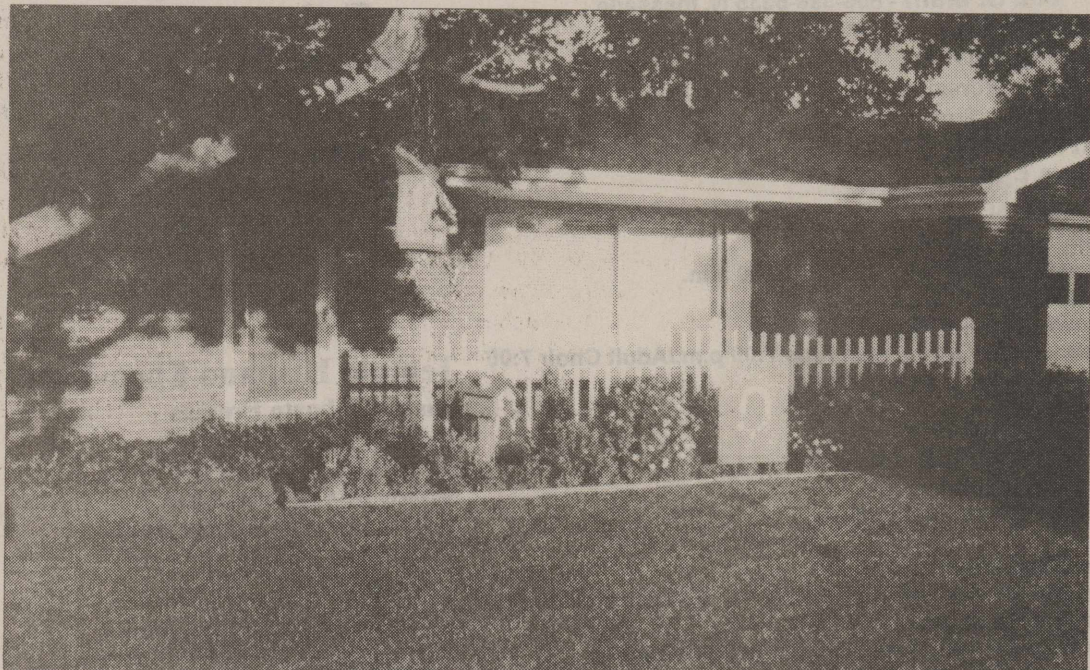
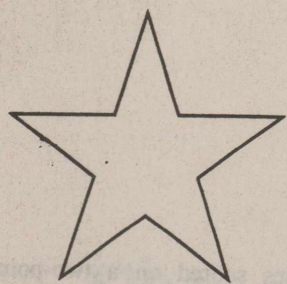


Photo by Dick Bachman

## Yard of the Month

Yard of the Month for September is Larry & Judy Drake at 1205 N. Chestnut.





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## For Sale

For Sale Whirlpool Washer and Dryer, Please call 753-7612 or 396-1144 after 5 p.m. 9-22-c  
For Sale: 1993 Chevy Blazer, low mileage, 4 WD, call 366-5308 or 396-5978. 3-24-tfn  
Used Tire Sale: Duncan Chevrolet-366-5557. 7-28-tfn  
For Sale or Lease-212 N. Poplar-40' x 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585. 4-1-tfn  
For Sale: Registered Lab puppies available Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. Call 396-5906 for more information. 9-15-c

We have a nice hot tub w/cover for sale: It is an indoor/outdoor that seats 5 adults. Seating type-Deep, different-level, bench-type seating plus moto-massage lounge. Dimensions are 6'4" by 7'5" by 29"H and holds 300 gallons of water. It has 5 jets total-1 moto-massage jet and 3-adjustable hydrotherapy jets. It also has a 110 volt, 1.5 kw stainless steel, requires dedicated 20 amp circuit. It weighs 530 lbs dry, 3035 lbs. filled. We have original instructions and papers. You must have truck and trailer to move it yourself; we live 20 miles from Stratford. It has been in our garage unused for 3 years, but still works great; also still have some chemicals for it. \$1500-serious inquiries only!! Call 806-930-5249, 806-769-4482, or 806-753-6215. 10-13-p

For Sale: '69 Combine JD 95 Series w/24 ft. header. Good condition \$4500.00. Call 405-375-3198. 10-6-c

## Help Wanted

Chamber of Commerce Manager  
Skilled in Quick Books Pro  
Computer literate  
MS Word/Excel  
organization skills  
management experience preferred  
resume to P.O. Box 570, Stratford, Texas, 79084  
or call 806-366-2260 for more information  
Deadline for application 10/5/2005  
9-22-c

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**OCHILTREE CO.**-dryland 1/2 in irrigation area  
**STRONG WATER**-with over 300 feet of sat. thickness-all sprinkler irrigated, barbed wire & steel post fences on every circle, steel pens with covered working area with hyd. chute, well suited for corn, wheat, cotton, peanuts, alfalfa or seed milo (good isolation)!  
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day/eve

## LAND FOR SALE

320 acres of crop land with 2 good irrigation wells, Cimarron County, OK, near Griggs. (817) 579-5303. 10-6-p

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. 1 in

## Services

Tree trimming or removal. Call Dusty Stewart for a free bid. 366-7601. 6-9-tfn  
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## For Rent

One bedroom completely furnished house for rent. Call 396-2125. 9-22-tfn

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House for Rent-2 Bdrm at 609 N. Grace. Call 366-2008 for more information. 5-12-tfn

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Lost or Strayed, from 10 miles east of Stratford, 600 lb. Heifer, Blue tag in right ear, purple tag in left ear.  
Brand S on right hip.  
Joe Flores, 396-5538 (work)  
396-5389 (home)  
7-21-c

## Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To report Suspected Child Abuse, call

Kathie Altman-366-5611  
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## Houses for Sale

House for Sale: 802 N. Fulton, Carport, CHVA Heat Pump system. Call 396-2007. 5-12-tfn

For Sale-Nice 3 br. 1.75 bath brick home at 408 N. Fulton. Ready to move into. Updated kitchen and bathrooms. CHVA, attached garage, new attic insulation, large fenced in backyard. Stove, washer, dryer and new built in dishwasher stay. Great neighborhood. \$55,000. Call 366-3111. 3-31-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

For Sale: 305 N. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2 bdrm, laundry room, CHVA, detached garage, storage building, nice location \$20,000. Call 930-0734 or 930-5613. 3-31-tfn

For Sale: 611 N. Chestnut, 3 Bdrm, 1 full bath-2-3/4 bath, CHVA detached garage, Big back yard with storage building, close to school. Call 366-2401. 5-5-tfn

For Sale by Owner. 4/23 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 806-934-3381 evenings or leave a message. 11-4-tfn

Reduced price. Precious brick house. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. New carpet, central heat and air, sprinkler system and huge storage building. 401 S. Pearl Call 366-3678. 6-16-tfn

House for Sale at 1209 Division St. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nice neighborhood. Close to schools. Lg. Storage building in fenced backyard-Attached Garage. For more information call 934-3569 or 922-3569. 7-14-tfn

3 bd, 1 1/4 bath house, central H/A, w/fireplace, single car garage & carport. 601 N. Fulton. Call 753-7605 or 753-6587. 9-15-10-6-4xc

HOUSE FOR SALE: 816 N. Maple-Two story, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, Central H/A, Fireplace, Carport, Fenced backyard with deck. Close to school! \$40,000. Call Brett: 366-7664 or 753-6677. 7-28-tfn

RUN TO THE CELLAR when the storms come your way!! Nice brick home with 3 bedrooms, 1.75 baths, attached 2 car garage, new laminate flooring in kitchen and dining area, central heat and air, storm cellar in backyard, storage shed. REDUCED to \$65,000. Located at 712 N. Wall in Stratford. For appointment call Deana Houlette at Houlette Real Estate in Dumas. 935-2863/922-6863. 6-16-tfn

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

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House for Sale: 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath, 2-living areas, 2 car garage-indoor grill. Roof-1 yr. old, New H/A, Updated kitchen, Storage building, close to schools. Call 806-744-5270. 9-22-tfn

House for Sale: 3 bdrm, 1 1/4 bath, brick, great location by elementary school. Call 366-3485. 1317 N. Division. 9-22-tfn

## Garage Sales

Yard Sale-Sat. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 8 a.m. to? 709 N. Maple, Lots of good Stuff 9-22-c

Garage Sale: Sat. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 313 N. Pearl 9-22-c

Garage Sale: Same location, different family, 1215 N. Division. 9 a.m. till noon. Sat. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. 9-22-c

Garage Sale: 519 N. Chestnut-Sat. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. 9 a.m. to? Furniture, clothes & electronics. 9-22-c

Garage Sale: Sat. Oct. 19 a.m. to? 306 Phillips Drive in Dumas. Lg. garage sale: 60 years of collectibles, antiques and much more. Avon bottles, books, Christmas decorations, hunting, fishing & gardening items. Grass see, bedroom items, furniture, lamps, must see to believe. 9-22-c

Garage Sale-Lots of new craft items, plus much more. Sat. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. 300 N. Wall. 9-22-c

## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF SALE

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005  
Location of sale:  
C&D Body Shop  
814 East Texas Ave.  
Stratford, Texas  
Sale will begin at 10 a.m.  
You do not have to be a Texas resident for this sale.  
The Sherman County Sheriff's office will sell the following vehicles

1991 Chev Pick up  
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Sherman County, Texas

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that Sherman County Commissioners' Court will accept sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) used or new Dump-Truck (2000 or Above) for Precinct #1. Bids should be sealed and have "Bid Request" written on the outside of the envelope. Specifications may be picked up at the Sherman County Judge's Office located in the Sherman County Courthouse, 366-2021 or those interested may contact Steve Pemberton at his residence, (806) 366-5684.

Bids should be mailed to the County Judge at P.O. Box 165, Stratford and will be received up to 11:00 A.M., October 7, 2005, at which time they will be opened and considered. Sherman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Steve Pemberton  
Sherman County Commissioner  
Precinct #1  
Sherman County, Texas

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Shearman County, Texas

The Commissioner Court of Sherman County cordially invites the Public to attend a hearing on the topic of consolidation of Justice of the Peace precincts on the 29th day of September, 2005, at 8:00 am. This meeting will be held in the Sherman County Courthouse, Stratford, Texas 79084.

The Commissioners Court is considering plans for the consolidation of Justice of the Peace precincts. Public comment is sincerely solicited.  
Signed: Terri Beth Carter-Sherman County Judge

LaNOTA DE Condado de VISTA de PUBLICQ Sherman, Tejas

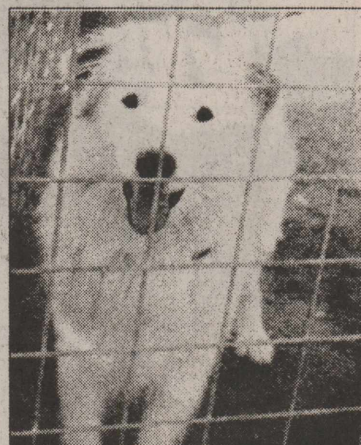
El Tribunal de Miembros de una comision de Condado de Sherman invita cordialmente el Publico a asistir una vista en el tema de consolidación de Justicia de las zonas de la paz en el dia 29 del 2005 de Septiembre, a las 8:00 a.m. de la mafiana, Esta reunion se tendra en el Palacio de justicia de Condado de Sherman, el Stratford, Tejas 79084.

El Tribunal de Miembros de una comision esta acerca de planes para la consolidacion de la Justicia de las zonas de la Paz. El comentario publico se solicita sinceramente.

Firmado: el Juez de Condado de Sherman-Terri Beth Carter

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## 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 thee 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.

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interested about proper nutrition so hopefully they carry this knowledge on into their adult life. The Personal and Family Development class have been learning how to be a good decision maker.

In science, the 4th graders did an experiment to see how much water evaporated out of an apple in a week. The students used a balance and gram weights to measure the mass of the apple at the beginning of the experiment and after one week. Working in groups, the students wrote reports about their experiments using the scientific method.

Fifth and sixth grade math students are starting Number Sense. This is a UIL contest that will be held on November 18 in Borger. It is a contest that requires the students to answer math questions without using paper and pencil to figure it. They will learn many tricks to help them in this ten minute test. In October the sixth grade will be

trying out for the Mathematics team. It is a different contest in which the students have thirty minutes to do 50 problems and they get to work it out and then choose their answer from a multiple-choice list.

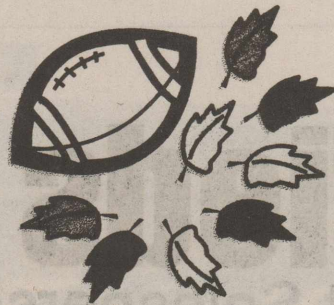
Mrs. Hand's 6th grade reading class has completed the novel Holes. They are completing online research of Old West wanted posters. After this research is complete, each student will create an original wanted poster of "Kissing Kate Barlow" who is a character from Holes.

Mrs. Misti McBryde is trying to get classes scheduled to complete the benchmark tests in the computer lab.

Mr. Seward had visitors at school Monday. His parents and grandmother spent some time touring the school.

Congratulations to the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, JV and Varsity football teams on their wins last week. We have some injuries, but we hope for full recovery soon.





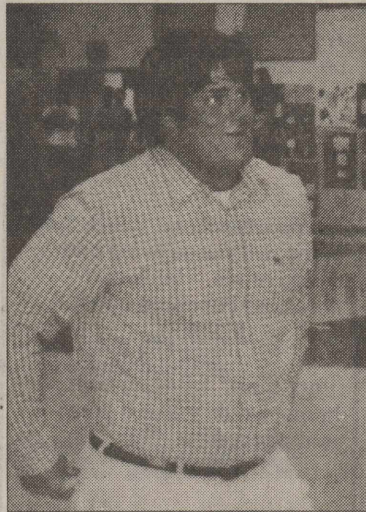
# Football -Elk Style



Stratford Elk #3 Hunter Buckles carries the ball for the Elks.



Stratford Elks #25 Scott Hudson and #86 Kelby Smith.



Brandon Davis gave the pep talk at the pep rally on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Good Luck Elks

The Stratford Elks beat Dalhart 36-7 on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> despite losing three players to injuries. Josh Lanning, Martin Beltran, and Brady Bell were not able to finish the game due to knee injuries.

Josh Lanning completed 4 of 4 passes for 64 yards and Hunter Buckles completed 4 of 10 for 27 yards and one touchdown.

Buckles carried the ball for 124 rushing yards and one touchdown followed by Jeffery Frizzell with 45 yards on 7 carries and one touchdown and Gustavo Rosales carried the ball for 44 yards on 13 carries. Lanning carried the ball for 10 yards on 6 carries and scored two touchdowns for the Elks.

Scott Hudson led in receptions with 33 yards on 2 catches followed by Brady Bell with 17 yards on 1 catch. Kelby Smith also scored for the Elks on a 5 yard pass from Buckles. Scoring one PAT for the Elks was Jonathan Licon and Gustavo

Rosales scored on a two-point conversion run.

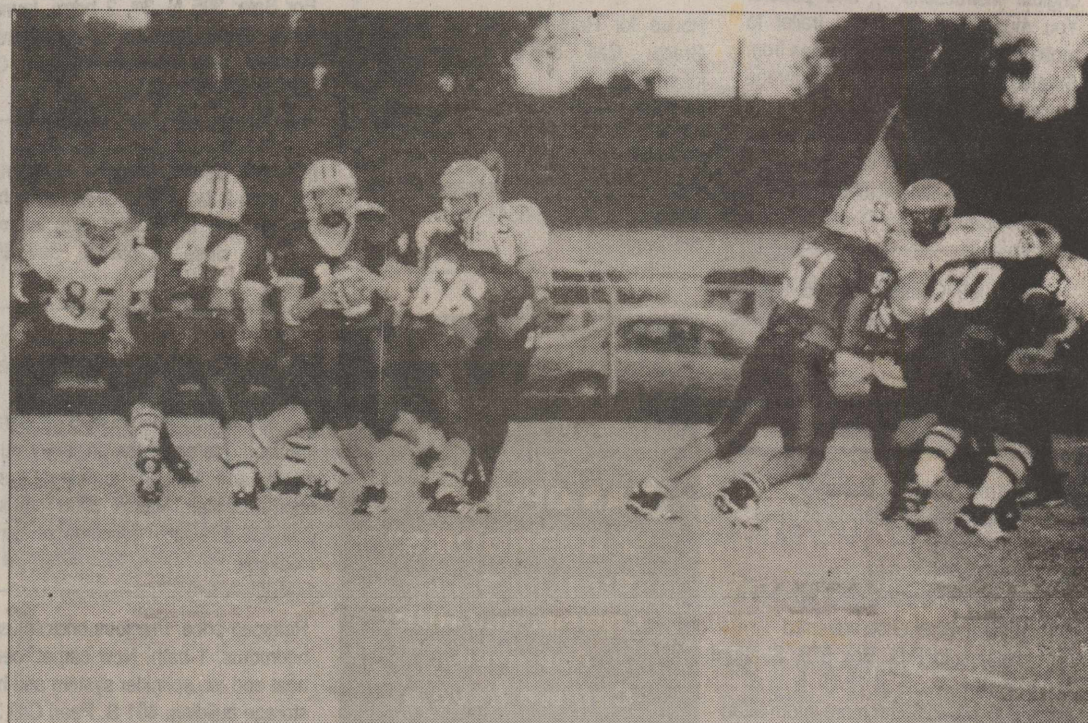
Martin Beltran led the Elks defense with 6 tackles followed by Craig Kautz and Jonathan Licon with 5 tackles each and Gustavo Rosales, Pablo Ibarro, Sandro Gomez, Scott Hudson, and Brant Cummings each had 4 tackles. Martin Beltran, Gustavo Rosales, and Sandro Gomez each had a quarterback sack and interceptions were made by Hunter Buckles, Scott Hudson, Josh Lanning and Case Crabtree. Also helping the Elks defense were Connor Vincent, Brady Bell, Jeffery Frizzell, Kelby Smith, Gilbert Reta, and Rudolfo Portillo.

Players of the Week were Offensive Line - Brandon Davis; Offensive Back - Josh Lanning; Defensive Line - Sandro Gomez; Defensive Back - Hunter Buckles, and Special Team - Jonathan Licon.

The Elks will face Tulia there on Friday, September 23 at 7:30 p.m. Good Luck Elks!



SHS Cheerleaders from left, Mascot Jordan Confer, LaRissa Luna, Kelsey Stein, Merilee McDaniel, Cassi Garza, Haley Buckles, and Allison Baskin.



Quarterback #10 Josh Lanning looks for the pass as #44 Brady Bell, #66 Connor Vincent, #51 Gilbert Reta, and #60 Martin Beltran block Dalhart.

September 3, 2005

Sherman County Emergency Management will be hosting a community meeting October 10, 2005 at the Stratford Fire Station. Volunteers can participate in activities that support first responders, disaster relief groups and community organizations. Please watch the newspaper for date, time and location of the community meeting. Volunteers are needed to coordinate, direct and staff shelters, prepare food, support dispensing centers, medical centers, transportation, heavy equipment operators and registration of victims and record keeping. *There is a job for anyone who is willing to help.*

Churches and community service organizations will be asked to assist with operations such as shelter and food, providing personal items for victims and emotional support. We have included a survey to identify facilities and equipment available in Stratford and Texhoma. Please complete the survey and return to: Sherman County Emergency Management, P.O. Box 45, Stratford, Texas 79084 or call 753-7330 or 366-5330 and someone will pickup form or fax to 366-2168.

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE & FAX #'S: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON(S) \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITY INFORMATION: \_\_\_\_\_

CAPACITY: \_\_\_\_\_

SANITARY FACILITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

SLEEPING FACILITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

FOOD PREPARATION FACILITIES/CAPACITY: \_\_\_\_\_

CAN PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL NEEDS PERSONS: \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSPORTATION (VAN/BUS): \_\_\_\_\_

COUNSELING: \_\_\_\_\_

INDIVIDUALS/BUSINESSES: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL SKILLS AVAILABLE: \_\_\_\_\_

HEAVY EQUIPMENT & OPERATORS: \_\_\_\_\_

4 WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES: \_\_\_\_\_

PORTABLE GENERATORS: \_\_\_\_\_

## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

### PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

### PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

### PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

### PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

### PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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