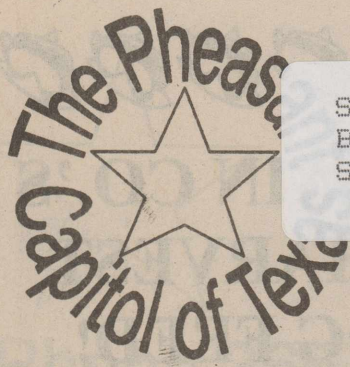




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Gomez Sends Thanks

The remaining donations from our community to Treat N Troops were recently sent to Marty Butler and Junior Gomez. Both of these young men are serving in Iraq/Afghanistan area. Marty is the son of Sherry Brantner and Don Butler. Junior is the husband of Mandy Mires Gomez. Marty and Junior are graduates of Stratford High School and have made the military their career. Our community is proud of all the young people who have served their country, but especially the ones who are from Stratford, Texas.

The following note was received from Junior this week:

To everybody involved in troops & treats, Charlie Company and I want to thank you all so much for the packages you all sent but Especially for your prayers. I was so proud of my town when I was handing out the goodies. The men in my company would ask me "What's this for?" I told them it was from some special people I know and that they were real proud of us. All were sincerely Grateful and wanted to thank you all for thinking of us. People ask us why we do what we do. The answer is easy. To protect our precious families, friends and country from the savages who want to take away our way of life. Their hatred is true and real and all they want to do is kill Americans. I can promise you one thing, not on our watch! This is where the media gets it all wrong. We soldiers know the price for freedom but we are willing to pay the price in order to protect our families. No matter what the politicians, activists, media say and even the church who hold the signs at our fallen Brothers and Sisters funerals that say "American soldiers deserve to die." No matter what they all say, we volunteered and are happy to serve till the job is done. You can not put a time line for the safety of our families and if that means that we have to make a few trips to Arlington, so be it. Thanks you all for being thankful and it makes me happy that my family is in Stratford while I'm away. It has always been a special place for me. Mandy and I still refer to Stratford as our home. My son Reese is experiencing T-ball for the first time in his life in the same park that I played in when I was his age. It's a special moment in his life and how I wish I was there to see it. I was happy to hear that Brad is his coach. Needless to say, my family is in good hands. I don't know who said it, but they were right on when they said "thank God for small towns". Till I see you all next time and again thank you all for thinking of us. God Bless you all, Jr.

Red Hat To Meet

The Red Hat Society will meet Thursday, June 1, 2006 at Elk Junction at 6:30 p.m.

CULPEPPER & MERRIWEATHER CIRCUS

Sunday June 11 - the Stratford Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Culpepper & Meriweather Circus at the Rodeo Arena. There will be 2 performances; 2:00 PM and 4:30 PM. There will be animals, acrobats, concessions, pony rides and a camel ride. Advance tickets are \$6.00 for children 2-12 and \$8 for adults (13 and up). Advance Tickets may be purchased at Brooks Video, Dairy Queen, West Texas Gas or any member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Animal Issues

Committee Meeting

Animal Issues Committee Meeting, June 1, 2006 at 7 p.m. Stratford Fire Station

Relay for Life June 2, 2006

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life "SADDLE UP FOR A CURE" FRIDAY, JUNE 2 ND 6:30 p.m.-??? Sam Bass Football Stadium, Stratford, TX Members of the committee shown at left are left to right: Walt Berry, Cindy Cummings, Desine Garza, Terri Teig, Laurie Gilliland, Suzanne Traylor, Stacy Metcalf, Nikie Berry and Melissa Maiwald.

There is a time in every man's education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide. —Ralph Waldo Emerson

Food

Popcorn
Snow cones
Nachos
Suckers
Steak on a stick
Ice cream
Hot dogs
BBQ sandwiches
Sausage wrapped tortillas
Funnel cakes



Health Fair Held May 18th

Mary Wayne Spurlock, shown above as she modeled at the Health Fair on Thursday, May 18th at the County Barn. The Fashion show was presented by the Amarillo Area Breast Coalition Fashion Show. Accolade Home Care presented the Health Fair.

Sherman County Library Kids are Reading Champs! Public Library Announces Summer Reading Program for Stratford Children

The 2006 Texas Reading Club, "Reading: The Sport of Champions!" provides opportunities for children of all ages to enjoy reading. It begins with a kickoff movie at the library on Wednesday, June 7 at 1:30 p.m. and a reading program on Wednesday, June 14 at 1:30 p.m.. This free program is co-sponsored by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and includes weekly events alternating between afternoon movies and reading programs.

"More than 200 children read for over 1000 hours last summer," said Library Director Sandy Baskin. "This year we anticipate that the children of Sherman County will break that record and read for at least twice as many hours." Local school officials applauded the public library for its efforts to help local school children maintain and improve their reading skills through the summer months.

Information about the Texas Reading Club is available by calling 366-2200. Programs will run through July 26, 2006. The Sherman County Public Library is open Monday from 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 9:00-12:00 p.m.

Relay for Life Luminaria Sacks

Remember, Relay for Life coming soon, please turn in your Luminaria sacks to Happy State Bank or Suzanne Traylor for processing.

Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one.

—Malcolm Forbes

Entertainment

Dance Game
Jail
Tatoos
Treasure Hunt
Jump-O-lene
Golf tourney
Bingo
Cow Patty Bingo

Entertainment Schedule for Relay for Life on Page 5

Dear Patrons of Stratford ISD

The construction and renovation project that we have been working on for the past nine months is finally in motion.

After sorting through numerous plans and ideas, workable building plans finally emerged. The bids for this project, however, came in 30% higher than anticipated. Building costs have soared, mainly due to the hurricanes and the large number of building projects in the Amarillo area. Building costs are projected to rise considerably in the future.

The need for future classroom space due to special needs children and state mandates is our biggest concern. We feel that converting the old gym into classrooms and other uses is the best way to address those needs. You may have noticed by other school district's construction projects (such as Dalhart, Spearman, River Road, Borger, etc.) that this problem is not unique to Stratford.

It would be nice if the state would help us with capital needs along with their mandates, but that does not seem to be possible. We want to complete this project with current available funds, so it became apparent that the project would have to be broken up into phases.

Since we needed to have the auxiliary gym built before renovating the old gym, the Board moved to begin work on the new gym. Completion is scheduled for late October.

Renovation of the Old Gym will be the next step, which will provide current and future classroom needs. The ladies restroom will be renovated to meet ADA requirements, and a teacher's workroom for the High School staff is also included. The girl's weight room will still be housed in the old gym.

The third step involves renovations to the concessions workspace in the big gym. Plans for the gym concessions area have been redrawn due to increased building costs. But, the new plans are more efficient and affordable.

The plans for each phase are posted on the school district's website: www.stratfordisd.net. Look for the link "Construction/Renovation" near the bottom of the page.

We are excited about this project and its benefits for our students and we feel that it is a good value to the patrons. Thank you for your patience and continued support of Stratford ISD. We will continue to strive toward the academic and extra-curricular success that we now enjoy.

Tim Gilliland, Superintendent
Joe Reinart, Board President

Why I Relay

By Arnita Lane

To those who aren't acquainted with the services and functions of the Relay For Life, I have had a very positive and personal experience because of the efforts and work of these unselfish people that give their time and donations.

Now, how do I start this? I was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1994 via a regular mammogram. I subsequently had a mastectomy, chemotherapy, radiation and a stem cell transplant. I was clear for 7 years.

In 2001, I developed Lymphodema in my arm and needed to have therapy. I had no clue that something else was going on. The doctor checked me out at that time and discovered two little spots. They were biopsied and were malignant. A CT Scan was performed finding that the breast cancer had metastized to my liver. I immediately was put on Taxol, Herceptin & took treatments for the Lymphodema. After the tumor in my liver was shrunk & dormant, I was taking a treatment of Herceptin every 3 weeks. I thought everything was going fine.

Around Thanksgiving 2005, I began having symptoms but didn't know what it was. I told my nurse the symptoms and immediately she told my doctor. He had me have a CT Scan the next day and verified I had another very large tumor in my liver. He started me on chemotherapy (Nevelbean) along with Herceptin, again to shrink the tumor.

During a visit, my daughter had a chance to go with me for one of my treatments. She asked about doing laser surgery. She had been hearing about it in the Houston area. My nurse went to the doctor with her question and said if the tumor met certain criteria, it could be possible. After returning home, my daughter still had questions and concerns.

I think this is a "God" thing! While I was at work, Susan Spurlock Rollins called to speak to another individual who was not available at the time, and since I had answered the phone and knowing she was with the Relay for Life Foundation, I asked her some questions. She told me about the American Cancer Society and that they had a watts phone number that a person could call 24/7 and that you would talk to a "live" person at that number for question and help. I called the pumber and talked to a very nice lady. She heard me out and let me know that she would turn my questions over to a research team and that I would receive a call within 24 hr. They did call and answered my questions. In a day or so I had more questions; I called again and talked to a "live" person again. They again called me back with answers. I am very glad to know that I have "SOMEONE" to talk to at anytime, as well as "GOD."

May 4, 2006, I had a PT/scan at the request of a surgeon. He had looked at my CT/scans and thought I might be a candidate for laser surgery. May 19, I got the results of that PT/scan. The bottom line assessment said that there is no indication of malignancy! My conclusion is that "GOD" has performed a miracle in me.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your prayers (I know they are many), the Cancer Society for their volunteer drivers and everyone's encouragement personally and

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Obits

ALLEN LEO "POP" LEDBETTER

Amarillo: Allen Leo "Pop" Ledbetter, 83, of Amarillo, died Monday, May 22, 2006.

Graveside services were held at 1 p.m. Friday at Llano Cemetery. Memorial services were at 3 p.m. Friday at Pleasant Valley Methodist Church with the Rev. Landrum Medlock officiating. Arrangements were by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell St.

Mr. Ledbetter was born Aug. 14, 1922, in McLean to Arthur and Verbon Carrie Ledbetter. After graduating from McLean High School, he joined the Navy in 1943. He married Bettie Burgess of Stratford in 1946. He attended Abilene Christian College, Southern Methodist University and graduated from Oklahoma A&M in 1950. He went to work for the Texas Highway Department and retired in 1987 after working for 38 years as a district construction engineer. Pop was a member of the Pleasant Valley Methodist Church where he taught the JOY Sunday school class for 41 years and sang in the church choir. He was active in the Gideons and Lions Club for many years. He loved to fly fish, golf and work in his yard. Pop loved his family, his church and the Lord. He will be missed by all those whose lives he touched.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Bettie, in 1997; five brothers, Paul, Edwin, Arthur Ray, Bill and James Ledbetter; and two sisters, Pauline McMullen and Betty Jean Olmstead.

Survivors include three daughters, Jean Thrash of

Amarillo, Sue Jones and husband Archie of Dumas and Dona Mullins and husband Al of Canyon; a twin sister, Cleo Schultz of Montrose, Colo.; four grandchildren, Tate Thrash and wife Shawn, Dusty Thrash and wife Lisa, Ricki Jones and wife Jenny and Carrie Mullins; five great-grandchildren, Tucker, Lexie and Teague Thrash, and Sydnee and Austin Thrash; his dog, Wilouby; and his cat, Pretty Girl.

The family suggests memorials be made to BSA Hospice, 600 N. Tyler St., Amarillo TX 79107; or the American Cancer Society in care of BSA Hospice.

Leo is the brother-in-law of Ann Johnson and Bobbie Wilson, both Stratford residents.

Letters to The Editor

Letters to Editor Policy

Letters to The Stratford Star are always welcome and will be published if they are signed, and cannot be considered libelous. Comments in the letters are strictly the view of the writer, not the newspaper. They must always have a signature. We will not publish anonymous letters under any circumstances. Letters must be received by noon on Mondays. Please mail letters to The Stratford Star, Box 8, Stratford, TX 79084 or fax to 806-366-5885 or e-mail stardm@xit.net

Letter to the Editor

I am writing this letter to inform you that my wife JUDY has been terminated from the clinic. I know that you will miss her and she is already missing you. She was terminated for, her unprofessionalism with her employee's and to the Board of Directors. Judy has been, in public service for close to 40 yrs. What happened, did she forget everything she has learned? NOT!! Judy's past employers will tell you she can handle the job.

Judy was terminated by the Board of Directors and the Administrator of Coldwater Manor. I think this should have been done by her immediate Supervisor, the Doctor. After all he is responsible for the clinic. It doesn't make any sense to me that a new board of directors (2 members on for 1 week) could know everything they should have known. In fact the board had special call meeting to discuss how to cut hours at the clinic (the only entity that is showing a profit). Guess that was one way to cut cost.

Judy and I came here over 30 years ago. We raised our children here and have made Stratford our home. This does include paying taxes. It is not right that a woman from another city, and not

intending to move here could have such an influence over the board and my family.

While speaking about the administrator I have some interesting information. Did you know that the home is 10 to 12 beds empty at all times? Did you know that the administrator is housing a patient who has not been approved for funding?

Guess who pays for that. Did you know that she bought a new van to carry patients to the doctor? How often does this happen? Can we not do something different? Did you know the van was used? Did you know that the local dealer was not even considered in this purchase? Would not the funds be better spent on a new Ambulance? Is this the Administrator the one that we need?

As you can tell I am upset about this, but more so at myself for not going to some of the board meetings to see what the board of directors is doing with my taxes.

If any of you have any questions for the board, the members are Wayne Smith, Kenton Kimball, Kathy Altman LeRayne Donelson (new), and Kathy Allen (new).

One final thought Judy has dedicated the last 5 years to the Clinic, how about the Administrator? How long will she last before she goes to another city?

In closing I offer this view. The Board of Directors of anything is elected. It is our job to watch them and not get complacent. After all it is OUR tax dollars that they are spending.

Judy has asked me to tell all of her Patients Goodbye and God's love!

Steve Griffith

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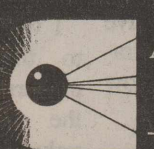
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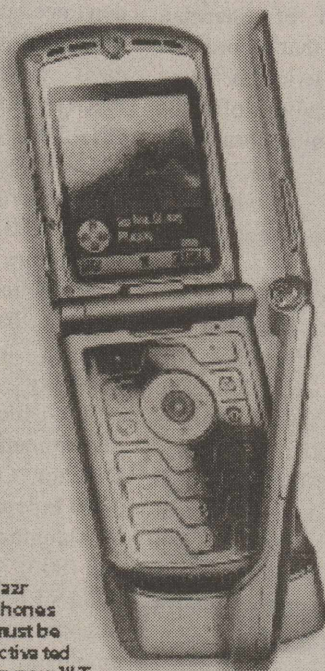


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Mack and Gloria Lawrence of Southlake, TX are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Holly Nicole Lawrence of Houston, to T. D. Baskin of Chesapeake, Virginia. He is the son of Steve and Sandy Baskin. The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Southlake Carroll High School and also graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas A&M University in 2004, with an undergraduate degree in Accounting and a Master's degree in finance. Currently she is employed with British Petroleum in Houston, TX. T. D., the prospective bridegroom, graduated from Texas A&M University with a degree in Engineering Technology and was a member of the Corps of Cadets. He is currently serving as a United States Naval Officer on the Guided Missile Cruiser, USS ANZIO, based in Norfolk, Virginia. Holly and T. D. plan to marry at 7 P.M. September 2, 2006, at White's Chapel United Methodist Church in Southlake, TX.



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As a great statue of David memorializes the work of Michelangelo, the universe commemorates the genius of the living God. "The heavens are telling of the glory of God; and their expanse is declaring the work of His hands" (Psalm 19:1). We see His might, power, glory and strength in the brightness of the distant stars, the glow of the blazing comet, and in the shadow of a lunar eclipse.

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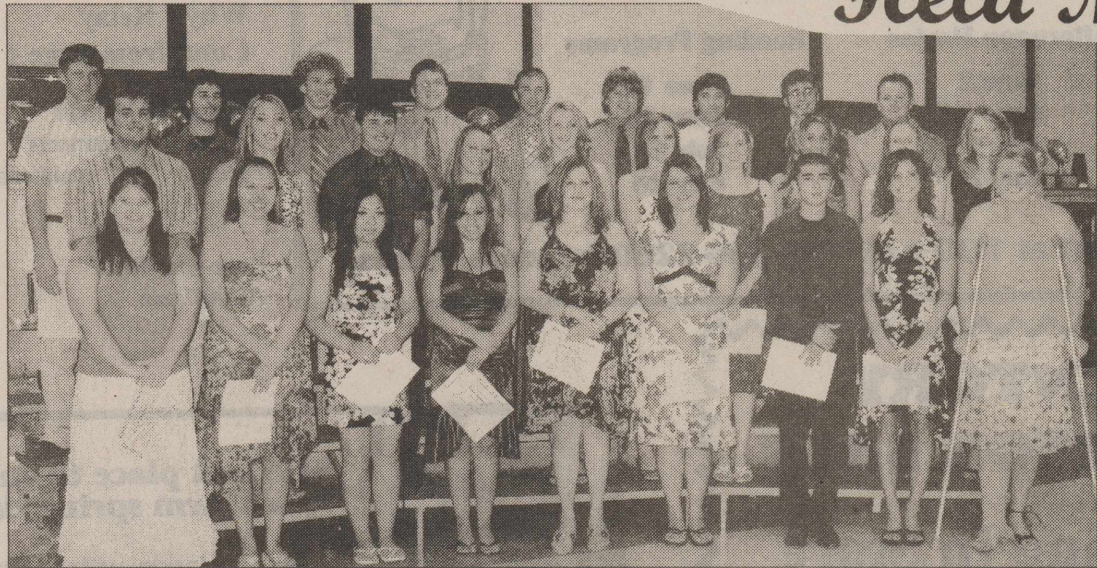
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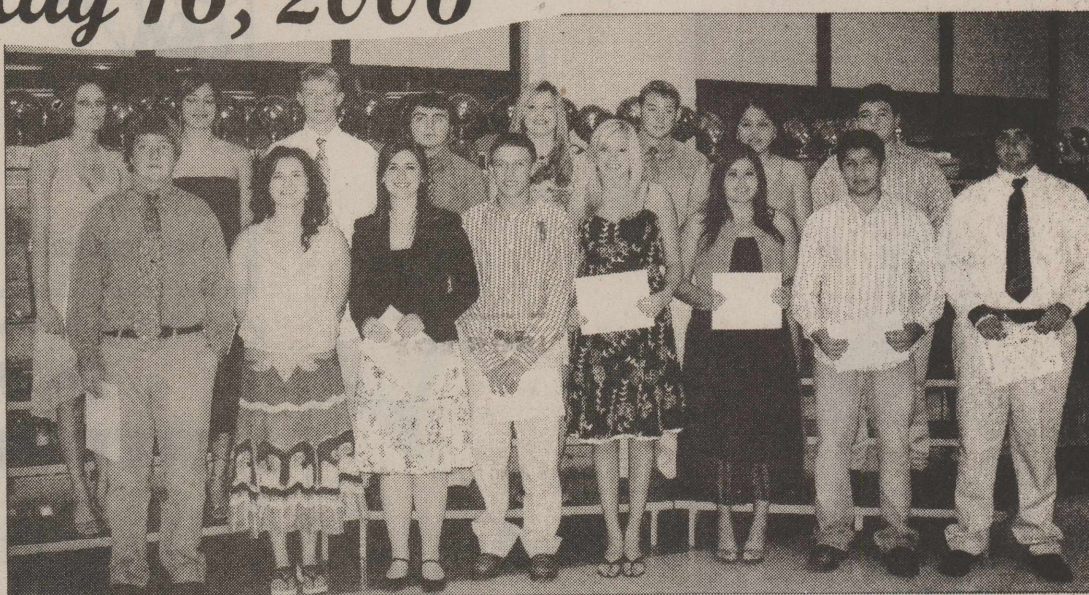
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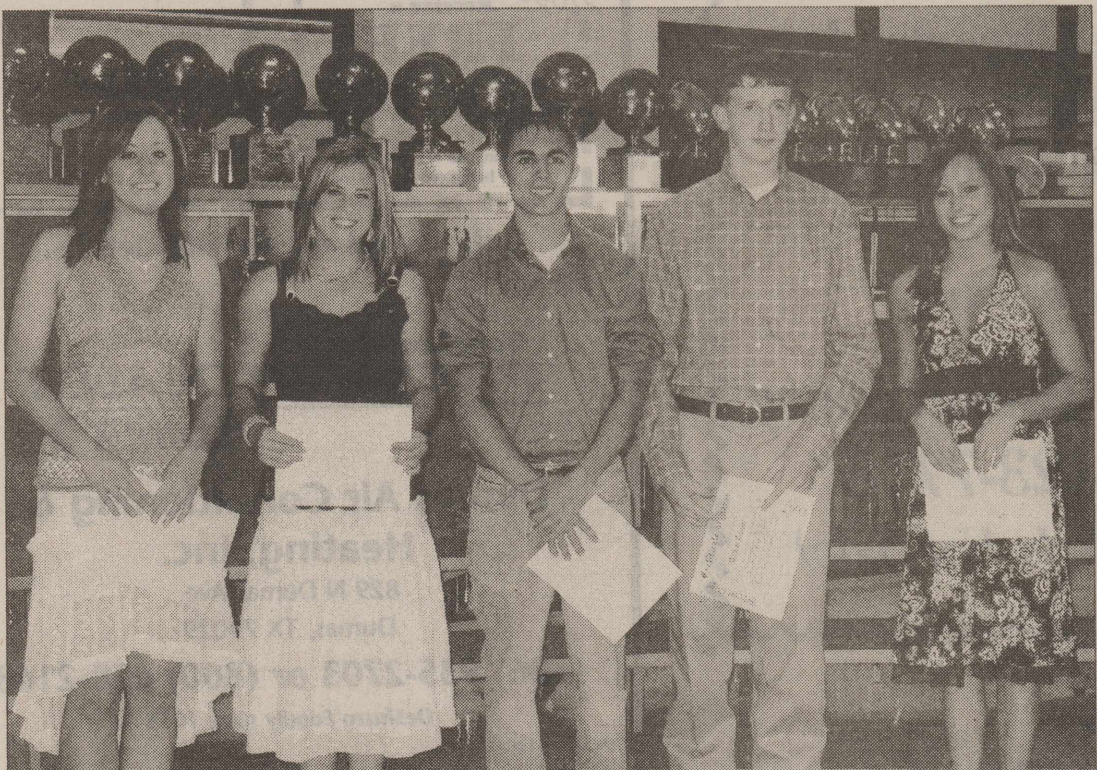
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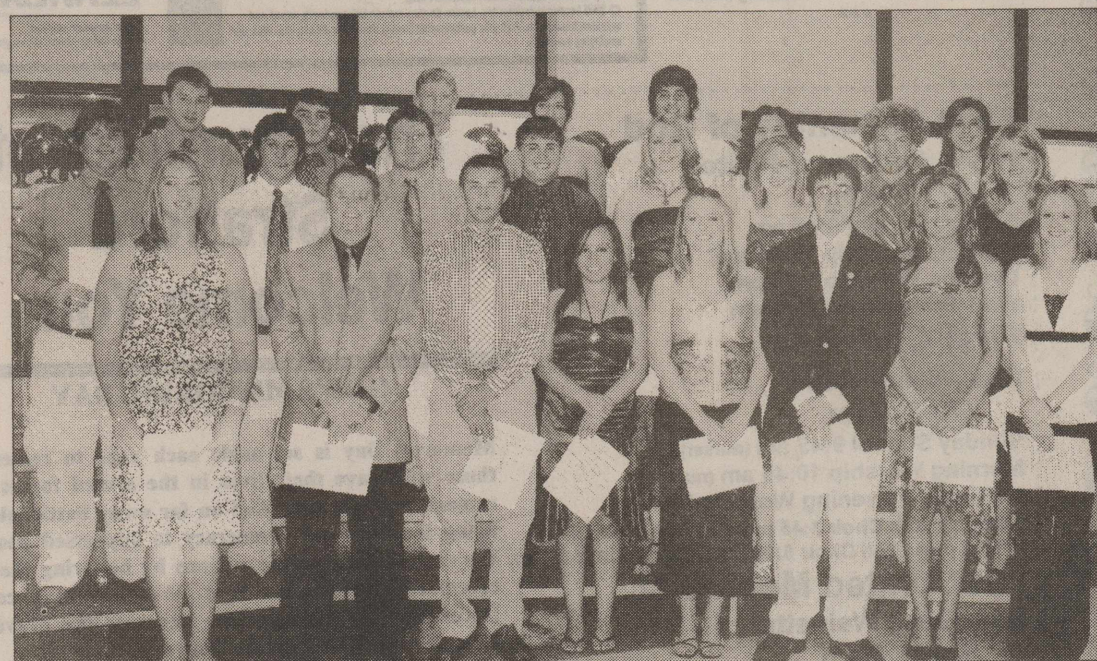
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Bottom L-R: Katelyn Reed, Connor Vincent, Case Crabtree, Maira Argomaniz, Haley Buckles, Jordan Taylor, Yadira Ortega, Emily Shafer. Middle Row L-R: Brandon Davis, Walter Spurlock, Brady Bell, Andrew Correll, Allison Baskin, Staci Hays, Josh Lanning, Cheyenne Ziemann. Top L-R: Daniel Hays, Ryan Ewers, Brant Cummings, Rhia Everett, Harrison Walden, Tiffni Drake, and Evan Haile.



Area Foundation Presents Check

Susie Johnson, Stratford Area Foundation Board member from Texhoma, presenting Texhoma Iris Garden Club president, Grace Shaffer, with a grant request commitment for work in progress with partner Texas Department of Transportation, on the Sherman County rest stop west of Texhoma. Martha Mitts, Stratford Area Foundation Administrator, top right, presented a program to the Garden Club of the past history of the JB Riffe Endowment Sherman County and JB Riffe Endowment, Texas County and encouraged the growth of these funds through memorials and honorariums.

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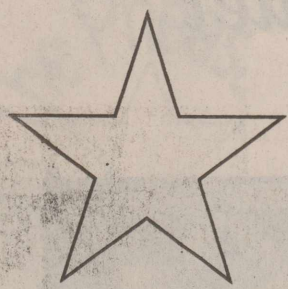
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—Chinese Proverb

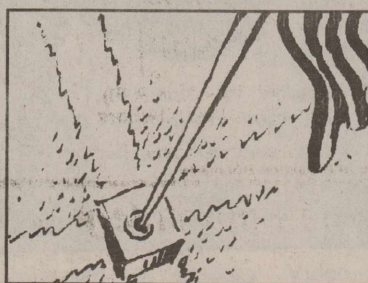
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XIT TRAIL OF SALES-Dallam and Hartley Counties, Texas: Saturday, June 3, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: 75 miles of incredible bargains along HWY 385 and US 87 at the 3rd Annual XIT Trail of Sales Flea Market/Garage Sale. Pick up community maps at any of the following headquarters: Channing-Mercantile, Hartley-918 & 7th Street, Dalhart-Prairie Dog junction and Texline-210 E. Walnut.
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The term "flagstone" comes from the Norse word "flagga," which means "to flake." True flagstone is flaked into flat pieces for paving.

Houses for Sale

For Sale by Owner: 915 N. Maple. 1404 sq. ft. 3 bdrms, or 2 big bdrms, & office, 1 bath. Large utility. Large fenced backyard with storage bldg. 366-2576 or 366-3575.
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10-21-tfn

House for Sale at 1209 Division St. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nice neighborhood. Close to schools. Lg. Storage building in fenced backyard-attached garage. For more information call 934-3569 or 922-3569.
7-14-tfn

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

For Sale by Owner. 4/23 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 806-934-3381 evenings or leave a message.
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For Sale by Owner: 901 N. 3rd, 1476 Sq. ft., 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, garage and 2 small decks. Corner lot, lg. fenced yard. 366-2576.
5-11-tfn

House for Sale: 1202 N. 5th, 2418 Sq. ft 4 bdrms, 1 1/4 bath, 2 living areas, office/sewing room, fireplace, fenced backyard. Lot adjacent with house 125' x 300'. Call Gale at 366-2294.
4-27-tfn

The Cat. He walked by himself, and all places were alike to him.
—Rudyard Kipling

Relay for Life Entertainment

Schedule-June 2, 2006
6:00 Opening Ceremonies
6:30 Survivor lap
6:45 Care giver Lap
7:00 Band
7:10 Scavenger Hunt
7:30 Penny Boyd
7:45 Stephanie Murray's Dance Studio
8:00 Hula Hoop Contest
8:15 Courtney Ritter
8:30 Carlton Baugus
8:45 Bubble Gum Blowing contest
9:00 Luminaria ceremony
10:00 Relay Band
10:10 Poker best hand in five laps
10:30 Blake Bolerjack
10:15 Cow Patty Bingo (Prize 1/2 beef donated by Stratford Feedyard)
11:00 Courtney Shields
11:10 Paper Airplane Contest
12:00 canned music and Karoke

Cards of Thanks

My deepest thanks to each of you who called, sent cards and food to Ronnie and me while I wasn't too mobile. I appreciate it all. Thanks to my Secret Pal-such great fits. I've played through the song-What a Great Treasure of Music & history. There's no way that I can tell Ronnie and my children (all six of them) and my grandsons how thankful I am for the time they spent with me. So here's a "Thank you" but it falls WAY short of how I feel. My special thanks to those churches who had special prayer for me. I'm so grateful for your thoughts. The Great Physician is working miracles in each of us daily. Thanks be to God.

MariHoward

We want to thank everyone that came to Homer's 90th Birthday Party, sent cards, shared memories and gave gifts. Thanks for making it such a special day.

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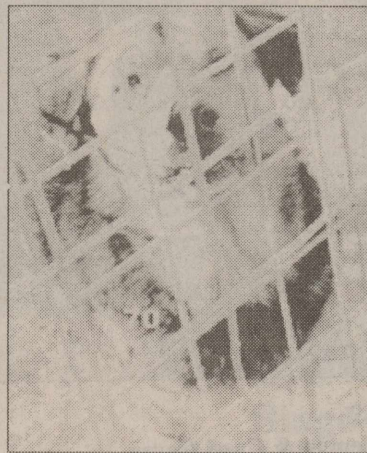


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Pet of The Week



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The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs and puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes and 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 the 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.

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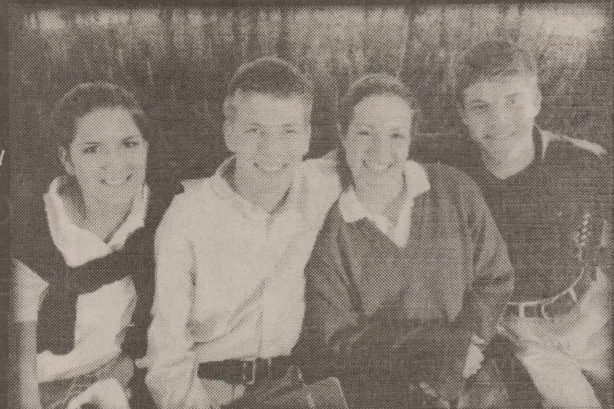
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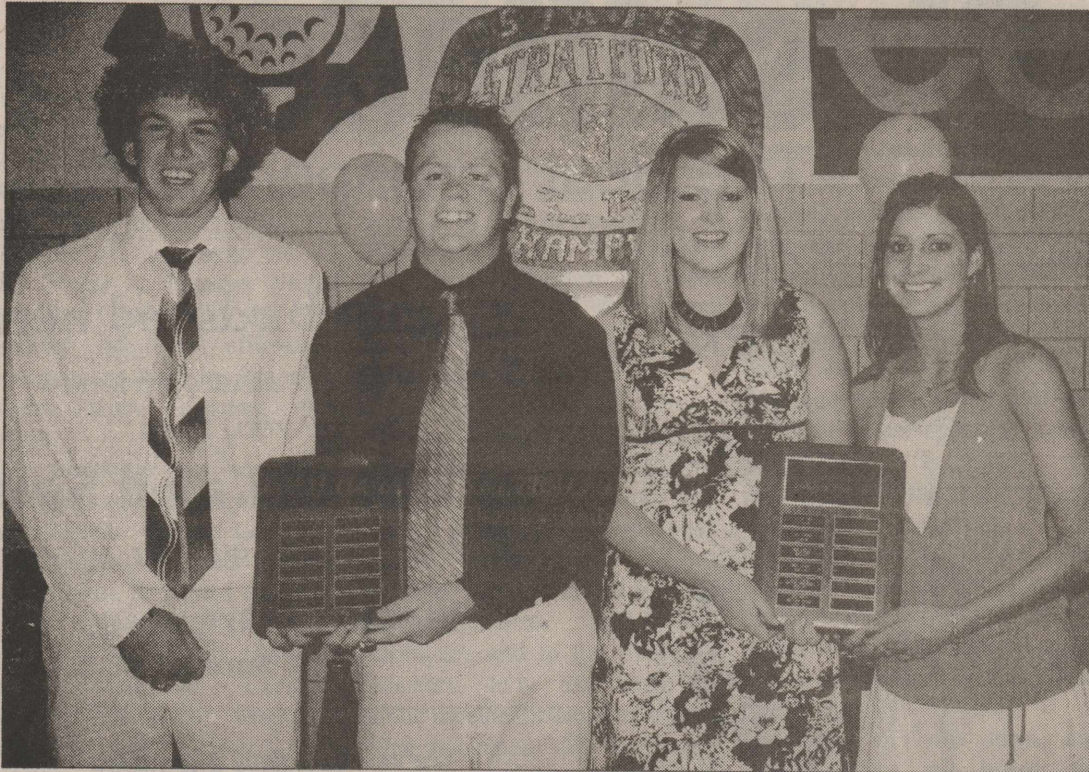
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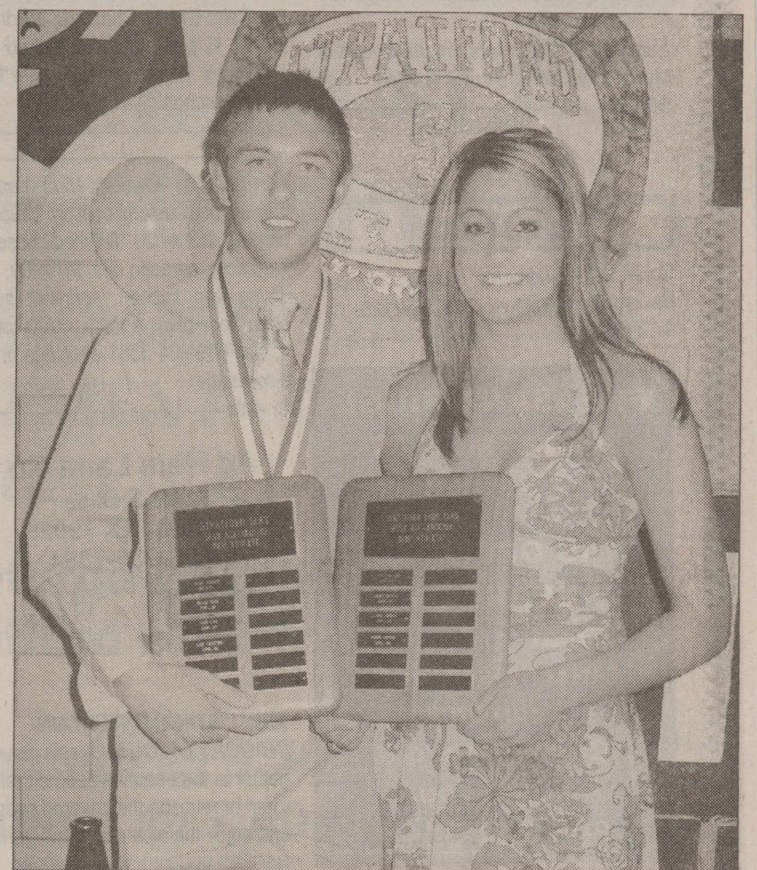
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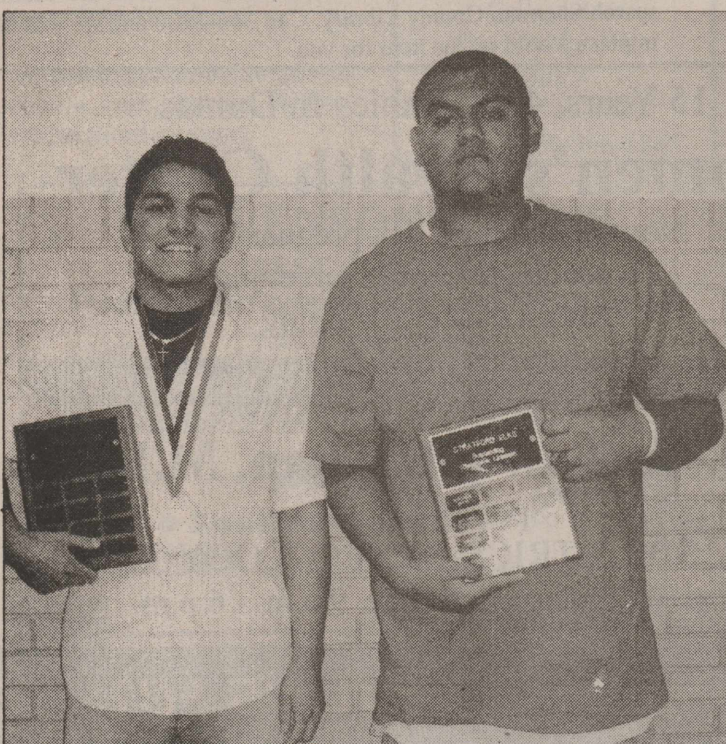
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