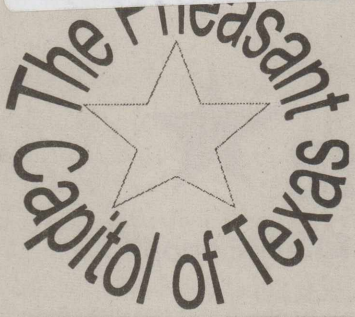
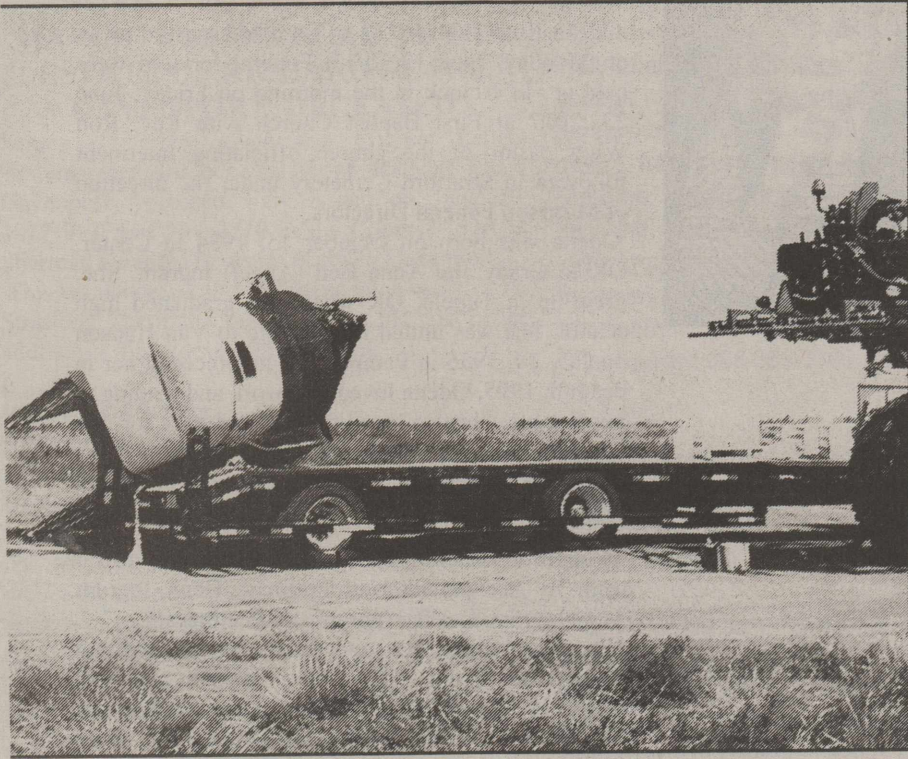


Melvin Mitts 06/18
PO Box 523
Stratford, TX 79084



The Stratford Star

75 cents Published for over 100 years in Stratford, Sherman County, Texas 79084 usps 523 Number 25 June 29, 2017



Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors

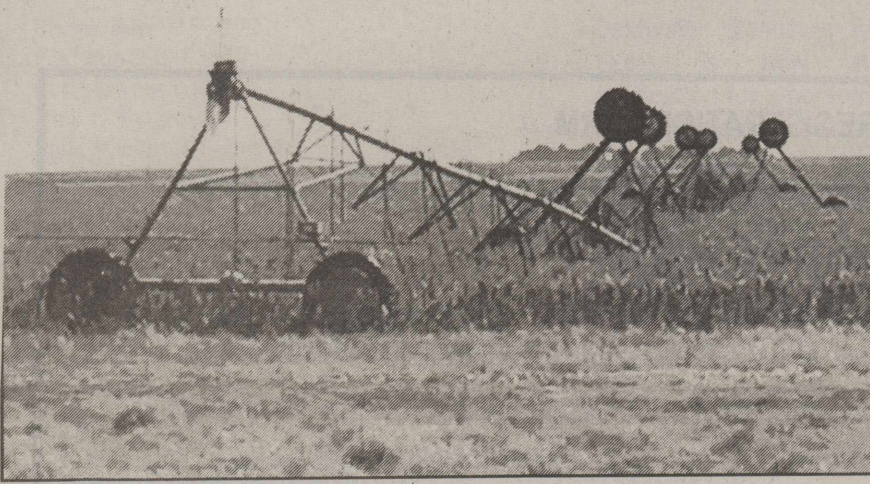
Special Meeting

Date: June 29th, 2017

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Place: Stratford EMS Building

1. Call meeting to order
2. Discuss pertinent information regarding Stratford EMS Services
3. Community comments
 - a. Limited to five (5) minutes per person
4. adjourn



Open letter from Stratford Hospital District

First and foremost I would like to thank you for taking the time to read this letter about EMS services being provided in Sherman County from the Stratford Hospital District. To clarify some of the rumors that you may have been hearing, The Board of Directors directed the CEO to run all entities as efficiently as possible to be good stewards of tax funds. In that capacity we ended up identifying an area of opportunity and we began looking at different options. No decisions have been made and no options have been given or fully vetted. We have simply started the process. There been no decisions made and there have been no options formally presented to the board for any decisions to be about any financial initiatives to spend tax funds more efficiently.

The Board of Directors tasked the Administrator with researching options to be presented to the Board in future meetings that would help reduce the total tax funds being spent to subsidize the operations of Coldwater Manor, Elk Pharmacy, Stratford Family Medical Clinic and Stratford EMS. The EMS is the first entity being looked at due the size of the operating deficit. The administration started this initiative last week and in that capacity the administration felt it was only fair to let the Director of the EMS and the employees of the EMS know what we are doing in case part of this process requires us to talk to other EMS operations in the area about potential partnerships. We thought it was better that the employees heard it from us so rumors and hearsay would be minimized. The conversation that occurred was simply that. It was a notification that the District Administrator is beginning the process. After reviewing the different options all options will be presented to the Board in a public meeting for all to hear. As I said before, no decisions have been made and no formal options have ever been presented to the Board for consideration. This process is just beginning and if the outcome is there are no options then the current status quo of EMS operations will remain.

The Board wants to thank all the volunteers and employees of the EMS and all district entities for the dedication to service to this community. It is not the intent of this Board or the administration to make any decisions that will damage any part of the delivery of care. All decisions that will be made in the future are being carefully monitored, and being carefully considered as a whole, not only by the CEO but by the Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors as well. I would like to thank you again for taking the time to read this, and please let me know if there is anything else I can do to help clarify any questions or concerns for you.

Kind Regards,

Mark Moore CEO
Stratford Hospital District



All photos of the damage to the Spurlock headquarters on 1573 and CR7 shown above on Tuesday, June 20th were taken by Greg Wright. Besides the damage to the Sprinklers and a trailer there was Hail on the crops also. The two microbursts also hit other areas out in the Spurlock Community. Sherman County Emergency Management and NWS determined that this was caused by two microbursts. Some winds were clocked at 118 miles per hour. Luckily no one was hurt but there was substantial damage done. Again thank you Greg for the photos and all that you do to help keep Sherman County and Stratford safe. The community appreciates you.

SCOT Monthly Activities

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

Ladies Mexican Train Dominoes
Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Chair Exercise have been canceled until fall
when school starts again

Ladies yoga with Cindy Jackson
Tuesday 8:15 a.m. (canceled for the next 2
weeks)

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

PROFESSIONALS IN PEST CONTROL TECHNOLOGY
Serving the area since 1965



Stevenson & Sons
Pest Control OF DALHART

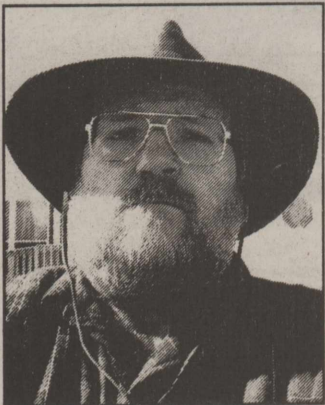
- TERMITE, RODENT & PEST CONTROL FOR YOUR HOME & BUSINESS
- YARD & TREE SPRAYING

DALHART PH. 249-4202
JIM STEVENSON

BOX 192
DALHART, TEXAS



Obituaries



Ron Brooks

August 30, 1954 to June 13, 2017

Ron Brooks, 62 of Stratford, passed away in Houston, TX on June 13, 2017 after battling a lengthy illness. Private memorial services were held by the family. Arrangements were entrusted to Celestial Funeral Home of Pasadena, TX.

Ron was born August 30, 1954 in Martinez, California to Lynn and Marie Brooks.

He married Margaret Wahlfeldt on December 9, 1989 in El Paso, TX and they made their home in Stratford, TX in 2000.

Ron was preceded in death by his father Lynn Brooks and his nephew Jacob Solomon Brooks.

He is survived by his mother, Marie Brooks of Justin, TX, his wife, Margaret Brooks of Stratford, TX, his daughters, Anne of Angleton, TX, Heidi of Amarillo, TX, and Kathy of Goodwell, OK. He is also survived by his sisters Linda Herrera and husband Johnny, Renee Brooks, and Susan DeCoster and husband John, as well as numerous loving nieces and nephews.

He loved his family and his pets with all his heart. He will be truly missed.

The family suggests memorials be made to the First Christian Church of Stratford, Texas.



Odetta Ruth Hudson

October 15, 1934 - June 19, 2017

Odetta Ruth Hudson, 82 of Stratford, passed away on Monday, June 19, 2017. Funeral services were held at 11 o'clock in the morning on Friday, June 23, 2017 at First Baptist Church with Rev. Ron Whitt, pastor of the church, officiating. Interment followed in Stratford Cemetery under the direction of Morrison Funeral Directors.

Odetta was born on October 15, 1934 in Center, OK to Grady and Anna Bell (Angel) Ingram. She grew up in Tupelo, OK where she graduated high school. She was united in marriage to Van Hudson on July 14, 1956 in Pampa, TX; he preceded her in death in 1995. Odetta loved yardwork and tending to her flowers. She also loved to cook and bake for her family whom she loved very much. She also had a deep love for her lord and savior; she was of Baptist faith.

In addition to her husband, she was also preceded in death by her parents and brothers; Hank Ingram, Harry Ingram, Leallen Ingram and Lee Ingram.

She is survived by her sons: Randy Hudson and wife Jonnetta of Krum, TX, Tracy Hudson and wife Sharon of Sanger, TX and Paul Hudson of Stratford, TX; sisters: Thelma Walkup of Tupelo, OK, Betty Reed of Campbell, TX Melba Anderson of Amarillo, TX; brothers: Bobby Ingram of Tupelo, OK and James Ingram of Washington, OK; six grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.



Signs Of Unsafe Driving In Older Adults

(NAPS)—The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) estimates that there are more than 38 million drivers age 65 and older. Age is not the only factor that can impact driving abilities, but it is an important one. There is evidence that most people experience age-related declines in physical and mental abilities. These changes—which can affect everything from vision to how quickly you can make decisions—influence how well you can drive. They can also be difficult to address for yourself or with older people you know, since driving often represents freedom, independence and control.



Are medicines affecting your driving? Some medications can make people feel drowsy and less alert or can limit the ability to pay attention. Some prescriptions even warn against driving. Review medications with your primary care provider or a pharmacist to see whether certain medicines might impact driving.

But transitioning from driving doesn't mean you have to lose these things. Your health care providers or Area Agency on Aging (www.eldercare.gov) can point you toward a range of transportation alternatives in the community. The first step toward finding those tools is recognizing when you might need them.

Signs that an Older Adult's Driving Skills Need Testing

So how do you know whether you or an older adult you know is developing difficulties as a driver? These issues can be warning signs that suggest that an older driver may need to be tested or evaluated:

- Getting lost in familiar areas
- Ignoring traffic signs and signals
- Becoming easily agitated or angered
- Falling asleep or being unable to concentrate when driving
- Reacting too slowly to dangerous situations
- Forgetting or ignoring driving basics (like yielding to the right of way)
- Having trouble judging distances.

Visit www.HealthinAging.org for more.

REGISTRATION FORM

STRATFORD REUNION WEEKEND FUN RUN AND YOUTH BIKE-A-THON

SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2017

As a member of a community that cares and takes care of their own, you are invited to help an area family in need of some extra support, by participating in a **1 MILE Fun Run/Walk and Youth Bike-a-Thon.**

Proceeds from the 2017 Fun Run will benefit the Ron and Margaret Brooks Family. He is currently battling Heart disease.

Run or walk the 1 mile course, or just relax at home as a Couch Potato or Pajama Participant. Children ages 10 and younger are invited to join the fun by riding along in the Youth Bike-A-Thon. T-Shirts can be picked up Thursday and Friday at the Stratford Farm Store (501 S. Poplar) or Saturday morning during registration.

Registration Fee: \$15.00 per person with pre-registration before Friday, July 14th.

\$18.00 per person after July 14th.

*****Race t-shirts are only guaranteed to those who pre-register before July 14th.*****

To pre-register, submit this completed form and your registration fee to:

ViAnn Reed at 1205 NW 1st or mail to, P.O. Box 1223, Stratford, TX 79084, 806-753-7795

RACE DAY: Registration for the race will be held July 29th, 2017 from 7:30-8:15 a.m. in front of the High School. The race will promptly begin at 8:30 a.m., starting and finishing in front of the High School.

PLEASE INDICATE HOW YOU WILL BE PARTICIPATING:

- **RUN/WALK:** Top runners will be recognized at the end of the race.
- **YOUTH BIKE-A-THON:** Open to children 10 years old or younger.
- **COUCH POTATO OR PAJAMA PARTICIPANT:** Support the cause from the comfort of your home or bed and get a race t-shirt when you pre-register.

Name and Address: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

I hereby certify that I am not unmindful of the danger of competing in road races and I agree to assume the risks, in the event of my injury or death while racing in the Reunion Weekend Fun Run/Walk and Youth Bike-A-Thon or participating in any other activity remotely associated with the race, neither I, nor my relatives or representatives will sue any person or organization helping with the race for damages; even if my injuries were their fault. I have confirmed with my doctor that I am physical sound and ready to run, walk or bike the race and I assume responsibility for my own physical well-being before, during and after the race.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT _____

(A parent or guardian must sign if the participant is under age of 18.)

The Stratford Star
(USPS 523-108)
Published for over 100 years
805 Purnell
Stratford, TX 79084
Telephone: 806-366-5885
Fax: 806-366-5884
E-Mail: stardm@xit.net

The Stratford Star is published weekly
Editor & Publisher Martha Robertson
Advertising & Photographer Shari Hudson

Subscription rates
\$33.00 per year in Sherman & Adjoining counties
\$40.00 per year all others
\$27.00 per (9 months) College rate

The Stratford Star-PO Box 8-Stratford, TX 79084
Periodicals postage paid at Stratford, TX
POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Stratford Star,
PO Box 8-Stratford, TX 79084

Attention to all subscribers!!

Rate change

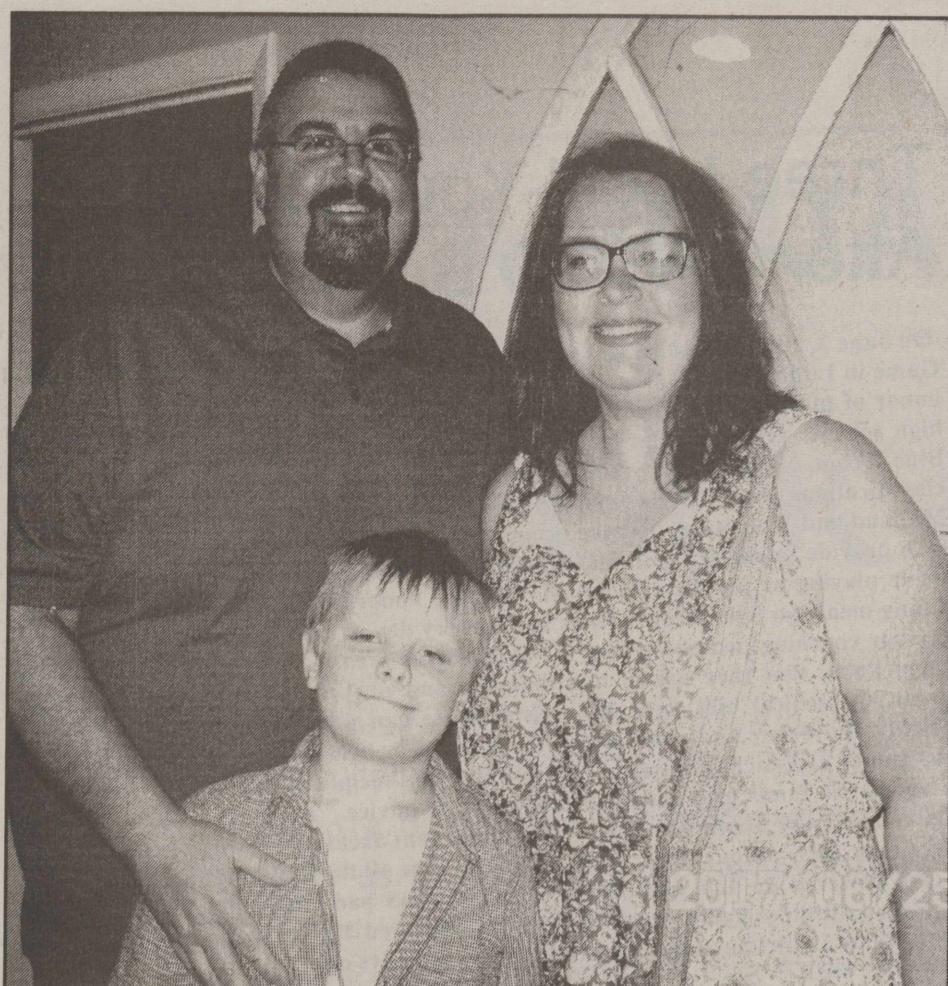
The Stratford Star is no longer sending out notices when your paper is due. Check the label on the paper and see what month your subscription expires. **I will be putting "Stars" on the current month" If you have a Star on your label it means that your sub expires that month.** If you are not sure the amount you owe if you live out of the area call 753-7373 and double check. Locally is \$33.00 and out of the area \$40.00. If you are paying for someone else's sub, you will be billed for that person. The Stratford Star, PO Box 8, Stratford, TX 79084
Thanks-Marty

Mitchell Theaters

Northridge 8
Guymon, OK
www.northridge8.com
580-338-3281

Southgate 6
Liberal, Kansas
www.southgate6.com
620-624-5573

Garden City, Kansas
www.sequoyah8.com
620-275-2760



First Sunday to Preach in Stratford

Shown at Left-Sunday, June 25, 2017 was the first service of the new First United Methodist Church Preacher, Damon Stalvey. He is the former pastor at Margaret UMC & FUMC Crowell for the past five years. Spent nearly 20 years in Youth Ministry. Damon said "We are excited to be in Stratford". Shown Damon, Amber and Henry Stalvey. Photo by Mildred Hacker

Legacy celebrates Father's Day

By Paula Nusz

Legacy Assisted Living, in Dalhart, Texas, celebrated Father's Day on Friday, June 16, 2017. A special Guest, Jenny Colter – a hospice nurse with Dalhart Home Health Services, gave a very interesting program about her trip to Eastern Europe over the 2016 Christmas holidays. The trip was a family affair with Jenny, Jenny's parents and sister traveling together. It had been a lifetime goal for her father, Allen Shepherd, to go to Vienna and to see the Hosburg Palace. Jenny and her father were in Vienna on New Year's Eve and were able to dance a waltz at a special party held in the palace ballroom. This event was one of the highlights of their travels. Jenny had many photos of the fabulous buildings, churches and statues from Vienna. She spoke about the famed Danube River and its importance to the history and the area.

Jenny and her father traveled to Budapest, Hungary. She discussed how the architectural building materials are starting to change from actual marble to painted marble and other building materials. She discussed some of the cultural differences that are showing up in this area. In this country, they visited the Parliament Building. She had a photo of this government building and discussed how much gold-leaf was used in the building architectural decorations, 43 grams! Budapest had major damage to their historical buildings during the World War II. One stop they made was to hospital that was built in a cave system and used during the war. At the time of the war, this hospital was state-of-the-art. This hospital was used for battle injuries from the area because it had its own generator for electricity, but lost its city water supply. During the worst time of the war, this hospital had to reuse bandages for their patients – causing an incredible infection rate! This 'building' is now a museum with many of the original furnishings, medical equipment and even the original operation room available to be shown to the tourists.

The last stop on their trip was Istanbul, Turkey. This country is a mixture of Christian and Muslim religions. This area has also been involved in many wars over the centuries with many different cultures have claimed this town. The architecture is now mainly decorative painting with many geometric designs. Tiny tile mosaics are everywhere. Pictures of people are not used in this culture, so their décor is very different. Some buildings over the centuries have been used by different religious groups. Two of the places that were visited in this town were the Blue Mosque and the Hagia Sophia Church. Spires and domes are very prevalent in this area's architecture. Many Biblical locations are still surviving in this county. It is odd to look at aerial views of this area which show a mixture of modern and historical buildings as well as lifestyles coexisting in 2016.

Legacy celebrates 64th Anniversary

By Paula Nusz

Legacy Assisted Living celebrated with Jimmy and Helen Summerour on their 64th wedding anniversary. Jimmy and Helen were wed on June 14, 1953 at the 1st United Methodist Church in Enid, Oklahoma. The Summerours are the only married couple currently residing at Legacy. Best wishes for many more happy anniversaries are extended to these sweet people.



SCOT Monthly Luncheon Held

By Sonja Ragsdale

Festive table decorations of red, white and blue greeted SCOT members and guests at their June luncheon, Thursday, June 22. Barbecue brisket from Poppy's Pit, side dishes and desserts provided by SCOT members, along with patriotic piano selections played by Marihoward Engelbrecht were enjoyed by all in attendance. Lynn, and Kenneth Wells were hosts for the event.

Margaret Reed was welcomed as a new SCOT board member. SCOT will be selling desserts at the County Barn during the Jamboree meal for seniors. SCOT will also serve as hosts at the reception for the Pioneer Family, July 29 at the Imagination Station prior to the start of the Jamboree Parade.

Yoga classes by Cindy Jackson have been canceled for the next two weeks due to vacation plans. Next SCOT luncheon will be July 29.



Vacation Bible School Outreach to Legacy

By Paula Nusz

Who says that vacation Bible school is only for children? Modern songs and new points of view can open up the Bible to today's children and adults. Legacy Assisted Living Community has been blessed to have had two days of Bible school outreach brought to the residents. On Thursday, June 22 and Friday, June 23, the Dalhart Mennonite Evangelical Church brought children to Legacy to sing their Bible School songs. Ranging in ages of 4-13, over eighty children have studied King Solomon and his great wisdom. Proverbs has been the foundation for the teaching sessions.

This Bible School theme has been about Africa and Mount Kilimanjaro. These children have been learning some Swahili (the language of this region in Africa) which they shared in their songs. Mount Kilimanjaro has six paths that are used to climb to the top of the mountain. During a climb to the summit, five different climates are traversed from the hot savannah to ice and snow at the top. The children learned that in life there are only paths. One leads to destruction and the other leads to God. Hilda Fehr, the Bible School coordinator and Netty Wolf, the music leader, along with many helpers and parents produced a wonderful Bible School. The children were well behaved and so polite. Legacy residents enjoyed their fresh young faces and smiles. Legacy is located in Dalhart, Texas.

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.

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

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.

Heritage Bible Baptist
Pastor Mark Looney
302 S. Main
For more info-call 396-2212
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thurs. Service 7:00 p.m.



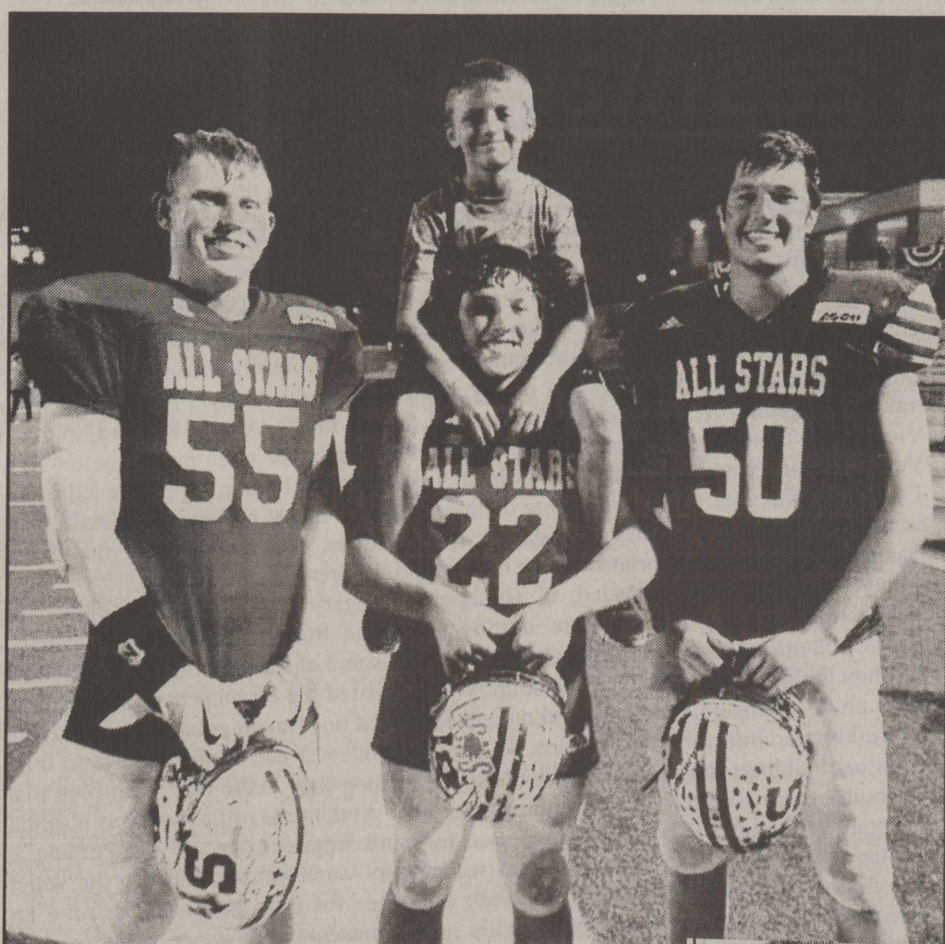
This page sponsored by
Stratford Grain 396-5541
Lautz 769-5541
Stratford Star
366-5885

La Mision Bautista
Mision Bautista
401 S. Wall 396-5376
Domingo (Sunday)
Estuela Dominical 9:45 a.m.
Miercoles (Wednesday)
Servicio De Adoracion 11 a.m. Estudio
Biblico & Servicio De Oracion 6 p.m.
Servicio De Adoracion 6 p.m. se Cuidamos
Susuiños Durante El Servicio

Eben-Ezer Templo Hispano
Asambleas De Dios
Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela
806-366-3071
205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287 268-2188
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m. - 12 noon
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

Church of Christ
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.



Three Local Young Men Attend ASCO Bowl

On June 3, 2017, Stratford was well represented in the ASCO All-Star Classic Bowl Game in Lubbock, TX. Gage Brooks, Parker Hanna and Russell Spurlock had the honor of playing in this prestigious bowl game for young men that just graduated high school. Gage and Parker were on the Red Team and Russell played for the Blue Team. Eighty-two young men from 43 schools attended this event. All classifications from 2A through 6A were represented, and from as far south as Midland and Monahans. Per the program – "The mission of ASCO Football Classic is to provide financial assistance to young men that have been permanently injured while playing or practicing football. We are honored to present assistance to the young men who fight a courageous battle every day of their lives and it is important for our coaching profession and the West Texas area to recognize them and to let them know that they are in our thoughts and prayers. These young men face daunting medical bills and any assistance we can provide as an organization is greatly appreciated and needed." A banquet was held on the Friday night before the games and each boy was recognized and the recipients of the 2017 ASCO All-Star Classic funds gave inspirational words of advice. The boys were coached by Darrell Daily of Abernathy (Blue Team) and Kent Jackson of Seminole (Red Team) over the course of four days. The game was close all the first half but then the Blue Team powered up and won 38-15. All three boys had lots of playing time on the field and all three had a great experience. Pictured are Parker, Gage and Russell with Chase Lantelme (who came and cheered the boys on).

Silver Spurs Rodeo Club

Silver Spurs Rodeo Club held their 5th play day this summer on June 24th. It was a beautiful morning and we had a great turnout.

In our Stick Horse Division: Victoria Joyner of Dalhart ran a 11.75.

Pee Wee Division:

From Texhoma, Blayze McFarlen, Alyssa Ortega, and Rowdy Powers From Stratford, Aubrey Reed, Annabelle Howell, and Rhette Howell. Junior Division:

From Stratford, Morgan Clift, Ellie Clift, Turley Howell, and Brennan Lyman From Dalhart, Noelia Joyner.

Intermediate Division:

From Texhoma, Taylor McFarlen, Marion Johnson, and Josh Ortega From Elkhart, Dalli Simmons

From Stratford we had Kaytly Clift

From Dalhart, we had Monique Joyner and Sofia Joyner

Senior Division:

From Texhoma we had Clarice Cain.

Come celebrate in Red, White, and Blue at our next play day on July 8th. Books open at 9 and events start at 10.

You can follow us on our Facebook Page- Silver Spurs.



Business Directory

PO Box 510
Stratford, TX 79084
Phone: 806-366-5557

Duncan Chevrolet
www.duncanchevrolet.com
E-mail: duncanch@xit.net
AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION

FARMERS INSURANCE
Clements Insurance
Home • Auto • Life
Farm & Ranch • Commercial
Gary Clements

621 Peters Avenue
Dalhart, TX 79022

205 N Main
Stratford, TX 79084
Cell: 806 346-5217
gclements@farmersagent.com

Stratford Auto Electric
806-366-5941
saeroymc@gmail.com
Altronics, starters, Alternators,
ACmotors
New & Rebuilt
Full Line Available

Vincent Insurance Agency
Sabrina Melton

PO Box 739
Stratford, TX 79084

Office: 806-396-2456
Home: 396-2512
Email: vincins@xit.net

Stratford Grain Company

Stratford 396-5541
Lautz 769-4485

4 North Main

DAVIS GEOMATICS, LLC
PROFESSIONAL GEOMATIC CONSULTANTS

J.D. Davis
R.P.L.S., L.S.L.S., CFedS
Licensed State Land Surveyor
Certified Federal Surveyor
COLORADO • KANSAS • OKLAHOMA • TEXAS

Office: 806-374-4334 • Cell: 806-336-0564 • Fax: 806-359-0686
Toll Free: 866-570-0169 • www.geopro.us • e-mail: jdavis@geopro.us
P.O. Box 4061 • Amarillo, Texas 79116-4061
Firm No. 100828-00

A & I Parts Center

Automotive and Industrial Parts
201 N. 2nd Street-
Stratford, TX 79084

Tel: (806) 366-5592
*Toll-free 800-624-5494
Fax: (806) 366-2583

Albert's Manor House Restaurant

Daily Specials
Friday Night
Fish Buffet
Sunday Buffet
Breakfast All Day

Open-6 a.m. – 9 p.m. Everyday
TAKE-OUTS WELCOME
1817 Dumas Ave Dumas, TX
935-5507


Structured Touch Massage Therapy Clinic
Cece Yelek, CMT, LMT
401 N. Third #11, or 7199 Co. Rd P
Stratford, TX - Sunray, TX
Office 806-366-ahhh (2444)
Cell 806-290-3655
Open 9-5 by Appointment Only

HUNTER OVERHEAD DOOR CO.
806-244-5330
Office 806-244-5330
Jerry Cell 806-676-2902
Mickie Cell 806-683-5025
SHOP-71 WOODLAND PARK
DALHART, TEXAS 79022
We sell, install and repair
all doors and operators

7th ANNUAL SCDC BLOCK PARTY

This year's Block Party will be held during the Stratford Jamboree on Saturday evening, July 29, 2017. Non-profit and for-profit organizations, private businesses & citizens are invited to sign up for a designated space as early as possible. People have already signed up to sell cold drinks, water, ice & cups, jewelry & crosses and essential oils. Groups, restaurants, individuals - anyone who wants to sell any type of food - burgers, ice cream, cookies, ribs, etc - Contact SCDC. ALL Vendors selling merchandise, food, drink, etc are invited to reserve their space. There is no charge for spaces but you will be assigned a certain spot. If you have questions call SCDC at 366.2897, text your request to 806.753.6897 or email scdc@xit.net.

1st ANNUAL STRATFORD JR RODEO

Saturday - July 29, 2017 

Sherman County Arena @ Hwy 287 & 15

Books open at 12 noon, Rodeo starts at 1 p.m.

Barrels, Poles, Flags, Steer Daubing, Breakaway & Goat Tying

Ages include peewee 0-6, jr. 7-10, int. 11-13, & sr. 14-18

\$8/event, \$12 livestock event - 1st Place Buckle,
2nd Place 40% payback and 3rd Place 20% payback.

****Call Alexa Reed @ 806.390.9030 for information.****

Pick up food at the BBQ or other food spots in town and head out to the arena!

**Parade starts at 10:30 a.m., everyone is welcome to ride in the parade with the Silver Spurs Rodeo Club, contact Alexa to see where everyone is lining up.*

Tech Topics

Making E-mail Secure Is Just Not That Difficult

(NAPS)—E-mail security is not the problem—it's how we use e-mail that is the problem. There has been no lack of press and attention regarding the insecurity of e-mail and the consequences of account hacking. Look no further than the latest elections, the Sony Pictures hack, the latest Yahoo compromise, etc. We hear about the problem all the time. What is missing from all the discussion is how to solve the problem.

E-mail in its stock form is inherently insecure but that does not mean that it must stay that way. With a little bit of effort, one can confidently send secure e-mail with virtually no risk of the contents being compromised.

An analogy is that of a car and a seat belt. Cars are useful and largely safe. But we can make them safer by buckling up. While seat belts were not used regularly for many years, today, we understand their benefit and they are widely used. We need to make e-mail safe and secure and we can do this when e-mail encryption becomes as widely used. So get ready to buckle up before sending.

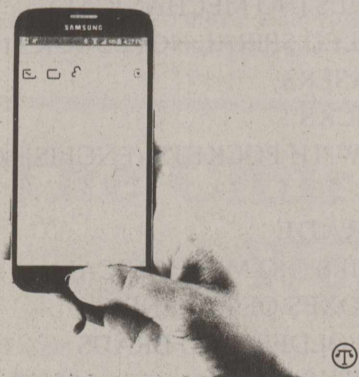
E-mail Suffers From Two Problems:

The first problem is that the content of your e-mails is readable when the e-mail is "at rest" (stored on either your system or on the corporate or cloud-based server such as Gmail). E-mails that are at rest can be easily read by any administrator with rights to administer the system or by anyone with your e-mail address and password.

The second problem is guaranteeing your identity or the identity of someone sending you an e-mail. Your identity or that of any sender can easily be spoofed. You have no way to be confident that the e-mail you received was from who it claims to be, nor can anyone be confident that e-mail from you came from you. All one needs is a friendly e-mail server (i.e., one where you have administrator rights) to spoof e-mail "To:" and "From:" addresses.

While these problems are significant, there is a great and relatively easy way to buckle up when using e-mail that solves both problems.

Encrypting your e-mails end to end (E2E) from within the e-mail client solves the problem by ensuring that



Keeping e-mails secure can be simpler—and more necessary—than many people realize.

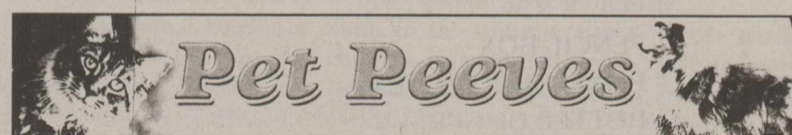
they are safe and secure at rest (and in flight). Your content might get hacked but the hackers wouldn't be able to read the content because it is encrypted. If your account has been compromised such that a third party has access, they wouldn't have access to your encryption keys and thus couldn't decrypt your content.

The second problem is solved with a technology that is closely related to encryption called Signing. When an e-mail is signed electronically, it guarantees that the sender is as advertised.

How does one get these protections? First, both sides of the communication need to agree to participate. It also takes an extra step, like buckling up your seat belt—you need to press a button (within your e-mail client) to secure your e-mail.

Modern encryption products such as those offered by TruSera let you encrypt and sign your e-mails using your existing e-mail accounts and using whatever platform you might like to consume and send e-mails. TruSera supports iPhone/iPad, Android, Mac, Windows, and Windows Outlook.

Much like with buckling up or backing up your data, we all know we should be more secure with our messaging and now we easily can. There is no better time than now to start encrypting your e-mails. It is just not that hard to make e-mail safe and secure. Though the hackers hope you don't...



Close The Lid On Cat Litter Odors

(NAPS)—According to the ASPCA, there are more than 85 million pet cats in America. If one (or more) of them is yours, you may have noticed one aspect of cat companionship that's less than delightful: the litter box. Fortunately for cats and their humans, following a few steps can help keep the odor down and the litter box use up.

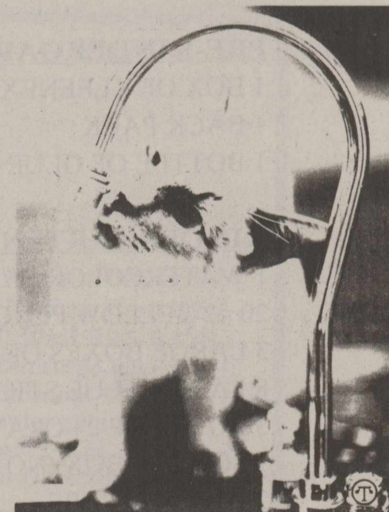
What You Need To Know

To help keep your home from smelling like cat litter, you need to have the right number of litter boxes and deal with them promptly and properly.

- Veterinarians recommend you have at least one more litter box than you have cats: two boxes for one cat, three for two and so on. That will make sure your cat always has a place to go.

- When adding the litter, don't overfill. Most cats prefer two inches of litter or less. Too deep, and your cat may not like his or her footing and opt to go elsewhere.

- If your cat does miss the litter box, don't panic. If it's a onetime thing, treat the affected area with water, vinegar and mild soap and blot dry. If it happens a lot, consider moving your litter box, retraining your cat, or visiting the vet to make sure it's not a medical issue.
- Be diligent about cleaning the litter daily. One thing that makes that a lot easier is a Litter Genie Pail with its unique airtight design and a seven-layer refill bag with odor barrier technology that locks away bad smells and germs. It holds up to two weeks of cat litter for one cat, so you can avoid constant trips to the trash. The Litter Genie Plus range also features an antimicrobial that inhibits odors caused by bacteria on the pail.



A little care on your part can help you enjoy the company of your feline friends without your company noticing litter box odor.

All you do is:

1. Scoop
2. Open the lid and drop the clumps
3. Pull the handle to lock it in.

It's that simple, and locking away used litter can help keep your home smelling fresh and your cat happy.

The refill cartridges last up to eight weeks with one cat, and the compact pail fits in bathrooms, under kitchen sinks and in other small spaces.

Learn More

Litter Genie is available in Petco, PetSmart, Target, Walmart, Amazon.com, Chewy.com and other retailers where pet products are sold. For further facts and tips on cat care and litter odor control, go to www.littergenie.com.

Riches may enable us to confer favours, but to confer them with propriety and grace requires a something that riches cannot give.

—Charles Caleb Colton

Stratford Hospital District Board Meeting Minutes May 16, 2017

Board Members Present

Richard Chumley
Janet Reinart
Cecil Wright

Others Present

Mark Moore
Armando Rivera
Jamie Jacoby
Jimmy Lanning
Donna Zimmer
Shelly Worley

Meeting called to order:

Opening Prayer:

Community Comments: No community comments

Richard Chumley asked for the motion to approve the April monthly minutes. Janet Reinart motioned to approve the minutes and Cecil Wright seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

CEO Report:

Stratford Hospital District:

Richard Chumley asked for a motion to purchase a lawn mower for Stratford Hospital District. Cecil Wright motioned to approve and Janet Reinart seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Coldwater Manor:

Mark Moore discussed with the Board of Directors that he is still searching for a new vending machine.

Mark Moore requested the need for refinishing and repair for the residents room doors. The Board of Directors requested to contact more than one for bids for the refinishing of the doors.

Mark Moore contacted XIT communications on supplying Coldwater Manor with cable access for the resident rooms. XIT communication does not have the wiring capability to furnish cable through Coldwater Manor. Mark Moore will check with Dish and Direct TV.

Clinic:

Stratford Family Medical Clinic is seeing on an average of 28 patients per day. Repairs for the plumbing has been completed.

Pharmacy:

Mark Moore reported to the Board of Directors on average of 100 prescriptions were sold daily.

EMS:

Jimmy Lanning reported to the Board of Directors that for the month of April the Stratford Emergency Medical Service had 32 Calls, 15 Transports, 16 Non Transports and 1 Stand-byes.

Mark Moore reported to the Board of Directors that a new air conditioner was purchased for the EMS building.

New Business:

An Agreement between Stratford Hospital District and HHSC for the final MPAP payment was approved. Richard Chumley asked for a motion to approve the final payment. Janet Reinart motioned to approve, Cecil Wright seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

LTC Group was discussed and approved. Richard Chumley asked for a motion to approve the LTC Group. Cecil Wright motioned to approve, Janet Reinart seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Armando Rivera discussed the financial report with the Board of Directors with no overall concerns.

Richard Chumley asked for the motion to approve the district bills. Janet Reinart motioned to approve, Cecil Wright seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Richard Chumley asked for a motion to adjourn at 6:29 PM to go into the executive session, Cecil Wright motioned, Janet Reinart seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Richard Chumley asked for a motion to exit the executive session at 7:36PM. Cecil Wright motioned, Janet Wright seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Richard Chumley asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:37 PM. Janet Reinart motioned, Cecil Wright seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-0523

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS, ADOPTING A BACKFLOW/CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM, CONSISTING OF A NEW CUSTOMER WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT, A CUSTOMER SERVICE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE AND A BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TEST AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

STRATFORD ISD MARY ALLEN ELEMENTARY- SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2017-2018

PPCD/LIFE SKILLS

2 LARGE GLUE STICK
2 BOXES OF 24 COUNT CRAYONS
1 FOLDER W/POCKETS
1 PENCIL BOX
4 BOXES OF KLEENEX
1 BOTTLE OF GERM-X
1 BACKPACK

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

1 BOX OF KLEENEX
1 BACK PACK
1 BOTTLE OF GLUE

KINDERGARTEN

1 WATERCOLOR SET
20 #2 YELLOW PENCILS
3 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
8 LARGE GLUE STICKS
3 BOXES OF 24 CRAYONS
1 SCHOOL BOX (NO ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG)
2 PINK ERASERS
1 REST MAT
• (NO BLANKET, EXERCISE MAT/SLEEPING BAG)

FIRST GRADE

24 #2 YELLOW PENCILS
1 BOX OF 24 CRAYONS (NO FLUORESCENT)
1 PLASTIC PENCIL/CRAYON BOX
1 BOX OF ZIPLOC BAGGIES-QUART SIZE
1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK-WIDE RULED, 1 SUBJECT
4 LARGE GLUE STICKS
3 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
2 ROLLS OF PAPER TOWELS
• NO PENCIL SHARPENERS

SECOND GRADE

2 LRG ZIPPERED PENCIL BAGS
2 BOXES OF 24 COUNT CRAYONS
3 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
1 PAIR OF SCISSORS
40 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
3 WIDE RULED SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS (70pg COUNT)
2 PINK ERASERS
3 GLUE STICKS
1 FOLDER WITH POCKETS-(ENGLISH CLASS)

THIRD GRADE

20 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
2 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
2 POCKET FOLDERS- NO BRADS
3 GLUE STICKS
2 PINK ERASERS
1 PACKAGE OF CAP ERASERS
1 PKG WIDE RULED NOTEBOOK PAPER
1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK-WIDE RULED (60-100 PAGES)
ZIPPERED PENCIL BAG
• NO BINDERS OR TRAPPER KEEPERS

FOURTH GRADE

1 SPIRAL NOTEBOOK (1 SUBJECT)
1 PKG 12 COLORED PENCILS
2 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
30 #2 PENCILS (NO MECHANICAL)
1 PAIR SCISSORS
2 PACKAGES NOTEBOOK PAPER
2 GLUE STICKS
1 BOTTLE WHITE SCHOOL GLUE
2 PINK ERASERS
24 COUNT CRAYONS
2 1-INCH 3 RING BINDER NOTEBOOKS
1 COMPOSITION BOOK
1 CLIP BOARD
PENCIL BAG W/ZIPPER
• NO TRAPPER KEEPERS

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CHILDS
BELONGINGS WITH HIS/HER NAME!**

Pays to Look in The

★ Star Classifieds

Phone 366-5885 ...The Best Salesperson Around

Legal Notice Help Wanted

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RICHARD CLARE DAVENPORT, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Richard Clare Davenport Deceased were issued on June 20, 2017 in Cause No. 2270 in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to Betty Jo Davenport. The residence of the Independent Executrix is: Stratford, Sherman County, Texas; the post office address of the attorney for the Estate is:

Rick L. Russwurm
Attorney at Law
PO Box 718
Dumas, TX 79029

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED: this 20th day of June 2017.

Signed:
Moore, Lewis & Russwurm, P.C.
713 Bliss, P.O. Box 718
Dumas, Texas 79029-0718

Phone: 806-935-9272
Fax: 806-935-9354
rickAlawmir.com
Rick L. Russwurm
State Bar No. 17443550
Attorney for Betty Jo Davenport
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, June 29, 2017

Stratford ISD is seeking a highly motivated, team minded individual for campus level special education paraprofessional. Applicants must have a High School Diploma. Applications available on the school website at www.stratfordisd.net or in the business office. For more information, please contact Clint Seward 806-366-3300 2 x's

Needed someone to load big tree branches out of my backyard. Thank you
Linda Forthman

Coldwater Manor in Stratford Texas is looking for experienced RN's LVNs and CNA's. If interested please come by 1111 Beaver Road for an application or send your resume to dgross@shdistrict.com EOE

Coldwater Manor in Stratford, Texas is now accepting application for a person to work in the Dietary Department and Housekeeping. If interested come by 1111 Beaver Road in Stratford, TX for an application. EOE

Help Wanted

Pen Rider

Feedyard: Reeder Cattle Company
Contact: Chantal Orrantia or Cheri Allard at (806) 753-4533

Position Description: Responsible for monitoring animal health, pen and equipment inspection and reporting.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Ride through pens and/or pastures on horseback, inspect cattle, and make decisions about pulling animals to be evaluated
- Evaluate tanks and pens for maintenance needs
- Shipping, receiving, processing and sorting cattle, verifying head counts
- Move individual cattle or groups of cattle using humane handling practices
- Perform general housekeeping duties
- Comply with company safety rules and regulations

Healthy Air, Healthy Home

(NAPS)—Even when your home looks spotless, there may be dirt lurking in places you can't see—but where it can do you harm: inside your ductwork. Fortunately, that can be fixed.

The Problem

Very fine dust, bacteria, mold and small particles can get deposited in your HVAC system and air ducts. There, they reduce the air quality of your home, reduce airflow through your system and reduce heat transfer at the cooling or

heating coils in your system. That can cost you money—the U.S. Department of Energy says 25 to 40 percent of the energy used for heating or cooling a home is wasted. It can also cost you your good health: Allergy and asthma sufferers, as well as young children and the elderly, tend to be more susceptible to poor indoor air quality.

What You Can Do

Cleaning the vent plates in your home is as easy as using a vacuum wand to remove the dust on top. Cleaning inside the air vents, however, needs a professional touch. A cleaning company that's a NADCA member must:

- Have at least one certified Air Systems Cleaning Specialist on staff
- Maintain general liability insurance
- Agree to clean according to NADCA Standards and comply with NADCA's Code of Ethics. These requirements were established to provide a higher level of assurance to consumers.

How To Find a NADCA Professional

Quality cleaners can be easy to find. NADCA's Find a Professional Directory lets consumers locate NADCA members nearby just by typing in a zip code. The directory can also help you verify that an air duct cleaning company that claims to be a NADCA member actually is a member.

Learn More

For further facts on having healthy air in a healthy home, go to www.nadca.com.

Stratford Hospital District

"Proudly serving the medical needs of Stratford and Sherman County"
Stratford Family Medical Clinic

Stratford Family Medical Clinic

Mon. - Thurs 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fri, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
396-5583 Tommy Brian, ANP & Krista Brown ANP

Elk Pharmacy

Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. - 5:30 PM

"Check our Competitive pricing"

"Compounding Available"

366-5505 Shelly Worley, PharmD,RPH

Coldwater Manor Nursing Facility

396-5568 Mark Moore, LNFA

Stratford EMS

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

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.



OUR HOME IS IN RURAL AMERICA

We're proud to be a Reinke dealer and represent a company that calls rural America home. Reinke is an independent company that cares more about building great irrigation systems than returning dividends to stockholders. Just like us, Reinke values honesty, trust, common sense and tradition. If those things are important to you, too, come see us to learn more about high-performance Reinke irrigation systems.



Texas Electric Co.

301 North Poplar
PO Box 1123
Stratford, Texas 79084

www.reinke.com

806-396-2300 Office
806-679-9007 Chuck's Cell



STRATFORD ELK



SPORTS CAMP



BE A PART OF THE STRATFORD ELK TRADITION

LEARN FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS IN FOOTBALL & BASKETBALL

FOR INCOMING 3RD GRADE - 9TH GRADE

JULY 24-27

9:00AM - 12:00

\$50

STRATFORD ELK CAMP T-SHIRT &
BASKETBALL INCLUDED

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ELK SUMMER CAMP

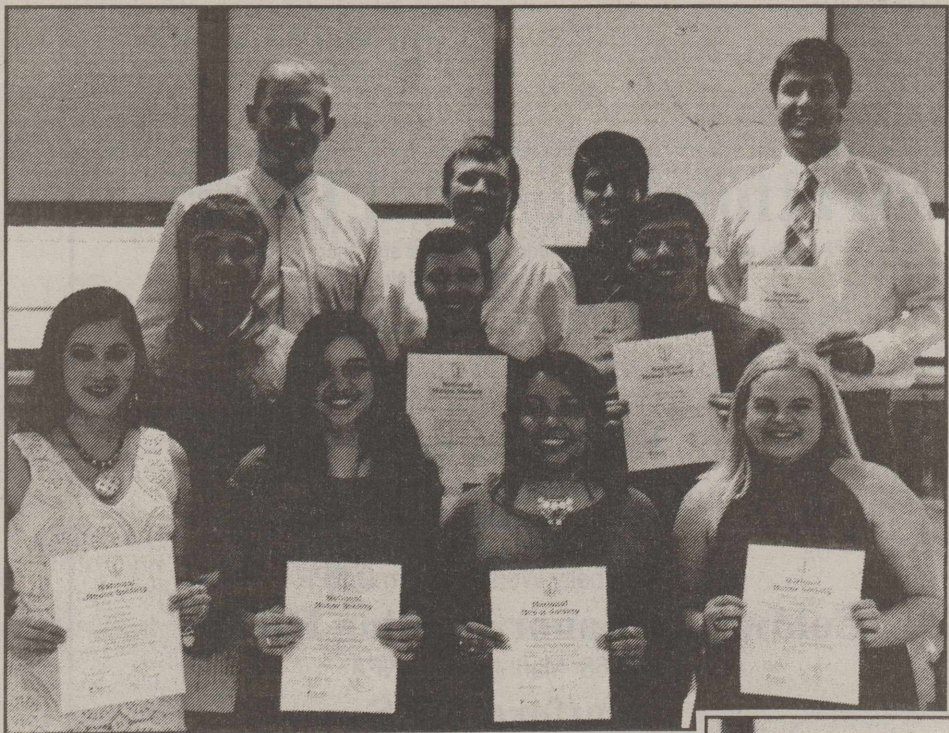
ALL CAMP FORMS & MONEY RETURNED TO COACH LOVORN OR COACH WYATT BY JULY 14

NAME:

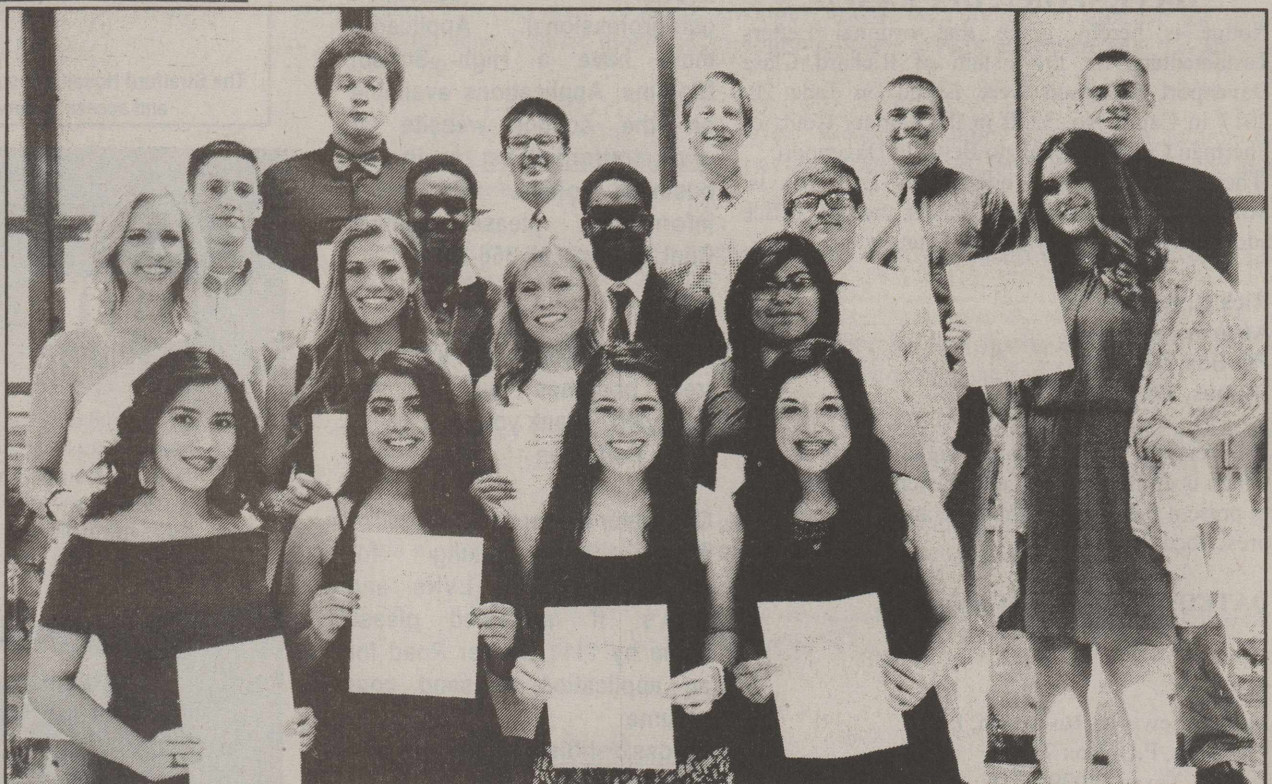
GRADE:

T-SHIRT SIZE:

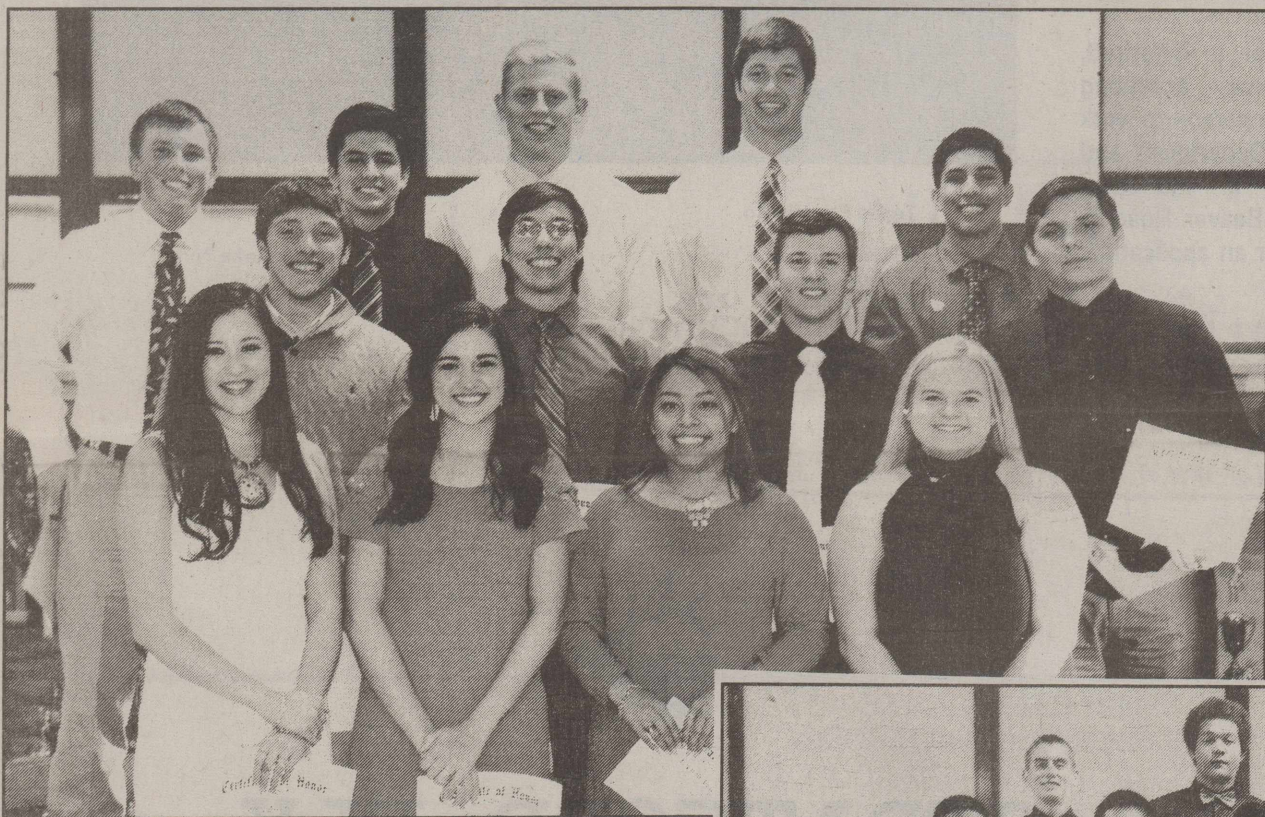
Stratford High School Scholastic Banquet



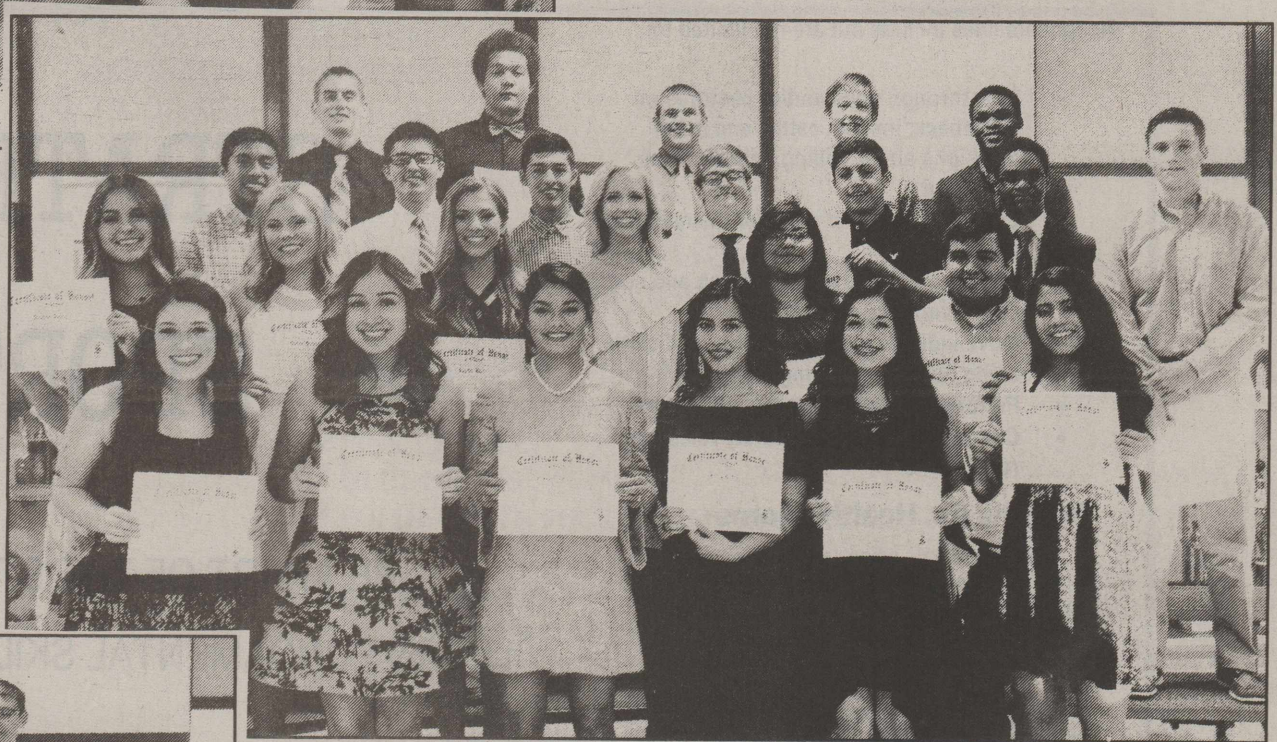
National Honor Society Seniors - B:F /
 L:R :Parker Hanna, Bret Barnard,
 Francisco Barajas, Russell Spurlock,
 Gage Brooks, Zorro Daniels, Fernando
 Jacquez, Nancy Garay, Nicolle Griffin,
 Stephanie Vasquez, RaeLeigh Willborn.



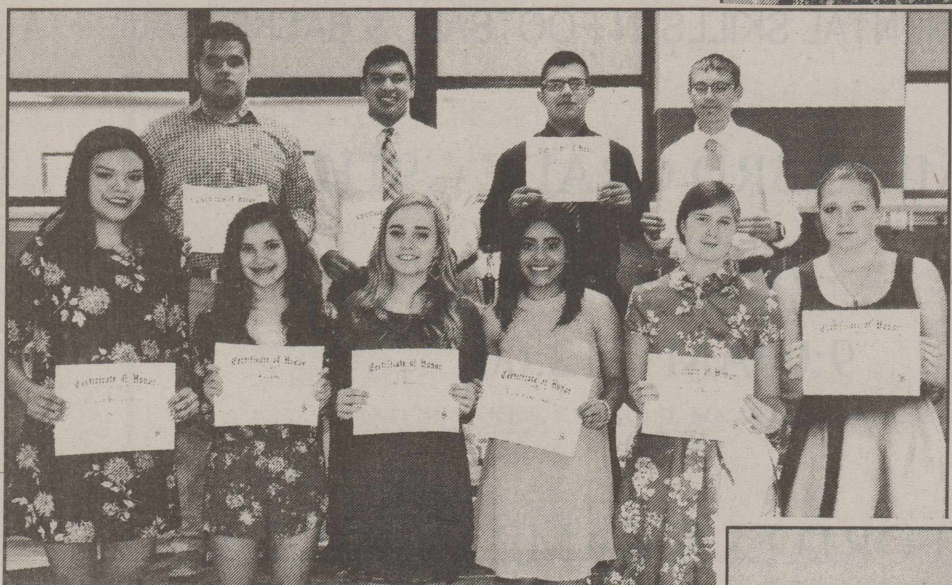
National Honor Society Juniors - B:F /
 L:R : Noah Harris, Daniel DeCasas, Kade
 McBryde, Colten Lanning, Scott
 Thompson, Matthew Sandvig, Karl
 Punch, Kory Punch, Shay Hess, Daniela
 Valdez, Allie James, Laynee Burr, Carlee
 Metcalf, Erika Lopez, Sonia Lopez,
 Lucero Robles, Taylor Aduddell, Natalia
 Niave.



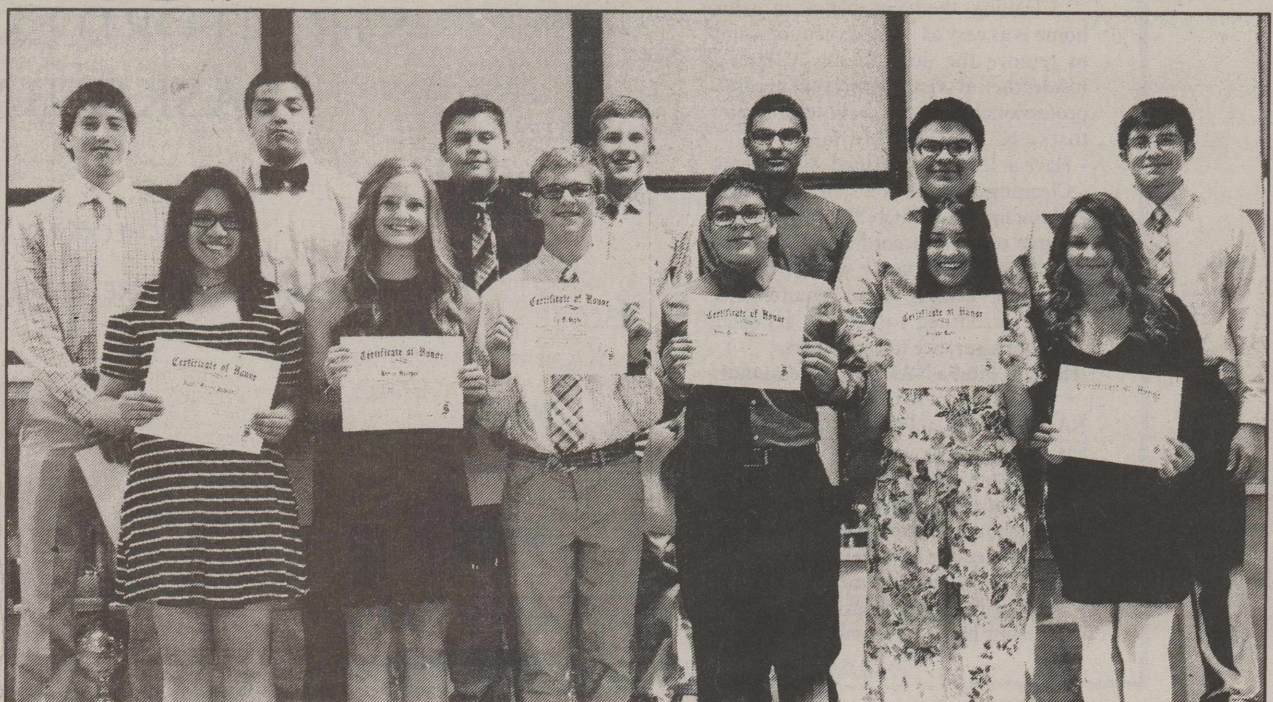
Seniors - B:F / L:R: Bret Barnard,
 Francisco Barajas, Parker Hanna, Russell
 Spurlock, Julio Duran, Gage Brooks,
 Fernando Jacquez, Zorro Daniels, Jerry
 Spurlock, Nancy Garay, Nicolle Griffin,
 Stephanie Vasquez, RaeLeigh Willborn.



Juniors - B:F / L:R: Scott Thompson,
 Noah Harris, Colten Lanning, Kade
 McBryde, Karl Punch, Blake Rios, Daniel
 DeCasas, Sergio Guerrero, Shay Hess,
 Pedro Ortega, Kory Punch, Matthew
 Sandvig, Daniela Valdez, Carlee Metcalf,
 Laynee Burr, Allie James, Erika Lopez,
 Zachary Lujan, Taylor Aduddell,
 Jasmine Castaneda, Vanessa Gonzalez,
 Sonia Lopez, Natalia Niave, Lucero
 Robles.



Sophomores - B:F / L: R: Carlos
 Gonzalez, Luis Mendoza, Francisco
 Olmos, Nick Payne, Elizabeth Martinez,
 Xenia Franco, Jaci Brown, Adamaris
 Castro, Sherridan Powers, Joyce Spurger.



Freshmen - B:F / L:R: Spencer
 Clements, Fernando Martinez, Jesus
 Duran, Walker McBryde, Carlos Reta,
 Jacob Sanchez, Abraham Villegas, Nadia
 Fierro, Kenlee McBryde, Ty McBryde,
 Luis Molina, Annahi Ruiz, Akira Vacio.