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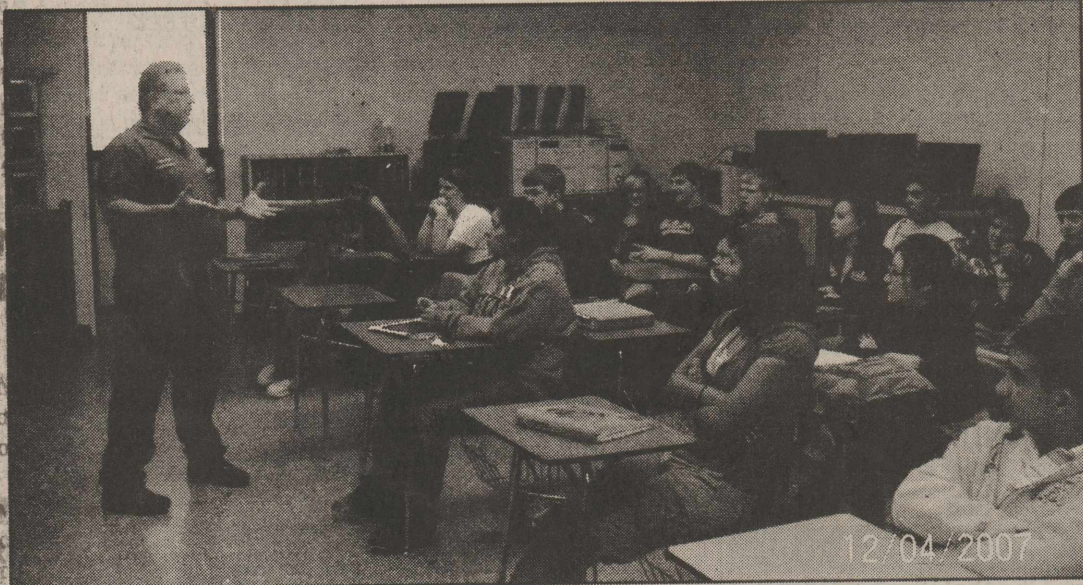
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Safety in the Workplace Studied

The DCP class of Stratford High School has been studying Safety in the workplace as it relates to their individual jobs. They have learned about workmen's compensation insurance and how accidents at work affect them, their employers, their careers and the national economy. Many of the students have not had first aid, so Jimmy Lanning came to the class and reviewed them on first aid for bleeding, choking and other things as a person on the site of an accident would have to do until EMS could arrive.

Panda Ethanol Receives Air Permit for Sherman County Refinery

Biomass Used To Fuel Plant

DALLAS — December 6, 2007

Panda Ethanol Inc. today announced that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has granted an air permit for the company's planned 115 million gallon-per-year ethanol refinery in Sherman County, Texas. The facility will be designed to annually refine an estimated 38 million bushels of feedstock-grade corn into a clean burning, renewable fuel for the nation's transportation needs. The biofuel produced by the Sherman plant could displace approximately 2.6 million barrels of foreign oil a year.

Unlike other ethanol facilities which burn natural gas to generate the steam used in the ethanol manufacturing process, the Sherman facility will be engineered to gasify up to 1 billion pounds of cattle manure per year. By using biogas to fuel the plant, Panda is both conserving the energy equivalent of 1,000 barrels of oil a day and helping to address a significant environmental problem for the Texas Panhandle.

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Presley Fund Set Up At Bank

A medical fund for the son of J.B. & Amanda Presley has been set up at the First State Bank of Stratford. For more information contact the First State Bank 396-5521.

News from Depot Museum

The Sherman County Depot Museum welcomes Christmas displays to go with nice ornaments this year.

Due to shortness of volunteers the Museum will be closed Dec.-March. May call phone numbers on the door to get in.

Weather Line
366-2000
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Greg Wright - 7 days a
week, updating as needed

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DECEMBER 14 & 15 HUNTER'S SAFETY COURSE

Hunter's Safety Education Course will be offered December 14th and 15th in Stratford. Lee Morris of Dumas will be conducting the course open to all interested individuals age 12 and older.

The State of Texas requires that all individuals age 17 and older who plan to participate in any outdoor hunting activities to complete the safety education course.

The course will be conducted at the Sherman County Exhibit Building in Stratford from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday. Cost of the class will be \$15.00 per person.

Individuals who would like to register for the course may do so by calling the Sherman County Extension Office at 366-2122. Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

End of Year Donations

The Stratford ISD Education Foundation would like to thank the many people of the community who have donated to the foundation this year. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that without your donations the fulfillment of grants for the students of Stratford would not be possible. Please remember the foundation when you are thinking of making your end of year donations. You never know when your donation is going to touch the life of a child.

Only 13 days left until Christmas 2007



17 Kelly's Gymnastics Athletes ~ 30 First places

Kelly's gymnastic traveling competition team competed at their first meet Saturday, Dec 8th in Levelland, TX. Kelly took 17 athletes competing on three events and brought home 30 first place ribbons and 6 second place ribbons. Athletes competing at this meet were: Karlene Arias (Dumas), Joanna Whipple (Guymon), Wrangler Rickman (Boise City), Meghan Brooks (Stratford), Darcy Robinson (Stratford), Ella Godsey (Stratford), Chesney Rendon (Stratford), Canyon Rickman (Boise City), Laynee Burr (Stratford), Gage Brooks (Stratford), Audree Snider (Stratford), Arrington Johnon (Guymon), Morgan Whitaker (Dumas), Kenlee McBryde (Stratford), Tommy Rickman (Boise City), Emmery Johnson (Guymon) and Tyson Brooks (Stratford). Make sure to congratulate these kids when you see them. They did an amazing job!! Our next meet is in January in Lubbock. Kelly and her 6 and under athletes pictured from L/R Emmery Johnson, Tyson Brooks, Kelly, Tommy Rickman and Morgan Whittaker.

A good laugh and a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor's book.

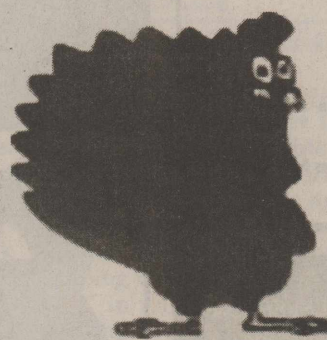
—Irish Proverb

Project Christmas Card

The deadline for "Project Christmas Card" is fast approaching with only 1 week left before the deadline of Monday, December 17th at twelve o'clock noon. Don't be left out. Take your donations to the First State Bank of Stratford or the Sherman County Public Library. We look forward to seeing your name in the Christmas edition of The Stratford Star.

Rodriguez Family Fund Set Up

A fund has been set up at First State Bank to help the family of Elizabeth Rodriguez who was in an accident on September 6, 2007 and passed away Friday/November 23, 2007.



It's time to cook turkeys again!!

More than ever we need to honor our service men and women and their families during the holidays. We'll be firing up the cookers on Thursday, December 20th at the same place as before - Wesley & Susie Spurlock's barn. If you know of a service man/woman's family in Sherman County email their names and addresses to lallen6423@aol.com or call 806/753-7979 and leave a message. If you'd like to donate turkeys, chickens, beef or any type of meat use the same email & phone number. The cooks will also be glad to deep fry or smoke your holiday meat for you.

Toy Drive to benefit those less fortunate in Stratford



Please bring new toys to Happy State Bank by December 12th

SANTA LETTERS

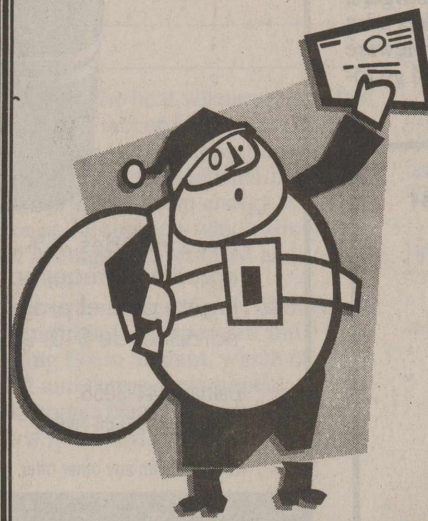
Hey Kids,

It's time to get your Santa letters in to The Stratford Star to be printed. We will send them on to the North Pole!

Deadline for letters:

Thursday, December 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Mailbox located at Mary Allen Elementary or call 366-5885 for more information



Ask the Geek
By Kevin McDonald

Green Eggs and Spam

'Tis the Season for your email inbox to overflow with spam! Ever since "Black Friday," the day after Thanksgiving where many folks begin their holiday shopping frenzies, legitimate vendors and their illegitimate spammy counterparts have jockeyed for position among your regular serving of email solicitations. This happens every year around this time, but a recent article in Business Wire said that, "This year marks an all time high for spam, accounting for 10.8 trillion messages... [H]oliday spam has spiked, representing an initial 6 percent increase over pre-Thanksgiving levels - with more to come"

Yikes! With that in mind, I offer the following (abridged) tips from SPAMfighter, a leading spam filter developer in Europe:

- Never make a purchase or donate money through an unsolicited e-mail offer. If the offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is a scam. Holiday charity scams are a favorite technique of spammers and crooks. Donate through the trusted organization's Web site directly. Consumers should create a separate free e-mail account for online shopping to avoid potential spam and to keep track of online purchases.
- Before you shop online, download the latest spam filter protection... Spam and virus filtering protection should be upgraded, at a minimum, once a year or more, depending upon Web visits.
- Don't open holiday e-cards from unknown senders. This is a primary way for spammers to...send malicious malware.
- Watch out for higher levels of phishing e-mails. These are legitimate-looking e-mails from what appears to be a trusted, well-known brand, such as your bank or popular sites, like eBay and Amazon. In reality, this spam seeks to steal personal or financial information by redirecting the e-mail user to a fake, but very real-looking Web site, that asks for confidential or personal information. When in doubt, call the bank or company supposedly sending the e-mail and verify the request.
- Social networking phishing spam is on the rise. Phishers are using social networking sites, such as MySpace, to target specific groups of e-mail users with free gift offers and ads. Check your privacy settings on these sites to restrict who can access your information and never click on a link posted by an unknown source.
- Be cautious with hyperlinks to other Web sites and don't open hyperlinks in an unsolicited e-mail. Clicking on the link is a confirmation to the spammer that an e-mail address is active and to whom it belongs, and more importantly, opens the door to new malware and viruses or a phishing site.

Need more info?

Google "holiday spam" for more tips and tricks.

Kevin McDonald is a professional computer technician and novelist. He lives in Stratford with his wife children. He owns and operates Definition Computers. 806-366-7637. Email Kevin at askthegEEK@definitioncomputers.com with your questions.

Births

Rhett and Ashley Hutson of Dumas are proud to announce the birth of their son Jacobly Van. The little Mister Hutson was born on December 4th, 2007 at 3:16 p.m. He weighed in at 6 lbs. 15 ozs and is 20 inches tall. His even prouder grand parents are Russel and Tina Brooks of Middlewell and Richard & Stacy Hutson of Dumas. The Great Grand parents are Mae Hutchinson of Sunray, Jo Evelyn & Ray Carpenter of Fort Clark, Texas, Judy & Ken Coffey of Dumas and Dwight and Mary Books of Stratford.

He also has three very young Uncles C.J. and Parker Brooks and Ridge Hutson. Lots of Great Aunts and Uncles and cousins in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska. He is welcomed and loved by all.

Confidence is contagious. So is lack of confidence.
—Vince Lombardi

Entertaining

(NU) - There's nothing better than delicious food and fun with friends, but sometimes the thought of inviting people over can be overwhelming. Well, entertaining doesn't have to be hard, as long as you keep it simple.

The experts at Hefty have several suggestions to do just that. For example providing simple food, such as grilled chicken or hamburgers, and making the occasion a "potluck" for sides and desserts, takes a lot of the stress out of entertaining. Using disposable plates and tableware and getting everyone to pitch in with preparation and tidy-up, all go together to ensure a relaxing and enjoyable time for everyone.

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LunchNLearn Meeting
December 18
By Susie Spurlock

LunchNLearn and SouthStar EEA clubs will meet Tuesday, December 18 at 12 noon at the County Extension Office.

This will be the Christmas Social and programs for 2008 will be selected. 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 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 17th so that adequate preparations can be made.

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

4-H PCS CLUB MEETING
DECEMBER 17
By Susie Spurlock

"Holiday Fun" will be the theme of the Sherman County 4-H PCS (Foods, Clothing, & Surprises Club) meeting on Monday, December 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the County Exhibit Building in Stratford.

Members will be making a holiday Christmas tree ornament and having a Christmas Cookie Exchange. Members need to bring \$1.00 for the cost of the ornament workshop and 3 or 4 dozen homemade cookies for the cookie exchange.

4-H Leaders Laurie Spurlock and Jill Killian will be leading the program following the business meeting.

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

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RETIREMENT

Celebration

You are cordially invited
To A
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for

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Local Women Attend Meeting

Pictured at the recent South Central General Federation meeting in Phoenix are standing Margaret Reed and Cindy Jackson. Seated are Past State Presidents of New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Study Club Meets

Federation, both General and State, was the topic of Margaret Reed at the Dec 5 GFWC/Prospectus Study Club meeting. The amount of projects over the years by the women is outstanding. Club president Cindy Jackson and Mrs. Reed also reported on the recent South Central meeting in Phoenix they attended.

All are reminded to remember Project Christmas Card for the Library!

Taking a leave of absence are D'Lynn Reed, Linda Haynes and Marsha Wright.

Sandy Baskin reported that \$2,401 was made at the Book Fair.

Present were Cindy Jackson, Margaret Reed, LaVell Haggard, Pat Hartman, Mattie Baskin, Marylou McDaniel, Linda Swain, Dorothy Haile, Marty Bain, Laurie Spurlock.

Faith is not a storm cellar to which men and women can flee for refuge from the storms of life. It is, instead, an inner force that gives them the strength to face those storms and their consequences with serenity of spirit.

—Sam J. Ervin, Jr.

Study Club Begins Cookbook Sales

Prospectus Study Club has begun selling their newest cookbook. It is called "Favorites from Our Table". It is a hard cover, three ring binder style cookbook and sells for \$14.00. Contact any Study Club member or visit Sandy at the Library. Please call 366-2772 with any questions.

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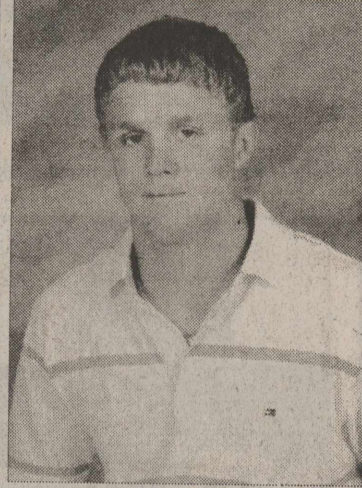
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Kerrick News

By Marylou
McDaniel

There will be a Sandwich supper at the Kerrick Community Building on Saturday, December 15, 2007 at 6 p.m. All who attend are asked to help sack candy.

There will be no Christmas Party this year.



Brent Reed

Brent is a member of the Elk football, basketball and track teams. He is a member of the Student Council and is involved in 4-H showing pigs.

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The Angel Tree Reception will be held on Thursday, December 20, 2007 at the Assembly of God church from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

Families approved for the Angel Tree will be notified by mail. Please bring approval letter with you to receive your gifts. Please call Ashley or Isabell at 396-5521 if you have any questions.

Merry Christmas!!!

La reception para Arbol de Angeles sera el Jueves 20 de Diciembre del 2007 en la iglesia Asamblea de Dios de las 6:00 a las 7:00pm. Familias aprovadas para el Arbol de Angeles seran contactadas por correo. Profavor traigan las cartas con Uds. Para recibir sus regalos. Si tienen preguntas hablen a Ashley o Isabell a 396-5521.

Feliz Navidad!!!

First Assembly of God

Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton

Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian

Rev. Walter Reed

5th & Main

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

First United Methodist

Rev. Gene Weinette

520 N. Main

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

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Aleksy Kowalski

6th & Pearl

Rectory - 366 - 5687

Sunday morning: 9:00a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Service . Wed. Thurs. Fri.—6 p.m. Sat. 5 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass. or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Ernie Maiwald

N. 3rd & Chestnut

Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Bible Baptist

Pastor Rick Carter

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 Jason Stone

702 N. 3rd

Sun.—Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Children—6:00, youth—7:00

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Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

Miercoles (Wednesday)

Servicio De Adoracion 11:00 am

& Servicio De Oration 6:00 pm

Servicio De Adoracion 6:00 pm

Susninos Durante El Servicio.

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

THERE IS A SUPPORTIVE SPIRIT IN ME THAT GIVES ME COURAGE.

We speak of courage and our thoughts may go to some daring deed we have heard of or read about. We think of courage as connected with heroism. Actually courage is something we are called upon to use constantly. One person may need courage to get out of bed; another may need courage to take a step. Whatever the need for courage may be, we have the source of all courage right with us. There is a supportive Spirit in us that gives us the courage we need. This Spirit is the God-Spirit in us. If the challenge is a small one, something we say "makes us nervous," we can call upon this supportive Spirit and be poised and calm. If the challenge looms large and makes us feel helpless, even hopeless, the supportive Spirit in us will give us the courage we need to conquer our fears and meet what needs to be met.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage.

—Psalms 27:14.

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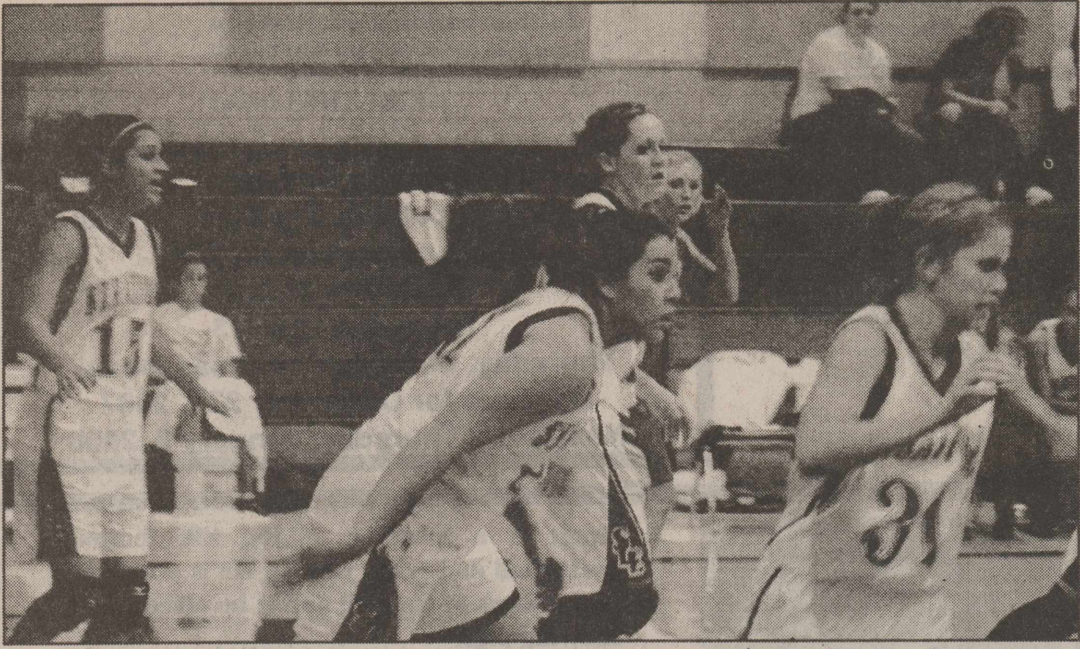
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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.

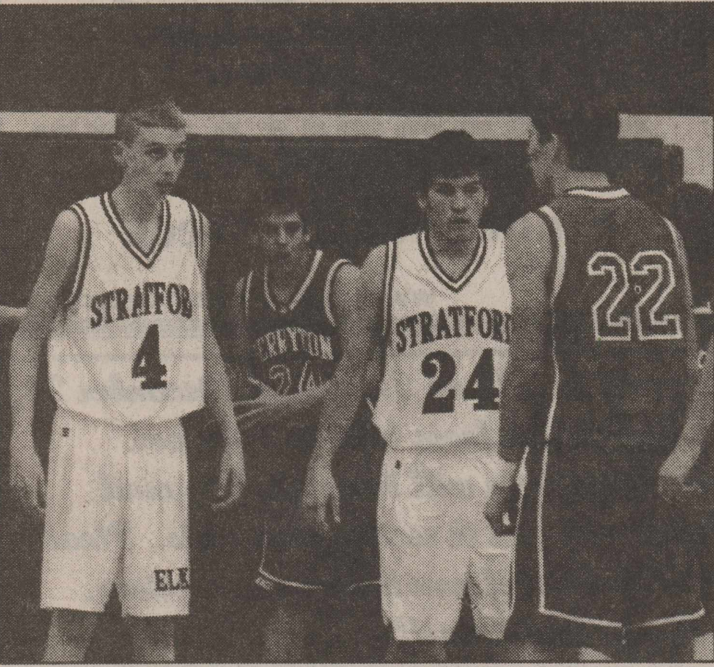
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday



Basketball



Lady Elks L/R Yesenia Ibarra, April Peregrino, Jordan Confer and Kristen Crabtree on defense against Perryton.



J.V. Elks #4 Trevor Christian and #24 Justin Lanning on defense in the Elks win over Perryton on Tuesday, December 4, 2007.

The J.V. Lady Elks beat Perryton 28-27 on Tuesday, December 4, 2007. Rubi Rueda led the Lady Elks with 6 points followed by Brianda Chavoya with 5 points. The J.V. Lady Elks played in the Spearman JV Tournament this past Thursday and Saturday. In their first game, they beat Goodwell 43-10. Janeth Reyes was high point followed by Lindsy Confer with 9 points. The second game, the Lady Elks lost 31-35 to Dalhart. Rubi Rueda led in scoring with 11 points followed by Lindsy Confer and Jessica Ibarra with 4 points each. In their final game, they lost 30-42 to Gruver. Rubi

Rueda was high point with 13 points and Brianda Chavoya followed with 8 points.

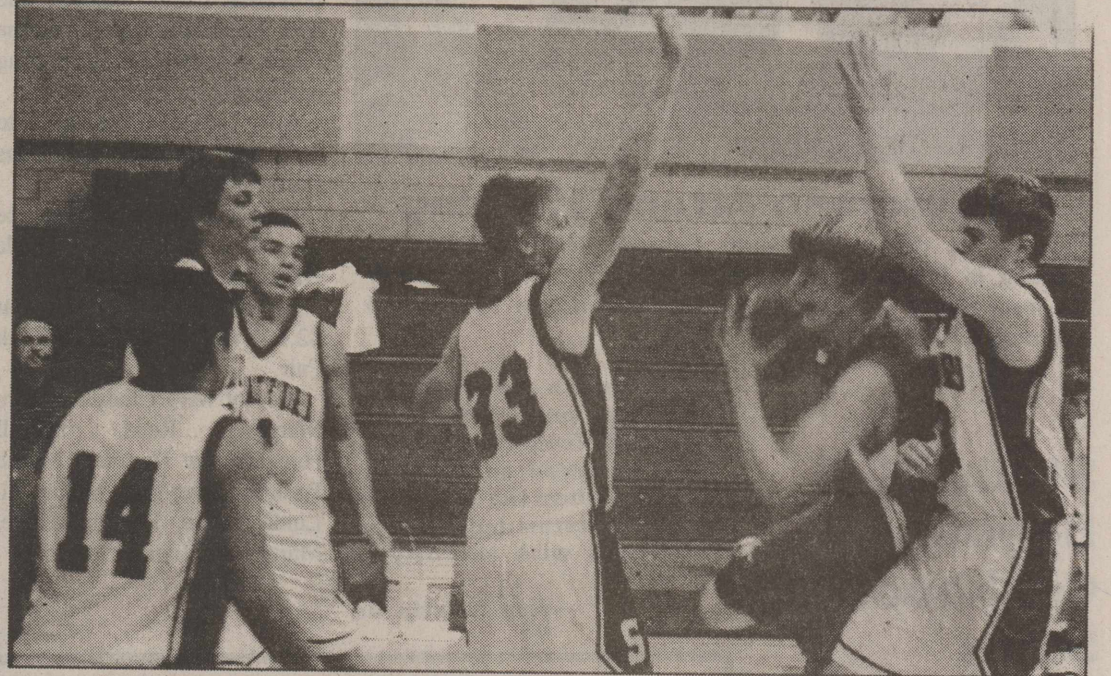
On December 4, 2007, the J.V. Elks beat Perryton 39-30 with Bryce Cummings the high scorer with 18 points followed by Justin Lanning with 9 points.

The Stratford Elks lost 32-60 to Perryton on December 4, 2007. Kyle Horsford and Luis Ortega led in scoring with 7 points each followed by Kaleb Horsford with 6 points. Sandro Gomez finished the night with 11 rebounds. On December 6 and 7, the Elks competed at the Sunray Tournament. In their first game, they beat Hartley 47-31 with

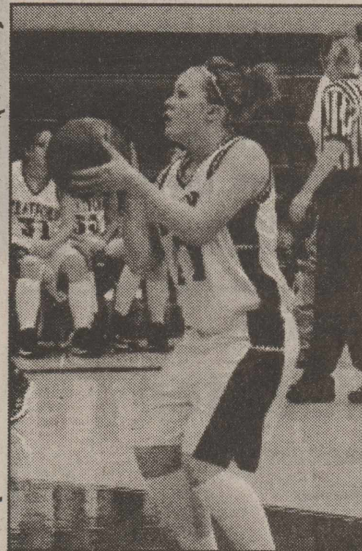


J.V. Elk #10 Bryce Cummings goes up with the shot.

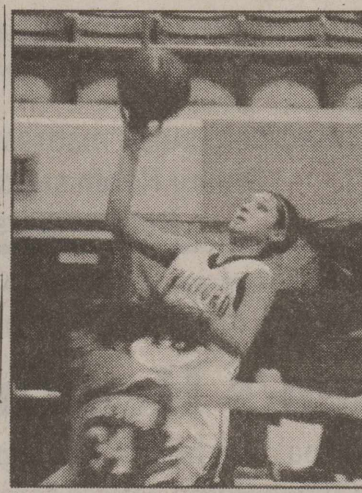
Kaleb Horsford high scorer with 17 points followed by Kyle Horsford with 11 points, Luis Ortega with 9 and Sandro Gomez with 8 points. In game two, the Elks lost 41-55 to Dalhart. Kyle Horsford and Luis Ortega led the Elks with 10 points each and Kaleb Horsford added 8 points followed by Tyler Wright with 6 points. In their final game, the Elks lost 23-36 to River Road. Sandro Gomez and Craig Kautz led the scoring with 6 points each followed by Kyle Horsford with 5 points. Kaleb Horsford was named to the All-Tournament team.



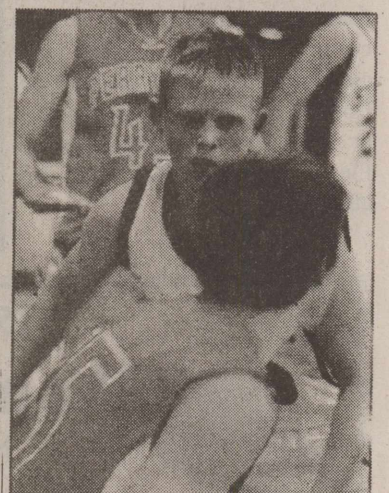
Elks L/R #14 Angel Resendes, Kaleb Horsford, Luis Ortega, #33 Kyle Horsford and Tyler Wright defend the basket in the Elks loss to Perryton on Tuesday, December 4, 2007.



J.V. Lady Elk Kimberly Melton shoots free throws in the Lady Elks win over Perryton.



Lady Elk Yesenia Ibarra goes up for two in the Lady Elks loss in overtime to Perryton.



Stratford Elk Kyle Horsford plays defense.

Add Holiday Cheer to Your Home with Crafts

NewsUSA

(NU) - Do-it-yourself crafting is all about turning a simple household item into an impressive piece of holiday décor. During this year's season of celebration, creating your own holiday decorations is easier than you might think.

The Craft & Hobby Association (CHA) offers some helpful decorating tips to celebrate the season and create homemade masterpieces using basic materials:

- Ribbon.** Colorful ribbon can be used to make simple bows for tying around doorknobs or pinning on curtains. By hanging ribbon with thumbtacks, you can display greeting cards by attaching them attractively to the ribbon with clothespins.

- Wrapping paper.** Not just for wrapping presents anymore, this colorful paper is a versatile decorating medium. Make your front door a welcoming entryway by wrapping it entirely in paper and placing a ribbon in the center to resemble a giant present. Or create an attractive vase by wrapping an empty coffee can, leaving the top open. Place on the floor or on a table, and fill with evergreen branches and holly.



Easy decorating ideas and tips can dress your home up this holiday season.

- Paper.** Paper crafts are ideal for involving children in holiday crafting. Using plain, white paper and scissors, cut snowflakes to display in your window, or hang from the ceiling. Add silver glitter for a whimsical sparkle.

- Natural materials.** Using natural items like pinecones, evergreens and bark adds rustic beauty and aromatic touches to a quaint holiday theme. Take five or six cinnamon sticks, and tie them together with ribbon to create small bundles. Display them in a bowl or on a shelf. Also, adding gold spray paint or frost to a large pinecone, and then hanging it by a string, creates a unique door hanger.

For more craft ideas, visit www.craftplace.org.

Food Ideas

(NAPS)—Chef, columnist and cookbook author Andrew Schloss and the Canned Food Alliance have developed recipes with a contemporary twist on classic holiday fare that add nutrition and convenience to any meal. For these and hundreds of other helpful and easy-to-prepare recipes, visit www.Mealtime.org.



Creative chefs are bringing another vegetable to the table; onions. Fall/winter storage onions are an excellent choice for savory dishes that require longer cooking times or more flavor. To learn more, and for recipes, visit www.onions-usa.org.

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costs for the coming year. Dr. Amosson also briefly addressed a marketing strategy that could help lock in profits for the next two to three years. The strategy, he said, was similar to a cattle "crush," except you hedge the corn and natural gas prices. In addition, he discussed ethanol's potential effects on grain and fertilizer prices. Group chairman Jon Engelbrecht reported that the next meeting will feature a speaker on fertilizer outlook and pricing. It will convene December 18, from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. at the First State Bank. All interested producers are invited.

Copies of the material discussed are available in the Extension office. If you have questions please call the Extension office at 806-366-2081.

traditionally a good time to consider some marketing tools to secure a portion of ones energy

Automotive

(NU) - Those who are yearning for a different type of riding adventure have a new ticket to the open road.

The Can-Am Spyder roadster, manufactured by Ski-Doo and Sea-Doo creators BRP, is a new vehicle on the market that incorporates an advanced Y-architecture design; two wheels in the front and one in the rear.

The new three-wheeler is now available at dealerships across North America since rolling off the production line in September.

The vehicle combines the open-air benefits of a motorcycle with the peace-of-mind of a traditional roadster.

For more information, visit www.tryspyder.com.

You can send questions to Amy Dixon, an exercise physiologist who writes a monthly column for Women's Health magazine and stars in the magazine's two new DVDs, "Total Workout in 10!" and "Ultimate Fat Burn!" Just visit www.womenshealthmag.com.

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Help Wanted

Circle H Animal health is looking for dependable, hard-working, motivated individuals to work on our weigh day crews. If you would like a part-time job 2-4 days per month or would like to supplement your current income with a second job, we've got the job for you! Great pay! Stop by to fill out an application or bring your resume. Open 805 M-F. 3216 HWY 54 E. in Dalhart. 12-6-tfn

For Sale

For Sale: Storm Windows
6 storm windows=2'4"x4"x6"
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Contact Jim Bob @366-5914 or 753-7814
12-20-c

For Sale or Lease 212 N. Poplar 40' by 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585
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12-6-c-12-13-c

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Tires, Tool boxes, Grill guards, headache racks, cars, pickups, SUV's and more. Duncan Chevrolet 366-5557
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If a man doesn't delight in himself and the force in him and feel that he and it are wonders, how is all life to become important to him?
—Sherwood Anderson

For Rent

2-BR apartments, close to school, new appliances. \$425-450 month, plus deposit, tenant to pay utilities. 806-244-3418
10-4-tfn

1-Bdrm. Apt. for rent. 301 S. Main. Call Al Baker 366-5318.
12-6-tfn

Need a home for the Holiday's? Nice, spacious 2BR, 1 bath apt., with newer appliances, CH/A. Close to school. Call West Texas Rentals @ 806-244-3418.
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Cards of Thanks

Sherman County Older Texans would like to thank everyone in the community for the great support of our Harvest Lunch fund raiser. Special thanks go out to Murphy Farms, First State Bank and Happy State Bank for their donations to purchase needed food ingredients. Also a special thank you to each SCOT member who donated desserts and cornbread, and to Dorland Burton and Bud Shields for being our cooks, and to Stratford Grain Company for allowing us to use their outdoor cooker. A big thank you to Karen Ferrin for cooking the beans. All proceeds will go toward expenses related to operation of the organization.

Most people do not consider dawn to be an attractive experience—unless they are still up.
—Ellen Goodman

Houses for Sale

Ad Rem Land Co., LLC Real Estate
803 Bliss - Dumas, Texas 79029
MLS Se Habla Español
935-7364
E-mail: adrem@adremland.com
Website: www.adremland.com

Commercial Property, 207 Texas Ave., Stratford 80 x 80 shop with 4.4 acres located on Dalhart Highway, 2 16' overhead doors with office space. \$129,000.

Ad Rem Land Co., LLC wants to serve your real estate needs. We have qualified buyers! Listings needed.

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. See pictures @ Shermancountytx.org
6-28-tfn

NEW LISTING! For sale by owner. 314 S. Fulton. 1662 total sq. ft. 3 bed/2bath. CH&A. Single garage/double driveway. Large deck. Cash back at closing incentive. Will show by appt. 806-683-2553.
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Residential Property

14433 Hwy 287 Stratford
\$127,500

4/2 1997 Saturn Manufactured Home on 24 acres. Chhd. Ceiling, wood burning f.p. in Living room. Kitchen has island with eating bar, pantry, and built-in desk. Master bath has walk-in shower, dbl. sinks, and garden tub. 4 car Quonset garage w/ elec. Barn with 220, & 2 addl. Quonsets on concrete slabs.

1207 Division St. Stratford
\$81,950

A must see! 2/1.5/1 home with vinyl & carpet throughout. New roof in Aug. 2007. Storm cellar. Lg. detached garage/shop with living quarters & 3/4 bath.

408 N. 8th. Stratford
\$85,000

Room & more Room! In this 3/1.75/1 home w/ office or 4th bedroom. Dining w/built-in corner hutch. Bedrooms with walk-in closets. Vinyl & carpet throughout home. Utility room. Fenced backyard, Wood deck, storm windows & doors, and storage building.

402 N. 8th Stratford
\$20,000

2/1 Home on Lg corner lot. Wall heater, evaporative cooler, and gas stove in kitchen.

Commercial Property

501 S. Poplar Stratford
\$29,900
Commercial Building with lobby area, 3 offices, 2 bathrooms, & shop With 10x12 overhead door. It has approx. 1,776 sq. ft.

301 N. Poplar Stratford
\$275,000

NICE! NICE! NICE! 60x100 Commercial Building on huge lot. Building has several overhead doors, showroom, office, and handicap accessible restroom.

Acreage
\$640,700

Approx. 640.7 Acres w/ dbl. wide mobile home and 2 car detached garage just South of Stratford.



Find The Fun In Giving

(NAPS)—Studies suggest that the old saying may be true: 92 percent of respondents said giving gifts really does bring more joy than receiving them. This is good news, since one in four has 16 or more people to shop for this holiday season. That may be one reason why nearly seven out of 10 people surveyed estimated they'll spend at least the equivalent of a full work-week—40 hours—crossing off all the "to-dos" on their holiday lists.

To help you find the right gifts, here are a few suggestions:

Pick a theme—Looking to buy for lots of people? A theme can help your list seem less overwhelming. Choosing an idea (such as warmth) or a category (such as cashmere) helps direct your focus, making it easier to pick something for each person. For the family that loves skiing, pair down vests with matching accessories and include ski lift passes in the pocket. For the person who loves to take day trips, consider a guidebook to regional sites with a GPS system.

Personalize gifts—Make classic holiday gifts more personal in the blink of Santa's eye by adding a monogram. Over 72 percent of respondents said they feel more thought is put into a monogrammed gift. Use initials for a classic look, and for a more whimsical, casual look, use a name or nickname. Have "mom" monogrammed on a plush bathrobe and



With a little forethought, getting a reputation for having a gift for giving can be in the bag.

tuck warm slippers and a bath gift set in the box, too. When attending a party, surprise the hostess with a set of monogrammed soaps and towels.

Have fun with packaging—Even the simplest stocking stuffers become more exciting when the packaging is part of the present. Instead of a paper gift bag, place gifts in a tote bag that can be used year-round. Use a personalized ornament instead of a bow to decorate a gift and identify the recipient. Fill a monogrammed stocking with someone's favorite things—seeds and gloves for the gardener or electronic sudoku and crossword puzzles for the game lover.

Keep it simple—Gift cards are a great way to give someone exactly what he or she wants. Half of the people surveyed admitted they would prefer a gift card to a favorite retailer over a gift that was picked just for them. Wrap a gift card with a pair of cozy mittens or a tin of cookies for a special touch. Gift cards are also a great thing to keep under the tree in case you have an unexpected guest. Very-last-minute shoppers can take advantage of electronic gift cards—print out, put in a decorative envelope and a gift is ready in seconds.

Three Great Gifts

With so many people to find gifts for—teachers to co-workers to friends and family—you may care to consider these gift suggestions from Lands' End's customer service representatives that are right for just about everyone:

• **Tasty Treats**—with visitors and get-togethers at the holiday season, an edible gift, such as a cookie tin or a basket of fruit, is a great shareable gift.

• **Totes**—a great way to carry groceries, workout clothes or library books.

• **Throws**—to complement the look of a room or to keep warm at night.

Learn More

For more great gift ideas for the holidays, visit landsend.com or call (800) 800-5800.

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

An Rx For Comfort And Cost Savings All Winter Long

(NAPS)—With the U.S. Department of Energy predicting that the price for heating oil and natural gas will continue to remain high this winter due to lower inventories and increased demand expected in much of the country, it is especially important for homeowners to take action now to ensure that their homes are energy efficient.

To help homeowners combat high utility bills during the cooler months, James and Morris Carey, authors of "Home Maintenance for Dummies," suggest the following practical tips for winterizing your home, minimizing energy loss and maximizing your comfort this winter.

Examining the Exterior

Begin by examining the home's exterior walls for cracks or holes, paying extra attention to gaps around external doors and windows where warm indoor air can escape or cold air can seep inside. Because 10 to 15 percent of heat loss occurs from cracks of this nature, the Carey brothers suggest sealing air leaks with caulk or weather stripping.

While outside, homeowners should also inspect the roof to ensure that all shingles are intact and flashings around chimneys, skylights, antennas and vents are well sealed.

"With high winds, snow and ice, the winter months can be particularly strenuous on the roof of a house," said James Carey. "Be sure to replace broken, curled or missing shingles, and use roof caulking to patch any holes to pre-



An Idea To Warm Up To: A new, efficient furnace can save homeowners hundreds of dollars each year compared to an older, less efficient furnace.

vent heat loss before cold weather begins."

Finally, homeowners should consider planting a few trees and shrubs of various heights to serve as windbreaks that will protect the house from cold, northerly winds. In fact, the Department of Energy estimates that home landscaping designed with "wind control" in mind can reduce winter heating bills by 25 percent.

Inspecting the Interior

Continue your winter preparations by heading indoors and scheduling an appointment with a qualified heating professional to inspect the home's heating system. According to the Carey brothers, an annual, pre-season maintenance checkup for a furnace or boiler will help ensure that the system is operating efficiently.

This will also give you extra time to make any necessary repairs, if needed, or consider replacing the system, ultimately reducing the potential for a breakdown in the middle of winter.

"If your furnace is more than 15 years old, you should consider replacing it with a newer, more energy-efficient model," said Morris Carey. "New, high-efficiency furnaces, such as those manufactured by Lennox, can help cut monthly heating costs by as much as 45 percent."

In fact, the Dave Lennox Signature Collection G61V variable-speed gas furnace is 95 percent efficient, which means 95 percent of the energy it uses goes directly to heating the home. That can save homeowners hundreds of dollars each year compared to older, less efficient furnaces.

In addition to the home heating system, homeowners need to have fireplaces and chimneys inspected and cleaned annually. It's also important to close the fireplace damper when not in use to prevent warm indoor air from escaping through the chimney.

Finally, take a look inside the attic to determine if additional insulation is needed. The amount of insulation needed will vary based on the region of the country and the home's design, but generally, if there is less than five inches, it's a good idea to add more.

To learn more about home energy efficiency and how to save money on utility bills, visit www.ItPaysToLiveSmart.com.

Home

(NU) - While you may tend to turn up the heat whenever you feel a breeze, doing so will not stop the drafts. According to the Association for Better Insulation, heating and cooling costs have gone up 400 percent in the last decade. You may think that additional insulation should be the first step in making your home more energy efficient, but it's really stopping air infiltration at the source - which allows you to stay warmer at lower thermostat settings, use less fuel and reduce utility bills.

Fortunately, air infiltration is one of the easiest forms of heat loss to correct. The process requires a careful home inspection and a filler material such as Great Stuff Insulating Foam Sealant, which expands to take the shape and size of a void and forms a permanent, airtight and water-resistant seal that protects homes from the outside elements.

For more information, visit www.greatstuff.dow.com.

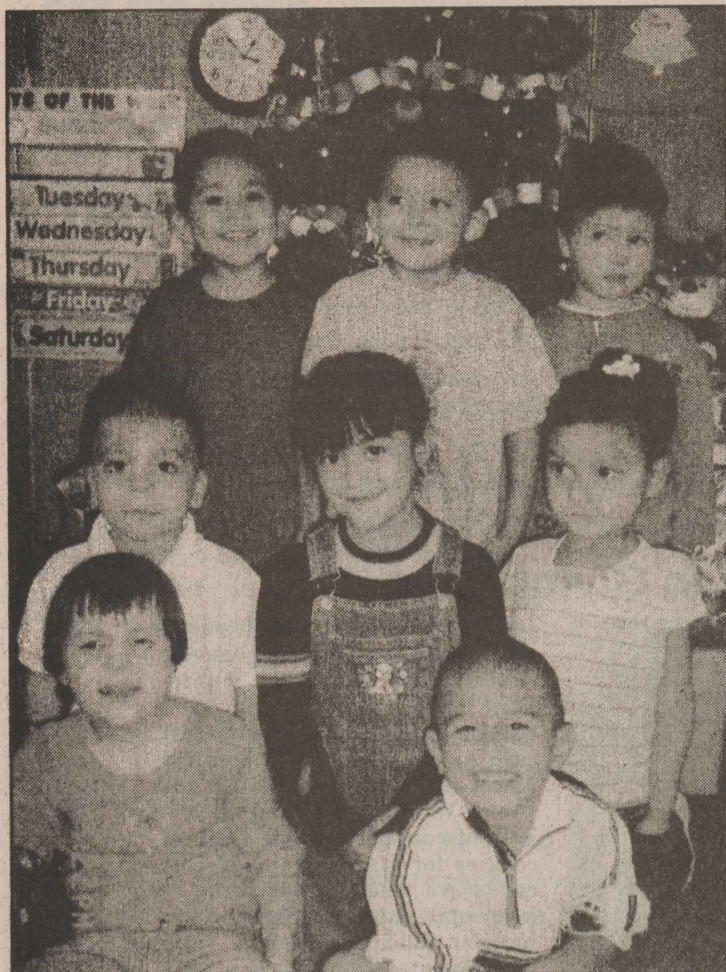
Holiday

(NU) - The way the holiday season typically overtakes our schedule, even the most delicious desserts consumed at the dinner table can't always take the stress out of the season. To fully celebrate the holidays, one can always find peace of mind by following the mindset of "SOS" - Simplify, Organize and Streamline.

In addition to following SOS, incorporate these helpful holiday tips into your holiday season's plans:

- Whittle down and personalize your holiday greetings mailing list.
- Instead of handwriting addresses for holiday greetings, input contact information into your computer, and print out labels.
- When entertaining, simplify your menu.
- Keep your pantry stocked and your guest room tidy.

For other helpful time-management tips, visit www.fineliving.com.



Ms. Nusz's afternoon Pre-K class made thirty Christmas cards last week to send to wounded American soldiers at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Inside each card was a Christmas greeting and a class picture taken in front of their Christmas tree.



ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

The ESL high school classes are working hard and hoping to finish their first issue of the Elk Express before the Christmas break. Since there are only three students on the staff who have previously worked on the paper, this edition is a new experience for most students. The class strives to print information that has not been printed elsewhere, so hopefully the paper will be a "gotta' read" for everyone.

In Mrs. Everett's Biology class the Genetic Projects will be due on Monday December 17th. The genetic test will be on Wednesday December 19.

Coach Davis's Health class has been using the computer lab to develop their Power Point presentations.

Ms. Nusz's afternoon Pre-k class has been very busy getting ready for Christmas. Last week we made thirty Christmas cards to send to wounded American soldiers at Walter Reed Medical

Center in Washington, D.C. Inside each card was a Christmas greeting and a class picture taken in front of our Christmas tree. The outside of the card was decorated with a Christmas tree, a stocking, or a reindeer, and of course lots and lots of glitter.

Mrs. Seward's 7th Grade Reading: We are reading *Tangerine* by Edward Bloor. AR points for this six weeks will be due December 19th.

Mrs. Seward's 8th Grade Technology Applications: Students just finished presenting

their PowerPoint Projects. They had to choose a topic explaining "how to" do something step-by-step. We are continuing to work on increasing our speed and accuracy in keyboarding.

Please come to the Big Blue Band Christmas Concert this Thursday evening starting at 7:00 p.m. The Sixth Grade Band will begin the concert, followed by the Junior High Band and then the High School Band. It will be a great evening's entertainment.

The 4th grade musical will be presented on Monday, semester exams are next week, and we have early release on Friday, Dec. 21 for Christmas break.

Quote of the week: "A good conscience is a continual Christmas." - Ben Franklin

2007 UIL Coaches

Christy Burr - 2nd Grade Ready Writing
Susan Wheeler - 2nd Grade Storytelling
Kaci McBryde - 3rd Grade Ready Writing
Kristi Walden - 3rd Grade Storytelling
Jennifer McKinney - 3rd Grade Spelling
Jennifer McKinney - 4th Grade Spelling
Tina Salazar - 4th Grade Creative Writing
Desine Garza - 4th Grade Number Sense
Shanda Davis - 4th Grade Oral Reading
Shanda Davis - 4th Grade Art Smart
Belinda Hamilton - 3rd & 4th Grade Music Memory

Travel

(NU) - Nothing is more exhilarating than packing your bags and heading out on a care-free road trip, preparing for an experience you will remember forever. The following road trip ideas should put you in the mood for a one-of-a-kind driving adventure.

- **Head overseas to grab your keys.** A far cry from your average trip to the beach, the European Delivery Program, offered by Mercedes-Benz, gives car buyers the opportunity to combine the excitement of driving a new Mercedes-Benz from the factory in Sindelfingen, Germany, with an unforgettable European vacation all in the same week. For more information, visit www.mbusa.com.

- **A 'Death' you can live with.** Visit one of the driest and hottest areas in the United States - Death Valley, Calif. Drive through the picturesque Eureka Dunes, and make a point to stop at Badwater Basin.

- **Hop on the Hana Highway.** Much of Maui, Hawaii, is a 24-hour tourist trap. But the area's 52-mile Hana Highway is the easy ticket for taking in clear blue ocean views and acres of undeveloped rainforest.

Insomnia is a gross feeder. It will nourish itself on any kind of thinking, including thinking about not thinking.
-Clifton Fadiman



Kerrick Secret Pals Has Christmas Party

Kerrick Secret Pals and guests had their Christmas party at the Chicken House on Dec. 4. Standing from left, are Frankie Shields, Cacey Harris, Jo June McDaniel, Donna Gillenwaters, Elaine Horne, Pat Boren. Seated, Betty Fry, Judy Broaddus, Betty Henry, Kathy Switzer, Marylou McDaniel. Not pictured is Peggy Hawkins.

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Return to school secretary or Dinah Horsford by Monday, December 17th, 12:00 PM for your shirt to be ordered.

Stratford Mary Allen Elementary UIL 2007 - 2008

2nd Grade Ready Writing

Christy Burr

1. Laynee Burr - 1st Place
 2. Jaycie Wheeler - 3rd Place
 3. Kade McBryde - 4th Place
- Alt. Carlee Metcalf

3rd Grade Ready Writing

Kaci McBryde

1. Bret Barnard
 2. Nicolle Law - 6th Place
 3. Russell Spurlock - 1st Place
- Alt. Hannah Franklin

3rd Grade Spelling

Jennifer McKinney

1. Nicolle Law - 3rd Place
 2. Bret Barnard
 3. Fernando Jacquez - 4th Place
- Alt. Russell Spurlock

4th Grade Creative Writing

Tina Duke

1. AJ Riffe
 2. Jack McBryde - 6th Place
 3. Alexie Wright
- Alt. John McBroom

4th Grade Oral Reading

Shanda Davis

1. Tanner Stone
 2. Whitney Stone
 3. Ty Hess - 2nd
- Alt. Chesney Rendon

3rd Grade Music Memory Team

Belinda Hamilton

1. Blake Snider
 2. Bret Barnard
 3. Russell Spurlock
 4. Ella Godsey
- Alt. Francisco

2nd Grade Storytelling

Susan Wheeler

1. Carlee Metcalf
2. Shay Hess
3. Kade McBryde - 1st Place
4. Eithan Ledding

3rd Grade Storytelling

Kristi Walden

1. Hannah Franklin
 2. Zorro Daniels
 3. Wyatt Dushay
- Alt. Francisco Barajas

4th Grade Spelling

Jennifer McKinney

1. Jack McBryde - 1st
 2. AJ Riffe - 1st
 3. Michael McKinney
- Alt. Juan Camberos

4th Grade Number Sense

Desine Garza

1. Jack McBryde - 5th Place
 2. Orlando Mayorga - Gonzalez
 3. Michael McKinney
- Alt. Luis Marquez

4th Grade Art Team

Shanda Davis

1. Jack McBryde - 4th
 2. AJ Riffe - 6th
 3. Holton Butler
 4. Wesley Allen
 5. Manuel Villegas
- Alt. Juan Carlos Camberos

4th Grade Music Memory Team

Belinda Hamilton

1. Juan Carlos
 2. Monica Reyes
 3. Michael McKinney
 4. AJ Riffe
- Alt. Samantha Gonzalez

ATTENTION READERS

Editors Note: If you have someone serving in the military and would like to have someone's picture and address put in the paper, please leave it with us and we will put it in for you. We will be running the addresses and they will stay in every week. Call 366-5885 or fax to same number or e-mail stardm@xit.net

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As soon as you trust yourself,
you will know how to live.

—Johann von Goethe

To have that sense of one's
intrinsic worth which constitutes
self-respect is potentially
to have everything.

—Joan Didion

Panda

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"North American Ethanol Deal of the Year" for its financing of the state-of-the-art, Hereford

biomass-fueled ethanol facility. The company is committed to being the "greenest" ethanol producer in the United States. Additional information on Panda Ethanol can be found at www.pandaethanol.com.

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