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Russell Signs Letter of Intent

On Friday, April 13, 2007, Stratford senior Rustin Russell signed a letter of intent to compete on Memphis University's rifle team. Rustin is receiving a scholarship to attend Memphis University. Shown with Rustin are his parents Cindy and Lem Russell and sister Sunny. Congratulations Russell!

FIRST STATE BANK TO PROVIDE STRATFORD ISD WITH FINANCIAL TRAINING TOOLS

The First State Bank is providing financial training materials to Stratford ISD for use in both high school and junior high math and accounting classes. These materials will provide students with financial training in basic checking and savings accounts, as well as how to plan a budget and balance a checkbook. Additional training will be done on such things as credit card debit, renting an apartment, and more. First State Bank hopes to help provide basic information to our youth that will play a vital role in their day to day lives following graduation. Shown above Cindy Larance (1st State Bank) and Tami King.





Harding Receives Award

George Harding receiving the Distinguished Volunteer Golden Nail award at the Amarillo Civic Center April 13, 2007. The Imagination Station nominated George for his tireless efforts on behalf of The Imagination Station. Also pictured L/R Billy Krause event Chairman, Becky Zenor-Amarillo Chamber of Commerce and Pat Menke, 2006 Distinguished Volunteer.

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. Sheriffs Office at 366-5551 or the Stratford Police Dept at 366-3051, All callers will remain anonymous.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Now that the weather is getting better, it's 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.

Work Day April 21st 9:00 am **Stratford Country Club**

Bring your rakes Lunch will be served

What is Child **Abuse Prevention?**

Child abuse prevention is stopping child abuse and neglect before it happens. The best way to prevent child abuse and neglect is to support families and provide parents with the skills and resources they need.

Why Does **Child Abuse** Occur?

Although all causes of child abuse and neglect cannot be summed up, certain issues make people more at risk. For example, stress, relationship problems, substance abuse, money problems, depression, and other mental health problems can all lead to abusive or neglectful behavior. Some parents may have been abused as children and in turn abuse their children. Others have not been taught good parenting skills and are not prepared for the challenge of having children.

These concerns and others can result in well-intentioned parents causing their children harm or neglecting their needs.

How Is Child Abuse Prevented?

Prevention efforts build on family activities such as educating Foundation parents, visiting homes, and parents support groups, many Annual Meeting families are able to find the April 24 support they need to stay together By Gaynelle Riffe and care for their children. Prevention efforts help parents The Stratford Area Foundation developmental needs. held. Prevention programs also can A report of years activities for assistance in getting additional support.

Let us all do are part and continue done for you lately? Come to the to prevent child abuse. This annual meeting and find out. month is a special month known as Child Abuse Prevention Month, make a child happy and see to it that they are raised up in wholesome good and environment.

Submitted by, Ernie Maiwald, Chairman, Sherman County Child Welfare Board

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

LAST WEEK TO ORDER 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 steer in 2008.



Mary Allen To Distribute Kits

Did you know that every year in the U.S. over 800,000 children go missing? That's one every 40 seconds. On May 3rd Mary Allen Elementary School will host their safety fair and will be distributing kits from the National Child Identification Program. Each kit includes an inkless fingerprint kit, wallet card, and DNA collection swabs. The kits were given to the Sherman Co. Sheriff's Office by the Sheriffs' Association of Texas, The Federal Bureau of Investigation, The American Football Coaches' Association and the Texas Association of School Administrators. Mary Allen will distribute 250 of the kits, but if you do not receive one, come by the Sheriffs Office and they will be provided to you. Shown with one of the kits is Mary Allen Elementary School Principal Misti McBryde and Sherman Co. Sheriff Jack Haile.

strengths. Through prevention Stratford Area

develop their parenting skills, and the J.B. Riffe Endowment, understand the benefits of Sherman County & Texas nonviolent discipline techniques, County, will hold their annual and understand and meet their meeting Tuesday, April 24. The children's emotional, physical, election of new board will be

help parents identify other needs the Foundation and Endowment they may have and offer and a current financial report will that be given.

What have these two funds

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

School Board Election

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

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

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



Happy State Bank Recently Celebrated who may be planning to show a Opening of New Bank Building in Dalhart Happy State Bank recently celebrated the open of a new bank building in Dalhart. The building is located on Highway 87 just south of the Highway 54 intersection. It has the distinctive look of all the Happy State Banks. Everyone is invited to stop by and enjoy the beautifully decorated bank and experience genuine hometown banking.

LOUISE HOWELL LONG

Hedley — Louise Howell Long, 103, died Saturday, March 31, 2007, in Stratford.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church of Assembly of God in Texoma, officiating. Burial was in Rowe be made. Cemetery by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Long was born Feb. 13, moving to Stratford eight years religion, age, or national origin. ago. She married Cecil Leroy Harris on Nov. 6, 1920, in Hedley. Upon the death of Mr. Harris in 1960, Louise married Johnny Long in December 1962 in Hedley. She had worked for the Clarendon and Memphis hospitals as an LVN prior to her retirement. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Hedley, where she worked with the teenagers and taught Sunday school. She loved singing hymns and would often lead the singing at the nursing home. She was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her parents; both her husbands, Cecil Leroy Harris in 1960 and Johnny Long in 1972; eight brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include three daughters, Anita DeBord of Stratford, Cecilia DeBord of Amarillo and Ruby Comen of Borger; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren,

The family suggest memorials be to a favorite charity.

Sign the online guest register at **WWW.ROBERTSONFUNERAL** .COM.

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-Jesse Resendes-366-3134

Ernie Maiwald-366-5546

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Lunch and Learn to Meet Thursday By Susie Spurlock

Lunch and Learn EEA will meet Thursday, April 19 at 12 noon at the County Extension Office. The program will be "Glass from the Past". Marylou McDaniel will be presenting information on Depression Glass. All members are invited and guests are welcome also.

Lunch will be served at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Interested participants are asked to call the Extension Office at 366-2122 by with the Rev. Larry Brace, pastor 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 17th so that adequate preparations can

Educational programs conducted by the Sherman County Office of 1904, in Dublin to L. H. and Cooperative Extension are open Rena Jane Howell. She had lived to all citizens without regard to most of her life in Hedley before race, color, sex, disability,

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How rare and wonderful is that flash of a moment when we realize we have discovered a friend. -William E. Rothschild



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PRACTICE CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Albracht Orthopedic Surgery, LLP, will be closing the office at 120 Beard Avenue, Dumas, TX on May 18, 2007

Dr. Douglas Albracht will be closing his practice and will be relocating to Elizabethton Tennessee,

Dr Brendan Albracht will be relocating his practice to 1901 Medi-Park Suite 103 in Amarillo Texas.

Patient's medical records will be located at Dr. Brendan Albracht's new office location in Amarillo.

Dr. Doug and Dr. Brendan feel they have been blessed over the past several years and attribute that to their loyal patients. It has been a pleasure to serve Dumas and the upper Panhandle area.

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By Marylou McDaniel

Mike McDaniel flew to Dallas April 9 where he met Richard Black of Houston and Deborah Miller of near Beaumont. The three were classmates. They went to Shreveport for three days. Mike's cousin Ron Hutchison of Longview met them there and treated them to a fancy

Marylou & Mike McDaniel attended the Golden Spread All-Star Boys and Girls Basketball Games Saturday at Canyon. Merilee McDaniel and Brant Cummings, both of Stratford played in the event. Shadley Hawkins, Amarillo High, formerly of Stratford, played on the East Team that won over the North team that Merilee played on. Merilee made 10 points in Friday's game and scored 11 in Saturday's game.

Lauren Urban, Gruver, Whitney Lang, Dalhart and Merilee had played in AAU games in early years. They played on the North team.

Donna Gillenwaters spent the night of April 12 with and Kylee Kaiden, grandchildren, in Amarillo. Friday Kylee won a special "Most improved" and she's already in a special class.

Donna came home to a lightening struck home-no a curse, a dawn or a dusk. water, no heat, no computer, fax machine. Some were permanently "injured" Leonard Hawkins had suffered some damage from the lightning.

Tom & Debbie James were visited by Bill & Pat Boren Sunday night.

As of Monday, Peggy Hawkins' mother, Maylene Rish, was in the hospital at Tupelo, Mississippi with heart problems.

Chandra Hawkins was a

server at the recent Jr.-Sr. Prom at Stratford. Jo June McDaniel, Presiding

Judge of Precinct No. 5, has received the following notice. ARE HEREBY "YOU NOTIFIED: Precinct 5 has consolidated with Precinct 9, for the purpose of voting in the Special Election. Please call the County Clerk or the County Judge if you have

any questions: Polling Place: Dalhart Youth Center, 402 Denver Ave., Dalhart, TX between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the 12th day of May, 2007 For the purpose of: Adopting or rejecting the proposed Constitutional Amendment. As submitted by the 80thi legislature, Regular Session of the State of Texas. Signed, David D. Field, Dallam County Judge.

Pat Boren and Jo June McDaniel attended a Red Hats event in Guymon Thursday.

Visiting at the recent Rockies baseball game were Andrea (Dettle) Schoppet and her husband Mark, Patti & Marylou McDaniel. Had to wait until got Andrea's last name! They live at Edwards,

Friends are angels who lift us to our feet when our wings have trouble remembering how to fly. -Unknown

Change, like sunshine, can be a friend or a foe, a blessing or

-William Arthur Ward

Birthday Party for Delta Kappa Gamma By Rebecca Amyx

Gamma Society Kappa International met March 24, 2007 at the Sand's Restaurant.

Members present were Rebecca Amyx, Shirley Hendricks, Sandra Kelso, and Cynthia Zielke from Dalhart; Kathie Altman from Stratford; Joanie Hightower from

Sandra Kelso called the meeting to order. The members answered the roll call "Spring brings..." Shirley Hendricks gave the treasurer's report. We had a committee report Ceremonials/Necrology by Kathie

We took another part of the Women's Survey that we are participating in and discussed the Alpha State Convention that is being held in Amarillo this year, June 14-16. We have several who will be going and Mary Jo Ondracek will be a presenter. Our chapter is helping with hosting the convention.

To end our meeting Mary Jo put together a Gamma Xi Trivia Game. We decided we needed to go back and study a little more about our society.

We enjoyed birthday cake supplied by the ladies from Dalhart.

The next meeting will be April 28, 2007 at the Music Room at new member, Cynthia Zielke. All more worthily into nature. members are to wear RED. The officers will be in charge of refreshments.

Panhandle Residents Invited to Attend Water Wise Gamma Xi Chapter of Delta Gardening and Drip **Irrigation Class**

> Have you ever stood and looked at the beautiful blooming plants at the nursery greenhouse and wondered which ones would really survive and stay beautiful through our long hot summers? Have you ever looked at all of the trees available at the nursery and wondered which one would be best suited to the conditions in your own yard? if so, the free Water Wise Gardening and Drip Irrigation class offered by North Plains Water District is for you. On Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 AM-12:00 noon, you can learn all about plants and trees that are adapted to our dry climate and that will offer low maintenance beauty all summer long. The class, taught by experienced Master Gardeners, will teach class participants how to select plants that are best adapted to our climate, along with how to install a home drip irrigation system to conserve water and give plants moisture precisely where it is needed. The class is free, and participants will receive educational materials free of charge. To register for the class, call Rhonda Artho at 806-935-

Dalhart Elementary School in Friendship is an order of nobil-Dalhart. We will be initiating our ity; from its revelations we come -Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Judge Carter Gives Program

Sherman County Judge Terri Carter gave a program on wind farms coming to Sherman County to SCOT. Watch SCOT for more informative community programs.

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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 app Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. af 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 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

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Linda C. Grazulis

Then we, Your people, the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever; through all ages we will declare Your praise. Psalm 79:13

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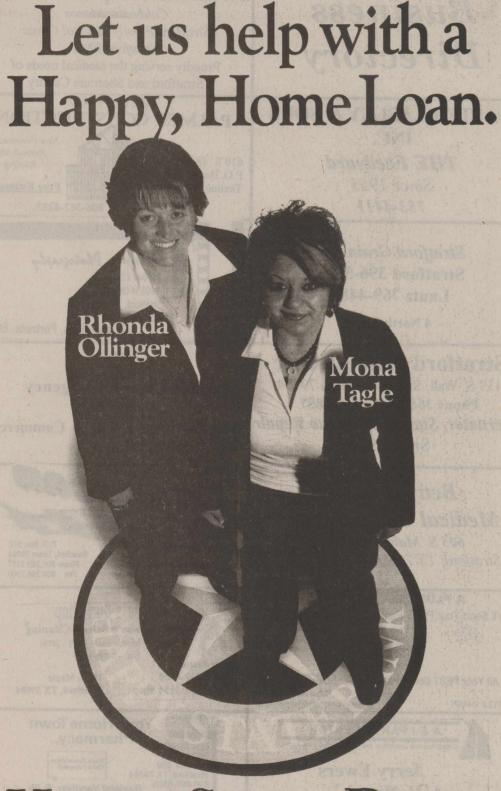
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4-H FCS CLUB TO **MEET APRIL 23**

By Susie Spurlock

The Sherman County 4-H PCS (Foods, Clothing, & Surprises Club) will meet Monday, April 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office in Stratford.

The club program will be a celebration of the new club. Club members will also be making plans for the summer including hosting the July Coldwater Manor will be served as refreshments.

Extension office at 366-2122.

Transportation News

by Gaynelle Riffe

Great News! The Texas Department of Transportation has determined they will be financially responsible for the relocation of the water lines on US 287 from 5th to 8th. Documentation determined the water lines were present before US 287 was paved by the Texas Department of Transportation. This determination saved the city approximately \$300,000. The city is still responsible for resetting the meters and acquiring the water easement from each property owner on US 287. If the easement is not acquired, the water must be relocated to the alley in which case the property owner will be financially responsible to relocate the water to their dwelling.

The federal earmark money for north US 287 would have covered over 5 miles of 4 lane divided pavement, now maybe 3 or 4 miles. If you have an opportunity to speak to Congressman Mac Thornberry, encourage more earmark money for north US 287. That may be the only way the completion to the state line will

obstacle causing postponement of the paving projects cost money and the city has lost about 20% purchase power for the Main Street project. The original proposal 5 years ago was new brick, storm drains, curb, sidewalks and lighting for main street from US 54 to 4th St. and new sidewalks, pedestrian lighting from 4th to the school at Time has taken away the new sidewalks and lighting from 4th to 8th on the west side of main street. The hope is to maintain the funding for 4th to 8th on the east side of Main Street. Any over runs to the project will be the cities financial burden so cuts continue to be the

The paving project is far enough along that it will happen. The question is when and how far the funding will stretch. The projected time for the paving project to start, first with US 54. is October 2007. The US 287 will begin after the US 54 is completed and then Main Street. Stratford will be in a transportation mess for about two years which should bring us to 2010, the beginning plan was to have completion of the projects by the city centennial incorporation date of March 1907. Maybe the celebration will be centennial (100) + 3.

The Imagination Station News By Gaynelle Riffe

The Imagination Station has had a face lift. The Exhibit room ceiling has been painted. The next project is ceiling fans and floor

"Science Saturday" was held March 31. Seventeen students studied rocks, soil and even ate a few rocks! Thanks to the adults helping and persons sharing their

rocks The next exhibit is "The Week of the Young Child- 400 years of Jamestown" April 24, 26. A preexhibit dinner fund raiser is

planned for April 21. The computer lab is open full time, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday.

We are excited that one of our volunteers has been chosen for the Golden Nail Award in Amarillo.



Science Saturday-March 31st

Birthday Party and 4-H Bake The Imagination Station "Science Saturday-Rocks & Soil" Mary Shoppe workshops. Coke Floats Ann and Russell Spurlock among 17 young people who Participated in Science Saturday, March 31. Laurie Spur lock All members and parents are Assisted by Cindy Jackson, Yvonne Pittman, Mary Brooks and encouraged to attend. For more Gaynelle Riffe led the study of rocks, soil and displayed Fossils, information, contact the County semi-gem stones, and even opened Geodes. Furnishing rocks for the exhibit: Mike Brownlee, Pat Johnson, Mary Hill, Dwight Brooks, George Johnson, and Joyce Hart.

Cards of Thanks

behalf Stratford Youth I would Basketball. like to say THANK YOU to the following who coached a team this year: 2-4 grade Girls: Barney Willborn, Adam Bell, Desine Garza, Shanda Davis, Travis Melton. Scott Law, Dan Law, Judd and Daina Butler. 2-4 Boys: Travis Melton, Desine Garza, Brenda and Bell. Stephanie Sheryl Alien, Daniel Hernandez, Servando Torres, Coby Galla, and Gared McBryde. 5-Girls: Johnny Justin Mungia, Keri Harris, Spurlock, Wells, Peregrino, and Jordan Confer. 5 Boys: Tim Trisha Mark & Hartman, Ruben Rendon. I would to following volunteers referring OUT Bell,

Brent Jennifer Crystal Gilliland, Schoonover, Stephanie Connie Biddy also like THANK YOU games: Brenda Connie Biddy, Jimmy Lanning, Adam Bell, Johnny Hudson, ViAnn Reed, Brent Reed, Duane Mungia, Coby Galla, Daina Butler, Desine Garza, Jessica Sutterfield, Nita Hudson, Tim Gilliland, Lance Horsford, Rachelle Long, Stephanie Bell, Rhia Everett, Landan Stein, Luna, Kelsey Jordan Confer, LaRissa Luna, Crystal Peregrino. I would like to say thank you Daina Butler, Schoonover, and Connie Biddy for helping take care of when I was the gym out of town. you to Connie Biddy setting up and taking care of the pictures and helping out whenever I asked Thank you to Becky Asher for taking for

Thank you to Johnny Hudson, for all your help! Thanks Travis for all your help. Thank you Terry Davis for making sure bleachers were out before each game. I would also like to thank the kids for playing, you all did great job and are getting better every game!! Thank you to all the parents who with helped out keeping books and Thanks who helped everyone with gym clean -up. Thank for Stratford ISD letting us use the gyms. Thank you Happy Bank for State letting us use the for meeting. We played a total of 41 games in 4 weeks. The kids did a great job and were lot of fun to watch!! I hope I have not left any one out,

> Kendra Mungia STRATFORD YOUTH BASKETBALL

if I have, I do

apologize, everyone's

greatly

help was

appreciated!

would like thank everyone for kindness shown to our family at the death of our Mother Grandmother. and Louise Long. They were a comfort. Thanks to Coldwater personnel Manor's cared Mother for eight She years. you all.

Anita & Red DeBord, Cecilia DeBord Ruby & Val Comer, Sonja & Cagle Kendrick Barbara & Taylor Moore Helen Handing

Thanks to you that helped Becky years ago get lung transplant. Please know that transplant was great success helped 10 years that she was very thankful for and know that she did not take those years for granted and she used them very well. Be happy knowing that when you helped her you people thru more Thanks now in her death for every thought, prayer, word, card, phone call, hand shake and hug. You cannot what know means to us.

> Family of Becky Knight Raymond Ricky Raymond Kenneth Knight Sheldon & Dale Proctor Roy Knight

4-H DISTRICT RIFLE CONTEST **ENTRIES DUE** FRIDAY

By Susie Spurlock

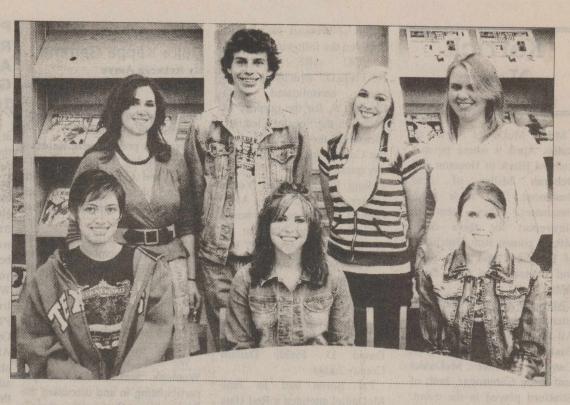
Sherman County 4-H Shooting Sports members who plan to compete at the District Rifle Contest to be held Saturday, May 5th are reminded to enter by Friday, April 20th.

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/

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.

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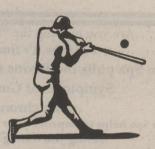


Students Compete at Regionals

Seven SHS students who placed first, second or third at District UIL Academic competition competed Saturday in the Regional UIL contest in Abilene. Seated from left: Rhia Everett -Literary Criticism; Kristen Crabtree - Accounting and Headline Writing; Brooke Barnard placed sixth in Computer Applications. Standing from left, Evan Haile placed fifth in Poetry; Austin Riffe - Prose; Trenda Maiwald - Poetry and Kelsi Dennis - Editorials. Coaches for the events were Tami King - Accounting and Computer Applications, Judy Stoy - Literary Criticism, Harletta Carthel - Editorials and Headline Writing, and Terri Teig - Prose and

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AN OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Published Thursday, April 19, 2007 and Thursday, April 26, 2007

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Pet of the Week

Star, Thursday, April 19, 2007.



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 Early voting 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.

also responsible individuals 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.

Sherman Co. Child **Welfare Board**

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SPECIAL **ELECTION** (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voters of the County of Sherman, Texas: (a los votantes registrados Del Condado de Sherman, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the

polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 12, 2007 for voting in a Special Election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional N. Amendment as submitted by the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas; and to legalize the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages in Sherman County, Texas. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorates citadas abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00p.m. el 12 de mayo de 2007 para votar en la Eleccion Especial para adopter o rechazar la Enmienda Constitucional propuesta como sometido por la 80a Legislatura Sesion Regular, del Estado de Tejas; ypara legalizar la venta de todas bebidas alcoholicas incluso bebidas mezcladas en el Condado de Sherman, Tejas.) LOCATIONS OF POLLING

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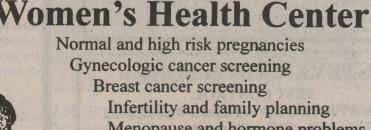
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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 4, 2007. (Las aplicaciones para votaciones por el correo deben ser recibidas no luego que el cerrar del negocio en el 4 de mayo, 2007.)

Issued this the 16th day of April, 2007. (Emitada este dia 16 de abril de 2007.)

Terri Carter, County Judge Firma de la Jueza del Condado Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, April 19, 2007

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ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

Lucero Ortega and Daniel Havs are students of the week at Stratford High School. Starting Tuesday, the only major thing going on in school this week is TAKS!!

We had a little excitement last Friday at school when a bird nest in one of the rooftop heating/ac units stared to burn. The junior high and high school were evacuated until the problem was solved. Big thanks to our Stratford Fire Department for being on the scene in record time. We're glad it was a minor fire, but it was sure comforting to see those fire trucks arrive so fast. Thanks, guys!

Varsity and Cheerleaders sold Top of Texas Football Magazine Ads. We appreciate everyone's support. The JV Cheerleaders will be selling candles starting Monday.

Mrs. Gilliland's 6th grade students are learning about food webs. We have created several food webs as well as illustrated our results. We have also been analyzing TV commercials to test for stimulus and responses.

Mrs. Griffin had her annual breakfast cram session Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. for Juniors taking the Math TAKS test. Breakfast burritos, orange juice, and milk were available as well as any last minute questions/concerns answered.

working hard on completing viernes. scholarship applications. Those College are finishing their of our juniors are involved in the Brent Spurlock, y Greg Wright. last weeks of their online History

Seven high school students Everett, y Steve Hays. participated in the Regional UIL Academic Meet in Abilene this past weekend. Evan Haile placed fifth in the poetry competition and Brooke Barnard placed sixth in Applications. Congratulations to all who competed and represented our

school in this endeavor. Students are now selling band calendars, so be ready to support this fine fund raiser.

Sorry this is so short. After TAKS is finished, maybe there will be more news.

Quote of the week: "Some people think they are concentrating when they're merely worrying." - Bobby Jones

Youngsters of the age of two and County agent, gave session on three are endowed with extra-ordinary strength. They can lift Cooking for Pairs & Spares a dog twice their own weight that attracted a large crowd. and dump him into the bathtub. -Erma Bombeck "Issues in Rural Health".

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

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

Votacion temprana apariencia en persona comenzara el miercoles 30 de april de 2007 v terminara el martes 8 de mayo de

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 Several of the seniors have been PM - 5:00 PM, de lunes a

Miembros de la mesa cuyo taking concurrent termino expirara son Steve Hays English through Frank Phillips and DeWain Trayler. Miembros remanentes son Joe Reinart, research papers this week. Some Barney Willborn, Patti Vincent,

Los candidates son Blake Confer, DeWain Trayler, Chet

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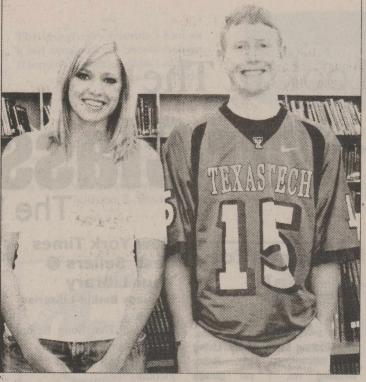
Texas Extension Educational Association members met Thursday, April 12 in Dalhart. Going from Sherman County were Jean Everett, Reyna Everett, Dortha Nell Allen, Marylou McDaniel. At the table with them was Jeanelle Brock, Jean's sister of Amarillo. Jeanelle had made a Quilt hat raised \$1635.00

Speaker was Judge Ron Enns, 69th District.

Susie Spurlock, Sherman

The other session was on

Fall Training Meeting is at Pampa, Nov. 29, 2007. 2008 Spring TEEA Meeting is April 8 or 10 in Dumas.



McDaniel & Cummings Compete in Golden Spread All-Star Game

Merilee McDaniel and Brant Cummings competed this past Thursday - Saturday in the Golden Spread All-Star games and were both on the North teams. In the championship games on Saturday, Merilee finished with 11 points in their loss to the East 67-52 and Brant scored a game high 18 points in their Championship win over the South 88-85. Congratulations!

Girls Golf Advances to Regionals

The Varsity girls and J.V. and

Varsity boys traveled to Borger

on April 2 and 9, 2007 for the

District 1AA Golf meet. The

Varsity girls won 1st with a score

of 857. Individual results were

Merilee McDaniel - 3rd place

medalist. Merilee shot 103 in

Round 1 and 101 in Round 2 for

a score of 204 followed by

Whitney Garza who placed 4th

and shot 100-111 for a two-day

total of 211. Jordan Confer shot

106-110 for 216 and Kelsey

Stein followed with 113-113-

226. The girls will advance to

the Regional golf meet in Baird,

870 points. Roy Allen shot 99-

105-204; Brant Cummings 102-

102-204; Adrian Vargas 116-

114-230; Tyler Gilliland 116-

116-232 and Jake Lawrence 128-

with 715 points. Scott Hudson shot 85-82-167; Landan Luna 83-

89-172; Eric Riffe 95-86-181;

Harrison Walden 96-99-195 and

Cody Carter 97-99-196.

The Varsity boys placed 4th

The J.V. boys placed 7th with

TX on April 23 and 24th

116-244.

Think where man's glory most begins and ends, And say my glory was I had such friends. -William Butler Yeats

Early **Indications Show Wheat Escaped** Freeze Injury

By Kay Ledbetter

AMARILLO - The High Plains wheat crop appears to have escaped injury from temperatures that dipped into the low 20s F for an extended period, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

After scouting several regions and visiting with concerned producers, Dr. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist, said he thinks the wheat denseness and the soil temperature may have insulated the crop from the cold.

Using the weather station data from the Texas High Plains Evapotranspiration Network, Bean determined that the southwest corner of the Bovina-Panhandle. in Muleshoe-Dimmitt area, was the most likely area for damage.

"That's where it was the coldest for the longest, and more than likely, if there was any injury, it said on Thursday after scouting that region. "It is a little early, but preliminary observations indicate the wheat came out of the cold conditions in surprisingly good

The reason, Bean said, is the wheat has a good canopy and soil temperatures were warming prior to the cold front moving into the needed! area. That tended to insulate the

wheat against temperatures.

Some temperatures dropped to 24 F in that region, he said,

staying below 26 F for more than

30 hours. "Those are temperatures where we certainly can get freeze damage," Bean said. "We've seen a little bit of leaf burn, but surprisingly not even much of

And leaf burn does not indicate a loss of production. Producers should recheck their fields next week, after possible freeze injury symptoms have had more time to show up, Bean said.

Freeze damage has to be analyzed by splitting the tiller and looking at the immature head, he said. If it is green, it is OK. He said because temperatures have been fairly cool since the freeze, it is possible that once it heats up, some injury might start to show

"But right now, it looks very promising," Bean said.

Blood Drive To should have been seen there," he Be Held April 30

There will be a Stratford Community Blood Drive on Monday, April 30th from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at County Barn 5th and

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Notice of Public Hearing on **Sherman County Appraisal District Budget**

The Sherman County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2008 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on Friday, May 18, 2007 at 7:00 a.m. at the Sherman County Appraisal District Office.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.

\$<u>316,158</u>

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.

The number of employees compensated under the current budget.

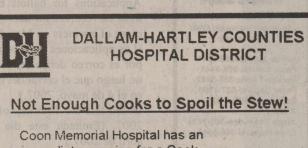
The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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