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Just "Playing in the Mud" Time

One of the first showers that Stratford had 5 little people went out and had a good old time playing in the mud (yes folks there was some mud). Shown above in back left to right are Tate Hudson, Mason Lavake and Ashton Lavake. Sitting in the mud Cole Hinds and Tripp Hudson. Parents of these beautiful children are Tim and Tiffany Hudson, Marcus and Ashly Lavake and Jo and Chad Hinds.

Attention to all subscribers!!

Effective immediately The Stratford Star will no longer be sending out notices when your paper is due. Check the label on the paper and see what month your subscription expires. **I will be putting "Stars" on the current month. If you have a Star on your label it means that your sub expires that month.** If you are not sure the amount you owe if you live out of the area call 753-7373 and double check. Locally is \$30.00 and out of the area \$37.00. If you are paying for someone else's sub, you will be billed for that person. Due to the rising cost of postage, etc. we feel this is the best solution for us at this time. Thanking you in advance.
Marty

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 27th & 28th

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 or 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.

2011 Stratford Elk Football Schedules

Varsity

Aug. 13	Dalhart (scrimmage)	Here	10:00
Aug. 19	Wellington (scrimmage)	Here	5:00
Aug. 26	Bushland	Here	7:30
Sept. 2	Friona	There	7:30
Sept. 9	Sanford-Fritch	Here	7:30
Sept. 16	Texhoma (Homecoming)	Here	7:30
Sept. 23	OPEN		
Sept. 30	Perryton	There	7:30
Oct. 7	OPEN		
Oct. 14	Boys Ranch	There	7:30
Oct. 21	Canadian	Here	7:30
Oct. 28	Sunray	There	7:30
Nov. 4	West Texas	Here	7:30

Sub-Varsity

Aug. 25	Bushland	JV	Here	6:30
Sept. 1	Friona	JV	Canyon	6:30
Sept. 8	Sanford-Fritch*	7,8,JV	There	5:00
Sept. 15	Spearman	7,8,JV	There	5:00
Sept. 22				
Sept. 29	Perryton	JV	Here	7:30
	West Texas	7,8	Here	5:00
Oct. 6	Panhandle	7,8,JV	There	5:00
Oct. 13	Boys Ranch	7,8,JV	Here	5:00
Oct. 20	Canadian	7	Here	5:00
	Canadian	8,JV	There	5:00
Oct. 27	Sunray	7,8,JV	Here	5:00
Nov. 3	West Texas	7,8,JV	There	5:00

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Congressman Mac Thornberry Town Hall Meeting August 16

Congressman Mac Thornberry invites Stratford to a Town Hall Meeting at The Imagination Station August 16, 2011 from 3:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon. Congressman Thornberry looks forward to meeting the citizens of area to discuss activities in the Federal Government.

Time nears to update brand registrations

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is reminding ranchers that brand re-registration opens Aug. 30th and runs through February 29th. Registration in the county or counties where a producer operates is required by state law.

The association maintains a database of the brands to aid in recovering stolen cattle and arresting thieves.

Help with the process is available at www.tscrabrand.com, by providing paperwork and information in coordinating with all county clerk offices.

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.

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

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.*

Travel

(NU) - Summer itinerary aside, extended travel in a plane, car, train or bus can increase the risk of developing blood clots. Risk factors for the condition are as follows:

Vein injury, including major surgery. Slow blood flow from limited movement. Increased estrogen levels from medications. Chronic illnesses, such as heart disease, lung disease, cancer treatment or inflammatory bowel disease. A family history of deep vein thrombosis. Also, age, obesity, smoking and high blood pressure are factors. For more vascular health details visit www.VascularWeb.org.

Be sure and tell
Shari Hudson
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Obituaries



Zelda Roach Pickens
1947-2011

Zelda Roach Pickens, 64, of Stratford, died Wednesday, August 3, 2011. Memorial services were held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at the First United Methodist Church in Stratford with Rev. David Terry, pastor, officiating. Private burial was at the Stratford Cemetery. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers at Stratford.

Zelda was born on January 21, 1947 in Amarillo to Mansel and Freddie Roach. She was valedictorian of the Texhoma middle school. She had worked in the Sherman county tax assessor/collector office for over 18 years. She was a homemaker and a worthy advisor of the Texhoma Chapter of the Rainbow Girls. She had worked as an Avon lady, helped with the 4H club, band boosters, and chamber of commerce. She had served on the State Board of redoing the Department of Motor Vehicles and helped organize the regional Texas Association of certified assessors. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She married Ronnie Pickens on May 30 1964 in Tucumcari, New Mexico.

Zelda is survived by her husband, Ronnie Pickens of Stratford; two sons, Doug Pickens of Stratford, and Steven Pickens and wife Carmen of Whitesboro, Texas; her father, Mansel Roach of Stratford; a sister, Winnie Burrow of Nashville, Tennessee; and seven grandchildren, Kelsey Pickens, Grady Pickens, Landon Pickens, Tyler Pickens, Britten Pickens, Darrick Mata, and Caleb Mata.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society, 3915 Bell St., Amarillo, Texas 79109



Baby Shower held for Kelsie Keener

Kelsie Keener was honored with a baby shower on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at the First United Methodist Church Youth Cottage. Shown above left to right are Nikki Roberts, Connie Schlem, Madison Doss, Dawn Crowley, Dena Bayne, Linda Keener, Kelsie Keener, Ramona Spurlock, Kay Lynn Doss and Trisha Keener.

From the desk of Chief Powell



**CASH REWARD!!! CASH REWARD!!!
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CASH REWARD!!!**

A CASH REWARD is being offered to anyone with information leading the police to the person or persons responsible for the black tire marks on Main Street last week. Callers WILL remain anonymous and the CASH REWARD is not a small amount. We are taking this very seriously, so seriously in fact, discussion of cameras and additional night patrol has already begun. We appreciate any and all efforts in helping us capture, charge and convict the suspect or suspects.

The "ACCE" Unit is coming!! ACCE...Animal Control & Code Enforcement. As mentioned in previous articles, the Stratford Police Department is in its final stages of preparing enforcement efforts in the areas of Animal Control and City Ordinance Violations. We are very proud of our community and hope you understand our efforts to "clean up" and make Stratford a beautiful place to live, visit and travel through. As we are in our traffic enforcement: "Firm but Fair," so will we be in the ACCE Unit. (Keep an eye on our web-site for more information)

"COATS FOR CHRISTMAS"
Beginning October 1st, 2011, the Stratford Police Department will begin accepting new or slightly used coats. These donations will be offered in the month of December to those families who have a need for them. Let's all pitch in this year so we know by Christmas morning, there is no child or adult going without a coat. Those of you who may need a coat, please see me or Detective Gabehart at the Police Dept. to sign up and give us sizes.

Our Mobile Data Terminal grant is here!! Soon, writing citations by hand will be a thing of the past. If all goes as planned, within the next few months, we will be swiping the license as the citation is computer generated and prints out from an on-board printer. Our computers will be linked to our rear-view mirror cameras whereby we can attach the individual video to each traffic stop or citation. Most reports will be entered and generated right from the patrol vehicle. The system is also set up with GPS and much much more. Without using the radio, dispatch is able to see our location, whether we are on a stop or not etc. We will also be able to run license plates, driver's licenses etc. without ever picking up the mic. Two of our units will be equipped with full-size "trunk" printers which will operate off of "blue-tooth" and are able to print full-size documents on scene. As if that wasn't enough, I am attempting to transform an area of the Police Department into a processing station. This is where all videos will be housed and where the officers can bring in an arrested subject, process him completely and then simply drop him / her off at the jail.

Thanks to all of you who have called or approached us in the past few weeks with your compliments. We are trying very hard to be the best and most advanced municipal police agency in the area. By continuing to use common sense, good judgment and understanding that nobody has "entitlement" over anyone else, I believe we can only continue to make YOU proud of YOUR Stratford Police Dept.

Chief Joe Powell
www.stratfordpd.com

**A benefit fund has been set up for
Medical Expenses for Matthew Chaffee
at The First State Bank of Stratford.**

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



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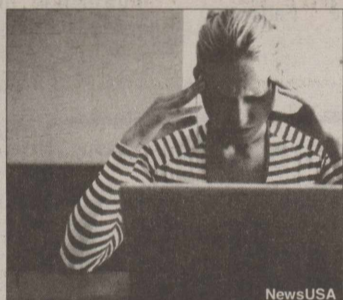
(NU) - In a social media powered society, instant gratification is something we have come to expect. More of our daily routines are executed online, be they personal or professional, so when our computer crashes, so does our productivity.

In the not-so-distant past, PC problems, virus removal and most other computer-related issues were resolved by carting your PC or laptop into a service center. This is not an easy burden to bear when time is of the essence. With immediate response in high demand, computer support companies have moved their services online, offering comprehensive tech support without the hassle of waiting at in-store service lines.

With the ability to get news, updates and results online in real time, shouldn't you be able to access computer troubleshooting online when an issue arises?

In an effort to harness the potential of remote access, some standout IT businesses are implementing remote services to create a better user experience for their clients. Geeks On Call, a trusted provider of on-site IT services nationwide, recently announced the launch of their Remote PC Repair Services.

If a person's computer suddenly crashes, slows down or gets a virus, Geeks On Call is there with comprehensive technical support to see the issues through to solu-



Plagued by computer problems? Geeks on Call offers instantaneous support.

tion. Because the troubled computer is remotely accessed through the Internet, there is no need to wait for a technician to make a house call. However, if there is no Internet access to the computer, Geeks on Call still has an on-site assistance option - in many cases, it can get a technician to you the same day you call. And unlike other services, it can dispatch a technician directly to your location with the ability to refund the majority of the service call.

By taking advantage of remote computer repair with services like those offered by Geeks On Call, users will see real-time solutions for serious computing problems. Remote Services are available 8 a.m. to midnight in the customer's time zone at 1-800-905-GEEK (4335). For more information, visit www.geeksoncall.com.

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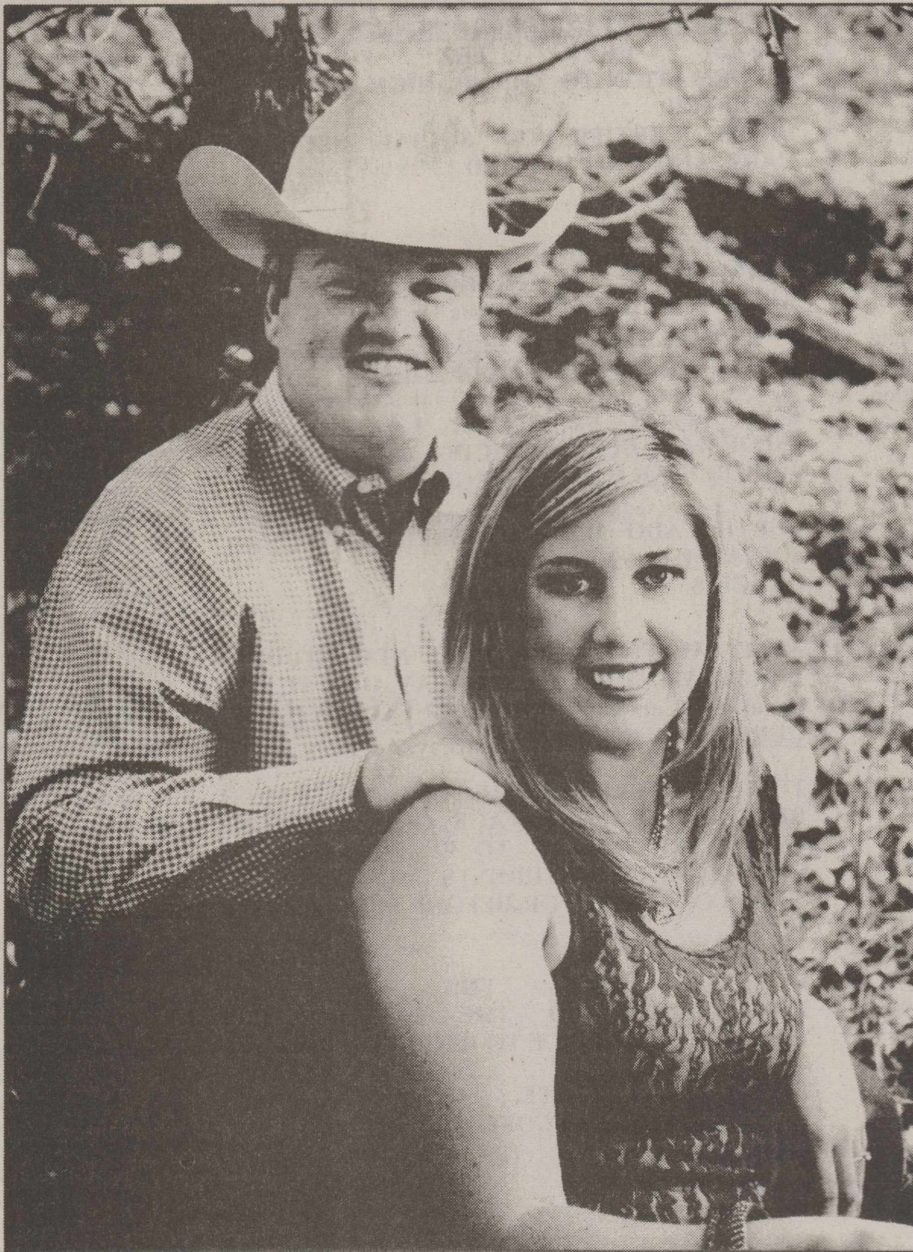
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Engagement Announced

Clay and Donna Ames of Middletown, California proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Kalley Ann Ames to Richard Leonard Chumley, son of Dick and Barbara Chumley of Stratford, Texas.

Kalley was raised in Middletown, California where she graduated from Middletown High School. She later moved to Goodwell, Oklahoma to study Ag Business at Oklahoma Panhandle State University.

Richard is a graduate of Stratford High School and received his BS in Ag Economics at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas. Richard now resides in his hometown of Stratford, Texas where the two plan to live, and is in the cattle buying business, employed by Clif-Tex Land and Livestock.

The wedding is scheduled for September 24th, 2011 in Sanford, Texas.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

There was so much stuff at the sale last week that there will be a sale this Saturday 9 to 6 at the community building. Bring a sack; fill it up for \$5.00. That should be fun!

Maylee Wells, daughter of Roger and Brandi Wells, celebrated her third birthday Aug. 7. Enjoying the day were Leonard, Peggy, Chandra and China Hawkins, Heath, Kenna, Dempsey and Jackson Collums, Vick and Sue Holladay.

Cricket Asher, daughter of Susie Asher and Camry Williams, granddaughter of Susie and "Papawand B" Williams spent the weekend. Emma A friend from Ada, OK was also visiting for the weekend.



Ed & Wanda Horsford

are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

They were married on August 26, 1951 in Cotton Center. We (their children) would love for you to honor them by sending them a card.

Please send cards to:

Lance Horsford

Box 1041 - Stratford, TX 79084

They will be celebrating an evening out with their children and grandchildren.

Panhandle Assn. of SWCDS to Meet

TEMPLE, TX (August 8, 2011)-- The Panhandle Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (PASWCDS) will meet Tuesday, August 16, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Wellington at the historic renovated Ritz Theatre located at 902 East Avenue.

During the business session speakers from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service will update SWCD directors on state and national soil and water conservation programs and issues.

Twenty-five soil and water conservation districts in the Panhandle region of the state are members of the PASWCDS. Counties which the SWCDS serve include Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Parmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall, and Childress Counties.

Blinded Veterans Find Strength Through Wounded Warrior Program

(NU) - A lethal roadside bomb wounded Master Sergeant Jeffrey Mittman on July 7, 2005, in Baghdad, Iraq. When he awoke one month later at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., he was blinded in his left eye, his right arm was badly damaged and he had lost his nose, lips and most of his teeth.

Back at home, Mittman faced many roadblocks to rehabilitation. Today, as it was back then, 70 percent of working-age people who are blind cannot find jobs.

Mittman chose to become involved in a training program with National Industries for the Blind (NIB) through the Warrior in Transition Program. He recently received the prestigious "Oz Day" award, presented to a federal employee or member of the military who demonstrates exceptional service in promoting employment opportunities for people who are blind or severely disabled.

Through the Wounded Warrior Program at NIB, wounded veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts can become informed about training, job placement and career opportunities within NIB and 90 associated nonprofit agencies across the country. NIB's mission is to enhance the opportunities for economic and personal independence of persons who are blind, primarily through employment.

For more information about the program, visit www.nib.org.

If we are to survive, we must have ideas, vision, courage. Everything that matters in our intellectual and moral life begins with an individual confronting his own mind and conscience in a room by himself.
—Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.

Stratford Hospital District

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366-5505
Angie Hipp, RPh

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

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Date: Wednesday, August 17

Time: 7am til sold-out

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

First Assembly of God
Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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.

St. Joseph Catholic
6th & Pearl
Rectory 366-5687
Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. (English), 9:30 (Spanish)
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 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.



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Pastor Rick Carter
302 S. Main
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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 p.m. youth-7 p.m.

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Servicio De Adoracion 6 p.m. se Cuidamos
Susinos Durante El Servicio

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Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela-
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Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

Kerrick Community
Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
10 a.m. Worship Service

Irrigation meetings planned across the northern Panhandle in August

By Kay Ledbetter

AMARILLO — Four meetings highlighting three primary corn irrigation projects in the North Plains have been scheduled in August by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas AgriLife

Research and the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

"These projects are the epitome of agricultural cooperation as both AgriLife Research and AgriLife Extension collaborate with the local groundwater district to address frontline, pressing needs in production agriculture," said Nich Kenny, AgriLife Extension irrigation specialist. "We are addressing all ranges of corn irrigation and working to collectively make an impact on the area."

All meetings will begin at 9 a.m. and are free.

The dates and locations are:

Aug. 19: Hutchinson County Corn Irrigation Conference, Morse Community Building, Morse.

Aug. 24: Ochiltree Corn Irrigation Conference, Perryton Expo Center, Perryton.

Aug. 25: Etter Corn Irrigation Field Day, Texas AgriLife Research's North Plains Research Field, Etter.

Aug. 26: Dalhart Corn Irrigation Conferenc2, Rita Blanca Coliseum, Dalhart.

Each location will include local topics that will be most pertinent to the local producers and showcase technologies used in the processes, Kenny said.

For example, the Hutchinson County meeting at Morse will have a presentation and field tour showing advantages of subsurface drip irrigation in a drought year, as well as an update of drought-tolerant corn. And the Etter meeting will contain a walk-through of selected AgriLife Research plots. In addition, three primary corn projects will be included at each meeting. They are the North Plains Groundwater District 12-200 Corn Demonstration Project, the AgriLife Extension North Plains Efficient Profitable Irrigation in Corn project, or EPIC as it is known, and the AgriLife Research 12-200 Corn project.

In addition, updates will be given on AgriLife Research's corn breeding program and multi-level corn irrigation studies, Kenny said. Each meeting also will contain field tours to the North Plains groundwater district's cooperators plots and fields with EPIC project work, he said.

Three general Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units for pesticide applicators will be provided and five continuing education units for certified crop advisers, four in the soil and water category and one in crop management.

Lunch and registration fees will be covered at each location by local sponsors and the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

The complete agenda for each meeting will be posted after Aug. 5 at: <http://amarillo.tamu.edu/facultystaff/nicholas-kennV>

STRATFORD JR. HIGH NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT BEGINS TUESDAY AUGUST 16TH (from 9:00-12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00 pm) FOR STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED.

PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE JR. HIGH OFFICE TO REGISTER:

BIRTH CERTIFICATE, SOCIAL SECURITY CARD, AND SHOT RECORD
THANK YOU

STRATFORD JUNIOR HIGH TENDRA INSCRIPCIONES TEMPRANO EL LUNES 16 DE AGOSTO (de las 9:00 am hasta las 12:00 pm y de la 1:00 hasta las 3:00) PARA ALUMNOS NO INSCRITOS EN ESTE AÑO ESCOLAR.

POR FAVOR DE TRAER LA SIGUIENTE INFORMACION A LA OFICINA DE STRATFORD JUNIOR HIGH PARA EL REGISTRO:

CERTIFICADO DE NACIMIENTO, SEGURO SOCIAL, Y LAS VACUNAS.
GRACIAS

MARY ALLEN ELEMENTARY NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT BEGINS MONDAY AUGUST 15TH (from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm) FOR STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED.

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRE-K, STUDENTS MUST BE FOUR YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2011. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR KINDERGARTEN, STUDENTS MUST BE FIVE YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2011.

PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE MARY ALLEN ELEMENTARY OFFICE TO REGISTER:

BIRTH CERTIFICATE, SOCIAL SECURITY CARD, AND SHOT RECORD
THANK YOU

MARY ALLEN TENDRA INSCRIPCIONES TEMPRANO EL LUNES 15 DE AGOSTO (de las 10:30 am hasta las 3:00 pm) PARA ALUMNOS NO INSCRITOS EN ESTE AÑO ESCOLAR DEL KINDER Y LOS NUEVOS POR VENIR AL PRE-KINDER.

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Tips to Put A Stop to Early Aging

NewsUSA

(NU) - While it may seem silly to worry about wrinkles long before you have any, it's true that skin preparation pays off.

So, what can you do keep your skin looking young and healthy? Kiehl's, a company that specializes in skin and hair care formulas derived from natural ingredients, offers the following tips:

- **Rest up.** There's a reason "you look tired" and "you look great" aren't synonymous. Try sleeping on your face-up with your head slightly elevated with pillows. If you do wake up with facial swelling, try tapping the skin beneath your eyes or applying a cold compress.

- **Apply vitamin C.** Your skin contains more vitamin C than any other antioxidant. Apply a skin care formula that contains plenty of vitamin C.

Two of Kiehl's products, "Powerful-Strength Line-Reducing Concentrate" and "Line-Reducing Eye-Brightening Concentrate" contain 10.5 percent vitamin C. Unlike many retinol products, they won't cause photosensitivity and irritation.

- **Reduce your sodium intake.** You can make your doctor and your skin happy at the same time. When you eat too much sodium, you can cause your body to shifting fluid into extracellular spaces, especially beneath your eyes. Avoid excess sodium intake to benefit both your health and your skin.

For more information, visit www.kiehls.com.

Travel

(NU) - As the media landscape keeps changing around us, travel writers are following many paths to success. Some are book authors, some write primarily for magazines, and others are earning a good income by blogging or running destination websites. Tim Lefel, author of "Travel Writing 2.0" offers many tips on making it as a travel writer, whether in print, e-books, travel apps, or the next media we haven't seen yet.

For a copy of Lefel's book, visit the Travel Writing 2.0 blog at <http://travelwriting2.com>.

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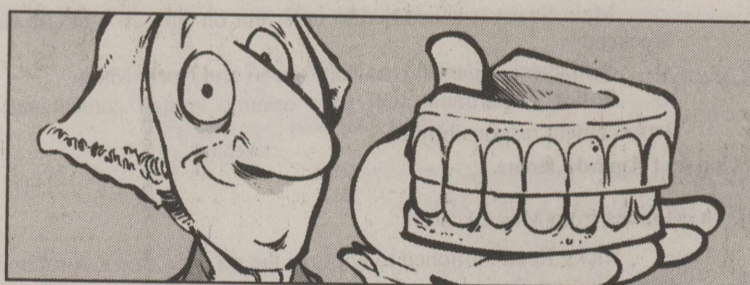
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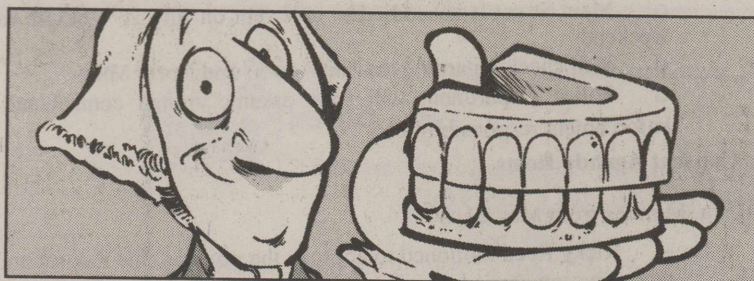
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From the Bird's Nest-August, 2011 By Jerry Birdsong Superintendent-Stratford ISD

It is not too much longer and the Stratford schools will be open for business with hallways full of kids. A new school year brings optimism and energy to a community. There is something special about the first football game, cold front and the excitement of kids returning to classes. Excitement is building around the schoolhouse.

I am proud of our performance from the 2010-11 school year as the TEA rated our district Recognized along with two of our campuses. The third campus just missed recognized due to changes in the accountability system. The district and campuses also met the federal accountability requirements with No Child Left Behind which are becoming increasingly more difficult as the standards continue to rise. When you see a student or a teacher, give them a big pat on the back for their efforts.

The State of Texas will be ushering in a new testing and accountability system over the next two years. Each time that Texas schools master an accountability system, the system changes and the bar has been raised. It has usually taken a couple of years to understand and know the new set of expectations for our students and staff. The progress we make evaluating our curriculum and in reaching all students will have a direct impact on what kind of success we have once the accountability system is back in place for the 2012-13 school year. Time after time Texas teachers and students have responded to new challenges in the past and I am confident that this time will be no different at Stratford ISD.

Adding to our challenges is the cut in public education by the Texas legislature this past spring. Austin's academic expectations continue to rise while its financial support lessens. The state has cut \$4 billion from Texas Foundation School Program and another \$1.3 billion in special program funding. Stratford ISD's share of the cuts will mean \$350,000 less for 2011-12 and \$525,000 less for the 2012-13 school year for your local school district.

Our board and administration remains committed to smaller class sizes and providing the quality programs that the district currently offers. The budget that the administration will submit to the board will contain everything that we feel is necessary for kids to be successful, to operate the district fiscally responsible and as close to normal. Our payroll will be slightly less and overall it will be a deficit budget.

Because of our commitment to fiscal discipline - after all, it is the taxpayer's money - the district is in great shape financially. We can continue to afford the things that we need for educating our kids. Our fund balance is healthy which enables us to absorb the state funding cuts in the short term. But we will not be able to operate indefinitely with deficit budgeting. Budget and tax rates will be approved later this month. Tax rates should drop slightly due to refinancing our debt to a lower interest rate last fiscal year. The budget will be a good budget - it will meet the needs of instructing our kids.

We will have a number of new faces in the district for 2011-12. It is annual passage that valued employees leave the district and we are faced with the challenge to replace them with quality people. We feel that we have again found good teachers and quality people to put in front of our student. The new professional staff includes Ruby Punch (4th grade), Blair Smiley (1st grade), Terri Keener (JH reading), Ryan Tatum (JH History/Coach) and Christopher Lough (HS Language Arts). Stephanie Birdsong will move from a paraprofessional position into a third-grade classroom. We will also have several other new folks across the district including Jasmin Rios (JH Secretary), Sabra Farrabee (Aide), Norma Ruiz (Aide), Margaret Brooks (Aide) and Erika Duarte (Custodian). We will fill an additional aide and custodial positions in the next few days.

We are extremely pleased that these folks have chosen to work for the district.

We are continuing to work to get our campuses in shape for the new school year. Under the direction of a new maintenance director, Kevin Barnett, the custodian staff has done a tremendous job this summer. There are a great number of people responsible in getting the district ready for the start of a school year - building principals, office staffs, custodial/maintenance, transportation folks, cafeteria staff, along with the instructional staff. It is comforting to know that we have competent, capable people in these key positions.

A couple of finishing touches still remain to be done. We resurfaced the parking lots in front of the high school and junior. The sprinkler systems that are being installed are nearly half-way done. The lack of rain this summer really exposed some of the inadequacies of the old sprinkler system. We should be able to get our grounds in better shape in the future.

Elk football and the Big Blue Band began practices last week with a large number of participants in both programs. Cross Country should get started this week. The opening football scrimmage will be this Saturday with Dalhart at Sam Bass Stadium - first whistle at 10 am.

We have a ballgame nearly every week at Sam Bass Stadium. We love to have you come out and support these young people. If you have some years behind you, stop by the business office and pick up a gold card for home game admission.

The annual beginning of the year open house and hamburger feed has been schedule for August 18th. The campuses will run a staggered schedule for parents needing to visit multiple building. The hamburgers will be served in the main cafeteria at the junior high/high school. This is always an enjoyable time for the school administration and the school board to share a meal with our community.

It is an honor and a privilege for me to serve the community, parents, staff, and students of Stratford ISD. Stratford ISD has done a tremendous job of educating the kids of this community for many years. After completing graduation requirements, our kids have doors opened to them to pursue employment, military options or further their education. This is possible because of the excellent staff, along with the great support of the community. It is my pledge to you to continue this tradition of excellence.

Children's Health Update

Get A Healthy Start For The School Year

(NAPS)—The start of a new school year signals time for teens to be with their friends, study new subjects and play their favorite sport. With so many demands on yourself and your teen during the school year, it is easy for your healthy eating and physical activity habits to take a backseat. However, many teens and their families have learned they don't have to let school days lead to skipped meals and inactivity.

Expert Advice

To help, the Weight-control Information Network (WIN), an information service of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), part of the National Institutes of Health, offers the following tips for parents and teens:

- **Don't skip meals.** For increased time and ease, prepare and freeze meals in advance so you'll have something to grab on the go.

- **Think about what you eat and drink.** When part of a well-balanced eating plan, fruits and vegetables can help keep you healthy. Read food labels and limit high-fat, high-sugar and high-salt foods and beverages.

- **Don't eat in front of the TV.** Avoid eating in front of the TV or while you're busy with other activities. It's easy to lose track of how much you're eating if you eat while doing other things.

- **Be active every day.** Teens should be physically active for at least 60 minutes a day but they



Healthy eating and regular physical activity will give you and your teens energy and may help them stay alert in class.

don't have to do it all at once. Ten minutes walking or biking to a friend's house, 30 minutes shooting hoops, plus 20 minutes of dancing fills up the hour.

- **Make time for physical activity.** Work activity into your day, whether through schedule adjustments or 10-minute bouts of exercise.

- **Text less, turn off the TV and move more.** Enjoy the outdoors; try jumping rope, playing Frisbee or flag football and skateboarding.

Free Brochure

You can read WIN's free brochure "Take Charge of Your Health! A Guide for Teenagers!" at <http://win.niddk.nih.gov/publications/PDFs/TakeCharge.pdf>. For more information, call WIN at (877) 946-4627 or visit www.win.niddk.nih.gov.

9th Annual Hogman Scholarship Tournament

The 9th Annual Hogman Scholarship Golf Tournament was held on Friday, July 22, 2011. Scholarship winners were Chris Hart and Tyler Wright.



Closest to the Pin & Longest Putt: Jerry Birdsong and Longest Drive: Preston Burr

Photos by Greg Wright



First Place winners: Kyler Keener, Marcus Lavake, Brent Reed, Ed Moore. In front Ashton Lavake and Mason Lavake. Not pictured Jack Swain.



Second Place winners: Matt Vincent, Tommy Stoy, Casey Lantelme and Preston Burr



Third Place winners: Clay Wilkins, Gregg Hudson, Danny "Skinny D" Davis, Rowdy Lermon and Ransom Lermon



Fourth Place winners, Tim Moore, Jack Powers, Patton Pugh and Luke Cope

EDUCATION

**Help Your Child
Become an
Avid Reader**

NewsUSA
(NU) - Most parents understand the value of sharing reading experiences with their child. However, not all realize that the way they read to their little one, and even how they interact with their child during playtime, can impact learning. Parents can help grow literacy skills while teaching their child to draw, play catch or count numbers. What's most important is making these experiences fun, engaging and memorable.

"The more children interact with reading material, the more active and confident readers they become," says Dr. Carolyn Jaynes, literacy learning designer at LeapFrog, a developer of innovative, technology-based educational products. "Read with your child at an early age, and build fun daily routines that incorporate reading."

Dr. Jaynes offers the following tips for parents who want to help their children become active, avid readers:

- **Read often.** Practice pays off. The more kids read, the more they grow skills. A nightly bedtime story is a good place to start.
- **Make reading fun.** The more engaging the reading experience, the more it benefits the child. Make story books come to life by giving characters different voices and adding drama to the narration; when a character acts surprised or sad, change your tone to express the emotion.

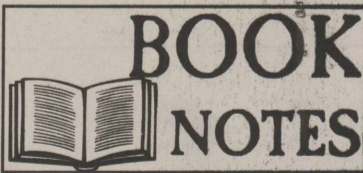
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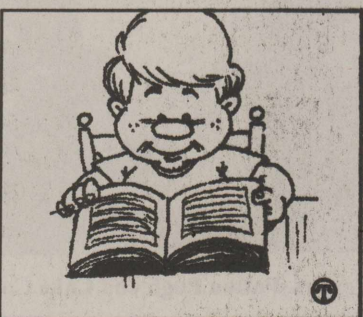
**Juggling Kids
And Parents?
Here's Help!**

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(NU) - As a "sandwiched" caregiver, you often bear the brunt of the financial and emotional strain that occurs when the needs of your aging parents must be balanced with those of your children. An abundance of resources are available to help when you can't always be there:

- **Eldercare Services:** The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's mission is to help older persons, and those with disabilities, live with dignity and choices. A variety of tools may be found at www.n4a.org.
- **Mom's Meals:** Mom's Meals brings convenience and good nutrition to independent seniors by preparing, packaging and shipping fresh-made, ready-to-eat meals directly to a customer's door. These meals are created to meet the nutritional needs of seniors. Visit www.momsmeals.com or call 866-971-6667.
- **National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Managers:** Having difficulty assessing your parents' medical needs and finances? Check out www.caremanager.org. It will help you identify local programs and services to meet those needs.
- **National Association for Home Care & Hospice:** If your parents have become unable to fully care for themselves, yet they would prefer to remain independent, home health care may be the answer. The site www.nahc.org helps navigate the options.



(NAPS) - "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" is an unforgettable novel that mixes fic-



tion and photography in a thrilling reading experience by Ransom Riggs. Available as a hardcover or e-book at booksellers and online retailers everywhere. Visit Quirkbooks.com for more information.

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Name: _____ Phone: _____
School: _____

	6-8	10-12	14-16	Small	Medium	Large	X Large	2X	3X	4X	SUBTOTAL
\$12.00 Dark Heather T-Shirt											
\$15.00 Dark Heather Long-Sleeve T-Shirt											
\$16.00 Dark Heather Sweatshirt	not available in dark heather										
\$22.00 Dark Heather Hoodie											
\$16.00 Black Youth Sweatshirt											
\$22.00 Black Youth Hoodie											

Forms are due by August 19. Add \$2.00 for 2X, \$3.00 for 3X, \$4.00 for 4X:
Can take to the high school office, any cheerleader or mail to: **TOTAL:**
P.O. Box 232, Stratford, TX 79084

2011 Property Tax Rates

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for the listed entities. 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 listed in both years. This year's rollback 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.

	City/Stratford	City/Texhoma	Hospital/Stratford	Hospital/Texhoma
Last year's tax rate:				
Last year's operating taxes +	\$ 561,416.78	26,175.03	999,779.94	9,744.04
Last year's debt taxes =	\$ 26,165.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last year's total taxes --	\$ 587,582.14	26,175.03	999,779.94	9,744.04
Last year's tax base =	\$ 65,583,927	10,448,198	462,813,946	156,656,657
Last year's total tax rate	\$/100 0.895924	0.250522	0.216022	0.006220
This year's effective tax rate:				
Last year's adjusted taxes --	\$ 586,451.58	26,062.30	999,312.92	9,738.76
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)				
This year's adjusted tax base =	\$ 66,715,480	10,918,890	431,019,350	144,464,960
(after subtracting value of new property)				
This year's effective tax rate	\$/100 0.879033	0.238690	0.231848	0.006741
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings)				
This year's rollback tax rate:				
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 560,337.00	26,062.00	999,313.00	9,739.00
(after subtracting taxes on lost property) --				
This year's adjusted tax base =	\$ 66,715,480	10,918,890	431,019,350	144,464,960
This year's effective operating rate x	\$/100 0.83989	0.238687	0.231848	0.006741
1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate +	\$/100 0.907081	0.257781	0.250395	0.007280
This year's debt rate =	\$/100 0.039215	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
This year's total rollback rate	\$/100 0.946296	0.257781	0.250395	0.007280

STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

	City/Stratford	City/Texhoma	Hospital/Stratford	Hospital/Texhoma
If the listed unit adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective rate of	\$/100 0.879033	0.238690	0.231848	0.006741
per \$100 of value, taxes would increase		increase	increase	increase
compared to 2009 taxes by	\$ 1,129.82	72.64	1,797.55	23.38

SCHEDULE A - UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

	City/Stratford	City/Texhoma	Hospital/Stratford	Hospital/Texhoma
Maintenance and Operation-Tax Accts	\$ 99,264.00	0.00	150,000.00	522,934.75
Maintenance and Operation-Other Acc	\$ 8,115.00	147,500.00	0.00	0.00
Interest and Sinking	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

SCHEDULE B - DEBT SERVICE

Description of Debt to be paid from taxes	City/Stratford	City/Texhoma	Hospital/Stratford	Hospital/Texhoma
Total Required for 2010 Debt Service	26,264.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rate calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Appraisal District Office, 402 N. Third, Stratford, Texas.

Name of Person Preparing this Notice **Teresa Edmond**
Title **Chief Appraiser**
Date **August 3, 2011**



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Help Wanted

Cimarron Feeders is accepting applications for the following positions:
*Skilled Auto Mechanic
*Experienced shop foreman
*Experienced Mill Maintenance
*Part-time office clerk
17 miles S Keyes, OK on HWY 171
15 miles N of Stratford, TX on HWY 287, then right 5 miles on HWY 171
Apply in person: M-F 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Great benefits for full-time positions that include: Medical, Dental & Vision insurance as well as 401 K and paid time off. Pre-employment drug screen required. EOE M/F 6-23-tfn

Wanted Experienced Farm Labor, knowledge of Irrigation, late model equipment. For more information contact Allard Farms-Texhoma 580-651-4293. 8-25-3x.s.c

Stratford ISD is seeking a custodian. Applications available on school website or in the administration office. For more information, please call (806) 366-3300

Mission Petroleum Carriers. Immediate Openings! Crude Oil Divers. Safety & Performance bonus quarterly paid every Friday, paid vacation/holidays/jury duty. Company benefit package: medical/dental/vision/life, 401 K with company match; paid orientation/training; referral bonus; Class A-CDL-X req. 2 yrs tractor/trailer exp in the last 5 yrs or 1 yr exp. W/accredited semi-truck driving school diploma. Minimum age: 23. Contact DeAnna Bales @ 1-800-737-9988 ext. 1207 Christy Lawrence @ 1-800-737-9973 or visit us @www.mipe.com Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-3p.m. EOE 8-11-8-18 2 x's c

Lollipop Junction daycare is seeking a highly motivated and loving individual to become part of our team. Contact Brio Beckett at Lollipop Junction, 366-5886 if interested. 8-11-c

For Rent

Nice and close to schools, 2BR, 1 bath apartment. Furnished with refrigerator, and stove, Central H/A. Has stackable W/D hookups. Call 806-244-3418. 7-28-tfn---

Houses for Sale

House for Sale-3 BR, 1 1/2 Bath, new kitchen, new roof, new windows & flooring. Near schools-1306 Putnam call 806-769-4464 3-24-tfn-

REDUCED: Must sell, 3 bed, 1 1/2 bath, sunroom, nice yard. New roof, windows, floors, updated, 24 x 24 shop. 514 N. Fulton, 806-930-3042.

401 S. Maple, Stratford 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living rooms, laundry room, garage. Includes: 3 lots beside the house. (806) 366-3512 or 753-7513.

House for sale: 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1315 Division, close to school. Call 806-268-2754. 8-4 4x's 4th-11-18-25th

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

For Sale: Model 2000 year, Sunny Brook Mobile Scout-Year 2000 Travel Trailer & Fifth Wheel, furnace 31,000 BTU Forced Air, Thermostatic LP Gas Control, Air conditioner 13,500 Btu, Range hood 12 Vor110, Power vent, range-oven, refrigerator-royal large. Double door, TV Antenna, Water Heater, Smoke Alarm, LP Gas leak detector, awning, AM-FM Cassette Stereo, Microwave Oven, excellent condition. For sale: Chevy 2005 Duramax diesel 4 door, 93,000 miles, gray-tires 75% or better, DVD Player in back seat, very clean Highway miles, as a package deal or single
Call Jack Vincent at 806-366-5388 or 570-3991. 8-11-tfn-

Garage Sales

Garage Sale Saturday, August 13 at the Murdock School in Kerrick, TX from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. everything must go, bring a grocery sack or we will furnish you one, fill the sack with anything you want for \$5.00. 8-11-c-

Garage Sale-Saturday, August 13th, 118 S. Main St. 8 a.m. until ? 8-11-p

Did You Know?

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Legal Notices

Legal Notice
#2171

In the Estate of Lynda Kay Stein, Deceased in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the Estate of Lynda Kay Stein, Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of original Letters of Administration to Martha Bain on August 4, 2011, by the County Clerk of Sherman County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 2171, styled *In the Estate of Lynda Kay Stein, Deceased*, in which court the matter is pending.

All persons having claims against this Estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Martha Bain
C/O Brian P. Heinrich
320 S. Polk, Suite 1000
Amarillo, Texas 79101

DATED this 5th day of August, 2011.

Templeton, Smithe, Hayes, Heinrich & Russell, LLP
320 S. Polk, Suite 1000
Amarillo, Texas 79101
(806) 324-0324 -Telephone
(806) 379-8568-Fax
Brian P. Heinrich
State Bar No. 09382320
Attorneys for Martha Bain, Administrator of the Estate of Lynda Kay Stein, Deceased
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, August 11, 2011.

5 Easy Tips For a Happy, Healthy Heart

NewsUSA

(NU) - Experts have found that good nutrition plus lots of fruits and vegetables continues to be one of the best ways to safeguard our health.

Here are five health tips from Christine M. Palumbo, registered dietitian and nutrition advisor for California Raisins:

- 1. Lose 10.** If you are overweight, losing just 10 percent of your body weight will reduce blood pressure, inflammation and belly fat.
- 2. Move more.** According to the latest data, Americans watch 34 hours of TV each week. Try putting a treadmill in front of the screen, jump rope, or march in place during half of your TV-watching time. Even brief bouts of activity improve cardiac risk.
- 3. Eat fish.** Studies find that eating fish two or three times a week can lower LDL (bad) cholesterol, which reduces risk for heart disease.
- 4. Seek power snacks.** Instead of running to the vending machine for a late-afternoon sugary snack, reach for an energy-boosting power snack of California Raisins and almonds. Mix 1/4 cup of raisins and 1/4 cup of nuts for on-the-go snacking all week long. For recipe creations, visit www.loveyourraisins.com.
- 5. Make room for whole grains.** Whole grains run the gamut from oats and barley to brown rice and bulgur. Switch up your recipes, and try making a barley risotto, a bulgur pilaf or a quinoa salad.



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www.GettysburgFlag.com

What is Stars For Our Troops?

The Stars for our troops program takes your worn, used American Flags and turns them into a prized possession for an American Soldier at home, on base or overseas. Volunteers lovingly cut each embroidered star from the flag, dispose of the stripes properly, and place each star into a tiny plastic bag with a card.

The card reads: "I am part of our American flag that has flown over a home in the U.S.A. I can no longer fly. The sun and winds have caused me to become tattered and torn. Please carry me as a reminder that you are not forgotten"

Each star is then handed to, mailed or sent with a care package to an American Soldier or Veteran by volunteers, family, friends and through Gettysburg Flag Works retail location. Your worn out American Flag can touch the lives of 50 American Soldiers even after it's reached the end of it's flying days!

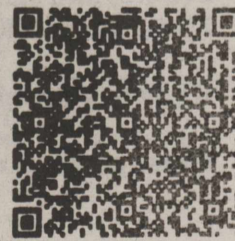
How can you help?

1. Send us your old American Flags. We will see that they are cleaned and each star makes it's way to an American Soldier. To save on shipping, collect your neighbors' flags too, and send them all at once.

Attn: Stars for our Troops
Gettysburg Flag Works
715 Columbia Turnpike
East Greenbush, NY 12061

2. Link to this page and tell your friends. There is an ongoing need for these stars as we have troops leaving for combat all the time, and returning home where they need to integrate back into society. Places that might get the most exposure are facebook, twitter, blogs or personal websites.

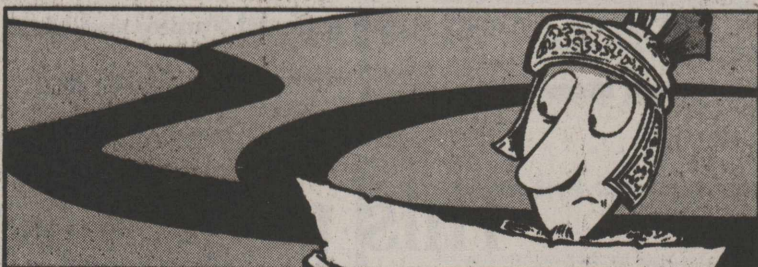
<http://www.gettysburgflag.com/StarsForTroops-AmericanFlags.php>



One of the best ways to get yourself a reputation as a dangerous citizen these days is to go about repeating the very phrases which our founding fathers used in the great struggle for independence.
—Charles Austin Beard

Television is simply automated daydreaming.

—Lee Lovinger



The first long-distance roads in Europe—including England—were built by Imperial Rome for its legions. Some of these still serve as the basis for modern roads.

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



STRATFORD ISD
-MARY ALLEN ELEMENTARY-
SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2011-2012

THINGS WITH HIS/HER NAME!

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

- 1 BOX OF KLEENEX
- 1 BACK PACK
- 1 BOTTLE OF GLUE
- 2 BOXS LRG SIZE CRAYOLA CRAYONS

KINDERGARTEN

- 20 #2 YELLOW PENCILS
- 1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (70pg COUNT)
- 2 BOXS OF KLEENEX
- 6 LG GLUE STICKS or 12 SML GLUE STICKS
- 2 BOXS OF 24 CRAYONS
- 1 PAIR OF FISKAR SCISSORS
- 1 SML SCHOOL BX (NO ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG)
- 2 PINK ERASERS
- 1 BOX BASIC WASHABLE MARKERS
- 1 REST MAT (NO BLANKETS, EXERCISE MATS, OR SLEEPING BAGS)

FIRST GRADE

- 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**

PLEASE MARK YOUR CHILDS

SECOND GRADE

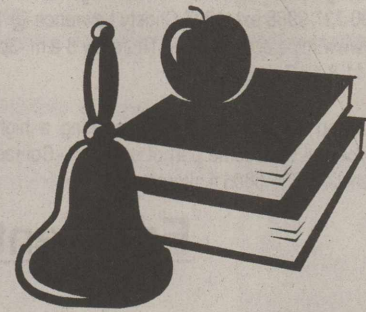
- 2 LRG ZIPPERED PENCIL BAGS
- 2 BOXES OF 24 COUNT CRAYONS
- 2 LRG BOXES OF KLEENEXS
- 1 PAIR OF SCISSORS
- 20 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
- 1 LRG PACKAGE OF RED PENS
- 2 WIDE RULED SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (70pg COUNT)
- 2 PINK ERASERS
- 3 GLUE STICKS
- 2 ROLLS OF PAPER TOWELS

THIRD GRADE

- 2 BOXES 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
- 1 ERASER
- 2 SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS (60-100 PAGES)
- ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG
- 1 ROLL OF PAPER TOWELS
- **NO BINDERS OR TRAPPER KEEPERS**

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
- **NO TRAPPER KEEPERS**



Stratford Junior High School
Supply List
2011-2012

5th Grade

- pencils
- red pens
- erasable 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)
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex

If you buy stretchy book covers, use extra-large for Social Studies and Math

Please put your name on all your items

6th Grade

- pencils
- red pens
- erasable blue or black pens
- colored pencils
- zippered pencil bag
- 1 large spiral- **not** perforated (Social Studies)
- 1 wide-ruled spiral (English)
- 1 pocket folder (Math)
- 2 (1 to 1 1/2-inch) binders (Science and Reading)
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex

If you buy stretchy cloth book covers, use extra large for Social Studies and Math

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Stratford Junior High School
Supply List
2011-2012

7th grade

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

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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