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XIT Rural Telephone to Host 57th Annual Membership Meeting

The XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled its 57th Annual Membership meeting of its rural landline telephone members for Wednesday, March 12th. The meeting will be held at the Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum. Rural landline members' and invited guests' registration will begin at II:00 a.m. and will be followed with a luncheon catered by Bar H Steak House, Dalhart, Texas. Again, this year, members and invited guests will be treated to a sit-down dinner served by XIT's management and employees. Serving will begin at 11:45 a.m.

Patronage Capital Credit checks will be handed out to members as they register. This refund will represent the remaining 20.6% of the 1997 allocation, 100% of the 1998 allocation and 21.2% of the 1999 allocation. The checks will be given to qualifying members upon registration at the annual meeting. Checks can only be given to the actual member or the authorized voting delegate for a business. A member does not have to be present at this meeting to receive this refund. All checks, not shortly after the meeting.

Program will be announced. This is the ninth year that XIT has offered this program to at least five rural members' graduating seniors. The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. with a welcome to the membership and an introduction of

Cont. on page 6

Needed: White Christmas lights, extension cords, spotlights, staple guns with names marked on items. Please contact Dinah if you have these items and if they can be used. 806-366-3300.

Texas Public School Week

Texas Public School Week is March 10-14. Junior High and High School will hold their open house on Monday, March 10 from 6:30 PM -8:00 PM. Mary Allen Elementary will hold their open house on Tuesday, March 11 from 6.30 PM to 8:00 PM.

National Weather Service Spotters Training will be March 25, 2008 at 7 p.m. at Stratford Fire Station. 101 N. Pearl. Any interested persons are invited to attend.

Museum Fund Raiser Picnic

Sherman County Depot Museum Fund raiser Picnic will be held on Sunday March 9, 2008 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the County Barn,

Menu is Burgers, Beans, Chips, Dessert and Drink. Free Will donation

> **Weather Line** 366-2000 Sponsored by Stratford Grain & ADM/Alliance Nutrition

week, updating as needed

Greg Wright -7 days a

Diane, Patty, and Joanie



Crabtree Sets New Record

Setting a NEW SCHOOL RECORD and winning first place given in person, will be mailed in the 3200 M Run on Friday, February 29 at Sunray is Stratford High School senior Kristen Crabtree with a time of The recipients of the 2008 XIT 12:28.51. Kristen also captured the gold in the 1600 M Run on Rural Telephone Educational Saturday with a time of 5:51.19. WAY TO GO KRISTEN!!!

Time Change This Weekend Spring Forward

ATTENTION: class parents are needed help build decorations for the Jr/Sr Prom. The Prom is April 5th. We will meet every Friday night at 6:00 p.m. in the upstairs of the High School.

Wildfire Danger.

Dry conditions have created season. Please use caution with ignite easily and spread quickly.

City of Stratford to **Hold Election**

The City of Stratford will hold an election on Saturday, May 10, 2008 to fill four places on the ballot. The expiring terms are:

two-year term Jolie Asher, Councilmember two-year term

- one-year term

filing for a place on the ballot open until 5:00 P.M. another dangerous wildfire may pick up an application dry conditions, wildfires can place on the ballot is Monday, Hays and DeWain Trayler. March 10, 2008 by 5:00 p.m.

Savings Time Remember Spring Forward Week-end

Don't Miss It **Sherman County** Ag Day March 13th

BEGORRA!

On Thursday the 6th the Red Hat Society of Stratford will change from red to the "Wearing O' the Green" for a St. Patrick's Day party at 6 p.m. at the Elk Junction. All Leprechauns are invited to share a special meal and search for the "Pot O' God".

CITY **ELECTION**

The City of Texhoma Texas will hold a City Election for two (2) Councilmen on May 10, 2008. Filing for a place on the ballot will begin February 09, 2008 and continue through March 4, 2008. You may file at the City Hall, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 Councilmen Rusty Shoulders and Johnny James terms will expire.

STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT has three openings in the upcoming election. Applications may be picked up at the Business Office at Coldwater Manor. Application sign up time will be February 11th through March 13th, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Elections will be May 10th. Board members whose terms will expire are Kathy Aften; LeRayne Donelson and Kenton Kimball. Holdover members are Kathie Altman and Billy Bell.

Ag Day to Focus on Agribusiness

By David Graf The 2008 Sherman County Ag Day will offer agribusinesses the opportunity to learn about the latest enterprises affecting panhandle agriculture, said David Graf, Texas AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Sherman County. Speakers will offer insight into the dairy industry and ethanol production for this area and hopefully local producers and entrepreneurs will determine areas they can capitalize upon as a result. Graf states, "For instance, local dairies obviously need forages and who better than local producers to take advantage of this, especially with transportation costs being what

business it can locally." Other speakers will address the current farm bill and there will be a session on ag marketing that offers producers insight into ways to take advantage of high commodity prices managing significantly increased input costs.

they are. Already the local dairy

is involved in doing all the

The event is being co-sponsored by the Sherman County Economic Development Committee and the Sherman County Ag Committee of the Texas Agrilife Extension

Sponsorships are still available by calling Tim Weldon at the First State Bank in Stratford.

> March 13th Ag Day Schedule on page 4

SCDC **SCHEDULES FOLLOW-UP MEETING ON** WIND ENERGY

SCDC will hold another concerning Energy for landowners. The meeting last week on Wind Energy Leases for Landowners was a great success and has spurred interest from several landowners in forming groups to approach the energy companies. If you have questions or you are interested in signing up to be included in a possible wind energy development, you will want to attend this meeting. March 25th is the date for the meeting so mark your calendars. Be sure and watch for more details coming in the Stratford Star in the next few weeks.

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vaccinations up to

The Stratford Independent David Brown, Mayor - two-year School District will hold a Trustee Election on May 10, Connie Oquin, Councilmember - 2008. Anyone interested in applying for a place on the ballot may do so from February 9 through March 10, 2008. You Duane Mungia, Councilmember may apply at the Superintendent's Office, 503 N. 8th Street, from 8:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., Beginning Monday, February Monday through Friday. On 11,2008, anyone interested in March 10th the Office will be

Board members whose term packet from City Hall, 518 N, will expire are Joe Reinart and any outdoor burning, disposal of Third, between the hours of 8:00 Barney Wellborn. Holdover fireplace ashes, welding, a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday thru members are, Patti Vincent, Brent cigarettes, etc. Under the current Friday, The last day to file for a Spurlock, Greg Wright, Steve

FARMERS

Teacher of The Month

Mike Brownlee

February 2008

Thank you for your commitment to our kids!!



Mike Brownlee is our February Teacher of the Month. He has been a part of school system for many years. Let him know how much you appreciate what he does for our kids.

Name: Mike Brownlee Family Wife: Brenda Daughter: Kara & husband Chris kids Caden & Carlee-Lubbock Daughter: Tai Ann & husband Paul daughter Adie - Abilene Hobbies. hunting and fishing Grade: 7th and 8th grade science 31 years Why did "To work with and be around vou become teacher?: young people." Words of "If you think education is expensive, Wisdom: try ignorance.'

"No two days at work are the same. Each day brings new challenges.'



Joan Sims Bell 1934-2008

Joan Sims Bell - 74 passed away Saturday, March 1, 2008 in Stratford. Services were held at 11:00 AM, Tuesday, March 4, 2008 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Gene Weinette, pastor of the church officiating. Burial was at 4:00 PM in Ochiltree County Cemetery, Perryton, Texas. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Joan Bell was born February 11, 1934 in Perryton, Texas to John Dwight and Elonia Sanders Sims who preceded her in death. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma where she was a member of Delta Gamma sorority. On June 15, 1952 she married E. R. Bell. They moved to Stratford in 1956 and were owners/operators Sherman Implement Company for more than 30 years. After they sold the John Deere business, Joan was a travel agent. She loved to travel and especially enjoyed Red River, New Mexico, where she loved to jeep, shop (and shop and shop) and enjoy the beautiful mountain scenery. Joan was involved in many community activities in Stratford such as the Prospectus Study Club and the Miss Stratford beauty contest. She was director of the Girl Scout day camp for many years. In 1967 Joan was honored as the Stratford Citizen of the Year. What she loved most was her family and friends.

Survivors include; her husband of 56 years, E. R. Bell; daughters, Terri Blevins and husband, Lynn of Broken Arrow, OK, and Vicki Naughton and husband, Mike of

Orange Park, FL; four grandchildren, Ben Blevins and wife, Brooke of San Antonio, Lyndsey Stevens and husband, Richard of Broken Arrow, OK, Taylor and Garrett Naughton, both of Orange Park, FL; brother Jim Sims of Tulsa, OK; one step great-granddaughter, Stevens of Broken Arrow, OK.

Memorials may be made to the Stratford Area Foundation, PO Box 48, Stratford, TX. 79084 or to a favorite charity.

People are like stained glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their granddaughter, true beauty is revealed only if Ellison; very special friends, there is a light from within. -Elisabeth Kubler-Ross and

Character is the result of the Services were held at 1:00 cultivation of the highest and p.m. Wednesday, March 5, noblest qualities in human 2008 at the First United nature, and putting these qual- Methodist Church ities to practical use.



Frances Nadine Miller

Frances Nadine Miller, the daughter of the late Charles and Bonnie (Nall) Rhoton, was born August 28, 1927 in Keyes, Oklahoma. She went home to be with Jesus on February 29, 2008 in Amarillo, Texas, at the age of eighty years.

Nadine was raised in Keyes, Oklahoma where she attended and graduated from Keyes High School. After graduation she attended Oklahoma City University.

On November 4, 1950 married Warren Nadine Gerald Miller in Clayton, New Mexico. They had grown up together in Keyes and had been sweethearts for most of their life. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary one year before Warren was laid to eternal

In 1957, Warren and Nadine moved to Kerrick, Texas where they raised their two daughters, Bonnie and Debra. Nadine was a homemaker and a very special and loving wife and mother. They moved to Stratford in 1985 where Nadine lived until June, 2007. She then moved to Amarillo and bought a town house which she enjoyed shopping for and decorating with Bonnie and Debra.

Nadine always loved music and singing and especially loved going to the senior citizens dances. Warren and Nadine loved doing this together after Warren passed away, Nadine would travel to surrounding towns with friends to line dance. Nadine also had many hobbies that she enjoyed such as painting, ceramics, crocheting and planting flowers.

Nadine was preceded in death by her parents, her husband son-in-law, Dan Altman. Her faithful and loving cat, Rudy Miller, died five days before Nadine and was waiting for her in heaven.

Survivors include, two daughters, Bonnie Altman of Amarillo, Debra and Allen husband Clay of Amarillo; sister, Carroll Greenwood of Ogden, Utah and one brother, Don Rhoton and his wife Carol Jean of Guymon, OK; sister-in-law, June Rhoton of Amarillo; a brother-in-law, Larry Miller of Aurora, CO: three granddaughters, Brandy Ellison, Allison Altman and Alexa Allen; one grandson, Brett Allen; two greatgrandsons, Ashton Ellison and Kaden Ellison; one great Tommy and Carolyn Mason "almost daughters", Brenda Taylor and Sherry Guymon as well as many nieces and nephews and many wonderful friends.

-Ella Wheeler Wilcox Stratford with Reverend Gene Weinette, pastor, officiating. Burial was at 10 a.m. on

Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at Willowbar Cemetery in Keyes, OK.

The family suggests memorials be to Olivia's Angels care of BSA Hospice, Box 950, Amarillo, 79176-0001, or to the High Plains Children's Home, 11461 S. Western, Amarillo, Texas 79118.

Women's Forum Distinguished **Service Awards** April 26, 2008

Amarillo Area Women's Forum will recognize area women who have made contributions in leadership to their communities in the arts, business, civic leadership and public service at an awards ceremony luncheon at the Amarillo Country Club, April 26, 2008.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Claire Gaudiani, an expert on the history and economics of American philanthropy at New York University. She has authored several books including the best seller, "The Greater Good" and recently "Generosity Rules!: A guidebook to Giving". recipients of the Past Distinguished Service Award from Stratford are Marilyn Albert Harkins, Timmie Brown, Marihoward Engelbrecht, Gaynelle Riffe, Margaret Reed, LeRayne Donelson, and Laurie Spurlock.

REVERSE MORTGAGE **PROGRAM TO BE OFFERED**

By Susie Spurlock

Sherman County residents will have an opportunity to learn more about reverse mortgages at a special educational program scheduled for March 27 at 1:30 p.m. The program will be held at SCOT Hall in Stratford following the March luncheon.

Key topics of the program will include what is a Reverse Mortgage and how it works, tax implications, how proceeds from Reverse Mortgages can be used, and tips for evaluating if a Reverse Mortgage is for you and what to consider when considering purchasing this product.

A second program is planned for 5:30 p.m. that day to allow individuals to attend who may have working conflicts with the afternoon program.

For more information, contact Susie Spurlock, Texas AgriLife Extension Agent in Sherman County at 806-366-2122.

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Wells Win Spelling Bee

Winning the Sherman County Senior Spelling Bee kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades. held at Texhoma last week was April 22 Crops, April 24 M'Lynn Wells, 13-year-old daughter of Jennifer Wells. M'Lynn is a 7th grade student Stratford Jr. High, track, participates track, basketball, cross-country, and enjoys reading and cooking. M'Lynn captured the title by spelling the word candidate correctly. Runner-up is Texhoma 7th grade student Yaime Espinoza.

Pinewood **Derby Set**

The Cub Scouts of Stratford will be having their annual Pinewood Derby on Sunday, March 9th at 2:00 pm at The Imagination Station. Classes being run will be Tigers, Wolves, Bears, and Weebelos. An Open Class (open to anyone) will also be run so bring your carand race!! Best Design in all five classes will be judged and prized. A Pinewood Derby Queen will also be crowned. Come join in the fun!! If there are any questions, please call Laurie Spurlock or Ronna Riffe

IRS Forms

The Sherman County Public Library will no longer carry paper copies of IRS forms. Most forms available online www.irs.gov. Library patrons may use the public computers at the library to print any forms at a cost of \$.10 per page. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the library at 366-2200.

Presley Fund Set Up At Bank

A medical fund for the son of J.B. & Amanda Presley has more information contact the First State Bank 396-

been set up at the First State Bank of Stratford. Fore 5521.

Livestock Show, said David School.

The Imagination

Computer Lab will be closed

The Imagination Station Board

is considering instruction in

Ballroom Dancing. We need to

know if there is an interest and

the ages of interest. We have

made a couple of contacts with

dance instructors and we need

some direction. We would like

to know an interest by our next

The Week of the Young Child

date has been set for April 22

and 24. The theme "On the

Farm" will be the program for

Youth Exhibit at

San Angelo

Stock Show

Thirteen young

By David Graf

board meeting on March 12.

Imagination Station

Station News

Feb. 25 through March 10.

By Gaynelle Riffe

9th Cross; Kyle Horsford- 9th presents his or her part. OPB; Craig Kautz- 9th York.

Blaine Killian-9th Hereford.

competition as a team, and supported each 366-3330 or 753-7255. other," said Graf.



Fifth graders, in groups or or three, presented live autobiographies of Revolutionary heroes during class Thursday, Feb. 28. We read stories from the old Great Names book, took notes, practiced our parts with our group, and presented the life of that person through storytelling. Original costumes were worn also. Some students were very "believable" as that character. Hopefully we'll remember these people and their life events as 8th grade TAKS rolls around in the

future

Sixth graders are recreating Greek and Roman myths as "movies" to be presented to the class. Working in a group of two or three, a myth title was selected, people the sections of the myth were exhibited 12 swine and 4 heifers divided, and then each student recently at the San Angelo rewrote their part of the myth. These notes were then shortened Graf, Texas AgriLife Extension to note cards to use during the agriculture and natural resources presentation. Illustrations for each agent for Sherman County and part are drawn and colored. These Jackie Burkhalter, Ag Science will be taped together with title instructor at Stratford High pages, lessons learned page, and producers page. On presentation Those who placed swine were: day, the group will work together Kaleb Horsford- 8th York and to scroll the movie as each person

One Act Play Dinner Theatre Others exhibiting swine were: tickets are now on sale. The event J.B. Hacker, Jack McBryde, will be on Thursday, March 13, at Justin Mungia, Kaylee Mungia, Mary Alien Cafetorium. Tickets Madison Mungia, and RaeLeigh are \$12 for adults and \$7 for Wilborn. Most of the classes children and students. All ranged from 40 to 130 head in proceeds go to the SHS speech and theatre fund. For tickets see Those who placed heifers were one of the following: James Braden Hamilton- 3rd Angus; Daniels, Katie Killian, Luke Katie Killian- 6th Hereford; Haile, Kelsi Dennis, Tanner Kavan Killian- 8th Hereford; Riffe, Austin Riffe, Roy Alien, Whitney Reese, Trenda Maiwald, was Connor Esparza, Margarita extremely tough and while none Rocha, Kristen Crabtree, Wesley of our kids with market animals Anderson, Jordan Confer, Eric made the sale, every one of them Burton, Chandra Hawkins, competed and represented Siearra Valenzuela, Kelsey Stein, Sherman County very well. We Jennie Spurlock, Heidi Brooks, are proud of the way they Kimberly Ricks, Mrs. Ronna conducted themselves, worked Riffe, or call the high school at

> Mrs. Hand's 6th grade reading class read the novel Number the Stars earlier this school year. Following the novel, which was set in Europe during WWII, the students researched name origins. Each student researched each grandparent's surname and traced those names to a European country. Several activities were done with their origin country as the theme. The final activity was a research project of recipes fr m the countries of Europe. Each student prepared this recipe at home and brought it for a tasti ig bee. International cookbooks that include each of these recipes are being made and will be distributed to the 6th grade students. The students enjoyed a variety of cuisine from a variety of European countries.

The first of the TAKS tests were given this week. More will come later. The Eighth Grade students will take a field trip to the Donelson's on Friday. Open House will be next Tuesday, March 10; a District wide tornado drill on Wednesday, March 11; and the One Act Play will present performances on Thursday, March 13 for the student body. We will also have some students attending the Houston Stock

Quote of the week: "We increase whatever we praise."-Charles Fillmore



Movies Beginning March 7

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R Will Ferrell Woody Harrelson

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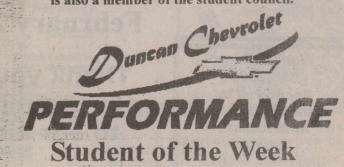
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Wesley Anderson

Wesley Anderson is a sophomore at Stratford High. He is involved with the big blue band and the FCA. Wesley also participates in cross country and track. He is also a member of the student council.



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1st Team All District Basketball

Chosen 1st Team 2-AA All-District Basketball Jordan Confer, seated and standing from left, Kyle Horsford, Hunter Buckles and Kaleb Horsford.

Kerrick News By Marylou McDaniel

Last week several friends left this world. Joan Bell was buried Tuesday. Years ago she had been active in GFWC/Prospectus Study Club and helped raise money that built the Library.

Services for Nadine Miller were Wednesday. The Millers lived on the south of the block and we lived on the north. There were seven kids on the block, Bonnie & Debbie, Doug & Bill Taylor, Brenda Taylor, Patti & Mike McDaniel!

Jim Stewart of Colorado City, CO., died last week He was the husband of Cindy Graham, niece of the late Franny Taylor, a dinner on Saturday of All reunion classes are a update their mailing lists.

Word was received that Daphne Hayter of Australia had died. She and I had been pen pals since 1942 and had last seen each other in 2001 when I had gone to Australia. We had seen each other in Denver, too.

So last week was not a good

Patti McDaniel spent a week with her mother Marylou. They took Thelma & Duane Smith of Dumas to supper for his birthday. They met Boots & Rene Avent in Dumas for lunch. Attended SCOT luncheon.

In the meantime Mike McDaniel and Jasper Graham of Colorado City, CO., flew to Laughlin, NV. They met cousins Dean & Emma Lee McDaniel and Norma & Chuck Royer for supper.

Bill & Pat Boren attended a basketball game in Canyon that was played by grandsons Brice and Will and Ryan.

More basketball games. Terry Schoonover went to Raton to watch grandsons Hunter & Noah while Barbara went to Gruver to

watch Rett's game.

Jo June McDaniel, Donna Gillenwaters, Bill & Pat Boren, Marylou McDaniel were among those attending the Sunday hamburger fund raiser for the Boys State delegate, Manuel Chavoya,



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Stratford EX-Student Reunion July 25-26 .2008

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Stratford Ex-Students will enjoy the Friday night, July 25, Hamburgers and Visit with friends and class mates. If plans continue as before, the Stratford Jamboree Parade and Lions Club Barbeque will be held Saturday Noon. Saturday evening has been open for the Ranch Rodeo, however, last year, The Education Foundation sponsored a dinner on Saturday evening. All reunion classes are asked to



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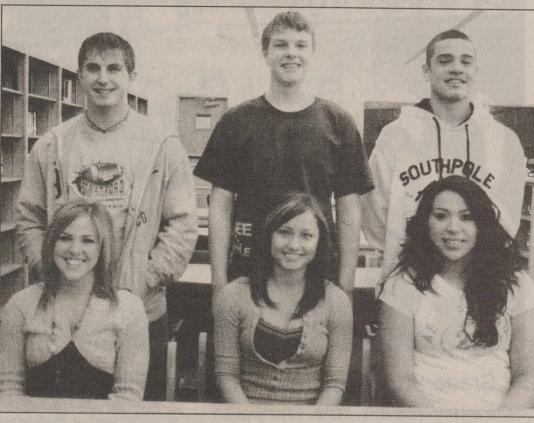
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Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
No Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wed.: Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m.,
CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.

First United Methodist

Rev. Gene Weinette
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

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Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:00a.m. (English), 9:30 (Spanish)
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Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
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5th Grade Students Present Live Autobiographies

Fifth grade students of Mrs. Linda Swain presented live autobiographies of Revolutionary heroes during class Thursday, Feb. 28. Read more about this project in Elk Tales. Shown is one of the three classes.

Safety

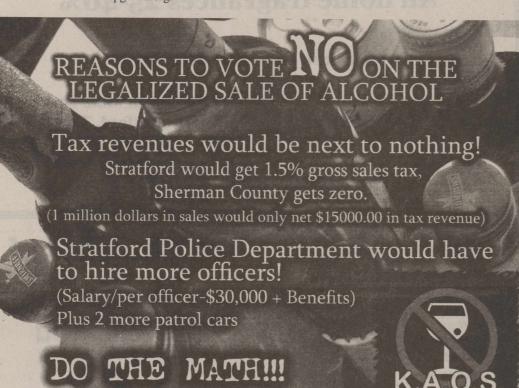
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5th & 6th Grade Boys Take 1st place

5th and 6th grade boys' basketball team won 1st place in the Sunray Tournament. Back row 1/r: Chase Lutes, Trevor Melton, Preston Burr, Rhett Schoonover, Coach Coby Galla. Kneeling L/R: Dillon Keener, Jiovani Romero, Braiden Galla, and Ben Gilliland.



5th & 6th Grade Girls Take 2nd place

5th and 6th grade girls' basketball team competed in the Sunray Tournament and placed 2nd. Pictured: Back row L/R: Bethany Everett, Magaly Guerrero, Alexa Peregrino, Nohemi Ruedas, and Desinva Garza. Front row L/R: Tyler Rouse, Jacqueline Gonzalez, Madison Mungia, Landry Davis, and Brittany Law.

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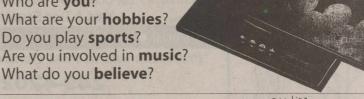
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Ag Day Meeting & Lunch Thursday, March 13th Sherman Co. Barn Stratford, TX

AGENDA

8:30 Registration

9:00 Welcome & Updates **Texas Agrilife Extension Update** Dr. Galen Chandler, North Region Extension Administrator

Dr. Darrell Dromgoole, North Region Program Director David Graf, Ag/Natural Resources Agent, Sherman County

9:30 Dairy Industry Overview and Business Opportunities David Ahlem, Hilmar Cheese, Dalhart, Tx.

10:15 Dairy Feedstuffs and Sherman County Ag Producers Dr. Dwain Bunting, Trouw Nutrition, Lubbock, Tx.

11:15 Ethanol's Impact on the High Texas Panhandle Arles Graham, Panda Ethanol, Hereford, Tx.

12:00 Lunch Guest speaker, Lewis Britt, office of U.S. Rep Mac **Thornberry Thornberry Update on the 2007 Farm Bill**

1:00 Wheat and Feedgrains Outlook & Marketing Strategies Dr. Steve Amosson, Texas Agrililfe Extension, Amarillo, Texas 2:00 CEU certificates (for 3 CEU's)

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> The Family of Cynthia Reed Schoenhals

MS is the number one neurological disease leading to disability in young adults. To help address the challenge of living with MS, the National MS Society devoted \$172 million to research and services last year alone. MS Awareness Week is March 10-17. For more information, visit www.nationalMSsociety.org.

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copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and the Stratford Post Office, 201 North Main, Stratford, Sherman County, Texas. The facility's compliance rile, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ. The TCCQ executive director has determined the application is

has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking father public comment or providing an opportunity.

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may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process. After the technical review is

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or

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Issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

period and not withdrawn. A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the

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Pepe Licon gives it his all in the Long Jump on Saturday, March 1.

Area Ag Producers and Businesses are **Invited to Attend Sherman County Ag** Day

By Bailey Naugle

All area agricultural producers prizes. are invited to attend the Sherman

Topics include a dairy industry younger. Members are reminded update, the local impact of that they must be present to win. ethanol production, a Farm Bill The purpose of the annual meeting feedgrains outlook.

David Graf, the Ag/Natural might come before the meeting. Resources Agent for Sherman According to the bylaws, a County The speakers will discuss written notice will be mailed from needs, he said.

Day was organized after the Sherman County Ag Committee approached Graf with the idea of A quorum must be present reviving the event. "We haven't order for the business meeting had it in several years," said Graf. convene. Based upon the tot "But we've had quite a bit of number of the Cooperative interest and it is definitely members, fifty members or tw something that we want to do percent of the members presen every year."

Agriculture related businesses quorum. have the opportunity to purchase booth space to showcase their products and services at the Ag President, Walter E. Lasley, Vice Day. "We want people to know President; Gary Finch, Secretary that sponsorship opportunities are Treasurer, James R. Wilson, E.H still open," Graf said.

booth space should contact Tim Spurlock.

Weldon at the First State Bank in Stratford at 806-396-5521 or toll free at 1-800-766-4518.

For more information on the Sherman County Ag Day, call Allan French, and A.E. Pronger, David Graf at the Sherman Jr. met at XII Rural Telephone's headquarters in Dalhart to submit Office at 806-366-2081.

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the guests by J.W. McClellan, President of the XIT Board of Directors. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door

This year, approximately \$4,000 County Ag Day on March 13th worth of door prizes will be given from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the to attending members. There will Sherman County Barn in \$500 cash prize and 3 - \$300 cash The Ag Day will consist of prizes and 2 -\$100 cash prizes. There will also be a kids' drawing. several key note speakers There will also be a kids' drawing.
This is for members' children or relevant to the Texas Panhandle. grandchildren who are 12 years or

update, and a wheat and is to elect directors for each district - to present for approval the reports "The Ag Day will be geared for the previous fiscal year, and to toward business enterprise," said transact such other business that

County. The speakers will discuss what the dairies need and what we can grow locally to meet those the meeting. This notice w This year's Sherman County Ag mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 28th.

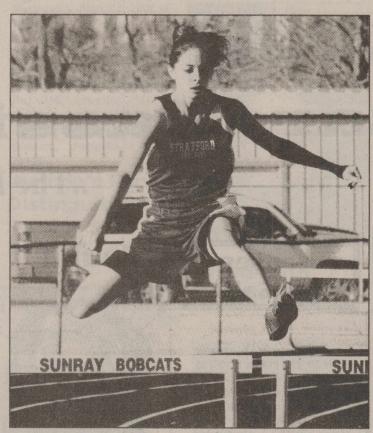
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The officers and board members are: J.W. McClellan Little, Floyd French, Kenneth Anyone wishing to reserve Stanley, Steve Baskin and James

> On February 7, 2008, the Nominating Committee consisting of Sharon Taylor, Nick Olson. Bonnie McKie, Wallace Bridwell, Jr. met at XIT Rural Telephone's nominations for three directorships. Allan Frerich was selected as chairman of the Nominating Committee. Nominations for the following districts were: District I, Dallam County - Floyd French; District II, Hartley County - James R. Wilson, and District III, Sherman County - Walter E. Lasley. Members vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside or the district in which they have telephone service. All members must be present at the annual meeting to vote since no proxy voting is permitted. Either a husband or wife is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but only one vote is allowed per membership.

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The Stratford Lady Elks placed 2nd with 96 points in the Sunray Track Meet held this Friday, February 29 and Fiction Saturday, March 1. The 8th grade 1. Lady Elks placed 9th with 11 Grisham points and the 7th grade Lady Elks placed 6th with 33 points. Patterson Individual results as follows:

Lady Elks: 3200 M Run: Scottoline Crabtree-1st-12:28.51 4. New School Record; Discus: King April Peregrino-2nd-101'00.00", 5. Channing Zieman-4th-83'07.00"; Suns by Khaled Hosseini Long Jump: Kelsie Keener-1st- 6. 17'07.00"; Shot Put: April Ken Follett Peregrino-2nd-31'11.50"; 400 M Relay: (Kelsey Stein, Perla Jack Higgins Rueda, Becky Rosales, Brianda Chavoya)-4th-56.92; **800** M Relay: (Kelsey Stein, Brianda Chavoya, Kelsie Keener, Sinead Everett)-2nd-1:53.10; 300 M Low Hurdles: Sinead Everett-3rd-51.36; 1600 M Run: Kristen Crabtree-1st-5:51.19; **1600** M Relay: (Kelsie Keener, Janeth Reyes, Rubi Rueda, Sinead Everett)- 2nd-4:31.43.

8th grade Lady Elks: 1200 M Run: Tori Rouse-4th-4:38.50; High Jump: Tori Rouse-5th-4'06.00"; 800 M Relay: 6th-2:13.08; 200 M Dash: Monica King-4th-30.41.

7th grade Lady Elks: 1200 M Run: Stephanie Jacquez-3rd-5:07.47: Discus: Veronica Lemus-6th-52'04.00"; High Jump: Alex Asher-5th-4'04.25"; Shot Put: Tera Harris-1st-26'08.00", Veronica Lemus-3rd-24'10.00"; 400 M Relay: 7th- by Philippa Gregory 1:04.48; 800 M Run: Erika 20. Robles-6th-3:03.10, Stephanie Sara Gruen Jacquez-10th-3:13.69; **800** M 21. Relay: 6th-2:17.37; 200 M Dash: McEwan Tera Harris-7th-33.59; 1600 M Relay: 5th-5:21.70.

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