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Season Football Tickets on Sale Now

Season Football tickets go on sale Monday, August 8, 2011 in the office of the Superintendent. There are five (5) home games this year. The first home game is Friday, August 26, 2011 against Bushland. Cost of seats for District 1-A for the season:

Adults-\$20.00, Child/Student-\$10.00

If you plan to keep or give up your seat please call Penny (366-3305 as soon as possible as there is a waiting list. Office hours are Mon-Fri. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Go Elks!!

Circle of Friends August

The Sherman County Circle of Friends will be held on Saturday, August 27 and Sunday August 28th. This weekend is fast approaching. Couples Scotch Scramble-Tee times are 9:00 a.m. and 2 P.M. For more information on this event call Tiffany Hudson at 922-2002 of Richard Chumley at 915-227-0194. The Circle of Friends is a non-profit volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The purpose of the Circle of Friends is to provide cancer patients and their families' financial assistance in times of crisis, and to support programs in cancer treatment, education and research.

USDA Makes Funds Available to Meet Urgent Credit Needs of Producers

WASHINGTON, July 28, 2011 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced today that a high demand for guaranteed farm ownership and direct farm operating funds has prompted USDA to transfer appropriated funds between programs as authorized by law, to meet the urgent credit needs of producers, including beginning and minority farmers and ranchers.

"Demand is strong for direct operating loans and guaranteed farm ownership loans, while demand for subsidized guaranteed operating loans has stabilized," said Vilsack. "With these funds, we can help thousands of producers establish and maintain their family farming operations and obtain long-term credit assistance through a commercial lender.'

The transfer will make an additional \$100 million in loan funds available for the direct operating loan program, providing i,600 small, beginning and minority farmers with resources to establish and maintain their family farming operations. In addition, \$400 million in loan funds will be made available for the guaranteed farm ownership loan program giving an additional 1,000 family farmers access to commercial lending backed by USDA. Both programs had run out of funds resulting in a backlog of approved but unfunded loan applications.

This measure will allow all of the backlogged loans to be funded and provide sufficient funds to meet the needs of new loan applicants for these programs while at the same time leaving sufficient funding for the subsidized guaranteed farm operating loans program to meet the expected demand for fiscal year 2011. Producers needing additional direct operating or longer term guaranteed farm ownership loans funds are encouraged to make application at their local Farm Service Agency office.

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S. W., Stop 9410, Washington, DC 20250-9410, or call toll-free at (866) 632-9992 (English) or (800) 877-8339 (TDD) or (866) 377-8642 (English Federal-relay) or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish Federal-relay).

Lollipop Junction Enroll for Fall Term

Lollipop Junction Daycare is offering open enrollment for the upcoming fall term. The center is a Non-Profit Daycare, offering preschool and after school programs as well as regular, full time and part time care for children ages 6 weeks — 12 years. Preschool is for ages 3-4.

It is our goal to serve the community by providing high quality childcare and early childhood education in a loving, learning environment. The center offers several different programs to meet the varied needs of our families. Our all-day childcare, which runs Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., is designed to meet the needs of children in need of full time care. We also offer part time childcare to fit your schedule. In addition, Lollipop provides a structured morning preschool program for those desiring school readiness immersion and a program that provides social, emotional and academic development. Two preschool programs are available; Monday — Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m. or Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m. In order to enroll for any of our programs you will need to fill out an enrollment form at Lollipop Junction and please bring your child's shot record.

We would love to hear from you. If you have any questions about rates or any general questions, please contact us via the information provided below. If you would like to come by and see us, we would love to have you visit any week day between 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. or 2:00 p.m. — 5:30

Lollipop Junction Brio Beckett, Director 806-366-5886



Macy Everson, daughter of Jim Owen and Angie Everson was named All-American Cheerleader at UCA Camp held in June at Texas Tech University. Macy is a SHS Varsity Cheerleader at Stratford High School

American Legion Schedules Meeting

The Howard Norvell Green Post 262 of the American Legion will conduct its' regular monthly meeting on August 3, 2001 at SCOT Hall in Stratford. Meeting time is 7:00 pm. We expect an informative meeting with the new officers presiding. Legionnaires are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions regarding the Legion please call Robert Marr at 806-827-7415 or 580-817-0775 (cell). You may also call Aaron Sheehan at 806-680-4513 (cell).

Public Notice

The City Council of the City of Stratford would like to announce that the old bricks taken off Main Street from the City's recent Main Street Revitalization Project are now for sale. The sale is for a limited time. Please call City Hall at (806) 366-5582 or come by for more details.

Public Notice A message from the City of Stratford

We are all proud of our brand new Main Street and we want to definitely keep it looking great for a long time. This notice is to let you know that when signs are taped on the new, metal light poles it leaves adhesive residue that damages the paint therefore causing increased deterioration of the poles. Considering this, posting signs on Main Street light poles is prohibited, effective immediately. All signs posted on the new Main Street poles will be immediately removed. Please work with us on maintaining our brand new Main Street and keeping it looking nice for a very long time by not posting signs on the new light poles.

Beware of Dehydrated cattle

Oddly enough, the current hot, dry weather may put some cattle in danger of too much water.

The danger arises when dehydrated cattle are given unlimited access to water. Water intoxication, a potentially lethal condition, results when thirsty cattle drink more water in a short period of time than their bodies can handle.

Cats, dogs and people are susceptible to water intoxication, but cattle seem particularly susceptible because of the large capacity of their upper digestive system and the inability of their bodies to switch quickly enough from conserving fluids to getting rid of excess

Extremely thirsty cattle may, in a short time, drink far more water than they need to replace the water lost since their last drink. Ordinarily, the kidneys would eliminate the excess water, but it may take up to six hours for the kidneys to adjust from saving water to removing water.

When that happens water accumulates in the tissues and water intoxication develops. One of the first signs of water intoxication, especially in calves, is red urine due to blood pigment in the urine. Nervous signs become apparent in severe cases and include lethargy and muscle tremors, a wobbly gait and excessive rubbing or licking of the body. The

animal may often extend its head and neck, as though staring at the sky. Some cattle recover with no assistance, but extremely dehydrated cattle which consume large amounts of water usually die. Handle affected cattle carefully and have them examined by a veterinarian for therapy.

As far as water consumption by animals is concerned, consider these examples. On a cool, overcast day, a calf weighing 350 pounds or less would probably need no more than a gallon or so of water. On a hot, dry day, and with no shade, that same calf would probably need about five gallons of water.

Cattle in the 500 pound range need tw3 to six gallons of water a day, those in the 750 pound range need 10 to 15 gallons, and cattle weighing 1,000 pounds or more need about 20 gallons of water daily.

The best solution for water intoxication is prevention. It's best not to let animals get dehydrated this time of year. But if they are, control their water intake until they've had several hours for their bodies to readjust.

Meeting **Notice**

Red Hat Meeting to be held on Thursday August 4, 2011 at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church.

Stratford ISD "Gold Card" Available to Those

62 Years of Age & Above Stratford ISD is proud to offer a "Gold Card" for all citizens who are 62 years of age or older. This card will admit one person to all "home" UIL events. You may pick up a "Gold Card" in the Office of the Superintendent Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We would be happy to mail you one by calling Penny at 366-3305. The Stratford ISD appreciates your support of the students and faculty of this district. We look forward to seeing you this year. For previous card holders, there is no need to renew each year as "Gold Cards" are good for a lifetime, unless lost or damaged. Gold Cards are not for the Reserved Seating Section at the stadium, those tickets must be purchased in advance for the season.

Special

(Wednesday thru Tuesday) 2 p.m. till closing

Clip this coupon for Steak Sandwich combo-\$4.99 or Cheeseburger Combo for \$4.99

El Primo's

Call 806-366-3799 1120 E. Texas Hwy 54

Obituaries





Albert Ray Sims April 21, 1924-July 22, 2011

Ray Sims, 87 of Stratford, passed away on Friday, July 22, 2011. Services were held for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2011 at Morrison Memorial Chapel in Dumas with Rev. Keith Hight, pastor of Hunt Memorial United Methodist Church of Dumas officiating. Interment was in Stratford Cemetery. A flag detail was provided by American Legion Post 224 of Dumas. Arrangements were my Morrison Funeral Directors.

Ray was born on April 21, 1924 in Porter, Alabama to M.S. and Edith Sims. He served his country in the US Army Air Force, serving in Normandy in WWII. He also attended radio school during his time in the service. After the service, he was employed as a truck driver until his retirement. Ray married Beulah Ringo on October 5, 1946 in Clayton, New Mexico. He was a beloved and devoted husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend.

He was preceded in death by his parents, M.S. and Edith Sims; one son Roy Sims on October 2, 2003, two brothers, Brub Sims and David Sims, and his twin sister, Alberta Faye Williams

Ray is survived by his wife, Beulah, two daughters, Alice King and husband Dale of Amarillo and Mary Gifford and husband Doug of Savannah, Georgia; two sons, Jimmy Sims and wife Carolyn of Amarillo and Larry Sims and wife Gale of Stratford; four sisters, Gwendolyn Skelton of Dalhart, Nora Reed of Sunray, Betty Jean Yeager of Fritch, and Judy Kirk of Odessa; thirteen grandchildren; twenty-two greatgrandchildren; two great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to Masonic Lodge No. 1009, PO Box 64, Dumas, TX 79029

From the desk of Chief Powell

Hopefully, everyone had a fun weekend here in Stratford. I would like to commend the officers for a job well done this weekend. They all worked very hard and literally "around the clock" to ensure the safety-of the community. Our goal was achieved by not having to make any arrests and it seems to us everyone had a great time.

I also would like to say "thank you" to the Sherman County Sheriff's Office and our local Highway Patrolmen who are always there to lend a hand if we need it.

As it gets closer to a new school year, we will be working with our local school officials on next year's programs such as the DWI simulation, officers walking the hallways and perhaps officers periodically riding the busses on their morning or afternoon runs.

Please visit us in person, our door is always open for comments and / or suggestions, or visit us at www.stratfordpd.com.

Chief Joe Powell

Crime stats for the month of July 2011 **Traffic Citations 59** Warnings 50

Building Checks 33

Marijuana 2 **Shots Fired 1** D.W.I. 2 **Open Container 1 Minor/Possession 2 Minor/Consumption 2** Burglary (Home) 1 **Burglary (Business) 1 Burglary** (vehicle) 1 Theft 2 Hit & Run 1 **Credit Card Fraud 1 Criminal Mischief 1 Harassment 1** Vagrancy 1 **Traffic Accident 2 Warrant Service 1** Welfare Concern 1 **Abandoned vehicle 1**

RR Arm disabled 1

Anima (Dog) 4

Special Events: 1

Scot Hall Scuttle

BY: Cindy Jackson

We have had a very busy week, here at SCOT. Hall. We had the "Mexican pile on luncheon" Thursday. We had a wonderful lunch. A big thank you to all the hostess and everyone who brought great food. The B.B.Q. served over 150 people at SCOT Hall. We made \$124.00 dollars selling desserts. Then, for the block party, we had more desserts than we could sell. Thank you to everyone who helped with the desserts and to everyone who brought a dessert. This money will help keep SCOT Hall running. What a great group of people. There was a great turn out for the block party and I thought the parade, activities at the park and B.B.Q was amazing. The Jamboree weekend is a great opportunity to see old friends and to make new ones. It was the "Bee's Knee's". That saying originated in America in the 1920's and means "the height of excellence". Remember no exercise class on Wednesday mornings for the month of

Hosts for August: Marty Bain, Jack Gore, Mary J.E. Brannan, Karen Perrin and Cindy Jackson

Birthday Hostess for August: Lynn Wells

August 4, 2011-3 p.m. Bingo August 12, 2011-2 p.m. Games

August 18, 2011- 2 p.m. Birthday Party/ 3 p.m. Bingo August 23, 2011- SCOT Hall Board Meeting 5 p.m. August 25, 2011- Noon Luncheon

The Imagination Station News

By Gaynelle Riffe

Whew! The Imagination Station was very busy Saturday July 30. The Prospectus Study Club hosted the Old Timers in the morning. The Class of 1961 held their class reunion in the afternoon. The Education Foundation hosted the Ex-Students and Honored Classes at 6:00 p.m. We were honored to have that much exposure to the public and were thankful the building was cool by having the Air Conditioner on continually Friday and Saturday.

The Imagination Station participated in the Block Party with our normal July 4th booth, Baked Potatoes, Watermelon, and Face Painting. We covered expenses and a little over on Face Painting which might cover the summer

August will begin with 4-H/Main Street Art on Friday 5th making T-Shirt backpacks from 2:00-3:30. And then preparing for "Whale of a Sale" in September.

The next upgrade to the building is a permanent sigh and an awning across the front of the building. We want to thank Joe Zak for placing wheels under the boat for ease in rowing

The next exhibit in the fall will feature the 150 anniversary of the Civil War. Anyone who has an interest in this exhibit, we welcome all the help and ideas.

Elk Pharmacy Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM tes are found by dividing the total amount of 1225-30 the tax of its as required by state law. The rates are given per 1500 to pro-

Stratford Family Medical Clinic

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM 396-5583 Tommy Brian, ANP

Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility 396-5568 Karl Punch, LNFA

Stratford EMS 9-1-1 or 396-2844 Jimmy Lanning, Director

Proudly serving the medical needs of Stratford and Sherman County.'



Fun Run & Youth Bike A-Thon

The Fun Run & youth Bike-A-Thon was held on Saturday morning July 30th. The one mile race started at 8:30 a.m. with runners, walkers and bikers participating. This was held to benefit Lexi Cisneros, daughter of Laura and Jason Rogers. First Biker in was Luke Braden, 1st Women runner Tasha Thies and Grayson Gonzales the 1st man runner to cross the finish line. Congratulations to all

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A benefit fund has been set up for

Medical Expenses for Matthew Chaffee

at The First State Bank of Stratford.

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Accolade Home Care is providing a blood pressure clinic in Elk Pharmacy, the first Monday of every month. Clinics will begin at 3 p.m. and run until 5 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 806-934-2000. Please visit us at accolade homecare.com for more information or for up coming events.

Deadline for The Stratford Star

Deadline for Stratford Star items. Photos by Sundays at 4 p.m. Letters to Editor 9 a.m. on Mondays (typed) and all other articles and ads at 10 a.m. on Mondays. (PLEASE) Thank you

Reminder **Stratford Star** Fax number is 366-5884 Office phone 366-5885



Four thousand people are injured by teapots every year.



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Couple exchange vows

Hailey Gayle Long and Edgar Richard Girdner IV, both from Amarillo, were married the evening of Saturday June 25, at an outdoor ceremony at Whitaker Ranch in Canyon. Rev. Tommie Long, Grandfather of the bride, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Amy and Malcolm Long of Stratford. Grandparents are Brenda and Rev. Tommie Long of Stratford, and Sharon and Mike Burnett of

Parents of the groom are Laurie and Dale Bramlett, of Wolfforth, TX, and Patti and Gary Girdner of Newella, OK. Grandparent of the groom is Rita Bushnell of Morley, MI.

The bride wore an ivory lace gown embossed with delicate pearls. Colors for the wedding were fuchsia pink, white, and black. The bride chose a bouquet with white lilies and white stephanotis with a pink rhinestone in the center of the flowers which sparkled in the sunlight as her father walked her down a curved bricked walkway to the groom which was standing at the end under a rustic cedar arch covered in white and pink cascading flowers overlooking an open field.

The bride graduated from Stratford High School. She received her degree in dental assisting from Milan Institute. She is now employed in Canyon at Dr. Folger Vallette dental practice.

The groom graduated from Pottsboro High School, in Pottsboro, TX. He is now employed at GVH Millennium warehouse in Amarillo as warehouse manager. Following the honeymoon trip to Runaway Bay, Jamaica, the couple is residing in Amarillo.

From Rebecca Hemphill, CED Sherman County FSA

The 10 year average of 100+ days is 6.3 days per year. So far for 2011 we have had 25 days of 100+ temps. YIKES!!!! Below-stats for July 2011

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	Ju	ıly	
Day	HI	LOW	Precip
1	101	66	
2	96	70	
3	96	66	
4	99	62	
5	98	65	
6	101	67	
7	101	69	
8	95	67	1
9	102	67	
10	106	74	
11	101	68	
12	96	67	
13	97	67	
14	97	70	
15	98	70	
16	102	70	
17	101	70	
19	99	69 69	
20	101	69	
21	104	69	
22	103	67	0.06
23	100	66	0.00
24	100	70	
25	98	69	0.08
26	98	68	0.66
27	102	69	
28	103	68	0.11
29	102	68	
30	90	67	
31	98	66	
Total	3084	2109	0.91
Daily Avg	99.5	68.0	
Avg Temp	83.80		
Precip	0.91		

Sherman County Depot Museum Hours Open Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 2 till 4 p.m. For more information call Ann Wells 396-2527 Pat Hartman 366-7644 Dick Bachman 366-7679

Be a Family —Through Buckner **Foster Care and Adoption**

There are children everywhere in need of a home. In need of love. In need of a family. Buckner Children and Family Services is a Christian based ministry that has been providing services to children since 1879 and they are looking for prospective foster parents who would be able to provide children with a stable and nurturing home environment.

Buckner's and CASA 69 will be hosting informational meetings about becoming a foster/adopt home in Dalhart and Dumas in the upcoming weeks. If you feel called to the challenge of becoming a foster parent we invite you to attend one of these meetings.

Tuesday — August 9, 2011 — 6:00 PM Central United Methodist Church — 517 Rock Island Dalhart, TX

Tuesday — August 16, 2011 — 6:00 PM First Baptist Church — 4th and Bliss Dumas, TX

Buckner Children and Family Services provide foster care and adoption services to children who are in the care of Child Protective Services, provide case management services to foster youth that are in CPS care, provide an experienced professional staff to children who are in need, as well as foster parents who have been called to do this work, and provide financial assistance to care for foster children's daily needs.

If you make the decision to become a foster/adoptive home Buckner will provide all of the required trainings and education needed to be a foster parent. These "Be a Family" training sessions will be held within this area.

For more information you can contact Brittany Porter or Katie Groninger at Buckner Children and Family Services — 806-373-1474 or boorterPbuckner.org . You can also call or email the CASA offices in Dalhart and Dumas if you have questions - 244-2684 or 934-4417 or casa69

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Angelo State Dean's List Released for 2011 **Spring Semester**

The Dean's List for the 2011 Spring Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees include the following from the Stratford area: Eric B. Burton

Northridge 8 Guymon, Ok www.northridge8.com 580-338-3281 Southgate 6 Liberal, Kansas www.southgate6.com 620-624-5573 Sequoyah 8 Garden City, Kansas www.sequoyah8.com 620-275-2760

Kerrick News

Mike and Marylou McDaniel and Patti McDaniel of Denver were among a family gathering last week at Thelma & Duane Smith's in Dumas. Others were Scott & Nita Hutchison, Lubbock, Mindy Carter, Jim Mallory, Kinsey & Jayden Mallory, Waco. Sherri Hutchison, St. Louis, Lori, Riley and Ella Whitcraft, Florissant, MO, Justin & Maura McCullough, Waco. Stephnie Smith, Taylor & Gensye McMullian, Dumas. There will be a Kerrick Community Wide Garage Sale this Friday and Saturday from

Heath, Kenna, Dempsey and Jackson Collums spent three days at Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park. They fished and enjoyed sight seeing.

2011 Property Tax Rates in **Sherman County**

8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the community building.

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for SHERMAN COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$3,140,293
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$3,140,293
Last year's tax base	\$745,735,682
Last year's total tax rate	0.421100/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes	
(after subtracting taxes on lost	
property)	\$3,140,29
This year's adjusted tax base	
(after subtracting value of new	
property)	\$688,186,44

This year's effective tax rate for 0.456314/\$100 each fund 0.456314/\$100 Total effective tax rate

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ea	r's rollback tax rate:	
-	Last year's adjusted operating	
	taxes	
	(after subtracting taxes on lost	
	property and adjusting for any	
	transferred function, tax increment	
	financing, state criminal justice	
	mandate and/or enhanced indigent	
	health care expenditures)	
	This year's adjusted tax base	
	This year's effective operating rate	
	1.08 = this year's maximum	
	operating rate	

=	This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.492819/\$100
	This year's total rollback rate	0.492819/\$100
State	ment of Increase/Decrease	

If SHERMAN COUNTY adopts a 2011 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.456314 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2010 taxes

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances: GENERAL FUND The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a

corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund GENERAL FUND

Balance 106,450

\$3,140,292 \$688,186,442 0.456314/\$100

0.492819/\$100

0.000000/\$100

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 701 N. 3RD ST.TAX OFFICE - COURTHOUSE, STRATFORD, TX 79084. Name of person preparing this notice: <u>VALERIE McALISTER</u>
Title: <u>SHERMAN COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR</u>

Date prepared: July 29, 2011

This year's debt rate

Old Timers King & Queen





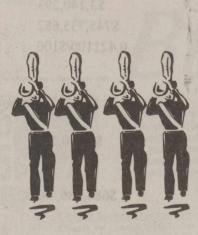


Kent Cartrite and Rose Wells were crowned Old Timer King and Queen Saturday by Michelle Lutes and Mary Lou (Shorty) Albert. Michelle is president of GFWC/Prospectus Study Club. Shorty is a member of the club.



Rose Wells is pictured with the five "girls" from left Lisa Albert, Rose, "Shorty", Mary Krutz and Keily Albert





















Jamboree, Ex-Students & **Block Party** (all in 1 weekend) Great fun!!!!!



Stratford EX-Student Reunion

By Gaynelle Riffe

Stratford Ex-Student Reunion was a great success. I hope each of the honored classes took pictures and will submit them to the Stratford Star. There were plenty of hamburgers on Friday night cooked to perfection by Jeff at Lynette Kautz. A grocery run was made for more pickles and chips. There was plenty of ice cream thanks to the following; Trisha Tillery Keener, Ellen Dyess Tillery, Jeanne Engelbrecht Bell, Sue Plunk Hudson, Blynn Donelson Weldon, Pat Taylor Johnson, Linda Riffe Spurlock, Dorene Davis Harrison, Gaynelle Parker Riffe.(The remainder was used by Prospectus Study Club at the Block Party.) Address updates are still





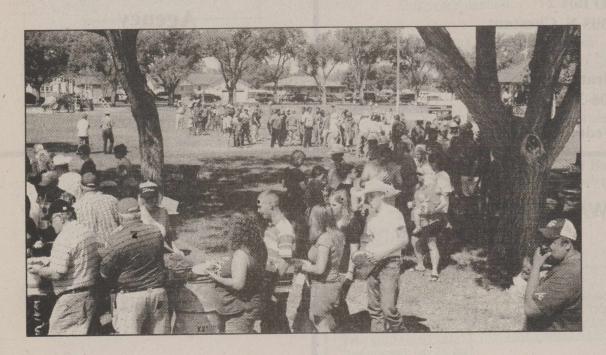


















Ann Bookout, Executive Director, Joe Ann Moore, Board of Directors President and Vicki Swiedom, CASA 69 Volunteer of the Year.

USDA Reminds Producers of Sept. 1st Sales Closing Date for Noninsurable Crops

(Stratford, TX) — July 29, 2011 - Sherman County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Rebecca Hemphill, urges producers who want to purchase coverage through the Noninsurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to do so before the sales closing date of September 1,

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to practice risk management," said Hemphill. "This year alone has proved that natural disasters can directly affect the profitability and recovery of agricultural operations," she said.

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Sept. 1, 2011: All Small Grains (Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye & Triticale), Beets, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Canola, Cauliflower, Garlic, Sod Grass, Greens, Herbs, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce, Onions, Radishes, Strawberries, Turnips and Value Loss Crops (Christmas Trees, Crustaceans, Fin Fish, & flowers).

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be noninsurable, commercially- produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available. If the Risk Management Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a crop in the county, then NAP coverage is not available for that crop. In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, Application for Coverage. Producers must file the application and service fee by the Sept. 1st deadline. The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, 806-396-2211.

2011 CASA 69 Volunteer of the Year

CASA 69 volunteers and board members gathered together on July 24th at the Moore County Senior Center To honor their volunteers and recognize the Volunteer of the Year. Entertainment was provided by a wonderful young and talented little girl by the name of Klee Steagall from Dalhart. Everyone enjoyed the fried chicken, potato salad and fresh vegetable tray for dinner. The ice cream sundae buffet was the hit of the evening as everyone lined up to pile on all their favorite toppings. Ann Bookout, Executive Director and Joe Ann Moore, Board of Directors President, presented each volunteer a length of service appreciation certificate, a thank you note with a special gift card, a folding tote bag with pouch and a CASA 69 folding chair w/bag.

The Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Vicki Swiedom, a CASA 69 volunteer advocate from Dumas. Vicki has been a CASA 69 volunteer for three years, served eight children, worked 428 hours and traveled over 9,000 miles advocating for the best interest of each child. Vicki's husband, parents and sister were able to attend to share this special moment with Vicki.

CASA 69 is currently looking for volunteers from the four counties it serves, Hartley, Dallam, Moore and Sherman. If interested in an awesome opportunity and a unique



Klee Seagall, Young Entertainer at the CASA 69 Volunteer of the Year.

NEW ADVOCATE TRAINING **SCHEDULE**

August 29th	5 pm—9 pm
August 30th	5 pm—9 pm
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and see what CASA volunteers are

saying about their experience.

First Christian Church **Pastor Gary Smith** 5th & Main Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (nursery) Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. (nursery) No Sunday Evening Worship Service

First United Methodist Rev. David Terry 520 N. Main Sunday School 9:20 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Junior High UMY 5:00 p.m. Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.

Stratford Star St. Joseph Catholic 366-5885 Rectory 366-5687 Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. (English). 9:30 (Spanish) Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass or by appr Christian Formation Classes. K-6th Grade Wed. Afternoon Jr. & Sr. High, Wed.-6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ Brad Beckett N. 3rd & Chestnut Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. 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 inday School-9:30 Worship Service-10:30 Wed.-Children-6 p.m. youth-7 p.m.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE TO RESPONDENTS: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

To: ELLA S. HAWK, AND HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, AND ASSIGNS, AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE LAND DESCRIBED IN THE PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 22nd day of August, 2011 at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the 69th District Court of Sherman County, at the Courthouse in Stratford, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed on the 6th day of July, 2011 in this case, numbered 4985 on the docket of said court, and styled

The addresses and residences of Defendants Ella S. Hawk and her unknown heirs, executors and assigns, and all persons claiming any title or interest in the land described in Plaintiff's Original Petition, are unknown. Plaintiff requests that Defendants be cited by publication. This suit is a suit to quiet title to:

All of Lots Thirty-Three (33) and Thirty-Four (34), Block Seventy-one (71), Original Town of Texhoma, Sherman County, Texas

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows,

The property was conveyed to Ella S. Hawk on March 31, 1909, by deed filed at volume 15, page 269, in the Deed Record of Sherman County, Texas. However, there exists no record in the Deed Records of Sherman County, Texas, that Ella S. Hawk ever conveyed or devised the Property. The next document in the chain of title of the Property is a deed dated July 29, 1975, from Newton E. Day, as sole heir of Marguerite S. Day, to Gwen Freeman, filed in volume 139, page 157, of the Deed Records of Sherman County, Texas. The chain of title from Gwen Freeman to Plaintiff is unbroken and uncontested. Pursuant to a Warranty Deed dated January 25, 1990 in which Mansel Roach and wife, Freddie Roach conveyed the Property to Charles E. Roach. On January 25, 1990, Plaintiff resided in Sherman County, Texas and was married to Charles Roach. Charles Roach died on April

25, 2009, and his estate was probated in the County Court

of Sherman County, Texas, under cause no. 2146. Plaintiff was his sole heir. Plaintiff, together with Plaintiff's predecessors in interest, with whom Plaintiff claims privity of estate pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code §16.023, has used and enjoyed the Property in peaceable and adverse possession and in good faith under a deed purporting to convey the Property recorded in the deed records of the county in which the property is located for a period in excess of twenty-five years, and therefore Plaintiff asserts that she is entitled to title to the Property in opposition to Defendants pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code §§16.027, 16.028 and 16.030. Judgment for title and possession of and to the Property that is the subject of this cause of action, and any other relief to which the Plaintiff is entitled of said as is more fully shown by Plaintiffs Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly served the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Stratford, Texas, on the 6th day of July,

ATTEST: Gina Gray District Clerk Sherman County, By: Amanda Evans, Deputy

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, July 14, 2011, Thursday, July 21, 2011, Thursday, July 28, 2011 and Thursday, August 4, 2011.

LEGAL NOTICE

Personnel Variance on the Ambulance, The City of Texhoma, Texas will hold a meeting at 6:15 on August 10th, 2011 at City Hall, 1008 S. 6th Street to petition the Texas Department of Health. Personnel variance on the Ambulance Service.

All concerned citizens are asked to be at this Meeting if you have any questions or concerns about the Ambulance

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, August 4,

Hyman, All About Lawns Columnist. Water is the elixir of all life on earth. In the heart of the American summer, water becomes the paramount issue in lawn care. Surprisingly, most people kill off their lawns through over watering during the hot summer.

We waste a lot of ground water through run-off from poor, hard soils or by simply watering the lawn in the afternoon heat, when it evaporates before the soil can

Card of Thanks

I would like to express my gratitude to a great Stratford EMS team for their quick response and excellent care on my recent speedy ambulance trip to Amarillo BSA. Stratford is so fortunate to have such qualified and dedicated EMS personal! Also, I would like to say "thank you" to friends and neighbors for all your visits, calls, cards, prayers, food and expressions of concern. Most of all, thank you for caring.

Robert Ragsdale

Card of Thanks

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU I hope everyone that attended had a great time at our very first SCDC Block Party and you were a big part of the reason it was a huge success. A huge secret to our success was our group behind the scenesthe people that made it all come together: Fantastic cooks Wesley Miller, Greg Wright and Lynn Allen. Volunteers who did whatever was asked: Connie Biddy, Shannon Sellars, Mark Miller, Cindy Miller, Tyler Wright, Marsha Wright, Jerry Allen, Roy Stewart, SCDC Board Members Scott Buckles, Karen Riffe & Jon Engelbrecht, Chief Dean Hauser and the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department for the use of their trucks and Mayor Marca Ewers & George Harding for making sure everything else we needed was taken care of on time. Please forgive me if I left anyone out, there were so many lending a hand, you were all awesome.

THANKS EVERYONE!! WE APPRECIATE YOU!! SHERMAN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

Card of Thanks

We would like to express thanks for the many prayers. They were a blessing. Thank you for the flowers, food and visits, they were appreciated. God Bless you.

> Liz Jerry Sanders and Family

Card of Thanks

Our family wants to say a huge thank you to this great community for their prayers, cards, flowers, and the food during the loss of our loved one. We are so grateful for the many friends who came so far to be a part of his service. Dad touched so many people that I never knew until recently. This community always goes above and beyond to take care of their own...this was no exception. We love the folks of Stratford!!!! He will be forever missed.

> The Family of Archie Wright Lorene, Greg, Marsha, Tyler, Tanner and Taylor

absorb it. Knowing when to water your grass, how often, and how much can help you maintain a luxuriant lawn through the hottest season.

Diagnose Your Lawn Not all lawns need the same amount of water. It's important to know that your lawn's health depends as much on soil conditions as on the kind of seed you use. In worst-case water-shortage scenarios, Centipede grass, Bermuda grass, and Bahia and St. Augustine grasses have relatively modest needs. These varieties, depending on summer temperatures, can actually survive quite well if left un-watered up to three weeks -- not that you need to

Carpet Grass, Tall Fescue, Fine Fescue, Kikuyu, and Zoysia grass are moderately tolerant. If you've planted any of these grasses, you can stop watering for a week without damaging your lawn.

Kentucky blue grass, Bent grass, and Perennial rye grass are guzzlers. Don't let them go without water for more than four or five days in hot weather.

Watering at daybreak can be up to ten times more effective as any other time of day, so start early, before the heat of the day can burn the water off.

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House for Sale-3 BR, 1 3/4 Bath, new kitchen, new roof, new windows & flooring. Near schools-1306 Putnam call 806-769-4464 3-24-tfn-

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For Sale

For Sale: 1991 Buick Park Avenue Ultra. 73,698 actual miles. All options, leather interior, moon roof, cold air, full sized new spare with new wheel. \$3,000.00. Call 753-6334 or 366-7540. 8-4-8-11 2 x's

Garage Sales

Backyard Garage Sale Friday, August 5th 9 a.m to? At 1214 N.

RUMMAGE SALE-First Christian Church at 420 N. Main, Stratford, TX Friday, August 5 (8 a.m.-3 p.m.). Bring your own paper or reusable bag and fill it up. Small bags fill for \$5.00; Large bags fill for \$10.00. Single and larger items will be priced separately. All sales will go towards helping our youth go to camps and mission trips next year.

2 family sale..appliances, remodeled left overs, women, men, children and baby clothes. Lots of decorations, office equipment & supplies, horse tack and etc. ½ mile south on Hwy 287. Friday-3 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to noon. Cindy Miller and others. 8-4-c

Community Wide Garage Sale Friday, August 5th and Saturday, August 6 at the Murdock School in Kerrick, TX from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Antique furniture, baby clothes, boy clothes size 7-8, jackets for children, men & ladies sizes, shoes, mechanic tools, electric chainsaw, and furniture. Many items that are too numerous to mention. 8-5-c--

Public Notice

As you all know, this year hasn't been the best in terms of getting some good west Texas rain showers that we all enjoy and are used to. In fact, we have been dry as a bone. In drought conditions like this, we all are exposed to many unpleasant circumstances, one being the lack of rain water to supplement the need for water on our lawns and in other locations. Because of this, water customers tend to use more water from the public water supply. With such an influx of use, stress is often placed on the equipment and facilities of a city's water distribution system.

At this point in time the City of Stratford's water system is not experiencing difficulties in keeping up with the demand of our customers, but our equipment has had to work extra hard to keep water levels and pressures at sufficient levels. In an effort to reduce the stress on the City's water distribution system and to help reduce the exposure of an equipment outage, the City Administrator has issued a memorandum to all City employees asking them to practice water conservation at work and at home. Practices the City is going to implement include minimal watering of the City's park system, quicker response and resolution of water leaks, working with contractors to practice water conservation, etc...

With this in mind, the City is asking you to be aware of your usage of water this summer as well. The Public Works Department is in need of your assistance in conserving water. During these extreme conditions we are asking that you be conscientious about lawn watering and not water during the heat of the day when much of the water will evaporate before the soil can absorb it. Early morning and late evening watering is more beneficial to your lawn and our water system.

Some more ties can be found below from an article titled "Watering Lawns in the Summer" written by Gabby





STRATFORD ISD

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2 BOXS OF 24 CRAYONS

1 PAIR OF FISKAR SCISSORS

2 BOXS OF KLEENEX

2 PINK ERASERS

SLEEPING BAGS)

2 BOXS LRG SIZE CRAYOLA CRAYONS

1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (70pg COUNT)

1 BOX BASIC WASHABLE MARKERS

6 LG GLUE STICKS or 12 SML GLUE STICKS

1 SML SCHOOL BX (NO ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG)

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SECOND GRADE

- **2 LRG ZIPPERED PENCIL BAGS**
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- 1 PAIR OF SCISSORS
- 20 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
- 1 LRG PACKAGE OF RED PENS
- 2 WIDE RULED SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (70pg COUNT)
- **2 PINK ERASERS**
- 3 GLUE STICKS
- 2 ROLLS OF PAPER TOWELS

THIRD GRADE

- 2 BOXS OF 24 CRAYONS
- 20 #2 PENCILS
- 1 BOX MAP COLOR PENCILS (12 COUNT)
- 2 LRG BOXES OF KLEENEX
- 1 PAIR SCISSORS
- 1 POCKET FOLDER- NO BRADS
- 2 GLUE STICKS
- 2 SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS (60-100 PAGES)
- ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG 1 ROLL OF PAPER TOWELS
 - **NO BINDERS OR TRAPPER KEEPERS**

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24 #2 YELLOW PENCILS

- 2 BOXES OF 24 CRAYONS (NO FLUORESCENT)
- 1 SMALL PENCIL BOX
- 1 PAIR POINTED SCISSORS
- 1 BIG ERASER
- 2 LRG BOXES OF KLEENEX
- 4 LRG GLUE STICKS- (NO PURPLE GLUE)
 - NO PENCIL SHARPENERS

FOURTH GRADE

- 1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (1SUBJECT)
- 1 PKG 12 COLORED PENCILS 3 BOXS OF LARGE KLEENEX
- 20 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
- 1 PAIR SCISSORS
- 5 PKGS NOTEBOOK PAPER (NOT COLLEGE RULE)
- 1-2 POCKET FOLDER

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5th Grade

pencils red pens crasable blue or black pens colored pencils

- zippered pencil bag 1 large spiral-not perforated (Social Studies)
- 1 pocket folder (Math)
- 2 (1-1/2) inch binders (Science and Reading)
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If you buy stretchy book covers, use extra-large for Social Studies and Math

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Stratford Junior High School **Supply List** 2011-2012

7th grade

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8th grade

1 pkg notebook paper 12- # 2 pencils 6 ball point pens (black or blue) 6 red ball point pens 1 small 3-ring binder 3 folder (3 holes) w/pockets & brads 2 small spiral notebooks 1 large Kleenex box

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