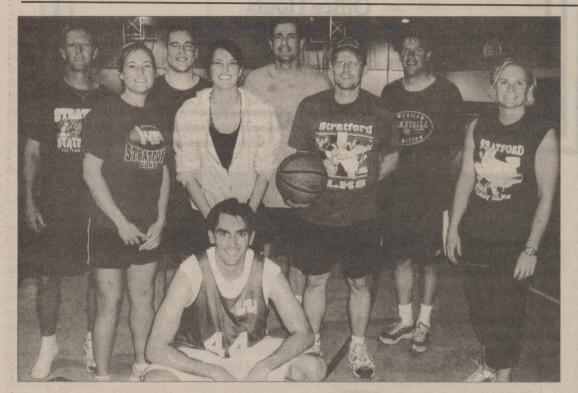
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Basketball Team Wins League

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.

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

Weather Spotters class presented by National Weather Service

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

Chamber of Stratford Commerce would like to Water Conservation Districts introduce you to our new director announces

Chamber News 2007 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP

The Sherman County Soil & it's Annual

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

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

por apariencia en persona comenzara el miercoles 30 de april de 2007 y Local Thespians to terminara el martes 8 de mayo de

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

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.

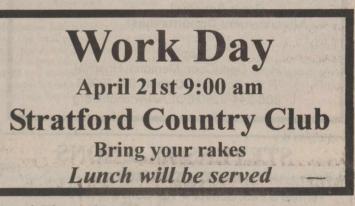
Once again the Stratford Patriots need your support. We are selling Coca Cola & PowerAde products to help raise enough money for our team to go to State in College Station this fall. If you see a Stratford Patriot and need to stock up for the summer on cold drinks, they will be more than happy to help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



Present Readings Three local thespians will better, its time to do some spring

Public Notice Now that the weather is getting

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 Preand Kindergarten for the school year 2007-2008, beginning on April By Susie Spurlock 11, 2007. Please come to the Mary Allen Elementary from at least 4 years of age by validation tag. September 1, 2007 and is: *unable to speak or understand the English language *educationally disadvantaged *homeless

*Active duty of Military

continue at the MAE during steer in 2008. 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 The pen is mightier than the (8477) and leave a code name and sword, but no match for the return phone number or call the accountant. Sherman Co. Sheriffs Office at 366-5551 or the Stratford Police Dept at 366-3051, All callers will remain anonymous.

up here in Stratford and has has been set for April 13, 2007. moved back to be closer to her The meal is set for noon at the parents, Larry & Verlie Norris. Sherman County Barn. We will The Chamber will be holding an be having a catered lunch of Open House April 20th from sirloin and sausage served at 11:00-1:00 pm for snacks, drinks and an opportunity to get to know Laura.

2008 STEER EXHIBITOR TAGS

4-H members planning on 9:00 - 12:00 to register. Please exhibiting steers at 2008 winter bring your child's social security shows need to place their order card, birth certificate, and current for steer validation tags through shot record. To enroll in the Sherman County Extension Kindergarten, your child must Office. Steers that will be turn 5 by September 1st, 2007. A exhibited at Ft. Worth, San child is eligible for enrollment in Antonio, San Angelo, and Pre- Kindergarten if the child is Houston must have a state

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 If you are unable to attend on information and share with others the 11th, registration will who may be planning to show a

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!

-Jonathan Glancey

Laura Morris Rogers. Laura grew Stewardship and Awards Banquet 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 iong 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 13lh 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.

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 viernes.

2007

and DeWain Trayler. Miembros competing at the UIL Regional remanentes son Joe Reinart, Academic Meet in Abilene on Barney Willborn, Patti Vincent, Saturday, April 14th. In Los candidates son Blake competition, the public is Everett, y Steve Hays.

enjoy an evening entertainment.

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
Trenda 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 McQaniel	4 th Place	Accounting	Coach Tami King		
Accounting Team	2 nd Place (Kristen Crabtree, Brant Cummings, Daniel Hays, Merilee McDaniel)				
Deborah Molina	6 th Place	Spelling	Coach Judy Stoy		
Spelling Team	2 nd Place (Braden Hamilton, Katie Killian, Deborah Molina, Sunny Russell)				
Tiffni Drake	4 th Place	Mathematics	Coach Carla Griffin		
Number Sense Team	3 rd Place (Brooke Barnard, Kristen Crabtree, Becky Rosales, Harrison Walden) Coach Carla Griffin				
Whitney Reese	5 th Place	Poetry	Coach Terri Teig		
Jennie Spurlock	5 th Place	Social Studies	Coach Ronna Riffe		
Jordan Confer	6 th Place	Headline Writing	Harletta Carthel		
Social Studies Team	2 nd Place (Jenn	nie Spurlock, Katie Kil Brant Cummings)	llian, Michael Frizzell, Coach Ronna Riffe		
Manuel Chavoya	5 TH Place	Comp. App.	Coach Tami King		

present their poetry and prose cleaning at the cemetery. If you readings at the Sherman County have old flowers or items on Public Library on Thursday graves at the cemetery left from evening, April 12th at 6:30-7:15 the winter, please remove them p.m. Presenting the program will and place them in the dumpster at horas 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM y 1:00 be Evan Haile-Prose, Trenda the cemetery. Please feel free to PM - 5:00 PM , de lunes a Maiwald-Prose and Austin Riffe- replace them with new ones. If Poetry. These students have you have toys or crockery or Miembros de la mesa cuyo advanced from the District UIL other items of glass or metal on termino expirara son Steve Hays Academic Meet and will be graves, please remove them as well. This will prevent them from becoming flying objects when the lawnmowers and weed trimmers Brent Spurlock, y Greg Wright. preparation for this upcoming are in use. The city has completed the weed spraying and the annual Confer, DeWain Trayler, Chet cordially invited to come and clean-up day will be announced of soon. Now is the time to start getting your plots cleaned up. Thanks for your cooperation.

4-H DISTRICT RIFLE CONTEST UPDATE

By Susie Spurlock

Contest to be held Saturday, May 5th are reminded to enter by

Instructions for this web based registration program may be County Extension Office or at http://amarilo.tamu.edu/programs/ 4h/

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

Office at 366-2122.

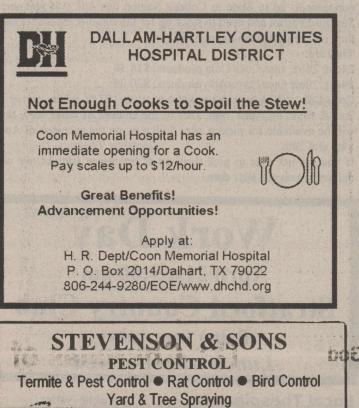


(NU) - As the weather warms up, barbecue season gets under way. But traditional barbecue fare - hot dogs, baked beans and cold beer - may leave you gassy and spoil your fun. Dr. Patricia Raymond, gastroenterologist and assistant professor at Eastern Virginia Sherman County 4-H Shooting Medical School, says that flatu-

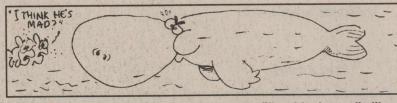
AND REARS

- wedges

-Simone Weil whipped cream, if desired.







When a sea elephant gets angry, his nose fills with air, swells like a balloon and forms a snout up to 20 inches long.



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.

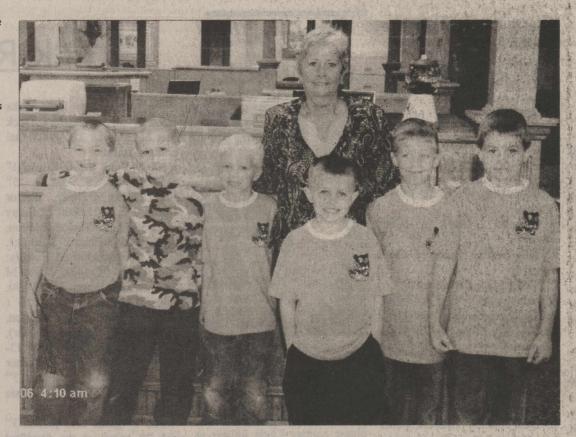
Went to opening games of Rockies baseball April 2 & 3 with daughter Patti. We have been going for several years.

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.

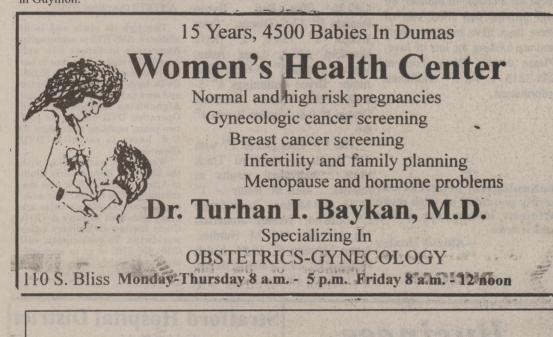


Tiger Cubs Visit First State Bank

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



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

Austin Hotline 1-800-252-5400

Ernie Maiwald-366-5546

ALL CALLS CONFIDENTIAL

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 (nurser) 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. Sponsored by; Heritage Bible Baptist **Pastor Rick Carter** 302 S. Main - For More Info-call 396-2212 Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m. **First Baptist Pastor Billy Chambers** 702 N. 3rd Sun.---Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30 Worship Service - 10:30 Wed. -Children-6:00, youth-7:00 La Mision Bautista **Mision Bautista** 401 S. Wall 396-5376 Domingo-(Sunday) Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

*** Truth is beautiful, without doubt; but so are lies. —Ralph Waldo Emerson *** THE STRATFORD STAR Thursday, April 12, 2007 Page 3

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ple 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.

ENTRY-LEVEL PRODUCTION Hiring 6/15 – Start 8/1

Good computer skills are required to operate a variety of equipment and machinery in our production environment. Must also be able to work rotating shifts, nights, weekends and holidays as necessary.

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This highly critical position demands an energetic, seasoned self-starter who thrives on challenge and has a passion for excellence. Strong leadership skills and a customer focus are also required.

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Bring your 3-5 years of industrial maintenance experience to this position responsible for supervising and developing a highly skilled and well-trained maintenance team.

ENTRY-LEVEL MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Join our team and you'll help maintain and repair a variety of electrical, pneumatic and hydraulic equipment.

EHS COORDINATOR

Rely on your knowledge of USEPA, California ARB, San Joaquin Valley APCD, Cal-DOSH, OSHA and safety training requirements as you coordinate our federal and state compliance and OSHA activities.

HR MANAGER

We're seeking a professional with a bachelor's degree in HR management and 5-8 years of progressive, management-level experience for this great opportunity.

CORPORATE TRAINER

Your 2-4 years of experience in training or a related field will be key in this challenging role conducting training programs for employee certification and qualification.

LAB SUPERVISOR

In this leadership role, you will supervise all labs at our Dalhart facility. Experience as a Lab Supervisor/Manager is strongly desired. Bachelor's degree in science preferred.

For more information or to apply please visit our Web site at www.hilmarcheese.com. EOE

Coon Memorial Hospital Home Care

Hospice Volunteer Training

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 19th 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.



Touch someone's life when they need you the most.

Miercoles (Wednesday) Servicio De Adoration 11:00 am & Servicio De Oraction 6:00 pm Servicio De Adoration 6:00 pm Susninos Durante El Servicio.

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Welcome You

The Churches of

Stratford

Have You Seen A Forest Praying?

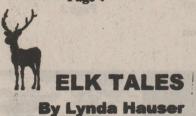
Have you seen a forest praying, Heads bowed down in silent prayer, Rows of pines so softly swaying, Ice and snow upon their hair? All the wood's a simple alter: God is ever-present there; Refuge for the weak who falter And the stronger deer and bear, Have you gawked with awe and wonder At a sight so truly rare? If you have, you know the splendor Of a forest deep in prayer.

Ruth Sells

Dy; STRATFORD GRAIN 396-5541 LAUTZ 769-4485 STRATFORD STAR 366-5885 WALTER LASLEY & SONS, INC. 753-4411

Templo Hispano Eben-Ezer Pastor Roberto Frescas 205 N. Poplar - Hwy 287 Escuela Dominical 10 a.m. Serbicio 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



Austin Riffe and Margarita Rocha were students of the week last week at Stratford High School. This week Merilee McDaniel and Scott Hudson are students of the week. District Golf started last week and finished up this last Monday. District Tennis was last week and the high school District Track Meet was held Tuesday and Wednesday in Fritch. The junior high District Meet will be here this Saturday.

Wednesday was an early release day for students. Teachers had a TAKS preparation workshop. Report cards went out on Wednesday.

The Regional Academics Meet will be in Abilene on Saturday. Our Regional Qualifiers will leave on Friday at 9:00 a.m. 5th graders took their math TAKS test this last week. We will get results soon. We are working hard to finish our book so that we can get to work on our end-of-year project. We will be making a Geometry Notebook on the computer.

6th graders are working hard on review for their math TAKS test which is Tuesday, April 17. They will then work on finishing the book so that they, too, can begin their project. 6th graders do a project called "Real Life." We will tell more details on this at a future date.

In ESL, the students wrote and gave oral presentations on a famous person or event in April. They will continue this activity each Monday in April.

When the Junior ESL class concluded their Winn Dixie study, the class drew for a winner of a box of macaroni and cheese symbolic of the book's beginning, since the main character Opal was the class is Friday, May 25, 2007. You Die by Patricia Schultz going to the store to get a box of Students from North Plains Water 17. The Purpose Driven Life by macaroni and cheese but instead District who apply and are Rick Warren returned with a stray, dog. accepted to the camp can contact 18. Seven Habits of Highly Griselda Mayorga was the lucky winner.

There was big news in the high have their camp tuition and travel To check the availability of these

Water Wise **Gardening and Drip Irrigation Class Offered by North Plains Groundwater** Conservation District

Are you interested in learning more about beautiful, low water use plants for your landscape? Would you be interested in learning about how to install a drip irrigation system for your landscape that would save you time and money? Both of these topics will be covered at the Water Wise Gardening Class to be held on April 21 at North **Plains Groundwater Conservation** District.

Master Gardeners will provide presentations to teach homeowners and business-owners how to select plants that are. specifically suited to our dry Texas climate, and that will continue to thrive through the heat of the summer. Plant selections will include how to select flowering plants for long lasting bloom periods and low maintenance, as well as tree and shrub selection for the Panhandle area. A demonstration will also be given on how to install a drip irrigation system to more efficiently water both landscape plantings and patio pot plantings, which will conserve water and give the plants just the right 6. The Innocent Man by John amount of water at the locations where it is needed. In addition, water conservation achieved through the use of low water requiring plants and drip irrigation can result in savings of time and money for homeowners.

The class is free to the public, and class attendees will receive many free resources on water 11.Night by ElieWiesel wise gardening, Xeriscaping and 12. The Tipping Point by drip irrigation. The class will be Malcolm Gladwell held at the North Plains Water 13. The Freedom Writers Diary District

office at 603 East 1st Street in Erin Gruwell Dumas from 9:00 AM-12:00 14. Who Moved My Cheese by Noon on April 21. Persons Spencer Johnson Rhonda Artho at artho@npwd.org Robert T. Kiyosaki or 806-935-6401 to register for 16. 1,000 Places To See Before backwards. or 806-935-6401 to arrange to Covey

announcement that junior Yamili District has sponsored youth to lib.org/stratford/index.html during the warm summer months.

New York Times Best Sellers @ Your Library By Sandy Baskin, Librarian Fiction

1. Nineteen Minutes by Jodi Picoult

Obsession by Jonathan Kellerman

3. The Alibi Man by Tami Hoag 4. Whitethorn Woods by Maeve Binchey

Step on a Crack by James 5. Patterson

6. The Double Bind by Chris Bohialian

7. Sisters by Danielle Steel

8. Daddy's Girl by Lisa Scottolini 9. The Watchman by Robert Crais 10. For One More Day by Mitch

Albom 11. Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen

12. Plum Lovin' by Janet Evanovich

13. Dear John by Nicholas Sparks 14. Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards

15. The Snow Flower and the Secret Fan by Lisa See

Non-Fiction

1. In An Instant by Lee and Bob Woodruff 2.1 Feel Bad About My Neck by Nora Ephron

3. The Audacity of Hope by. **Barack Obama**

4. Marley & Me by John Grogan 5. The World Is Flat by Thomas

L. Friedman

Grisham 7. The Measure of a Man by

Sidney Poitier

8. The Long Road Home by Martha Raddatz

9. Born on a Blue Day by Daniel Tammet

10. 90 Minutes in Heaven by Don Piper

by The Freedom Writers with

interested in attending can contact 15. Rich Dad, Poor Dad by

Rhonda Artho at artho@npwd.org Effective People by Stephen R.

school ESL class with the costs paid for. North Plains Water items go to www.hlc-





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 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 Jove. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 additional for information.

The 8th grade Lady Elks placed 3rd at the Stratford Track

Track Results

Meet held March 31. Individual results as follows: 800 M Run: Kelsie Keener 1st 2:35.82, Jessica Ibarra 5th 2:49.37; 100 M Dash: Taylor Melton 6th 14.21; 800 M Relay 2nd 1:59.51 (Taylor Melton, Rubi Rueda, Beatriz Marquez, Kelsie Keener); 300 M Hurdles: Rubi Rueda 6th 54.90; 1600 M Run: Jessica Ibarra 1st 6:24.90; 1600 M Relay 3rd 4:42.26 (Morgan Carter, Taylor Melton, Rubi Rueda, Kelsie Keener); Discus: America Terraza 4th 13-

4.50; Long Jump: Kelsie Keener 1st 14-2.25, 3rd Rubi Rueda 3rd 13-4.50; High Jump: 4th Kelsie Keener 4-6.02.

with 78 points at the Stratford Track Meet: Individual results: 400 M Relay: 6th 58.71; 800 M Run: 2nd Justin Mungia 2:30.26. 5th Rueda 2:37.52; 110 Hurdles: 17-5; Triple Jump 4th Hunter Braden Hudson 2nd 18.70; 800 M Buckles 37-8. Relay: 5th 2:02.83; 300 M Hurdles: 2nd Braden Hudson 2nd 48.34; 1600 M Run; Rueda 1st in age from 4 weeks on up. The 6:00.36; 1600 M Relay: 6th 4:32/75; High Jump: 1st Braden Hudson 5-3; Pole Vault: Justin Mungia 1st 8-6:01; Braden Hudson 2nd 8-6, Guerrero 3rd 8-0.

The 8th grade Elks placed 6th with 58 points. 110 Hurdles: 6th Bryce Cummings 21.33; 300 M Hurdles: Michael Ortega 4th 46.84, Vincent Rueda 5th 5th 47.55; 1600 M Relay: 3rd 4:09.26; Shot Put: Byron Deanda 5th 37-5; Discus: Tyler Wright 1st 138-0, 2nd Kyle Horsford 130-2; Long Jump: Vincent Rueda 6th 15-6.25; High Jump: Bryce Cummings 4th 5-2.02; Pole Vault: Michael Ortega 1st 9-6; Vincent Rueda 4th 8-6.

The J.V. Elks placed 2nd with 119 points at Stratford Track Meet. Individual results as Technological progress has follows: 400 M Relay - 1st merely provided us with more 48,48; 800 M Run: Justin Smith efficient means for going 2nd 2:28.64, Wesley Anderson 5rh 2:43.88; 110 M Hurdles: -Aldous Huxley Justin Lanning 5th 19.05, Kaleb

Horsford 6th 19.17; 800 M Relay: 4th 1:44.10; 400 M Dash - Jav

Hacker 3rd 58.53, Oswaldo Terraza 5th 60.11; 300 Hurdles -Klinton Keener 5th 47.50; 200 M Dash - Jesse Lopez 4th 26.34, Brent Reed 5th 26.68; 1600 M Relay: 1^{st} 3:52.45; Discus - 1^{st} Kaleb Horsford 120-5; Long Jump: Pepe Licon 6th 15-4.75; High Jump - 1st Kaleb Horsford 5-6, Justin Smith 5th 5-0, Justin Lanning 6th 5-0; Pole Vault -Klinton Keener 1st 11-0, 2nd Roy

The Varsity Elks placed 4th at the Stratford Track Meet with 83* points. Individual results as follows:

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400 M Relay: 2nd 45.79; 100[°] M Dash - Angel Resendes 6th 12.17.00; 800 M Relay - 1st 1:36.79; 300 M Hurdles - Craig Kautz 1st 42.77; 1600 M Relay -3rd 3:42.84; Shot Put - Sandro Gomez 4th 42-4; Martin Beltran 5th 42-1; Long Jump - 1st Craig Kautz 18-2, Hunter Buckles 4th

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(NAPS)—Downtime is often just that for U.S. troops based in Iraq and Afghanistan. The constant threat of attacks makes it virtually impossible for our troops to participate in outdoor activities such as baseball. Working to ensure that U.S. troops have safe entertainment is a program called AMVETS Operation DVD.

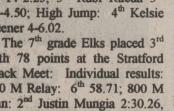
Through its state and local affiliates, AMVETS is encouraging Americans to donate new and used DVDs that will be sent to our troops overseas. More than 50,000 DVDs have already been collected and sent to U.S. bases in Iraq and Afghanistan through AMVETS Operation DVD during the past two years, enabling more than 20 .S. bases to establish DVD libraries

Working in partnership with the USO and Boys & Girls Clubs of America, AMVETS is also distributing DVDs to USO tour audiences, while children's titles are being provided to Boys & Girls Clubs located on military bases worldwide. To participate, call (310) 995-3792 or go to www.oper ationdvd.us/about.php. To learn more, visit www.amvets.org

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Stratford Hospital District Coldwater Manor





Guerra had been selected for an attend the camp for the past two Next click on "Search the Catalog expense-paid educational trip to years, and attendees always report and search Sherman County Washington, DC. More details of that they had a great time and Library. Call 366-2200 and we her exciting journey in July will made new friends from across will be happy to place a hold on run in a future edition of the Star. Texas. While it may still be a the item for you. She is believed to be the first little cool outside, it might be the person from the Stratford ESL perfect time to consider a fun classes to be chosen for the educational camp experience honor.

Next week will be TAKS tests all week.

Quote of the Week: "Sometimes we are limited more by attitude than by opportunities." -Anonymous

Deadline Nears for Youth Writing Contest.

Deadline for entries in the Panhandle Professional Writers' 2007 Youth Writing Contest is is open to all students from 3rd grade through high school. Short story and poetry categories are screenplay category. The screenplay gives young people an opportunity to show their movie preferences and to test their into script format.

Published authors will score the contest and will provide critiques of the submitted works. (SASE) along with their sprinkling ingredients. submission in order to receive the critique. Finalists will be notified by mail and the winners announced during a reception following the July 21, 2007 PPW meeting. Winning submissions will be published in Range 'Riters Jr.

Contest rules are available through the PPW web site Do you realize if it weren't for Edison we'd be watching TV by panhandleprowriters.org, or by candlelight? emailing Barbara Propst at bcollinsl6@suddeniink.net.

Score the Winning Combination

As a world-class professional athlete who has trained hundreds of kids at her Kristine Lilly Soccer Academy, Kristine Lilly knows what it takes to keep kids energized so they can always do their best.

Lilly has teamed up with Liz Ward, MS, RD, and author of The Pocket Idiot's Guide to the New Food Pyramid, to offer moms these April 30, 2007. The competition tips for making high-quality protein part of kids' active lifestyles:

Before the game, set the gold standard by providing high-protein snacks to kids so they have the available to all grades. Middle strength and nutrients they need. School and High School students Lilly recommends hard-cooked are eligible to enter the eggs, which are a quick and convenient snack.

After physical activity, to help muscles recover and rebuild, kick it up a notch by giving kids protein along with nutritious carbohyability to translate a story idea drates, such as those found in fruits, vegetables and whole-grain foods.

Let kids create their own snacks easy-to-make wraps or roll-ups, for instance – using ingredients of their choice. Allow little hands to Contestants should send a self help with age-appropriate tasks, addressed stamped envelope such as measuring, mixing and

-Al Boliska

Pregnancy Wellness

Smart food choices and regular exercise help keep you healthy and promote proper growth and development of your baby. Here are some exercise and nutrition tips to follow during your pregnancy: Exercise for at least 30 min-

utes each day, unless you have a medical reason to avoid it. Exercise helps you prepare for labor by increasing your stamina and muscle strength. Plus, being in good shape may even shorten your labor and speed your recov-ery. Consult with your doctor if you have any questions or con-cerns. Also, if you live at high altitudes (more than 6,000 feet), check with your doctor for spe-

cific exercise recommendations. When picking an activity, choose a low-impact activity, such as swimming or walking, that won't put too much strain on your muscles or heart. As a general rule, your heart rate should not exceed 140 beats per minute

Stay energized. Include highquality protein (like eggs or lean poultry or beef), carbohydrates (like fruit, vegetables or whole-grain cereal) and healthful fats (like olive oil or nuts) in meals and snacks.

Drink plenty of water. Limit soda, coffee, juice drinks and other sweetened or caffeinated beverages.

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Help Wanted

COLDWATER MANOR has openings for LVN, RN, DON, C.N.A. and maintenance. New pay scale, EOE, 401-K and health insurance after 90 days. Apply in person with Debbie. 4-19-c-

Stratford ISD has positions for substitute Bus Drivers. Please contact Travis Melton at 366-3344 for info. Stratford SISD does not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 4-19-c-

Help Wanted: Full-time Maintenance & Warehouse Position. Apply at Western Organics. 119 S. Spruce. 3-22-c-

A & I Parts in Stratford has a full time position opening for Data entry and Inventory Control. Must have ability to work through issues and maintain accurate data for inventory control. Will work closely with purchasing to maintain data integrity. Benefits include health insurance, vacation and holiday pay. Application can be obtained at 201 N. 2nd in Stratford directly behind post office) between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer. 4-5-tfn-

Stratford Family Medical Clinic needs CNA Apply at 1220 Purnell. Hours Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. until 12 noon and 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Fridays 8 a.m. till noon. 4-5-c-

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-

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

Counter Sales person needed at A&I

Houses for Sale

For Sale 2 Bdrm house across from Park. Priced to Sell Call 806-366-2196 or 806-753-7517 4-12-tfn--

REDUCED: 3 Bdrm, 1 3/4 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 3/4 bath, CH/A detached garage, Big back yard with storage building. Close to school 366-2401. 5-5-tfn-

House For Sale: 3 Bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, 2718 Sq. Ft., New Central Air, Large Living Room, Den/Sun room, Gorgeous Rock Fire Place, Storm Cellar, Big Bath Room with Jacuzzi Tub, Amazing Storage, Close to Schools, Call 396-5320 after 5:00. Will show by appointment only. 3-1-tfn-

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-- See pictures @

Shermancountytx.org

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. 08 All State a backage 11-2-tfn------

House for Sale: 1214 Division St. Stratford, Texas 1/2 block from Mary Allen Elementary School. Great neighborhood, brick, 4 bedroom, 2 bath. game room, remodeled-open kitchen to family/dining, central air, rock fireplace." with fenced in back yard. Selling for appraised value. Call Carolyn Tarver 210 824 8451,210 854 8924 or 806 396 5810

Houses for Sale

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

Approx. 640.7 Acres of land, widbl. mobile home wgarage wide \$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 has irrigation All acreage 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 wffireplace. 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. 8*-Stratford-\$95,000.00 3/1 3/4/1 Home Call: Lindahi Realty (806) 935-7300 or 1-866-935-7300. 402 N. 8-Stratford-\$29,500.00 2/1 Home Call: Lindahl Realty (806) 935-7300 or -1866-935-7300. 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-

For Sale

For Sale: 2000 Ford Mustang, 64,500 miles. Call 806-366-3575 or 753-6123 4-12-c-



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LEGAL NOTICE

The Sherman County Commissioners' Court will accept sealed applications to serve as the Depository for County funds and County/District Clerk Registry funds until Thursday, May 3, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Applications will be opened at that time. The depository contract will be discussed and awarded at the May 8, 2007 meeting of the Sherman County Commissioners' Court. Applications must include a general description of depository services to be provided; service charges; interest rates to be paid on commercial checking and interest bearing checking; interest rates on time deposits of 30, 60, 90,12,180, 360 days and 24 months; and the interest rate to be charged to the county on shortterm loans. Applications should be presented to Terri Carter, Sherman County Judge at the Sherman County Courthouse, Room 204, Stratford, Texas 79084. The Public Funds Collateral Act (Article 2529d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) type, level



Self-Help For Vision Loss

(NAPS)-Vision problems are on the rise, especially among older adults. According to the American Foundation for the Blind, an estimated 70 to 75 percent of all new cases of visual impairment occur in people over 65.

Celia B. is just one example of how to deal with vision problems. She wakes to the sound of her alarm clock. The clock, with its black face and stark white contrasting numbers and hands, sits on a table next to her bed. Her stand magnifier is nearby on a recent copy of Reader's Digest's large-print magazine. Celia heads for the bathroom.

Since she's redecorated it with color-contrasted towels, bath mat and shower curtain, and added the magnifying makeup mirror, her day gets off to a good start. Ready to hear the television news, Celia presses the adapted remote control (so much easier to use with its light-colored, raised buttons against the black case). Watching television is also much more pleasurable since she purchased the acrylic TV screen enlarger, which virtually doubles the size of the picture. 'After a while, Celia prepares to

organize her day and writes her usual list of things to do. Using a writing frame and felt-tip pen, she records the items she needs from the local supermarket. Her friend also needs to visit the same store, so this will be an opportunity to practice walking with a "sighted guide." The lessons given by the orientation and mobility specialist from the local agency for the blind have given her much more confidence when moving about both inside and outside her home.

Time for breakfast, and the whistling kettle reminds her to



SIMPLE ADAPTATIONS can help people with vision loss find ways to accomplish everyday activities.

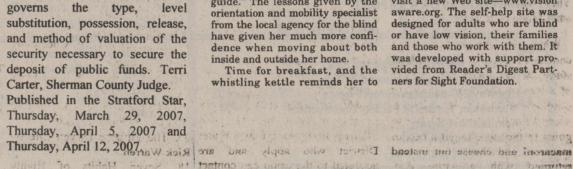
turn off the burner; the liquid level indicator placed in her mug "beeps' when the liquid gets close to the rim, and the easily adjustable knife slicer means she can enjoy her favorite (uncut) bread from the local Italian food store.

Using a check-writing guide, she writes a few checks and envelopes, and with the help of her large-print telephone dial, calls a local restaurant to make a luncheon reservation for two. She then calls her hairstylist to make an appointment and enters the time in her large-print diary.

These adaptations are samples of possible solutions to accomplish-#* ing everyday activities safely and effectively. No two people use precisely the same approach, but there are solutions for everyone.

To learn more about how to increase the personal indepen-dence and quality of life of someone who is blind or has low vision, visit a new Web site-www.vision aware.org. The self-help site was designed for adults who are blind or have low vision, their families and those who work with them. It was developed with support provided from Reader's Digest Partners for Sight Foundation.

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Parts in Stratford. Applicants must be dependable. Benefits include health insurance, vacation and holiday pay. Contact Jerry at 806-366-5592. We are an equal opportunity employer. 4-12-tfn-

NOW HIRING! Temp Positions Available NEED IMMEDIATELY! **Apply at Dumas Office:** (806) 934-0150 **Truck Driver Position in Amarillo,** Not Over the Road, **Home Every Night,** Drive 3 Days a Week. Warehouse 2 Days a Week, **Class A CDL** w/Hazmat Preferred, \$42K Year. 1 Ticket Allowed, **3 Years Experience Driving Split Rig Tractor Trailer** Weekends Off No Fee To Applicants! **Innovative Staffing** Solutions, LLC **Dumas Office** 500 E 1st St. Suite 213 806 934-0150

For Rent

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

> Pheasant Ridge Apartments 1319 & 1320 N. Chestnut Stratford, Texas Two units available 2 Bedroom **Newly Repainted** Unfurnished Great for Senior Citizens and **HUD** Approved Call 806-244-3418

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The financial markets generally are unpredictable. So that one has to have different scenarios.... The idea that you can actually predict what's going to happen contradicts my way of looking at the market.

-George Soros

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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-

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.

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-

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MLS Se Habla Español Ð 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

Sherman Co. Child Welfare Board

To report Suspected Child Abuse, call

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Jesse Resendes-366-3134 Ernie Maiwald-366-5546

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

For Sale or Lease-Morten Building, 54' x 72' x16. 396-2305. 6-22-tfn--

For Sale: 2000 Mercury Grand Marguis LS 60,000 miles \$8500.00 1998 Super cab Ford (Black) Nice pickup \$7,000. Call 806-674-3118 and ask for Barry 3-15-tfn--

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-

Used Tire sale: Duncan Chevrolet 366-5557 7-28-tfn-

For Sale or Lease-212 N. Poplar-40' x 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585 4-1-tfn-



(NAPS)-Shortness of breath and chronic bronchitis can be signs of an allergy. Or they can be signs of a much more serious condition. Lymphangioleiomyomatosis (also known as LAM) is a fatal lung disease that strikes women in the prime of their lives. ***

The recently opened National Purple Heart Hall of Honor is the first hall of its kind to recognize Americans wounded or killed in action while serving in the military. To have a story or materials of Purple Heart recipients considered for exhibition, call (845) 561-1765.

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The 2007 Toyota Pro/Celebrity Race will pit celebrities against each other in an action-packed. 10-lap race through the streets of Long Beach, Calif., to raise money for charity. The annual race will be broadcast nationally on the Speed Channel.

Regardless of your line of work, a clear focus on ethics, standards, certification, quality and growthalong with involvement in your professional association-is critical to maximizing career potential. For more information, visit the Institute of Internal Auditors Web site at www.theiia.org.

For people with diabetes, the **BD** Diabetes Makeover Program may provide new confidence in the ability to treat and manage the disease. For information about the program, visit www.bd.com/dm. For more information about managing diabetes, visit www.bddiabetes.com/us.

(NAPS)-A new television series shows viewers how to eat all their favorite indulgence foods with less fat and calories, but without sacrificing flavor or real ingredients. The show, "Healthy Decadence With Devin Alexander," airs Thursdays at 10:30 p.m. and Sundays at 11:30 a.m. on Discovery

Spot treatment devices are designed to clear pimples after they appear. One of the newest products on the market is ThermaClear (www.thermaclear.com) ThermaClear is an FDA-cleared, handheld medical device, sold over the counter, that delivers a controlled burst of heat below the skin's surface to neutralize the bacteria that causes pimples. For more information on acne, visit the American Academy of Dermatology at www.aad.org.

Most movers find the 12- or 16foot truck perfect for moving a few large items or the contents of a small condo or apartment. For guidance with larger moyes and general moving tips, visit www.GoPenske.com.

one of the most common forms of cancer among women. For every mile driven during the BMW Ultimate Drive, \$1 is donated to Susan G. Komen for the Cure. For more information, visit www.bmwusa.com as well as www.komen.org or call (800) I'M

Fishing provides an escape from the daily routine and gives people the time to meditate on their problems and search for peace in natural surroundings. Takemefishing.org offers a convenient guide to places to fish all across the country.

Accessories such as gazebos, serving carts, fountains and fire *** pits are now being incorporated Breast cancer continues to be into patio collections. "The

biggest trend is taking the. indoors outdoors. Everybody wants to create a true living environment outside," said Mike Golden, President and CEO of HomeClick.com. To learn more, visit www.homeclick.com.

Experts at TotalMove, a free Web site designed to guide users through each step of a home transaction and relocation, suggest engaging the help of a trusted coordinator. You can learn more about moving at www.totalmove.com.

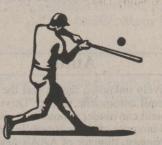
*** Onions have only 30 calories per serving and contain naturally occurring chemicals that have been linked to lowering blood pressure and cholesterol levels. You can find great onion- oriented recipes, tips and information online at the National Onion Association Web site, www.onionsusa.org.

*** Instead of reusing dirty, oily Tshirts and washcloths to dust your home, you can use a disposable dust cloth such as the new Endust Dust Cloths. For more on innovative ways to combat dust, visit www.endust.com.

STRATFORD YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION "MEET YOUR TEAM" COOKOUT PENDELTON PARK - FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH - 5:30 - 7:30p.m.

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AWARE.

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 .n 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, Ernic Maiwald seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Council commended Larry for a job well done.

MUNCIPAL 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.

The City of Stratford

March 6, 2007

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

Mayor: David Brown Nancy Kimball Councilmembers: Blake Confer Connie O'Quinn Ernie Maiwald Jolie Asher

Interim City Administrator: Chris Coffman

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



Where to Get a Free iPod, **Find Other Giveaways Online**

NewsUSA

(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 sumers to obtain popular gift sites. NetFree provides special cards, PlayStation 2 game consites, NetFree provides special online offers and incentives, such as the iPod promotion.

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



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 consoles, digital cameras and other electronics free of charge by opting into the www.net freecity.com Web site.

To learn more, log on to www.netfreecity.com or www.netfreecorp.com.

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, Emie 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 :tion 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 inci-dent," 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.



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