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Chamber Cuts Ribbons On Two New Businesses

(MicroplexNews.com) Just before the Strawn Homecoming parade began on June 14, the Strawn Chamber of Commerce stopped by two new businesses to hold a ribbon cutting.

The first ribbon cutting of the morning was held at Nacho Mama's Closet, located at 111 Central Avenue in downtown Strawn. Nacho Mama's Closet provides trendy, affordable clothing and accessories through consignment

for women, children and men. They also carry new items such as gifts, children's toys, unique novelties, beauty products and snacks. Don't be afraid to bring the whole family shopping because in the back of the store is a kids' play area, a ladies lounge and a "man cave" for the guys. The store is owned by Sarah Ferguson and is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m – 6 p.m. The second ribbon cutting (continued on page 6)



Pictured above (L-R) at the ribbon cutting for Nacho Mama's Closet are Larry Lynn, Diana Hinkson, Jeff Hinkson, John Ferguson (with William and Katy Ferguson in front), Janette Kurban (holding Henry Ferguson), Georgia Braun, owner Sarah Ferguson, and Roy Kurban.

Below(L-R) at the ribbon cutting for Shiny Things are Diana Hinkson, Jeff Hinkson, Shanah Coe, Shirley Lindsay, Danny Miller (in back), Georgia Braun, owner Susan Rester, and Courtney Greenwood. (photos courtesy MicroplexNews.com)

Chamber Spring Clean Fling Contest Winners Announced

The winners for the Strawn Chamber's Spring Clean Fling Contest are Dale & Joe Hopkins (1st Place), Laura Million (2nd Place), and Nunez Tire Shop/Elias Nunez (3rd Place).

Dale & Joe, who live at

214 Pedigo St., took first place by doing extensive landscaping which included planting new grass and flowers, cleaning the curb, street and sidewalk in front of and across from their residence, installing (continued on page 3)



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JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
July 8	Strawn Lions Club	12 Noon	Mary's Cafe
July 9	Medical Office Open for Appointments	1-5:30pm	Strawn Wellness Center
July 12	Farmer's Market	8-noon	Zim's Place
July 14	Palo Pinto County Commissioners Court	9 am	Palo Pinto County Courthouse
July 14-18	Vacation Bible School	6-8:45 pm	First Baptist Church
July 14	Development Corp of Strawn Meeting	6:00 pm	Strawn City Hall
July 14	Strawn City Council Meeting	7:00 pm	Strawn City Hall
July 15	Strawn Lions Club Meeting	12 Noon	Mary's Cafe
July 16	Medical Office Open for Appointments	1-5:30pm	Strawn Wellness Center
July 19	Farmer's Market	8-noon	Zim's Place
July 21	Strawn ISD Board Meeting	7:00 pm	Strawn ISD Admin. Bldg.
July 22	Strawn Lion's Club Meeting	12 Noon	Mary's Cafe
July 23	Medical Office Open for Appointments	1-5:30pm	Strawn Wellness Center
July 26	Farmer's Market	8-noon	Zim's Place
July 28	Palo Pinto County Commissioner's Court	9:00 am	Palo Pinto County Courthouse
July 29	Strawn Lions Club Meeting	12 Noon	Mary's Cafe
July 30	Medical Office Open for Appointments	1-5:30pm	Strawn Wellness Center

*For more information, check out the following websites: <http://www.strawntx.com> or <http://www.strawnschool.net>

Area Happenings

**Free Two-Week Dance Camp,
The Resting Place in Mingus
July 8-11 and July 15-18, 2:00-3:15 p.m.**
For girls, ages 8-13. Family night performance on July 19, 5:30 p.m.
Register by calling 830-322-7770

**Buckets and Boots Benefit Concert
July 12, 5:30 p.m.,
at Rocker B Ranch Amphitheatre, 1125 Chaney Lane, Graford**
Fourth annual benefit bash; proceeds go to all Palo Pinto County volunteer fire departments. Music by the Bellamy Brothers, Pat Green, Wade Bowen, Stoney Larue and Josh Weathers.
Gates open at 4 p.m. Tickets prices are \$25 in advance and \$35 at the gate. Visit www.BucketsandBoots.com for more information.

**Taste of Palo Pinto County
Monday, July 14th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**
Delicious Food from Restaurants in the Mineral Wells & Palo Pinto County Area---Benefiting the Mineral Wells Senior Center
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\$35 General Admission (Not Seated);
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W.K. Gordon Center Kid's Camp
July 14 (for students entering 3rd-4th grades), 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
July 21 (for students entering 5th-6th grades), 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Spend a day playing, learning, and finding out what life was like when the Thurber ghost town was booming. Call 254-968-1886 or email mkadams@tarleton.edu for more information.

SHS Senior Scholarship Recipients Announced

The Strawn High School senior class of 2014 was awarded ten scholarships during the graduation ceremony on May 30. Students receiving scholarships include the following:	Dempsey Dorris - \$1,000 Masonic Lodge; \$1,000 Palo Pinto County Sheriff's Posse (from Strawn graduate Bill Edd Richardson, past Captain) Eva DeGregorio -	\$1,000 Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation; \$1,000 Palo Pinto County Sheriff's Posse Chelsea Atkinson - \$1,800 Mrs. K Memorial Scholarship; \$500 First National Bank of Santo--Mingus Branch;	\$1,000 Strawn Booster Club Owen Alison - \$500 The Faulk Company; \$300 James and Ruby Kinser Scholarship Izaac Velasquez - \$1,000 Texas Building Products.
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Ribbon Cuttings (from page 1)

was held for Shiny Things, located at 220 Central Avenue. Shiny Things is a jewelry supply and antique store. They offer all sorts of beads and trinkets for the jewelry designer as well as unique hand made items and antiques. Shiny Things, owned by Susan Rester, is open Thursday through Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Visit both Nacho Mama's Closet and Shiny Things on Facebook!

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Clean Fling Winners (from page 1)

a new patio, birdbath and rock in flower beds and painting the ornamental windmill.

Second place goes to Laura Million, who significantly improved her property at 207 N. Front St. Laura removed numerous unsightly items that were visible from the street including a dilapidated fence, various discarded items, and overgrown grass, weeds and brush. She also covered her storage area with panels so as to secure the items and make them less visible.

Elias Nunez took third place by building a pri-

vacy fence and cleaning up the area around Nunez Tire Shop at 217 Grant Ave. The privacy fence blocks the view of discarded tires, cars, and auto parts that could previously be seen from Hwy 16. Numerous items were removed from the north side of the property, and the area was cleared of weeds and brush.

The winners will receive gift cards to Lowe's or Gordon Hardware in the amounts of \$500 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd and \$200 for 3rd. Thank you to all that participated, and congrats to the winners!

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Coming Home Again

2014 Strawn Homecoming Deemed A Great Success



Pictured above are Homecoming Parade Grand Marshalls Jacqueline Hinkson and Joe "Sonny" Poydock from the Class of 1947.

(MicroplexNews.com) Strawn held their biennial Homecoming Reunion on June 13-14, along with the Chamber of Commerce sponsored annual Bash on the Bricks event.

Activities went on all around town starting with a poker tournament at Mary's and an exes dance at Roots Friday night. Saturday events included a parade, antique car show,

vendors, bingo, and kids' activities including dry and wet slides. Saturday night capped off the weekend with a street dance featuring the RP Brister Band and Southern Chrome.

The well attended events welcomed back Strawn alumni as well as visitors from around the area.

Parade entry winners were:

Floats

1st place, Trey's Construc-

tion/Pac-A-Sac; 2nd place, Stewart Tank; 3rd place, Class of '64

Horses

1st place, Palo Pinto County Sheriff's Posse; 2nd place, Donna and David Maggard; 3rd place, Nicholas Lynn

ATV Division

1st place, Nunez Tire Shop; 2nd place, Stephanie Harris' son Lane; 3rd place, Mayor Tye Jackson

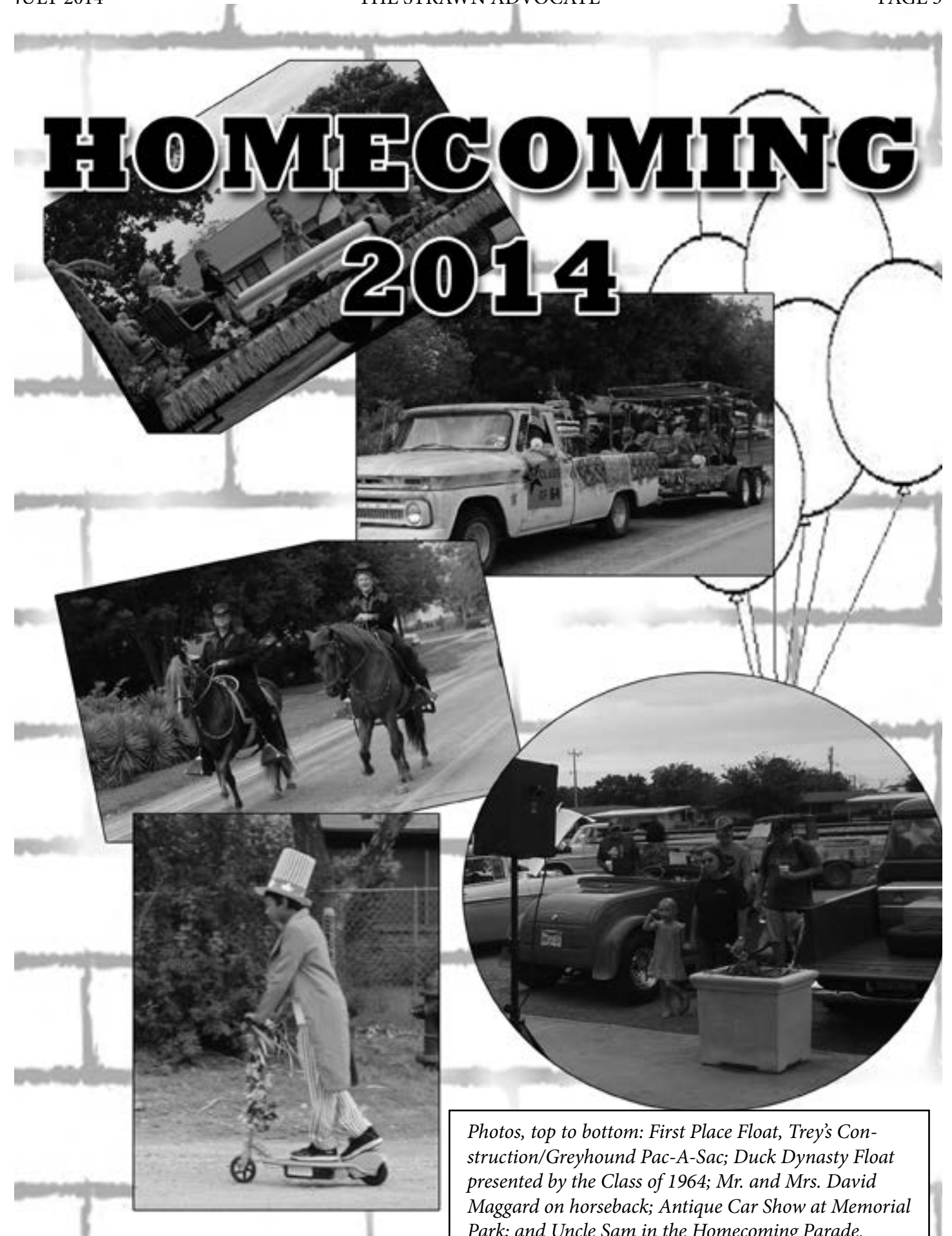
Best Alumni Award went

to the Class of '48.

A big round of applause goes out to Ricky and Lou Jones and Holly Doyle who chaired this year's homecoming, as well as all the volunteers who helped to make all the events a success.

To view more photos of the parade, visit www.microplexnews.com/strawn-homecoming-parade-photos/

HOMECOMING 2014



Photos, top to bottom: First Place Float, Trey's Construction/Greyhound Pac-A-Sac; Duck Dynasty Float presented by the Class of 1964; Mr. and Mrs. David Maggard on horseback; Antique Car Show at Memorial Park; and Uncle Sam in the Homecoming Parade.