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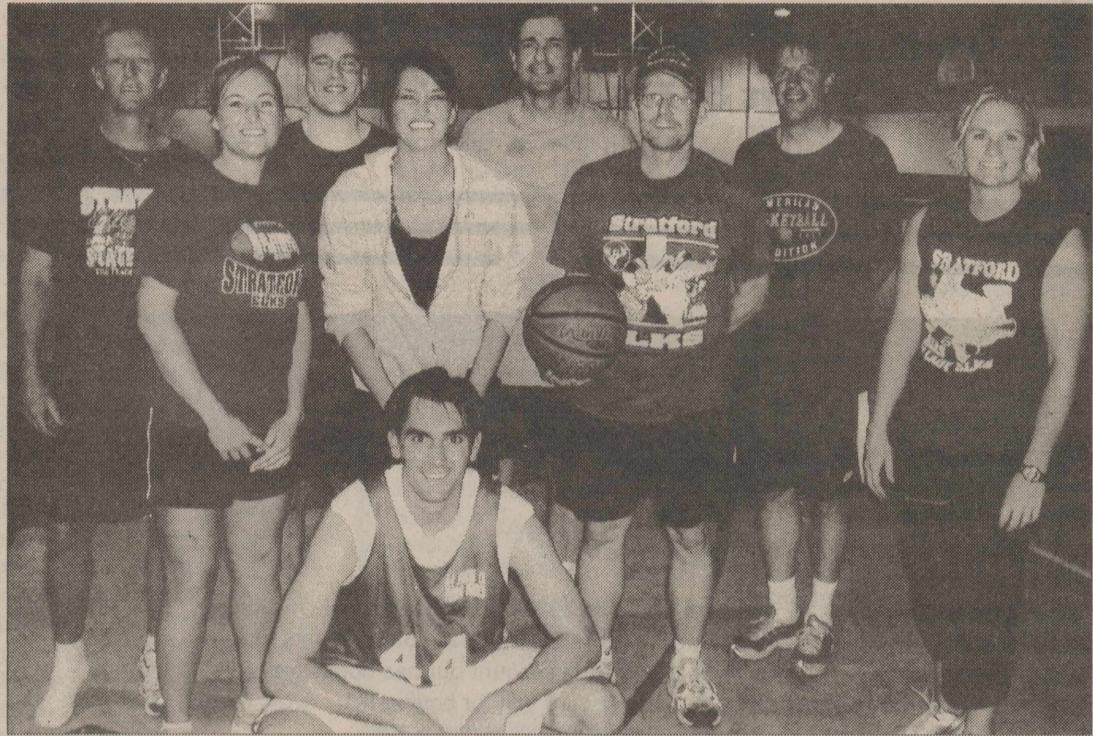
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Basketball Team Wins League

The "Old Hoagies" played in a co-ed basketball league in the Dumas YMCA during the month of March. The team played every Tuesday and Thursday in Dumas against other adult teams from the surrounding area. The won the league championship Thursday March 29 by 13 points. The team consists of David Sutterfield, Adam Bell, Keith King, Johnny Hudson, Jessica Sutterfield, Jessica Audrain, Ross Macon, John Ashley, and Kendra Mungia. Not pictured team members are Nita Hudson, Jolie Asher, and Ernie Maiwald.

Trustee Election May 12, 2007

The Stratford Independent School District will hold a trustee election May 12, 2007 at the County Court House to fill two positions.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin Monday, April 30, 2007 and will continue through Tuesday May 8, 2007. Early voting will be conducted at the County Court House in the District Clerks Office, 701 N 3rd Street, Stratford, Texas 79084 - Hours: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.

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

Candidates are Blake Confer, DeWain Trayler, Chet Everett and Steve Hays.

Election de Fideicomisario 12 de mayo de 2007

El Distrito Independiente Escolar de Stratford tendra una election de fideicomisario el 12 de mayo de 2007 para llenar tres posiciones.

Votacion temprana por apariencia en persona comenzara el miercoles 30 de abril de 2007 y terminara el martes 8 de mayo de 2007.

Votacion temprana se llevara a cabo en el la Casa de Justicia del Condado con la Oficinista del Distrito, 701 N 3rd Street, Stratford, Tx 79084 - Entre las horas 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM y 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, de lunes a viernes.

Miembros de la mesa cuyo termino expirara son Steve Hays and DeWain Trayler. Miembros remanentes son Joe Reinart, Barney Willborn, Patti Vincent, Brent Spurlock, y Greg Wright.

Los candidatas son Blake Confer, DeWain Trayler, Chet Everett, y Steve Hays.

STRATFORD PATRIOTS NEED YOUR SUPPORT

We are starting early this year on the fundraising because we were unable to go to State last year due to lack of funding. This year we hope to be able to take all nine of our athletes to College Station and represent the area. The Stratford Patriots consist of athletes from Stratford, Dalhart & Sunray and every one of them is an asset to our team.

The Special Olympics motto "LET ME WIN, BUT IF I CANNOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT" represents the determination & bravery these athletes have and they are proud to represent the area at State competition. As always "Thanks to Everyone" in advance for their continuing support.

Once again the Stratford Patriots need your support. We are selling Coca Cola & PowerAde products to help raise enough money for our team to go to State in College Station this fall. If you see a Stratford Patriot and need to stock up for the summer on cold drinks, they will be more than happy to help out.

They are:

24cnt. 20oz. case Coca Cola products; \$18.50
 24cnt. 20oz. case PowerAde products; \$20.00

Coca Cola will deliver the product to us at 107 N. Main, corner of 2nd & Main on April 19th. Due to the amount of cases sold, they will be available for pickup after 5:00 p.m. on the evenings of April 19th and 20th.

If you are not able to pick them up at the above address, we will deliver to you at a later date.

Work Day
 April 21st 9:00 am
Stratford Country Club
 Bring your rakes
 Lunch will be served

Volunteer Community Responders
 CERT training meeting
 Monday, April 23, 2007
 7 p.m.
 Stratford Fire Station

Weather Spotters class presented by National Weather Service
 Thursday, April 19, 2007
 7 p.m.
 Stratford EMS building
 Anyone interested is invited to attend

PRE - KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Mary Allen Elementary will begin registering children for Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten for the school year 2007-2008, beginning on April 11, 2007. Please come to the Mary Allen Elementary from 9:00 - 12:00 to register. Please bring your child's social security card, birth certificate, and current shot record. To enroll in Kindergarten, your child must turn 5 by September 1st, 2007. A child is eligible for enrollment in Pre- Kindergarten if the child is at least 4 years of age by September 1, 2007 and is:

- *unable to speak or understand the English language
- *educationally disadvantaged
- *homeless
- *Active duty of Military

If you are unable to attend on the 11th, registration will continue at the MAE during school hours.

SHERMAN COUNTY CRIMESTOPPERS

Sherman County Crimestoppers needs your help. On the night of March 8, 2007 a person or persons committed the crime of Criminal Mischief by vandalizing the vacant residence at 608 N. Wall, Stratford.

Crimestoppers pays up to \$1,000.00 in cash for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved. If you have any information on these or any other crimes contact the Crimestoppers answering machine at 366-TIPS (8477) and leave a code name and return phone number or call the Sherman Co. Sheriff's Office at 366-5551 or the Stratford Police Dept at 366-3051. All callers will remain anonymous.

Chamber News 2007 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP AND AWARDS BANQUET

The Jamboree/Ranch Rodeo A Reunion organizational meeting will be held at Elk Junction April 16th @ 12:00pm. Please join us at lunch and help us keep the tradition going!

Stratford Chamber of Commerce would like to introduce you to our new director Laura Morris Rogers. Laura grew up here in Stratford and has moved back to be closer to her parents, Larry & Verlie Norris. The Chamber will be holding an Open House April 20th from 11:00-1:00 pm for snacks, drinks and an opportunity to get to know Laura.

2008 STEER EXHIBITOR TAGS

By Susie Spurlock

4-H members planning on exhibiting steers at 2008 winter shows need to place their order for steer validation tags through the Sherman County Extension Office. Steers that will be exhibited at Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, and Houston must have a state validation tag.

Tags are \$7.00 each and must be pre-paid before ordering. Orders must be received in the Extension Office by 12 Noon on Friday, April 20, 2007.

Please make a note of this information and share with others who may be planning to show a steer in 2008.

4-H'ers to Judge Livestock

By Susie Spurlock

Sherman County 4-H members, Jacob Edmond, Pete Dahl, Matt Freeman, and Corey Lomax will be participating in the Panhandle District 4-H Livestock Judging Contest on Friday, April 13th at the West Texas A&M University Nance Ranch.

Good luck to these Sherman County youth!

 The pen is mightier than the sword, but no match for the accountant.
 —Jonathan Glancey

The Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation Districts announces it's Annual Stewardship and Awards Banquet has been set for April 13, 2007. The meal is set for noon at the Sherman County Barn. We will be having a catered lunch of sirloin and sausage served at 12:00.

Awards will be given to the students from Stratford schools that placed in our Coloring, and Poster contests.

The District is very pleased to announce that this year's speaker will be United States Representative Mac Thornberry. The Congressman's roots run deep in the Texas Panhandle. His family has been ranching in this region since 1881, first in the Wichita Falls area and then near Clarendon, where Rep. Thornberry was born. He grew up on the family ranch in Donley County and is still involved in the cattle business with his brothers. Rep. Thornberry is one of the few Members of Congress personally involved in agriculture. He has long been interested in politics, writing even as a teenager to Senators Tower and Bentsen about property rights of farmers and ranchers. Today, as the U.S. Representative for the 13th district of Texas, an area bigger than 13 states he continues to fight for property rights. He is also involved in other issues important to the area, such as

agriculture, energy production and health care. Rep. Thornberry is one of the nation's leaders in efforts to strengthen our national security. His is a senior Member of the House Armed Services Committee and serves, as the Top Republican on the Terrorism, Unconventional Threats, and Capabilities Subcommittee. He also serves on the House Intelligence Committee. He and his wife Sally, also a native Texan, have two teenage children.

We hope to see you, your family and friends at the Banquet. Remember - there is no charge for this great time. Please call the office at 396-5517 ext. 3 with your reservations. Reservations need to be made by April 6, 2007.

Local Thespians to Present Readings

Three local thespians will present their poetry and prose readings at the Sherman County Public Library on Thursday evening, April 12th at 6:30-7:15 p.m. Presenting the program will be Evan Haile-Prose, Trena Maiwald-Prose and Austin Riffe-Poetry. These students have advanced from the District UIL Academic Meet and will be competing at the UIL Regional Academic Meet in Abilene on Saturday, April 14th. In preparation for this upcoming competition, the public is cordially invited to come and enjoy an evening of entertainment.

Public Notice

Now that the weather is getting better, its time to do some spring cleaning at the cemetery. If you have old flowers or items on graves at the cemetery left from the winter, please remove them and place them in the dumpster at the cemetery. Please feel free to replace them with new ones. If you have toys or crockery or other items of glass or metal on graves, please remove them as well. This will prevent them from becoming flying objects when the lawnmowers and weed trimmers are in use. The city has completed the weed spraying and the annual clean-up day will be announced soon. Now is the time to start getting your plots cleaned up. Thanks for your cooperation.

Stratford Results of District I-AA Academic Meet

Regional Qualifiers - Abilene, ACU, April 14

Kristen Crabtree	2 nd Place	Accounting	Coach Tami King
Rhia Everett	3 rd Place	Literary Criticism	Coach Judy Stoy
Brooke Barnard	2 nd Place	Computer App.	Coach Tami King
Evan Haile	1 st Place	Poetry	Coach Terri Teig
Austin Riffe	2 nd Place	Prose	Coach Terri Teig
Trena Maiwald	3 rd Place	Poetry	Coach Terri Teig
Kelsi Dennis	2 nd Place	Editorials	Harletta Carthel
Kristen Crabtree	2 nd Place	Headline Writing	Harletta Carthel

Other Placing at the District Meet

Tyler Gilliland	4 th Place	News Writing	Harletta Carthel
Channing Zieman	6 th Place	Feature Writing	Harletta Carthel
Merilee McDaniel	4 th Place	Accounting	Coach Tami King

Accounting Team 2nd Place (Kristen Crabtree, Brant Cummings, Daniel Hays, Merilee McDaniel)

Deborah Molina 6th Place Spelling Coach Judy Stoy

Spelling Team 2nd Place (Braden Hamilton, Katie Killian, Deborah Molina, Sunny Russell)

Tiffni Drake 4th Place Mathematics Coach Carla Griffin

Number Sense Team 3rd Place (Brooke Barnard, Kristen Crabtree, Becky Rosales, Harrison Walden) Coach Carla Griffin

Whitney Reese 5th Place Poetry Coach Terri Teig
 Jennie Spurlock 5th Place Social Studies Coach Ronna Riffe
 Jordan Confer 6th Place Headline Writing Harletta Carthel

Social Studies Team 2nd Place (Jennie Spurlock, Katie Killian, Michael Frizzell, Brant Cummings) Coach Ronna Riffe

Manuel Chavoya 5th Place Comp. App. Coach Tami King

Health

(NU) - As the weather warms up, barbecue season gets under way. But traditional barbecue fare — hot dogs, baked beans and cold beer — may leave you gassy and spoil your fun. Dr. Patricia Raymond, gastroenterologist and assistant professor at Eastern Virginia Medical School, says that flatulence can be controlled with some dietary changes, such as grilling less gassy alternatives like chicken and summer squash. You can also deactivate gas with activated charcoal, such as CharcoCaps Homeopathic AntiGas Formula. The charcoal is a natural and safe way to adsorb the gas and relieve bloating. To learn more, visit www.charcocaps.com

ROASTED CHILEAN APPLES AND PEARS
(Yield: 4 servings)

- ¼ cup apple jelly
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 medium-sized Chilean apples, cored, cut into thin wedges
- 2 medium-sized Chilean pears, cored, cut into thin wedges

Preheat oven to 450°F. Melt jelly and butter. Place fruit in small nonstick baking pan. Drizzle with jelly mixture; toss to coat. Roast until just tender, about 10 minutes. Spoon over cake or ice cream and top with whipped cream, if desired.

4-H DISTRICT RIFLE CONTEST UPDATE

By Susie Spurlock
Sherman County 4-H Shooting Sports members who plan to compete at the District Rifle Contest to be held Saturday, May 5th are reminded to enter by Friday, April 20th.

4-H members must register for the contest through 4-H Connect. Instructions for this web based registration program may be obtained through the Sherman County Extension Office or at <http://amarilo.tamu.edu/programs/4h/>

Entry fee is \$12.50 per contestant. 4-H members need to know if they will be competing as an individual or on a team. If a member of a team, 4-H members need to know the names of other team members.

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

To be a hero or a heroine, one must give an order to oneself.

—Simone Weil

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PG-13 Shia LaBeouf

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PG Ioan Gruffudd

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PG Ice Cube

Grindhouse

R Kurt Russell Zoe Bell

Blades of Glory

PG-13 Will Ferrell Jon Heder

Meet the Robinsons

G Animated

Wild Hogs

PG-13 Tim Allen John Travolta

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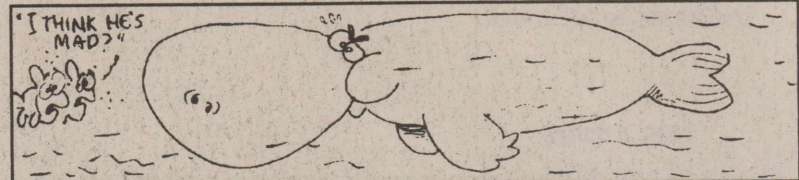
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COMBO NO. 3	BBQ SANDWICH & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$1.99	COMBO NO. 8	2 CORN DOGS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.59
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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

The food was great and so was the visiting! The Easter dinner was enjoyed. There had been no gathering since Christmas! The next dinner is slated for Mother's Day.

Mike and Marylou McDaniel were hosts.

Among those present were Geneva & Joyce Wells, Elaine & Leo Horne, Charlie & Denton Crabtree, Joe Bill Boren.

Also Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Marjory Munden, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Mary Hill, Minnie, Annette, Ralph James Hampton, Bill & Pat Boren.

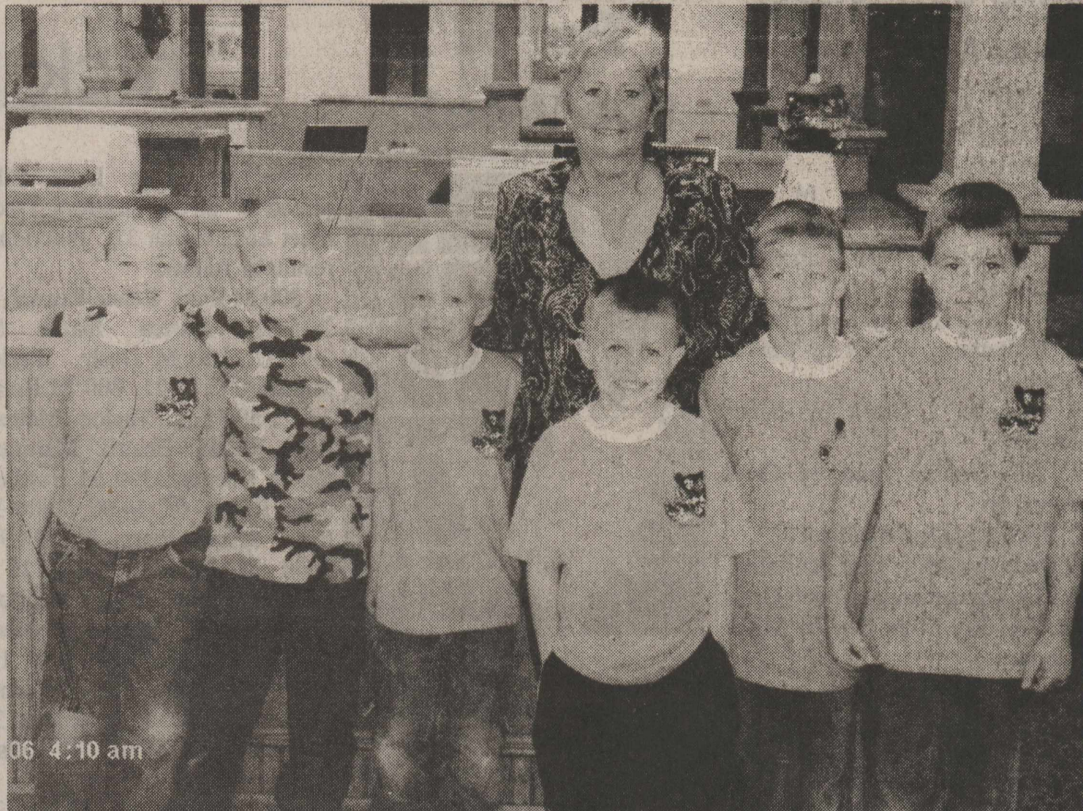
Went to opening games of Rockies baseball April 2 & 3 with daughter Patti. We have been going for several years.

Was watching a Doris Day movie Saturday and also in it was Jack Smith. I had sung a duet with him on the Art Linkletter show in 1953!

The Brady Schoonover family spent most of Easter weekend with the Sandy Tillery's. The Ballinger bunch was there too.

Joe Bill Boren, Amarillo, was with his parents, Bill & Pat Boren, for the weekend.

Terry & Barbara Schoonover went to John Hardesty's birthday celebration Saturday in Guymon.



Tiger Cubs Visit First State Bank

The Tiger Cubs (Tucker Summers, Andrew Pollack, Grady Pickens, Shay Hess, Kade McBryde, and Colton Lanning) visited First State Bank. They would like to thank Carol McLaughlin and all of First State Bank for teaching them about bank vaults which is one of their electives for their Tiger Cub Badge.

You get recessions, you have stock market declines. If you don't understand that's going to happen, then you're not ready, you won't do well in the markets.

—Peter Lynch

Truth is beautiful, without
doubt; but so are lies.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

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From Milk to Monterey Jack.

Here at Hilmar Cheese Company, an exceptional team of talented people work together to make the very best cheeses and other delicious products. We're proud to be one of the largest cheese and whey product manufacturers in the world. Take advantage of one of these great opportunities to elevate your career at our brand new plant in Dalhart and share in our success.

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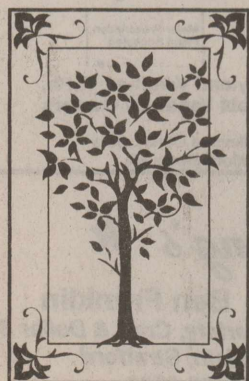
We are proud to announce the addition of Hospice Care for the terminally ill to our service offering.

Volunteers are essential to Hospice Care. Training classes are being provided every Thursday night beginning April 10th through May 10th from 6 to 9 pm. Supper is provided.

- Session 1: Overview of Hospice Care
- Session 2: Medical Aspects of Hospice Care
- Session 3: Stages of Grief
Family Dynamics
Roles of the Volunteer
- Session 4: Spiritual needs of the Hospice Patient
Caring for the Patients' Family after Death

Volunteer tasks: listening, running errands, writing letters, sitting with patients, and supporting families

Contact Eileen Vinson at 806-244-8555 to register.



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Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

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Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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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

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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.

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Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. Children—6:00, youth—7:00

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Domingo-(Sunday)
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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

COUNCIL MINUTES
February 22, 2007

Stratford City Council met in Regular Session, Thursday, February 22, 2007, with Mayor David Brown presiding and the following council members present:

Mayor: David Brown
Councilmembers: Jolie Asher, Nancy Kimball, Connie Oquin, Ernie Maiwald, Blake Confer
Interim City Administrator: Chris Coffman
City Secretary: Kathy Rendon
Police Chief: Larry Penfold
Municipal Judge: Cindy Jackson
City Attorney: Rob Elliott
City Planner: George Harding

Also present: Lee Moore with Gaskill Pharis & Pharis, Dorothy Robbins, Marty Bain, Kathy Altman

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m.

APPROVE MINUTES

Ernie Maiwald motioned to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2007 meeting, Nancy Kimball seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL

Doak Crabtree was unable to attend the meeting. The monthly City of Stratford Investment Review report was distributed to Council for their review.

Lee Moore was present to give the 2005-2006 audit report. Ernie Maiwald motioned to approve the report, Blake Confer seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

There were no citizen comments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Penfold reported 29 tickets were issued. The department is still interviewing for police officer positions. Chief Penfold will be traveling to Huntsville for training for new police chiefs. Grant money will be available for reimbursement for some of the expenses incurred on this trip. The County will be the back-up for Adam while Larry is out of town.

Chief Penfold also presented the current Racial Profiling policy and a Racial Profiling report for Council review. Nancy Kimball motioned to approve the report as presented, Ernie Maiwald seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Council commended Larry for a job well done.

MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT

The Municipal Court Report was distributed by Judge Cindy Jackson for Council review.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Interim City Administrator Chris Coffman's report was included in Council packets and addressed the following:

- * Update on the Exce! Energy rate case
- * Demolition of house destroyed by fire
- * Highway 287 and Main Street Project
- * Wastewater Treatment Facility Construction
- * Administrator Search
- * Bids for Recycle Truck
- * Seal Coat Project
- * TCEQ Enforcement Action at the Recycle Center

A letter needs to be written to the school concerning all the material dumped at the Recycle Center during the construction last summer and the cost involved. A contractor needs to be contacted to dispose of all the tires at the Recycle Center.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Blake Confer motioned to approve the January financial statements, Connie Oquin seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discussion took place concerning the City's ability to subsidize the development cost of housing and subdivisions located within the city limits. Blake Confer motioned that at this time the City is unable to fund or subsidize a housing project, Nancy Kimball seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Nancy Kimball motioned to approve the accounts payable, except XIT, Connie Oquin seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Council commended City Secretary Kathy Rendon on doing a good job.

Blake Confer motioned to approve the XIT payable, Ernie Maiwald seconded, Nancy Kimball abstained, all else in favor, motion carried.

Nancy Kimball motioned to approve the interlocal agreement with Sherman County for election services and equipment needed for the May 12, 2007 election with corrected dates, Ernie Maiwald seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Nancy Kimball motioned to approve an interlocal agreement with the Texas Revenue Recovery Association authorizing the City to participate with other cities and political subdivisions in the collection of delinquent utility bills and solid waste disposal fees with a beginning date for collection to be September 1, 2004, Ernie Maiwald seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Discussion took place concerning the parking of semi-tractor trailers in the City streets. City Attorney Rob Elliott will research this issue and present several options for review at the next Council meeting.

Council took a short recess at 8:43 pm and reconvened at 8:49 p.m.

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 8:49 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 9:22 p.m. with no action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Kathy Rendon
City Secretary

David Brown, Mayor
City of Stratford

Auto

(NU) - A relatively unknown fact is that the windshield plays a pivotal role in overall automobile safety. "Driving with a damaged or cracked windshield can hinder a motorist's visibility and compromise the structural integrity of the automobile during a rollover incident," says John Nielsen, director of AAA's Approved Auto Repair program. AAA encourages drivers with cracked or damaged windshields to seek the advice of an auto glass technician who is certified by the National Glass Association. You can find an NGA-certified technician by visiting www.glass.org or www.myautoglass.org. Visitors to www.AAA.com can also enroll in AAA AutoManager, which sends users e-mail reminders when their vehicles are due for maintenance.

March 6, 2007

The City Council met in special session at 6:30 P.M. on March 6, 2007 at the City Hall at the City of Stratford with the following present:

Mayor: David Brown Interim City Administrator: Chris Coffman
Councilmembers: Nancy Kimball
Blake Confer
Connie O'Quinn
Ernie Maiwald
Jolie Asher

1. Call to order
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Brown.
2. Executive Session to interview candidates for the City Administrator position in accordance with 551.074 of the Government Code.
3. Discuss and consider any action needed from the interviewing of candidates during the executive session.
Council Member Maiwald made a motion for the interim City Administrator to negotiate a job offer with Ted B. Dodd for the position of City Administrator and report back to the council the results of the negotiations at the regular meeting on March 22 for a final decision to be made. Connie Oquin made the second and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 10:43 pm

Mayor David Brown

City Clerk Kathy Rendon

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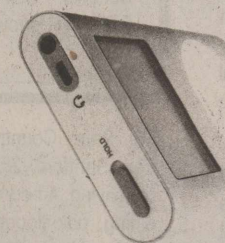
(NU) - Since Apple's iPod came onto the scene in 2001, tens of millions of the popular music players have been sold.

If you wish to join the ranks of iPod devotees, a new one will set you back \$200 or more.

But there is a way to get one for free. NetFree Direct, a company specializing in affiliate marketing, is giving away iPods to Web users who log on to www.netfreecity.com.

NetFree Direct integrates Internet marketing with other marketing strategies. The company is essentially hired by advertisers to drive Web traffic to their sites. Rather than paying for advertising to persuade people to log on to these Web sites, NetFree provides special online offers and incentives, such as the iPod promotion.

The offers are from well-known advertisers and can be found on the "complete offer" page once you are logged in. Typically, there are a variety of



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offers presented. Some require a small purchase, while others are free trials or applications that do not require a purchase and can be canceled without obligation.

In addition to the iPod, NetFree Direct allows consumers to obtain popular gift cards, PlayStation 2 game consoles, digital cameras and other electronics free of charge by opting into the www.netfreecity.com Web site.

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