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Ribbon Cutting Held

Javiar Rodriguez, owner and operator of El Primo held their grand opening and ribbon cutting on Thursday, February 15, 2007.

4-H FCS CLUB TO MEET FEBRUARY 26

By Susie Spurlock

The Sherman County 4-H PCS (Foods, Clothing, & Surprises Club) will meet Monday, February 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the County Exhibit Building in Stratford.

The club program will be on photography. Cindy Russell will be leading the program and has requested that all members bring a digital camera if possible.

For more information, contact the County Extension office at 366-2122.

Prospective Scholarship Donors

If you wish to give a scholarship to a student in the Class of 2007, please contact: Tiffany Confer at 366-3322.

Story Time to Begin

Story Time at the Sherman County Public Library will begin on Wednesday, February 14, 2007 at 9:30-10:15. Dates for the spring session will be Wednesdays, February 14 & 28 and March 7 & 21. Story Time is open to all children ages 2-5. Volunteers are also needed to help with reading and activities. If you would like to register your child or volunteer, contact Sandy at 366-2200.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 12, 2007. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may do so from February 10 through March 12, 2007. You may apply at the Superintendent's Office, 503 N. 8th Street, from 8:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. On March 12th the Office will be open from 2:00 PM to 5:00 P.M. only.

Board members whose term will expire are Steve Hays and DeWain Traylor. Holdover members are Joe Reinart, Barney Willborn, Patti Vincent, Brent Spurlock and Greg Wright.

City of Stratford to Hold Election

The City of Stratford will hold an election on Saturday, May 12, 2007 to fill three places on the ballot. The expiring terms are: Ernie Maiwald, Councilmember, Nancy Kimball, Councilmember, and Blake Confer, Councilmember. These are two-year terms. Beginning Monday, February 12, 2007, anyone interested in filing for a place on the ballot may pick up a packet from City Hall, 518 N. Third, between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday thru Friday. The last day to file for a place on the ballot is Monday, March 12, 2007 by 5:00 pm.

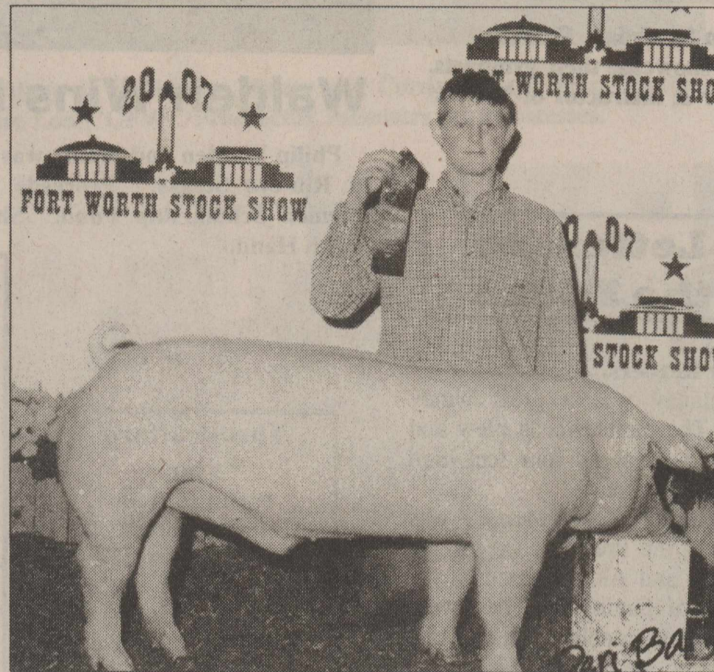
Stratford Hospital Board to hold Election

Stratford Hospital District Board has two openings in the upcoming election. Deadline for signing up is February 10th through March 6th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Applications may be picked up at the Business Office at Coldwater Manor. Board members whose terms will expire are Wayne Smith and Kathie Altman. Hold over members are Kenton Kimball, Kathy Allen, and LeRayne Donelson.

Stratford Community & High School Blood Drive sponsored by Student Council

Wednesday, February 21st
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
High School Activity Center
503 North 8th
Every donor will receive a T-shirt.

For an appointment, please call 10877-574-8800
Coffee Memorial Blood Center, 7500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79124



Horsford Wins First

Kyle Horsford shown above with his 1st place Heavyweight white/other Purebred Barrow at Fort Worth Stock Show.

February 22- MyPyramid at Imagination Station

By Susie Spurlock

Come by the Imagination Station on Thursday, February 22 anytime between 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to learn your personal daily food guide.

MyPyramid, the USDA dietary guideline for Americans was adopted in 2005 to assist individuals with wise daily food selection and importance of exercise. It is different than the basic Four Food Groups and The Food Pyramid that many of us learned through the years.

The Sherman County Family Living Committee is making this educational opportunity available to you. The come and go individual clinic will help you really understand what MyPyramid means to you and help you learn the correct food portions recommended daily. Members of the committee providing leadership for the clinic are Laurie Spurlock and Reyna Everett. Other committee members are Patsy Harland, Jo June McDaniel, and Lynn Wells.

Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences will be hosting the clinic in the computer lab. She will be teaching those who attend how to utilize the MyPyramid website to obtain a guide for a personalized daily food intake guide. In addition, an exhibit on correct portion sizes will be displayed.

Reyna Everett will be volunteering as a translator at the clinic for non and/or limited English speaking residents.

For more information, contact the Sherman County Extension Office at 366-2122.

Educational programs sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Sierra Murray Fund Set Up

A fund has been set up for Sierra Murray at Happy State bank, or you can make donations at Elk Junction or Let's Make Arrangements.

I would like to find a stew that will give me heartburn immediately, instead of at three o'clock in the morning.
—John Barrymore

School Board Election

The Texhoma Texas Independent School District will hold a Trustee Election on Saturday May 12, 2007 at the Texhoma School (4th & Denver) from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The first day to apply for a place on the ballot is Saturday, February 10, 2007 and will continue through March 12, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. You may apply at the Superintendent's office, 4th and Denver Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin on Monday, April 30, 2007 and continue through May 8, 2007. Early voting will be conducted at the Superintendent's office from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

Board member whose term will expire is Ron Murphey. Holdover members are Jay Blume, Jay Murphey, Yield Freeman, and Cody Cartwright.

Support-Your-Student

The Annual Staff is offering Parents the chance to put a support Line on the page of your choosing.

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Please limit your line to 45 letter/characters. Page Preference: (ex: band, basketball, students grade, etc) Make checks payable to Stratford Annual Staff Please Contact us at (806) 366-3347. **Deadline: February 21, 2007**

Stratford Ex-Students Reunion July 27-28.

Honored class years, 1997, 1987, 1977, 1967, 1957, 1947, 1937, Honored Class representatives will meet Tuesday, March 13 at The Imagination Station at 7:00 p.m. to present corrected address lists and plan the upcoming celebration. Friday night July 27 "Family and Friends." Hamburgers at the County Exhibit Building.

The Stratford Education Foundation will help with the mailings and will host the Saturday night banquet.

Volunteer Community Responders Meeting

Volunteer Community Responders meeting, Feb. 26, 2007 at Stratford Fire Station. CERT Training session.

Local Student Wins at Fort Worth Stock Show

FORT WORTH, TEXAS – Kyle Horsford, an FFA member from Stratford, exhibited the First Place Heavy Weight White/Other Purebred Barrow in the Junior Barrow Show at the 2007 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show on February 1, 2007. Junior show entries totaled 10,505 at this year's show which ends February 4.

"The junior livestock show program provides youth with valuable lessons in life and business and builds a foundation that serves them long after their show years have passed," said W.R. Watt, Jr., president and manager of the show. "Our commitment to this program is a top priority."

Winning exhibitors are awarded cash "premiums" – this year to exceed \$89,000 – in addition to monies generated from the sale of animals in the show's sale of champion steers, lambs, barrows and wether goats. Besides record junior entries the show set an overall entry record of 22,673 cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, donkeys, llamas, goats, poultry, pigeons and rabbits.

The Stock Show showcases the nation's dynamic livestock industry to over 950,000 visitors mostly from the Metroplex and surrounding areas. Approximately 20 percent attend from other parts of the nation and 89 countries. Besides livestock, the show includes educational exhibits designed to educate visitors on the livestock industry and provides 4 acres of shopping to suit most any taste.

Now in its 111th year, the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo features entertainment events for the entire family, including livestock shows, educational experiences and 30 exciting performances of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo. For ticket information on any performance or Stock Show event, call 817-877-2420 or visit www.fwssf.com.

PEANUT BUTTER UPDATE

By Susie Spurlock

As many of you are aware, the Food and Drug Administration has issued a recall of Peter Pan Peanut Butter. On February 17th, Texas Cooperative Extension, Sherman County received this update on this issue:

"Although it was originally thought that only jars of Peter Pan peanut butter with product code beginning with 2111 was affected, FDA is advising consumers that ALL Peter Pan peanut butter purchased since May 2006 is affected; only those jars of Great Value peanut butter purchased since May 2006 with a product code beginning with "2111" are affected."

It is advised that consumers look at their jars of peanut butter. If it is Peter Pan and if it was purchased since May 2006, discard it. If it is Great Value brand peanut butter, and if it was purchased since May 2006 and the jar has a product code beginning with 2111, then discard the purchase.

If you are experiencing difficulty in reading the product code or unsure of when the peanut butter was bought, or if the product code is 2111, then discard the product.

When dealing with food safety concerns, it is better to be safe than sorry.



ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

Yesenia Ibarra and Craig Kautz are students of the week at Stratford High School.

Coach Hand's World History class has been studying the Middle Ages and have expanded their exploration to include a project on castles. Students gathered information for two days, and then spent the next two days building model castles out of poster board, paper cut-outs, glue, and lots of tape. Studying castles and the people who lived in them has helped everyone realize the difference between the way the age is represented in movies and the reality.

Mrs. Hand's 6th grade reading classes celebrated their research study on Europe with a Tasting Bee. Each student researched the origin of surnames followed by a study of the originating country. They enjoyed foods from all over Europe.

English/Language Arts and Reading TAKS tests were administered on Tuesday. Our students were well prepared and we are confident that the results will be favorable.

Report cards went out on Wednesday. Some of our students are gone to the San Angelo stock show. Teachers and students are intensifying the training for the high school Academic UIL meet, which will be held March 22 at Canadian.

5th and 6th grade math classes are working hard to finish their book before we do some TAKS review. We will be taking another PAS test on the computer next week to check on

Pinewood Derby March 4

The Boy Scouts of Stratford will be holding their Pinewood Derby on Sunday March 4th at 1:00pm. The Imagination Station will be the host spot. There will be awards in Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Weebelos and Open categories. Anyone wishing to race in the open category is welcome. There will also be a prize for best design in each category. If you have any questions, please call 366-2772.

Prom Time Again

If you have Christmas Lights, extension cords, staple guns that we can use for Prom on March 31, 2007 please mark these items with your name and call Lynette Kautz at 366-3302 or 396-2498.

City Has Tires to Dispose Of

The City of Stratford has to get rid of all their discarded tires. If any Feedyards need them to cover pits, please come get them now. The City has 30 days to dispose of them. They are in the Recycle area.

Methodist Men Pancake Supper

Methodist Men Pancake supper will be held Thursday, February 22, from 5 to 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Free will donation. Everyone invited.

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Kelly's Gymnastics held a meet on Saturday, February 17, 2007 at the Sherman County Barn to showcase their gymnasts. Shown far left, is Kelly Brooks, owner & instructor of Kelly's helping Ashton Lavake on the floor.

Elk Tales
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our progress. Ratio is the main focus in 6th grade right now, and reducing fractions is the main thing in 5th.

There will be an Earth Adventure Assembly for the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students on Friday Feb. 23rd in the Activity Gym.

This year Ms. Duke's 3rd Grade English Language Arts classes sent Flat Stanley to each of the 50 governors of the United States. Flat Stanley, a character from the book by Jeff Brown, is a boy who is flattened when a bulletin board falls on him. Stanley is unharmed but flat. Being flat allows him to travel by mail. The rates at United States Postal Service are much cheaper than traveling by plane or train. So far the students have received responses from more than half of the governors. The responses explain what Stanley did during his stay with each governor. These are posted in the hall at Mary Allen.

Quote of the week: "Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors." - African Proverb

Letters to the Editor

Dear Readers,

Sunday was a great windy day. The tumbleweeds blew and stacked up about four feet high on Main Street.

Monday everyone was visiting the President except Joe Rangel and Alex Aldavaz at the Stratford Grain Co. They were picking up tumbleweeds on Main Street so we did not look like a dirty Texas town. Thanks guys and you might want to thank them too. It is amazing what can be done in two hours of manual labor. Having the right equipment helps.

Gaynelle Riffe

Love has its own time, its own season, and its own reasons from coming and going. You cannot bribe it or coerce it or reason it into staying. You can only embrace it when it arrives and give it away when it comes to you.

—Kent Nerburn



Walden Wins Drawing

Philip Walden and family was the winner of the drawing of 10 Rib-eye Steaks. Proceeds from the raffle benefit the Hogmen Scholarship Fund. Shown with Philip Walden is Coach Hand.

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Movies Beginning February 16

Bridge to Terabithia PG Josh Hutcherson
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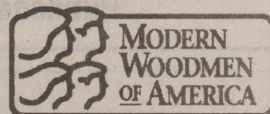
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COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT/ACTIVITIES/ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Brenda Taylor, Denver, was in Kerrick Friday-Monday. Ian Weems, Amarillo, visited with several families in Kerrick Sunday. He is a grandson of the late Mabel Rogers.

Peggy and Leonard Hawkins are both improving everyday.

Jo June McDaniel attended the Feb. 11 dedication in Dumas of M'Kayla, two year old adopted daughter of Whit & Jean McDaniel.

Friday night Jo June was hostess for a Wild Canasta party for Brenda Taylor, Denver, Bud & Frankie Shields.

Bill Boren attended the gun show in Amarillo Saturday.

Terry & Barbara Schoonover visited with Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Lewis at Guymon Sunday.

Scot News

By Mary Hill

Our lunch at Elk Junction and program by Accolade Home Care, was "weathered" out last Wednesday. Thanks to Amanda Crawford from Accolade for the treats.

Fifteen hardy souls attended the monthly birthday party on Thursday. Folks honored and receiving Birthday balloons as gifts from Elk Pharmacy were Marjory Pilch, Red DeBord, and Wayne Lavake. Thanks to Gaylon and Debbi for the balloons.

All you Scotters-don't forget our regular luncheon Thursday, Feb. 22. Coldwater Manor donated turkeys and Lynn Allen has "volunteered" to cook them for us.

Chairmen for the luncheon are Jo June McDaniel and Betty Henry. Others host & hostess are: Peggy & Jimmy Jackson, Liz Sanders, Marty Bain, Betty Rae Brown, Walter & Harriett Reed.

Sue Hudson & Joyce McBryde will have a surprise program. Come enjoy the fun.

Five Celebrate Birthdays

Five celebrated their birthdays Feb. 13 at Coldwater Manor. They were Louise Long, 103, Corda Pleyer, 103, Mansel Roach, 91, Jerry Moore, 75 and Blasa Padilla.

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club was hostess and served angel food and chocolate cakes and punch. Small teddy bears were given as gifts to those having birthdays.

46 children of the fourth grade sang two songs, "Snow Angel" and "Joy to the World".

Club members present were Olive Caraway, Mattie Baskin, Dorothy Haile, Margaret Reed, Pat Hartman and Marylou McDaniel.



Celebrating birthdays in February at Coldwater Manor are Corda Pleyer, Blasa Padilla, Jerry Moore, Mansel Roach, Louise Long. GFWC/Prospectus members were hostesses.

Cards of Thanks

Coldwater Manor Nursing Home, would like to say, Thank You to Family and Friends that helped to make our Valentine's Family night party a big success. Also, Thank you to our employees that helped with everything. It takes all of us to make our residents happy. Thank you.

Janice & JoAnn
Activity Director's

Take hope from the heart of man and you make him a beast of prey.

—Ouida

To eat bread without hope is still slowly to starve to death.

—Pearl S. Buck

Shown at right singing at Coldwater Manor Feb. 13 was a group of fourth grade students.



Shown at left, this group of fourth grade students sang at Coldwater Manor.



When the Krakatoa volcano erupted in Indonesia in 1883, the sound was heard 3,000 miles away.

Purpose Driven Life Program

Join us during the Lenten Season as we go through the Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. We will meet on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church starting February 21.

Feb 21 discuss Days 1-7
Feb 28 discuss Days 8-14
March 7 discuss Days 15-21
Skip Spring Break week
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No Sunday Evening Worship Service
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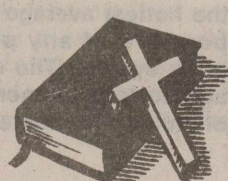
When kids get involved sexually, they are usually caught in a love-hate relationship. What they are doing is supposed to be love. But afterward it doesn't feel that way. There is guilt. And there is the feeling of being used! That's where hate enters the picture. The relationship becomes a tug-of-war. What's the problem? Well for one thing, love is improperly defined. In our society today love is defined by jumping into bed with someone of the opposite sex [or with someone of the same sex]! But this is just the opposite of how love is defined in the Bible. "And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments" (2 John 6). Amazing! Love is defined in terms of God's Ten Commandments. The Seventh Commandment says, "You shall not commit adultery" (Exodus 20:14). So when we follow this commandment, we are acting in love. When we break this commandment, we fail in love! The problem is compounded because we are made in God's image (Genesis 1:17). This means we function best when we follow God's rules. But when we break those rules, we suffer. We suffer guilt! Guilt often leads to depression. Then we may learn to hate the person with whom we have broken God's commandments! What's the real solution? Return to God through Jesus Christ!

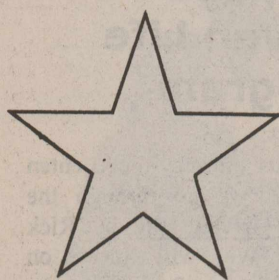
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It's that time of the year-Time to fertilizer. Come to THE General Store for Halts or A-vert for your yard care. 2-15-c

Shower Selections available at Acquisitions for Joli Barrett & Dean Hauser (we will deliver to the shower Feb. 25th)

For Sale: nice sectional with end recliners, for more information please contact Shannon Sellers @753-6533. 2-22-c

For Sale: 3 Irrigation Engines currently stored in barn near Stratford. Two 2005 Chevy 496's used for 18 months. One 2006 Chevy 496 used for 3 months. Call 727-4646. \$12,000 for all 3 engines. 2-22-c

Help Wanted

WANTED: Energetic, Dependable, Honest, Hardworking individuals to fill challenging and rewarding positions in XIT Communication's Customer Service Department. Bilingual skills preferred, but not required. Two positions open: one in Dalhart and one in Stratford. Applications available from any XIT Customer Care Center. XIT Communications is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 3-15-c

Full time position available w/benefits. Apply in person at THE General Store 2-15-4-x

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce is looking for someone to fill the secretary/office manager position. This person must have great people skills, be self-motivated, well organized, have networking abilities, and be computer literate. Please send resume to PO Box 5 Stratford, TX 79084. 2-22-tfn

Temporary position available: Farm workers, 03/15/07 to 12/31/07 @\$8.32 p/hr (or AEWR if higher). Free housing, 48 hrs p/wk. 1/4 guarantee, transportation and subsistence expenses to worksite paid after 50% completion. Tools, equipment, provided at no cost. Min 3 months experience. Need CDL with air brake endorsement, provide driving record or obtain DCL in first two months. Duties: operate self propelled custom combine, transporter truck, grain truck. Basic literacy and math skills required. Meidinger & Son, Stratford, TX. Interested? Contact Panhandle Resource Office, 500 E. 1st St. Dumas, TX 79029. Call 806-935-3351 and reference Job Order #TX7999730. 2-22-c

Sherman County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for dispatcher/jailer. Work a rotating shift. Insurance and retirement benefits. Training provided. For more information call the Sheriff's Office at 806-366-5551. You can pick up an application at the Sheriff's Office in the court house at 701 N. 3rd. Sherman County is an E.O.E. We reserve the right to accept or reject any applications. 2-8-c3x's

Feed, Seed Or Hay

Seed Milo Contracts. Premium Prices Paid. 806-256-7394. 2-8-4xc

Houses for Sale

3 Bedroom, 2 full baths, office area. Some new floor. Corner lot with 2 big buildings. 601 S. Pearl. 806-674-3118 or 366-3431. Ask for Barry Smith. 2-1-tfn

REDUCED: 3 Bdrm, 1 1/4 bath on large corner lot, 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Call 366-2153 for appointment. 10-2-tfn

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

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER-\$38,710. Owner motivated for quick sale! Bring all offers! 819 N. 2nd St., 2 story stucco house, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 5 lots on corner, has attached garage and 3 detached garages, basement. Call 806-930-8555 for appointment. 11-2-tfn

For Sale: Remodeled 1237 sq. ft. home, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 3 car garage with living area, 90'x140', 516 N. Poplar (806)249-6554) 12-30-07

New Listing! House for Sale, 3 bd, 2 bth, HVAC, w/d hookups, 1750 sq. ft. Lg. family room, open tiled kitchen, custom cabinets and island. Huge walk-in closet in master. Additional storage shed in back. 311 S. Pearl, \$59,500. Call 396-2403. 1-4-tfn

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1214 Butler St. - \$130,000
3 2 2 The enclosed patio is a perfect 2nd living area or game room office.
107 West Texas Ave. - \$140,000
Commercial Building.
512 Chestnut - \$43,000
3 2 1, Shop

206 N. 3rd-79,900.00 3/1.50/1 home. Kit. W/leaving bar & pantry. Living rm. W/fireplace. Mstr. Bdrm. W/sitting rm. 1 car garage w/storage & 2 car carport. Storm cellar. Call Lindahl Realty 806-935-7300, 1-866-935-7300

Approx. 640.7 Acres of land, w/dbl. wide mobile home w/garage \$640,700.00
Approx. 640.7 acres of land, 1/old abandoned house & Quonset barn-\$640,700.00
Approx. 640.7 acres of land-\$961,050.00

All acreage has irrigation equipment. All crops and farm equipment will be retained by seller. Seller will sell CRP land. 1202 N. 5th-\$116,900.00-4/1.75 home. Recently updated. Living Room w/fireplace. Den, Kitchen, wet bar. Mud room. Sewing Room 12 x 15 Corrugated Storage Building, extra lot

501 N. Poplar-\$45,000.00-Lobby area, 3 offices, 2 baths, shop w/10x12 overhead door. Cinder block building. Call Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 for more details. 408 N. 8th-Stratford-\$95,000.00

3/1 3/4/1 Home Call: Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 or 1-866-935-7300. 402 N. 8th-Stratford-\$29,500.00

2/1 Home Call: Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 or 1-866-935-7300. 301 N. Poplar-Stratford-\$275,000.00

60 x 100 Commercial Building Showroom & Office Call: Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 or 1-866-935-7300. 9-21-c

*** Music melts all the separate parts of our bodies together. -Anais Nin ***

*** Without music, life is a journey through a desert. -Pat Conroy ***

Legal Notices

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Stratford, Texas for the sealcoating of approximately 30,980 square yards of streets entitled:

SEALCOATING-2007 will be received at the office of the City Manager at City Hall, P.O. Box 188, 520 M. Third, Stratford, Texas 79084 until:

3:00 P.M. MARCH 12, 2007

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the Owner and will execute equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contact Documents, enter into a contract with the Owner and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Contract Documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Stratford 520 N. Third, Stratford, Texas 79084, phone (806) 363-5581 and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers. Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 363-7233 in the

following manner. Cost: Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), non-refundable, for each set of plans and specifications. Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding, in case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informa. NO bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the bid opening date.

CITY OF STRATFORD DAVID BROWN, MAYOR

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For Rent

2 Bedroom House for Rent: 609 N. Grace-Call 303-618-0060. 12-7-tfn

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

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



At 870° Fahrenheit, Venus has the hottest average surface temperature of any planet in the solar system. The coldest average surface temperature is that of Pluto (-370° Fahrenheit).

Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing

The Amarillo District of the Texas Department of Transportation hereby offers an Opportunity for a PUBLIC HEARING regarding the proposed improvements to U.S. 287. The limits of this project are from the intersection of S.H. 54 to Purnell Street in Stratford. The proposed project would rehabilitate and widen the existing roadway to two 14' outside lanes, two 12' inside lanes and 5' sidewalks along the entire project. Approximately 1/8 acre of new right of way is included in this project.

Although additional right-of-way is required, no houses or businesses will be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition can be obtained from the district office.

The Texas Department of Transportation is the planning agency, in cooperation with the City of Stratford.

Maps of the proposed improvements and copies of the Environmental Documentation are available for inspection and copying at the Texas Department of Transportation offices in Amarillo.

Information concerning the tentative construction may be obtained from the Texas Department of Transportation District Office in Amarillo.

Citizens can request that a public hearing be held covering the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed location and design by delivering a written request to the District. A written request for a hearing must be received in the Amarillo District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation by 5:00 p.m. March 15 2007

Texas Department of Transportation
5715 Canyon Drive
PO Box 7368
Amarillo, TX 79114-7368
Attention: Ms. Cheryl Luther
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Farms & Ranches for Sale

SHERMAN COUNTY SECTIONS- three sections, 3 phase electricity, two nice homes and landscaping. Quonset barn, irr. wells, sprinklers, 3 miles hwy front, +caliche-WILL DIVIDE!

HORSEMAN'S PLEASURE/CATTLEMAN'S DELIGHT-NW of GRUVER-80 acres +/-, nice 4,000+-sq. ft. brick home, metal roof, fireplace, two car garage, irr. well, 1/4 mile sprinkler, quonset barn, pipe-rail pens, covered working area.

HWY. 152 BETWEEN STINNETT & DUMAS-767 acres +/-, 4,000 sq ft +/--home & a 1,700 sq ft +/--home, beautiful homes and landscaping, large metal barn with office, irr. wells, sprinkler, strong water, hwy front. +caliche road-CONSIDER DIVIDING!

SHERMAN COUNTY 1/2 SECTION WITH PERMIT- plus 1 1/2 sections, hwy front, nice brick home, quonset barn, pens, irr. wells, sprinklers. Choice milk processing and dairy sites available in Dallam, Hartley, Moore, Oldham, Sherman and Hutchinson Counties. See our website or give us a call!

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*** Love is like a violin. The music may stop now and then, but the strings remain forever. -June Masters Bacher ***

Invitation for Bids

The City of Stratford will receive sealed bids until 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2007, at the Stratford City Hall located at: 319 N. 3rd

1 One (1) trash truck/compactor body combination. Full information and bid proposal packages may be obtained from the Stratford City Hall at 319 N. 3rd, Stratford, TX 79084 or by phoning (806) 366-5581. All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid proposal package. The City of Stratford reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any formalities and irregularities in the bid process. Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, February 22, 2007 and Thursday, March 1, 2007.

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To report Suspected Child Abuse, call

Kathie Altman-366-5611
Paula Everett-966-5445
Leonda Fedric-366-5992
Patsy Harland-827-7568
Belinda Hamilton-827-7728
Jesse Resendes-366-3134
Ernie Maiwald-366-5546

Austin Hotline
1-800-252-5400
ALL CALLS CONFIDENTIAL

TRAVEL

Tips for Stress-Free Winter Travel

NewsUSA

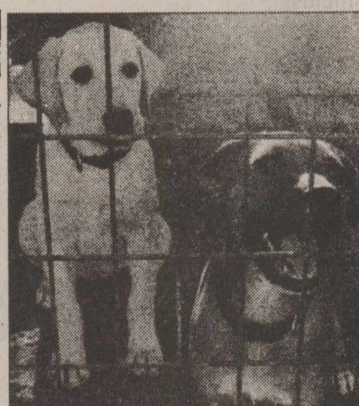
(NU) - Winter is here, and it will be a while before we see the sunny days of spring. But don't let the chill of winter get you down. Make the most of it by getting outdoors and experiencing the season.

If you're planning a winter getaway, there are a few simple tips for making travel during winter a breeze: • **Get prepared.** According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, 88 percent of winter trips are in a car, van or SUV. If you plan on traveling to the mountains for a winter retreat or some great skiing, it is essential to prepare your vehicle for the rigors of the season.

Road conditions can be unpredictable, so plan ahead. Call 511, the nationwide three-digit telephone number for travel information and current road conditions. Don't get stuck in the cold without road flares, warm clothing, a blanket, flashlight, food, extra batteries and a first-aid kit.

• **Travel light.** Packing can be a challenge with unpredictable winter weather conditions, so it's smart to pack light and opt for clothing that is multifunctional. Columbia Sportswear offers a number of versatile items that streamline the packing process.

The Columbia Valhalla Mountain parka features a three-in-one interchange system that takes you from the slopes to the city in one step. This parka combination also saves you money, as it features a detachable vest, sweater and parka. Each layer can be worn separately or together. Also look for versatile boots



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 free food. AH of these dogs have had their shots and are looking for lots of love. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 for additional information.



Packing for a winter trip? Lighten your load with the Columbia Valhalla Mountain parka - a sweater, vest and parka combination that can be worn separately or together.

for men and women from both Sorel and Columbia. They are engineered to withstand winter weather but are stylish enough to be worn around town.

• **Stay entertained.** Have games, books or toys on hand to keep children occupied. You can also keep them entertained by playing games like "I spy" or counting the number of out-of-state license plates you spot. Pack extra batteries and chargers for electronic games or MP3 players.

For yourself, pack a few magazines or a book to pass the time. If you own a laptop, bring it along to watch a movie or catch up on e-mails. InMotion Entertainment (www.inmotionpictures.com) rents movies and DVD players at more than 50 U.S. airport locations.

Winter is a great time of the year to get out and enjoy the many activities the season has to offer. With planning, traveling during the winter can be fun, comfortable and stress-free.

Technology

(NU) - Hard disk drive and DVD camcorders are becoming increasingly popular with consumers because of their random access ability, which makes it easier to watch and edit video footage. Now this convenience can be had in HD. Sony has two new high-def camcorders, which record in 1080i high-definition video and Dolby Digital 5.1 surround sound. One model records to familiar, three-inch digital video discs and the other onto a 30-gigabyte hard disk drive.