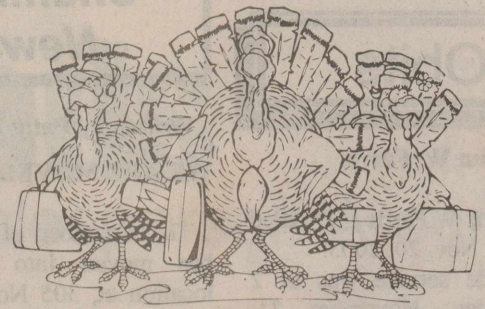


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## 1<sup>ST</sup> Dry load of Milo

First dry load of Milo at Stratford Grain was brought in on October 15, 2003 by Vincent Farms with moisture at 13.1. Shown receiving check for Vincent Farms is Mazie Vincent, daughter of Matt and Lorie Vincent.

## Elks Bring Home the Gold

The Stratford Elks beat Nazareth 41-14 on Friday, November 21, 2003 to win the area trophy. The Elks will advance to the regional play-offs where they will face Crosbyton of Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at Dick Bivins Stadium at 7:30 p.m. CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK!

### Fridays Football Game To Be Broadcast On KDDD (800AM)

The Stratford VS. Crosbyton game will be broadcast on the AM side of KDDD (800 AM) on Friday night, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

### First Baptist Youth Group Takes on Yearlong Project

First Baptist Youth group has taken on a yearlong project to help Faith City Mission in Amarillo, Texas. One item this mission is short of and desperately in need of, are paper bags. Each day they use paper bags to take food to those in need and are now currently having to buy them at \$200 a month. First Baptist Youth would like to begin collecting your bags over the next year to take to this mission. Please call Marsha Wright at 366-2482 or Carolyn Tarver at 396-5810 if you would like for a youth to come pick up your bags. Also, you can begin bringing them to The Allen-Tarver Agency where we will store them for delivery each week. Please spread the word about this worthwhile project.

### Angel Tree Project

Stratford Angel Tree Project will be taking applications once again this year. Please come by the Chamber Office located at 305 N. Main and the SCDC Office located at 301 N. Main on December 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in adopting an angel from our tree, please come by First State Bank located at 302 N. Main. Our Christmas party will be on Thursday evening, on December 18, at the First Assembly of God Church located at 921 N. Fulton. If you have any questions, you can contact Dianthe Downs at First State Bank at 396-5521.

### Stratford Elks Capture Area Title

The Stratford Elks captured the Area Championship on Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> with a 41-14 win over Nazareth. The Elks will advance to the Class 1A Regional round this Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> where they will face Crosbyton at 7:30 p.m. at Dick Bivins Stadium.

Carlos Jacquez led the Elks strong ground attack with 245 rushing yards on 39 carries and two touchdowns followed by Chance Crowl with 79 yards on

November 24, 2003

Dear Patron,

A few changes have taken place for this years' basketball season. We have designated an area for senior citizens/handicapped fans. Seating should be limited to those needing the seating and immediate family members. This will insure space for all those who need it. Parents are asked to supervise their children in the chair back section to make sure all fans in the east stands get to enjoy the game. Students not sitting with their parents are to sit in the student section on the southwest side. Parents also need to understand that if their child is a discipline problem at the game, students will be removed from the gym for one or more games as specified by the administrator. Also new is the "no outside beverages" rule for students. Stratford ISD continues to want to provide the public the safest and best situation to be good hosts to our visiting fans as well as watch our own students compete.

### Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays

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

16 carries and Josh King with 29 yards on 10 carries and two touchdowns.

King also passed the ball for 118 yards on 7 of 10 and two touchdowns.

Jason Ashley finished the night with 98 yards on 5 receptions and two touchdowns followed by Chris Ortega with 17 yards on 2 carries.

Martin Beltran scored three PAT's for the Elks and Carlos Jacquez scored on one two-point conversion.

Mark Miller led the Elks defense with 5 tackles and Brady Bell with 4 tackles. Carson Buckles, Asbel Gomez, Carlos Jacquez, Chris Ortega, and Travis Soto each had 3 tackles. Interceptions were made by Tyler

### 130 Register at SCOT Thanksgiving Dinner

There were 130 who registered at SCOT Thanksgiving Dinner Nov. 20 at County Exhibit Building. Hosts for the annual event were members of GFWC/Prospectus Study Club.

Stratford Grain furnished the turkey with Albert's Manor in Dumas cooking the turkey and making the dressing and gravy.

The entire third grade presented the delightful musical program that included the Turkey Tango.

Club members furnished door prizes. Those present were Marsha Wright, general chairman, and Liz Sanders, Marylou McDaniel, LaVell Haggard, Dorothy Haile, Laurie Spurlock, Mattie Baskin, Shorty Albert, Barbara Chumley, Patti Vincent, Ann Johnson, Pat Hartman, Marty Bain, Michelle Lutes, Betty Brown, Oline Caraway, Mary Woodford Wisdom.

### Send-Off Friday

There will be a send-off for the Stratford Elks on Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. down Main Street. Come and see our Elks off!

Haynes and Jason Ashley and Quarterback sacks were made by Carson Buckles and Brad Reed. Also contributing to the Elks defense were Martin Beltran and Tony Ruiz.

CONGRATULATIONS ELKS! BEAT CROSBYTON!

### Go Elks



Some of the crowd at SCOT Thanksgiving Dinner that was hosted by GFWC/Prospectus Study Club.



Doing the Turkey Tango for SCOT was the third grade. Belinda Hamilton is their instructor.

### Thanksgiving Open House

Candy Gutierrez serves Gary Graham refreshments at First State Bank's Thanksgiving Open House held on Friday, November 21, 2003.

## Obits

Jim W. Farris

Dumas-Jim W. Farris, 77, died Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003.

Graveside service was at 2 p.m. Friday, November 21, 2003 with Wayne Schoonmaker, his brother-in-law, officiating. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Farris was born January 8, 1926, in Jayton. He was a Dumas resident since 1976 and a former longtime resident of Stratford.

He married Bobbie Farris on Oct. 27, 1948, in Sherman County. He worked at Owens Ford for 18 years in parts. He served with the Navy during World War II and was involved in the Philippine Liberation Campaign, the Asiatic Campaign and the Pacific Campaign. He was awarded medals for the above as well as the American Campaign Medal.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Phyllis Melton of Byers, CO; a son, Jim L. Farris of Henderson, NV; three brothers, W.L. Farris of Asher, OK, Raymond Farris of Baton Rouge, LA, and Larry Farris of Enid, OK; two sisters, Elizabeth Holsapple and Emma Schoonmaker, both of Clinton, OK; four grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Memorial Hospice, 224 E. Second St., Dumas, TX 79029; or American Cancer Society, 211 Zauk St., Dumas, TX 79029.

Mozell Brannan Tillery

Mozell Brannan Tillery, 77, died Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003 in Dumas.

Memorial services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark Metzger, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Tillery was born Oct. 27, 1926 in Knox County. She was a lifetime Stratford resident. She married Huber Rex Tillery on Dec. 3, 1945, in Dalhart. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Eastern Star, 99ers Women's Pilot Club, a charter member of Stratford Country Club, and was an avid golfer and rock collector. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Stratford.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1998 and a son, Greg Tillery, in 1996.

Survivors include three sons, Sandy Tillery and wife, Ellen of Stratford, Terry Tillery and wife, Vicky of Dumas and Dexter Tillery and wife, Frances, of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; and 15 great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Stratford Cemetery Fund, in care of the City of Stratford, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, TX 79084.

**Good  
Luck  
Elks**

Patty's Potpourri

## Chamber News

Written by Patty Tims

### WE ARE MOVED IN

The Chamber of Commerce has moved into their new location at 305 North Main. I would like to thank the people who made the move possible, Gaynelle Riffe, John Tims, J.A. Lasley, Gena Ray Whatley, Wayland Brown and the help of Pork and Jason, who work for the city. I would also like to thank Jerry Ewers and A&I parts for the use of their pickup. Without the help of these good folks, the move would have been impossible. Once again, the community pulled together and got the job done. Thank you.

Please come in and take a look around.

### CORRECTION

I was driving home from school the other day and guess who I saw. Claude Fedric standing on the side of the road, with a sign for people to slow down, while the Texas Department of Transportation worked on the highway. When I introduced new members previously, I wrote Claude worked for the City of Stratford. Claude Fedric works for the Texas Department of Transportation. Claude, I apologize for the error.

### THANKSGIVING IS AMONG US

Thanksgiving is not only a holiday we celebrate in the United States, it is also a frame of mind we should carry with us through out the year. We should be thankful for all the blessings God has bestowed upon us and share these feelings with all we come in contact with. Not only will this make us feel better, it will do the same for the people we encounter.

Here are some ways to spread the joy; 1. Go out to Coldwater Manor and spend time with some of the residents, they love to have people come out and visit them. 2. Find out who is homebound then go by and see them, if just for a few minutes, because they get so lonely. 3. If there is anyone you know who won't be having Thanksgiving with their family, invite them to your home. 4. There are some people in town who cannot afford to feed their families. You could send them some food, they would be grateful.

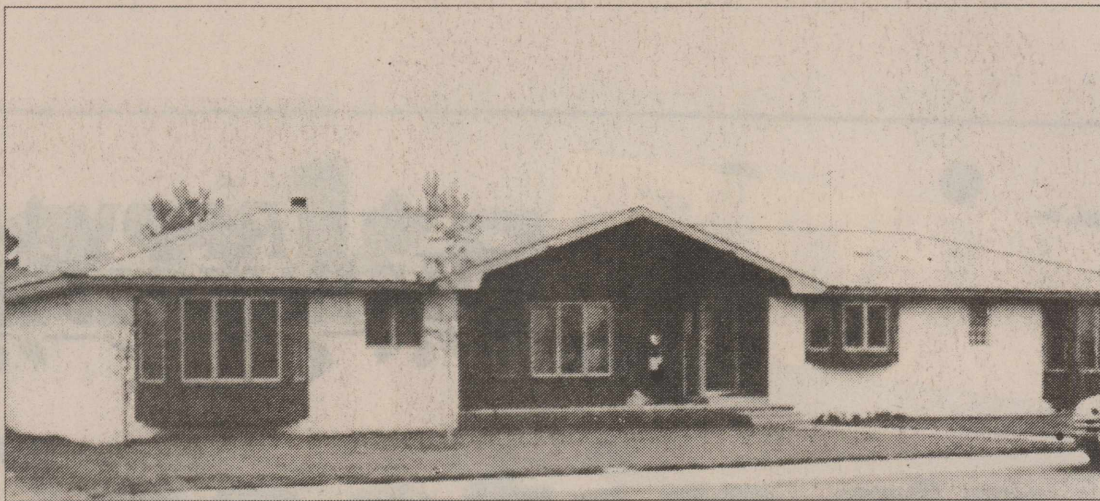
I'm sure those among us don't need these suggestions, because they already spread the joy. I have had it done for me and I have been able to do these things for others. It is very rewarding to see the smiles on the faces of the ones you are able to spend time with and give a hand to. It gave me a warm feeling inside and a sense of peace, knowing that I was able to bring joy to someone else. That is what it is all about, helping others. I see it done everyday in our community.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to wish everyone joy and peace through out this holiday season.

Beat Crosbyton

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### Nu-Beta Parade of Homes to be held

On the tour of homes being held by Nu Beta Sorority is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Brown at 1210 N. Pearl. The tour will take place on Sunday, December 7, 2003.

don't want to leave. In your councils you plan everything as if it were your hometown council. The camp is designed to share ideas with other councils from all other towns in the state of Texas so you will have an outstanding year. Our sponsor Mrs. Russell says, "I never look forward to camp but after we leave I'm glad we came."

### Editors Note

The following articles are written by Mrs. Jennifer Wells Honors English classes, hope you have been enjoying them.

### Student Council By Chelsea Christian

In high school student council is a wonderful activity to be involved in. We are involved in many things people don't even realize we do. StuCo attends a camp in the summer at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. We put together homecoming, we provide meals on Wheels, help teachers before school starts, and we each have secret pals.

When you decide to run for student council you are told you have to attend student council camp, and if you do not attend you will no longer hold a position in the council. During this camp we learn how to work together as a council and learn how to use our imaginations to make every event we put together better every year. The camp lasts a week and they have so many different activities that make you interact with new people. Each of us is split up into councils of about 20 people and you are in there with people you have never met before. At first it is a bit scary but by the end of camp you

took a short amount of time to drop by and see them.

A few days before school we have a potato luncheon for all the teachers elementary through high school, and they are welcome to come eat while they are preparing for the next school year. After we finish the luncheon we help the teachers in anyway they need us. Usually we help them move desks, load new software on the computers, or copy homework assignments. They appreciate our help, and say we help things get done a lot faster. During the same day student council also prepares things for the upcoming year. We plan dates for our meetings, make posters to hang in the halls, and go over previous camp activities and thing of some things to use that we picked up from other towns.

We all know that teachers probably get tired of being in school just as students do, and since we do have to be there we try to make it better for them as they do for us. So while we are at camp we draw for secret pals.

We each draw three teachers, principals, or janitors, and those are the three you try and get gifts for during the year. We try to give gifts once every month, and the gifts vary from something you buy, make, or cook. At the end of the year StuCo has a luncheon and we reveal their secret pal and they give a gift in return for all the gifts they received throughout

### Study Club to meet

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club meets Wednesday, Dec. 3, 4:30 p.m. at the Sherman County Library. Program coordinator is Becky Adams. Jennifer DeAnda will share her memories and present slide show of recent trip to Mexico as part of a Bi-National Education Program.

the year. Teachers, principals, and janitors all seem to enjoy our gifts and show great appreciation.

I am honored that I was elected as junior representative on student council. Even though the year has just begun I am finding that student council is a wonderful experience. We try to do our best to help fellow students and the community. Even though we are not recognized for some of the things we do we still enjoy every moment.

Cisco Fever  
By Tyler Haynes

In Stratford High School and other schools all across the world people are preparing for a career in Internet Networking Technology skills. Cisco Networking Academy is an e-learning program designed to teach a person the networking skills they need to become a CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Administrator) and jumpstart a new life in the world of computer networking. In other words Stratford High School is participating in a worldwide program to teach kids the essentials about networking and prepare them for a possible career choice in this field or in other associated computer technology fields.

Dan Hembree teaches this advanced learning class. You

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**Kerrick News**  
By Marylou McDaniel

Kerrick Thanksgiving Supper was enjoyed by 55 Nov. 21. Tables were decorated with pumpkins, fall leaves, and other Thanksgiving articles.

There was lots of visiting as the bountiful table was enjoyed. Guests included Betty Fry, Texhoma; Mark, Robyn, Dalyn, Lakyn Reust, Buck Weaver, Boise City; Tim, Tisa, Emily, Ellie, Estee Hanrey, Pastor Bea Kilborn and husband, Vaughn, of Keyes; James Elms, Geneva & Joyce Wells.

From Dumas were Duane & Thelma Smith, Eric & Keena McDaniel, Whit, Jean & Rustin McDaniel. Travis McDaniel of Shepard Air Base; Clifford Abbott, Lubbock.

Stratfordites were R.J. & Mary Hill, John, Teri, Nicholas, Shelby McDaniel, Terry & Gail Wells, Lynn Wells.

And Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Bill & Pat Boren, Roy & Ciccy Harris, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Minnie, Ralph James & Annette Hampton, Peggy & Chandra Hawkins, J.D. & Jodi Roberts, Gary Hudgins, Nita Taylor, Jo June McDaniel Dr. Gary Mathews, Marylou & Mike McDaniel. Jo June McDaniel and Betty Fry of Texhoma were in Clayton at Penny & Linda Whitson's to see Danielle Stanford and her baby Penny Jo. They live at Seminole, TX.

Visiting with Marylou & Mike McDaniel over the weekend was Clifford Abbott of Lubbock.

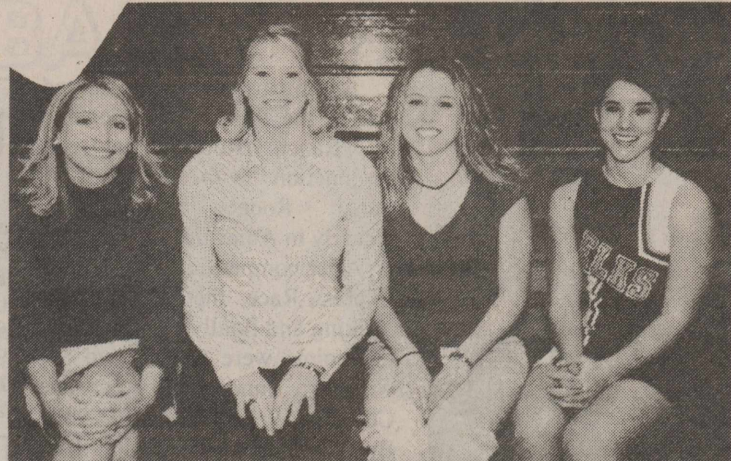
Community sympathy is extended the family of Mozell Tillery. Mozell was Trisha Schoonover's grandmother.

Santa is coming to Kerrick on Friday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m. All children are invited to sing a song, say a poem or such. Of course, that includes any adult willing to perform!

Donna Gillenwaters went to Amarillo for a couple of days last week to take care of four month old Kaiden James and sister Kylee who is four. Their mother Sundry wasn't feeling well. Donna got to go to Kylee's pre-school for Friendship Stew.

The old flu bug knocked Barbara Schoonover down for a few days.

The Secret Pal party is Dec. 11. Pals need to let Donna, Peggy or Nita know if they plan to attend. Pals may bring a guest if they desire, but also must let it be known by Dec. 1. The party will be at The Chicken House.



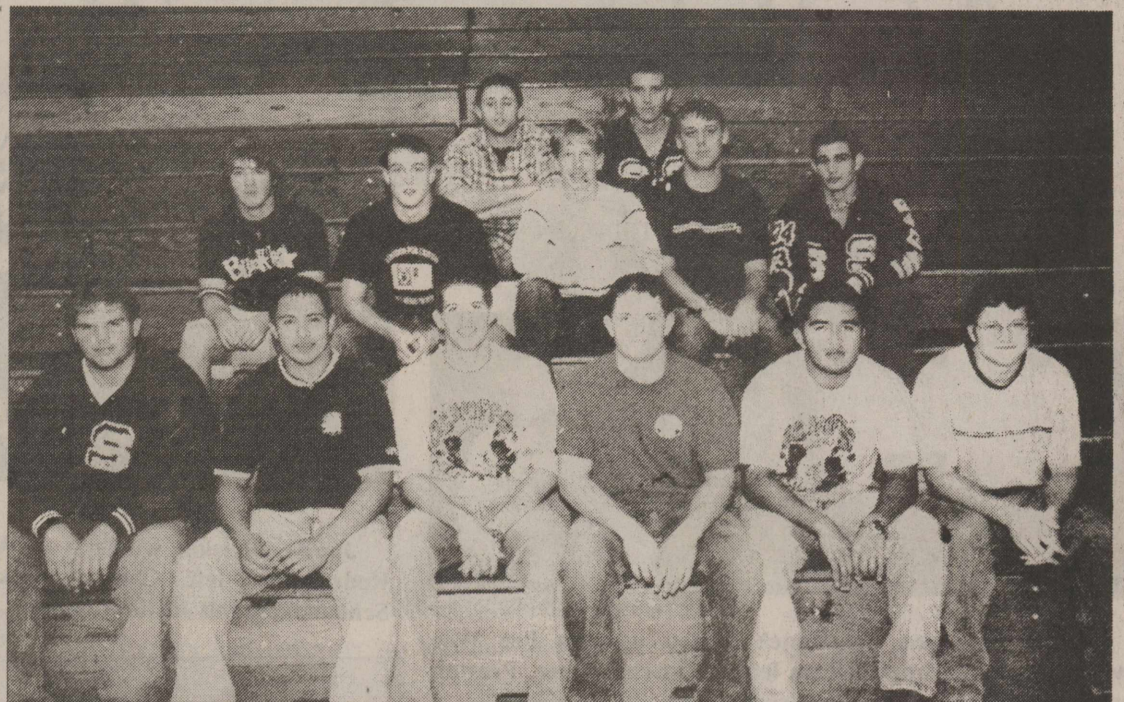
**All-Academic  
Cross-country named**

Named All-Academic Cross Country from left, Brittany Hudson, Erin Ashley, Haley Buckles, and Chelsi Thiessen.



**Kerrick Community Thanksgiving**

Oh Boy, that is serious business selecting what to put on the plate. From left is James Elms, with Mary & RJ Hill and John McDaniel in background and Ted Irlbeck. Kerrick Community Thanksgiving Nov. 21.

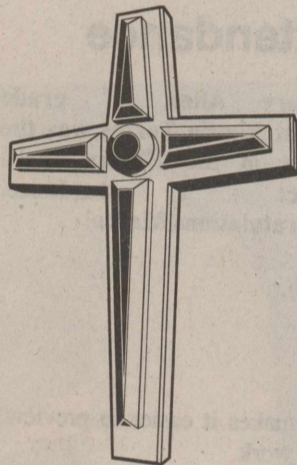


**All-Academic Football Named**

Named All-Academic football bottom to top L/R: Mark Miller, Carlos Jacquez, Jason Ashley, Brad Reed, Adrian Jacquez, Brady Bell, Ryan McDaniel, Carson Buckles, Cory Rendon, Kevin Walls, Adam Witcher, Josh King and Tyler Haynes.



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The Christian and the Devil

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## Stratford Cowboys Win Titles



World Champion Jr. Ranch Rodeo winners Pee Wee division "The Cowboys" from left, Rett Schoonover, Preston Burr, Chase Richardson, and Brady Cross.



Junior division winners at World Champion Jr. Ranch Rodeo from left, Chance Walker, Braden Hudson, Reed Schoonover, and Justin Mungia.

Stratford was represented well at the World Championship Jr. Ranch Rodeo, held in conjunction with the WRCA Ranch Rodeo Finals held recently in Amarillo.

After competition in the Pony Express Race, the "Wild" Cow Milking and finally the Branding, the points were totaled and the winners announced. "The Cowboys", comprised of Preston Burr, Chase Richardson, Rett Schoonover and Brady Cross brought home the championship buckles in the Pee Wee Division.

And, "The Texans", made up of Braden Hudson, Justin Mungia, Chance Walker and Reed Schoonover won the championship buckles in the Junior Division. Congratulations to these young men and their coaches, David Cross and Chad Walker

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### Kimball Presents Program

Nancy Kimball presented the Veteran's Day Program at the Sherman County Public Library during Story Time on November 10, 2003. Nancy is showing a cloth map which her father carried with him during his several missions in the South Pacific to several of the children.

Essays  
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might be asking yourself how much teaching is there to actually do in an e-learning class, but student Craig Reinart claims it's more than you'd think. "The reading is very difficult and complex. Mr. Hembree shows us hands on how to do the actual work. He makes the class fun by giving us chances to do real networking." The networking that Craig is talking about includes wiring and routing computers and servers. Tony Ruiz claims, "Doing the stuff together helps us learn how to really do it, especially with the tools that we work with."

The past Cisco classes have not just learned networking and wiring but have save the taxpayers some money too. When the new band hall was built the Cisco II kids did most of the wiring. (Cisco II is just the second year of the e-learning process.) This wiring included the latest technology such as fiber optics. The apprentice networkers in this class performed many tasks that only the latest training can teach.

Cisco is an opportunity to have a jump on your future. The skills and knowledge you gain can help prepare you for tomorrow, today, while still focusing on the things that occupy a teenage life. The students at Stratford High School are privileged to have this program.

"Express Yourself With Web Design"  
By Jayme Wilhelm

Web Design is a complicated class but at the same time is exciting. This class teaches upperclassmen to express their creativity by building websites.

Learning to build a website is difficult, because there is an extreme amount of information to know. If this information is misplaced in any way it takes a considerable amount of work to fix the problem. Even though frustrating at times, this is an exciting and challenging class. As Jesse Daniels says, "It's an interesting class that makes you think hard and express your imagination." Web Design not only makes you think about what information is going into your web site, but also where and how this information will be displayed.

Mrs. Young, our teachers, taught us how to use html during the first couple of weeks of school. Html is one method of creating a website. It is very difficult to use. We open the notepad program on the computer, and start typing all the tags that are needed. The opening and closing tags are <html></html>. If these two tags aren't used then nothing on your website will work. There are more tags than necessary to make your website work correctly. Some of these tags underline or bold the text, or even change the font color and size. Even a very simple page has tremendous of information which is difficult to remember. An example of this simple page is in the picture beside this article.

That is the most difficult way to create a web site. We are now learning a Microsoft program called Front Page. Front Page makes building a

website easier. While you are putting the images and text on the page, this software creates the html part for you. This is helpful because it not only saves you time and effort, and



### Perfect Attendance

Mary Allen 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student Marco Torres was the winner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> six weeks perfect attendance. Congratulations Marco!

also makes it easier to preview your work.

We Design is a difficult, but fun class that teachers students about building a website, while giving tips on how to get around the internet easier. With the explosive use of the internet this is a beneficial class for any student wishing to improve their computer skills.

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<body>
Your body goes here!
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### Frank Phillips College welcomes Teams Dec. 5

Frank Phillips College welcomes teams from Booker, Gruver, Stratford, Sunray, Vega and White Deer for the UIL District 1-1A North Zone academic contest Friday, Dec. 5. From 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the Borger campus. Sunray will serve as the host team.

Approximately 500 students in grades ranging from 2 through 8 will compete in 14 events. FPC faculty and staff and the Hutchinson County Retired Teachers Association will serve as officials.



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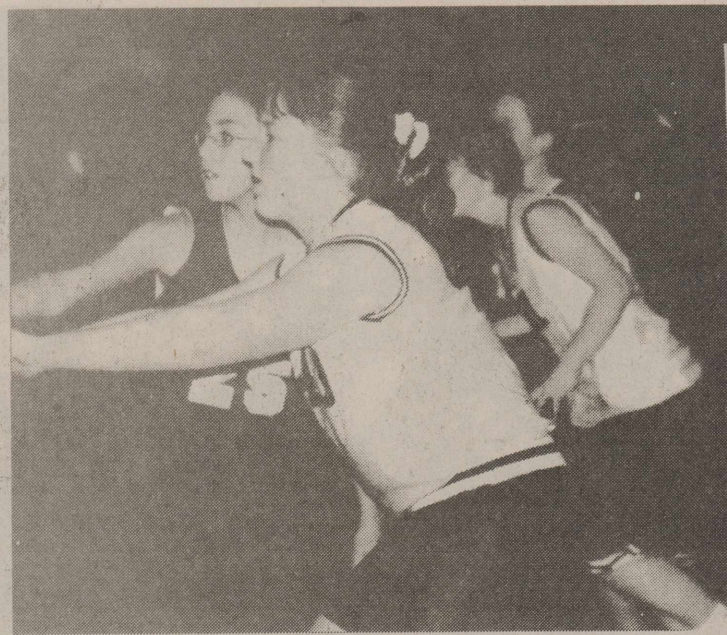
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# BASKETBALL ACTION SHOTS!



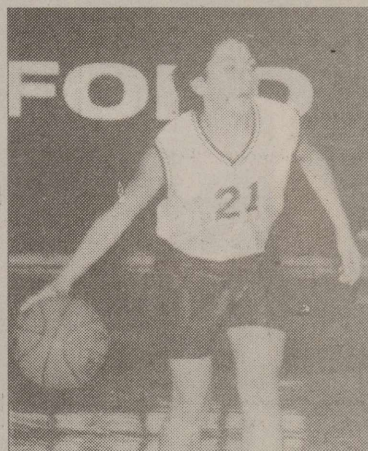
7th grade Lady Elks from left, Jordan Confer, Kelsey Stein, and Cassie Beasley.



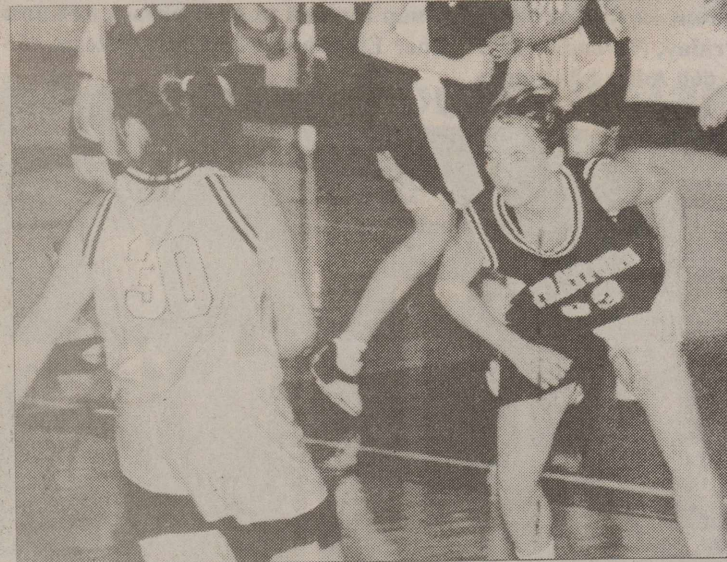
7th grade Lady Elks Jessica Meroney and Stephanie Bell.



Lady Elk Erin Ashley goes up for two against Dalhart.



7th grade Lady Elk Sierra Valenzuela.



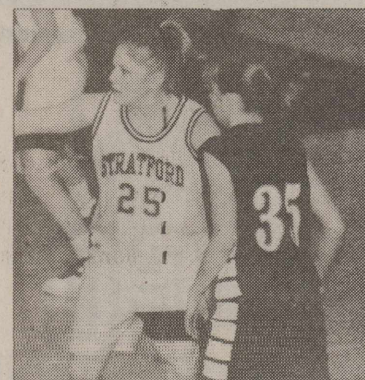
J.V. Lady Elk Brittany Hudson on defense against Dalhart.



J.V. Lady Elks from left, Katelyn Reed, Candie Bell, and Shadley Audrain.



J.V. white Lady Elk Crystal Peregrino.



J.V. Lady Elk Kayla Robertson.

The 7th grade Lady Elks lost their 1st game of the season 11-33 to Dalhart on Monday, November 16, 2003. Sinead Everett led the Lady Elks with 7 points followed by Sierra Valenzuela and Stephanie Bell with 2 points each.

The 7th grade Elks lost their first game of the season 19-37 against Dalhart on Monday, November 16, 2003. Nelson Rodriguez led the Elks with 6

points followed by Angel Resendes with 5 points, and Kaleb Horsford and Brent Reed with 4 points each.

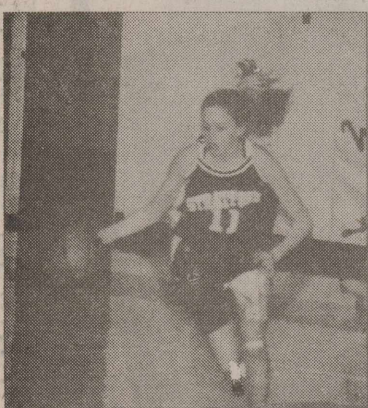
On Monday, November 16, 2003, the 8th grade Lady Elks won their 1st game 20-19 against Dalhart. Jordan Confer and April Peregrino led the Lady Elks with 6 points each followed by Ivy Valenzuela, Cassie Beasley, Kristen Crabtree, and Yesenia Ibarra with 2 points each.

The 8th grade Elks won their season opener against Dalhart 38-29. Craig Kautz led the Elks with 13 points followed by Hunter Buckles with 8 points and Matt King with 6 points. Also scoring was Joey Reta with 5 points, Corey Carter 4 points, and Dillynn Williams with 2 points.

The J.V. Lady Elks white team won their first game 33-21 against Dalhart on Monday, November 16, 2003. Crystal Peregrino was high point with 15 points followed by Gina Mattocks with 12 points. Also scoring were Jenny Rueda with 4 points and LaRissa Luna with 2 points.

The J.V. Lady Elks blue team won their season opener 62-40 against Dalhart on Tuesday, November 17, 2003. Katelyn Reed led the Lady Elks with 21 points followed by Shadley Audrain with 16 points and Brittany Hudson with 10 points. Also scoring for the Lady Elks were Rhia Everett with 7 points, Kayla Robertson and Cheyenne Zieman 3 points each, and Candie Bell 2 points. On Saturday, November 22, 2003, the J.V. Lady Elks beat Boise City 62-16. Kayla Robertson led the Lady Elks with 13 points followed by Shadley Audrain with 12 points. Also scoring were Merilee McDaniel, Candie Bell, and Rhia Everett with 8 points each, Krista Reta 5 points, Brittany Hudson 4 points, and Haley Buckles and Chelsi Thiessen 2 points each.

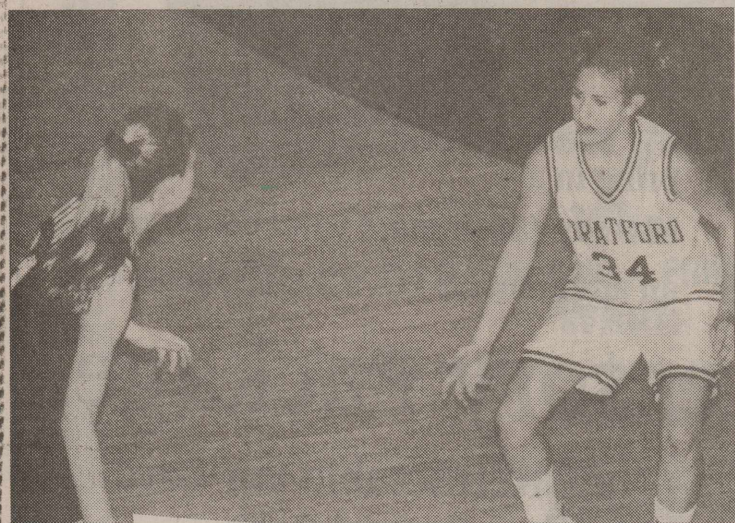
The varsity Lady Elks won their season opener on Tuesday, November 17, 2003 40-34 against Dalhart. Alisha Sladek was high point for the Lady Elks with 11 points followed by Deidre Tarver with 10 points. Also scoring for the Lady Elks were Erin Ashley 8 points, Yadira Ortega 5 points, Amber Larance 3 points, Lindsay Stein 2 points and Allison Baskin 1 point.



J.V. Lady Elk Merilee McDaniel.



Lady Elk Alisha Sladek



8th grade Lady Elk Kristen Crabtree.



Lady Elk #21 Amber Larance

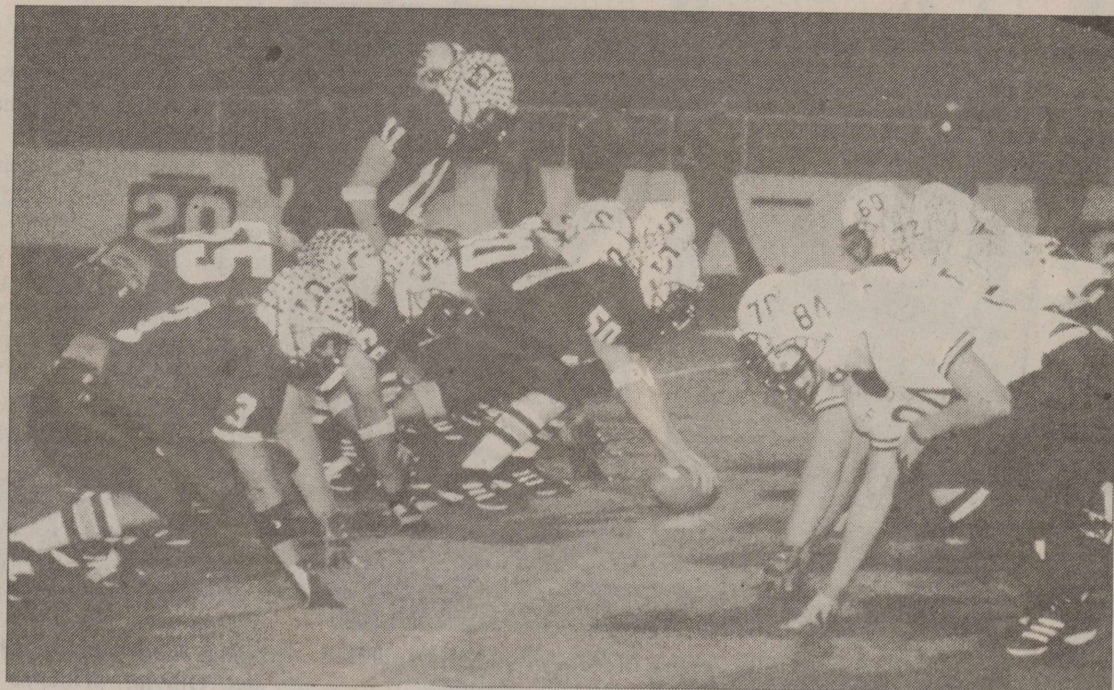
## STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended August 31, 2003

EXHIBIT C-3

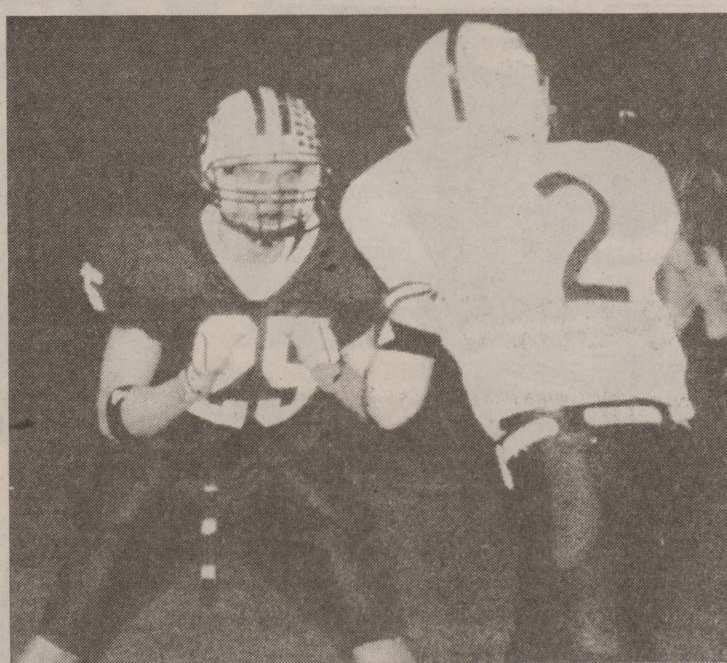
Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	Major Special Revenue Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 4,470,876	\$ 10,250	\$ 301,732	\$ 4,782,858
5800 State Program Revenues	822,840	242,745	141,219	1,206,804
5900 Federal Program Revenues	-	-	425,664	425,664
5020 Total Revenues	5,293,716	252,995	868,615	6,415,326
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
0011 Instruction	2,774,752	-	322,953	3,097,705
0012 Instructional Resources & Media Services	111,100	-	1,788	112,888
0013 Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development	16,694	-	4,531	21,225
0021 Instructional Leadership	-	-	9,027	9,027
0023 School Leadership	257,986	-	5,889	263,875
0031 Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	48,080	-	1,021	49,101
0033 Health Services	22,066	-	-	22,066
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	138,978	-	3,226	142,204
0035 Food Services	-	-	282,779	282,779
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	225,440	-	1,764	227,204
0041 General Administration	387,266	-	5,083	392,349
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	482,571	-	6,276	488,847
0053 Data Processing Services	95,483	252,995	25,115	373,593
0061 Community Services	10,753	-	-	10,753
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
0071 Debt Service - Principal on long-term debt	-	-	120,000	120,000
0072 Debt Service - Interest on long-term debt	-	-	116,752	116,752
0073 Other Debt Service Charges	-	-	500	500
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>				
0081 Facilities Acquisition and Construction	217,116	-	-	217,116
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>				
0093 Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	10,250	-	-	10,250
6030 Total Expenditures	4,798,535	252,995	906,704	5,958,234
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	495,181	-	(38,089)	457,092
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>				
7915 Transfers In	-	-	2,718	2,718
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(2,718)	-	-	(2,718)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(2,718)	-	2,718	-
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	492,463	-	(35,371)	457,092
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,625,461	-	96,770	1,722,231
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 2,117,924	\$ -	\$ 61,399	\$ 2,179,323

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

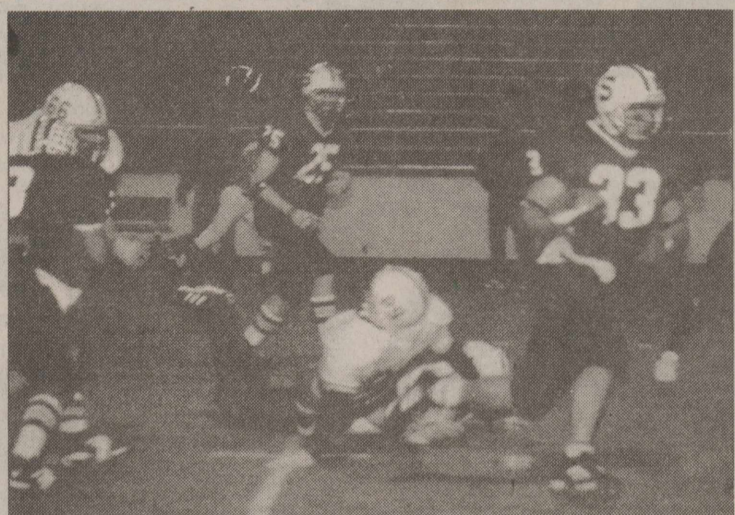
# ELK ACTION SHOTS!



Stratford Elk #50 Trent Boyd gets ready to snap the ball to quarterback #11 Josh King against Nazareth on Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. Other Elks shown #3 Chris Ortega, #55 Mark Miller, #68 Luis Trejo, #60 Adrian Jacquez.



#25 Jason Ashley



Stratford Elk #33 Carlos Jacquez carries the ball against Nazareth.

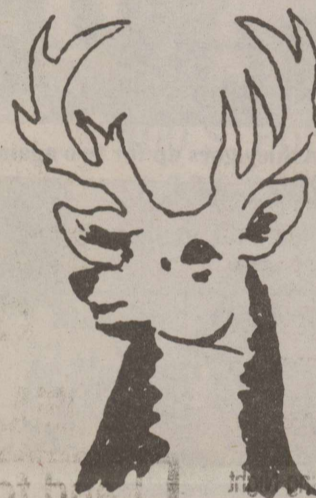


Stratford Elk quarterback #11 Josh King looks for the pass.



Stratford Elk #40 Chance Crowl carries the ball and #25 Jason Ashley and #23 Tyler Haynes block.

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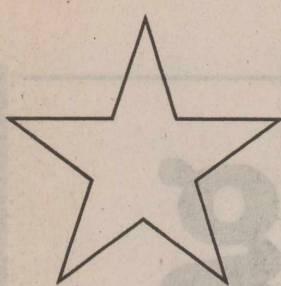
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For Sale: 1 Series 50 Gemeinhardt Flute, open hole, low B with Gismo Key. French case and canvas carrying case. Call 806-366-2568. 11-6-4xc

Let's Make Arrangements holiday Hours-  
Dec. 7-Open Sunday Afternoon, 1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.  
Dec. 8-Children's Shopping Night 4:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m.  
Dec. 14-Open Sunday Afternoon-1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.  
Dec. 15-10 Shopping Days Till Christmas Open House, door prizes throughout the day.  
Dec. 21-Open Sunday Afternoon-1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.  
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**ACQUISITIONS**  
10% of all Jewelry Sales through November go to the Senior Class. Shop early for Christmas at Acquisitions. 11-27-1xc

Light up the town at least your part of it, stop by THE General Store. 11-17-tfn

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- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 3/4 cup margarine, softened
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 1/4 cups rolled oats
- 2 cups DOLE Raisins

Combine first five ingredients in bowl; set aside. Beat margarine and sugars in bowl. Beat in eggs and vanilla. Beat in flour mixture until blended. Gradually add oats and raisins. Drop by spoonfuls onto ungreased baking sheet. 2 inches apart. Bake at 375 degrees F, 10-12 min. Cool on racks. Makes 4 1/2 dozen.

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For Sale or Lease: 1309 Division. Call Earl Griffin. 1-928-213-9888. To View- Ava Griffin 396-2593. 11-27-c

For Sale: 3850 Sq. Ft. living area, 4 BR, 2 1/2 baths, basement, covered patio, 2 car garage, corner lot w/circle drive. 420 N. Chestnut. Call 806-396-2348. 7-10-tfn

House & Acreage for Sale by Owner. 2400 Sq. Ft. House, 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath. 14.9 acres. 40'x80' metal bldg, roping arena, 3 horse sheds, detached 2 car garage. Shown by appointment only. 806-966-5219, 806-679-8015. 8-21-tfn

**USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE**

Date: December 2, 2003  
Time: 1:00 p.m.  
Place: At the foyer at the front door of the courthouse in Stratford, Sherman County, Texas.

218 Purnell Stratford, TX

3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath 1,114 Sq. Ft.

Minimum Bid - \$18,310.00

Total Bid In Cash Due At The Sale

Please Phone (806)468-8600 For Further Information

House for Sale: 902 N. Maple. 3 Bdrm, Large Utility Room, New windows & carpet, corner lot, central heat/air, one block from school, big backyard. \$45,000. Call 366-3019. 11-27-4xc

### BOOK NOTES

(NAPS)—What if a substitute for oil could be found? And what if control of this new substitute was in the hands of just one man? That's the question R.J. Kaiser explores in his new thriller, *Black*



*Sheep* (MIRA Books, \$23.95). Jonas Lamb has lived a turbulent life—six marriages and an uneven financial road. Then comes a discovery that could change the world: an inexpensive substitute for oil (code named "Black Sheep"). All Jonas needs are the financial resources to bring about his plan. But things are never that easy—and before you can say "Black Sheep," word of the discovery is leaked and Jonas has the FBI and the CIA after him, as well as a myriad of hit men (and a very tempting hit woman, too). For information, log on to [www.mirabooks.com](http://www.mirabooks.com).

### Legal Notices

**CITY OF STRATFORD WILL BE ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY.**  
Property to be sold is an 8' x 140' easement located between Block 2, lot 7 and Block 2 Lot 8, Stratford, Texas. This property is to be sold as is.

Bids may be mailed to the City of Stratford, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, TX 79084 or may be dropped off at City hall, located at 518 N. Third in Stratford. "SEALED BID" must be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope. All Bids must be received by Monday December 8, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at the Regular scheduled council meeting on December 11, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council chamber at City Hall. The City of Stratford reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received. Anyone having any questions concerning the above may contact City hall at (806) 366-5582 during normal business hours.  
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, November 27, 2003 and Thursday, December 4, 2003.

### Understanding Our Economy

**Automakers Drive Economy On Many Levels**  
(NAPS)—While the automobile industry continues to be America's largest manufacturing industry, the majority of those jobs are in supplier and related industries, with total auto industry and related employment numbering 13.3 million, a new Center for Automotive Research study shows. About 6.6 million jobs are connected to automotive manufacturing and new vehicle sales, generating more than \$240 billion in annual private sector compensation.



Automobiles are responsible for one out of every 10 jobs in the U.S.

"When you look under the hood of today's automobile, you'll see goods from America's greatest industries across the country," said Auto Alliance president and CEO Josephine S. Cooper. "These include textiles from the Southeast, computer chips from California, aluminum manufactured in Iowa, and air bags produced in Arizona."

For more information visit [www.autoalliance.org](http://www.autoalliance.org).

### HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

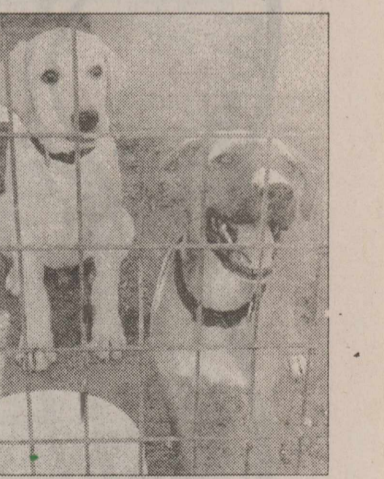
**Goal: Gifts For Football Fans**

(NAPS)—Some people so love NFL football that they want to proudly display their favorite team's logo everywhere. Fortunately for these folks—and those who love them—there are some great gifts they can connect with this holiday season. For example, the NFL's online shop has hundreds of choices, from a Callaway NFL Caddy Stand Golf Bag and a team tape measure to a latex "painted" fan face affixed to a cap. There are logo hard hats sturdy enough to meet OSHA requirements, and a Reebok NFL Equipment Player Sideline Cap. The NFL Team Travel Groom Kit comes with cologne spray, antiperspirant, shave foam and football-shaped soap. More than a taste of football is available with the NFL Snack Helmet. And for your friend who's truly nuts about the game, there's even a team nutcracker. You can find more great football-themed gifts online at every team's Web site, at [www.nflshop.com](http://www.nflshop.com) or by calling 1-877-NFL-SHOP.

### Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

**To Report Suspected Child Abuse, Call**  
Kathie Altman - 366-5611  
David Cross - 396-2396  
Ken Forthman - 366-2586  
Patsy Harland - 827-7568  
Michal Meyer - 827-7453  
Jesse Resendes - 769-4454  
Bob Sweeten - 366-5848  
**Austin Hotline**  
**1-800-252-5400**  
**ALL CALLS**

### Pet Of The Week



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

This is a great program but we sure could use your help in making it better. Donations of food, towels, blankets and/or money are greatly needed and appreciated.

For more information or to mail Donations, please contact:

DIANE TRULL  
1302 Conlen Ave.  
Dalhart, TX 79022  
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# Thanksgiving Greetings

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*We appreciate your business.*

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**Ellies**

**The Red Door**  
Tiffany Hudson, Teresa Cluck, Shawna Baugus

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**Melton Welding**

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& Sons**

**Betty's Place**

**Thriftway**

**Stratford Auto  
Electric**

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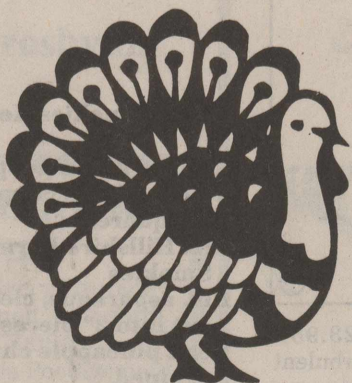
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