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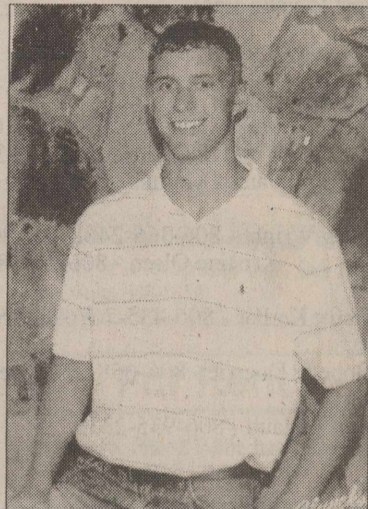
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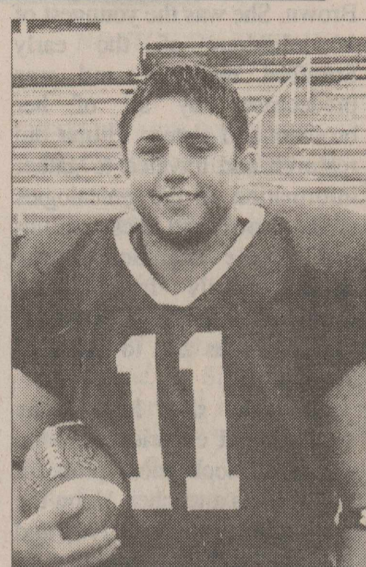


Tyler Haynes



Open House & Celebration

Stratford Fire Department held their Open House & Celebration on Sunday, May 15th, 2005 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting at 2 p.m., as shown above. George Harding welcomed everyone, and also words of encouragement from Mayor David Brown & Judge Terri Carter and City Manager Sean Hardman. A dedication Service was given by Minister Ernest Maiwald.



King Chosen Football Athlete of the Year

Josh King has been chosen as the Athlete of the Year in Football by the Amarillo Globe-News. Josh will be recognized along with other chosen athletes on May 19, at the Amarillo Civic Center. Josh is the son of Keith & Tami King.

Hudson & Haynes Honored

Brittany Hudson and Tyler Haynes attended a luncheon honoring the 2005 Best & Brightest on Saturday, May 14 at the West Texas A&M Event Center. Tyler Haynes was honored for Salutatorian and Brittany Hudson was chosen for a special award honoring twenty outstanding students in the area. Brittany was nominated by Mrs. Lynda Hauser. Brittany was also awarded the DAR award earlier in the year and attended a reception in February honoring all Daughters of American Revolution honorees. Tyler is the son of Steve & Linda Haynes and Brittany is the daughter of Gregg & Shari Hudson. Unable to attend the luncheon was Kayla Willard, Valedictorian for Stratford High.

Student Council Selling Bottled Water

Student Council will be selling cold bottled water at the graduation ceremonies. All proceeds will benefit Relay for Life.

Memorial Day Program May 30th Stratford Cemetery

The Chamber of Commerce will host the Memorial Day Program, Monday May 30, 2005 at the Stratford Cemetery. Coffee will be served beginning at 9:30 a.m. with the 4-H Horse Club presenting the program at 10:00 a.m. Please bring a lawn chair for seating.

Community Church Picnic

There will be a Community Church Picnic on Sunday, May 22, 2005 at Pendleton Park at 5 p.m. Bring picnic for your family. Drinks will be provided by the Ministerial Alliance. Everyone welcome.

Stratford Elks Summer Basketball Fundraiser

The Stratford Elks Summer Basketball Team is selling 20 oz. Coca-Cola products for \$17 per case. There are 24 bottles per case. This is to raise money for tournament entry fees. Please order from them if you can, or call 366-2219 or 366-7602. Leave a message and we will send someone to talk to you.

Lions Club Broom Sale

Stratford Lions Club Broom Sale will be held on Friday, May 20th at First State Bank Parking Lot in Stratford.

Medical Fund for Mandy Helmuth @ 1st State Bank

There has been a medical fund set up at First State Bank for Mandy Helmuth, daughter of Jimmy and Tammie Helmuth. After the birth of her baby daughter she was diagnosed with Peripartum Cardiomyopathy (heart failure). If you would like to help with medical expenses please contact the 1st State Bank.



Payne Family Honored

The Stratford Fire Department made a special presentation to the Jim Payne Family on Sunday at their Open House ceremonies. Jim and Kay Payne donated the land to the Stratford Fire Department where the new building is. Jim passed away April 10, 2003, but he will not be forgotten for the generous gift that he gave the Stratford Fire Department and Stratford, who will benefit so much from this gift. Shown above are his family, wife Kay Payne, grandchildren Colten Rendon, Chesney Rendon, Tristyn Payne and Trevor Payne. Standing in back are grandson Cory Rendon, daughter Kathy Rendon, daughter in law Brenna Payne and son Kevin Payne.

Transportation News

By Gaynelle Riffe

Looks like another extension for the Transportation Bill. The Senate has decided to add more money to the House Bill. The President will not accept a larger budget so... Politics! Looking for a bill before the July 4 recess. It has only been extended about 6 times since 2003.

Windbreak Trees Still Available

Windbreak trees are still available from the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District. Call 396-5517 ext. 3 for more information.

Deadline for the June 2, 2005 edition of The Stratford Star will be on Friday, May 27th at 4 p.m.

Education Foundation Board Meets

The Stratford Education Foundation Board members met Thursday, May 5, 2005 at the High School Library. Board members present were: Margaret Reed, Diana Hays, Ricky Reed, BA Donelson, Joyce McBryde, Lugenia Carter, Joe Reinart and Gayland Vandiver. Also present was Dinah Horsford. Minutes from the November 19, 2004 and March 22, 2005 meetings were approved as read.

President's report was given by BA, followed by chairmen reports from each committee. The treasurer's report reflected \$122,000.00 plus \$18,250.00 in pledges to be collected. Thank you contributors!!

Items voted on my board members were to change the year end from December 31st to August 31st, Marsha Wright was elected to serve a three year term on the board of directors, and one grant was funded to Ronna Riffe for Spanish II and Spanish III classes to attend a Justolamas Concert in Lubbock, the annual meeting date is scheduled for October with a fundraiser lunch in November.

The board encourages you to honor special people with honorariums and special remembrances with memorial gifts.

The next meeting date is scheduled for August 2005. Day and time to be determined.

Jo Hinds of Happy State Bank Receives Surprise Promotion

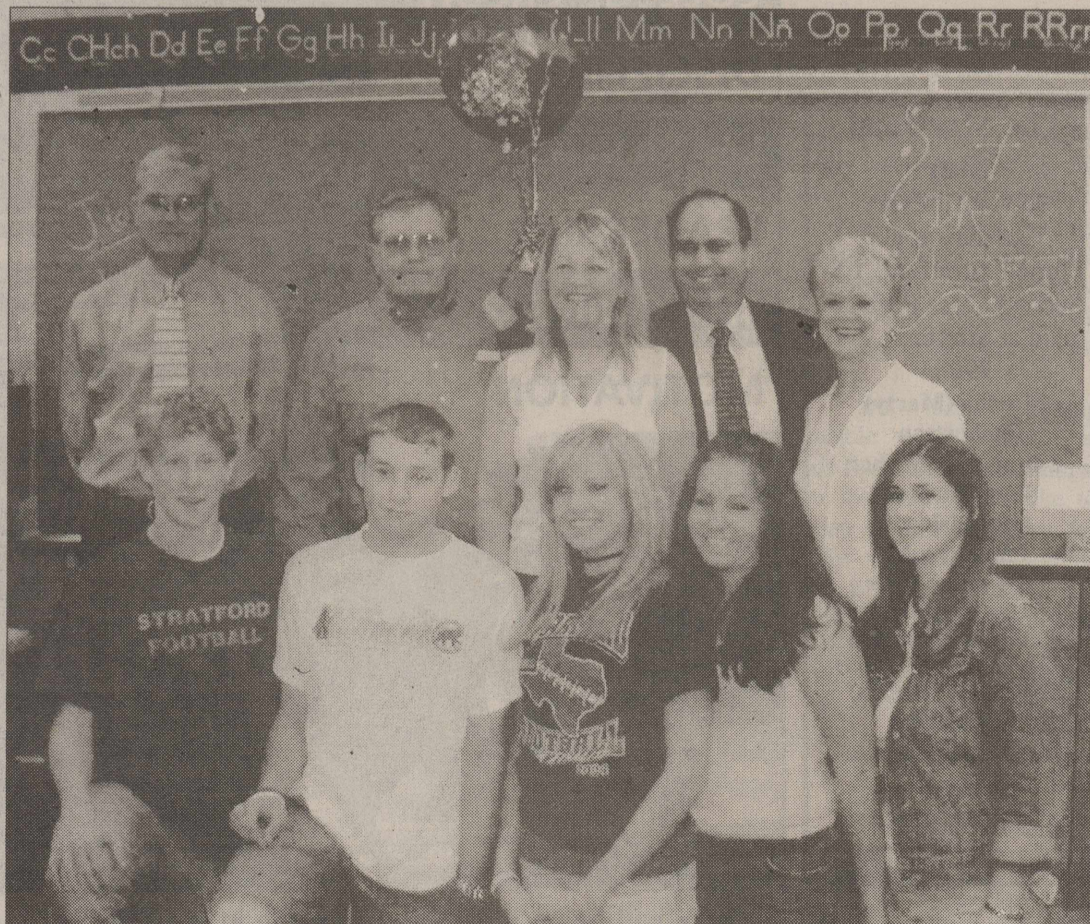
J. Pat Hickman President, Chairman & CEO of Happy State Bank announced the promotion of Jo Hinds.

Jo Hinds, will now serve as a Bank Officer of Happy State Bank. Hinds has been with Happy State Bank and the Stratford branch since its opening, two and a half years ago. Her previous position was Customer Service Representative. She has seven years experience in banking. Hinds grew up in Texhoma, Oklahoma and continued on to Southwestern Oklahoma State University earning a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

Hinds serves as a Director of the Great Plains Bankers Association, is a Board Member of the Stratford Sales Tax Corporation, and also a Board Member of the Stratford Angel Tree Project. Hinds and her husband, Chad, have been married for three years and reside in Stratford. Hinds enjoys traveling and gardening.

"It has been a real joy for me to work for Happy State Bank. Working for an organization with great people who live their faith, has been an inspiration to me!" Hinds said about working at Happy State Bank and her promotion. Continuing on she stated, "Words do not adequately describe my feelings about being an officer of this bank. I am excited about the new opportunities and challenges that lie ahead."

Doak Crabtree, President of Happy State Bank, Stratford Branch said, "she has been a very valuable asset in the success of the Stratford branch of Happy State Bank. She is just one of the great employees we have here." He continued on saying, "Jo will continue to succeed in her career and do what she does best, providing customers with great service at the Stratford office."



Mrs. Ronna Riffe was awarded a grant from the Stratford Education Foundation for her Spanish II and Spanish III classes to attend a Justolamas concert in Lubbock. Shown with Mrs. Riffe from left, High School Principal Steve Haynes, B.A. Donelson, Mrs. Riffe, Superintendent Jim Taliaferro, and Joyce McBryde. Students kneeling from left, Brant Cummings, Daniel Hays, Merilee McDaniel, Juliana Taliaferro, and Evan Haile.

PRAISE SERVICE
7:30 P.M.
Each Wednesday
County Barn

Obits

Hilma Brown Cleveland

Irving-Hilma Brown Cleveland, 95, died Wednesday, May 11, 2005.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 15th in First Baptist Church in Stratford. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Cleveland was born in Stratford on Nov. 14, 1909, to Eula Peck Brown and J.T. Brown. She was the youngest of 10 children of the early Stratford merchant and was predeceased by all of her brothers and sisters. Hilma did research and traveled to gather information on the genealogies of the Brown and Peck families and on the migration of the Brown family from North Carolina through Tennessee, Central Texas and to Stratford in 1904.

Although she had many interests and experiences, Mrs. Cleveland took most pride in her work as a teacher. Upon the death of her parents in 1926 and 1927 and with only one year of college at Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell, OK., she lived with the Wallace Steel family and taught five pupils at a one-room school out from Stratford. Later, while seeking to support her young son and with the assistance of many family members, she began a long process of acquiring more education, teaching during school terms and going to school at night and in summers. She eventually obtained her MA degree at West Texas State College in Canyon.

She taught at school systems in Southwest Kansas, in Stratford and in Amarillo, notably at Alice Landergerin Elementary and Paramount Terrace schools in Amarillo. She also taught in Germany in

schools for Army dependent children. After retirement in 1975, Mrs. Cleveland moved to Sun City, AZ, to live and travel with her sister, Helen. They later moved to Longview and later, Irving.

Survivors include a son, Joe Cleveland and wife, Shirley of Irving; a granddaughter, Sidney Stallings, her husband, Heath, and their son, Slade, of Grapevine; and four nieces, Marlene Morris of Amarillo, Patty Watkins of Longview and Maurine Plunk and Katie Allen, both of Stratford.

New York Times Fiction Best Sellers at the Sherman County Public Library

1. 4th of July by James Patterson
2. True Believer by Nicholas Sparks
3. Mermaid Chair by Sue Monk
4. The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown
5. No Place Like Home by Mary Higgins Clark
8. The Innocent by Harlan Coben
11. The Five People You Meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom
17. The Broker by John Grisham
19. Angels and Demons by Dan Brown
20. Two Dollar Bill by Stuart Woods
21. The Rising by Tim LaHaye
23. Honeymoon by James Patterson
24. Impossible by Danielle Steel
28. With No One as Witness by Elizabeth George
29. Superstition by Karen Robards
32. Vanishing Point by Jodi Picoult



Jose Luis Ramos Sr.

Jose Luis Ramos Sr. died Friday, May 6, 2005 in Stratford.

Services were held on Wednesday, May 11, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with the Fr. Johnson Vadkumchery officiating. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery.

Mr. Ramos was born December 17, 1937 in Brownsville, TX and was a 30 year resident of Stratford. He was a retired truckdriver. He was a life long member of the Catholic Church.

Mr. Ramos is survived by five sons: Joe Ramos and wife Georgia of Stratford, Guy Ramos and Vince Ramos & Emilio of Stratford and Liandro of Huntsville. Four daughters: Lisa Ramos of Stratford, Isabell Reta of Stratford, Tina Lopez and husband Ferman of Stratford and Irene Aldavaz and husband Alejandro of Stratford, 19 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Van Dowda

Mineola-Graveside services for Van Dowda, 89, Mineola were held Tuesday, May 3, at Roselawn Memorial Gardens with Rev. Hiram Harris officiating.

Mr. Dowda died Sunday, May 1, in Quitman.

Mr. Dowda was born July 1915 in Ballground, Georgia and was retired from the U.S. Air Force.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Waldo Dowda and Dorthula Swails Dowda.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Butler Dowda, Mineola and two sons, Ron Waldo Dowda, San Antonio and Dirk Butler Dowda, Mineola and two grandchildren.

Circle of Friends

2004 was a wonderful year! Thanks to your continued support and generosity, the Circle of Friends (COF) has once again been successful in our efforts to raise funds and provide resources to support those in the Panhandle communities who have been affected by cancer.

In 2004, we held nine Membership parties, raising more than \$111,115.00! Parties were held in the following communities: Amarillo, Canadian, Dumas, Hansford County (including Gruver and Spearman), Hereford, McLean, Pampa, the Perryton/Booker region and Stratford. Each of the Membership parties was unique and fun. Your Circle of Friends' Board members worked very hard on the parties and the wonderful and caring people in each town continue to respond with great kindness and generosity.

Each month, Circle of Friends provides funds to assist patients with a variety of immediate financial needs. In 2004, the Circle of Friends and Patient Care Committee assisted 101 individual patients with travel expenses, rent or mortgage, utilities, nutritional supplements, breast prostheses and prosthetic bras, take-home prescriptions and health insurance premiums.

*(Some patients receive assistance more than once).
Granted: \$40,495

In addition to the Patient Care Initiative, Circle of Friends supported the following through their Grants Program: Granted: \$15,273.

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Cancer Survivor Spotlight

The cancer survivor to tell her story this week is Penny Boyd. Penny was diagnosed with melanoma in 1995. She had an amputation of the left distal thumb. The diagnosis came from her dermatologist and then she was referred to a hand specialist for biopsy. She had 3 biopsies before melanoma was discovered. It began as a small faint dark streak down the middle of the thumbnail which eventually spread over the entire nail bed and the pigment had begun to come out the cuticle area and end of the thumb. Penny had asked her doctor what options she had. The doctor replied that there is a 100% death rate if melanoma is left untreated. The best treatment would be for her to have the thumb amputated. She decided to do as the doctor recommended. When she had the amputation no other treatments were needed because the margins were clear.

Having cancer has made Penny more aware of her body and its changes and makes her go for yearly check-ups in all areas. She said many people forget about examining between their fingers and toes, and even on the bottoms of their feet.

Penny is trying to live life to the fullest, keeping busy with family, church and community activities. She tells people to check their bodies from head to toe for any suspicious spots and see your doctor regularly for any changes or concerns. She also recommends using sunscreen regularly. Early detection is very important in the cure for cancer.

Relay for Life will be held June 3rd at 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. We are really looking forward to honoring all of our cancer survivors and having fun raising money for the American Cancer Society. There will be several different types of food, drinks,

games and entertainment. This is an activity the whole community is invited to attend even if you are not on a team. This will be the first time Stratford has held a Relay for Life, so let's all come out and make it a memorable

Births

Addie Grace was born May 12, 6:00 p.m. at Dumas Hospital. She is the daughter of Brandi and Roger Wells. Addie was 21 inches and weighed 8 lbs. 5.6 ounces.

She was welcomed by big sister Lara, who is two years old.

Grandparents are Dorless Wells of Amarillo, Ross Wells of Stratford, Leonard & Peggy Hawkins of Kerrick.

Great-grandparents are Barbara & Leroy Judd of Stratford and Maylene Rish of Houston, MS.

Amarillo NWS Seeks Storm Spotters for TOP SCAN (Texas & Oklahoma Panhandles Skywarn Cellular Area Network)

The Amarillo National Weather Service (NWS), along with local citizens, are in the process of developing a new severe storm spotter network called "TOP SCAN (Texas & Oklahoma Panhandle Skywarn Cellular Area Network). TOP SCAN members are volunteers, who will be dispatched to the field when severe weather threatens. They will use personal cell phones to relay critical severe weather information to a local dispatch, who, in turn will relay the reports to the Amarillo NWS. The purpose of TOP SCAN is to assist and improve the severe weather warning process by obtaining real time reliable reports from trained spotters to compliment and expand upon the Amateur Radio Spotter Network already in place. "We believe this is the first organization of its kind, said Warning Coordination Meteorologist Steve Drillette. We are excited about it's possibilities".

TOP SCAN will consist of several chapters across the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles. Each chapter will be responsible for seeing that members are trained by the Amarillo NWS, and will be responsible for activating and directing spotters in the field. Each chapter will maintain a central dispatch, where it will receive severe weather reports. The dispatcher will relay these reports to the Amarillo NWS. Several citizens of the area have worked with officials from the NWS to lay down the groundwork for the organization. Several chapters (noted below) are currently being organized and are looking to recruit members. Anyone interested in being part of this network, please contact the organizer of the chapter closest to your area.

Chapter	Contact(s):
Amarillo & Canyon Chapter	Russell Amos - 806-355-1021, cell 806-223-8969 Todd & Gail Cason - 806-359-1422, cell 806-681-6717 James Mullins - 806-367-6224
Dalhart / Stratford Chapter	Greg Wright - 806-366-2482, cell 806-753-7059 Kristine Olsen - 806-249-8058, cell 806-570-0027
Perryton / Booker Chapter	Garry Karbar - 806-435-7676, cell 806-202-0241
Lipscomb County Chapter	Bobette Doerrie - 806-658-2264, cell 806-664-1445
Dumas Chapter	Carl Unlaub - 806-935-2330

If you are interested in organizing a chapter in your county or community, please call Russell Amos at 806-355-1021 or at 806-223-8969.

TOP SCAN was first proposed at the Severe Weather Workshop on March 12. Numerous people signed up for the organization at that time. Local TOP SCAN Chapter officials will be in contact with these individuals in the near future.

Elvis Returns May 19 Dalhart LaRita Theatre

Elvis will return with "Burning Love" to the Dalhart LaRita Theatre Thursday, May 19. For reservations call 244-5646.

Good judgment comes from experience, and experience comes from bad judgment.
—Barry LePatner

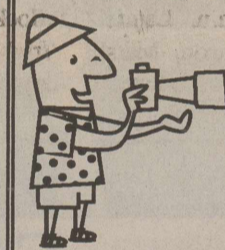
"Hank the Cow Dog" May 19, 21-22 Guymon Community Theatre

The Guymon Community Theatre will present "Hank the Cow Dog" on Thursday, May 19, Saturday, May 21 and Sunday Matinee May 22. (A report from this past weekend: Very good and fun, the cat really acts like a cat) For reservations call 580-338-0019.



The Irish wolfhound is the tallest of all dogs, standing about 32 inches high.

SCDC's PHOTO CONTEST



Help us find the "The Best of Sherman County"

The Sherman County Development Committee is searching for pictures to be posted on our website. Potential residents and business people from all over the country - maybe the world - will be viewing the website and we want to show them our area as we all know it. So we're having a contest to find the best of Sherman County! Contest rules are:

1. Photo has to be taken in Sherman County.
2. You can use an old or a recent photograph.
3. Contest is open to all ages.
4. Deadline is 12:00 Noon on June 10, 2005

After the deadline all entries will be on display for viewing. Prizes will be awarded: 1st Place will win \$150, 2nd Place will win \$100 and 3rd Place will win \$75. To enter bring your photo & short description telling where and/or who is in the picture, to the SCDC Office at 301 N. Main or mail it to PO Box 652, Stratford, TX 79084. Be sure to include return address. Photos will be returned to the owners.

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The GFWC/Prospectus Study Club served a barbecue lunch at the County Barn on May 15th. All proceeds raised go toward scholarships and other projects.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

The Bill Borens have been busy. Recently Bill & Pat Went to Fort Worth where Charles & Jean Boren joined them for a trip on to Joe & Judy Boren's at Houston. Then all went on to a Ronan Tynan concert at Galveston. It was held in an 1894 Opera House.

On April 30 four of Stratford Grain Bowling team plus Bill Boren bowled in an Alibi 9-10 No Tap tourney at Garden City, KS. Dorinda Dashnow is in first; Pat is second; Lauren Carter and Laura Baker also bowled.

Pat had surgery on her right shoulder May 3. She will be taking therapy to get it back in working condition.

Last weekend the Borens went to Albuquerque to visit with the Joe Bill Boren family. They watched the nine-year-old boys play baseball.

Mother's Day dinner at the Community Center had the usual great food and visiting. Colorful flowers in bud vases decorated the dining tables.

Enjoying the day were Minnie, Ralph James & Annette Hampton, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters who were hosts.

And Judy Potter and Lois Garner, Boise City; Geneva & Joyce Wells, Griggs; Denton & Charley Crabtree, Mary & Dudley Hill, John, Teri, Nicolas Shelby McDaniel, All of Stratford.

Also Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Marjory Munden, Jo June McDaniel, Bill Boren, Marylou & Mike McDaniel.

Visiting in Kerrick this week were Donna Baker and Cindy Steward of Colorado City, CO.

Clifford Abbott, Lubbock, visited over the weekend with Marylou and Mike McDaniel.

Shane & Kim Dyess and children, Daniel, A.J. & Emma of Virginia have been to see

Doris Dyess. They stayed with Ellen & Sandy Tillery. Sunday they visited in Kerrick with the Brady Schoonovers.

Jo June McDaniel attended the Texhoma Alumni picnic Saturday.

Home

(NU) - Who wants to stay home and clean for hours when it's beautiful outside? Let new cleaning tools move your cleaning speed into high gear. For example, Shark's next-generation sweepers, such as the Shark Cordless Intelligent 3 Speed Sweeper, have the ability to pick up messes normal brooms and vacuums can't handle. Also, the best way to clean up spills, dry off kitchen tools or wipe down counters is with the ChefTowl. Lightweight, durable and machine-washable, this natural fabric can soak up more than 10 times its weight. Visit www.sharkvac.com and www.surlatable.com to learn more.

Laramore wins Best in State Award

The Canyon High Technology Education program competed in the Texas Technology Students Association state contest and won the first place high point school award in class 3-A for the third year in a row. The competition was held in Waco.

In winning the awards, Canyon High TSA received 50 best-in-state awards, 102 first places, 59-second places, and 14 third places. The Best-In-State Award is the highest award given at state contest. Students receiving Best-in-State award also received first place and were chosen above all other first place recipients.

In addition to the individual project award winners, J.T. Laramore won \$1,000 scholarships from the Texas TSA Board of Directors. J.T. has won four BIS Awards. J. T. won this year with his Armoire. J.T. has been taught by Lyndall-Hopper woodworking and manufacturing class.

Canyon Senior- J.T. Laramore is the son of Ronnie and Susie Laramore of Canyon and grandson of Erma Houston and the late J.R. Houston of Stratford.

Study Club Holds May Business Meeting

GFWC/Prospectus Study Club had a May business meeting at the Library. They made plans for the Brisket and Fixin's dinner that was held May 15.

Margaret Reed has been named Region 1 Conservation Homemaker at a recent meeting at Plainview.

Relay for Life will be June 3, 6:00 p.m.

Two students will be receiving a \$500 scholarship on graduation night.

Old Timer King & Queen were selected.

Club will be hosting Top of Texas District FallBoard Meeting on Oct. 22. They will be meeting at the Assembly of God Church.

Summer Reading at the Library is planned for June 7-21 and July 5-19 at 3:30 p.m. for 1st thru 5th grades.

Members present were D'Lynn Reed, Sandy Baskin, Paula Everett, Mattie Baskin, Linda Swain, Linda Haynes, Betty Brown, Dorothy Haile, Pat Hartman, Oline Caraway, Margaret Reed, Patti Vincent, Marty Bain, Laurie Spurlock, Ann Johnson, Marsha Wright, Michelle Lutes, Marylou McDaniel.

Imagination Station News

By Gaynelle Riffe

The computer lab at The Imagination Station will be closed for the summer. The participation this year has been very disappointing in the fact that the computers at the Library have had waiting lines every day. The computers will be available this summer for classes or anyone with a need to use wireless hook-up. Please contact Gaynelle Riffe 396-5303 or Laurie Spurlock 366-2772.

Summer is a time of extras. Camp ABC for 3-4 year olds is filled. Two Main Street Art days are planned. The Class of 1975 is holding their Class Reunion the evening of July 30. The First Baptist Church will hold a youth revival the first week in August.

Don't forget the "Whale of a Sale" held in September to help pay the light bill. Items can be brought to The Imagination Station by contacting ANY Board Member (Contact George Harding 366-2206).

The Imagination Station must have community support of \$6000.00 per year for utilities. We will be present at 4th of July to paint faces and sell watermelon, "Pie by the Slice" at the Jamboree Barbeque, the "Whale of a Sale" in September. Mostly we depend on community support in donations. Please keep us in mind in your Stratford giving budget.

You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You are able to say to yourself, 'I have lived through this horror. I can take the next thing that comes along.' You must do the thing you think you cannot do.

—Eleanor Roosevelt

First Assembly of God
Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian
Rev. Walter Reed
5th & Main
Sunday School 9:45 am (nursery)
Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
No Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wed. : Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m.,
CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.

First United Methodist
Rev. Gene Weinette
520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:40 am
Morning Worship 10:50 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

St. Joseph Catholic
Rev. Dr. Johnson, Reiki Master
6th & Pearl
Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 8:00a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
Ernie Maiwald
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.

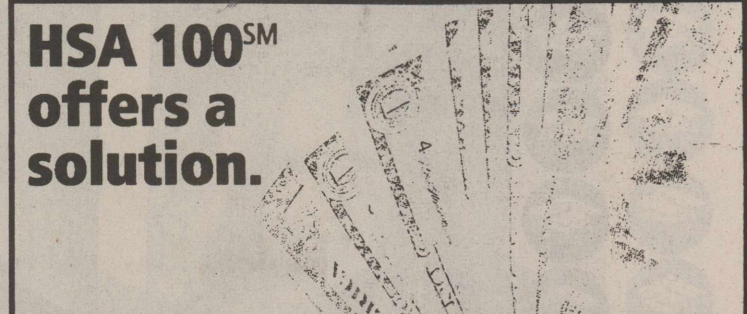
Calvary Baptist
James Washburn
302 S. Main - 806-396-5335 lv. message
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist
Brent Farney
702 N. 3rd
Early Service 9:00 a.m.
Growth groups/Sun. School 10:00 a.m.
Late Service 11:00 a.m.
Growth Groups Nightly 7:00 p.m.
Wed. - Youth Group Teen Kids 7:00 p.m./Adult Choir 7:00

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401 S. Wall 396-5376
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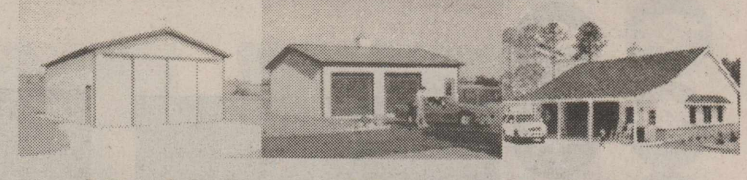
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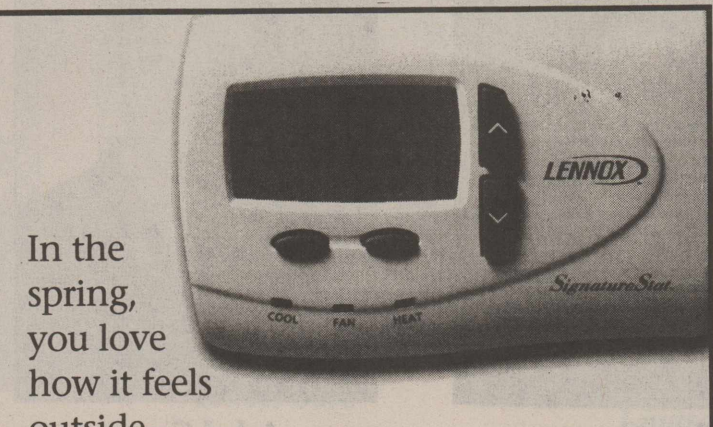
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What does it mean to know God? It's not popular to put it this way, but knowing God depends upon God's prior knowledge of you. The apostle Paul tells Christians, "You have come to know God, or rather to be known by God" (Galatians 4:9). Paul wants to make sure we realize that to be known by God is of utmost importance. In another place, Paul says, "If anyone loves God, he is known by Him" (1 Corinthians 8:3). This is amazing. It seems really loving God also depends on God's prior knowledge of us. Being known by God also carries with it eternal significance. Jesus exclaims, "Not every one who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 7:22). Why? Won't casual confession of "Christ as Lord" (Romans 10:9) be of benefit at the judgment? Apparently not. Christ's response could be, "I never knew you" (Matthew 7:23). You need to be known by God. You need to be known by God as a friend. Abraham "was called the friend of God" (James 2:23). God revealed Himself to His friend Abraham. What a wonderful way to get to know God. Will God disclose Himself to you? He has taken the first step by revealing Himself in Jesus Christ. You need to investigate this Jesus as revealed by God in the Bible.

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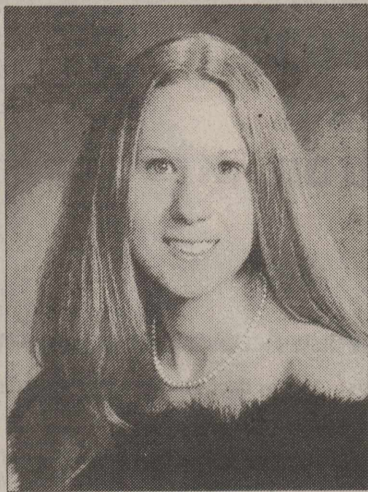
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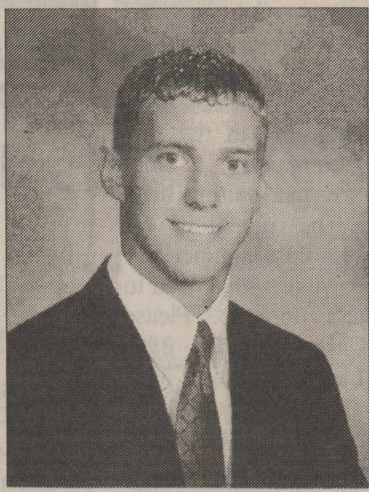
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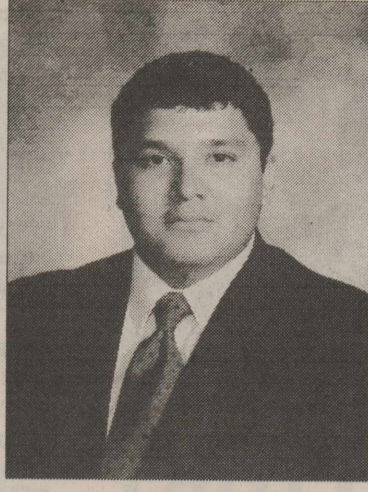
Kayla Willard
Valedictorian

Kayla Willard is the 17 yr. old daughter of Jay & Kelly Willard. Her motto is "Live as one who is already dead". She plans to attend Baylor University and major in Forensic Science.



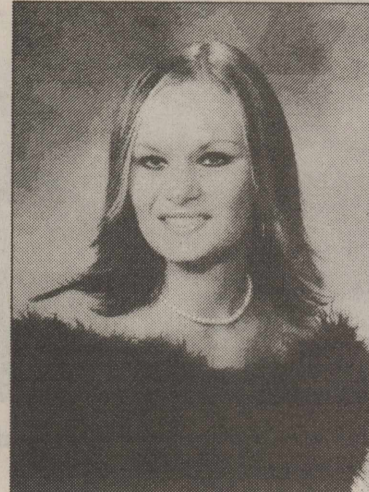
Tyler Haynes
Salutatorian

Tyler Haynes is the 18 yr. old son of Steve & Linda Haynes. His motto is "Let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back." Hebrews 12:1. He plans to attend Texas Tech University to obtain a Masters in Finance.



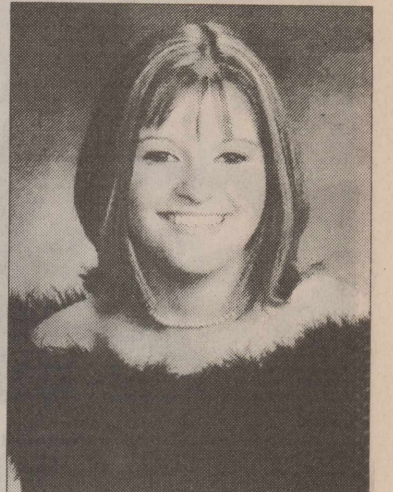
Manuel Barajas

Manuel Barajas is the 19 yr. old son of Nicolas Barajas. He plans to attend Amarillo College and major in Diesel Mechanics.



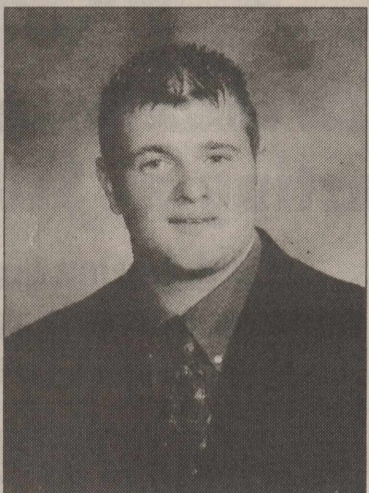
Kyla June Bell

Kyla June Bell is the 17 yr. old daughter of Kerry & Brenda Bell. Her motto is "Our own imperfections make us all flawless creatures of God." She plans to attend Summer '05-Fall '06 RN classes at Amarillo College then BSN classes at Pueblo, CO, the CRNA (anesthetist) classes at Flint, Michigan and become Anesthesiologist.



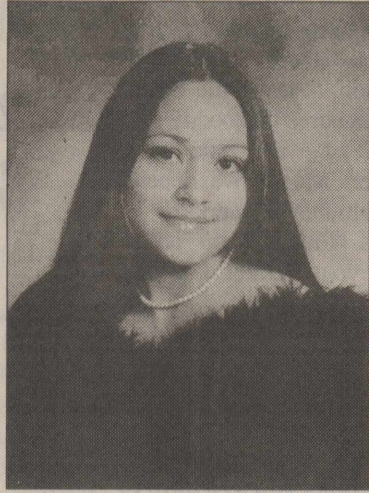
Katy Bench

Katy Bench is the 17 yr. old daughter of TJ and Beth Bench. Her motto is "Don't take life too seriously, you'll never get out alive." She plans to attend Oklahoma Panhandle State University.



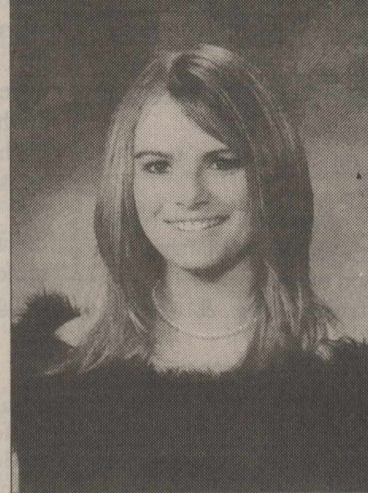
Trent Boyd

Trent Boyd is the 18 yr. old son of Mike & Penny Boyd. His motto is "Life is a precious short gift." He plans to attend Tulsa Welding school to become a Master Welder.



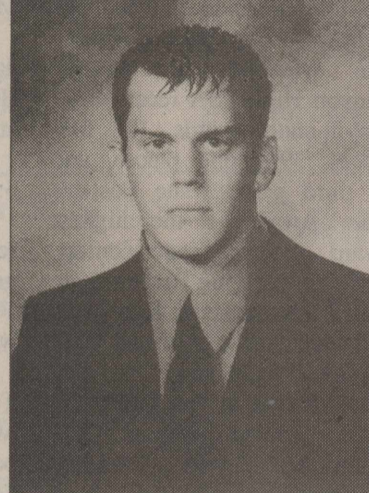
Priscilla E. Casares

Priscilla E. Casares is the 17 yr. old daughter of Jaime & Evangelina Casares. Her motto is "Keep smiling, it makes people wonder what you're up to." She plans to take a year off then go to college.



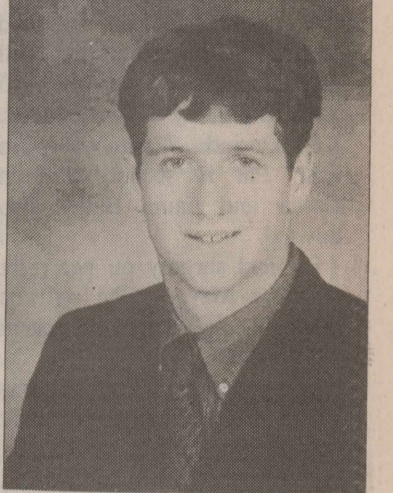
Chelsea Christian

Chelsea Christian is the 18 yr. old daughter of Max & Lori Christian. Her motto is "If you get the chance to sit it out or dance, I hope you dance." - LeeAnne Womack. She plans to attend West Texas A&M.



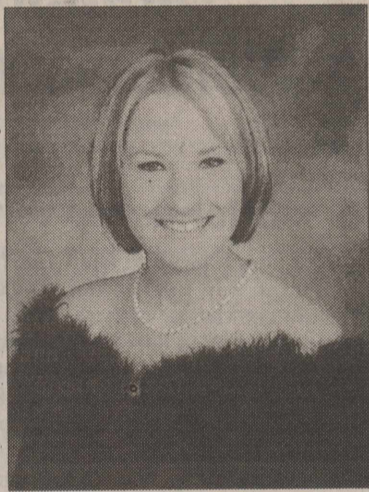
Jesse Daniels

Jesse Daniels is the 18 yr. old son of Phillip and Janice Daniels. His motto is "Just remember that you don't have to be what they want you to be." - Ali. He plans to work and go to school in Oklahoma City.



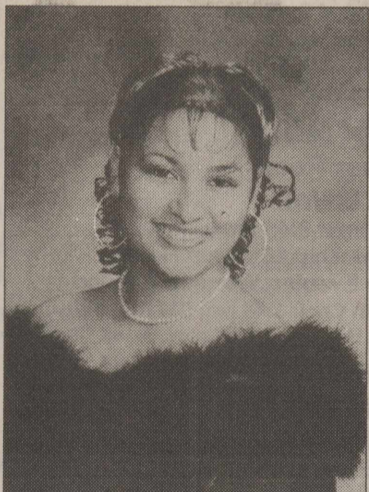
Jared Ewers

Jared Ewers is the 18 yr. old son of Jerry Ewers & Brenda Cromer. His motto is "Don't care of what others think of what you do; but care very much about what you think you do." His plans after graduation are undecided.



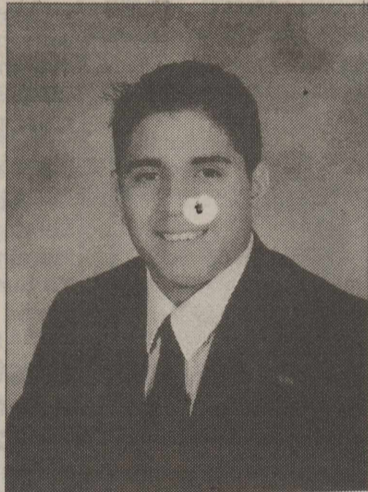
Johnna Ewers

Johnna Ewers is the 18 yr. daughter of John & Lauri Ewers. Her motto is "Life's a garden; dig it." She plans to attend college.



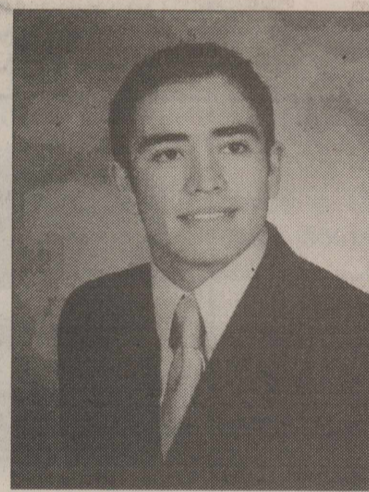
Mayra Garay

Mayra Garay is the 18 yr. old daughter of Juan & Maria Garay. Her motto is "Life has better opportunities for us." She plans to go to college.



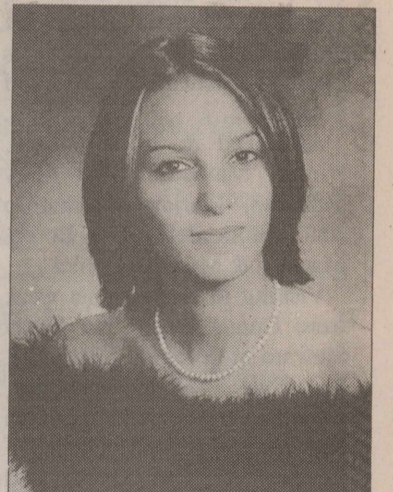
Adam Gomez

Adam Gomez is the 18 yr. old son of Jesse & Catalina Resendes. His motto is "Life is like a box of chocolates - you never know what you will get." He plans to go to Amarillo College for Auto Body Repair.



Asbel Gomez

Asbel Gomez is the 19 yr. old son of Gaby & Elias Gomez. His motto is "People talk about 'Finding' their lives. In reality, your life is not something you find - it's something you create." - David Phillips. He plans to attend Amarillo College to get his basics and later transfer to WT to finish my education.



Cassie Brooke Harbour

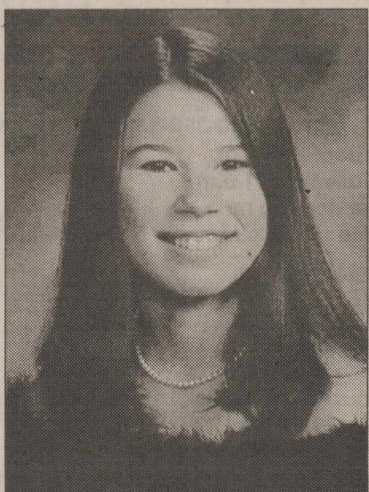
Cassie Brooke Harbour is the 18 yr. old granddaughter of Charles & Juanice Harbour. Her motto is "Remember always that you not only have the right to be an individual, you have an obligation to be on." - Eleanor Roosevelt. She plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in nursing to become a paramedic.

Congratulations!



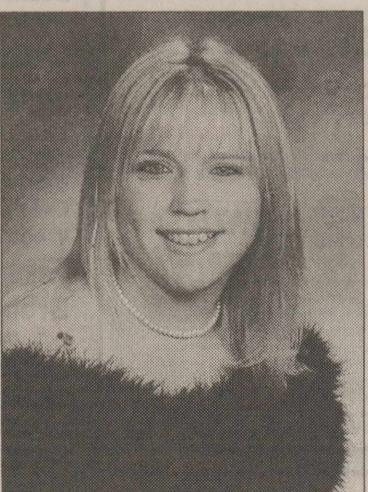
Brittany Leigh Hudson

Brittany Leigh Hudson is the 18 yr. old daughter of Gregg & Shari Hudson. Her motto is "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Matthew 6:34. She plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in Neonatology Nursing Practicum.



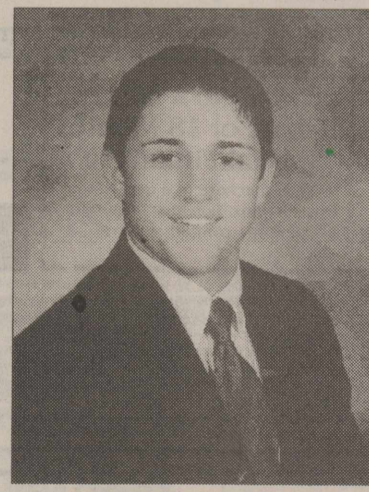
Shawnda Michelle Jenkins

Shawnda Michelle Jenkins is the 18 yr. old daughter of Rick & Laurie Jenkins & Dawn & Greg Tedder. Her motto is "A mistake is simply another way of doing things." She plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in teaching.



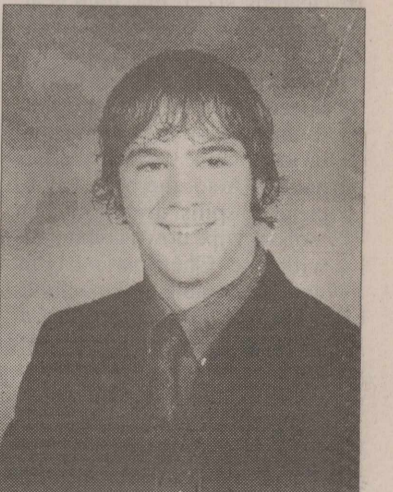
April Kautz

April Kautz is the 18 yr. old daughter of Jeff & Lynette Kautz. Her motto is "Life is not measured by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away." She plans to attend West Texas A&M to major in chemistry/pre-dental.



Josh King

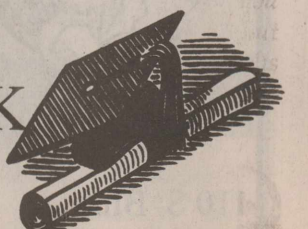
Josh King is the 18 yr. old son of Keith & Tami King. His motto is "Champions aren't made in the gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them - a desire, a dream, a vision." - Muhammad Ali. He plans to play football at Eastern New Mexico and major is undecided.



Ryan McDaniel

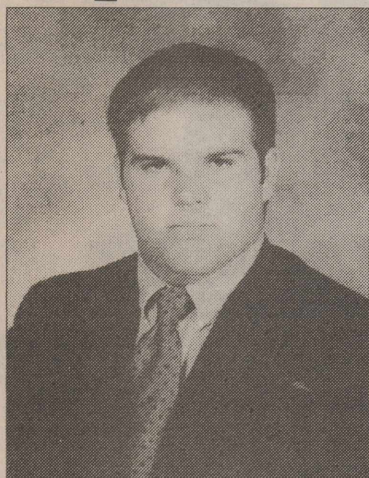
Ryan McDaniel is the 18 yr. old son of Garold & Debbie McDaniel. His motto is "If you're going to worry, don't do it. If you do it, don't worry." He plans to play football at McMurry.

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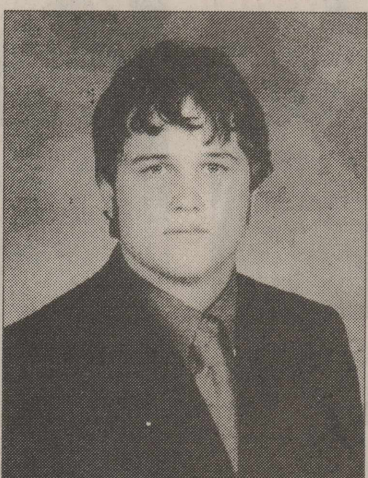
Mark Miller

Mark Miller is the 18 yr. old son of Wesley & Cindy Miller. His motto is "The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good." He plans to attend a four year university and major in Ag Business.



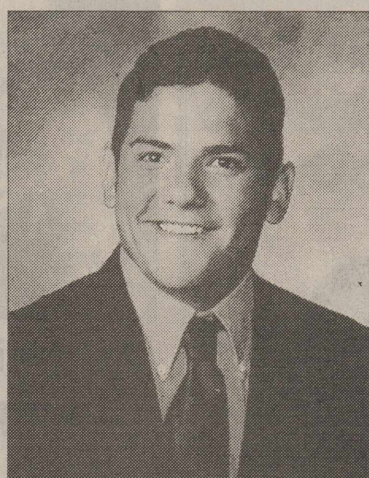
Blanca Rocio Molina

Blanca Rocio Molina is the 18 yr. old daughter of Carlos & Virginia Molina. Her motto is "Dreams are what get you started. Discipline is what keeps you going." - Jim Ryan. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University and save the world.



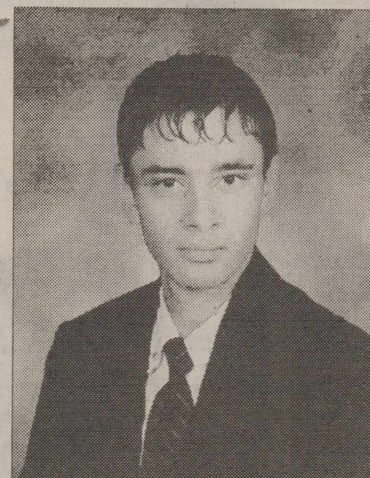
Todd Nicholson

Todd Nicholson is the 18 yr. old son of Randy & Dominique Lehr. His motto is "Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most." He plans to attend OPSU.



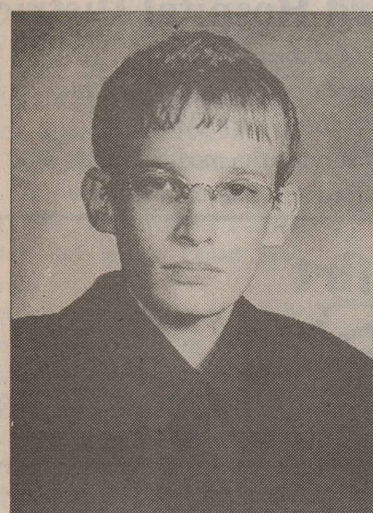
Christian Ortega

Christian Ortega is the 18 yr. old son of Efrain & Elizabeth Ortega. His motto is "I realize that a sense of humor isn't for everyone. It's only for people who want to have fun, enjoy life, and feel alive." He plans to attend West Texas A&M and major either in business or become a coach.



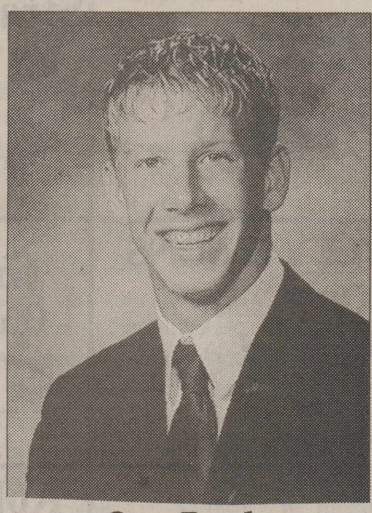
Mario Ortega, Jr.

Mario Ortega, Jr. is the 17 yr. old son of Mario and Sara Ortega. His motto is "Being loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone gives you courage." He plans to go to college and be someone, to live my dreams, my goals, my life, my future, to make my mark so that people can remember me and to make a name for myself.



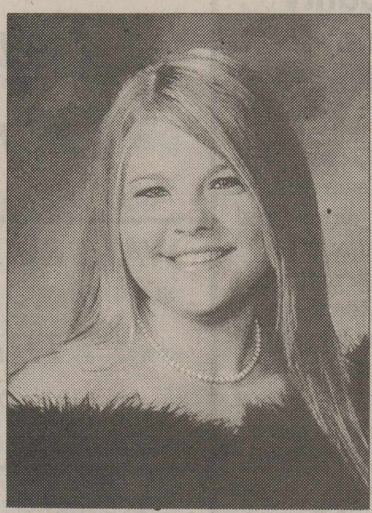
Craig Raymond Reinart

Craig Raymond Reinart is the 17 yr. old son of Joe & Janet Reinart. His motto is "If someone can't meet your standards; you shouldn't lower your own." He plans to earn a degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Arkansas, and later study for his masters degree.



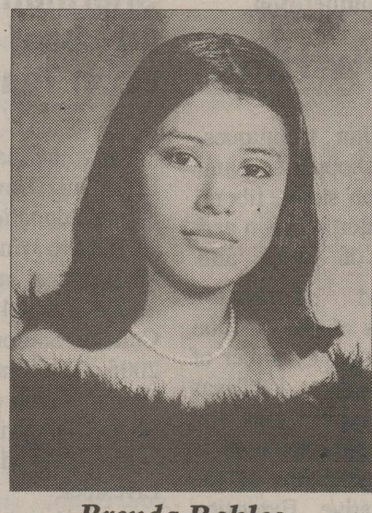
Cory Rendon

Cory Rendon is the 17 yr. old son of Ruben & Kathy Rendon. His motto is "You can't reach for the stars when you are looking at the ground." He plans to go to the Marines.



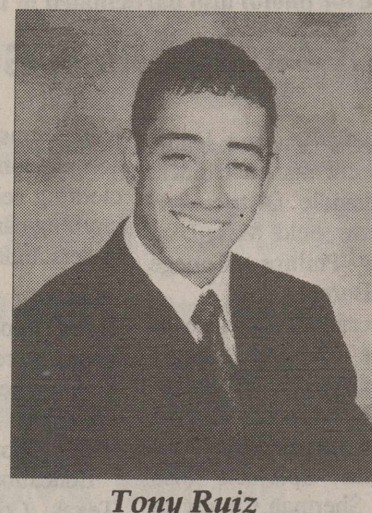
Kayla Renee Robertson

Kayla Renee Robertson is the 18 yr. old daughter of Donita Robertson & Lane Robertson. Her motto is "If what you did yesterday seems big, you haven't done anything today." She plans to attend West Texas A&M for two years then transfer to Texas Culinary Academy.



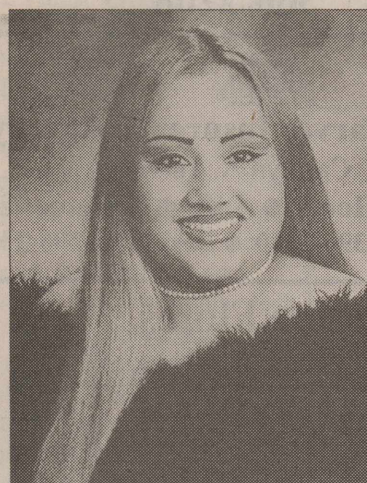
Brenda Robles

Brenda Robles is the 16 yr. old daughter of Ildefonso Robles & Norma E. Robles. Her motto is "Most of us are so busy doing what we think we have to do, that we do not think about what we really want to do." She plans to go to college.



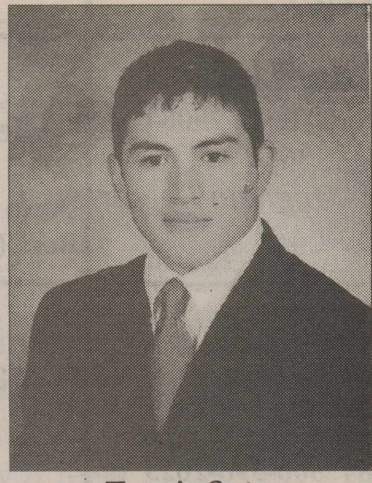
Tony Ruiz

Tony Ruiz is the 17 yr. old son of Arnold & Dorothy Ruiz. He plans to go to college in Amarillo and achieve his Associates Degree in Diesel Mechanics.



Saharha Sanchez

Saharha Sanchez is the 18 yr. old daughter of Cindi Sanchez. Her motto is "Most of us are so busy doing what we think we have to do, that we do not think about what we really want to do." She plans to take some classes and take it one step at a time.



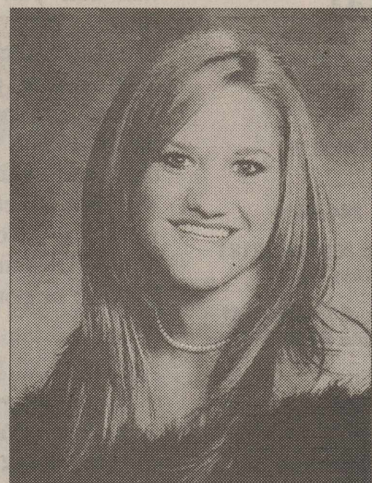
Travis Soto

Travis Soto is the 17 yr. old son of Jorge & Sylvia Soto. His motto is "Be absolutely determined to enjoy what you do." He plans to attend West Texas A&M University.



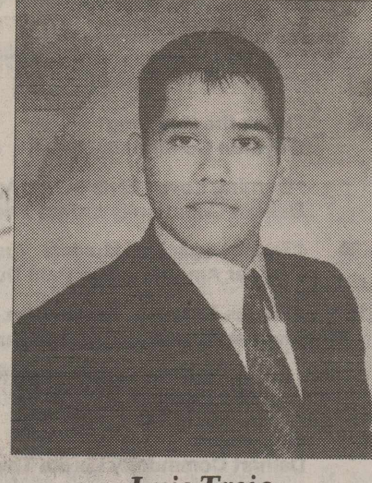
Lindsay Stein

Lindsay Stein is the 18 yr. old granddaughter of Marty Bain. Her motto is "You don't get to choose how you're going to die, or when. You can only decide how you're going to live Now" - Joan Baez. She plans to attend the University of North Texas & major in Radiology.



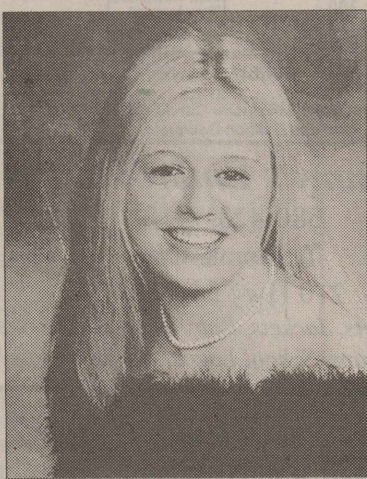
Deidre Tarver

Deidre Tarver is the 18 yr. old daughter of Lee & Carolyn Tarver. Her motto is "Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory." Albert Schweitzer. She plans to move to San Antonio and attend Texas A&M in the fall.



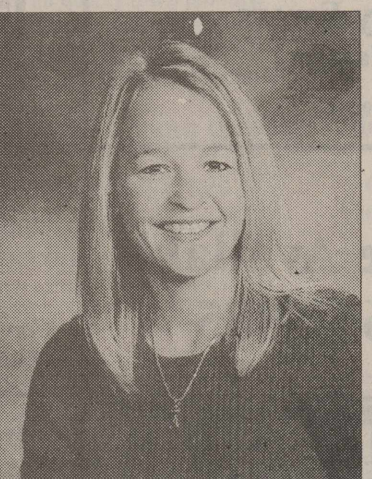
Luis Trejo

Luis Trejo is the 18 yr. old son of Luis C. Trejo & Maria C. Trejo. His motto is "Why you crying, life's just begun?" He plans to major in Radiology at Amarillo College.



Jayme Wilhelm

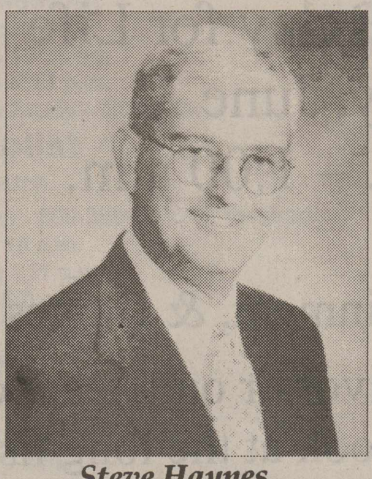
Jayme Wilhelm is the 18 yr. old daughter of Gerald & Gay Wilhelm. Her motto is "People talk about finding their lives. In reality your life is not something you find - it's something you create." - David Phillips. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University & major in Nursing.



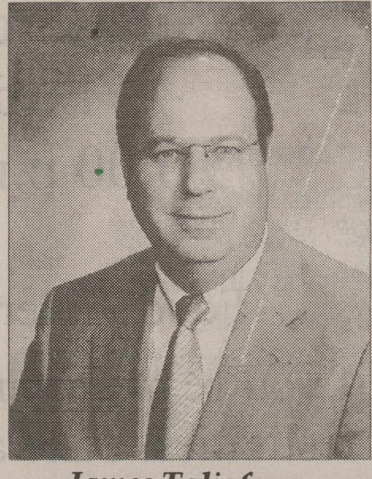
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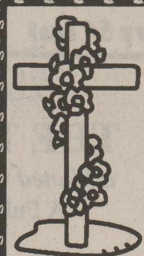
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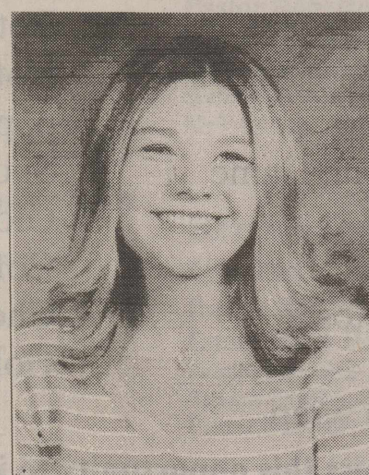
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Principal**



**James Taliaferro
Superintendent**



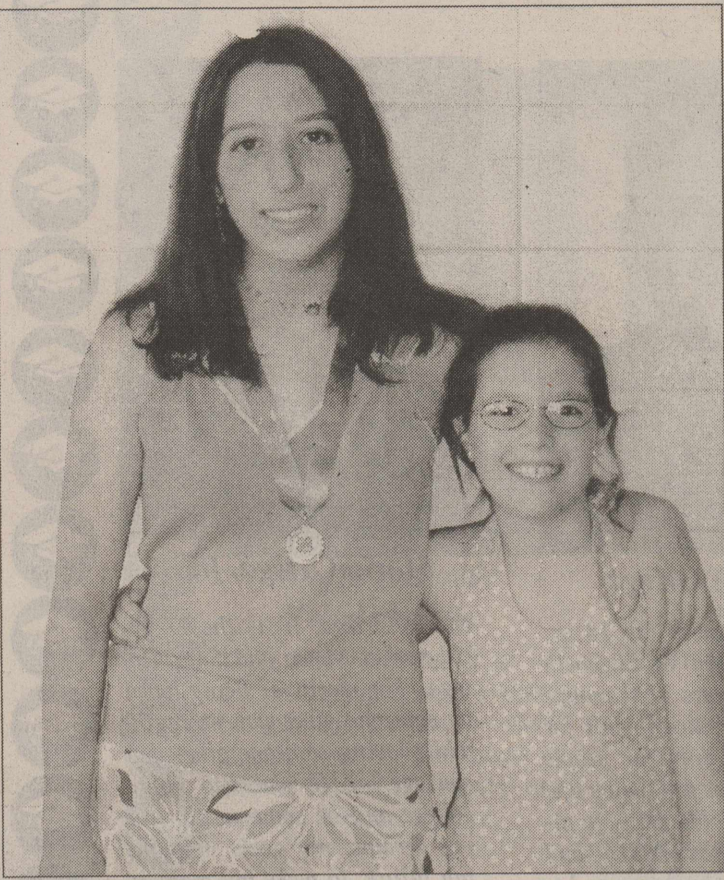
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Jennie Spurlock and Mary Ann Spurlock were Sherman County participants at the Panhandle District 4-H Fashion Show held May 7 at Frank Phillips College in Borger. Shiloh Dickenson (unavailable for photo) also participated in the competition.

District 4-H Fashion Show Held

Shiloh Dickenson and Jennie Spurlock, were named winners at the Panhandle District 4-H Fashion Show held May 7 on the Frank Phillips College Campus in Borger.

Jennie received 2nd place in Intermediate Buying Dressy Daywear category while Shiloh placed 3rd in the Senior Buying Casual Daywear category.

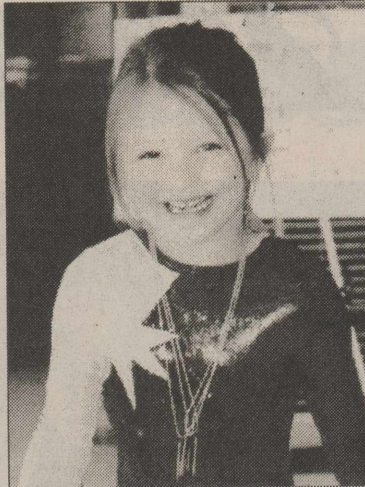
Mary Ann Spurlock also represented Sherman County in the Junior Casual Daywear construction category.

Mrs. Ashley Lavake assisted with the Fashion Show by serving as one of the volunteer judges for the event.

The objectives of the 4-H fashion project are for youth to

learn construction techniques, comparison shopping and clothing selection skills, fibers, clothing care, interpretation and understanding of style and modeling and presentation skills. Sponsors of the Fashion Show were Borger Chamber of Commerce, District 1 Texas Extension Education Clubs, and Texas Cooperative Extension.

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin. The 4-H fashion show addresses Texas Cooperative Extension's goals of developing life skills and leadership qualities.



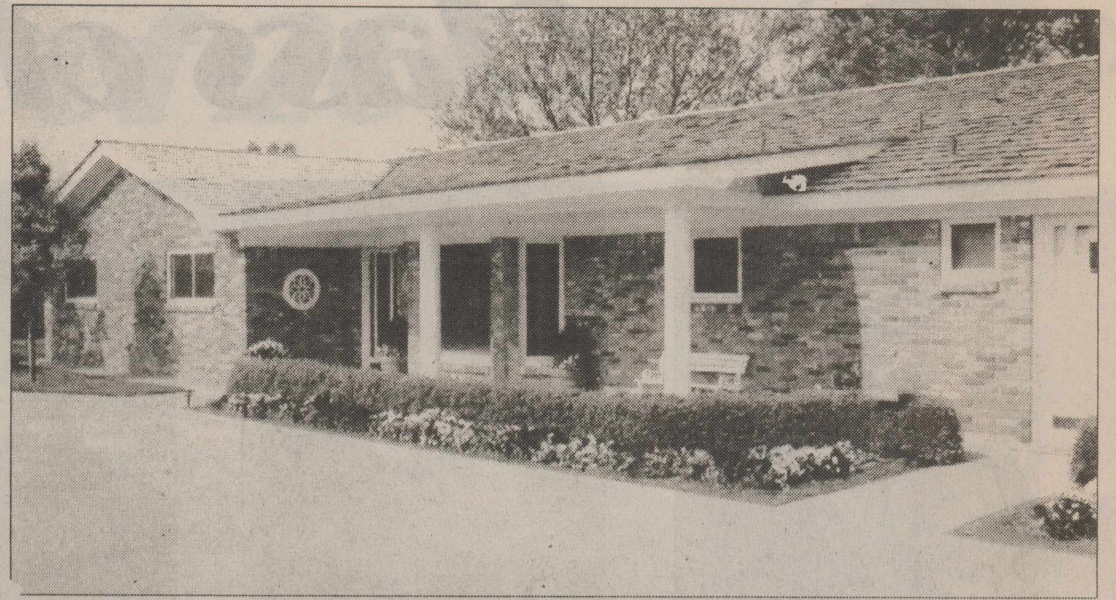
Audrain State Champion

Shaylee Audrain the 4-year-old daughter of Pistol and Jessica Audrain, competed in the State Gymnastics meet held in Levelland on April 30, 2005. She competed level 2 in three events: double mini, trampoline, and floor. Shaylee brought home gold medals in all three events! She also is part of Kelly's Gymnastics.

Sherman County 4-H Beef Quiz Bowl Team Raffle

The Sherman County 4-H Beef Quiz Bowl Team will be taking donations on several chances to win meat or a horse, the team is raising money to attend State 4-H Round-up in College Station on June 6-10, 2005. The first raffle is on a chance to win one of three meat prizes. The prizes are a quarter beef donated by Texhoma Livestock Auction and processed courtesy of Brown's Meat Locker, or six briskets donated by Stratford Feedyard, or a pork prize donated by Murphy Farms. Only 200 tickets will be sold and one chance is a \$5.00/donation. The team is also raffling off a one-year-old Appaloosa colt, courtesy of Danny Edmond. These tickets are available for a donation of \$1.00/chance or \$5.00/6 chances. Both raffles will take place at 10:00 a.m. June 1, 2005 at the Texhoma Livestock Auction, you do not have to be present to win. Tickets can be obtained from the Extension Office or one of the Beef Quiz Bowl Team Members: Pete Dahl, Kaleb Horsford, Jacob Edmond and Shiloh Dickenson. Thank you for your support!

Aristotle was famous for knowing everything. He taught that the brain exists merely to cool the blood and is not involved in the process of thinking. This is true only of certain persons.
—Will Cuppy



Yard of the Month

Yard of the Month is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Taliaferro at 1215 Putnam. If you have not already noticed the beautiful yard, take a minute and drive by, you won't be disappointed.

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Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

May 19,21,22 "Hank the Cow Dog"
Guymon Community Theatre 580-338-0019
May 19 "Burning Love" Elvis is Hot Again
Dalhart Community LaRita Theatre 244-5646
June 2-Aug.20 "Texas Legacies" Musical Tue.-Sat. 806- 655-2181
Pioneer Amphitheater Palo Duro State Park
June 5-Aug15 ""Texas Express" Music Sun.-Mon. 806-655-2181
Pioneer Amphitheater Palo Duro State Park
July 8-10 "Beauty and the Beast" Youth Musical
Amarillo Civic
August 4,5,6 Melodrama
Dalhart Community LaRita Theatre 244-5646
Sept. 7 "The Diamonds"
Dalhart Community LaRita Theatre 244-5646

Everyone Welcome

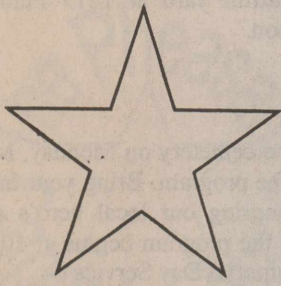
Stratford Relay for Life
Friday, June 3
6:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Food, Entertainment, & Games

Even if you're not a survivor or on a team come join in the festivities. Take a look at the long list of food and games that will be sold.

Lemonade	BBQ Sandwiches
Homemade Ice Cream	Bottled Water
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Dance Revolution Game	Snow Cones
Hair Paint	Glow in the dark items
Tea	Coffee
Breakfast Burritos	Chocolate covered strawberries
Funnel Cakes	Golfing game
Sausage tortilla wrap	

Don't miss this opportunity to join in the fun while helping to raise funds for a cure for cancer.



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For Sale

For Sale or Lease-212 N. Poplar-40' x 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585. 3-31-c

FOR SALE: 1992 Suzuki 250 Quad-Racer 4-wheeler, 2 stroke, New tires and tune-up. \$2000. Call 366-7664 or 753-6677. 2-17-tfn

For Sale: 1993 Chevy Blazer, low mileage, 4WD, call 366-5308 or 396-5978. 3-24-tfn

For Sale: 1993 Chevy Blazer, Low Mileage, 4 WD, Call 366-5308 or 396-5978. 3-34-tfn

For Sale: 2001 Chevy Impala LS Heated Leather Seats 40K \$11,900 (806) 366-5557. 4-21-c

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Used Tire Sale-Many Sizes starting at \$5.00. Duncan Chevrolet 806-366-5557. 4-21-c

For Sale: 1999 Venture Van, Low mileage, extra clean \$7250.00 366-5557. 5-12-tfn

For Sale 2003 Silverado V6 Auto, A/C \$11,900.00 Call 366-5557 5-12-tfn

Found

Prom Parents: A Fujifilm disposable camera was found on the portable bleachers as they were being towed away from the school. If this is yours, please come to claim it. Jeanne Bell-366-2576. 5-19-c

Help Wanted

Cargill Ag-Horizons, Kerrick, TX is looking for seasonal, harvest scale help. Applicants should have good computer and math skills and be able to meet the public well. If interested, please contact Drew Pilger at 785-821-0057. Cargill is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 5-5-tfn

Garage Sales

Garage Sale: 1216 N. Chestnut, May 21st Baby girl clothes up to 4T, Baby boy clothes up to 2T, Men's and Women's clothes, shoes. Come by and see us there is lots to choose from! 5-19-c

Moving Sale: Large family 1201 Putnam, Saturday, May 21st from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 5-19-c

Wanted

Wanted-Children to stay with Linda Forthman. 8-5 weekdays. 366-2586. 12-19-p

Consumer

(NU) - For centuries, jewelry has been the signature of great power and wealth and it has always helped define an era. Today, estate jewelry — jewelry that has been previously owned — is more popular than ever with collectors as well as consumers looking for original, high-quality designer pieces. Ross-Simons Jewelers says clients prefer estate jewelry for its versatility and excellent value. Since many estate pieces are handmade and much heavier in weight, the workmanship often is superior. So it generally is less expensive to buy estate jewelry than to have the same piece of equal quality recreated today. For more information, visit www.ross-simons.com or a Ross-Simons retail store.

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I will do little handiwork jobs for the elderly at a reasonable cost. Call Dick Bachman 366-7679. 8-19-tfn

For Rent

House for Rent-2 Bdrm, basement-Call 366-2493 or 930-1985. 5-12-c

For Rent: 1 Bedroom completely furnished house for Rent Call 396-2125. 4-7-tfn

FOR RENT...Office space on Main Street for rent. For information call (806)396-5541. 11-27-tfn

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House for Rent-2 Bdrm at 609 N. Grace. Call 366-2008 for more information 5-12-tfn

Land for Sale

Land for Sale: Section 66 and South 1/2 of Section 67 Block 8. Capital Syndicate sub-division. Dallam County CRP to 9-30-2007. Contact Trust Dept. at First State Bank of Stratford 806-396-5521. 10-23-tfn

Cards of Thanks

The Imagination Station thanks those making the Miss Beyond Imagination Pageant a fun success. **Celebrity Judges:** Sean Hardman; Bryant Riffe (former twisted sister); George Harding (Georgiana Hardbody). The great piano entertainment by Carlton Baugus. And our beautiful contestants Greg Wright, Brent Spurlock, Tim Gilliland and Walt Berry.

The Stratford Area Foundation acknowledges the fine art work the Stratford High School Students provided for the advertising posters for the Area Foundation Silver Anniversary. Thank you for your time and talent.

Houses For Sale

For Sale: 305 N. 3rd, 2 bdrm, laundry room, CH/A, detached garage, storage building, nice location \$20,000. Call 930-0734 or 930-5613. 3-31-tfn

For Sale by Owner: 4/2/3 home on corner lot. Custom built in 1995. New carpet, 20 x 20 finished basement, fireplace, ceramic tile in entry, utility, dining and kitchen, sprinkler system, open floor plan, approx. 3200 total sq. ft. Call 806-366-2303 evenings or leave a message. 11-4-tfn

FOR SALE BY OWNER...Beautiful 4 bedroom home, large sized rooms, 3 full baths, office, large utility room, basement, covered patio, beautifully landscaped backyard. W/deck. This house is located in a GREAT neighborhood!! 202 Kay Ave. Approx. 3800 sq. ft. Call 806-366-2482. 4-22-tfn

For Sale: Our home at 619 S. Pearl. 2572 sq. ft. living area, 3 b, 2 b, fireplace, heated tile floor in den & kitchen, 2 car garage, separate storage garage extra lg. Lot 366-5829 or 753-7775. 4-22-tfn

3 Bdrm Brick, 2 baths on large corner lot. 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Located in Casa Bonita Addition. Call 366-2153 for appointment. 10-21-tfn

For Sale: 3BR, 1.75 bath home at 603 S. Fulton. 2 living areas, dining room, master bedroom with 2 walk in closets. Lots of closets and storage throughout the house. Large backyard with above ground swimming pool, metal storage shed and covered patio. 2 car garage. Brick and vinyl exterior for maintenance, free up keep. Contact Rhonda Browne after 6:30 at 366-7597 or leave message. 12-9-tfn

House for sale-3 bedroom 1 bath. Central heat & air, sprinkler system, large storage building, 401 S. Pearl. Call 366-3678. 6-2-c

For Sale: Nice 3 br. 1.75 bath brick home at 408 N. Fulton. Ready to move into. Updated kitchen and bathrooms. CH/A, attached garage, new attic insulation, large fenced in backyard. Stove, washer, dryer and new built in dishwasher stay. Great neighborhood \$55,000. Call 366-3111. 3-24-tfn

For Sale: \$125,000, 900 North Pearl, 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, two years old, open floor plan, 2-car garage, close to schools, by owner. Call 806-366-3557 or 806-683-0691. 5-26-c

House for Sale: 802 N. Fulton, Carport, CH/A Heat Pump system. Call 396-2007. 5-12-tfn

For Sale-Nice 3 br. 1.75 bath brick home at 408 N. Fulton. Ready to move into. Updated kitchen and bathrooms. CH/A, attached garage, new attic insulation, large fenced in backyard. Stove, washer, dryer and new built in dishwasher stay. Great neighborhood. \$55,000. Call 366-3111. 3-31-tfn

For Sale: 611 N. Chestnut, 3 Bdrm, 1 full bath-2-3/4 bath, CHA detached garage, Big back yard with storage building, close to school. Call 366-2401. 5-5-tfn

Food

(NU) - Preparing a meal for just the two of you can be quick and easy, especially if you keep eggs on hand. Versatile eggs are a high-quality protein food portioned by nature to suit small households. Eggs also can help you include more vegetables in your diet, as the new Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend. Quiche in Pepper Pots is a good example of an entree that combines egg protein with the vitamins, minerals and fiber of veggies. These novel individual quiches are easy on the cook, too. For this and other satisfying recipe ideas, visit www.aeb.org.

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Very Motivated Seller! 3 B/R, 1 1/2 baths, large master suite, walk in shower. Double garage with workshop and C/H&A. Reduced to \$85,000

Home with Style! 2 B/R, 1 1/2 baths, with large living and dining areas. Hardwood floors, and updated baths. \$78,900

Move Up to this Beautiful Home! 3 B/R, 1 1/2 baths, 2 living areas, and a large adjacent lot for parking, on the east side. \$55,000

Very Cute! 1 B/R, 3/4 bath home, would make a great rental property. \$15,000

Great Starter Home, or Possible Investment Property! 2 B/R, 1 bath. \$25,000

Shop in Backyard! Nice 3 B/R, 2 bath with 1 car detached garage. Reduced to \$43,000

Prime Location! This 3 B/R, 2 bath home is located in a quiet neighborhood and close to schools. \$125,000

Corner Lot! This 4 B/R, 1 1/2 bath home has had C/H&A, sewer lines, and gas line has all been recently replaced. \$55,000

Pet of the Week



The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter needs your old blankets, towels, & rugs for the dogs and puppies. If you have any that you would like to provide them, please contact Linda Reimer at 244-6326 (leave message) or 249-5333. You can also drop them off at the shelter.

The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs and puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes & range in age from 4 weeks on up. The older dogs have been spayed and/or neutered & have their shots. These dogs need a good home.

We are also seeking responsible individuals to provide foster care for the dogs. If you feel you would like to take one or two and care for them for a couple of months, we will provide thee food. All of these dogs have had their shots and are looking for lots of love. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 for additional information.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SHERMAN

By virtue of a RESOLUTION issued by the Texhoma Independent School District on the 20th day of April, 2005, and to me, as SHERIFF, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at Two (2) o'clock p.m. on the 7th day of JUNE, 2005, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL door of the Courthouse of said SHERMAN County, in the City of Stratford, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

.002604 Royalty Interest in the Ownbey #1, Lease Number 11300, RRC #27689, located in Section 59, Block 3-B, GH&H Survey, Sherman County, Texas

said interest previously belonging to MARY LENA FISH AND/OR CARL K. FISH and acquired by the TEXHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, - as trustees at the Sheriff Sale held pursuant to an Order of Sale issued on the 3rd day of June, 2004 out of the 69th Judicial District Court in and for Sherman County, Texas, in Cause No. 4486 styled Texhoma Independent School District vs Carl K. Fish as admin of the Mary Lena Fish Estate.

Given under my hand this the 9th day of May, 2005.

Sheriff, Jack Haile, SHERMAN County, Texas.
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, May 12, 2005, Thursday, May 19, 2005 and Thursday, May 26, 2005.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ELAINE MARIE GURLEY, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of ELAINE MARIE GURLEY were issued to DONALD LEE GURLEY, Independent Executor on the 9th day of May, 2005, in Proceeding Number 2096 in the County Court in and for Sherman County, Texas, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate which is being administered in Sherman County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to me before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitations, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My resident and post office address is:

Donald Lee Gurley
5457 County Road BB
Stratford, Texas 79084

Dated this 9th day of May, 2005.

Donald Lee Gurley
Independent Executor of the Estate of Elaine Marie Gurley, Deceased.
Key: Roy Gurley

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, May 19, 2005.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SHERMAN

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Judicial District Court of SHERMAN County in the following cases on the 2nd day of May, 2005, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 2:00 P.M. on the 7th DAY OF JUNE, 2005, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL door of the Courthouse of said SHERMAN County, in the City of STRATFORD, Texas, the following described property located in SHERMAN County, to-wit:

Cause No. 4472
STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS MONTES JUAN & GRACIELA
TRACT 1: Lots Five (5) and Six (6) Block Sixty- (65) Original Town of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas.

Cause No. 4494
STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS BEATTIE, STEVE

A 2.62 acre tract of land out of the Southeast part of Section 364, Block 1-T, T&N.O. Railroad Survey, Sherman County, Texas, described as follows:
BEGINNING at a point in the South line of Section 364, 785.1 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 364;
THENCE West along the South line of Section 364, 277.3 feet to a point;
THENCE North and parallel with the East line of Section 364, 410 feet to a point;

THENCE East and parallel with the South line of Section 364, 377.3 feet to a point;
THENCE South and parallel with the East line of Section 364, 410 feet to a place of beginning and containing 2.62 acres or land, more or less

ALL BIDDERS MUST REGISTER WITH THE TAX OFFICE PRIOR TO SHERIFF'S SALE

Levied on the 4th day of May, 2005 as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT, NORTH PLAINS WATER DISTRICT, SHERMAN COUNTY AND CITY OF STRATFORD.

Pursuant to Sec. 34.015 of the Texas Property Tax Code all persons wishing to bid at a tax sale must register with the Sherman County Tax Collector and Appraisal District a minimum of one day before the sale. Persons not registering will not be allowed to bid.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 4th DAY OF MAY, 2005.

Sheriff, Jack Haile, SHERMAN County, Texas.
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You may want to call a lawyer about this: the word "attorney" comes from the French, meaning "to turn over to another."

Legals
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**Stratford Independent School District
Legal Notice**

The Stratford Independent School District is accepting requests for proposals on items in the following categories:

- CATALOG PROPOSALS for:
Custodial/Maintenance Supplies
Athletic Supplies
Teaching Supplies
Band Supplies
PROPOSALS for:
Student Insurance
Fuel

The proposals are for the period of September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006.

The proposals will be accepted until 2:00 pm June 7, 2005. Any proposals after this date will not be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford I.S.D., P.O. Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, faxed to 806-366-3304, or delivered to the Superintendent's office at 503 N. 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The proposals will be opened June 7, 2005 at 2:00 PM. Specifications may be obtained from the Superintendents office. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals.

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010293001

APPLICATION. City of Stratford, P.O. Box 188, Stratford, Texas 79084, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to new wastewater disposal Permit No. WQ0010293001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 175,000 gallons per day via evaporation with a minimum evaporation area of 10.72 acres. The domestic wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located south of Stratford and west of U.S. Highway 287, approximately 4,000 feet southeast of the intersection of U.S. Highways 54 and 287 in Sherman County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on April 4, 2005. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Stratford City Hall, 518 North 3rd Street, Stratford, Texas.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TCEQ will issue a Notice of Application and preliminary Decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the countywide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments. **OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE**

HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed

issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. The TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for the specific application.

INFORMATION If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us

Further information may also be obtained from City of Stratford at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Sean Hardman at 806-366-5581.

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Bi-County Wheat Field Day

Moore and Sherman County Texas Cooperative Extension will be hosting a Bi-County Wheat Field Day on May 25, 2005 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Spurlock's Farm. Spurlock Farm's wheat test plot is located on Sherman County Road 17, approximately 3 1/2 miles north of Spurlock Chapel on the east. Wheat specialists that will report are Dr. Brent Bean, Texas Cooperative Extension, Dr. Jerry Michaels, Texas Agriculture Experiment Station, Dr. Bonnie Pendleton, West Texas A&M University, and Dr. Roxanne Bowling. Topics will cover Wheat Rust, Background Wheat Resistance of Tam 110 & 111, Greenbugs, and Crops At Risk Research & Results. CEU credits will be given. For more information please contact the Moore County Extension Office at (806) 935-2594 or the Sherman County Extension Office at (806) 366-2081.

**Circle of Friends
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In addition to providing for Patient Care needs and specific grant initiatives, Circle of Friends:

*Supported Cancer's Survivor Day, held June 18, 2004 in front of The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. We sold cookbooks and furnished refreshments to cancer survivors and their families.

*Purchased new Christmas trees and decorations to replace some of the outdated or worn items used in past years. We



Wuensche Sworn In

May 11, 2005

Judge Delwin McGee swore in Darlene Wuensche as a new CASA 69, Inc. volunteer on Monday, May 9th at the Moore County Courthouse. In April Darlene completed thirty hours of New Advocate training as part of her requirements to become a volunteer. CASA 69, Inc. serves children of the 69th Judicial District, which includes Dallam, Hartley, Moore, and Sherman Counties. CASA volunteers advocate in the court system for children who are victims of abuse, neglect, or abandonment. Darlene and her husband, Bill, live in Dumas and have two grown children. Darlene is a math instructor for Amarillo College - Moore County Campus. Anyone who is interested in becoming a CASA volunteer can contact the CASA office in Dalhart, 244-2684 or casag69@xit.net.

SPIRIT CAMP 2005

June 6-9

9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Pre-K thru 6th (as of Fall 2004)

Individual Instruction by Age Group

- ▼ Daily Spirit Awards
- ▼ Receive your very own Spirit Book
- ▼ Spirit prizes awarded last day of camp
- ▼ Spirit T-shirts available
- ▼ Become a certified Spirit Leader!
- ▼ Learn cheers, pom routines and more

Each participant who completes camp will be invited to show off their spirit at a Pep Rally and help lead cheers that night at one of the home football games. (Parents will be notified next fall which pep rally & game the girls will participate in).

- ▼ \$30 Camp Fee
- ▼ \$25 Camp Fee if pre-registered by May 16th
- ▼ \$25 Camp Fee for 2nd child in family
- ▼ \$20 Camp Fee for 2nd child in family if pre-registered
- ▼ \$10 Camp T-shirt (optional)

For more information call Jessica Wheeler at 366-3324

Please fill out a separate form per child—payment can be made with one check

Return this portion with your fee to: Varsity Cheerleaders, P.O. Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084

Name: _____	Camp Fee: _____
Grade Next Year: _____	T-Shirt Size: _____
Parents: _____	Total Payment: _____
Telephone #: _____	T-Shirt sizes: _____
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enjoyed a morning of 'decking the halls' of the Cancer Center. Granted: \$509

*Supported the Harrington Cancer Center, Stars at Night Gala. Granted: \$500

*Continued to maintain and update the two apartments we rent for patient's who travel more than 60 miles to receive treatment at Harrington Cancer Center. This year, thirteen patients stayed in the apartments for an average of 6-8 weeks each. Granted: \$19,354

*Accomplished a long-term goal this year: We added a 3rd apartment! This is been a long time dream since there is almost always a waiting list. Your Circle of Friends Board is happy to announce that the new apartment should be up and running by February of 2005!

*Granted monies to support the various Pediatric Oncology gatherings this year. We are also happy to announce the new collaborative effort, which has been established with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center of Amarillo. The COF Board looks forward to this relationship, as it will allow us the opportunity to touch even more lives! Granted: \$5,000

*Supported Camp Alphonie, held this year August 1-6 in Ceta Canyon. This weeklong camp is enjoyed by pediatric cancer patients who are able to spend time with other kids in similar situations. The Camp Alphonie mascot "Alphonie" also has a birthday party during camp and all the children celebrate with him.

In addition, the parents have camp of their own and Circle of Friends was pleased to provide lunch each day to the parents. Granted: \$454

*Note: Operational expenses were \$8,708, including insurance, audit, printing and mailings.

The Circle of Friends continues to serve the Panhandle Region with dedication and a true commitment to our communities and to those in need.

Sherman County is looking forward to our annual Golf Tournament August 27-28 more information to follow!

Chamber News

By Patty Tims

YARD OF THE MONTH

May Yard of the Month has been awarded to Jim & Shannon Taliaferro. Drive by and see this beautiful yard at 1215 Putnam Street. Congratulations Mr. T and Shannon.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Memorial Day Service will be held at the cemetery on Monday, May 30th. The 4-H Horse Club will present the program. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy this special event honoring our local hero's and veterans. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and the program begins at 10:00 a.m. Please make plans to attend this Memorial Day Service.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Yes it's that time again. We are planning for the July 4th celebration. If you or your organization would like to have a booth at the park, please call or come by the office, 366-2260. This is a first come first serve basis so if you hurry, there is still room.

THE TIFFANY KNIGHT AND SAMANTHA HART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS GOLF SCRAMBLE

Nu Beta Sorority is hosting their first Annual Tiffany Knight and Samantha Hart Memorial Scholarships Golf Scramble, June 11 & 12th. This will take place at the Stratford Country Club and will cost \$180.00 per three-man team, Saturday evening meal included. A Calcutta will also take place Saturday night. You may pre-register teams by calling, Sherry Wilborn 366-3461, Ashley Lavake 366-3648, or Jody Anderton 366-2809. Please support this special event.

STRATFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE & CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 14, the Stratford Fire Department had their Open House Celebration. George Harding started off this event followed by Mayor David Brown, Judge Terri Carter and City Manager Sean Hardman. The ribbon cutting ceremony, using the Jaws of Life, and the dedication service, by Minister Ernest Maiwald, officially opened the new Fire Department Building. Stratford Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the members of the Fire Department for all their hard work and dedication to protect our community. The Members are Chief, Eddie Williams, Jack Gore, 1st Assistant, Sandy Williams, 2nd Assistant, Firefighters: Dean Hauser, Danny Davis, Norma Rangel, Donita Robertson, Ernest Maiwald and Jessie Mariscal.

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