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## Annual Chamber Banquet April 15th

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce will have its annual Banquet on Monday, April 15, 2002. The banquet will be held at the County Barn. The silent auction will begin at 6:30; with the program and dinner to begin at 7:00. Ticket prices are individuals - \$14.00, and couples - \$25.00. Tickets may be purchased from any Chamber member or from the Chamber office. Our theme will be "Pioneer Families of Sherman County". The meal will be catered by K-Bob's of Dumas. Make plans to attend and meet the new "Citizen of The Year".

## Notice: Change of Voting Polls For Precincts

Early voting in the Democratic Primary Run-off Election begins Monday, April 1st at the Clerk's office in the court house. The early voting closes April 5th.

For the run-off election, all the precincts will vote at one place. The poll for the Democratic Primary Run-off Election will be at the Sherman County Court Room on Tuesday, April 9th from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## Blood Drive April 8th

Coffee Memorial Blood Center's Stratford Blood Drive will be held Monday, April 8, 2002 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn (5th & Maple Street).

Remember to eat regular meals and drink plenty of water prior to donating blood.

## Stratford Area Foundation Annual Meeting April 9, 2002

Stratford Area Foundation annual meeting will be held April 9, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at Sherman County Library. Everyone is invited to join us for an entertaining and informative evening. The Stratford High School Drama Department will be providing entertainment, new directors will be elected, foundation information will be shared and refreshments will be served.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn how Stratford Area Foundation can help community projects become a reality.

Please make plans to attend.

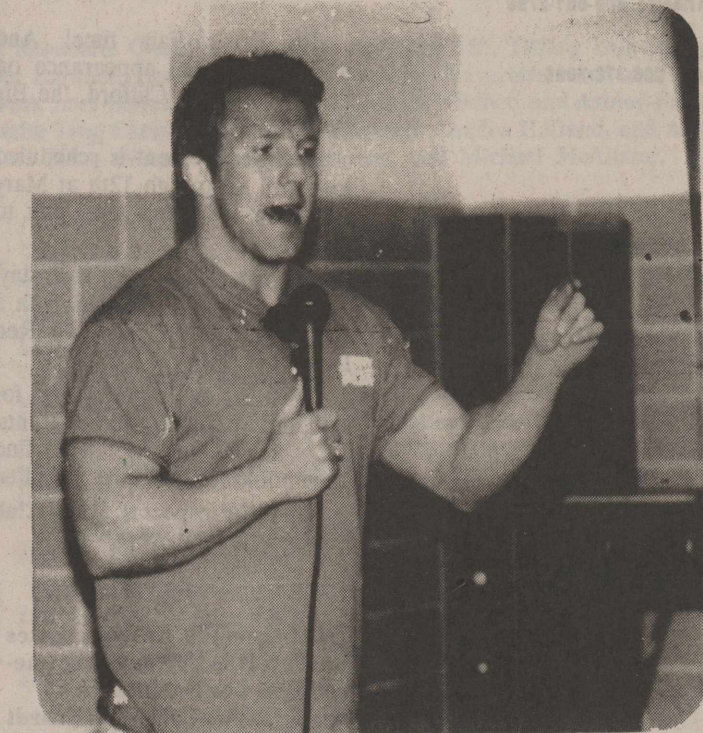
## 4-H Members To Participate in Texas Trash-Off

Sherman County 4-Hers will be participating in the annual Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off to help clean up Texas roadways on Saturday, April 6. The Sherman County 4-H is responsible for cleaning trash from the roadways on Hwy 54 right outside of Texhoma. The trash-off will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the pick-up site, all members needing a ride from Stratford should be at the extension office by 8:30 a.m. Prizes and refreshments will be available during the Trash-Off. All Sherman 4-H members are encouraged to attend and join forces with other Texans to clean up Texas roadways.

## ACO General Meeting

The Amarillo Cancer Organization (ACO) invites the public to attend the ACO Quarterly General Meeting on April 8, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sam Kiser Residence, 2803 S. Parker St.

ACO is honored to present two medically informed specialists as speakers: Sean Lim, M.D., Ph.D. and Maurizio Chiriva-Internati, Ph.D. They will gladly answer questions following the session.



## Slay Speaks In Stratford

Olympic Gold Medalist Brandan Slay spoke to the Mary Allen Students on Wednesday, March 27th. He also spoke to the High school students and later that evening spoke at the First Baptist Church in Stratford.

## "Give The Hope of Light To A Child"

This April, during National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month, children in communities will be without a safe, permanent home where they can thrive. This is a tragedy. But there is hope-you can do something about it.

We invite you to join us at an important event to bring light to the lives of abused and neglected children in our community. On April 11, 2002, The local CASA will hold a candlelight ceremony ("Give the Hope of Light to a child" as part of a national movement to light a symbol of hope for the children who are currently under the jurisdiction of the court systems. We will shine this light to recognize the hope of each child who continues to wait in the foster care system for a permanent home. As trained advocates, CASA volunteers are appointed by judges to be a voice for these children in court. Casa volunteers help ensure that children find homes where they can thrive.

Community members play a vital role in maintaining CASA. Your support can help make a difference in the lives of these children by sponsoring individual lights. Funds raised with your support will aid in recruiting and training new CASA volunteers. A sponsorship will demonstrate your active commitment to helping local children. As a caring and responsible community member, you will touch the lives of abused and neglected children in a very real way for information contact the CASA office 244-2684 or a local board member about sponsoring individual lights, as well as information about volunteering for CASA 69.

We hope you will join us in creating a path of light for the 8,775 children who are reported as abused or neglected everyday in the United States. With the much-needed support of community members like yourself, we can bring a CASA volunteer's support to each of the abused and neglected children living right here.

Thank you for your caring attention to this concern. Join us on April 11 at 6 p.m. on the steps of the Stratford Court House.

Board members are Bill Riffe, Duane Pittman, B.A. Donelson, Debbie Ferguson from Sunray.

Please donate today to support local children who have been abused or neglected. Help turn a life of hurt into one of hope.

## Chamber of Commerce Banquet Monday, April 15th

Stratford Chamber of Commerce annual Banquet April 15, will honor the Sherman County Families of the first decade of Stratford 1901-2001 who came and stayed creating the roots for Stratford. Each decade has been important too to add the branches to the community tree to keep it growing and healthy. The following are families of that first 10 years as we know it from God, Grass and Grit I and the present connect. Please call the Chamber for additions and corrections.

Dave Alexander 1902-Truda McBryde/David-Gared and Brad Henry Altringer 1907-Clara Hudson/Lynn-Gregg; Edna Knight/Don Ray-Daron.

T.F. Baskin 1902-T.F. Jr/T.F. III-Steve; Timmie Brown/Baskin-Jim Bob; Reuben/Joyce Hart

John M. Billington 1904-Joe Billington/Joyce Ann Lasley-Orlanda Garoutte & Jode Lasley. J.T. Brown 1902-Lula Mae Reeder/Maurine Plunk-Sue Hudson; Willie Hester/Katie Allen-Kathy Riffe & Carolyn Tarver; Joe Brown/Baskin-Jim Bob; Harry Brown/ Tom; Hazel Martin/granddaughter Mary Pat Williams. Casper Webster Dovel 1908-Edna Hudson/grandson Gary.

James W. Elliott 1906-Kathryn Crabtree/Elliott & Elaine Aduddell Horn. S.B. Fedric 1905-Annie Spurlock/Travis-James: Alvin-Kay & Boyd; Neal-Wes: Bryon/Bernice Stubblefield; Claude-Claude N; Matie Jacobs/Kaye Payne & Rita Zak.

Jim Flores 1899-Tim/Wendell Joe & Sisty Vincent; Hosea/Barbara Dettle. M.J. French 1905-Cleva Garrison/Connie Oquin; Trophena Phelps/ Dennis. Will R. Gamble 1899-Graydon/Sharon Wildon & Yvonne Pittman; Ione Kendrick/Cagle.

Jasper Green 1901-Merri/Waylon

John Hester 1906-Catherine/Kathy Riffe & Carolyn Tarver

Frank Kelp 1906-Earrest/Russell-Bill; Noble/Geraldine-Linda Forthman.

James Kirkwood 1905-Eric/Eunice Vaughn; Lena McWilliams/Kirk

Orlando Lasley 1905-Walter/Walter Jr.-Walter Eugene; V.O./ Orlanda Garoutte & Jodie Lasley; Bill/Dixie-Steve McAdams

Ed Lavake 1909-John/Mary Lou Walden: Tom/Sarah Keener: Herman/Wayne.

More next week.



## Mayor Signs Proclamation

Mayor David Brown signs a proclamation proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Shown with the Mayor is Michal Meyer, Patsy Harland, Kathie Altman, Arlene Baker and Mike Talley.



The word boondocks comes from the Tagalog word *bandok*, which means mountains. Tagalog is the native language of the Philippines.

## The Texas Record Concerning Confined Animal Feeding Operations

By David Swinford, State Representative

A few days ago, I wrote an article about the State's role in the Seaboard project. I mentioned that we should be more concerned with the Texas record than those of other states. I was asked how could the citizens know the CAFO (confined animal feeding operation) record. I will share the letter I received from the Texas National Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) on November 1, 2001 in response to my letter of October 29, 2001. Please find below the questions and answers from that letter from Brad Jones, Regional Director, TNRCC.

**Question 1.** Can you give me a report on how many complaints each swine CAFO has had and how many violations have resulted from these complaints? I am talking about companies and not specific locations. Vall, Premium Standard Farms, Seaboard and Texas Farms are those I have in mind because those are the large ones.

The following are all the citizen complaints received by the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office on swine facilities in the area.

Premium Standard Farms, 2 complaints - no violations.

Seaboard Farms, 2 complaints - no violations.

Dean Paul Farms Site 1 22 complaints - 1 violation (improper disposal of dead animals).

Site 2 63 complaints - no violations

Texas Farms Site 1 102 complaints - no violations.

Site 2 4 complaints - no violations.

Site 3 80 complaints - no violations.

Site 4 17 complaints - no violations.

Truckwash 2 complaints - no violations.

Hansford 6 complaints - no violations

Vall 0 complaints - no violations.

**Question 2.** Could you give me the above information on Texas Farms the year before and the last year since we moved a TNRCC inspector to Perryton?

The TNRCC Perryton office opened on Feb. 1, 1999. In the 12 months prior to the opening, the region received 80 complaints against swine facilities in the area. Since the office opened, complaints against swine facilities are as follows;

FY 1999 63 complaints  
FY 2000 38 complaints  
FY 2001 19 complaints  
FY 2002 1 complaint thru October 31, 2001

\*\*FY refers to Fiscal Year, September 1 thru August 31. The Perryton Office handles not just swine facilities, but all other types of citizen complaints. These numbers are just those lodged against swine facilities. Note: TNRCC will answer every complaint and will do it as quickly as possible.

**Question 3.** Could you verify that we have not had a case of groundwater contamination by any CAFO that has been issued a permit in Texas?

I can personally verify that there has never been a case of groundwater contamination from any permitted CAFO facility operating in the Texas Panhandle. The CAFO permitting section and the enforcement division in Austin were contacted and they stated they knew of no case of groundwater contamination from any permitted CAFO facility operating in the Texas Panhandle. The CAFO permitting section and the enforcement division in Austin were contacted and they stated they knew of no case of groundwater contamination from a permitted CAFO facility in this state.

**Question 4.** Do we have and have we used scientific equipment that is portable enough to monitor air quality at actual locations around CAFOs and what have been the results?

Yes, the regional field investigators have a hand-held Jerome monitor. This monitor measures hydrogen sulfide and can be used to monitor emissions from various sources. The levels recorded have been extremely low (well below the regulatory limits) or no-detect. Note: A discussion

of monitoring vans and equipment followed and is available for your viewing but in the interest of space, I did not include this discussion.

**Question 5.** Do you know of any health problems that have been confirmed as being caused by CAFO lagoons being located next to a residence as required by our permitting standards?

I know of no cases of any health problems to individuals living adjacent to CAFO wastewater lagoons.

**Question 6.** Do our permits for CAFOs allow for any runoff or spills of lagoon water?

(To summarize this long answer) The only time any runoff or spill would be allowed is if we had 25 year, 24 hour event. This means that the lagoons must be designed to hold a normal amount of discharge plus hold the largest 24 hour event. This means that the lagoons must be designed to hold a normal amount of discharge plus hold the largest 24 hour rain in the last 25 years, before any discharge could occur. They must be raised so no runoff from buildings and grounds can run into the lagoon.

**Question 7.** Can you describe the steps and CAFO permit will go through?

(To summarize this long answer.) There are two types of permits. Registration takes 90-120 days to complete, one public notice is required to be published in the newspaper for public comments and the TNRCC will respond to these comments. The individual permit takes approximately 240 days to complete. Two notices are required to be published in the paper and the public can request a contested hearing. The TNRCC will hear about "technical" corrections to environmental concerns. They do not consider social issues or land value issues.

**Question 8.** Can you briefly describe the requirements of the lagoon system with regards to the liners and runoff situation?

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## Public Notice

The Texhoma Independent School District will accept sealed bids to purchase new doors and windows for classrooms and cafeteria. The bids shall be in the Texhoma school District's Business office at P.O. Box 709 (4th & Denver), Texhoma, Texas 73949, no later than: April 16, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. Envelopes must be marked in lower left hand corner ("SCHOOL WINDOWS BID").

Specifications may be obtained at the school administration office at P.O. Box 709 (4th & Denver), Texhoma, Texas 73949 or by calling (806) 827-7400.

Texhoma Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in the best interest of the Texhoma Independent School District.

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## 4-H Fashion Show Monday

The Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show will be held Monday, April 8th at 5:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church of Texhoma Fellowship Hall. The Fashion Show and Awards Ceremony is open to all interested persons in the Stratford and Texhoma communities.

Judging of contestants will begin at 4:00 p.m. Seventeen 4-H'ers plan to participate in the event. Twenty-three members from the Stratford and Texhoma communities have completed project work and gained skills in the areas of clothing construction, clothing care, grooming and modeling, textile art, knowledge of fibers and fabrics, and participated in educational tours.

4-H'ers and families are reminded that Fashion Show Entry forms are due in the County Extension Office on Wednesday, April 3, 2002.

Community members are invited to the Fashion Show to show their support of youth and view the accomplishments of members. Sponsors of the Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show are the Sherman County 4-H Parent & Leaders Association, Sherman County, Texas Extension Education Association, and Texas Cooperative Extension Service.

Educational programs sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service serve all people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

## LaRita Performing Arts Theater To Present Music

The LaRita Performing Arts Theater will present western music in the Spirit of early Sons of the Pioneers' Saturday, April 6. The Sons of the San Joaquin, a trio of modern-day cowboys are known for their gorgeous harmonies. The performance will be at 8:00 p.m. April 6th at the LaRita Theater in Dalhart. Call Dalhart Chamber of Commerce for tickets. 244-5646.

## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Rife

- April 5 "Showcase of Music" WTA&MU  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-661-2864
- April 6 Sons of San Joaquin (Western Music)  
Dalhart LaRita Community Theatre CofC/22405646
- April 6-7 "HONK!" Musical (Ugly Duckling)  
Amarillo Little Theatre Academy 806-366-9991
- April 13 Lone Star Ballet "Sinatra, Classics, Rock & Roll"  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463
- April 14-15 "Wit" Drama ALT Adventure Space  
Amarillo Little Theatre 806-366-9991
- April 12 Randel Chamber Orchestra, Symphony Youth Orchestra  
First Baptist Church, Amarillo 806-376-8782
- April 20 Amarillo Symphony, Amarillo Civic, WTAMU Choruses  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
- April 22 "Annie Get Your Gun" Broadway Series  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
- April 24-28 "Prelude To A Kiss"  
WTAMU Branding Iron Theatre 806-661-2798
- April 26 "Zarzuela" Amarillo Opera  
Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096

## 2002 Stratford Youth Basketball Schedule

March	April
25 LG 5:00 Ziemann vs. Agan LB 6:00 Mungia vs. Horsford BG 7:00 Confer vs. Garza BB 8:00 Hauser vs. Horsford	15 LB 5:00 Garza vs. Horsford LB 6:00 Cummings vs. Mungia BG 7:00 Confer vs. Wight BB 8:00 Hauser vs. Horsford
26 LG 5:00 Agan vs. Fitzwater LB 6:00 Garza vs. Cummings BG 7:00 Bell vs. Wight BB 8:00 Horsford vs. Werner	16 LG 5:00 Agan vs. Ziemann LB 6:00 Mungia vs. Horsford BG 7:00 Bell vs. Wight
28 LG 5:00 Ziemann vs. Fitzwater LB 6:00 Mungia vs. Garza BG 7:00 Bell vs. Confer BB 8:00 Hauser vs. Werner	18 LG 5:00 Agan vs. Fitzwater LB 6:00 Garza vs. Cummings BG 7:00 Bell vs. Garza
April 2 LG 5:00 Agan vs. Ziemann LB 6:00 Horsford vs. Garza BG 7:00 Wight vs. Garza BB 8:00 Horsford vs. Hauser	19 LG 5:00 Ziemann vs. Fitzwater LB 6:00 Confer vs. Garza BB 7:00 Horsford vs. Werner
4 LG 5:00 Cummings vs. Mungia BG 6:00 Bell vs. Garza BG 7:00 Wight vs. Confer BB 8:00 Hauser vs. Werner	22 LG 5:00 Ziemann vs. Agan LB 6:00 Horsford vs. Garza LB 7:00 Mungia vs. Cummings BG 8:00 Hauser vs. Werner
8 LG 5:00 Garza vs. Mungia LB 6:00 Cummings vs. Horsford BG 7:00 Confer vs. Bell BG 8:00 Garza vs. Wight	23 LB 5:00 Horsford vs. Cummings BG 6:00 Bell vs. Confer BG 7:00 Wight vs. Garza BB 8:00 Horsford vs. Werner
9 LG 5:00 Fitzwater vs. Agan LB 6:00 Cummings vs. Garza BG 7:00 Garza vs. Confer BB 8:00 Horsford vs. Werner	25 LG 5:00 Agan vs. Fitzwater BG 6:00 Confer vs. Bell BB 7:00 Bell vs. Garza
11 LG 5:00 Ziemann vs. Fitzwater BB 6:00 Werner vs. Hauser	29 LB 6:00 Horsford vs. Cummings LB 7:00 Garza vs. Mungia BB 8:00 Hauser vs. Horsford
	30 LG 5:00 Fitzwater vs. Ziemann LB 6:00 Horsford vs. Mungia BG 7:00 Wight vs. Bell

LG - 2nd - 4th Girls  
LB 2nd - 4th Boys  
BG 5th-6th Girls  
BB 5th - 6th Boys

1st team listed is the home team and is responsible for keeping the clock.  
2nd team listed is the visitor team and is responsible for keeping the book.  
Please help out in securing officials for games!

## "The Great Trike Race"

CASA 69 is sponsoring The Great Trike Race for ages 3 to 5 at the Court House parking lot on Thursday April 11, at 5:45. Balloons and ribbons will be awarded to all participants. Tricycles will be provided but contestants may bring their own.

Please turn in registration forms to the Mary Allen Elementary office.

NAME:

AGE:

will bring my own tricycle  
Come see who is King-or-Queen-of the Road!!

## Book Fair Time Again!!!

It's Book Fair time! And making a special appearance on Parent's Night is Clifford, the Big Red Dog!

This year's event is scheduled for April 8 through 12th at Mary Allen Library. Hours are 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Parent's Night is Thursday, April 11, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. with a visit from Clifford, the Big Red Dog.

This is an opportunity for students, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends to find good books for birthdays and gifts.

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club is sponsoring the event.

Life begets life. Energy creates energy. It is by spending oneself that one becomes rich.  
—Sarah Bernhardt

## Younger Texans

By Clayton Johnson

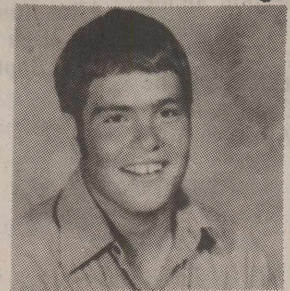
The March 25th meeting was held at the county barn. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. 10 of the members were present. The pledge of Allegiance was led by Brad Reed, and the 4-H motto led by Candie Bell. They discussed Old & New Business. Introduction to the program was by Candie Bell. Bobbie Strong helped club members make bunny decorations for the nursing home residents. On Wednesday some members delivered the decorations to the residents. Below are some dates and time to remember:

April 6th at 9 a.m.-Trash pickup at Texhoma

April 8th at 4 p.m. Fashion Show

April 24th at 3 p.m. Next Meeting.

## Lordy, Lordy Dad is Forty!



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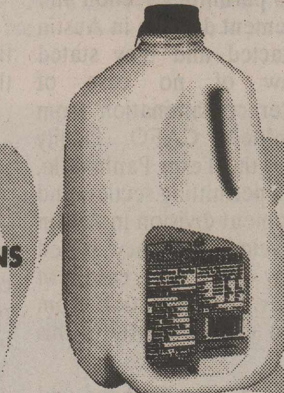


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## Timis Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman Old Timers Readers, this 62 degree Monday, 2002. Timmie and Lorelyn at the April Fool Jokes are himum and not too serious. also a snow day so the n that would be in school t playing so we hope all en careful.

Friday, Timi and Lorelyn eting ready for the day and ard drums going by the we looked and we saw cars down the street. We then bered about reading the the way of the Cross, so we that is why the drum beat. ope that everyone had a ng day on Resurrection Day. ind Lorelyn enjoyed their enjoyed a delicious meal at w Home of Patty and Jim Ashley and Caleb Brown the other enjoying the day be Jim's parents Betty and Brown and Patty's mother Harris from Folett, Texas. want all registered voters ep voting in mind when n time is when we have our heard on the issues that are e ballot with the annual er Banquet the 15th of Timmie remembers when as honored she was very zed and felt very honored. e hope the people who are ed this year feel honored we ask that our friends and remember to pat shoulders ell each other you luv each for luv still makes the world ind.

## Local Scholarships Being Offered

- April Scholarship Deadlines- 1st-Panhandle State Foundation, BWTX Pantex, Conservation
  - April 2nd-North Plains Conservation
  - April 3rd-Prospectus Study
  - April 5th-Nu Beta Sorority, Lasley Memorial, Sherman County Texas State Teacher's Association, Stratford Chamber of Commerce, Stratford Fire Department
  - April 12th-VALL Livestock
  - April 15th-Dalhart Elks Lodge, Funds-Access to Education, Hart Knights of Columbus
  - April 19th-Earl and Conrad Memorial
  - April 26th-Burke Bell Memorial
  - April 30th-Amarillo Women's work.
- Eligibility requirements and applications for these scholarships be obtained in the counselor's office or by calling Misti McBryde 56-3322.
- ### Imagination Meeting April 28th
- What were the plans and dreams for the Imagination? Is there still interest in wonderful programs that were presented to the area children? Would you be interested in interesting short term, long term projects for a project? Come to the Imagination Station, Sunday, April 7 at 2:00 p.m. to explore the possibilities. Each person who has signed on the Board is asked to come and bring an interested son with them and all interested persons are encouraged to participate. For more information, contact Kim Allen, Erin Dettle, LeRayne Donelson, or Gaynelle Riffe.

## Windows On The Plains Museum To Present Performance

Window on the Plains Museum Presents a Performance by Rooster Morris  
Saturday, April 6, 2002  
Rib-Eye Dinner 6:30 p.m.  
Performance 7:30 p.m.  
Moore County Community Building  
14th and Maddox  
Dumas, Texas  
\$25.00 per person  
Door prizes to be awarded  
For ticket information:  
(806) 935-3113  
1820 South Dumas Avenue  
Dumas, TX 79029  
In Stratford:  
Call Janie Kirkpatrick  
366-7633  
396-5568

The audience at the Moore County Community Building will be entertained by the multi-talented Rooster Morris.

Rooster Morris was born in Ridgecrest, California September 16, 1955. His family shortly returned to Texas where Rooster grew up on ranches in the Panhandle. Since that time Rooster has been working on his music through self teaching and performing. Rooster has an incredible talent for playing the fiddle and the guitar. According to Frankie McWhorter, noted fiddle player and one of Bob Will's Texas Playboys, "Rooster has a heck of a talent. His songs and melodies touch you where you need to be touched. He is a very talented musician and has a very natural feel for music."

Rooster has performed at the Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nevada, the Autry Museum in Los Angeles, California; the Old Los Angeles Theater; Red Steagall's Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Fort Worth; the Anson Theater in Anson, Texas; the National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration in Lubbock, Texas, and various other events and Gatherings. He was the organizer as well as performer at the Cowboy Christmas Balls held in Dalhart for three years.

Growing up, working and living on remote ranches has given Rooster a unique insight to life. Uncluttered by the day-to-day hustle of the city and people he has been able to concentrate on what is most important to him; expressing himself through his music and songs. Rooster's music captures and relates stories of people, places and events that ring of truth and insight. The melodies are enticing and invite the listener to go where the song takes them. "Rooster Morris's music is filled with his truth and spirit," says Pulitzer Prize Winner Charles Gardone.

Rooster's first cd, *Picnic Tree* was released in June 1999 in conjunction with a theater performance of the songs at the La Rita Performing Arts Theater in Dalhart, Texas. The cd contains 14 of Rooster's first songs. These songs include: *100 Years* which is about a man trapped in the modern world homesick for a way of life he has never known; *Hot Texas Wind* was written to express Rooster's frustrations with the mistakes of the past that he believes people have too quickly forgotten; *Heat Waves is my Friend* tells of a typical day in the life of a West Texas cowboy.

Recently, Rooster has been working with John Erickson, author of the Hank the Cowdog series of books. He plays fiddle on audio book 36, *The Case of the son with them* and all his own rendition of Hank the Cowdog programs and has performed for audiences in Idaho, Mississippi, California, Oklahoma, Texas and will be in Oregon in July.

## Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

It was a bountiful table Easter Sunday as 48 enjoyed dinner together. Guests included Christy, Sean & Barbara Presley, Canyon, Steve, Teresa & Sarah McCullough, Amarillo; Joyce & Geneva Wells, Griggs; R.J. & Mary Hill, John, Teri, Nicholas & Shelby McDaniel, Rev. Bob & Martha Sweeten, Terry & Gail Walls, all of Stratford; Patti McDaniel, Denver; Duane & Thelma Smith, Dumas; Mark, Robyn, Laykin & Dalyn Reust, Boise City. Hosts were Minnie, Ralph, Ralph James & Annette Hampton.

Others were Roy & Cicy Harris, Bill & Pat Boren, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Marylou & Mike McDaniel, Florencia Eslinger, Gary Hudgins, Jo June McDaniel, Virgie Mathews, Marjory Munden, Dr. Gary Mathews, Ted & Joyce Irlbeck.

It was so good that the Hampton's are hosting the Mother's Day luncheon in May!

Jean Danner, Guymon, mother of Barbara Schoonover, recently had knee surgery. She is spending a few days with Barbara. Terry & Barbara spent Easter in Guymon.

The Brady Schoonovers were at the Sandy Tillery's for Easter.

Nita Taylor & Buck Weaver attended the Cat Show in Amarillo after church.

Patti McDaniel, Denver, was here for Easter holiday. Merilee McDaniel joined her aunt, dad and grandmother for supper Saturday.

Marylou McDaniel and Cliff Abbott attend "My Fair Lady" in Amarillo. There were several there from Stratford.

## Texas Golden Spread High School All Star Games

The 32nd annual Texas Golden Spread High School All-Star Games will be held at the Cal Farley Coliseum in Amarillo, Texas on April 4, 5 and 6th, 2002.

Teams of the North, South, East and West squads will be coached by volunteers. Players will be represented from the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle, Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Motley and Cottle Counties and the Counties of Eastern New Mexico bordering Texas.

Games will be scheduled at 6:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. on April 4th, 6:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. on the 5th, and at 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. on April 6th.

There will also be a three-point shooting and slam dunk competition.

Any senior girl or boy, regardless of whether they are selected for the All-Star Games, is eligible for these competitions. Please submit entries to Brent Sherrod, P.O. Box 19395, Amarillo, TX 79109, or phone (806) 353-7348.

The following from Stratford will be participating in the games: "North"- Jessica Young, Ashley Brown, Skyler Walden.

## Cards of Thanks

Thank you for all the cards, calls, visits and prayers during my illness and stay in the hospital. A special thank you to the EMT's and Dr. Basseff, Patty Tims, and preacher Bob Sweeten and wife Martha.

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San Marcos Baptist Academy is a private boarding school for boys in grades 6-12 and girls in grades 8-12. Day school is available for boys and girls grades 6-12.

There will be an information session at the Courtyard by Marriott (12655 SW Frwy. (Hwy. 59), Stafford) Thursday, April 11th at 7:30PM. Come and learn about curriculum, campus life and admissions for the upcoming Fall 2002-2003 enrollment. PUBLIC INVITED

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Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

## First Christian

Rev. Bob Sweeten  
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Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
No Sunday Evening Worship  
Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

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Rev. Mark Metzger  
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Morning Worship 10:50 am  
Junior High UMY 5:30 pm  
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm  
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Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

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## Church of Christ

Mike Talley  
N. 3rd & Chestnut  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

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Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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# Track Shots



Varsity girls individual & team results from Sunray Track Meet held on Friday, March 29th. The Lady Elks placed 3rd with 76.50 points. Individual results were as follows: 400 Meter Relay - 3rd place - 54.80; 800 M Run - Carly Mathews 1st - 2:36.05, Alisha Sladek 2nd - 2:36.06; 100 M Hurdles - Lindsay Stein - 4th; 800 M Relay - 3rd place - 1:55.19; 400 M Dash - Jayme Wilhelm 5th - 1:14.09; 200 M Dash - Brittany Hudson tied for 5th - 31.06; 1600 M Relay - 2nd - 4:23.83; Discus - Deidre Tarver 1st - 110'07.00"; Shot Put - April Kautz - 6th - 27'05.25"



## Southwest Passage U.S. 54/Spirit Visits Leaders

Southwest Passage U.S. 54/SPIRIT visited Political leaders in Washington March 6 to encourage the addition of U.S. 54 from Wichita, KS to El Paso, TX, the TEA-21 Transportation High Priority Corridors. The delegation L/R Max Zimmerman and Jack Taylor, Liberal, Kansas; Gaynelle Riffe, Stratford, Congressman Frank Lucas, OK; Jess Nelson, Guymon, Oklahoma, Dr. Stephen Easley, Alamogordo, NM. Senator Bingman, NM and Senator Roberts, KS have introduced a bill for the addition of U.S. 54/Southwest Passage to the TEA-21 High Priority Corridor. Support is needed from other States Senators.

**Notice of Public Hearing on Budget**

SHERMAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Sherman County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2003 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on Friday, May 17, 2002, 7:00 a.m.  
 At the Sherman County Appraisal District Office.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$ 251,543.00
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 14,901.00
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	4 (full-time equivalent)
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	4 (full-time equivalent)

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

Sherman County Appraisal District  
 402 N. Third, Abstract Building  
 Stratford, Texas 79084  
 (806) 366-5566





Shown above, UIL Regional Academic Qualifiers. Bottom row from left, Tiffany Duke, Sarah Talley, Briah McClellan, Amber Larence, Heather Seiler, and Audrey Navarette. 2nd row (l-r): Chance Lowrey, Mathew Taliaferro, Lori Wilhelm, Skyler Walden, Amie Witcher, and Ashley Brown. 3rd row (l-r): Marca Ewers, Trisha Teig, Carly Mathews, Wes Kimball, Candra Holland, and Alicia Renzelman. Top row (l-r): Josh King, Adam Bell, Tyler Haynes, and Michael McAlister. Not pictured Ashton Robinson.



Shown at left: For their Community Service Project, 4-H members presented handmade Easter baskets to residence of Coldwater Manor. Pictured L-R: Kaleb Horsford, Kyle Horsford, Clayton Johnson, and Jennie Spurlock.



Shown at right: Presenting Coldwater Manor resident Alma Lee McMahan with an Easter basket is 4-H member Kyle Horsford.

The District U.I.L. Academic Meet was held at Amarillo College on March 20 and 21. With all events completed except One-Act Play Stratford leads the competition with a total of 287 points. Wheeler is currently second with 156 points and Gruver is third with 126 total points. The U.I.L. District Championship is assured.

Twenty-three students from Stratford High School have qualified for regional competition in Levelland on April 19. Regional qualifiers are as follows,

Accounting - 1st Place Team, Adam Bell, 1st; Candra Holland, 3rd, Lori Wilhelm, 6th; Skyler Walden. Coach - Tami King.

Mathematics - 1st Place Team, Adam Bell, 1st; Michael McAlister, 4th; Ashley Brown, Carly Mathews. Coach - Dusty Stewart.

Number Sense - 1st Place Team, Matthew Taliaferro, 1st; Tyler Haynes, Josh King. Coach - Larry Norris.

Spelling and Vocabulary - 1st Place Team, Briah McClellan, 1st; Matthew Taliaferro, 2nd; Amber Larence, Heather Seiler. Coach - Judy Stoy.

Current Issues - Wes Kimball, 3rd. Coach - Linda Young.

Ready Writing - Amie Witcher, 2nd. Coach - Jennifer Wells.

The forensics coach is Terri Teig.

Prose Interpretation - Audrey Navarrete, 1st; Tiffany Duke, 2nd; Alicia Renzelman, 3rd.

Informative Speaking - Ashton Robinson, 3rd.

Persuasive Speaking - Marca Ewers, 3rd.

Lincoln-Douglas Debate - Marca Ewers - 1st, Bill Walker, 4th. Coach - Terri Teig.

Other students and teams placing at the meet are:

Literary Criticism - 2nd Place Team - Jarred Nusz, Tiffany Duke, Alicia Adams, Robin Daniels. Coach - Judy Stoy.

Computer Application - Stephanie Washburn, 4th; Adam Reed, 6th. Coach - Tami King.

Current Issues - 3rd Place Team. Wes Kimball, Jarred Nusz, Michael McAlister, Craig Reinart. Coach - Linda Young.

Feature Writing - Craig Reinart, 6th. Coach - Linda Young.

At the One-Act Play zone competition, Trisha Teig and Chance Lowrey were named to the west zone All-Star Cast. Tiffany Duke received honorable mention recognition.

## Chamber Banquet April 15th

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce would like to invite the community to our 2001 Chamber Banquet. The date chosen is Monday, April 15, 2002. The theme will be "Pioneer Families of Sherman County". The banquet will be held at the County Barn. Tickets will be for sale beginning on March 18, 2002.

It is also time for the community to make their nomination for "Citizen of the Year". The winner for 2000 was Mayreene Aduddell. An official

nomination form may be obtained at the Chamber Office. All nominations must be signed. Nominations are due back to the Chamber office by Monday, April 8, 2002.

Nominations will be considered using the following criteria:

- \*Consistent Community Support (Length of Service)
- \*Number of people reached (extra consideration given for involvement with more than 1 community activity).

- \*Continued Personal Growth
- \*Progressive Ideas
- \*Projects
- \*Positive Community Attitude

The winner will be chosen by the Chamber General board at their regular monthly meeting scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2002. Many worthy persons live in our community. Take time to nominate your favorite "citizen" today.

### NOMINATION FORM STRATFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2001 AWARDS

#### CITIZEN

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Family Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifications/Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and phone number of nominator:  
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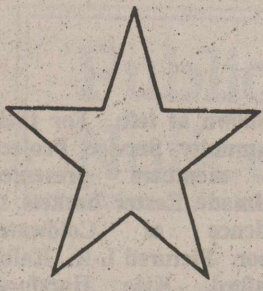
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## Legal Notices

### LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Stratford is accepting proposals for: Collection Station Attendant

Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m., April 11, 2002. Any proposals received after 12:00 p.m. April 11, 2002 will not be accepted. Proposals may be mailed to the City of Stratford, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, TX 79084; Faxed to the City at (806) 366-2254 or delivered to City Hall at 520 N. Third in Stratford, TX.

Specifications may be obtained at City Hall. Proposals will be opened at the regular scheduled council meeting April 11, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. The City of Stratford reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, March 21, 2002, Thursday, March 28, 2002, and Thursday, April 4, 2002 and Thursday, April 11, 2002

### SHERMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

On the 15th day of March, 2002, I impounded the following estray: Kind-calf

Breed-Mixed  
Color-red with white belly and hooves

Sex-steer  
Age-yearling  
Size-300 to 350 lbs.

Brand, earmark or other identifiers-no brand or earmark, has been dehorned but nubs were left and on the 15th day of March, 2002, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Sherman County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Sherman County, Texas for the owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 5th day of April, 2002, said estray will be sold at public auction at Dalhart, Texas.

Witness my hand this 15th day of March, 2002.

Jack Haile  
Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas

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### Notice to Bidders

Notice is hereby given that Sherman County Commissioners' Court will accept sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) 2002 model tandem drive diesel motor grader for Precinct #4. Bids should be sealed and have "Bid Request" written on the outside of the envelope. Specifications may be picked up at the Sherman County Judge's Office located in the Sherman County Courthouse, 366-2021, or those interested may contact Tommie Asher at his residence, (806) 396-5939 or his County Barn (806)366-5995.

Bids should be mailed to the County Judge at P.O. Box 165, Stratford and will be received up to 9:30 a.m., April 8, 2002, at which time they will be opened and considered. Sherman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Tommy Asher  
Commissioner Pct. #4  
Sherman County, Texas

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If you would be remembered, do one thing superbly well.  
—Saunders Norvell  
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## Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off Fueled by State Pride

Austin-Texans enjoy boasting that they are the biggest, the best and the first at so many things. Those bragging rights extend all the way to the highway, where the innovative Adopt-A-Highway volunteer program is another Texas "first". The program began in Tyler in 1985 and has since spread worldwide. The "Don't Mess with Texas" Trash-Off celebrates this legacy annually.

More than 28,000 Adopt-a-Highway volunteers across the state will clean miles and miles of adopted highways on April 6. Another 47,000 Keep Texas Beautiful volunteers will launch community cleanups on the same day, making the Trash-Off Texas' largest one-day litter pickup event.

Locally, Adopt-a-Highway groups participating in the Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off include a variety of civic organizations, school students, business owners and families. Sherman Juvenile Probation, Sherman County 4-H and the Stratford Fire Department Auxiliary will participate in the trash off in Sherman County.

Each year the department spends millions of dollars on litter pickup. TxDOT's Amarillo District spent \$204,000 last year on litter control, funds that could otherwise be spent on maintaining and beautifying roads.

The Trash-Off is part of TxDOT's litter prevention program, which includes Don't Mess with Texas, Adopt-a-Highway, and a grassroots partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc. These programs work together to change the attitudes and behavior of would-be litterers.

For infoamtion on participating in the Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off, contact the local Adopt-a-Highway coordinator at 806/356-3203 or Keep Texas Beautiful at 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

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All CAFO lagoon systems, in accordance with 30 TAC 321.39 (f) (16-18), shall consider the site-specific conditions in the design and construction of liners. Liners shall be constructed to have hydraulic conductivities no greater than 1 X 10<sup>-7</sup> cm/sec. with a thickness of 1.5 feet or greater or its equivalency.

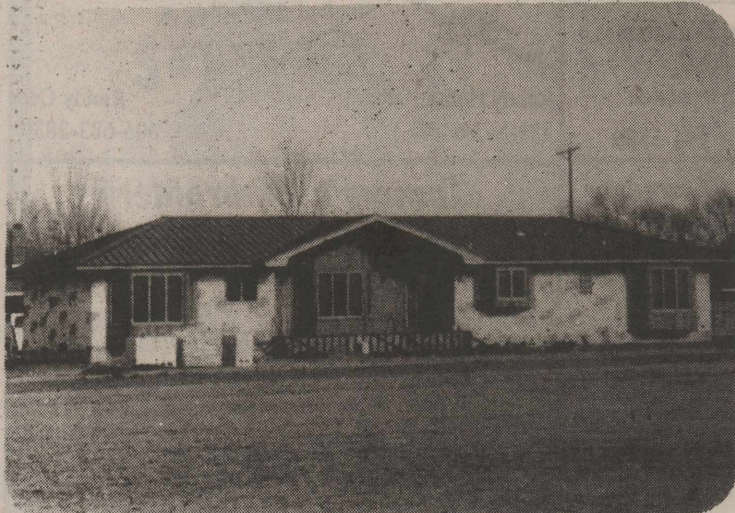
Note\* The technical nature of this answer led me to get an interpretation from Dr. Brent Auvermann, Texas A&M Research Center, Amarillo. This is a my summary of his explanation.

Assuming that there might be seepage for some reason and the seepage moved straight down at about 1 foot per year rate, and the aquifer was 300 feet underground and allowing for some more rapid seepage some years, the best guess would be 260 years before the aquifer would be reached. If the lagoon had CAFO sludge (organic matter) the conductivity would be reduced by a factor of 10 thus the estimated travel time would be 2600 years. I have to assume that the years of percolation through sand, rocks, soil, etc., there would not be much or any contamination left. (my assumption).

There are the questions I asked and the answers I received. The "Texas" record is good and takes into account all kinds of livestock including swine. If you have specific questions I will be more than happy to try to get you answers.



An order of birdseed in a diner is really an order of cereal.



## New Faces-New Places

The new home of Jim Bob and Patty Brown located at 1216 N. Pearl.



These shoes were made for walking! New exhibit at the Depot Museum. Do you have special shoes to share in the Exhibit. Contact Millie Hacker at the Depot Museum.

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