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Don Ridgway

Albert Donald Ridgway, 74, passed away at his home in Pinon Hills, California on Sunday, July 2, 2006. He was born in Crawford, Oklahoma on December 23, 1931 to his parents Ralph and Lettie Ridgway. He was a surveyor, soil compaction tester, and country music entertainer. He played music for state senators, operating engineers, rodeos, chili cook-offs, and various functions. He also sang a few songs for one of the First State Bank of Stratford picnics and sang at SCOT Hall with his daughter, Penny. He also had the thrill of watching his grandson, Trent, play football for the Stratford Elks. They were the first football games he had ever attended. He thought that was great fun. He had a song and smile that will never be forgotten.

He is survived by his wife, Billie Ridgway of the home, 1 son, Rocky Ridgway of Tombstone, Arizona, 2 daughters, Vickie Crabb of Tustin, California and Penny Boyd of Stratford, Texas, 5 brothers and 1 sister. He had 4 grandchildren, Jill Rana, Kevin and Kenny Crabb and Trent Boyd and 1 great grandson, Kamran Rana.

Memorial service was held Thursday, July 6, 2006 at Lancaster, California. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, July 22 at 10:30 AM at Silent Home Cemetery in Roll, Oklahoma.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society, HOSPICE, or the charity of your choice.

Jack H. Weldon

Gruver-Jack H. Weldon, 78 died Sunday, July 16, 2006.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2006 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Scott Curry, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Gruver Cemetery by Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon, OK.

Mr. Weldon was born Aug. 18, 1927, in Stamford. He had a twin brother, Gene, who died in 1980.

Mr. Weldon graduated from Plainview High School in 1946 and joined the Marine Corps in July of that year. His tour of duty lasted until 1948, and after his discharge, he accepted a scholarship to play football at the University of New Mexico. Along with playing football at UNM, he was an active member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

He married Mary Gillespie in Clayton, N.M., in 1950, and they resided in Clayton until 1955, when he returned to school at West Texas State University to complete his work on a bachelor's degree. Following graduation, he taught and coached eight years in Raton, N.M., and in 1964, accepted a position as junior high principal in Clayton. He was in Clayton six years, serving also as high school principal two years and superintendent two years before accepting the position of superintendent of Gruver Schools in 1970. He retired from that position in December 1986.

Following his retirement, Mr. Weldon began what would become 20 years of dedicated service to his church, his family and his passion for woodworking. In 1998, he was ordained a deacon in First Baptist Church.

He also participated in several missionary activities, including a trip to Niger, West Africa, in 1997.

He was also preceded in death by his parents and a sister.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Jacque Kimble and husband Ken of Borger; two sons, Mike and wife Kristy of Lubbock and Tim and wife Blynn of Stratford; 10 beloved

grandchildren, Justin Kimble and wife Erica, Haley Kimble, Aaron Weldon and wife Lindsay, Grant Weldon, Tyler Weldon, Taos Weldon, Colby Weldon, Lindy

Weldon, Carley duMenil and husband Jeff and Bailey Bryson; and a great-grandchild, Noah duMenil.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons. Honorary pallbearers are Dorsey Schad, Richie Fletcher, Mike Wilhelm, Boots Williams, Bob Adams, Mack Bevill, Mack Hoel, Aubrey Rasor, Joe Potts, Tony Shapley, Andy Whatley, Roy Mayhew, Randy Brown, Bill Lord and Eloy Stratford-Dicy Mae Elms Stephenson age 90, died Sunday, July 16, 2006 in Amarillo. Services are scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, 2006 with a graveside service at 10 a.m. at Stratford Cemetery and a memorial service at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church with Morrison Funeral Directors.

Brazil.

The family suggests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Gruver, BSA Hospice or Life Challenge of Amarillo and may be sent in care of the funeral home, PO. Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.

Dicy Mae Elms Stephenson

Older people love to give good advice; it compensates them for their inability to set a bad example.

—François Duc de La Rochefoucauld  
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The best advice is this: Don't take advice and don't give advice.

—Author Unknown  
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It is a good divine that follows his own instructions.

—William Shakespeare  
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**Food**

(NU) - Italy is a patchwork quilt of 20 distinct regions subdivided into 103 provinces. All Italian cooking relies on olive oil, grains and fresh, seasonal produce, but each region has its own specialties. Northern Italy is a cheese lover's paradise. Central Italy tends to favor artichokes, peas and truffles. The South accounts for 75 percent of the produce raised organically in Italy. For recipes from all regions of Italy, log on to [www.ItalianMade.com](http://www.ItalianMade.com).

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Friday, July 21, 2006  
for Staff Training

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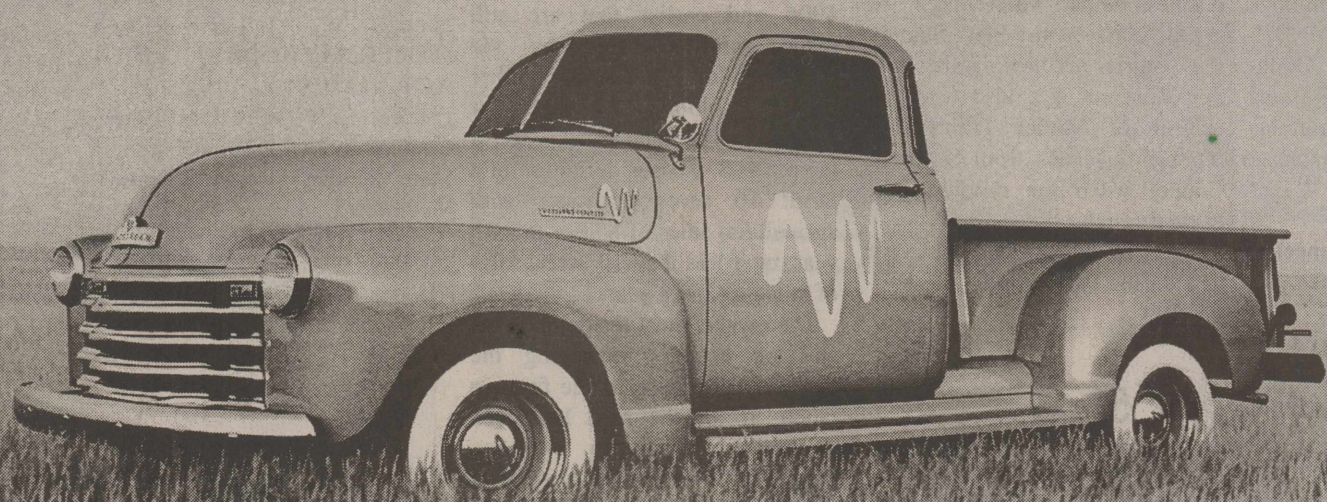
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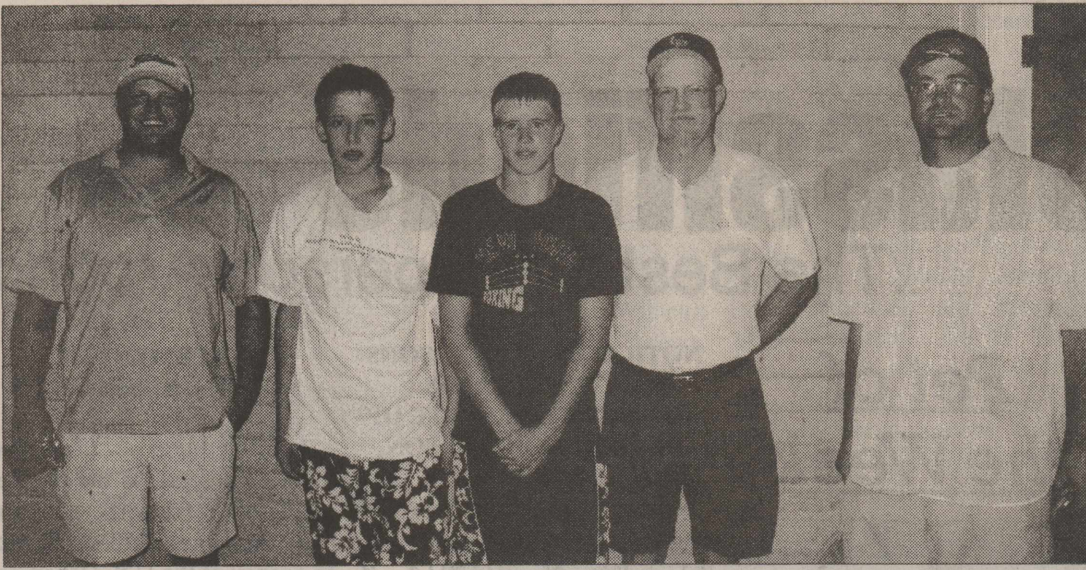
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# Hogmen Tourney



2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team - Hogmen Tourney: L/R: Levi James, Klinton Keener, Roy Allen, Phil Hightower, and Nathaniel Walden.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Hogmen Scholarship Tourney

Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Hogmen Scholarship Tournament was held. 41 golfers made up 9 teams to compete for the annual championship. The results were as follows:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team

Scott Hudson  
DeWain Traylor  
Mark Keener  
Tim Gilliland  
Clint Miller

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team

Levi James  
Nathaniel Walden  
Phil Hightower  
Klinton Keener

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team

Matt Vincent  
Connor Vincent  
Roger Allen

### 4<sup>th</sup> Place Team

Dane Ashley  
Skyler Walden  
George Clift  
Mark Hartman

### Longest Drive

Skyler Walden

### Closest to the Pin

DeWain Traylor

At the end of the golf tournament, Jeff Kautz and Lawrence Aguilera served around 55 people burgers. They cooked over 100 burgers provided by Chad Hines and Cimarron Feeders. All the fixins and drinks were provided by Moore's Food Pride and prepared by Janeal Hand. After the meal, trophies were presented to the winners. Amarillo Sports Medicine provided these. Everyone who played was given a t-shirts thanks to Happy State Bank. The final event of the night was the presentation of the Hogmen Scholarship. This year

two scholarships were presented. The first scholarship of \$900 was given to Brandon Davis who will be attending Texas Tech University in the fall. The second scholarship was presented to Connor Vincent in the amount of \$2000 who will also attend Texas Tech University in the fall. It was a fun night for all and a night to honor the "big men" on the football field. Coach Hand expresses his appreciation because this event would not be possible without the support of the people and businesses in Stratford. A big thanks also goes to Stratford Country Club, the Country Club board, and Chris Gomez for the use of the great golf course.



3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team - Hogmen Tourney: L/R: Connor Vincent, Chris Gomez, Mark Hand, Roger Allen, and Matt Vincent.



4<sup>th</sup> Place Team - Hogmen Tourney: L/R: Dane Ashley, Skyler Walden, George Clift, Richard Chumley, and Mark Hartman.

## Stratford Jamboree

### Friday July 28, 2006

MEET & GREET EX-STUDENTS  
@ County Barn  
CALCUTTA & RODEO  
@ Rodeo Arena

### Saturday July 29, 2006

#### OLD TIMERS KING & QUEEN

@ First State Bank  
PARADE - "We Are The Champions"  
Main Street - Honored Classes are invited to enter a float

LIONS CLUB BBQ Pendleton Park, 6<sup>th</sup> & Grace  
Adults \$7.00 Children \$3.00 Bring Lawn Chair  
Senior Citizens are invited to eat at SCOT HALL  
FLAG CEREMONY @ Gazebo  
KIDS GAMES, TURTLE RACES  
HORSE SHOE PITCH @ Pendleton Park  
GREENS FEE GOLF @ Country Club  
Greens Fee \$20, Golf Cart \$16

POKEY THE CLOWN JR. RANCH RODEO  
VISIT DEPOT MUSEUM  
VISIT SCOT HALL  
RANCH RODEO @Rodeo Arena  
DANCE @ 301 N. Poplar

### Sunday July 30 - Stratford Churches Welcome You

### Mary Allen Elementary School Supply List 2006-2007

Pre-Kindergarten  
1 Box Kleenex  
1 Back Pack  
2 Boxes of 8 Crayola Crayons

Kindergarten  
2 Boxes of Kleenex  
5 Large Glue Sticks  
1 Box of 8 Crayons  
1 Box of 16 Colors  
10 Pencils  
1 Pair of Fiskar Scissors  
1 Small School Box  
1 Rest Mat (No blankets, exercise mats or sleeping bags).  
1 Spiral Notebook  
1 Pink Eraser  
1 Box Map Color Pencils

First Grade  
1 Wide Rule Spiral Notebook  
12 #2 Pencils  
2 Red Pencils  
10 Pencil Erasers  
2 Boxes of Crayons (No Fluorescent)  
1 Small Pencil Box  
1 Pair Pointed Scissors  
2 Large Boxes of Kleenex  
1 Large Roll of Paper Towels  
No pencil sharpeners  
Please mark your child's things with his/her name.

Second Grade  
1 Large Zippered Pencil Bag  
1 Box 24 Count Crayons  
1 Large Box of Kleenex  
1 Pair of Scissors  
20 #2 Pencils  
1 Box Map Color Pencils  
3 Red Pens  
3 70 Count Spiral Notebooks (Wide Rule)  
5 Plastic Folders with Pockets and Brads  
2 Big Pink Erasers  
1 8 oz. bottle Elmers Glue  
2 Rolls Paper Towels  
2 Pkgs. Loose Leaf Wide Rule Paper  
1 Highlighter  
Please mark your child's things with his/her name.

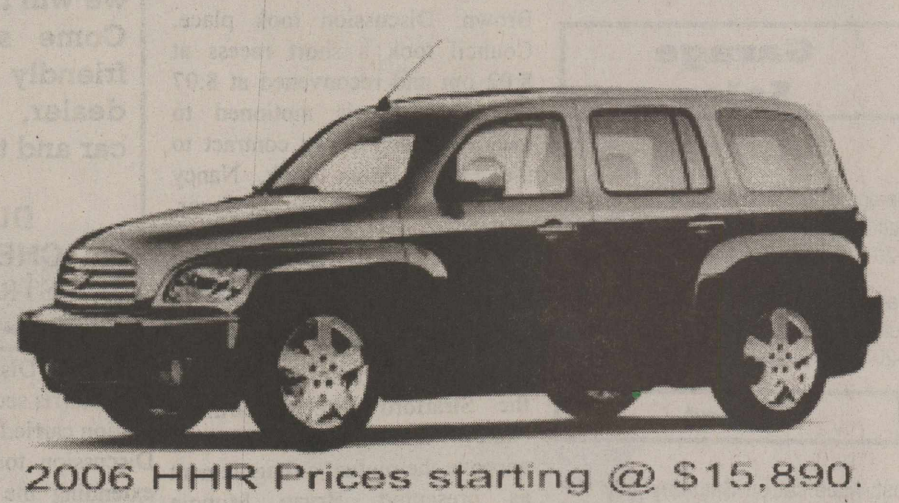
Third Grade  
1 Box of 24 Crayons  
20 Pencils  
2 Red Grading Pens  
1 Box Map Color Pencils  
3 Boxes of Kleenex  
1 Pair Scissors  
2 Glue Sticks  
3 Erasers  
1 Pkg. Loose Leaf Paper  
3 Spiral Notebooks (60-100 pages)  
2 Pocket Folders with Brads  
Trapper Keeper (Optional)  
No Click (mechanical) Pencils

Fourth Grade  
2 Spiral Notebooks  
5 Highlighters  
Glue  
Glue Stick  
Box of 12 Map Pencils  
3 Boxes of Kleenex  
Zippered Pencil Bag  
20 Pencils (no mechanical pencils)  
10 Red Grading Pencils or Pens  
Scissors  
1 Hand Pencil Sharpener  
2 Pkg. Notebook Paper (Wide Ruled)  
1 1in. 3 Ring Binder  
Please mark your child's things with his/her name.

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