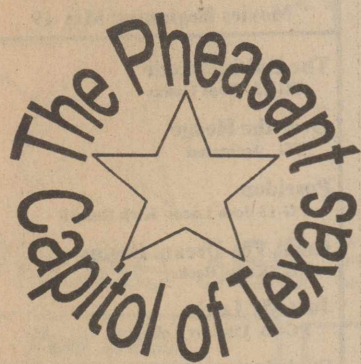




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James Presented Safety Award

Sam James was awarded the County Safety Award that was presented to Sherman County in recognition of its ongoing record of safety in the workplace-2005. Sam James is in charge of once a month Safety Training for Sherman County. Shown also Tommy Asher, Commissioner, Precinct 4. Congratulations for a job well done.

Cemetery Clean Up May 20

It is time to clean up your cemetery lots in preparation for Memorial Day. Time to retire the fall and Christmas decorations and the wind whipped faded arrangements.

The big clean up day will be Saturday, May 20 to begin at 9:00 a.m. With many hands to help it won't take long, maybe until noon.

Blood Drive May 18th

Stratford Health Fair and Blood Drive will be Thursday, May 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Look for the small Bloodmobile at the County Barn 5th and Maple on that day. Blood donors save lives, Help us help others. We are in need of O+, O- and B+ Please call 1-877-574-8800 to schedule your appointment for this drive.

Volunteers Needed for Summer Reading Program

The Sherman County Public Library is in need of four people to volunteer to lead one session each of the four summer reading programs with other volunteers willing to assist. High school students, now is your chance to get in some valuable volunteer hours needed to complete college applications. Call Sandy at 366-2200 for more details if you are interested.

Responders Meeting

Volunteer Community Responders Meeting, Monday, May 22, 2006 at 7 p.m. at Stratford Fire Station.

Ex-Students meet Tuesday, May 23

All Ex-Students in the honored classes 1936,46,56,66,76,86,96, are asked to meet Tuesday, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. at The Imagination Station. Please have your class plans made and updated addresses for your class. Volunteers are needed for Friday night hamburger and ice cream event. Ex-Student Reunion July 28, 29 during the Jamboree.



Crabtree 1A State Champion in 800 Run

Case Crabtree time 1:57.17

Kristen and Case Crabtree and Whitney Garza competed at the State Track Meet on Saturday, May 13, 2006. Kristen finished 5th in the 800 run, Case is the 1A State Champion in the 800 run and Whitney placed 4th in High Jump. Great Job and Congratulations. (Photo courtesy of Doak Crabtree)



Stratford Feedyard Presents Check

Stratford Feedyard has made its final installment on their commitment of \$25,000 to the Stratford Education Foundation. The Foundation would like to thank them for their generous donation. This is an opportunity for the foundation to remind everyone that we gladly accept donations, memorials, or honorariums at any time. Thank you for your continued support. Shown above Steve Johnson presenting the check to Marsha Wright.

Address

Kenedi Groves' surgery was on Monday, May 15th. If you would like to send a card to Rob and Kelli Groves, Address is Ronald McDonald House, Room 10, 5641 Medical Center Drive, Dallas, TX 75235.

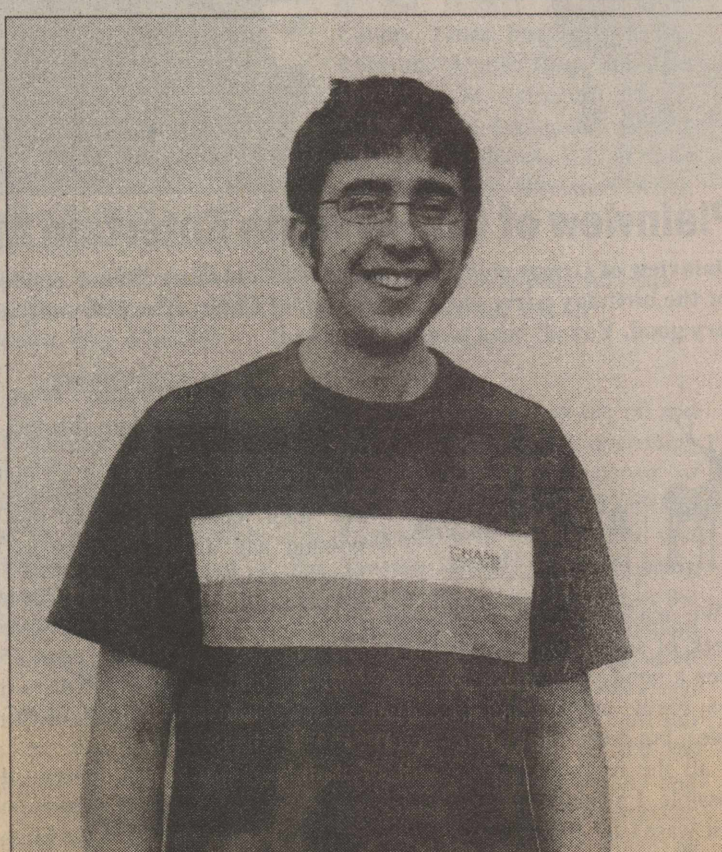
Pre School Registration

Pre-school Registration for Lollipop Junction, sign-up Coming soon. Watch for details.

Stratford Youth Baseball Opening Night - May 22nd



Ceremonies begin at 5:30 - Little League Field
Join us for this season's first night of baseball!



Taylor Places 3rd at State

Jordan Taylor recently competed at the State UIL Meet. Jordan is 3rd in the State in the Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Way to go Jordan!!

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

The Stratford Independent School District held a Trustee Election on May 13, 2006 to fill

three positions. The following are the results: Bryan Cole Mungia 47, Greg Wright 157, Michelle Lutes 154, Brent Spurlock 207, and Patti Vincent 180.

The school board members are Joe Reinart, DeWain Trayler, Barney Willborn, Steve Hays, Brent Spurlock, Patti Vincent, and Greg Wright.



Ortega Signs Letter of Intent

Yadira Ortega signed a letter of intent to play basketball at OPSU last week. Shown with Yadira are seated from left her brother Luis and mother Elizabeth. In back from left, her coaches ViAnn Reed, Terry Davis and Johnny Hudson. Congratulations and good luck Yadira.



Hinkle Presents Plaque

L/R: Boss Lion, Griff Lasley; PTP vice-president Duffy Hinkle, Lori Vincent, High Ground; Ann Wells, Chamber of Commerce, County Judge Terri Carter. Ports-to-Plains vice-president, Duffy Hinkle presented a plaque recognizing the support received and an update program to the Sherman County Commissioners Court on Monday May 8. She also presented a program to the Lions Club at noon and recognized the Chamber of Commerce support with a plaque. Mrs. Hinkle will be back in Stratford on June 15 to recognize the Stratford City Council and Sherman County Economic Development. She will present the update to the City Council and to any interested persons attending the Council meeting.

Plainview of Griggs children entertained Coldwater Manor residents on Tuesday, May 9th, for the birthday party given by Church of Christ. The kids sang several songs and they were very good. You all need to go on the road!



By Lynda Hauser

Activities this week: Tuesday through Friday - Final exams in High School; Monday - ESL students to Mary Allen Elementary for an assembly, Athletic Banquet; Tuesday - 8th Grade Trip, Scholastic Banquet, Mary Allen Elementary Play Day, Kindergarten Graduation at 6:00 p.m.; Thursday - Junior High graduation practice, 5-7 Grade AR trip, Jr. High Graduation at 8:00 p.m. then 8th Grade party; Friday - Last Day of School, 5-7 Play Day, 1-4 Awards program at Mary Allen, High School Graduation at 8:00

3. The following students received awards for the Soil

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Coldwater Manor Birthday folks for May are Charlotte Waide, Irene Butler and Basil Naugle. Not pictured Lorainne Mehner. Church of Christ was in charge of the birthday party held on Tuesday, May 9, 2006.

For more information, contact
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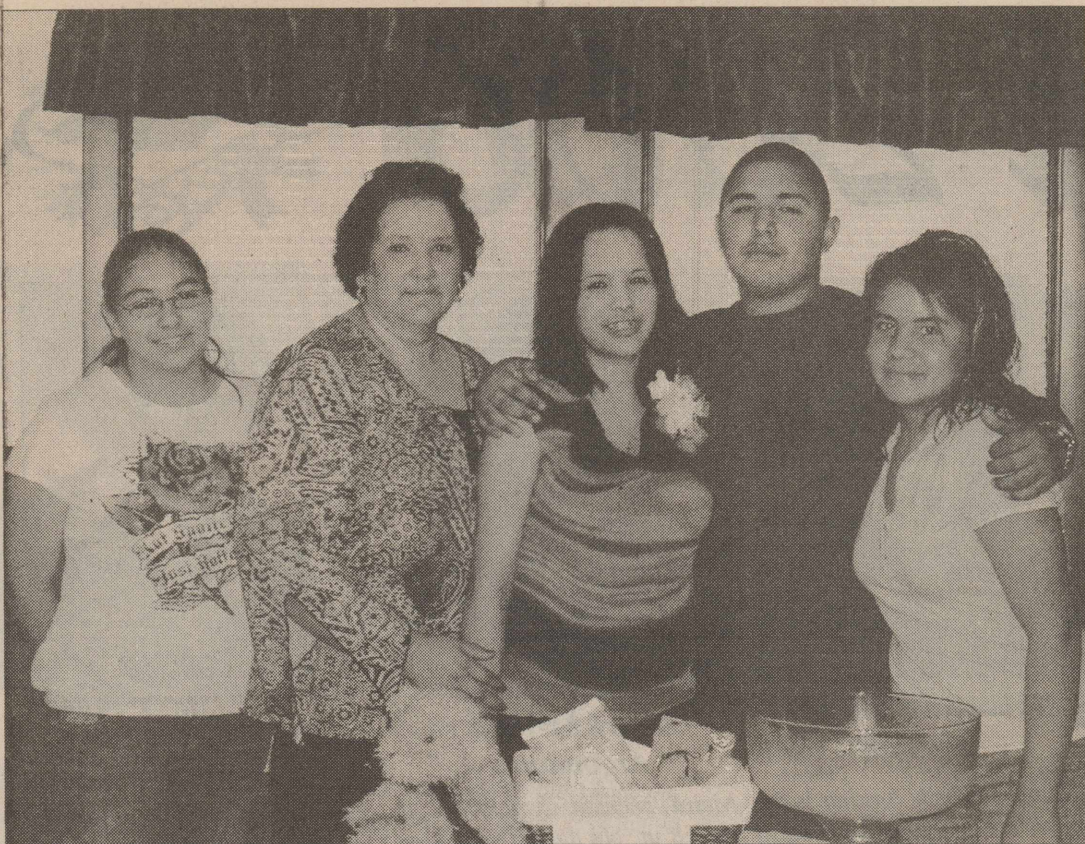
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GRADUATES

May 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Spring Concert 7:00 PM Gym	2 PTA Awards Banquet - 7:00 PM	3	4	5 NO SCHOOL - SNOW DAY	6
				State UIL Academic Meet		
			Early Voting May 1 - May 9 - Court House			
7	8	9 9th - 7th Awards Assembly - 10:00 AM - Gym FHA Picnic - 7:00 PM School Board Meeting - 7:00 PM State Golf Meet - Austin	10 SBOM Meeting - 3:45 PM - Library	11 4th Grade Science Fair - 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Band Banquet - 7:00 PM - Cafeteria	12	13 School Board Trustee Election Day
		Early Voting May 1 - May 9 - Court House			State Track Meet - Austin	
14 Baccalaureate - Methodist Church - 8:00 PM	15 Athletic Banquet 7:00 PM - Cafeteria	16 Cornyentary Day Kemperman Graduates 8:00 PM, West Gate Inbetween Banquet 7:00 PM - Conference TACIS Study the Table	17	18 Junior High Graduation - 8:00 PM - Gym	19 1st - 4th Awards Assembly 10:00 AM - MAE	20 Teacher Work Day
21	22	23	24	25	26 High School Graduation - 8:00 PM - Gym	27
	Senior Trip to Dallas					
28	29	30	31	HAVE A SAFE AND RELAXING SUMMER. SCHOOL STARTS AUGUST 16, 2006.		



Baby Shower Given May 6th

A baby shower was held Saturday, May 6th for Yessenia Jaquez and Israel Lupercio in the home of Kathy Hart. Shown above left to right are America Terrazas, Elida Gonzalez, Yessenia Jaquez, Israel Lupercio and Pam Gonzalez

Sherman County 4-H Competes at Rifle Contest

By Susie Spurlock

Twenty-one Sherman County 4-H members competed in the Panhandle District 4-H Rifle Match held April 29 at the Amarillo Rifle and Pistol Club's indoor range. Capturing first place in the Senior division was the Sherman County team of Kaleb Horsford, Nathan White, Rustin Russell, and Chandra Hawkins. The team qualified for State 4-H Rifle Contest to be held June 6-7 in Rosenberg.

In the individual competition Nathan, Rustin, and Kaleb were named high 1st, 2nd, and 4th place high point individuals. Jennie Spurlock and Braden Hamilton participated in the contest as an individual in the Senior division match.

In the Junior division, youth ages 11-13, Sherman County 4-H took first, fourth and sixth place honors. The first place team members included Sunny Russell, Eric Burton, and Zachary White. Fourth place team members were Tyler Gilliland, Rowdy Leron, Braden Hudson, and Luke Haile. Sixth place team members were Ranson Leron, Natalie White, Rhyon Burton, and Ethan Shields. Sunny, Eric, and Zachary were 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place high individuals respectively.

Sherman County brought home 3rd place in the sub-junior division. Nathan Bennett, Ben Gilliland, Hunter Everett, and Garrett Ely made up the team. Hunter was also recognized as 3rd place high point individual at the Contest.

A special standing shoot off was held at the end of the match, involving the top ten shooters from the standing position scores who were present for the shoot-off. Sherman County participants were Jennie Spurlock, Nathan White, Rustin Russell, Eric Burton, Kaleb Horsford, Sunny Russell, and Zachary White. Nathan took first place-honors in this special recognition event.

Coaches for the Sherman County 4-H teams are Frank Vaughn, Wesley Spurlock, David White, Lem Russell, Steve Myers, Scott Buckles, Sherwin Burton, and Jerry Lasley.

Special thanks to the Amarillo Rifle and Pistol Club for hosting the match and to Chuck and Cindy Ward for making the special award plaques which every participant in the contest received.

Congratulations to all of the participants for a job well done.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

The food was great! Mother's Day luncheon at the Community Building was even better than usual. Bill & Pat Boren were hosts.

Enjoying the visiting also were Judy Potter, Lois Garner of Boise City, Geneva & Joyce Wells of Griggs, Charley & Denton Crabtree of Stratford.

Also Claudine Allen, Marjory Munden, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Gary Mathews, Roy Harris, Jo June, John, Nicholas McDaniel Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Marylou McDaniel

Ralph James and Annette Hampton left Monday on a business trip to Kansas City, Mo.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters had a busy weekend. They saw grandchildren Dasan and Jacy practice ball at Moreland, OK. Then, the grandchildren and their parents went to Oklahoma City on a 4-H trip.

Bill & Donna attended their 53rd High School reunion at Fort Supply, OK. Also visited with several relatives.

Larry Mann had a stroke recently. He is now in Denver with a daughter.

Letter to all Ex-Students

I apologize for not arranging another ex-students meeting. I have not had anyone take an interest until lately; therefore I have not been pushed. Ex-Students in the honored classes ending in a "6" will meet at The Imagination Station Tuesday, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. Please have your class plans made and updated addresses as schedule should be mailed June 1 (about a month late!)

Gaynelle Riffe

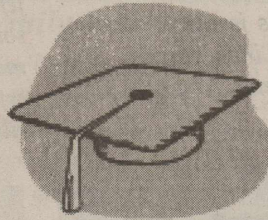
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Paula Everett-966-5445
Ken Forthman-366-2586
Patsy Harland-827-7568
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New Officers for Study Club Installed

New Officers for GFWC/Prospectus Study Club were installed Sunday by Betty Unlaub, Dumas, left. Cindy Jackson is new president. Other officers from left are Laurie Spurlock, Pat Hartman, Sandy Baskin, Marylou McDaniel and Margaret Reed.

Installation of officers for 2006-2008 GFWC/Prospectus Study Club was held Sunday afternoon, May 7, at Sherman County Library.

Pat Hartman, Second Vice-President, conducted the business. Margaret Reed and Marylou McDaniel were elected delegates to the upcoming General Federation meeting in Denver.

Betty Unlaub, Dumas, used the theme Culinary Queens to install the new officers. Officers were presented kitchen utensils as their duties were told.

Cindy Jackson is the new president. Others present to be installed were Laurie Spurlock (First V.P.); Pat Hartman (Second V.P.); Sandy Baskin, Secretary, Marylou McDaniel,

Reporter, Margaret Reed, Federation Councilor.

Other officers are Gina Jones, Patti Vincent, D'Lynn Reed.

Cookies and tea were served to Joyce Hart, Joyce Ann Lasley, Marty Bain, Oline Caraway, Sonja Kendrick, Dorothy Haile, Linda Swain, Sandy Baskin, Marylou McDaniel, Margaret Reed, Pat Hartman, Cindy Jackson, and Laurie Spurlock.



The practice of numbering houses began in Pont Notre Dame in Paris, France in 1643.

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Kevin Anderson, Pastor
921 Fulton

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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 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 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-8th 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

Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist

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Sun.—Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Adult Choir Practice - 6:00
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HONOR MOM!

Are men and women to have equal honor in families? Absolutely! The Bible says, "Honor your father and your mother" (Exodus 20:12). For example, in the eyes of the children, mom is to have equal honor with dad. This means that a father has absolutely no right to demean his wife in the eyes of other family members. But many fathers will use the Bible against their wives. They point to Ephesians 5:22, "Wives, be subject to your own husbands." And they rule their wives in a dictatorial way. This perversion of God's order for the family is the result of sin and the fall. After the fall, God said to Eve, "Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you" (Genesis 3:16). Compare with this what the Bible says about sin. "Its desire is for you, but you must master it" (Genesis 4:7). In other words, the sinful desire of a wife is to dominate her husband! The response of a husband is to crush the desire of his wife. The terrible result of sin is that "he shall rule over you" in a tyrannical way! What's the answer? Husbands must learn the love of Christ. They must follow Christ! "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her" (Ephesians 5:25).

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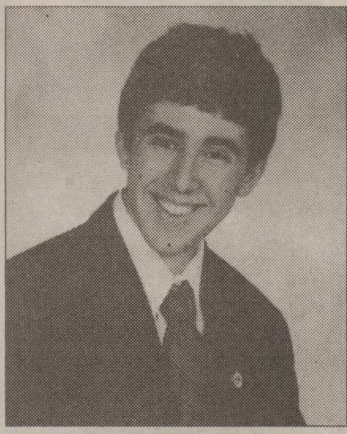
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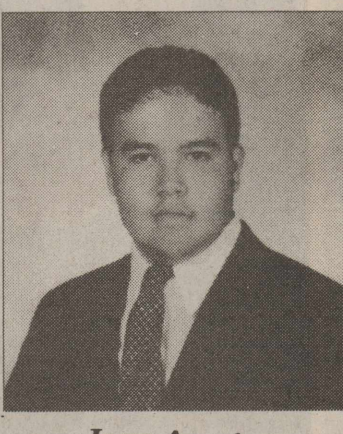
Allison Baskin
Valedictorian

Allison Baskin is the 18 yr. old daughter of Steve & Sandra Baskin. Her motto is "In the same way, let your light shine before men that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matt 5:16. She plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University and pursue a career in physical



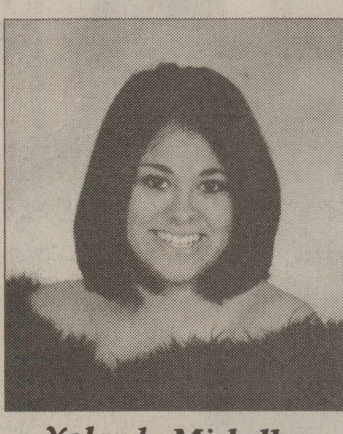
Jordan Taylor
Salutatorian

Jordan Taylor is the 19 yr. old son of Joe & Cathy Taylor. His motto is "Don't take life too seriously. It's not like you're going to get out of it alive." He plans to attend TCU in Fort Worth.



Juan Acosta

Juan Acosta is the 19 yr. old son of Eva & Juan Acosta. His motto is "That's what freedom is all about, a chance to be better." He plans to attend college at AC for body and auto mechanic.



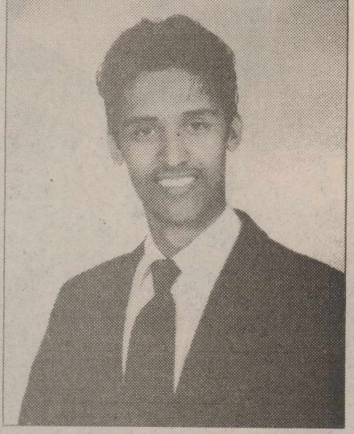
Yolanda Michelle Aguilar

Yolanda Michelle Aguilar is the 17 yr. old daughter of Ramiro & Angie Aguilar. Her motto is "It is better to be hated for what you are than loved for what you are not." She plans to attend Amarillo College.



Maira Melissa Argomaniz

Maira Melissa Argomaniz is the 18 yr. old daughter of Rosa Martinez and the late Ramon Martinez. Her motto is "Don't regret doing things, regret getting caught." She plans to attend Texas State in San Marcos & major in psychology & minor in business.



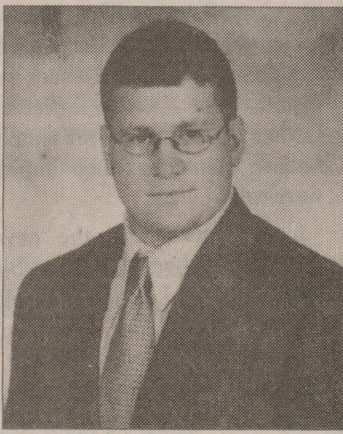
Manuel Eduardo Armendariz

Manuel Eduardo Armendariz is the 17 yr. old son of Maria Saledad Botello. His motto is "A successful student has his future in both hands."



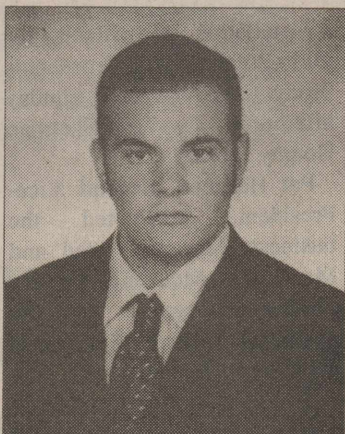
Sandra Barraza

Sandra Barraza is the 18 yr. old daughter of Julian and Rosa Barraza. Her motto is "Yesterday is history-Tomorrow is a mystery-today is a gift-that's why we call it...the present." She plans to attend Amarillo College to pursue nursing.



Brady Bell

Brady Bell is the 18 yr. old son of Billy & Jeanne Bell. His motto is "The biggest enemy is doubt. If you don't believe in what you are doing, you aren't going to make it."-Philippe Kahn. He plans to attend OSU and get a degree.



Caleb Brown

Caleb Brown is the 18 yr. old son of Jim Bob & Patty Brown. His motto is "Never apologize for showing feeling. When you do so, you apologize for the truth." He plans to attend the University of Nebraska and major in nutrition, fitness, and health promotion.



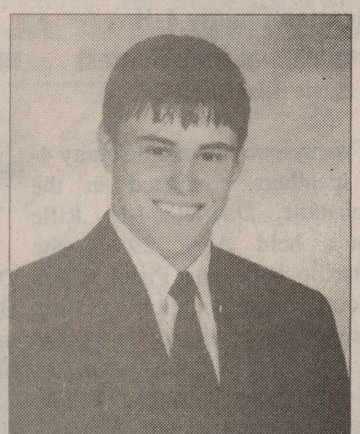
Haley Buckles

Haley Buckles is the 18 yr. old daughter of Scott & Dana Buckles. Her motto is "High School memories, good friends, and Rome all have one thing in common:: they weren't built in a day." She plans to attend Oklahoma State & pursue a career in music media.



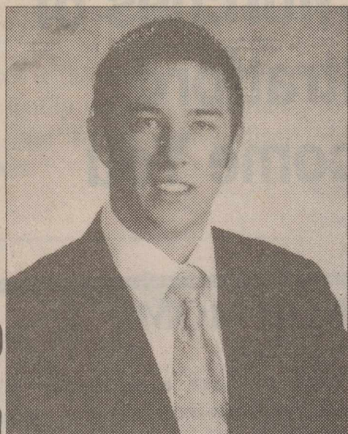
Brandie Chaffee

Brandie Chaffee is the 18 yr. old daughter of Bill & Tiffany Chaffee. Her motto is "Being grown up isn't half the fun as growing up."-Ataris. She plans to attend Stephen F. Austin State University and major in music education.



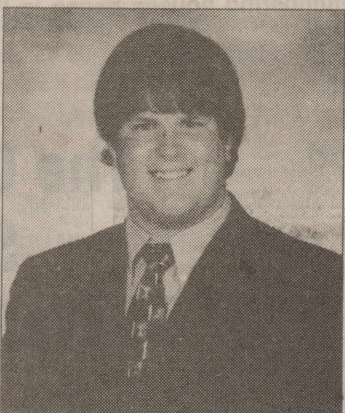
Andrew Correll "Bobby"

Andrew Correll "Bobby" is the 18 yr. old son of Sherri Sladek & Spencer Correll. His motto is "If you can't fix it with duct tape, you haven't used enough." He plans to attend WTAMU to earn a degree in mechanical engineering.



Case Crabtree

Case Crabtree is the 18 yr. old son of Doak & Lisa Crabtree. His motto is "Don't forget where your from, stick to your guns, always be good to your fellow man, bow your head and pray every single day, cause life don't always turn out like you've planned." CCR. He plans to attend WTAMU in the fall and major in animal science with a minor in Ag business.



Brandon Davis

Brandon Davis is the 17 yr. old son of David and Desiree Davis. His motto is "Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved."-Jeremy Kitson. He plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in accounting.



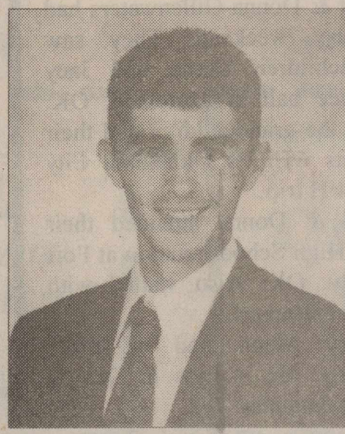
Lacey Dean

Lacey Dean is the 17 yr. old daughter of Bill & Merlene Dean. Her motto is "Heaven's not just a place that you go when you die, it's that moment in life when you actually feel alive."- The Spill Canvas. She plans to attend Amarillo College to become a radio DJ.



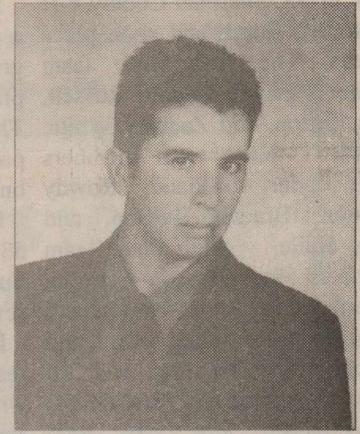
Kayla Dennis

Kayla Dennis is the 17 yr. old daughter of Linda Dennis. She plans to attend Amarillo College.



Jerold Frizzell

Jerold Frizzell is the 19 yr. old son of Jerry & Dora Lutes. His motto is "Live life to its fullest." He plans to attend Amarillo College.



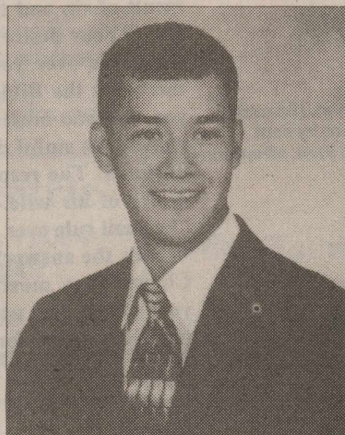
Juan Carlos Garay

Juan Carlos Garay is the 19 yr. old son of Juan Garay & Maria Garay. His motto is "If at first you don't succeed, you're in great company." His plans after graduation are undecided.



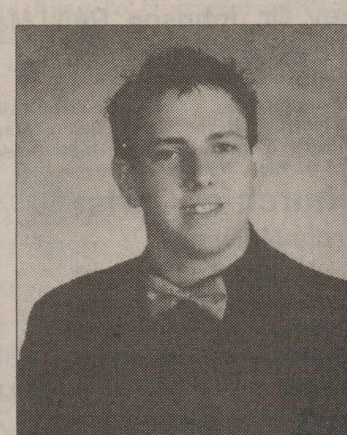
Cassi Garza

Cassi Garza is the 18 yr. old daughter of Dario & Michelle Garza. Her motto is "Heal the past, live the present, dream the future." She plans to attend WTAMU.



Johnny G. Gonzalez

Johnny G. Gonzalez is the 19 yr. old son of Juan & Albina Gonzalez. His motto is "To be or not to be, that is the question, whether tis nobler in the mind to suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune...". He plans to attend Collins College in Tempe, AZ to major in game design.



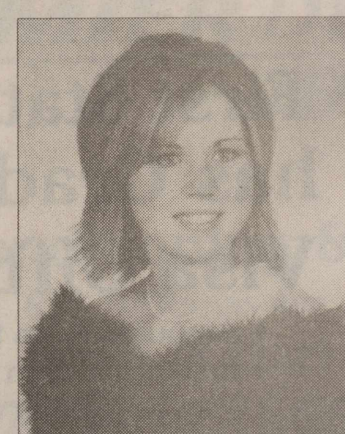
Thomas Griffin

Thomas Griffin is the 18 yr. old son of Ava Griffin. His motto is "And your point is?" He plans to attend Collins College in Tempe, AZ.



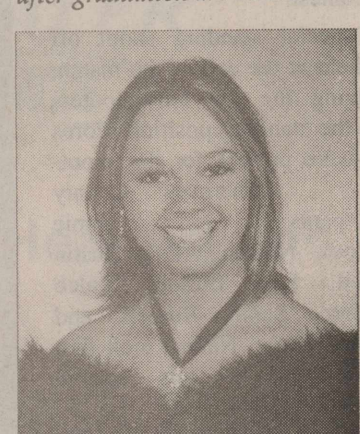
Calli Hamilton

Calli Hamilton is the 18 yr. old daughter of Glenn & Belinda Hamilton. Her motto is "I will not follow where the path may lead, but I will go where there is no path, and I will leave a trail." She plans to attend West Texas and major in equine science and equine massage therapy.



Staci Lynn Hays

Staci Lynn Hays is the 18 yr. old daughter of Steve & Dianna Hays. Her motto is "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you & not to harm you, plans to give you a hope & a future." Jeremiah 29:11. She plans to attend Amarillo College in major in radiography.



Cricket Hudgens

Cricket Hudgens is the 18 yr. old daughter of Sam & Susie Asher. Her motto is "It is never to late to be what you might have been." She plans to Attend Amarillo College & major as a medical lab technician and someday work at St. Jude's Children Hospital.



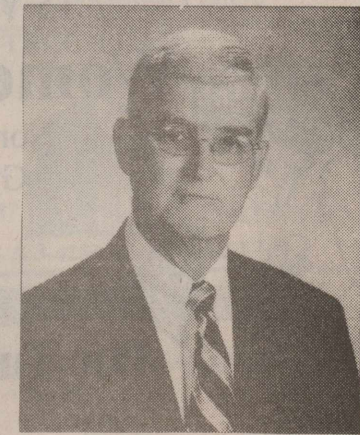
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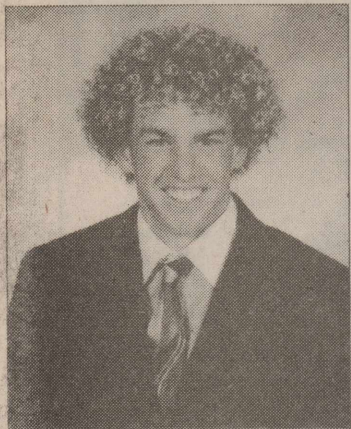
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Principal

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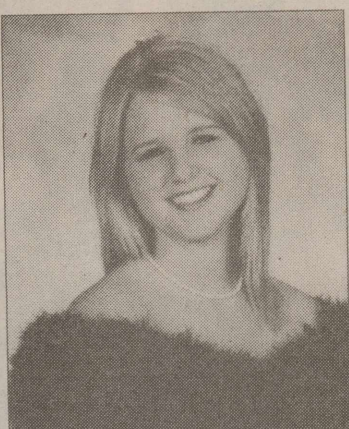
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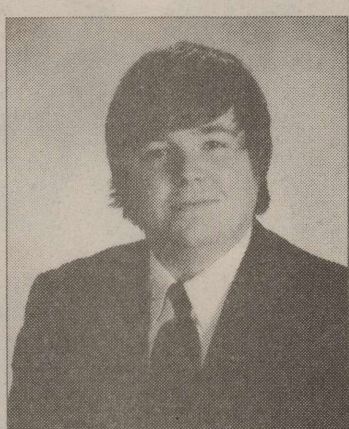
Josh Lanning

Josh Lanning is the 18 yr. old son of Jimmy & Sheila Lanning. His motto is "Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great." He plans to attend Texas Tech.



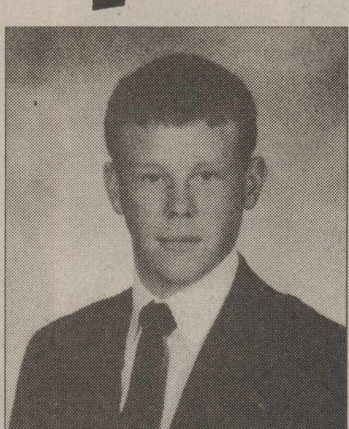
Gina Mattocks

Gina Mattocks is the 18 yr. old daughter of David & Rhonda Browne & Keith Mattocks. Her motto is "If at first you don't succeed, don't tell anyone you tried." & "One step at a time." She plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in interior design.



Richie Melton

Richie Melton is the 18 yr. old son of Randy & Patty Melton. His motto is "Rock 'n Roll." He plans to pursue music after graduation.



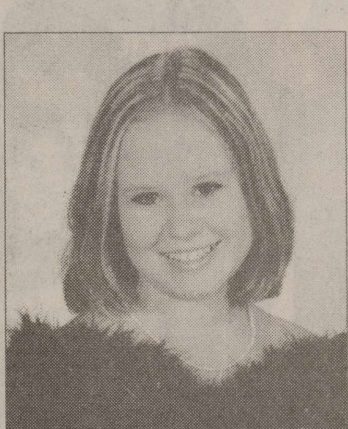
Nick McDaniel

Nick McDaniel is the 18 yr. old son of John McDaniel & Terri McDaniel. His motto is "Let's kick this mule." His plans after graduation are with the military.



Yadira Turasi Ortega

Yadira Turasi Ortega is the 18 yr. old daughter of Elizabeth Ortega. Her motto is "Cherish yesterday; live today; reach for tomorrow." She plans to attend OPSU on a basketball scholarship and major in physical therapy.



Tiffany Jolene Reagan

Tiffany Jolene Reagan is the 19 yr. old daughter of Dale & Leslie Reagan. Her motto is "Live life as if you were dying." She plans to attend Collin County Community College to be a NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) Nurse.

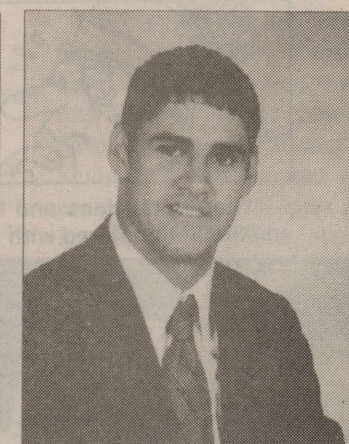


Katelyn Reed is the 17 yr. old daughter of Ricky & D'Lynn Reed. Her motto is "Some succeed because they are determined to." She plans to attend Texas Tech and major in accounting.



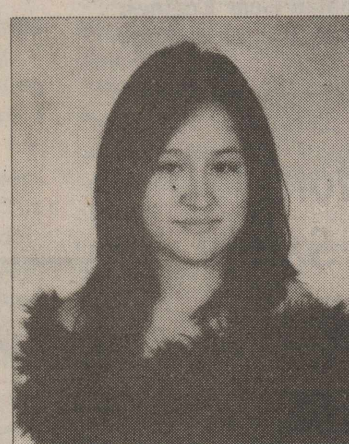
Heather Robertson

Heather Robertson is the 18 yr. old daughter of Donita Robertson. Her motto is "While we may not be able to control all that happens to us, we can control what happens inside us." She plans to attend Amarillo College to get Associates Degree in Nursing.



Gustavo "Gus" Rosales

Gustavo "Gus" Rosales is the 18 yr. old son of Martina and Sergio Rosales. His motto is "Ain't nothing but a G thing baby." He plans to attend Amarillo College.



Crystal Rueda

Crystal Rueda is the 17 yr. old daughter of Ramona Rueda, and Cipriano Rueda.



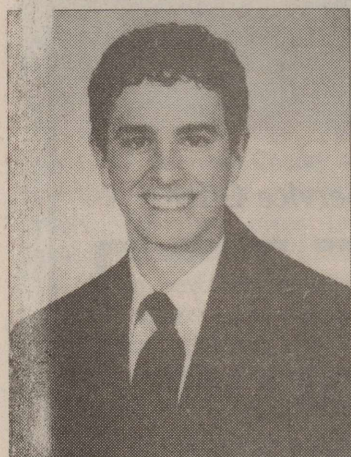
Cynthia Anahl Ruedas

Cynthia Anahl Ruedas is the 18 yr. old daughter of Nohemi and Jesus Ruedas. Her motto is "The people that you love are your reason for living. The people you lose are your inspiration." She plans to attend Amarillo College for nursing.



Mariam Doraly Saenz

Mariam Doraly Saenz is the 18 yr. old daughter of Jose A. Saenz & Gloria E. Saenz. Her motto is "That's what freedom is all about, a chance to be better."-Albert Camus. She plans to attend AC for RN and to work in a hospital. "Sonar alto"



Robert "Ray" Seawright

Robert "Ray" Seawright is the 18 yr. old son of Kevin & Kennetha Seawright. His motto is "Live fast, die fun." He plans to attend West Texas A&M and study sports broadcasting.



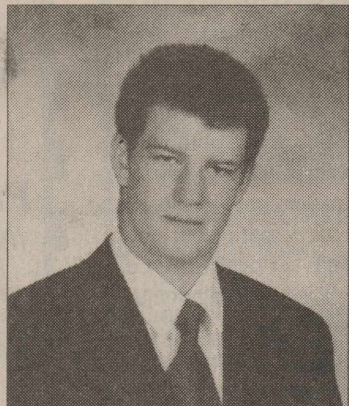
Stephanie Michelle Seiler

Stephanie Michelle Seiler is the 18 yr. old daughter of Don & Mayrene Aduddell & Michael Seiler. Her motto is "Reach for the stars, and don't let anything hold you back!" She plans to attend Amarillo College for nursing.



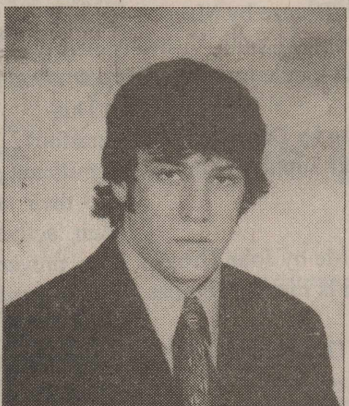
Emily Coit Shafer

Emily Coit Shafer is the 18 yr. old daughter of Mike & Gale Shafer. Her motto is "The people you love are your reason for living and the people you lose are your inspiration." She plans to attend West Texas A&M and pursue a degree in elementary education.



Kelby Smith

Kelby Smith is the 18 yr. old son of Aaron & Lori Smith. His motto is "Winners have simply formed habits of doing things losers don't like to do."-Albert Gray. He plans to attend Amarillo College.



Walter Spurlock

Walter Spurlock is the 18 yr. old son of Wesley & Susie Spurlock. He plans to attend Texas Tech University.



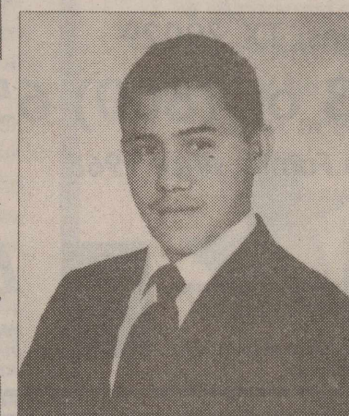
Francis Tenorio

Francis Marie Tenorio is the 18 yr. old daughter of Evaristo & Sara Tenorio. Her motto is "If we constantly regret yesterdays failures and worry about tomorrow's troubles then we have no today to be thankful for"-anonymous. She plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in dental hygiene.



Kayla Tijerina

Kayla Tijerina is the 17 yr. old daughter of Ted & Irma Tijerina. Her motto is "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened"-unknown. She plans to attend WT in the fall and major in psychology.



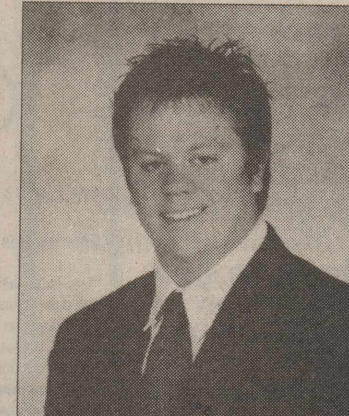
Francisco J. Torres

Francisco J. Torres is the 18 yr. old son of Manuel & Irma Torres. His motto is "You only live once-but if you work it right, once is enough." He plans to attend Amarillo College.



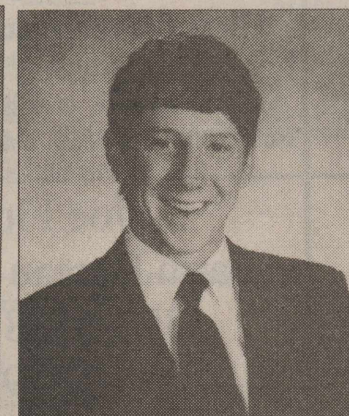
Thalia Torres

Thalia Torres is the 17 yr. old daughter of Manuel & Yolanda Torres. Her motto is "If you're already walking on thin ice, why not dance?" She plans to work hard and attend college to pursue a career.



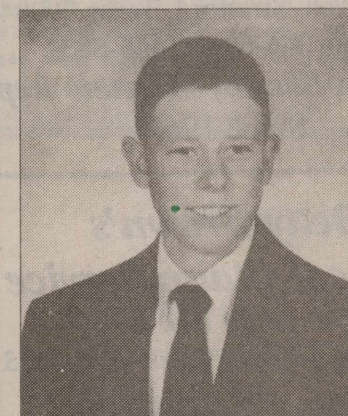
Connor Vincent

Connor Vincent is the 18 yr. old son of Patti Vincent and the late Mike Vincent. His motto is "When the impossible has been eliminated, whatever remains, no matter how improbable...is possible."-Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. He plans to attend Texas Tech majoring in engineering or biology.



Kody Willard

Kody Willard is the 17 yr. old son of Jay & Kelly Willard. His motto is "Procrastinate now, don't put it off." He plans to attend Texas Tech University.



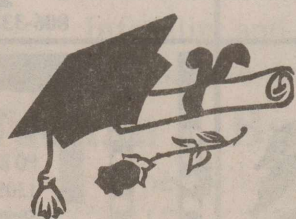
Will Young

Will Young is the 18 yr. old son of Kay & Roy Young. His motto is "Talk low, talk slow & don't say too much." He plans to attend Clarendon College.



Cheyenne Ziemann

Cheyenne Ziemann is the 18 yr. old daughter of Ted & Deide Ziemann. Her motto is "Live life to the fullest." She plans to attend the University of North Texas and enter their pre-dental program.



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Annual Awards Ceremony Held May 2, 2006

Stratford Ag Dept. held their annual cookout and awards ceremony on May 2, 2006. Receiving awards were from left to right standing, Juan Garay – Ag Electric Wiring; Will Young – Senior Ag Mechanics; Andrew Correll – Ag Structures; Caleb Brown – Ag Structures; Michael Reinart – Ag Structures; Walter Spurlock – Chapter Farmer & Swine Showmanship; Case Crabtree – Senior Ag Mechanics & Steer Showmanship; Clayton Johnson – Steer Herdsman ; Kaleb Horsford – Swine Production & Star Greenhand; Landan Luna – Swine Herdsman; Daniel Nusz – Senior Ag Structures. Seated from left; Francisco Torres – Small Gear Engines; Manuel Armendariz – Ag Mechanic Maintenance. The meal was prepared by the Ag students and consisted of calf fries, catfish, burgers, hotdogs, fries and drinks.

Obits

Veronica Martinez

New York Times Best Sellers @ Your Library "Stratford ISD Earns Safety Award"

Texhoma, OK-Veronica Martinez, 23, died Saturday, May 13, 2006 in Lubbock, Texas. Services were held at 4 p.m. May 16th in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Guymon with the Rev. Jose Acosta officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Martinez was born Aug. 10, 1982 in Guymon to Luis A. and Rosa Salazar Cisneros. She married Miguel Martinez on May 12, 1999 in Guymon. Survivors include her husband of Texhoma; a son, Damian Martinez of Texhoma; her parents of Texhoma; a brother, Luis Cisneros of Stratford, Texas; and a sister, Verise Cisneros of Texhoma. The family suggests memorials be to the family for medical expenses.

Fiction

1. Beach Road by James Patterson
2. Two Little Girls in Blue by Mary Higgins Clark
3. Dark Harbor by Stuart Woods
4. Full of Grace by Dorothea Benton Frank
5. Susannah's Garden by Debbie Macomber
6. Gone by Jonathan Kellerman
7. The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown
8. Vanished by Karen Robards
9. The 5th Horseman by James Patterson
10. The Templar Legacy by Steve Berry
11. Savannah Breeze by Mary Kay Andrews
12. The Tenth Circle by Jodi Picoult
13. The House by Danielle Steel
14. The Secret Supper by Javier Sierra

Non-Fiction

1. Marley & Me by John Grogan
2. The World Is Flat by Thomas L. Friedman
3. American Theocracy by Kevin Phillips
4. Manhunt by James L. Swanson
5. Cobra II by Michael R. Gordon and Bernard E. Trainor
6. Laura Bush by Ronald Kessler
7. The Battle For Peace by Tony Deborah Tannen
8. You're Wearing That? by Deborah Tannen
9. Who Moved My Cheese

There are so many men who can figure costs, and so few who can measure values.

—Author Unknown

The Public Workers' Compensation Program, Stratford ISD's workers' compensation provider, recognized the District for their overall safety and loss prevention efforts, with its Safety Excellence Decade Award. This distinction was earned based on Stratford ISD's involvement and performance in the area of safety and injury prevention. The district has participated effectively and wholeheartedly in the area of safety training and education for employees, and in controlling injury claim occurrences and costs through their efforts. This award recognizes Stratford ISD for obtaining significant savings for the district and their taxpayers as a result of their active participation in the loss prevention services offered by Edwards Risk Management, their partner in workers' compensation/loss prevention services. This award recognizes the outstanding performance of the District's employees in creating a safer worker place for themselves and their students.

People that pay for things never complain. It's the guy you give something to that you can't please.

—Will Rogers



Stratford Elks 6th Grade Boys Team Competes

The Stratford Elks 6th grade boys team competed in the 3rd Annual Panhandle Turf Classic Tournament May 5, 6, 7. We played Amarillo Mavericks for the Championship game and won by a score of 35 to 30. Thank you Nita Hudson for coaching these boys!!! Pictured: Nita Hudson, Ransom Lermom, Wyatt Dushay, Justin Mungia, Braden Hudson Ruben Duran, Jordan Johnson, Marcos Garza, Edgar Guerrero. Not pictured: Braiden Palmer and Jesus Ruedas.



The Phoenicians and Romans made a purple dye from Murex sea snails. Cloth colored with this dye was more valuable than gold.



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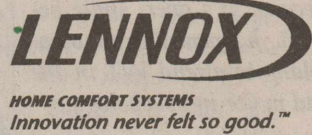
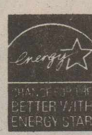
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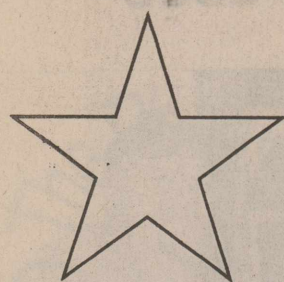
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Betty Brown's Medical Claim Service 605 S. Main P.O. Box 7 Stratford, TX 79084 806-396-2623	Joe Flores Farm Bureau Insurance 396-5538 office 396-5389 home
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7-28-tfn
For Sale or Lease-212 N. Poplar-40' x 60' office building. Call 806-679-5585.
4-1-tfn

For Sale: '91 Ford Probe, runs good, needs inspection \$500.00, Queen size sleeper sofa, overstuffed chair, Ottoman \$200.00, Kitchen Table and Chairs \$75.00 and Antique Kitchen Table \$50.00. **Call 366-3637**
5-11-c

For Sale: 2-corner lots, 1st street and S. Maple. Call 366-3134 or 769-4440.
5-11-c

For Sale: 16 x 76, 3 Bdrm, 2 B, mobile home on corner lot. Call 396-2536
6-1-c

For Sale: 2003 Yukon XLT Suburban, 36 K miles, loaded. 366-3520.
5-11-tfn

It is not the employer who pays the wages. He only handles the money. It is the product that pays the wages.

—Henry Ford

For Rent

Small 2 bedroom house, fenced backyard and garage. Call 396-2125.
4-13-tfn

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1-28-tfn

For Rent: 605 N. 3rd 2 bdrm-1bath, Laundry room, 1-car detached garage. Storage shed. Call 930-0734.
5-4-tfn

I think if I were a woman I'd wear coffee as a perfume.

—John Van Druten

Services

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4-6-c

VERY REASONABLE LAWN MOWING THIS SUMMER!!!! Call Bryce Cummings & Trevor Christian 366-7664.
5-25-3x-c

Need Help? Small repairs, minor plumbing, and fix it ups. "CATER TO THE ELDERLY" For more information call Dick Bachman 366-7679.
5-18-tfn

Garage

Sales

Garage Sale: Sat. May 19th at 820 E. Texas from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lots of clothes, all sizes.
5-18-p

Garage Sale: 611 N. Maple, Saturday, May 20th 9 a.m. -? Lots of Things to choose from!!!!

Dogs come when they're called; cats take a message and get back to you later.

—Mary Bly

Wanted to

Buy

Wanted to buy-Ford 428 and 427 Irrigation Engines Call 1-785-726-3288.
5-18-c

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.
4-20-c4-x

REDUCED: 3 Bdrm, 1 1/4 bath on large corner lot, 1201 NW 2nd St. Sprinkler system, fenced yard. Call 366-2153 for appointment.
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

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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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NEW LISTING! Home with lots of storage, built-ins and well maintained! Gas top '00, central heat & air, fireplace, dishwasher, sink, faucet and garbage disposal replaced in '03, roof, '98, also H/A. Covered patio. 10x12 yard barn.
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Reduced to \$43,000

CORNER LOT! This 4 bdrm., 1 1/4 bath home has had C/H&A, sewer lines, and gas line recently replaced.
\$55,000

VERY NICE 3 bdrm., brick Austin Stone house on corner lot with side garage entry. Has flip-out Thermo pane windows, storm cellar, storage building with large fenced backyard, fireplace and large kitchen.
\$65,000

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

Help Wanted

Drivers: New Pay Pkg! Quality home time. 2005 newer trucks. Great miles, benefit, pd vacation. CDL-A, OTR, 2 yrs. Exp. 1-800-528-7825
5-25-p

Stratford Family Medical Clinic has opening for FT, RN or LVN Basic, as well as advanced trauma care in a rural health care setting. Contact Judy at 396-5583.
5-4-c3x

Given enough coffee, I could rule the world.

—Author Unknown

Legal Notices

Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees has resolved to sale the house located on Lots 9 and 10 on Block 13, Original Town for Stratford, Sherman County, Texas as same in shown on the map or plat of said Town, and recorded in the Deed Records of Sherman County, Texas. The house will be moved from said property by the selected proposer. For a proposal packet please contact Lynette Kautz at 806-366-3302.

Seals proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM, Monday June 5, 2006. Any requests for proposals after this date will not

be accepted. The proposals may be mailed to Stratford ISD, PO Box 108, Stratford, TX 79084, or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N 8th Street, Stratford, TX. The proposals will be opened on June 5, 2006 at 2:00 PM. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals, to make awards as they may appear advantageous, and to waive all formalities in bidding. For further information, please contact the Stratford ISD business office at 806-366-3302. Bids will be reviewed at the Board of Trustees meeting on June 8, 2006. SISD will not discriminate in the procurement process in regard to age, race, sex, beliefs, national origin, handicapping condition, or limited English proficiency.

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**Sherman County Sheriffs
Office Notice of Impoundment
of Estray**

On the 24th Day of April, 2006, I impounded the following estray;

Kind-Bovine

Breed-Mixed, Charolais/Hereford
Color-Yellow with a white face and feather neck
Sex-Steer
Age-Calf Size-app. 180 lbs
Brand, earmark or other identifiers-No brand, a yellow ear tag with the no. 84 hand written on the front of the tag.

and on the 2nd Day of May, 2006, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Sherman County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Sherman County, Texas for the

owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the day of 25th May, 2006, said estray will be sold at public auction at Dalhart, Texas.

Witness my hand this 2nd Day of May, 2006.

Jack Haile

Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas

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SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SHERMAN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 69th District Court of Sherman County, on the 13th day of February, 2006, by Gina Jones District Clerk of said 69th District Court of Sherman County for the sum of \$14,510.27 plus post judgment interest in the annual rate of 10% plus annum, plus costs of suit of \$179.00, plus attorneys fees of \$809.50 in a certain cause in said Court No. 4590 and styled *Chaparral Energy, L.L.C., an Oklahoma Limited Liability Company* *Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program*, placed in my hands for service, I, Jack Haile as Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas, did on the 15th day of March, 2006 levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Sherman County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

An undivided 37.5% oil and gas leasehold interest, and any and all overriding and mineral interests owned by Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program, in the

Oil and Gas lease dated September 16, 1975, which is recorded in the Oil and Gas Lease Records volume 140, at page 310, of the records of Sherman County, Texas, from Samuel own Ross and Myrtle Elizabeth Ross to George W. Arrington Oil Co. and Win. L. Arrington covering Section 72, Block 1-T, T&NO RR Co. Survey, Sherman County, Texas

Sold subject to any and all liens. May include any and all delinquent taxes.

And levied upon as the oil and gas leasehold interest, overriding royalty and mineral interest of Mercer 1985-A Managed Drilling Program, and that on the first Tuesday in 2006, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Courthouse door of Sherman County, in Stratford, Texas, at 10 a.m. by virtue of said levy and said writ of Execution I will sell said above described oil and gas leasehold, overriding royalty and mineral interest at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said 1985-A Managed Drilling Program. And in compliance with law, I give this Notice by Publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of in the Stratford Star newspaper published in Sherman County. WITNESSED MY HAND this 20th day of March, 2006.

Jack Haile

Sheriff Sherman County, Texas.

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Accolade Home Care

Presents

Health Fair

Thursday, May 18th

9:00am-2:00pm

County Barn

Featuring

Amarillo Area Breast Coalition Fashion Show

12:00-1:00 pm

Screenings for:

Cholesterol

Blood glucose

Blood pressure

Oxygen saturation

Glaucoma

- Coffee Memorial Blood Mobile
- High Plains Epilepsy Association
- Area Agency on Aging
- Poison Control
- Red Cross
- National Weather service
- American Heart Assoc.
- Vitalert

• Alzheimer's Association STAR Chapter and more area groups

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 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.

Coffee makes us severe, and grave, and philosophical.

—Jonathan Swift

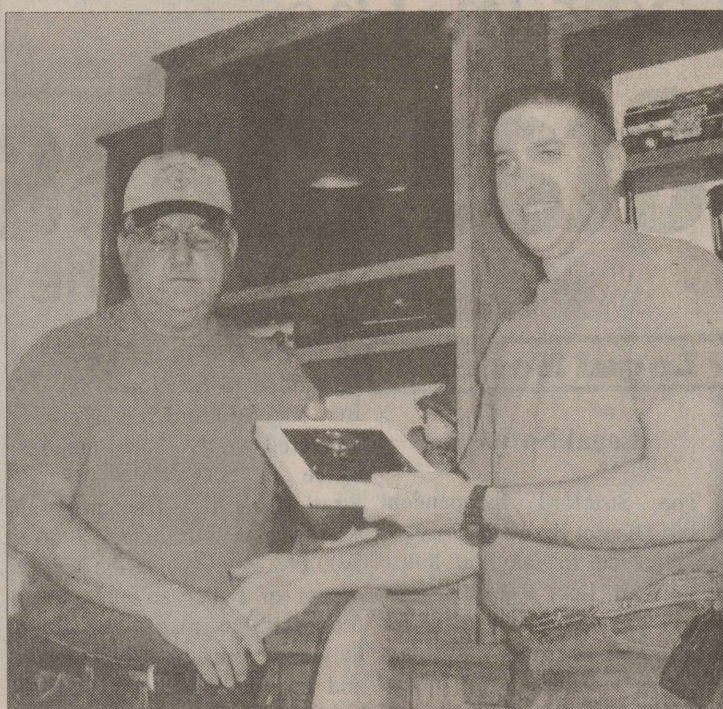
Coffee: creative lighter fluid.

—Floyd Maxwell

Stratford Fire Department Awards Banquet-April 29th, 2006



Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Ernie Maiwald-Firefighter of Year Award



Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Dean Hauser-Firefighter of the Year award



Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Danny Davis-Firefighter of the Year Award



Fire chief Eddie Williams with Stratford Police Dept.

Shown at right is Eddie Williams, far right with Joe and Billye Zak. Joe built the cabinets for the new fire Hall. Joe did a beautiful job.



Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Sheriff Jack Haile



Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Jimmy Lanning and Larry Norris, EMS

Mr. Clint Seward gave the Junior High Report. He passed out enrollment figures. He reported that the 8th graders have had a schedule change to allow them to go to high school band and athletics. He went over the TAKS results. He commended the staff and students on their efforts and reported that the year was a very productive, successful year.

Mr. Haynes gave the High School report. He commended Jordan Taylor on his 3rd place finish at the State UIL Academic meet. Baccalaureate will be Sunday, May 14 at 8:00 PM at the Methodist church. He commented on the FFA and FHA end of year parties. He went over the preliminary TAKS results. He reported that Mr. Meroney took a group of students to Amarillo College and that the students were very excited about the opportunities Amarillo College offers.

Mr. Gilliland gave the superintendent's report. The cost per mile for transportation for the month was 390. He then gave the budget summary. Monthly expenditures are at 50.52% and revenue collected at 97.68%. Tax collections are at 98.18%. There are currently 248 students enrolled at the Mary Alien, 167 at the middle school and 190 at the high school making a total enrollment of 605.

Fire Chief Eddie Williams with Jimmy Lanning and Larry Norris, EMS

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Brent Spurlock made the motion and Patti Vincent seconded to accept the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gilliland went over the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) policy. This policy is to ensure safety and quality control in the cafeteria. Gared McBryde made the motion and Barney Willborn seconded to accept the policy as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gilliland went over the Wellness Policy. The SHAC committee recommends adoption of this policy. Steve Hays made the motion and Brent Spurlock seconded to accept the policy as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held on the construction/renovation project. Construction contracts will be signed on May 11 for the gym. A short recess taken at 7:34 PM.

Joe Reinart read a letter of resignation from Mary Pat Williams. Brent Spurlock made the motion and Steve Hays seconded to accept her resignation with regrets. Motion carried 7-0.

Stratford Fire Department held Awards Banquet on April 29, 2006. Following the dinner, awards and recognition of the previous years accomplishments were presented by Chief Eddie Williams. Dean Hauser, Danny Davis and Ernest Maiwald were all recipients of Firefighter of the Year award for their hard work and devotion to duty. Special guests of the fire department included Sherman County Sheriff Department, City of Stratford Police Department, Stratford EMS, Sherman County Judge and Commissioner and Mrs. Steve Pemberton and family members and employers of fire department members and Duane and Marty Robertson.

Discussion was held on the autism teacher position. DeWain Traylor made the motion and Barney Willborn seconded to hire Magen Hardy for the position subject to assignment. Motion carried 7-0.

A special meeting will be held Monday, May 22nd at 8:00 a.m. to canvass election results. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

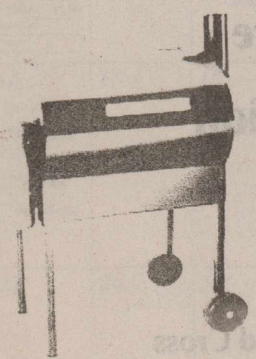
Conservation Coloring Page and Poster contest. Coloring Page - Monica Reyes, Kade McBryde and Laynee Burr. The poster contest winner was Suzette Palma.

4. The following students received awards at the FFA cookout. Chapter Farmer - Walter Spurlock, Star Greenhand - Kaleb Horsford, Ag Structures - Michael Reinart, Caleb Brown, Senior Ag Mechanics - Case Crabtree, Will Young, Ag Fabrication - Landan Luna, Senior Ag Machinery Maintenance - Manuel Armendariz, Senior Ag Structures - Daniel Nusz, Ag Electrical Wiring - Juan Garay, Small Gas Engines - Francisco Torres, Swine Herdsman - Landan Luna, Swine Showmanship - Walter Spurlock, Steer Showmanship - Case Crabtree, Steer Herdsman - Clayton Johnson, Swine Production - Kaleb Horsford. Congratulations to these students. Their sponsors are Jackie Burkhalter and Dan Hembree.

Stratford Youth Baseball

Registration Night - Thursday, April 13th
Stratford H.S. Library
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Bring completed registration forms and fees to enroll in summer baseball.



Enter to win \$699 Traeger Grill

Donated by Randy Lehr & Lehr Fertilizer
\$5.00 per ticket or 5 for \$20.00

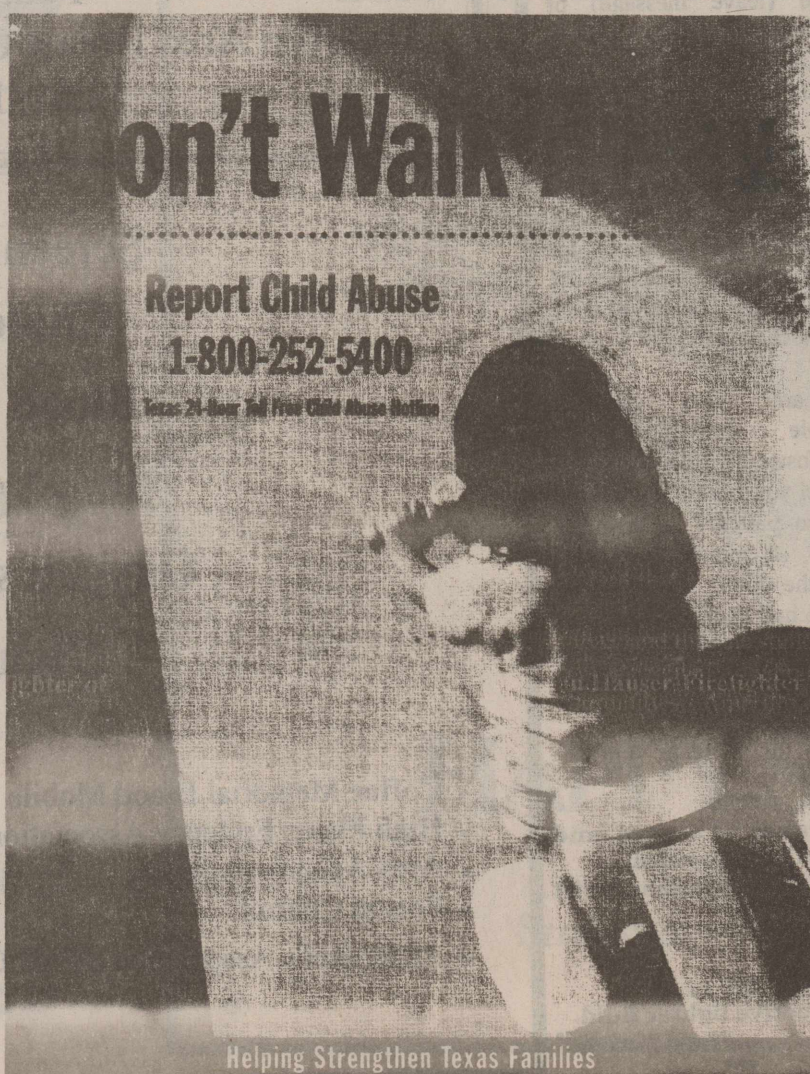
Drawing to be held on May 22 during Opening Night Ceremonies.

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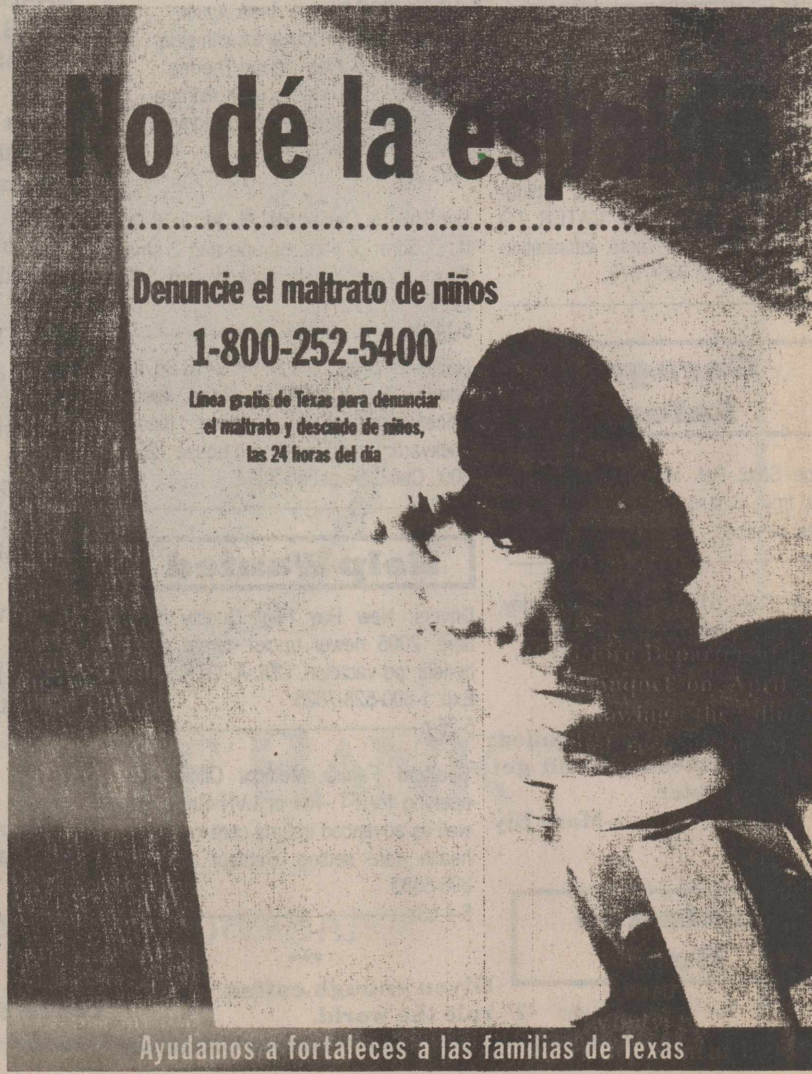
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