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Perry Proclaims Severe Weather Awareness Week

Texas Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed the week of March 4-10, 2007 **Severe Weather Awareness Week**. The spring and summer months in Texas often bring rapidly changing conditions that can lead to severe weather, from thunderstorms to tornadoes and lightning strikes to floods. For these reasons, an awareness campaign will be launched to inform citizens about the necessary steps we can all take to be more prepared when severe weather strikes. Governor Perry encourages all Texans to be prepared and create an emergency action plan for their households.

Depot Museum Spring Fundraiser

The Depot Museum will have their Spring Fund Raiser on Sunday March 25, 2007. It will be a Hamburger Dinner at the County Barn from 11:30 to 1:30. Free Will donation. The Museum is Free to the Public and strives to preserve local history for future generations.

ATTENTION

The Stratford ISD 07-08 school calendar has been approved and can be viewed on the Stratford ISD website. www.stratfordisd.net

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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.

ORDINANCE #070118

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES BY ORDINANCE FOR SOLID WASTE RATES OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD TEXAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Stratford contracts with Rural Waste Management Inc. for the collection and disposal services; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Waste Management Inc. contract provides for an annual increase in relation to the consumer price index (CPI); and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the cost of operating the Solid Waste Department has increased in the past and the city has not increased the fee increases to the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to fund the Solid Waste Department on a user fee basis and the current fees collected do not cover the cost of the contracted service; and

WHEREAS, the current rates for the Solid Waste Collection are:

Residential - monthly	\$12.50 - one pick up per week
Commercial - monthly	\$27.50 - one pick up per week
Additional weekly pick ups are calculated at the rates listed for once per week pick up	

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that an increase for the service is necessary to fund the cost for the services provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Stratford, Texas, that the following rates are increased, assessed and implemented as listed below:

1. Sanitation Rates shall be as follows:

Residential - monthly	\$14.25 one pick up per week
Commercial - monthly	\$29.25 one pick up per week
Additional weekly pick ups are calculated at the rates listed for once per week pick up	

2. Effective Date for Sanitation Rates

The effective date for these sanitation rates as established by City Council in this Ordinance shall be in effect and shall be added to the water bills mailed on March 10, 2007.

XIT Rural Telephone to Host 56th Annual Membership Meeting

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 The XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled its 56th Annual Membership meeting of its rural landline telephone members for Wednesday, March 14th. The meeting will be held at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum. Rural landline members' and invited guests' registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed with a luncheon catered by Bar H Steak House, Dalhart, Texas. Again, this year, members and invited guests will be treated to a sit-down dinner served by XIT's management and employees. Serving will begin at 11:45 a.m.

Patronage Capital Credit checks will be handed out to members as they register. This refund will include 52.2% of the 1997 allocation. The checks will be given to qualifying members upon registration at the annual meeting. Checks can only be given to the actual member or the authorized voting delegate for a business. A member does not have to be present at this meeting to receive this refund. All checks, not given in person, will be mailed shortly after the meeting.

The recipients of the 2007 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program will be announced. This is the eighth year that XIT has offered this program to at least five rural members' graduating seniors. The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. with a welcome to the membership and an introduction of the guests by J.W. McClellan, President of the XIT Board of Directors. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door prizes.

This year, approximately \$4,000 worth of door prizes will be given to attending members. There will be six grand prizes awarded: 1 - \$500 Cash Prize and 3 - \$300 Cash Prizes and 2 - \$100 Cash Prizes. There will also be a

kids' drawing. This is for members' children or grandchildren who are 12 years or younger. Members are reminded that they must be present to win.

The purpose of the annual meeting is to elect directors for each district - to present for approval the reports for the previous fiscal year, and to transact such other business that might come before the meeting.

According to the bylaws, a written notice will be mailed from the business office not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the meeting. This notice was mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 28th.

A quorum must be present in order for the business meeting to convene. Based upon the total number of the Cooperative's members, fifty members or two percent of the members present, whichever is larger, constitutes a quorum.

The officers and board members are: J.W. McClellan, President, Walter E. Lasley, Vice President; Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer, James R. Wilson, E.H. Little, Floyd French, Kenneth Stanley, Steve Baskin and James Spurlock.

On February 8, 2007, the Nominating Committee consisting of Sharon Taylor, Ed Latham, Bonnie McKie, Wallace Bridwell, John Burrow, and A.E. Pronger, Jr. met at XIT Rural Telephone's headquarters in Dalhart to submit nominations for three directorships. Ed Latham was selected as chairman of the Nominating Committee. Nominations for the following districts were: District I, Dallam County - J.W. McClellan and Lynn Harruff; District II, Hartley County - Kenneth Stanley, and District III, Sherman County - James Spurlock. Members vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside or the district in which they have telephone service. All members must be present at the annual meeting to vote since no proxy voting is permitted. Either a husband or wife is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but only one vote is allowed per membership.

XIT Rural Telephone needs constant input from its membership in order to provide the best possible service to its members. XIT rural landline

members, mark your calendars and plan to attend your 56th Annual Meeting Celebration and take an active part in the decision making of your Cooperative.

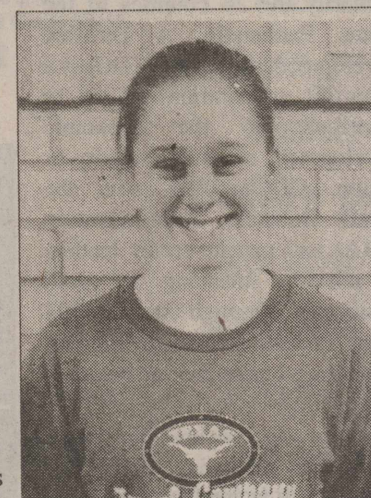


Pinewood Derby Results

Shown are Grand Champion Bransi Palmer and Queen Brandi Weinette.

Sunday, March 4th was the Boy Scout Pinewood Derby. There were 25 contestants racing at The Imagination Station and a great time was had by all. The winners in each division were:

- Tigers- 1st Kade McBryde
 - 2nd Tucker Summers
 - 3rd Shay Hess
 - Wolves-1st Russell Spurlock
 - 2nd Tristan Weinette
 - 3rd Kobi Garza
 - Bears- 1st Bransi Palmer
 - 2nd AJ Riffe
 - 3rd Wesley Allen
 - Webelos-1st Joshua Pollack
 - 2nd Colten Summers
 - 3rd Sean Godsey
 - Open - 1st Mary Ann Spurlock
 - 2nd Madeline Drake
 - 3rd Gene Weinette
- Grand Champion - Bransi Palmer
 Queen - Brandi Weinette
 Best Design
 Tigers - Kade McBryde
 Wolves - Blake Snider
 Bears - Bransi Palmer
 Webelos - Sean Godsey
 Open - Madeline Brake



M'Lynn Wells

Wells Senior Winner

Sixth grader M'Lynn Wells was the Sr. winner of the Amarillo Globe News Regional Spelling Bee held recently. M'Lynn is the 12 yr. old daughter of Jennifer Wells. Runner-up was Alan Burdge of Texhoma Jr. High.

Get a Jump Start on Springing Forward

Daylight Saving Time Is Arriving Early (and Staying Longer)

Set Clocks One Hour Ahead on Sunday, March 11

STARTING THIS YEAR, Daylight Saving Time has been changed from its traditional calendar dates to a start three weeks earlier - Sunday, March 11 -- and a finish one week later-Sunday, November 4. Daylight Saving Time is practiced in order to gain an extra hour of daylight during the early evening, resulting in the conservation of energy by substituting natural sunlight for electrical lighting.

According to *The Old Farmer's Almanac*, Daylight Saving Time first began in 1918 during World War I to allow for more evening light and save fuel for the war effort. Since then, Daylight Saving Time has been used on and off, with different start and end dates.

Benjamin Franklin first suggested the idea in 1784. It was later revived in 1907, when William Willett proposed a similar system in the pamphlet *The Waste of Daylight*. The Germans were the first to officially adopt the light-extending system in 1915, followed by the British, and in 1918 the United States, when Congress passed the Standard Time Act, establishing our time zones.

The Old Farmer's Almanac is one of several publications published by Yankee Publishing of Dublin, New Hampshire. The Almanac family of products also includes several themed calendars for 2007. Folks who can't find *The 2007 Old Farmer's Almanac* where books and magazines are sold can order individual copies or subscriptions at Almanac.com (where you can also find articles on a variety of Almanac topics, recipes, trivia, and a unique home-page personalization option) or by calling 800-223-3166.

FAMILY LAND HERITAGE PROGRAM

Each year, the Texas Department of Agriculture recognizes family ranches and farms that have been operated by the same family for 100 years or more. Qualifications for the program and applications' are available online at www.agr.state.tx.us

under the "Family Land Heritage" section or from the Sherman County Judge's Office (366-2021). Application deadline is September 15, 2007.

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,

OBITS

Ione Thelma Martin

Ione Thelma Martin was born March 18, 1917 at Ordway, CO. to Auborn (A.R.) and Bertha Bouldin. Attended grades 1-3 in Manzanola, 4-8 at Number 6 school and high school in Fowler graduating in 1934.

On December 23, 1935 she married Harold Van Sickle, a farmer near Swink, Colorado. He farmed in near Swink from 1936 until January 1958. They moved just North of Fowler and continued farming until his death May 1, 1966.

During the time Ione and Harold farmed near Swink they developed a close friendship with Ed and Edna Martin, playing cards and going to dances. Their children were near the same ages. Edna's death occurred about 2 years prior to Harold's on May 1, 1966. On May 5, 1967 Ione married Ed Martin and moved to Stratford, Texas where they cleaned and shipped popcorn. On September 30, 1982 they returned and moved to Fowler, Co. Ione was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers Aldie and Orrin Bouldin and her sisters Gertrude and Irene Bouldin, numerous aunts, uncles and cousins her husbands Harold Van Sickle and Edward Martin; and her sons-in-law Donald Shelton and Eddie Winborough.

She is survived by her Sons, Gerald Van Sickle, William & Kari Van Sickle of Manzanola, CO; Robert & Judy Van Sickle of Eaton, CO; and her daughters Phyllis Shelton of Fowler, CO; Sharon & Richard Van Gaasbeek of Porterville, CA; Shirley & Alan Smith of Manzanola and Betty Winsborough of Winchester, CA; 17 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

In addition Step Sons, James & Norma Martin of Newel, SD and Robert & Pat Martin of Herndon, VA and her step daughter Sue & Jerry Gollhier of Belle Fourche, SD; 8 step Grand children and 1 Step great grand child.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb 28, 2007 at Fowler United Methodist Church. Rev. Jeanne Redshaw officiated. Serving as casket bearers were her grandsons. Family Prefers memorials to her church. Burial was beside her husband, Harold in the Mountainview Cemetery in Manzanola. Griffy Family funeral home in Fowler is in charge of arrangements.

She died Saturday, Feb 24, 2007 at Fowler Health Care Center where she had resided since December.



Gymnasts Compete at Lubbock

These kids from Kelly's Gymnastics competed in Lubbock on Saturday, February 24, 2007. The next meet will be in Canyon on March 24th. The gymnasts are currently having a fundraiser (cokes & cookie dough) and can be purchased from any gymnast. Shown above: Top - Kenlee McBryde; 2nd row - Laynee Burr, Rebekah Johnson. 1st row - Bailey Book, Cydne Hitchings, Meghan Brooks, Karlene Arias and in front Gage Brooks.

TPRDC OFFICERS CHOSEN

The Texas Panhandle Regional Development Corporation has elected Jason Hall with First United Bank in Amarillo, as its President.

Jason Herrick with Pantera Energy Co. in Amarillo was elected Vice-President; Richard "Buzz" David with Amarillo Economic Development Corporation was elected as Secretary; and Lorie Vincent with the High Ground of Texas was elected as Treasurer.

Other directors are Sheryl Hardy with Perryton Community Development Corporation, Anna Hicks with Happy State Bank in Canyon, Sherry McKean with Indian Ink Leasing in Amarillo, Colby Waters with the City of Canadian, and David Terry with WTAMU Enterprise Network in Amarillo.

The Texas Panhandle Regional Development Corporation (TPRDC) is a U.S. Small Business Administration Certified Development Company which serves the State of Texas, but primarily the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. A certified development company (CDC) is a nonprofit corporation set up to contribute to the economic development of its community or region. CDC's work with the Small Business Administration (SBA) and private-sector lenders to provide financing to small businesses. Through the SBA 504 Loan Program, TPRDC enables expanding businesses or business

start-ups to secure long-term, fixed-rate financing for fixed assets, such as land and buildings. For more information about TPRDC, contact Doug Nelson at (806) 372-3381.

The love we give away is the only love we keep.
—Elbert Hubbard



St. John's, the capital of Newfoundland, is the point in North America closest to Europe.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic to Be Held

The Don and Sybil Barring-ton Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at First United Methodist Church, 520 N. Main, in Stratford on March 29, 2007.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Where there is great love, there are always miracles.
—Willa Cather

Love is not something you feel. It's something you do.
—David Wilkerson

Looking for Rocks

The Imagination Station is looking for rocks or people who know about rocks in order to help out with Super Science Saturday, March 31st. If you can help us contact Laurie Spurlock @ 366-2772, Gaynelle Riffe @ 396-5303 or Yvonne Pittman. Thanks for your help.

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Movies Beginning March 9

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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.

The only love worthy of a name is "unconditional."
—John Powell

The greatest thing you ever learn is just to love and be loved in return.
—Nat King Cole

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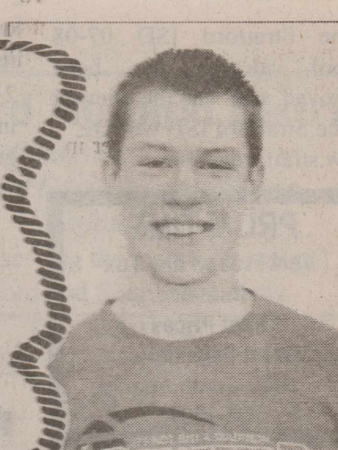
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GET 'ER DONE
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For more details see www.duncanchevrolet.com



Spring Cleaning

CLEARANCE SALE!

New Phones Starting at \$19.95

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XIT Wireless' Clearance Sale!

It's HUGE! We are practically giving away the coolest phones. We're selling phones by Motorola, Nokia and Sony Ericsson with prices starting at only \$19.95. XIT has select accessories up to 50% off. Plus, bring in 3 non-perishable items for the Pantry and save an additional \$10! Phones and accessories are going fast, so hurry to your local XIT Customer Service Center!

Dalhart 244-3355 1624 Tennessee Ave.	Stratford 366-3355 401 N 3rd St.	Dumas 935-8777 1545 S Dumas Ave.	Hereford 364-1426 809 S 25 Mile Ave.
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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Mike McDaniel had an emergency appendectomy on Saturday, March 3 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He is doing very well.

Wesley Nolen, husband of the former Jody Avent has been in Northwest Texas Hospital for over two weeks. Jody is the daughter of former Kerrick residents Boots and Renee Avent.



ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

Jennie Spurlock and Severo Duran are students of the week at Stratford High School this week.

Our Life Skills students have been published! They submitted their group photograph and some cool coloring pages to the *Buzz Monthly*, a reading resource for Special Education.

The magazine is published by The Fisher Group, Conyers, Georgia. These students are Brian Zinck, freshman, Stephanie Molina, Tyler Pickens, and Raul Reta, 8th grade, and Jesus Rosas, 5th grade. Congratulations, kids!

Golf and Track seasons are in full swing now. The Girls Golf team played Monday at Booker. Tuesday the Varsity Boys played at Highland Park (Comanche Trails) and the JV boys played at Booker. The Spearman Track Meet is this weekend. High School and Middle School Open House was held Monday evening, and Mary Allen Open House was Tuesday evening.

High School Cheerleader try-outs are on Friday, March 9.

Quote of the Week: "Every artist was first an amateur." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Tornado

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a ditch, ravine or culvert. Be alert to potential flooding.

3 Do not seek shelter beneath an overpass. High winds and flying debris are likely to cause injuries.

4 If you are in a mobile home, get out immediately. Walk or run to the nearest sturdy building - or take shelter in a ditch or ravine. If you are outside, lie flat and cover your head to protect yourself from flying debris.

5 Avoid any area with a wide, unsupported roof. That includes auditoriums, cafeterias, gymnasiums, theaters or central courts at malls. Go to interior rooms with no windows.

6 Most tornado fatalities result from injuries to the head or neck from flying debris. Protect yourself with thick padding such as blankets or mattresses - or quickly get under a sturdy piece of furniture - a table, bench or church pew.

7 If you are in an office, hospital or nursing home, go to the lowest floor. Stay away from windows. Avoid elevators. Shelter in a stairwell, hallway, storage closet or bathroom.

8 At school, follow the drill. Take shelter in an inside room, hallway, storage closet or stairwell. Avoid windows or any area with large amounts of glass.

9 At home, take shelter in a room without windows on the lowest floor - a bathroom, hallway, closet or stairwell.

10 If you are outside and there is not sturdy building nearby, take shelter in a low-lying area. Keep an eye out for flooding.

* Prepare, plan and practice before a tornado hits.

11 Have a family tornado plan.



Dinner Theatre Saturday March 24th

The Stratford High School dinner theater will be on Saturday March 24 at 7:00. The play they will be presenting is "The Small World of Millie McIvor" It is a comical farce full of fun and entertainment. The tickets can be purchased from any cast or crew member. They will also be available at the business office. The ticket price this year is 12.00 for adults 6.00 for 6 years and under and 10.00 for students. The proceeds will go for scholarships for students wishing to attend area speech and drama camps. The cast this year is composed of Evan Haile a senior who is a veteran on the stage. She plays the role of Millie, Austin Riffe another seasoned actor plays the role of Jonathan. Trena Maiwald who was in the show last year plays Lucy. We have several new members to our cast this year. Tanner Riffe plays Toby. Luke Haile has the role of Mr. Hornbuckle and Candi Bell is Mrs. Hornbuckle. Katie Killian plays the role of Mrs. Gifford, We have several seasoned crew members. Bryce Wright is the stage manager and his crew are Lisa Walls, Chandra Hawkins and Alex Marquez. The understudies are Jake Lawrence, Roy Allen, Kelsie Dennis, Sierra Valenzula and Jessica Meroney. Make plans to attend this outstanding performance. For more information call Terri Teig 727-4412.

Ask about tornado plans in offices, stores or other areas you visit frequently. Learn the locations of interior shelters.

12 Know where to shelter in the house. Store protective materials - such as blankets or sleeping bags in the shelter.

13 Regularly practice a family tornado drill.

14 In case family members are separated, plan a place to call to let others know you are safe. Plan a place to meet if you are cut off from your neighborhood.

15 Monitor TV and radio broadcasts and NOAA weather radio. Listen for warnings. Listen to instructions from local officials.

16 Remember to practice the plan. Have a place to call and a place to meet

* Practice these safety precautions after the storm.

17 Keep your family or group together and wait for emergency personnel

18 Stay calm. Continue to monitor broadcasts. Listen for instructions from local officials or emergency personnel.

19 Stay away from power lines or puddles with wires in them. They may still be hot.

20 Watch your step to avoid dangerous debris, sharp objects, nails or broken glass.

21 Damaged structures may collapse at any moment. Stay out!

22 Do not use matches or lighters. Fuel tanks or natural gas tanks may be leaking.

WALK ACROSS TEXAS KICKOFF MARCH 22

WALK ACROSS TEXAS kickoff will be held Thursday, March 22, 2007. The kickoff event will be held at 5:45 p.m. on the front steps of the Sherman County Courthouse in Stratford. In the event of inclement weather, the kickoff event will be held at the Sherman County Exhibit Building.

Walk Across Texas is an eight-week program that will spark some friendly competition in Sherman County. Teams of eight will compete to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, or even biking. Participants may also log miles for the walk using an exercise bike or treadmill. Teams will keep track of their miles, which will be posted in the Extension Office and other places around the community, according to Susie Spurlock, Sherman County Extension Agent.

The kick off event of Walk Across Texas will feature information on the health benefits of exercise and exercise equivalents by Susie Spurlock, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences. Walking teams who have pre-registered by March 21 will be introduced at this event. The walk will officially begin on Sunday, March 25 and end Saturday, May 19th.

To participate in Walk Across Texas, first get a team together.

Choose a team caption and name your team. Fill out a registration form available at the Sherman County Extension Office, located in the Courthouse Annex at 701

N. Third Street or call 366-2122. If teams wish, they may register on-line

at www.walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu.

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

Great prizes will be awarded to those who reach the destination of South Padre Island first; teams walking the most miles; teams returning the completed registration forms and mileage logs, and individuals who walk the most miles.

First Assembly of God

Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian

Rev. Walter Reed
5th & Main

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

First United Methodist

Rev. Gene Weinette
520 N. Main

Sunday School 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Aleksy Kowalski
6th & Pearl

Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 9:00a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Service - Wed. Thurs. Fri. - 6 p.m. Sat. 5 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass. or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Ernie Maiwald
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.

Heritage Bible Baptist

Pastor Rick Carter
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Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist

Pastor Billy Chambers
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Sun.-Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30

Wed. -Children-6:00, youth-7:00

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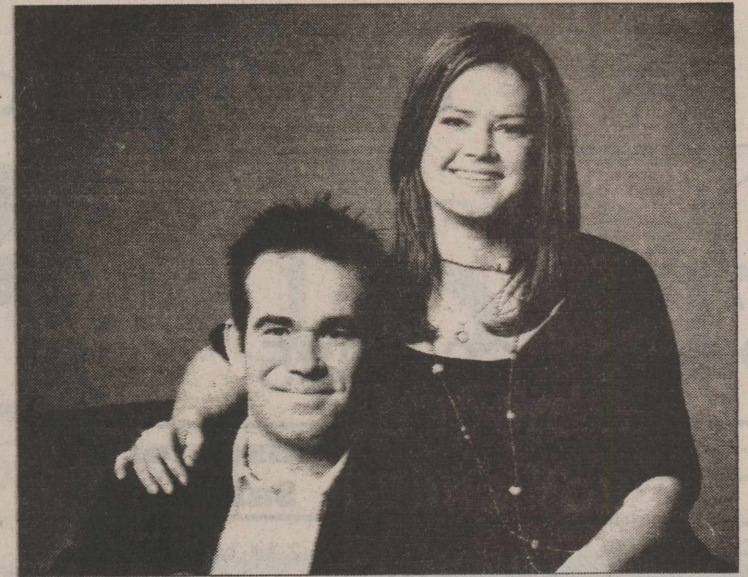
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Engagement Announced

Kris and Walter Lasley of Stratford announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashlie Jennifer, to Thomas Michael Bailey. Bailey is the son of Therese and Jim Bailey of San Antonio. The couple plan to wed April 7 at the Botanical Gardens in Amarillo. The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Stratford High School. She graduated from Texas A&M University in College Station in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Development. She works for Biz X Change as an account executive. The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Madison High School. He graduated from the University of Texas in Austin in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in Anthropology and History. He is employed as VP of sales for Texas and Midwest regions for Precept Brands wines.

4-H FASHION SHOW MARCH 26

The Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show will be held Monday, March 26, 2007. The achievement event will be at the Sherman County Exhibit Building in Stratford.

Judging of contestants will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Fashion Show and Awards program at 7:00 p.m. 4-H project members from the Stratford area are learning skills in the areas of clothing construction, clothing care, grooming and modeling, textile art, knowledge of fibers and fabrics, and participated in educational tours.

4-Hers and families are reminded that Fashion Show Entry Forms are due in the County Extension Office on Wednesday, March 21st.

Community members are invited to the Fashion Show to show their support of youth and view the accomplishments of members. Sponsors of the Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show are the Sherman County 4-H Parent & Leaders Association, Sherman County Texas Extension Education Association, and Cooperative Extension.

Educational programs sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension serve all people of all ages, regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

Don't forget to change your clocks Saturday night before going to bed - so you won't miss church on Sunday. Daylight Savings Time Weekend

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Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.
Meir Co Les Serv De Ador 5 p.m.

Kerrick Community Church

Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday

REMINDER FARMERS...DON'T FORGET MULTI-PERIL CROP INSURANCE DEADLINE

MARCH 15

IF WE CAN HELP YOU IN ANYWAY...PLEASE LET US KNOW!!!

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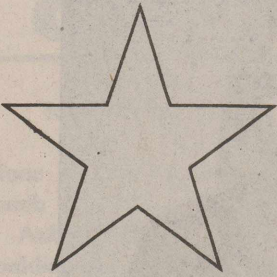
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—Jean Paul Richter

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

Lost & Found

Lost: Turquoise ear rings, small blue mesh bag (matches necklace. Call 366-2053. 3-8-c

Stolen

Stolen-W.W. White single Axle 14 foot gooseneck full nose 1/2 top trailer. If any info call Randy McCracken 806-333-2134. 3-15-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 2-15-4x

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

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

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An act of love that fails is just as much a part of the divine life as an act of love that succeeds, for love is measured by fullness, not by reception.

—Harold Loukes

Love is a gift of one's innermost soul to another so both can be whole.

—Tea Rose

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. 10-21-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

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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For Sale: Country Living, 15 miles from Stratford. 25 from Dalhart, 4000 plus living, 4 bedrooms, 3 bath, formal dining, oak flooring, basement, 40 x 50 insulated shop. All rooms extra large. Call 366-3233 for appointment. 3-29-c

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

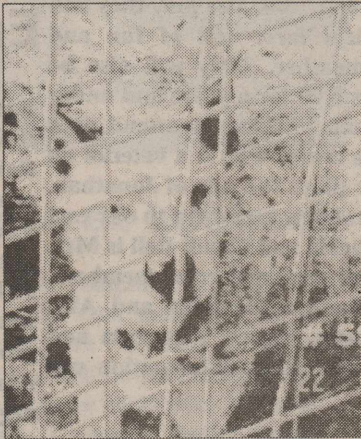
There is always something left to love. And if you haven't learned that, you ain't learned nothing.

—Lorraine Hansberry

The only measure of your worth and your deeds will be the love you leave behind when you're gone.

—Fred Small

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.

For Sale

206 N. 3rd-79,900.00 3/1.50/1 home. Kit. W/steering bar & pantry. Living rm. W/fireplace. Mstr. Bdrm. W/kitting rm. 1 car garage w/storage & 2 car carport. Storm cellar. Call Lindahl Realty 806-935-7300, 1-866-935-7300
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408 N. 8th-Stratford-\$95,000.00 3/1 3/4/1 Home Call: Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 or 1-866-935-7300.

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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

NO. 2097
ESTATE OF
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DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT
OF SHERMAN COUNTY,
TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST
THE ESTATE OF HAYWOOD
VAUGHN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the estate of Haywood Vaughn were issued on October 12, 2006, in Cause No. 2097, in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to Eunice B. Vaughn.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is Stratford, Sherman County, Texas; the post office address of the attorney for the Estate is:

Thomas C. Moore
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 718
Dumas, Texas 79029-0718

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

DATED this 1st day of March, 2007.

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Foster/Adoptive Parent Informational Meeting to Be Held

When abuse and neglect occurs, and children are no longer able to safely remain in their own homes, were are fortunate enough to have individuals willing to provide care and support to them in licensed foster homes. Foster care provides a temporary safe haven for children as Child Protective Services (CPS) caseworkers and foster parents work toward uniting children with their families. These children, through no fault of their own, were placed in abusive or neglectful situations by their biological parents. In some situations, they are not able to return home and deserve a chance for a new life with adoptive parents who can teach them that family can be a safe place.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo.

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