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Community Closet Thrift Store has been a huge success since opening

On June 5, 2012 the Community Closet Thrift Store opened its doors in Stratford. Never did the volunteers expect to be the success that the Thrift Store has become. In the two years the store has been in business..... keep in mind, three days a week, from 10:00 until 4:00.....all profit has been returned to this community. The total amount returned to this community has been $25, 800!!!! It has been such a blessing to our community and to the volunteers who have helped keep the store open.

Rather than an "Anniversary Celebration" as we discussed, the volunteers opted to do what we do best!!! The Community. Closet will be donating $200 to each church in our community to help with Vacation Bible School or a Missions project if VBS is not offered. There are nine churches in Stratford and they will each one be receiving a donation.

The Thrift Store is a great place to volunteer if anyone is interested in helping. The hours are 10:00 until 4:00 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. You can work any day or any part of a day if interested in being a part of this addition to Stratford.

Stratford EX-Student Reunion July 25-26

By Gaynelle Riffe

About 1700 schedules have been mailed while working on over 200 missing addresses. Mail will be returned with some forwarding addresses and then the hunt will be on. I will try to post the missing and I could use a little help here please. Year ending in 4 and 5: 1944: Christine Williams Claughton, Billie Frank Trainham Litterell, Billie Merle McWilliams Booth, William Arnold. 1945 Clella Pearson Schmidt. 1954 Jimmy Davis. 1964 Billie Robbins Montgomery, Gloria Wagner Grimes, Kathleen Leal Limer, Rosann Laird Bordy. 1965 Eloise Adkins Bensley, Lola Sanders Johnson, Tina Fisk.

1974; Cathy Powers Everson, David Baughn, Denise Ashley brake, John Walden, John McDaniel, John Vigil, Kathy McMillon Sadler, Mike Armstrong. 1975 Judy McAdams, BJ McGavock, Jean Brandes Harris, Mike Flores, Mike Slaton, Ricky Harkins, Cheryl Everson Sand.

1984 Deirdre Johnson, 1985 Becky Goad Houchn, Doug Mires, Eddie Pickens, Irma Rendon Choate, Piper Bennett.

1994 Colby Wheeler, Elly Rhoades Rogers, Juanita Molonado Luna/ Vita, Lillian Soyo, Phillip Vaughn, Shawnda Blake Chitwood Victoria Montoya Herrera. 1995 Andy Griffin. Please call the address to 396-5303.

Imagine That at The Imagination Station

The Imagination Station has not accumulated enough articles for "The Minnow of a Sale" in June but is still seeking things for "The Whale of a Sale" in September.

Board members are summer cleaning so there will be some special items even new items for the Whale. (Items not sold go to many other not-for-profits and missions)

There will be some other fund raiser in the future to replace the Minnow.

Summer activities will be: June/July 4-H Main St Fun; Drama Camp July 7-10 (sign up now with Terri Teig 727-4412 or 7537415; morning 4-6, afternoon 7-11 $15.00 per person; public performance July 10)

July 26 Jamboree Block Party (food booth and games); September 1213 "Whale of a Sale".

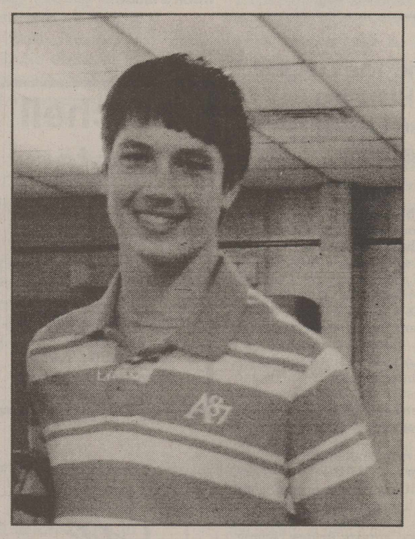
Watch for the Haunted House and the November Exhibit.

Opportunity...

Do you have contour sheets that don't fit the deeper mattresses? Another container is going in July to the mission "Saviors Tears" in Niagara and there is a need for sheets for a children's cancer hospital. If you can share please take them to the United Methodist Church and they will be packed and taken to Amarillo for the container.

Thank you

Gaynelle Riffe



Spurlock selected as 4-H Fuel Up To Play 60 Healthy Living Ambassador

Russell Spurlock was selected as one of the few 4-H Fuel Up to Play 60 Healthy Living Ambassadors across the state of Texas. The purpose of the ambassador program, per the State website, is to:

*Promote the purpose and goals of the 4-H healthy lifestyles program through Fuel Up To Play 60;
*Empower youth by giving them the opportunity to provide leadership to the 4-H healthy lifestyles program as it relates to Fuel Up To Play 60;
*Equip youth to serve as a leader to implement the Fuel Up To Play 60 Program in local schools;
*Provide educational experiences that will enable 4-H members across the state to become knowledgeable and skilled in the healthy lifestyles subject matter;
*Coordinate events that will opportunities for the development of leadership and effective citizenship related to the healthy lifestyles projects; and
*Help each ambassador experience personal growth and achievement, as well as be of service to others.

Russell will have to attend training in Dallas and hopefully will come back with the knowledge of how better promote Healthy Living and the Fuel Up to Play 60 programs in Sherman County. It was truly an honor for him to have been chosen and hopefully not only 4-H but all the kids in the community will benefit.

Farm Service Agency County Committee Nomination Period Begins June 15

WASHINGTON, June 6, 2014 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced today that the nomination period for local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees begins Sunday, June 15, 2014.

"County committees are a vital link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture," said Vilsack. "I hope that every eligible farmer and rancher will participate in this year's county committee elections. Through the county committees, farmers and ranchers have a voice; their opinions and ideas get to be heard on federal farm programs."

Vilsack added, "We've seen an increase in the number of nominations of women and minority candidates, and I hope that trend continues."

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area where the person is nominated.

Farmers and ranchers may nominate themselves or others. Organizations representing minorities and women also may nominate candidates. To become a candidate, an eligible individual must sign the nomination form, FSA-669A. The form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections. Nomination forms for the 2014 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on Aug. 1, 2014. Elections will take place this fall.

While FSA county committees do not approve or deny farm ownership or operating loans, they make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other agricultural issues. Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are about 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Committees consist of three to 11 members that are elected by eligible producers.

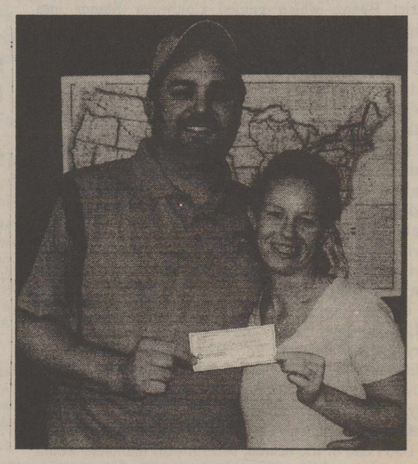
FSA will mail ballots to eligible voters beginning Nov. 3, 2014. Ballots are due back to the local county office either via mail or in person by Dec. 1, 2014. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office on Jan. 1, 2015.

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There are three ways to get something done: Do it yourself, employ someone or forbid your children to do it.

—Monta Crane

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Stratford Youth Sports Program receives Check

The Community Closet Thrift Store recently donated $500 to the Stratford Youth Sports program. Receiving the donation were Brian and Jana Clift who have taken on the job of leading the program, with the help of others. Brian said the program had around 400 young boys and girls participating in the sporting events. Basketball, baseball; and soccer are made available for the children in our community ..... with the help of volunteer coaches, refs, and parents who support all the programs. Each participant pays a small registration fee, sponsors have been obtained to help replace the old uniforms, and some of the equipment is new this year. Thank you to Brian, his committee and all volunteers for keeping the sports program alive and well in Stratford!!!

What's Happening In Stratford

Flag Day- SaturdayJune 14th

Punch Family Fund

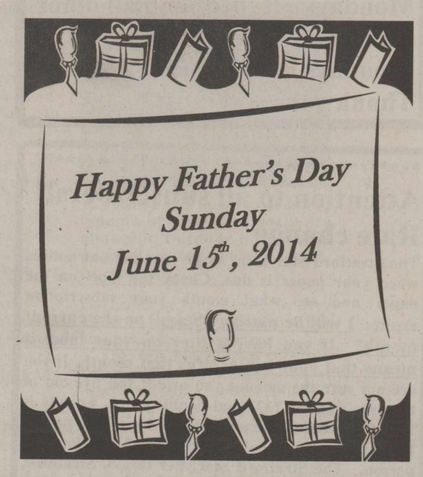
Funds have been set up for the Karl & Ruby Punch family, who lost everything in a fire that destroyed their house in Kerrick on Saturday, March 29th. Funds at First State Bank and Happy State Bank.

Vacation Bible School

June 15, 16 and 17 First United Methodist Church

Stratford Ex-Students July 25th and 26th

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From the Desk of Sheriff Joe Powell

Your local law enforcement is asking for your help! If you have any information pertaining to the recent burglary of our Elk Pharmacy, please contact the Stratford Police Department or any law enforcement official as soon as possible. A cash reward may be offered by the Sherman County Crime Stoppers to the person who leads us to the suspect/s, pending arrest & conviction. As always....you & your information will remain confidential. We value our people & our local businesses.

THANK YOU

Sheriff Powell

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Letter to the Editor

REASONS TO BE PROUD OF COLDWATER MANOR

When Leroy Judd became part of the Stratford Hospital District Board, which guided Coldwater Manor into being, he had no idea be and his wife Barbara would be the recipients of its services during their last years.

It is impossible to adequately express our gratitude to the Coldwater Board and employees for the excellent care they made possible for our father Leroy, and are now continuing for Barbara. Dad never had one complaint and was very content there. He felt loved and respected by the administrative, nursing, housekeeping, dietary, and activities departments. That was reassuring to us four children and our families, who all lived a distance from Stratford by now.

During the month of April and until his death on May 3, 2014, the kindness extended to our family was far above what we could have hoped for. We were allowed to have one or more family members stay on the premises with Dad twenty-four hours a day. We felt welcomed. Our every inquiry or concern received a courteous and professional response. The whole staff was patient, hardworking, and quick to address our father's needs. They worked well with the Hospice personnel to give comfort at all times.

As Dad's end of life neared, several staff members would come quietly into his room to check on him and say goodbye to him before leaving at the end of their shifts. Several came to his viewing at the funeral home, attended his funeral, or apologized that they would be unable to be there.

We children witnessed for ourselves and fully understand why, whenever we called Dad and Barbara over the last five years and asked how they were, they would always say, "They're taking good care of us!"

The staff exhibited high morale and good cheer, sometimes under very difficult circumstances. Several expressed their appreciation for the administrator Laura Davis, mentioning that she had new ideas for making Coldwater the best it can be. To us, it seems to be working. Like our dad, we only have high praise.

Coldwater Manor has our deep appreciation for the tremendous effort of their whole team to provide outstanding service for their residents and families. We're grateful that it was available for our parents when they were no longer able to live independently. We pray God will reward them and the taxpayers for providing Sherman County with the best of professional, compassionate healthcare.

Tom & Lanita Tyson
Ron & Donna McNaughton
Delton & Mary Catherine Judd
Larry & Faith Bradshaw

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Forty is the old age of youth; 50 is the youth of old age.
—Hosea Ballou

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Deadline for The Stratford Star

Deadline for Stratford Star items. Photos by Sundays at 4 p.m. Letters to Editor 9 a.m. on Mondays (typed) and all other articles and ads at 10 a.m. on Mondays. (PLEASE) Thank you

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Attention to all subscribers!!

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Obituaries



Henry Harrison

Henry Harrison of Stratford passed away on Sunday, June 8, 2014. Services were pending at press time. Full obit in next week's issue.

Spend The Longest Day Honoring Those Facing Alzheimer's

(NAPS)—Across the U.S., more than 5 million people are living with Alzheimer's disease every day and more than 15 million Americans are their caregivers. On June 21st, the longest day of the year, everyone can show those facing Alzheimer's that they are not alone.

Here's How

The Longest Day is a sunrise-to-sunset challenge to raise funds and awareness to fuel the care, support and research programs of the Alzheimer's Association.

The event challenges people to choose an activity they love—running, knitting, cooking—and complete 16 hours of it as a team. For example, last year more than 160 American Contract Bridge League clubs participated in the event and raised more than $575,000.

The Alzheimer's Association is calling on people around the world to honor the strength, passion and endurance of those facing Alzheimer's by getting involved in The Longest Day. Participants in The Longest Day are part of a movement to raise funds and awareness for the cause during Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month in June—an opportunity to hold a global conversation about the brain, Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

Alzheimer's disease is a growing epidemic and is the nation's sixth leading cause of death. It is the only cause of death among the top 10 without a way to prevent, cure or even slow its progression. On June 21st, participants of The Longest Day complete a day filled with activity to honor those living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

The Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Its mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research, to provide and enhance care and support for all affected, and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

The Association provides care and support across the country through a free 24/7 Helpline and website, educational sessions and support groups. The organization also advocates for people facing Alzheimer's, helping to pass landmark legislation such as the National Alzheimer's Project Act. As the largest nonprofit funder of Alzheimer's research, the Association has been part of every major research advancement over the past 30 years.

Start a Team

To start or join a team, visit www.alz.org/thelongestday. For more information about Alzheimer's disease, visit alz.org or call (800) 272-3900.

Get Involved

On June 21, 2014, participants in The Longest Day will raise funds to fuel the care, support and research programs of the Alzheimer's Association. To learn more, visit alz.org/thelongestday or facebook.com/fightalz.

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There is nothing more admirable than two people who see eye to eye keeping house, confounding their enemies, and delighting their friends.
—Homer

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Births



Terrence Lee Hager and Bethany (Tremmell) Hager, Proudly announce the birth of their daughter: Stevie Nicole Hager, born May 29, 2014, weighing 9 lbs. 12 oz. and 21 inches long.
Paternal Grandparents are Terry Lee Hager and wife Pam of Texhoma and Penny K. Gilbert of Stratford.
Maternal Grandparents are Clif and Jane Trammell of Texhoma, OK. Maternal Great Grandparents are Bobby and Joy trammel and D.C. and Delta Boothby.

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Growing old is no more than a bad habit which a busy man has no time to form.
—Andre Maurois

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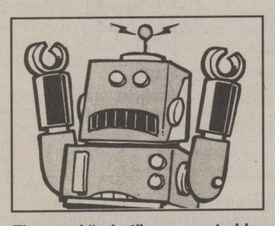
Ed Moore surprised with an 88 Birthday Party Saturday, June 7th

Friends and family surprised Ed Moore who turned 88 on June 6 with a meal and golf scramble at the Country Club on Saturday, June 7. Shown with Ed are his grandson Cliff Moore, daughter Beth Potter, son Roger Moore and great grandson Claetyn Moore.



Alicia Law honored with Baby Shower on Saturday, June 7th

Alicia Law was honored with a baby shower in the home of Tiffany Hudson on Saturday, June 7. Shown from left, Cindy Miller, Abby Law, Alicia, Juanita Jacobs, Geneva Maddox and Sharon Price.



The word "robot" was created by Karel Capek. It came from the Czech word "robotovat," which means "to work very hard."

Lollipop Junction Receives Check

It was lunch time when I arrived to present a $500 check to Lollipop Junction. Chicken nuggets looked pretty tasty as some of the children were eating and another group was getting ready for a nap. An average of 34 children attend Lollipop Junction on a daily basis. How in the world do you feed 34 children and then get that number to lie still for a nap???!!! That would be worth a pretty healthy donation. Stratford is fortunate to have a facility of such quality to care for the little ones whose parents are away from home. The Community Closet Thrift Store thanks the Lollipop staff for your loving care of our little people.



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First United Methodist Church of Stratford, 520 N. Main, will be hosting Vacation Bible School on June 15, 16 and 17 from 5-8pm. All kids' ages 3 yrs old through 6th grade are welcome to attend. There will be food, fun, games, singing and of course Bible stories. We would love you all to attend! Our theme is Weird Animals and its main subject is to let us know it is okay to unique in our own way. Please call the church if you have any questions – 366-2772.

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

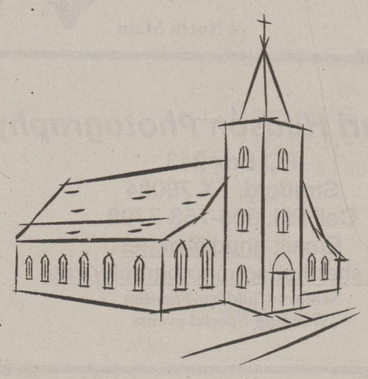
First Assembly of God
Kevin Anderson, Pastor
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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No Sunday evening Worship Service

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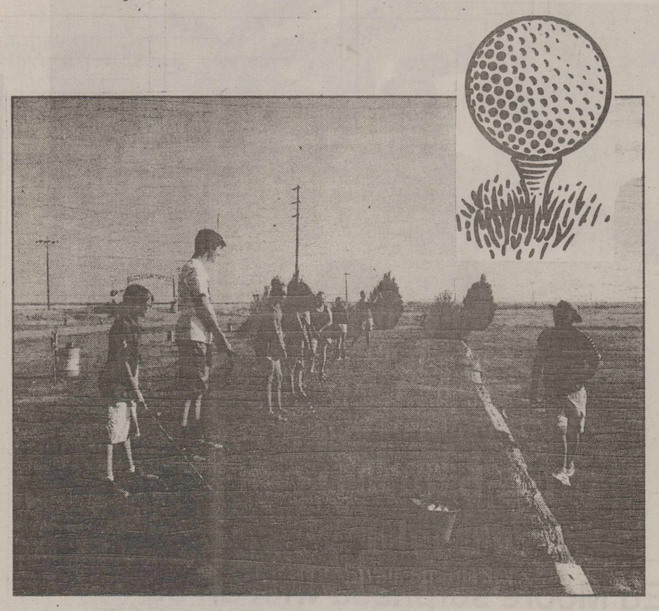
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4-H added Golf Challenge

Sherman County 4-H has added a new project this past May. The Texas 4-H Golf Project will give youth the opportunity to participate in an athletic event while understanding, sports, the rules and etiquette of golf, learn about the opportunities present in golf course and turf grass management. We have been so excited that we have had a willingness from the golfing community to help out with this project. Chris Gomez, Golf Pro at the Stratford Country Club, helped out with two sessions – grass management and the rules and etiquette of golf. Matt Vincent led the session on understanding the game and understanding your clubs. Duane Pittman has helped the kids with the handling of the clubs, positioning and swing. It has been exciting that so many kids have wanted to participate in this new project. Shown are Chris Gomez explaining the grasses and Duane Pittman instructing a line of kids with proper form. For more information, please contact the Agri-Life Extension Office.



The earliest coins were made in the parts of modern Turkey that formed the ancient kingdom of Lydia. The coins were made from a mixture of gold and silver called electrum.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—Money raised through Walk With Me events, in which individual walkers and teams enjoy entertainment and fun, support a variety of services for people with disabilities at Easter Seals. Learn more at www.walkwithme.org or call (800) 221-6827.

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Garage Sale

HUGE garage sale-1210 N. Division St.
THURSDAY June 12, 8 a.m. to? Friday June 13 8-?? TV, furniture, name brand, clothes, grills, gaming chairs, electronics, household
6-12-c

Help Wanted

Coldwater Manor is taking applications for Housekeeping & Laundry. Apply in person. From 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. EOE

Sherman County Sheriff's office is currently taking applications for the position of dispatch/jailer. Must have a High School diploma and be bondable. Applications may be picked up at the Sheriff's Office, 701 N. 3rd, Stratford, TX or email to dispatch@co.sherman.tx.us. Sherman County is an equal opportunity employer. 5-15-c

Happy State Bank is looking for custodian. Please see Doak or Trisha 806-366-2265. 6-12-tfn

Stratford ISD is seeking a Director of Maintenance to manage maintenance and district's custodial operations. Applications available on school website. For more information, please call (806) 366-3300.

Cimarron Feeders is accepting applications for the following positions:
*Feed Mill Maintenance Team Member
*Feed Mill Team Janitor
*Cattle Induction/Processing Team Member
17 miles S. Keyes, OK on HWY 171
15 miles N. of Stratford, TX on HWY 287
Then right 5 miles on HWT 171
Apply in person: M-F 8a.m-3p.m. or call (580) 543-6383
Great benefits for full-time positions that include:
Medical, Dental & Vision insurance as well as 401 K and paid time off. Pre-employment drug screen required. EOE M/F
JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding is an equal opportunity Employer
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For Sale

For Sale in Stratford-2500 New King Size Brick, Fire Bricks, Heavenly Heat 2 person "Fir" Sauna, Office furniture, 6 x 6 Rough Cedar Timbers, 1 ½ x 8' Steel Fence Poles, New Guttering Materials, 8-person Jacuzzi, Asst. Tool Boxes, Bow flex Style Gym,
Call: 806-366-5907 or 806-282-6502. 6-12 & 6-19

Houses for Sale

For Sale by Owner-406 S. Pearl, over 2100 Sq. Ft. Home, lots of Built-ins, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 large walk-in closets, large master suite, 2 utility rooms, Energy Efficient, New windows, large patio &900 sq. feet steel shop. Call 806-366-5907 or 806-282-6502. 6-12 & 6-19

Newly renovated. Move-in-ready, 2500 sq. ft., 4 b/r, 3 bath, 2 living areas, 1 car garage and 2 car carport. 602 N. 4th, Large corner lot, nice neighborhood, in-ground storm shelter, $139,000. Lots of extras. Call for appointment 806-753-7411.

Card of Thanks

The Mudcats T-Ball team would like to say a huge THANK YOU to our sponsors, A&I Parts and McBryde Farms! Also, a huge THANK YOU to Griff and Bev Lasley, Larry Norris, and especially the parents, who braved hurricane force winds and melting heat (and some days freezing cold) to support our team!

Jason & Laura Rogers

Card of Thanks

Dear Friends:
Thank you for all the cards, calls, hugs and prayers on the loss of my mom. I appreciate every kind word and deed. It is so awesome to live in a community that cares!

Love
Jeanne

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249-4202 Jim Stevenson / Owner
Dalhart ● Stratford ● Hartley

Medical/Expense Fund has been set up for **Salma Iliana Ortega Aguilera** at First State Bank. Salma is a 6 year old daughter of Sarah D. Ortega and sister of Baruc, Vinny and Lui. Salma will be undergoing brain surgery in the near future and will be out in Dallas for 2 months during that time. We ask for **many** prayers as the family is undergoing tough times but also want to thank you all for the words of strength, prayers and help received from this wonderful Stratford Community. Words cannot express the true gratitude we feel towards the great people of Stratford and what they have done for Salma and the entire family. May God bless all of you and we thank you in advance for your help.





Giving a Voice to Hungry Kids

We all know that there are children who have free breakfast and lunch provided for them at school Monday through Friday. Have you ever stopped to think what these children do for food on the weekends? Have you ever eaten lunch on Friday and then not had another actual meal until Monday morning? Can you imagine trying to listen to your teacher on Monday morning when all you can do is watch the clock and count the seconds until lunchtime? Unfortunately, there are children in Stratford and the surrounding towns in the Texas panhandle who face this struggle every weekend and during school holidays. Snack Pak 4 Kids is a program that provides food for children in these situations every weekend of the school year. 100% of all money is used for food only.

YES!!! I want to adopt a child for: **Stratford ISD**

___ 1 year- $133 (number of children ____)
___ 1 month-$14 (number of children ____)
___ 1 week- $3.50 (number of children ____)
___ other- $_____

Name_____

Address_____

Phone_____

Email_____

Organization_____

School you are sponsoring_____

Checks are payable to "Snack Pak 4 Kids." Please designate Stratford in memo line of your check.



Simple Ways To Protect Your Home Against Burglary

(NAPS)—Protecting your home against break-ins may be easier than you fear. Here are a few hints that can help:

•**Install lighting:** Motion-sensing lights can be a great way to increase security without having to leave your outside lights on all night. Use them in any shadowy area where an intruder may linger.

•**Maintain your landscaping:** Don't let overgrown shrubs give a criminal a place to hide. Keep trees and shrubs near the house neatly trimmed and be on the lookout for footprints near windows or trampled planting beds.

•**Keep valuables out of sight:** Put away electronics or other valuables whenever practical. Consider mounting large items such as TVs or artwork where there is no direct sightline to a window or keep drapes or blinds drawn.

•**Your house never goes on vacation:** A vacation can make your home an easy target. Never post on social media sites that you are going away. To deter trouble, invest in some inexpensive timers, which can be set up with staggered timing on multiple lamps and in multiple rooms to mimic a realistic lighting pattern. Visit the post office or fill out a form online to have your mail held while you're away. Talk to your neighbors to let them know you'll be gone, and if your trip overlaps with trash day, ask if they can move your bins out for pickup and take them in afterward.

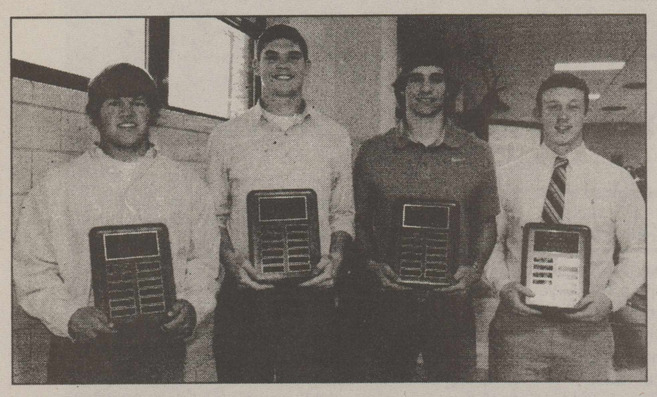
•**Upgrade door locks:** Add dead bolts to any doors that don't have them, including the garage and shed. Dead bolts are significantly harder to force open than the more common spring bolts found in many doorknobs.



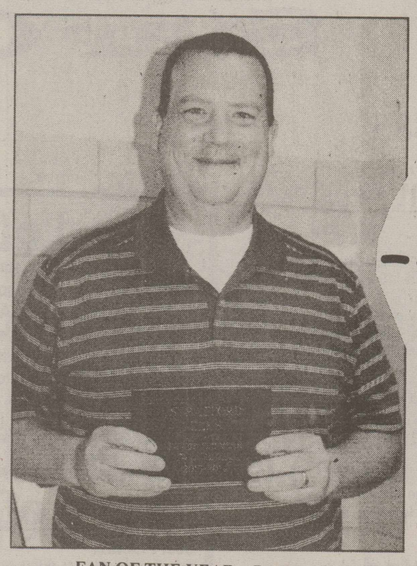
A few simple steps can help fortify your home and protect your property and loved ones from break-ins.

•**Fortify windows:** Glass windows are one of the most vulnerable areas of any home and intruders often target windows if doors are locked and secured. Whenever you're away or asleep, close them and install locks on any windows that don't have them. You can also get security window film. One manufacturer, 3M, offers security films designed to hold broken glass together. The films prevent shattered glass from flying into the house, reducing potential injury. Tests have shown that windows protected with security window film can deter intruders for as long as two minutes—giving police additional response time. Security window films also reject up to 99 percent of harmful UV rays, reducing the effects of fading on your furnishings, and block IR rays, keeping heat out of your house.

For more information on security window film, visit www.3m.com/windowfilmsecurity.



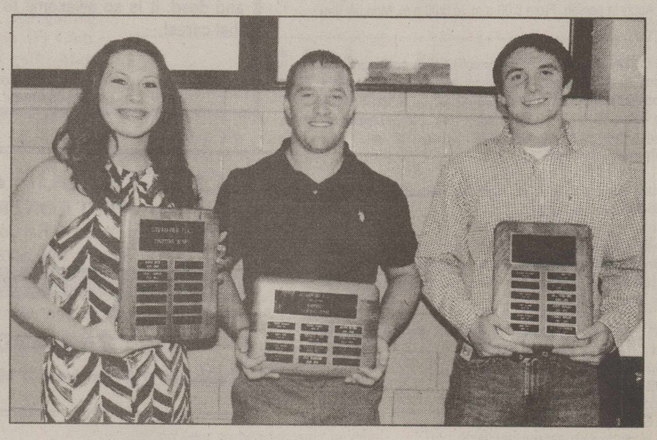
MOST VALUABLE FOOTBALL AWARDS – L/R – Tanner Stone – Most Valuable Offensive Lineman, Trevor Melton – Most Valuable Defensive Lineman, Sterling Audrain – Most Valuable Defensive Back and Logan Uttley – Most Valuable Offensive Back.



FAN OF THE YEAR – Dr. Paul Uttley



MOST VALUABLE BASKETBALL AWARDS – L/R – Girl's Offensive Most Valuable Player – Bethany Everett, Sterling Audrain and Trevor Melton – Boy's Most Valuable Players and Samantha Gonzalez – Girl's Defensive Most Valuable Player.



FIGHTING HEART AWARDS –
Maty Mace – Basketball, Chase Lutes – Football and Rett Schoonover – Basketball



OUTSTANDING GOLF – Mazie Vincent and Jasper Benge



SCHOLAR ATHLETES – Jacie Seward and Sterling Audrain

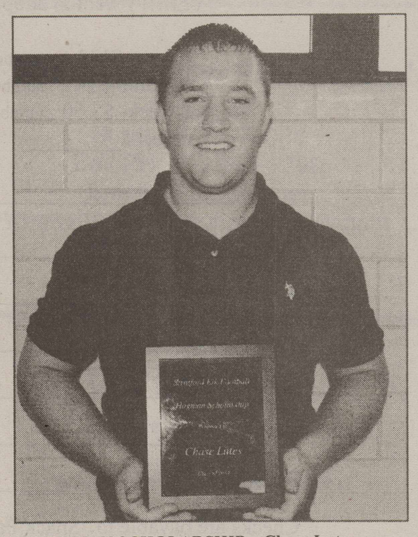


BEST ALL AROUND ATHLETES – Noemy Franco and Rett Schoonover

All Sports Banquet
Tuesday, May 20, 2014



OUTSTANDING CROSS COUNTRY – Samantha Gonzalez and David Marquez



HOGMAN SCHOLARSHIP – Chase Lutes



OUTSTANDING TRACK – Bethany Everett and Jiovani Romero.

Legal Notices

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application General Permit Authorization No. TXG921319

Application, Prestage Farms of Oklahoma, LLC, P.O. Box 509, Texhoma, Texas 73949 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new swine facility at 30,000 head total swine, each weighing 55 lbs or over, in Sherman County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on September 16, 2013. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The facility will be located approximately 0.6 miles East and 300 feet North of Intersection of Highway 287 and Q in Sherman County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the unclassified in Segment No, 0100 of the Canadian River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Sherman County Library, 719 N. Main, Stratford, Texas 79084. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice.

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=36.270657&lng=102.035588&zoom=13&type=r/ For exact location, refer to application.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000,

Public Comment. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public. meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

Information. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC i05, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at http://www10.tceq.state.tx.us/epic/ecmnts/. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Public Education Program at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Espaflol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the
TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

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Texas Commissionion Environmental Quality

Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application General Permit Authorization No TXG921320

Application. Prestage Farms of Oklahoma, LLC, P.O. Box 509, Texhoma, Texas 73949 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new swine facility at 23,600 head total swine, of which 17,600 head are swine weighing under 55 lbs and 6,000 head are swine weighing 55 lbs or over, in Sherman County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on September 16, 2013. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The facility will be located approximately 200 feet north and 400 feet west of the intersection of County Road L (Purnell Road) and County Road 3, in Sherman County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the unclassified in Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Sherman County Library, 719 N. Main, Stratford, Texas 79084. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=36.34042&lng=102.135889&zoom=13&type=r. For exact location, refer to application.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

Public Comment. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 3o days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application General Permit Authorization No. TXG921321

Application. Prestage Farms of Oklahoma, LLC, P.O. Box 509, Texhoma, Texas 73949 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920 000 for authorization to operate a new swine facility at 18,000 head total swine, each weighing 55 1bs or over, in Sherman County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on September i6, 2013. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The facility will be located approximately 500 feet west and 400 feet north of the intersection of County Road to and County Road Q, in Sherman County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the unclassified in Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River Basin.
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The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

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Stratford Independent School District
Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District requests proposals from interested contractors for Yard Maintenance. Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Administrative Office at (806) 366-3302.

The proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM June 24, 2014. 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 Faxed to 806-366-3304, or delivered to the Superintendent office at 503 N 8th Street, Stratford, TX. We reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals.
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ENTERTAINING IDEAS

Tips For Enjoyable Warm Weather Entertaining



To reduce the number of biting insects at your next party, try changing outdoor bulbs from white to yellow or using a chemical-free trap.

(NAPS)—Outdoor living, barbecues and the promise of spending more time outside with friends and family are some of the many perks of spring and summer.

However, there can be a downside to warm weather that can ruin even the most perfect get-together: biting insects.

Mar Jennings, home and garden expert and best-selling author of "Life on Mar's: A Four Season Garden" and "Life on Mar's: Creating Casual Luxury," has partnered with Dynatrap® to bring you the hottest tips and trends for summer 2014 entertaining.

•**It's Never Too Early to Prepare:** Mosquito populations start hatching when temperatures reach 45 degrees, so start early when it comes to ridding your yard of these pests.

•**Make it Magical with Outdoor Lighting:** The right lighting can help keep bugs away. Try a fire pit; it provides the perfect amount of light and the smoke naturally repels mosquitoes. Another tip is to change your outdoor bulbs from white to yellow. Yellow bulbs are less visible to most bugs.

•**With Color, Lighter Is Better:** For key outdoor pieces such as seat cushions, lighter is better. Not only will they stay crisp looking longer, mosquitoes are less attracted to light colors. Jennings likes the Pantone color of the year, bold Radiant Orchid, to use as a featured or accent color this summer.

•**Beautify Your Yard:** Tidying up the yard before a party will not only impress guests, but cutting the grass and draining sources of stagnant water will also decrease the likelihood of bugs. Include plants like marigolds in your garden as they not only beautify your space, but also help repel mosquitoes.

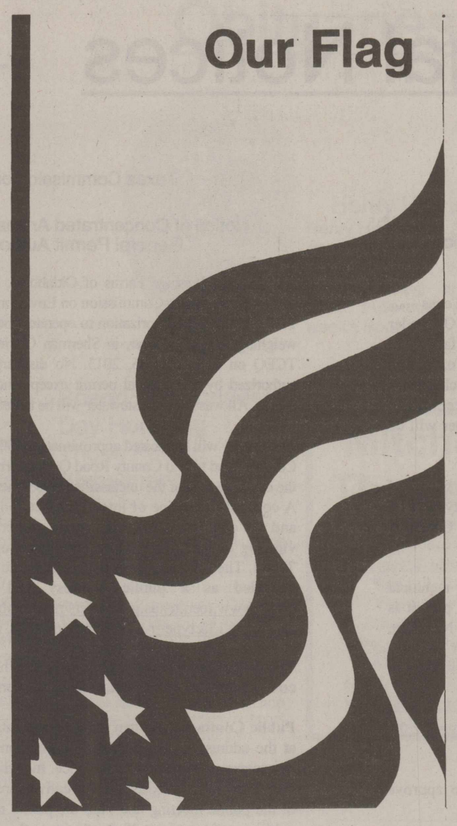
•**Match Your Trap to Your Décor:** The Dynatrap® line of insect-trapping products is designed to reduce biting insects without the use of chemicals. They're available in bronze—exclusively at Frontgate—and black. You can pick the finish most suited for your style.

•**Consider the Time of Day:** Mosquitoes are most active at dusk. During the prime mosquito months, plan outdoor get-togethers early in the day to avoid the most popular times for mosquitoes to be out and about. If you're entertaining at night, it's best to combine multiple bug prevention methods to keep your guests comfortable.

•**Feed Your Guests Without Making Them the Meal:** For party guests and bugs alike, the food table is usually the most popular spot to gather. Instead of serving buffet-style food, impress your guests with bite-sized treats that will be eaten quickly.

To learn more, visit www.dynatrap.com.

Flag Day
Saturday June 14, 2014





I Pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The National Flag represents the living country and is considered to be a living thing emblematic of the respect and pride we have for our nation. Our flag is a precious possession. Display it proudly.

There are certain fundamental rules of Heraldry which, if understood, generally indicate the proper method of displaying the flag. The right arm, which is the sword arm and the point of danger, is the place of honor. Hence, the union of the flag is the place of honor or the honor point.

The National Emblem is a symbol of our great country, our heritage and our place in the world. We owe reverence and respect to our flag. It represents the highest ideals of individual liberty, justice and equal opportunity for all.

General Display

It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

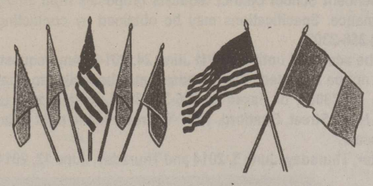
The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.

The flag should be displayed daily, on or near the main administration building of every public institution ... in or near every polling place on election days ... during school days in or near every schoolhouse.

No other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the same level, to the right of the flag of the United States of America, except during church services conducted by naval chaplains at sea ... for personnel of the Navy ... when the church pennant may be flown above the flag.

No person shall display the flag of the United Nations or any other national or international flag equal, above, or in a position of superior prominence or honor to, or in place of the flag of the United States at any place within the United States or any Territory or possession thereof: *Provided*, that nothing in this section shall make unlawful -the continuance of the practice heretofore followed of displaying the flag of the United Nations in a position of superior prominence or honor, with that of the flag of the United States at the headquarters of the United Nations.



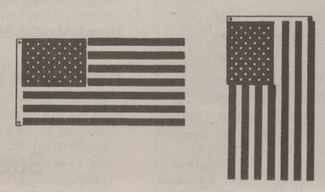
The flag of the United States of America, when it is displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, should be on the right, the flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.

The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

When flags of States, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with the flag of the United States, the latter should always be at the peak. When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the flag of the United States should be hoisted first and lowered last. No such flag or pennant may be placed above the flag of the United States or to the United States flag's right.

When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.

When the flag of the United States is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from the window sill, balcony, or front of a building, the union of the flag should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half-staff. When the flag is suspended over a sidewalk from a rope extending from a house to a pole at the edge of the sidewalk, the flag should be hoisted out, union first, from the building.



When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right, that is, to the observer's left. When displayed in a window, the flag should be displayed in the same way with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street.

When the flag is displayed over the middle of the street, it should be suspended vertically with the union to the North in an East and West street or to the East in a North and South street.

The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water or merchandise.

The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled or damaged in any way.

The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling. The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.

The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

Parades, Ceremonies

The flag, when carried in a procession or with another flag or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

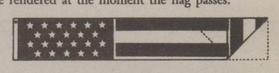


The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff (or as against a wall or in a window).
The flag should form a distinctive feature of the ceremony of unveiling a statue or monument. But it should never be used as the covering for the statue or monument.

That no disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America, the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present except those in uniform should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart. Those present in uniform should render the military salute. When not in uniform, men should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Aliens should stand at attention. The salute to the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes.



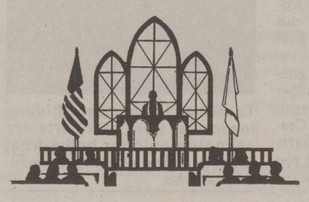
To fold the flag ceremoniously, first fold it lengthwise, bringing the striped half up over the blue field. Then repeat, with the blue field on the outside. Beginning at the lower right, make a series of triangular folds until the flag resembles a cocked hat with only the blue field visible.

Vehicles

The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides, or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or boat, When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.

Corridors, Lobbies

When the flag is suspended across a corridor or lobby in a building with only one main entrance, it should be suspended vertically with the union of the flag to the observer's left upon entering. If the building has more than one main entrance, the flag should be suspended vertically near the center of the corridor or lobby with the union to the North when entrances are to the East or West -or to the East when entrances are to the North and South. If there are entrances in more than two directions, the union should be to the East.



Churches, Auditoriums

When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium the flag of the United States of America should hold the position of superior prominence. In advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the clergyman or speaker or the right of the audience.

Caskets

When the flag is used to cover a casket. It should be so placed that the union is at the head and over the left shoulder. The flag should not be lowered into the grave or allowed to touch the ground.

National Anthem

During the rendition of the national anthem when the flag is displayed, all present except those in uniform should stand at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. Men not in uniform should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Persons in uniform should render the military salute at the first note of the anthem and retain this position until the last note. When the flag is not displayed, those present should face toward the music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed there.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag should be rendered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. When not in uniform men should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder the hand being over the heart. Persons in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and render the military salute.

Half-Staff

The flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. On Memorial Day the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. On the following days, the flag is to be flown at half-mast for the entire day:

December 7 -Pearl Harbor Day
May 15 -Peace Officers Memorial Day
July 27 -Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the Governor of a State, territory or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory. In the event of the death of other officials or foreign dignitaries, the flag is to be displayed at half-staff according to Presidential instructions or orders, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent with law.

In the event of the death of a present or former official of the government of any State, territory or possession of the United States, the Governor of that State, territory or possession may proclaim that the National flag may be flown at half-staff.

Wearing Apparel, Drapery

The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. Bunting of blue, white, and red, always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle and the red below should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of a platform, and for decoration in general.

No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen, and members of patriotic organizations. The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.

Advertising

The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

Disposal

The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.



Flag Holidays

The flag should be displayed on all days, especially ...

NEW YEARS DAY, January 1
INAUGURATION DAY, January 20
LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY, February 12
WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY, third Monday In February
EASTER SUNDAY, (variable)
MOTHER'S DAY, second Sunday In May
ARMED FORCES DAY, third Saturday In May
MEMORIAL DAY (half-staff until noon), the last Monday in May
FLAG DAY, June 14
FATHER'S DAY, third Sunday in June
INDEPENDENCE DAY, July 4
LABOR DAY, first Monday In September
CONSTITUTION DAY, September 17
COLUMBUS DAY, second Monday in October
NAVY DAY, October 27
VETERAN'S DAY, November 11
THANKSGIVING DAY, fourth Thursday In November
CHRISTMAS DAY, December 25

... such other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United States; the birthdays of States (date of admission); and on State holidays.

The rules and customs presented herein are in accordance with the July 7, 1976 amendment to the Flag Code (Public Law 94-344. 94th Congress. S.J. Res. 49).

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