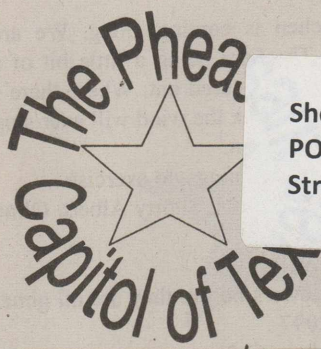




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Allissa Joe Palmer



Jacie Seward

Stratford Junior High Announces Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Stratford Junior High is proud to announce the Valedictorian and Salutatorians for the 2003-2004 school year. Valedictorian is Allissa Joe Palmer daughter of Shane and April Palmer. Allissa has a numerical grade point of 97.714 for two years. She has participated in various UIL events such as dictionary skills, mathematics, ready writing and editorial writing. She also participated in cross country, basketball, band and cheerleading. Allissa was on the honor roll and received the President's Education award. Allissa is a member of First Christian Church and enjoys reading and listening to music when she is not at school. The Salutatorian is Jacie Seward, daughter of Clint and Cindy Seward. Jacie has a numerical grade point of 96.333 for two years of work. She has participated in oral reading, ready writing and editorial writing in UIL and was involved in cross country, track basketball and all region band. Jacie was also on the honor roll and perfect attendance and received the President's Education award. Jacie is a member of First Baptist Church and is involved with her youth group. She enjoys reading and hanging out with her friends outside of school. The faculty and staff of the Junior High wish these students great success in Stratford High School.

Bond Passes by 71%

Texhoma ISD voters approved the bond issue for school housing. The final tally was 75 "For" and 31 "Against." The \$1,050,000 bond will be issued to purchase six modular homes, real estate, and utility hookups. The Request for Proposals will begin on May 23 and end on June 13, 2011 at 4:00 pm. "Thank you to everyone who voted," says Hope Appel, Superintendent. "The support of our school and community are greatly appreciated."

Are You Watering Enough or Too Much

By Brad Easterling

With the continuing dry spell, warmer temperatures and high winds that we have been experiencing over the past several months it sometimes makes decisions on when and how much to water lawns, trees, and shrubs very difficult. Many people find themselves watering their yards every evening or every other evening and leaving the water on for twenty or thirty minutes before moving it or turning it off. Others might water once every two or three weeks and water the same area for a couple of hours. These are made even worse when it is done in the heat of the day with sprinklers that spray the water high up into the air causing immense evaporation. Both of these practices result in wasting water and very little growth or benefit to the lawn. I have observed quite a lot of folks who have been watering their lawns over the past couple of weeks in the heat of the day. When the temperature is in the 90's and the wind is blowing like mad, you are losing a lot of water to evaporation. I understand that for some it is an inconvenience to water early or late, but it will improve your lawn and/or save you money.

Frequent, shallow watering also results in most of the water being lost to evaporation due to the fact that a very small amount is able to soak into the soil. It is made even worse on days when the wind blows 30 mph or more all day long and half of the night and increases the rate at which the soil dries out. Unfortunately, we have had more days where the wind has blown than days when it has not blown this spring. Frequent, shallow watering also promotes a short root system which is less able to reach deep down and reach moisture during dry periods like we are experiencing now. This does not mean that deep watering is necessarily better for your lawn however. Deep, excessive watering of your lawn can actually waste just as much if not more water than frequent, shallow watering, contribute to pollution or contamination problems, and lead to disease problems, besides being more expensive. In sandy soils, much of the water applied to the lawn can permeate through the root zone and become unavailable to the plant. This in essence is the same thing as letting the water run down the street since the grass cannot take advantage of it. Deep watering is useful however, for trees as long as it is applied along the drip-line. As this water permeates through the soil, it often times leaches out fertilizers and pesticides which can possibly end up in the water supply. This is also a possibility when run off which often runs down sidewalks and driveways and then down the street. This is not only a waste of money but a possible pollution source. Finally, excessive irrigation can also lead to possible disease problems in lawns. St. Augustine is more of a concern than bermudagrass, but both are susceptible to several diseases including Take-All, Brown Patch, and the decline diseases. Excessive, deep irrigation causes the lawn to be wetter longer, increasing the humidity in the lawn which can lead to disease problems.

Most lawns will require between 1/2 and 1 inch of water per week to keep them healthy and green. During dry times like we are experiencing right now it may be closer to the 1 inch level and even more when the temperatures increase later on to the mid to upper 90's. A simple way to measure how much water you are putting out is to place some small straight sided cans on your lawn such as tuna fish or cat food cans. Then measure the amount of water that is collected. The only real way to know for sure how wet your soil is, is to dig down in your lawn a little bit and look at and feel the soil. Is the soil dry? How dry is it? How far down is it to the moisture? You can dig a small hole in your yard to check the moisture, replace the sod, and it will grow right back. You can also make a soil moisture probe out of any thin metal shaft such as rebar to see how far you can push it into the ground that is generally how deep the moisture is. You can also just walk across your lawn and see how long it takes for the foot prints to go away. If they are still there in four to five minutes, it is time to water. It is not very scientific, but it works. Cutting your lawn a little bit higher will help to conserve moisture and also slow down the growth of the lawn some. For questions on lawns or most anything else you may have, feel free to give me a call here at the Texas AgriLife Extension office 366-2081.

Saturday's Election Results

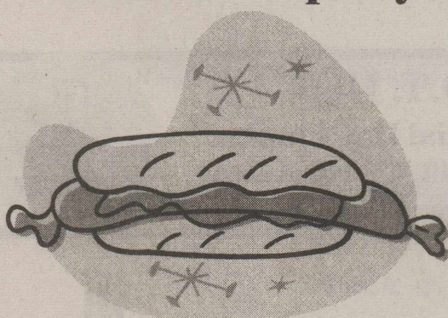
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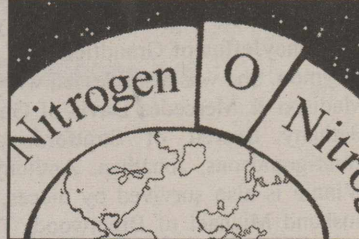


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NOTICE
Baccalaureate is at
6 p.m.
Sunday, May 22, at
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The Earth's atmosphere is only about 21 percent oxygen, most of the rest is nitrogen.



Obits

Winnie Jeffus

Winifred Wacker Jeffus went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, May 2nd, 2011 at the Morton County Care Center in Elkhart, KS. She was born on November 16th, 1918 in Hutchinson, Kansas. She was the middle child born to Henry William Wacker & Elgie Lyon Wacker. Her family, which also included a brother, Henry, Jr. and a sister, Ruth (Miller), moved to Guymon in the summer of 1925 in their model "T" Ford. In the fall, Henry Jr. started to 6th grade and Winnie started 2nd grade at what is now Academy Grade School. It was the only grade school in Guymon at that time.— Mildred Moore was her teacher.

The family attended the First Christian Church where her mother taught Sunday school. Winnie later played the piano (she always said "not very well") and also taught Sunday school for many years.

Winnie graduated from Guymon High School with the class of 1936. She was a member of the Pep Club and always said that the members had to wear ugly sweaters and high heel shoes to the games. If they won a game, they had to march in their high heel shoes down Main Street! They also had to wear these high heel shoes to school and the class ahead of them wore hats to school & left them on all day! Winnie attended college for 2 years at Panhandle Agricultural and Mechanical College (now known as Oklahoma Panhandle State University) following High school. A carload of students drove to Goodwell every day on an unpaved road. At that time, room, board and tuition totaled \$18 a month. During the months of March and April, her dad thought the dust storms were so dangerous that they spent those months living in Goodwell. Attending college was a big financial strain on her family, so her father wouldn't let her pay the bill until it was posted on the bulletin board in the hall of the Administration building — this was a very embarrassing experience for her! In 1940, her future husband, Worth Jeffus, went to Fort Sill as a one-year trainee in the Army. When war was declared, everyone had to serve for the duration plus six months. They were united in marriage on October 9th, 1941, at her parents' house. After the wedding, Winnie traveled wherever the Army took Worth, when possible. They lived at Aberdeen, Maryland, El Paso, Texas, and Arcadia, California. Worth was gone overseas for more than 2 years and she wasn't allowed to go with him at that point. When Worth was discharged after 5 years, they moved to Pampa, Texas. Worth worked for Gulf Research as a surveyor on a seismograph crew.

Their first son, Larry Worth, was born on October 15, 1946, in Pampa. In 1947, they came to Guymon for the Pioneer Days celebration. They had such a good time and saw so many old friends. They went to the dances and stayed up all night finally finishing off with breakfast with Ed and Mary Nash. Later that year, they moved back to Guymon so Worth could return to the farming industry.

In 1950, their second son, James Hal, was born. The good Lord took him from them in December of 1974.

In 1952, they joined the First Presbyterian Church where Winnie taught 2nd grade Sunday school for 5 years and adult ladies class for 13 years. Later in life, she was the Church librarian for at least 15 years.

Winnie worked on various civic committees within the community. Her first activity outside the church was as an assistant Cub Scout leader. She also worked with the hospital auxiliary, the Artists' Studio Northwest Club, P.E.O. of which she was a 50 year + member, and the Presbyterian Hope Circle.

Winnie developed a passion for painting in the early 1970's. A class was being held at Ann Thom's country home in Gruver, TX. She only attended this workshop because Louie Remmel and Mickey Nash, her friends since childhood, were going too. Mrs. Thom was a wonderful woman and teacher. She encouraged Winnie to use oils. Another wonderful artist, Stephan Kramer, told her to never paint anything but flowers. Her favorite mediums were: oils, watercolors and pastels. She was a charter member of the Northwest Artist Association. Winnie attended many art shows in Guymon, Liberal, Greensburg and Elkhart, KS. She also put on some workshops in Goodwell and Hooker, OK as well as Hugoton, KS with Louie Remmel. Winnie would hold fundraisers in her home for the Presbyterian Youth groups by displaying her paintings for sale and donating all the money to the Youth.

One of her greatest enjoyments was getting to know more people all the time and time spent with family. She enjoyed her many games of bridge played with numerous bridge clubs. Her very favorite pastime was shopping. Almost every Friday was spent shopping in either Gruver, Spearman or Amarillo, TX with granddaughter Elgie, or friends Charlotte Dixon and Mickey Nash. What a grand time everyone always had on shopping trips with Winnie!

Winnie will always be remembered as the "Purple" lady! She seldom left the house without wearing a beautiful purple outfit.

How appropriate that Winnie passed away the first week of May. She was from a true pioneer family and was honored as Pioneer Queen in 1999. The celebration here will not compare to the celebration in heaven. Winnie is survived by a son, Larry Jeffus, of Guymon, 5 grandchildren: Paula Everett and husband Chet of Stratford, TX, Elgie Davis of Guymon, Bfooke Jeffus and Jancy Jeffus of Grandfield, OK and Blaine Jeffus of Guymon. She was also blessed with great-grandchildren: Madison & Mercedes Davis of Guymon and Hunter & Bethany Everett of Stratford, as well as special great-grandsons, Jonathan, Anthony & Michael Davis. Winnie is also survived by nieces, Barbara Paslay and husband Michael of Brentwood, TN, Connie Jeffus of Grapevine, TX, Joan Connelly and husband Pat of Valencia, CA, and Kathryn Jeffus of New York, NY, Ginger Wacker of Copperas Cove, TX., Amber Wacker of Northglenn, CO and Carol Wacker of Guymon,

nephews, Randy Miller and wife Glenda of Brentwood, TN, and Kenneth Jeffus of Thibodaux, LA, and a special cousin Charlene Gould & husband Rick of Overland Park, KS.

Winnie was preceded in death by her husband of almost 67 years, in 2008, her sister, Ruth Miller, and brother, Henry Wacker, Jr. Graveside services were held on Tuesday, May 10th, 1:30 PM at Elmhurst Cemetery. Memorial services followed at 2:00 PM at the First Presbyterian Church, 310 NW 7th Street, Guymon with Pastor Deborah Hollifield officiating.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be given to the Presbyterian Church LOGOS or a charity of your choice, in care of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors, P.O. Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942. www.hensonnovak.com

In Loving Memory of Winnie Jeffus Warning - When I Am an Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple By Jenny Joseph

When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple with a red hat that doesn't go, and doesn't suit me.
And I shall spend my pension on brandy and summer gloves and satin candles, and say we've no money for butter.

I shall sit down on the pavement when I am tired and gobble up samples in shops and press alarm bells and run my stick along the public railings and make up for the sobriety of my youth.

I shall go out in my slippers in the rain and pick the flowers in other people's gardens and learn to spit.

You can wear terrible shirts and grow more fat and eat three pounds of sausages at a go or only bread and pickles for a week and hoard pens and pencils and beer nuts and things in boxes.

But now we must have clothes that keep us dry and pay our rent and not swear in the street and set a good example for the children. We must have friends to dinner and read the papers.

But maybe I ought to practice a little now? So people who know me are not too shocked and surprised When suddenly I am old, and start to wear purple.

Loren Drew Blake

WACO - Loren Drew Blake, 44, went to be with his Father in Heaven on Tuesday, May 10, 2011. There was no visitation. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 14, at Oakwood Cemetery in Waco. Arrangements were by Wilkison-Hatch-Bailey Funeral Home of Waco.

Drew was born Jan. 21, 1967, in Amarillo to Larnie Glen and Karen Turner Blake. He was raised in Stratford, where he worked on the farm with his beloved grandfather, L.B. Blake, and graduated from Stratford High School in 1985.

Drew served in the U.S. Navy on the USS El Paso. He attended West Texas A&M University, where he was a member of Kappa Alpha Order. He then earned his bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University in 1997.

Drew enjoyed piloting small airplanes; flying made him truly happy.

He leaves behind the true light of his life, his daughter, Kathryn Nikole; and his beloved wife, Tatyana Bogdanova Blake. Also surviving him are his loving parents, L.G. and Karen Blake of Woodway; his sister, Kristi DeCluitt and her family of Waco; his grandmothers, Gertrude Edna Meil Blake of Stratford and Eva Aline Coker, Turner of Friona; as well as many nephews, and cousins.

A special thank you is extended to the wonderful people at First Baptist Church for their love, care, and support.

The family invites you to leave a message or memory in our "Memorial Guestbook" at www.wilkirsonhatchbailey.com

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Scot Hall Scuttle

By Cindy Jackson

The Painting in the kitchen is coming along. We are working on the cabinets. They are being a little bit of a problem but I think we have it figured out. Where there's a will there is a way. Do you think the wind will ever stop blowing? Time to get in the garden.

Come join us on Wednesday mornings, to exercise. Luncheon hostess are: Martha Mitts, Shorty Albert, Oline Caraway and Dorothy-Haile.

Birthday hostess is: Lynn Wells

Get your Memorial Day flowers before they are all gone. Call Karen Perrin @396-2097

Maya 18th-Exercise class starts @ 8 a.m.

May 19th-Birthday Party @ 2 p.m./Bingo @3 p.m.

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SCOT would like to show case the talents of quilters in our community at this event. Anyone who would like to display a quilt (either one they made or have received) is encouraged to do so. So that adequate arrangements can be made for the display, persons interested in exhibiting quilts are asked to contact Susie Spurlock at 396-2864 or email locksipur@xit.net as soon as possible.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—Valerie Waters, celebrity trainer, recently teamed up with Centrum multivitamins to encourage Americans to live a healthier life. She offers useful tips on how to stay fit and healthy on the company's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Centrum.

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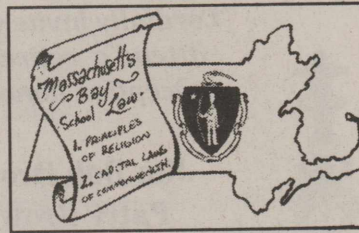
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GFWC/TFWC Top of Texas District Spring Convention
Pictured at the head table: Linda Turner (TFWC HF Trustee), Margaret Reed (TOT District Sec./Treasurer), Ruth Newsom (TOT District Pres. Elect), Jan Lindmark (TOT District 1st Vice Pres.) Lisa Kuhlman (TFWC Scholarship) and at the podium Cindy Jackson (TOT District President).

The Top of Texas District Spring Convention was held in Canyon on, April 16th, 2011 at the University Church of Christ. A big thank you, to the University Study Club, for hosting the wonderful event. Seven clubs were represented and attendance was high. All the attendees were asked to bring a pair of pajamas for an adult or a child. Over 34 pairs of pajamas were collected. The pajamas, were donated to the Downtown Women's Center and Martha's Home, for the GFWC/TFWC signature project; "Domestic Violence". The main speaker was Edye Cunningham, Assistant Director of CASA 69, of Dumas, TX. We also, had a very informative program on policies and procedures, given by Marion Gametsfelder, a past Texas state president. An amazing lunch was served by "Mona-Lisa", caterers from Canyon. After Lunch, entertainment was provided by, the Canyon Show Choir. Several awards were presented to the clubs, for their dedication to their communities. Every member received a backpack, filled with wonderful things, donated by the area merchants and the University Study Club, of Canyon. Spring Convention is not only a way to obtain information but an opportunity for fun and friendship. Top of Texas District is part of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC). TFWC is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the world's largest organization of women in volunteer service. Club women are dedicated to improving their communities, advocate for women and children, preserve natural resources and best of all make lasting friendships. For more information contact, Michelle Lutes at 806-396-2065.

Ward-Nusz Engagement Announced

Jennifer Lanell Ward of Midland, Texas, daughter of Paul and Janell Ward of Balmorhea, Texas will marry James Owen Nusz of Midland, Texas, son of Glen Nusz of Illinois and Paula Nusz of Stratford, Texas on June 4, 2011 in Balmorhea, Texas on a rolling hilltop with a pristine view of the newly blackened Fort Davis mountainside, or if it rains Ireland. Jennifer is a 2001 graduate of Balmorhea High School and graduated with her Civil Engineering degree from Texas Tech University in 2005. She is currently employed as an engineer and surveyor for West Company of Midland, Inc. in Midland, Texas. James is a 2004 graduate of Stratford High School and graduated from Texas Christian University's Ranch Management Program in 2009. He is currently employed with DRM Companies in Midland, Texas. The couple intends to make their residence in Midland, Texas after their nuptials.

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Roy Harris was bucked off a horse about two weeks ago and had seven ribs broken, a couple in two places! He spent four days in the Dalhart hospital. He's at home trying to recover!

Shanna Wiggins, daughter of Woodward, spent a couple of days with them recently.

Max Raymond Lynch was born Friday, May 13. 12:20 p.m. Arvada, CO He is the son of Chad and Sarah Lynch and little brother of Abigail Rose who is two years two months old.

Sharon Martensen Powell, Thornton, CO. Mike and Crystal Lynch, Arvada, CO are grandparents. Nat Martensen, Pensacola, Florida and Glorilee Martenson, CO and the late Ray Martensen are great grandparents. Sharon is a graduate of Stratford High School.

Vic and Sue Holladay of Houlika, Mississippi, are here visiting with her sister Peggy Hawkins.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—Think twice before you discard your favorite lounge chair or lawn ornament. It can be easy to make them look better with a little imagination and a few cans of spray paint. For inspiration and project ideas, visit www.PaintIdeas.com or www.Facebook.com/PaintIdeas.



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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade Wed. Afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed.-6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ Brad Beckett
N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. p.m.

Heritage Bible Baptist
Pastor Rick Carter
302 S. Main
For more Info-Call 396-2212
Morning Worship-11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service-7:30 p.m.

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Pastor Jason Stone
702 N. 3rd
Sun.-Coffee-8:30
Sunday School-9:30
Worship Service-10:30
Wed.-Children-6 p.m. youth-7 p.m.

La Mision Bautista
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401 S. Wall 396-5376
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Escuela Dominical 9:45 a.m.
Miercoles (Wednesday)
Servicio De Adoracion 11 a.m. Estudio
Biblico & Servicio De Oracion 6 p.m.
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Asambleas De Dios
Pastor: Juan M. Valenzuela-
806-366-3071
205 N. Poplar-Hwy 287 268-2188
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.-12 noon
Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
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Shower honoring Jordan Confer bride elect of Eric Riffe

A Bridal Shower honoring Jordan Confer, bride elect of Eric Riffe was held at the home of Pat Johnson on Sunday, May 15th, 2011. Shown above left to right (seated are Mari K Engelbrecht, Ronna Riffe, Jordan Confer, Tiffany Confer, Lindsy Confer. Standing are Diann Riffe, Gaynelle Riffe, Karen Riffe, Pat Johnson, Pat Confer, Carol Sue LeGate and Mariboward Engelbrecht.



4-H FCS Club Holds End-of-the-Year Party and Officer Elections

The Sherman County 4-H FCS Club held their End-of-the-Year Party which included an ice cream social for all of the members in attendance which included: Mary Ann Spurlock, Russell Spurlock, Blaine Killian, Abby Ely, and Daniela Valdez. Also present were Laurie Spurlock, Jill Killian, Mary Ann Ely, and Brad Easterling. Officer Elections for 2011-2012 were held. Officers for the coming year are: Mary Ann-president, Blaine- vice president, Daniela-secretary, Abby-reporter, and Russell-recreations director. Congratulations to the members of the Sherman County 4-H FCS Club.

NOTICE
Baccalaureate is at
6 p.m.
Sunday, May 22, at
First United
Methodist Church

Sherman County 4-H Shooters Excel

The Sherman County 4-H Shooting Sports Club attended the District Rifle competition May 6-7 and performed up to their usual expectations. The Junior Teams got things started off Friday night by finishing 2nd and 3rd overall. The Sherman Jr. Team of Abigail Ely, Cobee Harrison, Marcus Hund, and Carlee Metcalf took second place overall. While the team of Kenlee McBryde, Luis Mendoza, Branson Riley, and Jake Weiser were third place overall.

On Saturday the Intermediate Team of Bret Barnard, Travis Allen, Alex Riffe, and Blaine Killian finished in the top spot overall. Bret was also the High-point Individual, and Austin Adudell was second High-point Individual. In the Senior group, Garrett Ely, Mary Ann Spurlock, Connor Lowry, and Trenton Stone were the second place team overall. Garrett won the Shot Out that was held after the match for the top 12 highest scoring individuals at the match.

Also shooting at the competition were Victoria Martinez and Hunter Everett. The Senior Team of Garrett, Mary Ann, Connor, and Trenton will be traveling to the 2011 State Roundup Indoor Rifle Match in Rosenberg June 14-15.



Sherman County 4-Hers Compete at District Fashion Show

Five local youth competed on Saturday, April 30th at Boys Ranch. Overall they represented Sherman County very well with both Kavan Killian placing first in the Buying/Formal Category and Rhyann Burton winning first in the Buying/Specialty Category. Both of these young men will be going on to State 4-H Roundup in June in the Fashion Show. Mary Ann Spurlock was second in the Construction/Casual Category. She did not qualify for Roundup, but has already qualified in Share the Fun and hopefully by the time you read this she will have qualified in Rifle. Daniela Valdez took first place in the Construction/Casual Jr. Category. And Abby Ely was 3rd in the Construction/Dressy for the Jr. Category. All five of these 4-Hers did a terrific job.

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Home for sale at 411 North Fulton: 4 or 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, office, large kitchen with gas fireplace, covered patio, privacy fence, attached 2 carport, attached 1 car garage. CH/A please call and leave message at 806-396-5673 or 806-753-6721. 4-7-tfn

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2007 HHR-\$9995.00
2007 Crew Cab Chev-\$14,000.00
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Legal Notices

Notice of Sale

By virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued by the County Court at Law, Number 2 of Midland County on the 7th Day of May, 2008, in a certain cause numbered CCI4547, wherein WTG Fuels, Inc. is Plaintiff and Troy Franklin is Defendant, in favor of said Plaintiff for the sum of \$13,463.37 Dollars, together with all costs of suit, the total of which would be \$18,492.37 Dollars that being the amount of judgment recovered by the said plaintiff in the Court, less payments for a total of \$4,492.37, plus cost of publication. I, as Sheriff of Sherman County, Texas, did, on the 14th Day of April, 2011, at 12:55 O'clock P. M, levy upon as the property of Troy Franklin and will, on the 7th Day of June, 2011, at the Courthouse door, in the City of Stratford within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of Defendant in and to the following described property, levied upon as the property of the Defendant, to-wit:

A tract of land lying and being situate in the South Half (S/2) of Section 163, Block 3-T, T&NO RR Co. In Sherman Co. Texas containing 4.18 acres, more or less.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for \$4,493.37 Dollars in favor of plaintiff and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof. Witness my hand the 2nd Day of May, 2011.

Sheriff Jack Haile
Sherman Co. Texas

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Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me for City Council in Saturdays Election. I appreciate it so much.

Ann Johnson

PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual report of the Earl N. and Conrad E. Riffe Memorial Scholarship Trust is available at the address noted below for inspection during normal business hours by any citizen who so request within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

Earl N. and Conrad E. Riffe Memorial Scholarship Trust, The First State Bank of Stratford Trustee, 302 N. Main Street, Stratford, Texas.

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Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let each new year find you a better man.
—Benjamin Franklin

A lot has been said about politics, some of it complimentary but most of it accurate.
—Eric Idle

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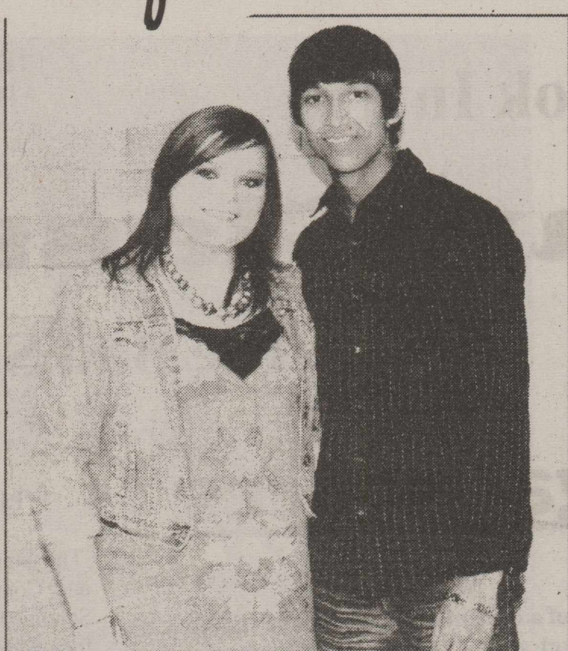
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Band Banquet

Tuesday, May 10, 2011



Erich Taylor Outstanding Leadership Award – Courtney Hartman.



Band Beau & Sweetheart – Carlos Armendariz & Courtney Hartman.



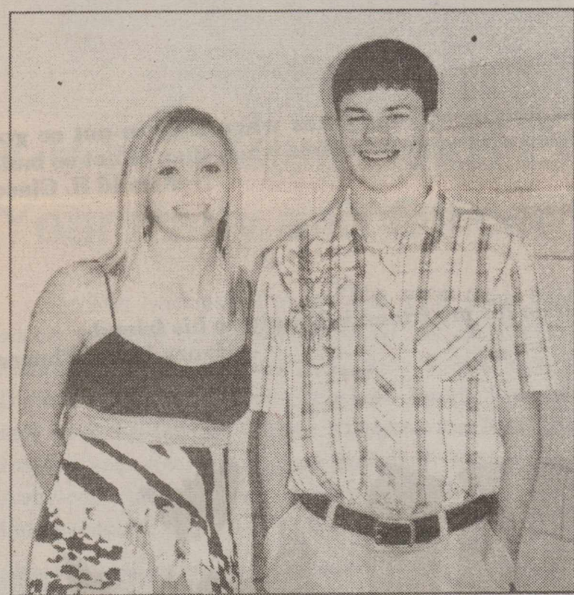
John Philip Sousa Award – Matthew Chaffee.



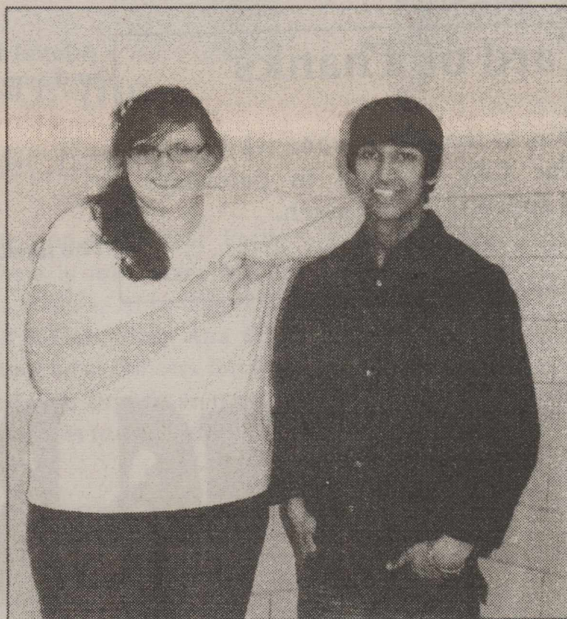
L/R: Outstanding Marcher – Carlos Armendariz, Outstanding Freshman – MaryAnn Spurlock, Outstanding Brass – Derek Vasquez, Outstanding Percussion – Michael Ortega. Not pictured Eduardo Nave – Outstanding Woodwind.



Outstanding Girl & Boy Musician – L/R: Shyanne Acker, Carlos Armendariz & Tori McGinnis.



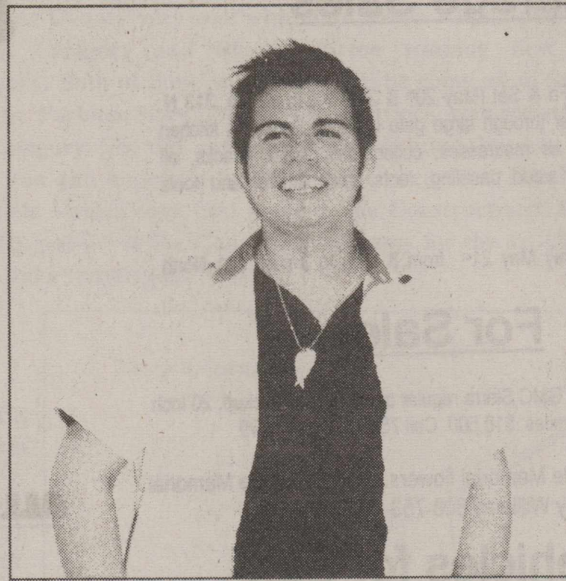
Outstanding Bun Dresser & Cook – Alex Asher & Tyler Seward.



V.O. Lasley Award – Heidi Brooks & Carlos Armendariz.



Biggest Goof-Off Girl & Boy – Haydee Rojas & Carlos Armendariz.



Laziest Senior – Obed Lopez.

Funding Priorities Needed for EQIP Program

By Rodney Weiser

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Sherman County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) invite the public and any agencies with an interest in conservation issues to participate in a Local Work Group (LWG) meeting to be held at Happy State Bank in Stratford, TX. This meeting will be on June 8, 2011 at 9:30 A.M.

The purpose of this public meeting is to receive input from farmers, ranchers, local agencies, organizations, businesses, and other individuals who have an interest in natural resource concerns and needs in Sherman County.

Input received will allow the LWG to make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed for eligible practices and ranking for county based funding. Recommendations provided by the LWG meeting will be reviewed by the State Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) to help implement the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), and other conservation programs offered by NRCS.

The 2008 Farm Bill stipulates that conservation programs must continue to be locally led. Through stake holder meetings, the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities.

For more information, call the USDA-NRCS office in Stratford at 806-396-5517 EXT 3. NRCS office locations and program information can be found on the Texas NRCS Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations and/or alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, Large print, audiotape, etc.) associated with this meeting should contact Rodney Weiser at 806-396-5517 EXT 3 at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting with his/her specific request.

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—Paul Strand
