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American Legion National Commander Honors Local Legionnaire

SCOT Hall was the scene on Sunday, February 21, 2016, when local American Legion Member, Don Riffe was honored with a letter and certificate from the National Commander of the American Legion, Date Barnett for 60 years of continuous membership and service in the veteran's organization. The letter and certificate were presented by local American Legion Post 262 Commander, Bob Marr. Commander Marr stated, "It is not very often when our local post has the opportunity to honor one of our own in this fashion. Don Riffe is a wonderful example of what Legionnaires should be. It is indeed a pleasure to have him as a member of our post." After the brief ceremony, refreshments were enjoyed by all in attendance.

Good Luck Elks

Memorial Highway Dedication for Fallen Stratford DPS Trooper Steve Booth to be Held March 24th, 2016

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced today a memorial highway dedication for fallen Stratford DPS Trooper Steve Booth.

On Thursday, March 24 at 2 p.m., a dedication ceremony will take place in Stratford, Texas; at the Sherman County Courthouse. The Trooper Steve Booth Memorial Highway will consist of approximately 15 miles of US-287 that starts at the north city limits of Stratford and ends at the Oklahoma state line.

In June of 1993, Trooper Steve Booth responded to a call of a man waving a gun and driving erratically, approximately two miles north of Stratford on US-287. Trooper Booth located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop. During the traffic stop, Trooper Booth was shot and killed by the driver. The driver was later located in Stratford and taken into custody. He currently serves a life sentence.

Stratford Lion's Club member and close friend of Trooper Booth, Duane Pittman, initiated the proposal for a highway dedication. Pittman and the Stratford Lion's Club worked with State Senator Kel Seliger and State Representative Four Price to have this part of US-287 dedicated for Trooper Booth.

The public and media are invited to attend the ceremony in honor of Trooper Booth's selfless sacrifice and continued support for family and friends.

TAMALE SALES TO BE CONDUCTED

Lollipop Junction, Stratford's non-profit childcare center, will be selling homemade red chili tamales. Tamales will be sold by pre-paid orders for \$15.00 a dozen. Orders may be placed between now and March 28. Tamales will be delivered on Saturday, April 2nd.

To place your order for fresh, hot tamales, call either Julie or Erica at Lollipop Junction 366-5886 or stop by the childcare center located at 210 N. Main Street, Stratford. In addition, you may place an order at First State Bank with Suzanne.

Modern Woodmen of Stratford will be matching the profits of the fundraiser with a donation up to \$2500. The Board of Directors and Staff of Lollipop Junction hope you will help us meet this match. Funds raised will assist with payment of insurance premiums, required fire and safety inspections, and required physicals, inoculations, and background checks of employees.

Don't delay; get your order placed today!!! And thank you for supporting Lollipop Junction.

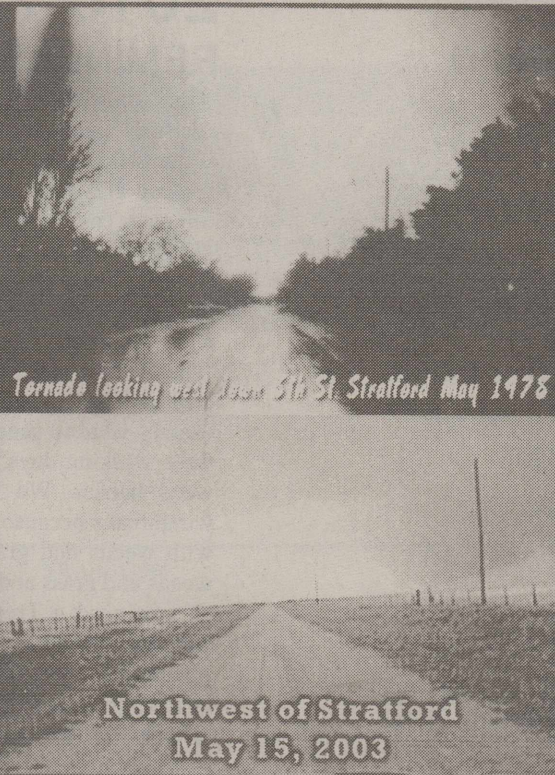
LOLLIPOP JUNCTION PARTNERS WITH AMAZONSMILE

Need to go out of town to buy items that are not available in Stratford? Short on time, interested in supporting Lollipop Junction? Try AmazonSmile.

Lollipop Junction, Stratford's non-profit childcare center, is partnering with AmazonSmile, a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as Amazon.com while supporting charitable organizations.

Internet shoppers interested in helping Lollipop Junction can shop AmazonSmile by selecting Stratford Area Youth Care Agency as their charitable organization when they begin their shopping experience. For eligible purchases, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to Lollipop Junction.

Lollipop Junction encourages you to Shop Stratford First, but if you need to purchase items through Internet sales, consider AmazonSmile.



When will this happen again?
Will you be ready?
Make sure you are!

Storm Spotters Class
March 10, 2016
EMS Building
Stratford, Texas
6-8pm

Open to the Public



XIT RURAL TELEPHONE TO HOST 65th ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will be hosting the 65th Annual Membership Meeting of its rural landline telephone membership on Wednesday, March 09, 2016, at the Rita Blanca Coliseum in Dalhart. You must be an XIT rural member to attend the event, and have a home phone number in one of the following exchanges: Middewater - 343; Texline - 362; Bunkerhill- 377; Coldwater - 384; Kerrick - 727; Stevens - 753; and Lautz - 769. Member registration will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m., and will be followed with a noon luncheon consisting of roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, green beans, hot roll and dessert, catered by The Loose Caboose of Dalhart. Members will be treated to a delicious sit-down dinner served by XIT's own management and employees.

After the meal, XIT will introduce the 2016 XIT Rural Telephone Educational Program recipients to the membership. This is the seventeenth year for the XIT Educational Program. The scholarships are awarded to members' children who are graduating seniors from one of the local area high schools.

The business meeting will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. J.W. McClellan, President of the XIT Board of Directors, will welcome the members to the meeting, and announce the guests who are present. The business meeting will conclude with the election of directors and the drawing of door prizes.

There will be approximately \$4,000 worth of door prizes given away at this year's meeting to members who are present. There will be six grand prizes awarded: 1 - \$500 cash prize; 3 - \$300 cash prizes, and 2 - \$100 cash prizes. There will also be some prizes for the members' children or grandchildren who are 12 years of age or younger. All winners must be present to win.

The purpose of the annual meeting is to elect directors for each district, to review the financial reports for the previous fiscal year, and to conduct any other business that might need to come before the membership.

A quorum must be met in order for the business meeting to convene. Based upon the total number of the Cooperative's members, fifty members or two percent of the members present, whichever is larger, constitutes a quorum.

The XIT board members and officers are: J.W. McClellan, President; Water E. Lasley, Vice President; and Gary Finch, Secretary-Treasurer. Other directors are Marcia French, Nick Olson, Steve Baskin, Gareed McBryde, Barry Poling and Larry Kemp.

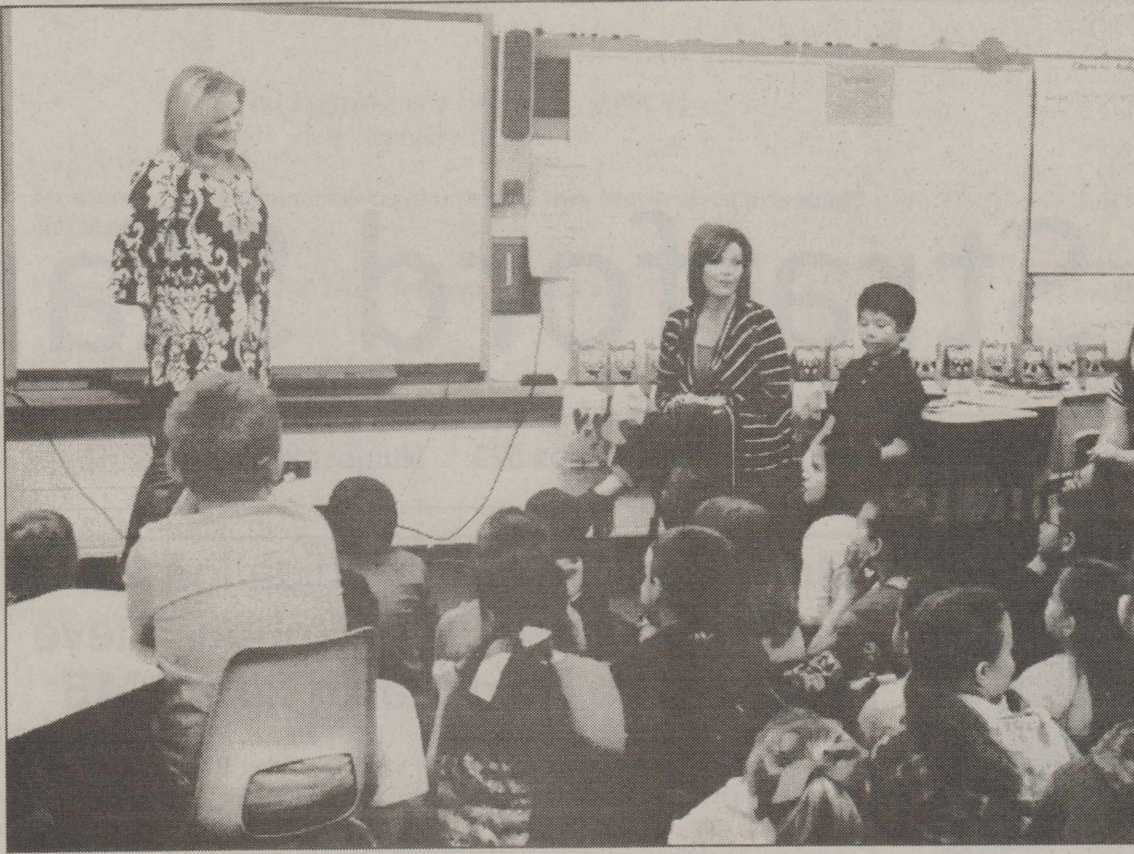
Members of the Nominating Committee met on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at the Cooperative's headquarters office to place into nomination one or more candidates to be elected for the directors' positions. Nominations included: District I, Dallam County - J.W. McClellan, Jr.; District II, Hartley County - Nick Olson; and District III, Sherman County - Gareed McBryde.

Members vote only for nominees from the district in which they reside, or the district in which they have telephone service. No proxy voting is permitted, so all members must be present at the annual meeting to vote. Only one vote per household is allowed per membership, and either the husband or wife are eligible to vote at the annual meeting.

An official letter was mailed to all active members of the Cooperative on February 19th in accordance with the bylaw requirements.

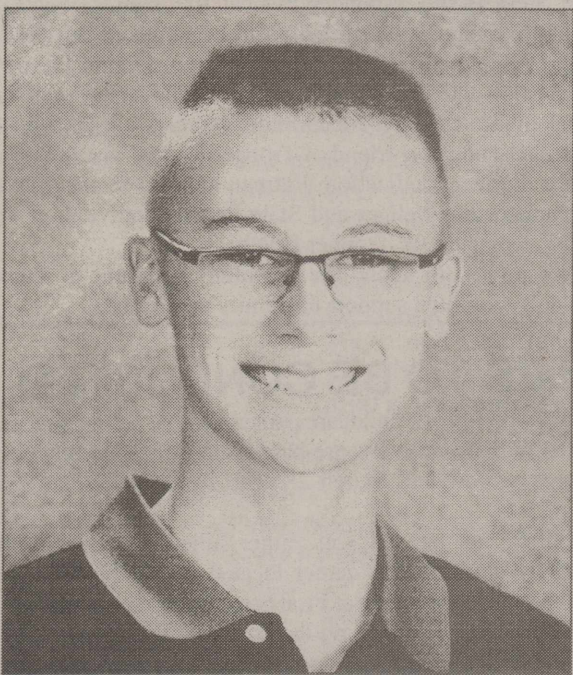
All XIT rural landline members please mark your calendars to attend your 65 annual meeting celebration on Wednesday, March 9, 2016. Please come and be an active part of your Cooperative.

We hope to see you there!



Third Graders working on a Hands-on approach to new skills

This year our third graders have been working on a hands-on approach to learning the new skills required by the state for math. These skills require them to learn about the decisions they may need to make involving spending and saving, as well as ways they can earn an income. The students earn their "Elk Bucks" for completing their homework on time and attending school. They are then able to use these "Elk Bucks" to purchase extra items at the six weeks parties, or save them for a ticket to a larger party at the end of each semester. Happy State Bank generously donated check registers for each of the students to use to keep track of their weekly paychecks. They must fill out their own "checks" when paying for their expenses. We were very pleased to have Mrs. Hinds and Mrs. Keener come and visit our classes to talk about how to start an actual savings account. They also talked with them about planning ahead for future purchases and the benefits and pitfalls of using credit cards. We really appreciated them coming, and hope that we will be able to use what we have learned.



Springer receives 1 Rating at District

Levi Springer, a junior at Stratford High School, competed at District Solo/Ensemble on February 20, 2016 at Canyon, TX. Levi received a 1 rating on his solo *Non posso disperar*. Levi now advances to state competition in Austin in May over Memorial Day weekend.



WTAMU "Showcase in a Suitcase"

WTAMU "Showcase in a Suitcase" is a possibility in the future for Stratford. At the Imagination Station L/R Don Riffe, Kelby Koelder, Joe Bill Sherrod, WTAMU) Laurie Spurlock, Jill Killian, Yvonne Pittman

Medical Benefit Account has been set up at Happy State Bank for David Acosta

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REMINDER - DEADLINE MARCH 7, 2016

Time is here once again for Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual Spring Tree Sale. Order forms are ready and can be picked up at our office at 418 North 4th in Stratford, or we can mail it if you give us a call. We can also email the order form if you supply us with an email address. Just call us or email us at shermawcd@xit.net.

While we try to list as many species that are available for this area, we cannot list them all. If you have any special wants or wishes as far as trees go this year, please call the office at 396-5517 ext. 3 and we will be happy to try and find what you need.

The District can also fill requests for drip irrigation supplies. We keep some drip supplies in stock, and will help in the design of your system and order exactly what is needed for you if we do not have it. Delivery is usually within three working days. You can also help your investment with the installation of weed barrier. We have this available also. This is especially important in windbreaks because we do not want the newly planted seedlings to have to fight with weeds and grass for water. The barrier will help prevent the growth of weeds and grass and keep the moisture in the ground.

If you need a Tree Order Form, want to place an order for trees, irrigation supplies, weed barrier or just have any questions regarding the trees or need help planning for your particular needs, please do not hesitate to contact the District or the NRCS at 396-5517 ext. 3.

Thank you for your continued support of conservation in Sherman County.

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

When nature made the bluebird, she wished to propitiate both the sky and the earth, so she gave him the color of one on his back and the hue of the other on his breast.

—John Burroughs

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Coldwater Manor
Celebrates Valentine's day

Coldwater Manor celebrated Valentine's Day with royalty. This year's King and Queen chosen by secret ballot were Mr. and Mrs. Cartrite. (shown above upper left) Wayne Cartrite has been a resident at Coldwater Manor since March 2015. Wayne retired as a farmer in Sunray, TX. Carolyn Cartrite has been a resident at Coldwater Manor since August 2014. Carolyn retired as a Florist in Sunray, TX. Wayne and Carolyn have been married for 65 years. Congratulations you two. Let's not forget to thank all the family that came out and joined us this Valentine's Day, and for all the staff that helped set up for this celebration. Darling Ding A Ling. (shown at left) Coldwater Manor would like to thank you for taking ya'lls time and doing a wonderful performance for us. We really enjoyed it, hope to see you soon!!

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The Stratford Hospital District operates on a non-discriminatory basis, giving equal treatment and access to services without regard to sex, race, religion, age or ethnicity.

SCOT HALL ACTIVITIES

Men's Pool-daily 1 p.m. M-F

Ladies Mexican Train Dominoes-
Mondays 1:30 p.m.

Ladies Chair Exercises-M-W-F
10:00 -10:30 a.m.

Ladies Yoga-Tuesdays 9:15-10:00 a.m.

Bingo-Second Tuesday 7 p.m.
4th Thursday Immediately following
noon luncheon

Monthly Luncheon-4th Thursday-12 noon
(covered dish luncheon)

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 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Christian Church

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. Steve Ulrey 396-2178
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Junior & Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.

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6th & Pearl
Rectory 366-5687
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Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass or t.
Christian Formation Classes K-6 Grade Wed. Afternoon
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First Baptist Church

Pastor Ron Whitt
702 N. 3rd
Sun.-Coffee 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Children 6 p.m. youth 7 p.m.

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For more info-call 396-2212
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Thurs. Service 7:00 p.m.

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401 S. Wall 396-5376
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Miercoles (Wednesday)
Servicio De Adoration 11 a.m. Estudio
Biblico & Servicio De Oracion 6 p.m.
Servicio De Adoration 6 p.m. se Cuidamos
Susunos Durante El Servicio

Eben-Ezer Templo Hispano

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Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela
806-366-3071
205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287 268-2188
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m. - 12 noon
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Miercoles: Servicio De Adoracion 6-8 p.m.

Kerrick Community

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

Church of Christ

Raymond Glendinning
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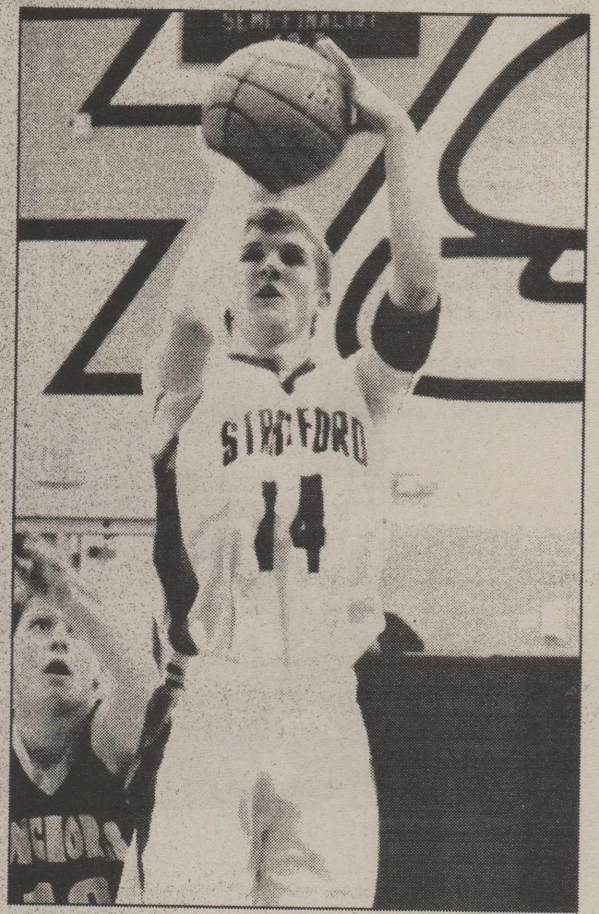


Area Champions

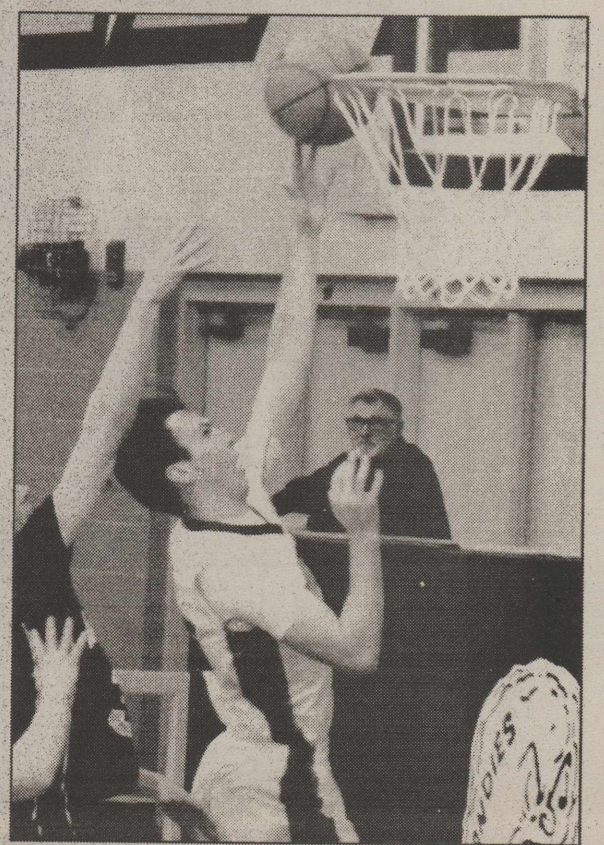
Stratford Elks Area Champions! Standing from left, Gerardo Romero, Ty Hess, Jack McBryde, Gage Brooks, Tanner Stone, Parker Hanna, John McBroom, Russell Spurlock, Shay Hess, Kade McBryde, and Bret Barnard. Kneeling from left: Jackson Wyatt, Chase Lantelme, and Kooper Walden. At press time the Elks played Farwell in the Regional Quarterfinal round on Tuesday, March 1, 2016.



A horse can see better at night than a human. However, it takes a horse's eyes longer to adjust from light to dark and from dark to light than a human's.



Stratford Elk Jack McBryde scores on the jump shot in the Elks 71-52 area win over Vega on Friday, February 26, 2016.



Stratford Elk John McBroom scores and is fouled on the lay-up and makes the free throw in the Elks area win over Vega on Friday, February 26, 2016.

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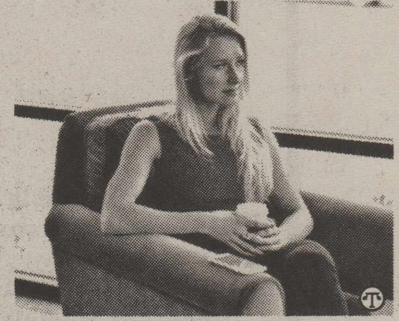
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Home Improvement Tips

Window Film— A Powerful Defense For Homeowners

(NAPS)—Many Americans think they need to worry about skin protection only when they are outside. However, according to the International Window Film Association (IWFA), the harmful UV rays that people are concerned about while outdoors can also penetrate into homes, with the possibility of causing damage.



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Typical windows block as little as 25 percent of UV rays which, if left unchecked, can cause extensive damage to the skin, including premature aging, wrinkles and even skin cancer. Additionally, the UV rays may accelerate the fading of furniture, flooring and other décor.

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—Dan Schmidt

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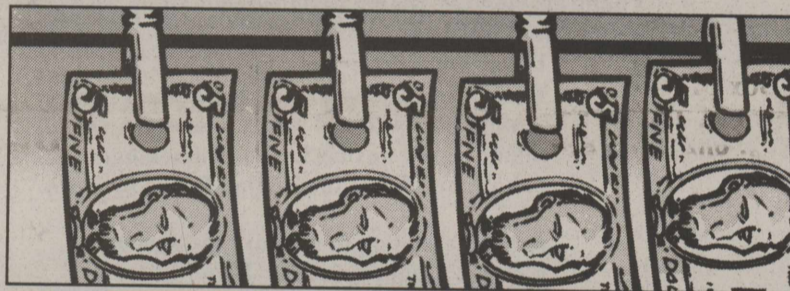
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Dennie Jenkins
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Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the love, all the prayers and those that made special efforts to help us through this time. Our faith has been tested but our family and friends have definitely gone above and beyond to support and encourage us. Thank you to everyone that ate lunch with us at Ol'Biddy Café. And special thanks to Connie and her team. We are truly blessed to live in such a loving and supportive community.

Sincerely Shawn & Audra Meidinger



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City and County Commissioners Minutes

STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES January 26, 2016

Stratford City Council met in regular session with Mayor Reed presiding and the following:

Present Council: Joe Zak, Ann Johnson, James Lutes, Greg Wright, Kyle Sandvig
Absent Council: None
City Attorney: Rob Elliott
City Manager: Tommy Bogart
City Secretary: Kathy Rendon
City Planner: George Harding
Police Chief: Randy Hooks
Fire Chief: Danny Davis

Others: Travis and Sabrina Melton, Dewain and Suzanne Trayler, Adam Bell, Jack Haile

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Mayor Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda Items

- Minutes from regular meeting on November 25, 2015
- Budget Amendments
- Accounts Payable for December 2015
- Financial Statement for December 2015
 - Greg Wright motioned to approve, Ann Johnson seconded, Joe Zak abstained, all else in favor, motion carried.

Presentation to Council

- Oil, Gas and mineral interest retained by Zero Enterprises, Inc.
 - Adam Bell to present
 - Adam Bell reported that Zero Enterprises conveyed to the City of Stratford, the oil, gas and mineral interest for property previously purchased from them in 2005. The Council, Mayor and City Manager gave appreciation to Zero Enterprises for this conveyance and will print a press release of this information.

Council Business

a. PUBLIC HEARING

- Public hearing re: vacating a portion of the streets and alleys for construction of a Pilot Flying "J" Travel Center
 - The public hearing was opened at 6:07 pm. City Attorney Rob Elliott stated that the City has received a petition by Flying J/Pilot to close some streets surrounding the property to be the location of a travel center. All landowners have agreed to the closure. The hearing closed at 6:13 pm.

b. PUBLIC HEARING

- Public hearing re: zoning variance request by Travis Melton at 1220 Olive
 - The public hearing was opened at 6:13 pm. Travis commented that he has a small shop behind his house and wants to operate a small engine repair business. Councilmember Joe Zak reported that the Zoning Board brings a recommendation to approve the variance request. Councilmember James Lutes is concerned about oil on the ground and clutter. Councilmember Ann Johnson feels it would lower property value on homes by allowing a business in a residential area. There being no further comments, the public hearing closed at 6:18 pm

c. Discuss and consider action re: public hearing for zoning variance at 1220 Olive

- Greg Wright motioned to approve the variance, Joe Zak seconded, Kyle Sandvig, Ann Johnson and James Lutes all opposed, the motion did not carry; therefore the request was denied.

d. Discuss and consider action re: Racial Profiling Report

- Police Chief Randy Hooks to present
 - The report was submitted to Council for viewing only. It has been submitted to the proper agency for reporting requirements. The City did receive its share of the narcotics seizure funds from the D.A.

e. Discuss and consider action re: grant submission by Stratford Fire Department

- Fire Chief Danny Davis to present
 - Danny reported that the Fire Department submitted and has been approved for a Forest Service Grant in the amount of \$20,000 with a split of 75/25. He is requesting for the City to pay the total in full and the Fire Department would reimburse the City for the 25% share and forward the check from the grant proceeds for the remaining 75% when it arrives. Joe Zak motioned to approve, Ann Johnson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

City Manager Report

- Xcel Energy has submitted another rate increase. The request has been sent to Alfred Herrera.
- A notice has been sent to the owner of the Snow Cone building for removal of the building from the City property as the contract has expired.
- F & F Construction is looking for an area to store asphalt for a project. Tommy offered a location in exchange for the property to be scraped, leveled and surfaced to prep location for a possible truck parking area which would also have electricity.
- A live hydro stop demo will be conducted on February 17th.
- The backhoe which the City purchased should be arriving in mid-February.

Citizen Comment Period

- Jack Haile commented that he is searching for various locations around town to advertise for the RV park.

Items from the Council

- There were no comments.

Adjourn

- Ann Johnson motioned to adjourn at 6:45 pm, Greg Wright seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS
Be it remembered that a REGULAR MEETING COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2016, at 8:30 A.M. in County Commissioners' Courtroom, in the Courthouse in Stratford, Texas, at which time the following subjects were discussed, considered, passed, or adopted, with the following members of the court present, to-wit:

Terri Carter
Dana Buckles
Randy Williams
Jeff Crippen
David Davis
Gina Gray

County Judge
Commissioner Precinct 1
Commissioner Precinct 2
Commissioner Precinct 3
Commissioner Precinct 4
Ex-officio Clerk of the
Commissioner Courts

1.1 Call meeting to order;

Meeting called to order at 8:30 followed by the pledge.

1.2 Minutes from regular meeting December 8, 2015

Motion by Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

1.3 Routine announcements and reports;

CEU'S for Dana Buckles

Thank you note to acknowledge from 4-H

Thank you to Commissioner David Davis for shoveling the snow off of the court house parking lot

1.4 Bonds;

None.

1.5 Documentation of employment;

Jack Fowler was hired full time salary with benefits, started at \$3,139.04 on January 2, 2016 in the Sheriff's Office.

No Action.

1.6 Reports from departments;

Sandy Baskin- Library

Alexa Reed- Extension Office

No Action.

1.7 Road and Bridge matters;

None.

1.9 Approve expenditure of seizure funds by Sheriff;

Seizure funds expected to be received- \$52,000.00

DA's will get 30% of the funds.

Motion by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Buckles to

approve spending for the use of training equipment and list of supplies totaling out to be \$9,470.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

1.8 Road crossing permits;

No action.

1.10 Use of national motto on Sheriff's vehicles;

Motion by Judge Carter seconded by Commissioner Crippen to approve

the use of the national motto on the Sheriff's vehicles. All ayes. Motion Carried.

1.11 Use of personal vehicle by Sheriff;

Motion by Commissioner Buckles seconded by Commissioner Williams to

approve the use of personal vehicle by the Sheriff when 4 wheel drive is needed. County will pay liability insurance in amount of \$36.19 pro-rated. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

1.14 Use of Exhibit building by WIC;

Motion by Commissioner Crippen seconded by Commissioner Buckles to

enter into agreement with WIC to allow the use of the Exhibit building. All

Ayes. Motion Carried.

Break at 9:08 AM

Meeting called back to order at 9:19 A.M.

2.1 Audit report;

Motion by Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Davis to

approve the Audit report. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

1.12 Handguns in Courthouse and County facilities;

Motion by Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Davis to

approve the order to prohibit weapons in Court House Building. All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

1.13 Annual report of Eminent Domain authority;

Motion by Commissioner Buckles seconded by Commissioner Crippen to

approve the documentation of the Eminent Domain conformation. All Ayes.

1.16 Any other matters which may lawfully be discussed.

Sandy Baskin- 82.45 hours for use of vacation time to be carried over.

Motion by Judge Carter seconded by Commissioner Williams. All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

2.2 Overtime wages and other benefit time;

No Action.

2.3 Payment of claims.

Motion by Commissioner Crippen seconded by Commissioner Buckles to

approve the payment of claims. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Buckles seconded by Commissioner Crippen to

approve recess at 10:34. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Reconvened at 10:58 AM

1.15 Union Pacific railroad crossing issue;

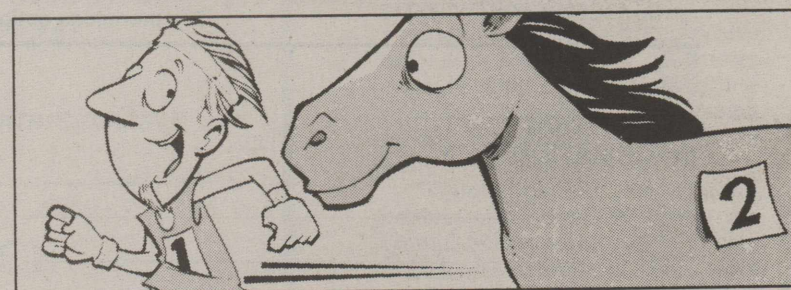
Tabled till Tuesday, February 9th, 2016.

Motion by Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Davis to

adjourn meeting at 11:33 AM. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

I, Gina Gray, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Sherman County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the actions taken by the Commissioners Court on January 12, 2016.

Gina Gray, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Sherman County Commissioners Court By Deputy Brendon Campbell
Terri Beth Carter, County Judge
Dana Buckles, Commissioner Pct. 1
Randy Williams, Commissioner Pct. 2
Jeff Crippen, Commissioner Pct. 3
David Davis, Commissioner Pct. 4
County Commissioners Court
Terri Beth Carter, County Judge



In Llanwrtyd Wells, Wales, a race between a man and a horse is run annually. The event dates from 1980, when a local pub landlord overheard a conversation about how a man could beat a horse over a long distance.