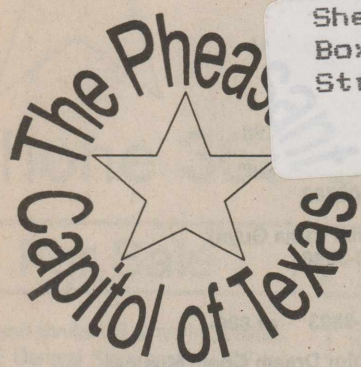




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## George Harding-2004 Citizen of the Year

2004 Citizen of the Year George Harding receiving plaque from 2003 Citizen of the Year Marilyn Albert Harkins.



Citizen of the Year George Harding being presented a flag flown over the State Capitol by Representative David Swinford.

### Second Annual Hamburger Feed to be Held

Stratford Happy State Bank invites everyone to their Second annual Community Hamburger Feed on Thursday, April 22, 2004 from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the New Stratford Fire Station. Come out and take a look at their new facility and eat a delicious meal. This is being held in celebration of Community Bank Month. See you there.

### Stratford Area Foundation Annual Meeting Scheduled For April 27th

Stratford Area Foundation will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at Scot Hall at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Entertainment and refreshments.

### Cowboy Church Held Wednesdays

Cowboy Church will meet every Wednesday at the County Barn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

### Fire Dept. To Have Garage Sale May 1

Stratford Volunteer Fire Dept. is planning a huge garage sale on May 1, 2004 for the purpose of raising funds to help finish the inside of Stratford's new fire station. We want to make it huge but we need your help. If you have any garage sale items you would like to donate we would love to have them. We will even pick up your items. If you have a donation call either 366-5330 or 366-2291 or contact any fireman.

### Imagination Station News-Exhibit Opening Dinner to be held

The Imagination Station will be hosting a fund raising dinner for the opening of the Lewis and Clark "Voyage to Discovery" Exhibit on Friday, April 16, 2004. This dinner will begin with a St. Louis Reception to send off the explorers and then what would they find on the trail? (elk, bear, quail, fish) (beef extra). The dinner is \$25.00 per person to help with a \$500.00 and \$400.00 gas bill these last months!! The Imagination Station depends on public support. The public is invited to participate in the dinner and exhibit or any donations are appreciated. The exhibit is for the "Week of the Young Child" April 20 and 22 and will be open to the public at a later date. Reservations are required by Wednesday, April 14 (limited seating for 48) Please call Gaynelle Riffe 396-5303 or Gayle Harding 366-2206 for reservations or leave a message. The "Voyage to Discovery" Dinner, Friday, April 16, 2004.

### EQIP SIGNUP

An EQIP signup is underway to cost share conservation practices on farms and ranches. Sign up will continue through April 16, 2004 for Sherman County.

Call the NRCS office for an appointment at 396-5517 ext. 3. Cost share is available for livestock water facilities, grass seeding and cross fencing, windbreaks, irrigation practices include pipeline, sprinkler upgrades to LPIC and LEPA systems, new sprinklers to convert row water to sprinkler and converting row water to drip irrigation.

Signatures for all owners and operators will be required at the time of signup.

### Weather Spotters Class to be held

A weather spotters class sponsored by the National Weather Service will be held on April 22, 2004, 7 p.m. @ the Stratford Ambulance Service Building. All interested persons are invited to attend.

### City of Stratford To Hold Election

City of Stratford will hold an election Saturday, May 15, 2004 to fill three (3) two-year terms and one (1) one-year term. Those terms expiring are Mayor David Brown, councilmember Bryan Mungia and current vacated Council seat, and one-year term expiring councilmember Wanda Riffe. Anyone wishing to file for a place on the ballot may sign up at City Hall, 518 N. Third, Stratford, between the hours 8:00-12:00 p.m. & 1:00-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Last day to file for a place on the ballot is March 15, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. Early voting begins April 28, 2004 between the hours as listed above. For further information contact city hall at (806) 366-5581.

### Recycle Dept. To Host Open House April 15

The City of Stratford Recycle Dept. will have an Open House on April 15, 2004 at the Old Landfill from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Hamburgers and door prizes. This is being sponsored by Local businesses. Everyone is welcome to come out and enjoy the meal.

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True charity is the desire to be useful to others without thought of recompense.

—Emanuel Swedenborg

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I think dancing is a primal urge coming to life at the first moment we need to express joy.

—James Cagney

## Happy State Bank & Governor Rick Perry Proclaim April Community Banking Month

Texas Governor Rick Perry has officially proclaimed April as Community Banking Month in a special recognition honoring Texas community bankers.

"Whether in big cities or small towns, in an urban metropolis or a rural area, community banks are an important part of the foundation of Texas' economic growth and development," said Governor Perry. "For more than 150 years, they have supported local businesses and organizations, and in doing so, have long reinforced that the financial success of our state begins in our communities."

"Many Texans rely on their community bank to provide sound financial advice regarding loans, investments and personal and business accounts," continued Governor Perry. "These banks realize that consumers and businesses have a choice. So, in addition to providing safe and secure financial practices, community banks have dedicated themselves to exceptional customer service, personalized assistance, and a commitment to improving the quality of life in their communities."

"Community banks are committed to enhancing the quality of life in their local marketplaces," said Chris Williston, president and CEO of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas. "Whether sponsoring a youth sports league or helping a local businessman fulfill a lifelong dream, community banks make a positive difference every day."

The Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT) was formed in 1974 to represent the views of community banks. Community banks are independently owned and operated. Today, these 600+ member banks have combined assets of more than \$96 billion. Additionally, IBAT's membership includes over 150 corporate entities with ties to the financial services industry. IBAT is the primary voice for members of the Texas community banking industry.

This year IBAT has elected J. Pat Hickman as their chairman. Mr. Hickman is the President and CEO of Happy State Bank. In celebration of community Bank Month, Happy State Bank will host their second annual community Hamburger Feed. The Entire community is invited to attend Thursday, April 22 at 11:00 A.M. to 1 P.M. This feed will be held at the New Fire Station adjacent to the building site of the Happy State Bank. Hope to see you there.

## May We Serve You?

Alisha Sladek and Erin Ashley were busy this past weekend serving the athletes and public at the district junior high track meet. These two girls have been busy planning their last fund raising activity for their trip to the Dominican Republic this summer. The girls have planned a free will donation dinner and a bake sale will be held on Sunday, April

18, 2004. The meal will consist of BBQ beef, twice-baked potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, and peach cobbler. Mark this date on your calendars for an after Sunday church treating your family to some down-home good food. If you would like to help these girls out please contact them or their family members. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### EMERGENCY FARM LOAN APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by excessive rain, flash flooding, hail, high winds, lightning, and a tornado are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Dalhart, TX, Hunter M. Latham said today.

Moore & Sherman Counties are two of 6 in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Veneman eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the excessive rain, flash flooding, hail, high winds, lightning, and a tornado.

Mr. Latham said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Mr. Latham said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

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## SCDC Annual Membership Meeting Held

The Sherman County Development Committee held the Annual Membership Meeting on April 7, 2004. Those attending were served a Hamburger Lunch and gained interesting information about the past, present, and the projected future use of water in the Panhandle. The informative program was presented by Guest Speaker Jarrett Attkinson of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission. Steve Hays, SCDC Board President, gave the update on present and future plans of the Sherman County Development Committee. Pictured left to right: Sean Hardman, Stratford City Manager and SCDC Board Member; Pat Rendon, PREDCI; Scott Buckles, SCDC Board Member; Honorable Kim Crippen, Sherman County Judge; Ann Johnson, Executive Director SCDC; Jarrett Attkinson, Panhandle Regional Planning Commission; Kathie Altman, SCDC Board Member; Steve Hays, SCDC Board President; Honorable David Brown, Stratford City Mayor.

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Genius and great abilities are often wanting; sometimes, only opportunities. Some deserve praise for what they have done; others for what they would have done.

—Jean de la Bruyere

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## Scot Talk

By Mary Hill



### Riffe to Perform in "Sound of Music" In Guymon

Austin Riffe as Kurt performing in the Guymon Community Theatre: The Sound of Music" April 16, 17, 23, 24 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday Matinees April 18, 25 2:00 p.m. Reservations 580-338-3376. Austin is the son of Andy and Karen Riffe.

Just a reminder-the April birthday party at SCOT Hall will this Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. We didn't want anyone to forget about that.

In spite of the weather, the trip to the Chicken House was reported to have been a big success, with 28 members going there to enjoy the good food.

We will try to keep all of us reminded of other April events.

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Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe; to know what he ought to desire; and to know what he ought to do.

—Thomas Aquinas

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The trail is the thing, not the end of the trail. Travel too fast and you miss all you are traveling for.

—Louis L'Amour

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Having spent the larger portion of my adult life calling on the schools and in particular the band directors of the panhandle I have always been amazed at the quality of teachers the Stratford schools have always been able to attract.

Of these teachers, Mr. Randy Hunsaker came to Stratford and has spent well over half of his adult life loving and nurturing the children of Stratford in the field of music. Along with his very competent assistant, Mr. Jeff Witcher, the students in the school bands have had the opportunity to achieve tremendous success playing in the bands.

How fortunate the parents of Stratford are to have such fine Christian men teaching their children music and helping them achieve such high levels of success.

Maybe, before these directors fade away in retirement, the people of Stratford might find the time to say "Thank You". Should anyone ever see Mr. Witcher and he doesn't have a smile on his face, please check his pulse immediately, it could be he passed on and forgot to lie down.

Sincerely,  
Edwin Harris

## Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

\*\*\* note new listing

April 16-18  
23-25

"Sound of Music" Guymon Community Theatre 580-338-3376

April 17

"Collaborations" Lone Star Ballet/ WTA&MU Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463

April 21-25

"Six Characters In Search of an Author" WTA&MU Branding Iron Theater 806-651-2798

April 24

Amarillo Symphony "Concert of the Centuries" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-37608782

April 27,28

The Foreigner 7:30 p.m. (Greater Tuna Guys) Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096

May 2

Larry the Cable Guy 7:30 p.m. Amarillo Civic Auditorium 615-242-3323 or 806-

May 6-23

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat" Musical Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991 [www.amarillolittletheatre.org](http://www.amarillolittletheatre.org)

May 8

Amarillo Chamber Music - Mary Jane Johnson Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church 806-236-3545

May 18

Champions on Ice 7:30 Amarillo Civic Coliseum 952-831-2237

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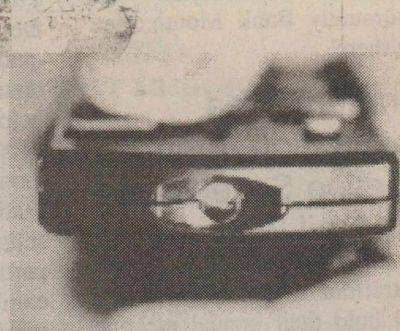
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## Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show Held



Sherman County 4-H Fashion Show participants were front row: Rhyann Burton, Jennie Witcher, Jessica Lomax, and Autumn Witcher. Back Row: Shiloh Dickenson, Jennie Spurlock, Sunny Russell, and Eric Burton.

Eight Sherman County 4-H clothing project members competed in the county 4-H Fashion Show held March 26 in Stratford.

Participants were Jessica Lomax, Jennie Spurlock, Jennie Witcher, Eric Burton, Rhyann Burton, Autumn Witcher, Sunny Russell, and Shiloh Dickenson.

The Fashion Show teaches youth self-confidence in modeling, clothing construction and care skills, buying skills, textiles, fibers, and fabrics, and self-expression through clothing. Jean Everett, Reyna Everett, Connie Burton, Cindy Russell, Nita Barnard, Anna Witcher, Mandy Lomax, and Peggy Hawkins, served as volunteer leaders for the project assisted by project members parents under the direction of the Texas Cooperative Extension.

Selected to represent Sherman County at the District 1 4-H Fashion Show to be held April 24 at Frank Phillips College include: Shiloh Dickenson, Senior-Buying Dressy Daywear; Jennie Spurlock, Intermediate-Construction Specialty Wear; Eric Burton, Intermediate-Construction Active Playwear; Sunny Russell, Intermediate-Casual Daywear; and Jennie Witcher, Intermediate-Construction Dressy Daywear. Junior qualifiers for District are: Jessica Lomax, Junior-Active Playwear; Rhyann Burton, Junior Specialty Wear; and Autumn Witcher, Junior Dressy Daywear.

Awards for the Fashion Show were provided by the Sherman County 4-H Parent-Leaders Association, Sunray Coop, and the Sherman County Family and Community Education Council.

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## Pet of the Week



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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.

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



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Dalhart - Stockman's Feed Bunk 800-433-2950 2-3 p.m.

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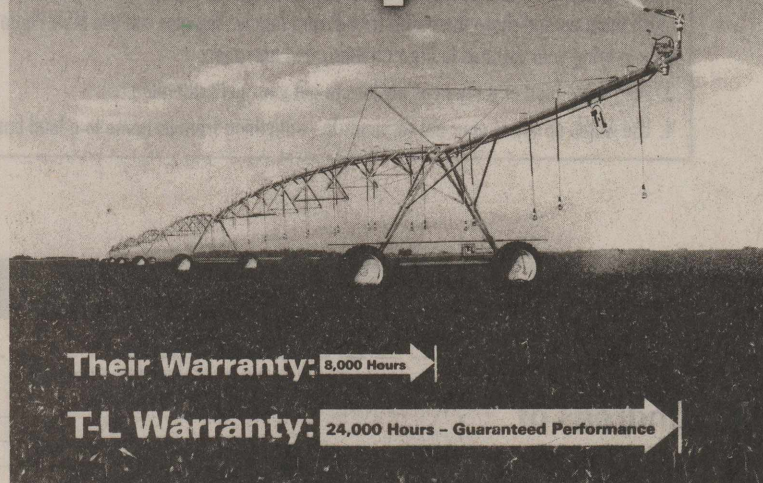
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### First Assembly of God

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Evening Worship 6:00 pm

Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

### First Christian

Rev. Walter Reed

5th & Main

Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Morning Worship 10:45 am

No Sunday Evening Worship

Wed. Adult Choir 8:00 pm

### First United Methodist

Rev. Mark Metzger

520 N. Main

Sunday School 9:40 am

Morning Worship 10:50 am

Junior High UMY 5:30 pm

Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for

Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

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Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Church of Christ

Larry Evans

N. 3rd & Chestnut

Sunday School 9:30 am

Morning Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

### Calvary Baptist

James Washburn

302 S. Main - 806-396-5335 lv. message

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Evening Service 6 p.m.

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Late Service 11:00 a.m.

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Community Building

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Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. W nesday



## Tasty Flower Cupcakes



Help Mom stop and smell the roses with delightful flower cupcakes.

(NAPS)—On Mother's Day or whenever you want to show mom you care, nothing says "I love you" like a home-baked gift.

While dad may opt for flowers, why not create your own edible floral creation that tells mom you think everything she does comes up roses. The EASY-BAKE Flower Cupcake is an imaginative dessert that's quick and easy to make.

This cheery treat is also great for birthday parties, family gatherings or no occasion at all. Once

mom's sweet tooth is satisfied, all you need is some more mixes and a little candy to make your cupcake garden grow. Cook a batch for friends or relatives and watch the smiles bloom!

This recipe is part of a series of holiday themed treats from what's been called America's favorite cooking toy. For additional tasty ideas, visit [www.easybake.com](http://www.easybake.com) to see what's cooking. For further information, call 1-800-255-5516.

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- Floral wire or toothpicks
- Green Twizzlers
- Assorted gummy candy (suggest gummy worms, gummy melons and sour tape)

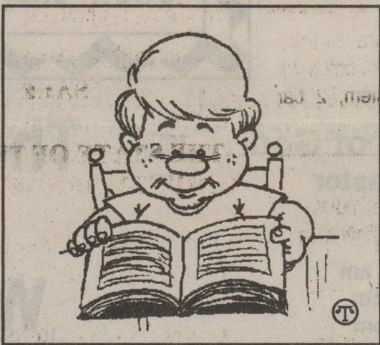
Bake and cool two EASY-BAKE Cake Mixes by following package instructions. Stack the cakes on top of each other and then frost with chocolate frosting. Create a fence around the cake using green Twizzlers. Tie a bow around the fence with sour tape. Create flowers by rolling gummy worms and then putting a little floral wire or a toothpick in the middle to hold it in place. Place a few "flowers" on top of your cake. Enjoy with mom!



## BOOK NOTES

(NAPS)—Regardless of how clearly they are drawn up, most wills are subject to probate, which means less money going to the family and more money going to pay attorney fees. According to the National Center for the Avoidance of Probate (NCAP), these "unnecessary" legal fees add up to approximately \$15 billion per year. In his book *How to Avoid Probate by Creating a Living Trust* (Barnes & Noble Books, \$12.95), NCAP Founder Gordon Mead Bennett explains that these costs are the result of mistaken perceptions, misinformation and simple ignorance of the law.

When the spokeswoman for Killer Body, a popular weight-loss clinic, goes missing, the search is on for an immediate replacement. While trying to deflect the media frenzy about Julie Larimore's disappearance, the clinic's owner and former bodybuilder Bobby Warren starts the search for the new Killer Body woman. The field is wide open—with an American-born princess, an aging television star and a married broadcaster's



mistress vying for the title. The question is—what would they do for a killer body? In the riveting thriller, *Killer Body* (Mira Books, \$23.95), Bonnie Hearn Hill delves into this mystery and the high stakes world of weight loss and body obsession. You can order online at [www.MiraBooks.com](http://www.MiraBooks.com).

*The Ladies Room Reader Quiz Book* (Conari Press, \$14.95) by Leslie Gilbert Elman is an all-about-ladies compendium that offers thousands of factoids about female senators, rock stars, cooks, sports heroes and Nobel Laureates, and is a fun, inspiring way to learn more facts about women and their ways.

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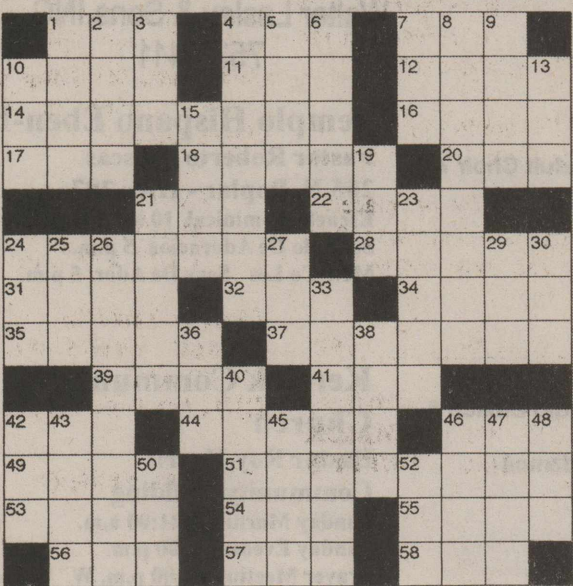
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- 10 Double (abbr.)
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- 19 Europe (abbr.)
- 21 Cordage fiber
- 23 Eyelashes
- 24 Eth. title
- 25 Exclamation
- 26 Booklet
- 27 Affirmative
- 29 General Accounting Office (abbr.)
- 30 Out (Scot.)
- 33 Elder (2 words)
- 36 Kipling hero
- 38 Exude
- 40 Skull bone
- 42 Master of Business Administration (abbr.)
- 43 Para-aminobenzoic acid
- 45 Geological vein angle
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# Graduation

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### The Truth About Cats and Dogs Tips for Photographing Your Best Friend

(NAPS)—Whether you're taking a picture of a sunset, your house or your family, it's tough to get that perfect shot. And getting a great photo is even harder when you're trying to get a pet to sit still. Teenagers may hate family pictures, but at least they know not to drool or lick the camera.

"I have been bitten, licked and run from more times than I can count," said Jim Dratfield, author and founder of *Petography*, who has been photographing pets for more than a decade and has published seven books of his best shots. "Getting your pet to cooperate while you take pictures can be a real problem."

Dratfield says the first thing to do when photographing a pet is to get the animal's attention. Holding food or a favorite toy near the lens will usually do the trick.

"Working with an animal is not like working with a human," Dratfield said. "They care about completely different things. I've never had a dachshund turn to me and ask if its snout looks too big. All an animal wants is to be comfortable and to be entertained."

If food doesn't grab your pet's attention, Dratfield suggests talking to it in a way it will understand—even if that means making animal noises.

"Every pet has its own personality," Dratfield said, "but animals are very honest in their reactions, so it doesn't take much time to figure out what they like."

Some animals may relate to a word such as "sit" or "treat." Others will respond to their name. Some pets don't understand any-



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thing except a bark or a growl.

Dratfield says the key to a great pet photo is to make the animal feel comfortable, as you would with a child. But no matter what you do, some animals still might roll over or run away. In the past, that meant a lot of wasted film. Today, new technology helps solve that problem.

"Amateur pet photographers should consider using a digital camera," Dratfield said. "That way, you can quickly see what you've done and get rid of the bad shots. You also should use an online photo service like MSN Premium's MSN Photo Plus, so you can touch up your shots and share the best ones with your friends and family over e-mail and instant messaging."

### Jim Dratfield's Tips for Working With a Four-Legged Model

1. Take the picture in a familiar environment; pets are usually not as comfortable in new surroundings.
2. Use technology to your advantage. A digital camera will save you a lot of money in wasted film, and an online service such as MSN Photo Plus will make it easy to organize your photos, touch them up and share them with friends and family. You also can use MSN Photo Story Lite to help bring your pictures to life with music and narration.
3. Hold some food or a toy near the lens to get your pet's attention.
4. Use words or noises your pet responds to—anything from its name to a loud bark.

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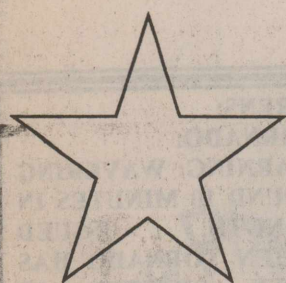
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## Land For Sale

Land for Sale: Section 66 and South 1/4 of Section 67 Block 8. Capital Syndicate sub-division Dallam County CRP to 9-30-2007. Contact Trust Dept. at First State Bank of Stratford 806-396-5521.  
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For Rent: 1 bedroom apartment — furnished or unfurnished-301 S. Main, Al Baker 366-5318.  
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11-27-tfn

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4-22-p

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1-28-tfn

Small house for Rent: 619 N. Wall please call 753-4490 or 676-2931.  
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## Garage Sales

Giant Garage Sale at Acquisitions Saturday, April 17, 2004. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.—West end of Building.  
4-15-c

## Houses For Sale

HOUSE FOR SALE: 602 N. MAPLE, BRICK, 2700 SQ. FT. LIVING, DBL GARAGE, 3 BATHS, \$80,000. CALL: 396-5946  
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9-25-tfn

House for sale: Large brick home, 2260 sq. ft. living area, 3 bdrm. 2 1/2 baths, fireplace, 2 car garage, sprinkler system, across from elementary school, 1216 Olive-Call 366-5613.  
3-18-4x-c

For Sale: 3850 Sq. Ft. living area, 4 BR, 2 1/2 baths, basement, covered patio, 2 car garage, corner lot w/circle drive. 420 N. Chestnut. Call 806-396-2348.  
7-10-tfn

House For Sale or Lease: Recently remodeled 2500 sq. ft. house. 3 bdrm, 2 baths. Call for more information. 244-2155 or 333-7120.  
8-8-tfn

Home for Sale: 1216 NW 2nd, 2240 Sq. Ft. 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas, Sprinkler Syst., New Windows & Heating System & Roof. 366-3520.  
4-15-3xc

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8-21-tfn

House for Sale: 902 N. Maple. 3 Bdrm, Large Utility Room, New windows & carpet, corner lot, central heat/air, one block from school, big backyard. \$45,000. Call 366-3019.  
2-12-tfn

For Sale: 3 Bed, 2 Bath, Finished Basement, Sunroom, Beautiful Yard with Sprinkler System, Two Car Garage, 2360 Sq. Ft. plus 440 Sq. Ft. Basement, Lots of Storage. 1207 NW 2nd St. Call 366-2826 or 753-7821.  
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3-25-4xc

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## Legal Notice

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

ConocoPhillips Company, P.O. Box 2197, Houston, Texas 77252-2197 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Marmaton Formation, Coldwater Ranch Lease, Well Numbers C5W and C6W. The proposed injection wells are located 18 miles ESE of Stratford in the Coldwater Ranch Field in Sherman County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5149 to 5496 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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## Legal Notices

### Legal Notice

The Stratford Independent School District Board of Trustees has resolved to sell lots 2 & 3 and lots 4 & 5 Block 3, Unit 2, Elk Subdivision to the city of Stratford, Sherman County Texas, located on the west side of the 1200 block of Pearl Street and recorded in Volume 183 page 43 of the County records of Sherman County, Texas, as per the map or plat thereof on file with the County Clerk of Sherman County, Texas.

Specifications require that the land be bid in two separate parcels. The parcels shall be bids as follows:

Parcel 1: Lots 2&3

Parcel 2: Lots 4 & 5

Sealed bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., May 5, 2004, Stratford ISD has the right to reject or accept any and/or all bids, to make awards as they may appear advantageous and to waive all formalities in bidding. For further information, please contact the Stratford I.S.D. Business Office at 806-366-3300. Bids will be accepted at the Board of Trustees meeting on May 11, 2004. Stratford ISD does not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, April 15, 2004, Thursday, April 22, 2004.

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

### THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SHERMAN

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Judicial District Court of SHERMAN County in the following cases on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2004, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 2:00 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2004, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL door of the Courthouse of said SHERMAN County, in the City of STRATFORD, Texas, the following described property located in SHERMAN County, to-wit:

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

A 2.62 acre tract of land out of the Southeast part of Section 364, Block 1-T, T&N.O. Railroad Survey, Sherman County, Texas, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the South line of Section 364, 785.1 feet West of the Southeast corner of section 364;

THENCE West along the South line of Section 364, 277.3 feet to a point;

THENCE North and parallel with the East line of Section 364, 410 to a point;

THENCE East and parallel with the South line of Section 364, 277.3 feet to a point;

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

Cause No. 4502  
**STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS HAMRICK BETTY DBA BETTY'S PLACE**

TRACT 1: A tract of land lying South and adjacent to Purnell Avenue in the City of Stratford and in Section 179, Block 1-T, T&N.O. Ry. Co. Survey in Sherman County, Texas. Said tract is described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the South right-of-way of Purnell Avenue in the City of Stratford, said point being 895.52 feet West and 30.0 feet South of the Northeast corner of said Section No. 179;

THENCE East along said Purnell Avenue South right-of-way line and parallel to the North line of said Section a distance of 202.0 feet to a point;

THENCE South perpendicular to said Purnell Avenue South right-of-way line a distance of 278.8 feet to a point;

THENCE Northwest perpendicular to said Fifth Street in the City of Stratford a distance of 344.3 feet to the place of beginning.

The above-described tract contains 0.646 acres of land, more or less.

TRACT 2: The West 60 feet of Lots 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 Block 80, Town of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas.

### Cause No. 4418 TEXHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS TORRES SERVANDO

Lots Eleven (11), Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15), Block One Hundred, Twenty-One (121) Original Town of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas.

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

Levied on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2004 as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT, NORTH PLAINS WATER DISTRICT, SHERMAN COUNTY, CITY OF STRATFORD.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2004.

Jack Haile,  
Sheriff, SHERMAN County, Texas.

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, April 8, 2004, Thursday, April 15, 2004, Thursday, April 22, 2004 and Thursday, April 29, 2004.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below,

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Contract 6114-51-001 for OVERLAY in HUTCHINSON County, etc.

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## Track Results

The Stratford Lady Elks track team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with total of 84 points at the District Track Meet held in Stratford on Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. The first four in each event advance to Area. Individual results were as follows:

DISCUS: Deidre Tarver - 1<sup>st</sup> 117'09.00", Katelyn Reed - 4<sup>th</sup> 88'02.00", Krista Reta 58'10"; HIGH JUMP: Allison Baskin - 4<sup>th</sup> 4'10", Whitney Garza 4'8", Rhia Everett 4'6"; LONG JUMP: Allison Baskin 14' 1 1/2", Candie Bell 14' 6 1/2", Janette Carrera 12'8"; SHOT PUT: Katelyn Reed 4<sup>th</sup> - 31'01.50", Krista Reta 27'4", Cristina Fierro 22' 6 3/4"; TRIPLE JUMP: Jennifer Rueda 28'7 3/4", Crystal Peregrino 25'5"; 3200 METER RUN: Shiloh Dickenson 15:29; 400 METER RELAY: 5<sup>th</sup> 54.62, Jennifer Rueda, Haley Buckles, Whitney Garza, Alisha Sladek; 800 METER RUN: Yadira Ortega 3<sup>rd</sup> 2:34.20, Brittany Hudson 5<sup>th</sup> 2:39.82, Crystal Peregrino 3:01; 100 M HURDLES: Lindsay Stein 3<sup>rd</sup> 17.24, Candie Bell 6<sup>th</sup> 17.84, Merilee McDaniel 19.69; 100 METER DASH: Cassi Garza 13.9, Jackie Rueda 16.10, Janette Carrera 14.4; 800 METER RELAY: 4<sup>th</sup> 1:56.87 Brittany Hudson, Haley Buckles, Lindsay Stein, Allison Baskin; 400 METER DASH: Alisha Sladek 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:04.93, Allison Baskin 5<sup>th</sup> 1:06.40, Crystal Rueda 72.8; 300 LOW HURDLES: Candie Bell 5<sup>th</sup> 53.10, Merilee McDaniel 56.6; 200 METER DASH: Jennifer Rueda 6<sup>th</sup> 29.30, Cassi Garza 30.1, Crystal Rueda 29.4; 1600 METER RUN: Yadira Ortega 1<sup>st</sup> 6:02.34, Shiloh Dickenson 7:03; 1600 METER RUN: 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:26.38 Allison Baskin, Lindsay Stein, Brittany Hudson, Alisha Sladek.

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One does not discover new continents without consenting to lose sight of the shore for a very long time.

—Andre Gide

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Make no little plans; they have no magic to stir men's blood. Make big plans...aim high in hope and work.

—Daniel H. Burnham

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## All Day Government Procurement Workshop To Be Held Thursday, April 22, 2004

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission's Contract Procurement Center is hosting an all day Government Procurement Workshop, Thursday, April 22, 2004 at the Amarillo Civic Center, Amarillo, Texas sponsors include:

- The Honorable Mac Thornberry, U.S. House of Representatives-13<sup>th</sup> District
- BWXT Pantex, Bell Helicopter-Textron
- West Texas A&M University
- VA Office of Small Disadvantaged Business Utilization-Washington, D.C./Va Medical Center
- West Texas A&M University S mall Business Development Center
- Northwest Texas Procurement Assistance Center in Lubbock

The purpose of the Workshop is to allow businesses to meet with federal, state, and local government agencies. They will learn how to do business with the government and learn what types of opportunities are available. There will be informational presentations throughout designed to assist businesses that want to learn "how to sell to the government". A variety of topics covering information relating to business firms engaged in construction, the service industry, and

I would like to personally and as an organization thank everyone that volunteered to help the Stratford Youth Basketball Program. It takes many volunteers to make this program successful. We had a total of 108 kids that participated in the program. There were a total of 56 games played. The people that made this possible were our coaches: Brent Spurlock and Kerri Harris, Jennifer Wells, Alisha Sladek, Crystal Peregrino and Erin Ashley, Kendra Mungia, Tim Gilliland and Nita Hudson, Clay Wheeler, Blake Confer, Ray Lermon, Dawn Crabtree and Connie Biddy, Anna Witcher, Alisha Sladek, and Crystal Peregrino, Ted Zieman, Lance Horsford and Tim Gilliland, Ray Lermon, Curtis Carter and Connie Biddy, and Rex Sladek. A huge thank you goes to Laurie Gilliland and Chris Bell for taking care of the officiating. Helping officiate games were Brad Reed, Alisha Sladek, Erin Ashley, Amber Larance, Brittany Hudson, Scott Hudson, Brian Kimbrough, Kendra Mungia, Jade Palmer, Eric Werner, Brenda Bell, Lance Horsford, Johnny Hudson, Nita Hudson, Rex Sladek, Brady Bell, and Rex Sladek. Numerous young people and adults helped run the clock and keep the book. Everyone in the community should realize that if it weren't for these volunteers, your children and grandchildren would not have the opportunity to better themselves in basketball and have some quality time with friends. I hope I have not left anyone out, but if I did, you are appreciated also. When you see these people pat them on the back and thank them for what they've done for our youth.

Dinah Horsford  
Stratford Youth Basketball

## Scholarship Recipients Announced

The Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund committee is pleased to announce the selection of the recipients of scholarships from the Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund. Four students who will be incoming college freshmen this fall will each receive a \$1,200 scholarship. The new recipients are:

David W. Fitzgerald of Guymon, OK. will attend Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas and major in Business Management.

Melanie Kreie from Ulysses, Kansas plans to attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and major in biomedical engineering.

David Leidig of Rolla, KS will be attending Kansas State University located in Manhattan, KS to major in engineering sciences; and

Chantz Martin of Elkhart, KS plans to attend Kansas State University and will be pre-law major.

wholesale/retail sector will be discussed.

In addition to the program sponsors listed above, other participating agencies include:

- General Services Administration-Fort Worth
- Boeing-Supplier Diversity-Dallas/Ft. Worth area
- Sandia National Laboratory-Albuquerque
- Small Business Administration-Lubbock District Office
- Sheppard AFB
- Texas Department of Transportation
- Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- City of Amarillo

Registration starts at 7:45 a.m. and the Workshop programs will begin at 8:30 a.m. The Workshop ends at 4:00 p.m. The registration fee is \$25.00 per person or \$75.00 for a booth space that includes admission for two. Both admissions include lunch. Booth space is limited so reservations will be on a first-come basis. The deadline for registration is Monday, April 19, 2004. Interested businesses and individuals may call Edmond Esparza at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, (806) 372-3381 or Otilio Castellano, Procurement Director of the Northwest Texas Procurement Assistance Center in Lubbock, (806) 745-3973 for a registration form.

## Cards of Thanks

Thank you to everyone, who visited, called, sent cards or flowers, prepared food, or lifted us up in Prayer. We especially would like to thank "Jack's Rescue Team:" Griff Lasley, Kenna Collums, Jimmy Lanning & the Stratford EMT crew. Thanks also to Mark Metzger for his visits, calls, and prayers. We have always known that Stratford is a special place to call home, and your support during Jack's illness proves it. God Bless One and All,

Jack, Donna, & the 4 Gilley Girls

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The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do.

—Walter Bagehot

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Farm Loan  
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"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until November 16, 2004 but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Mr. Latham said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office in Dalhart is open from 8-4:30 Monday through Friday.

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