

# THE BORDEN STAR

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## BHS Graduate spends summer break in the Capital building in Austin

"Austin. State capitol. An occasional visit to the Governor's office and tours." Sounds like typical things to do when on vacation in the Hill Country. But, for Shawn Lewis, 1993 graduate of BHS, those words meant work.

This summer Shawn spent two months in the capitol building, attending seminars for grant writing, a skill he hopes to use someday in a non-profit organization of his own. His experiences will also help in his graduate studies when he returns to Pepperdine, where he plans to finish his masters in public policy in April of 1999.

Shawn's interest in government should come as no surprise--much of his time in high school was



Shawn Lewis shown standing outside of Governor's office in Austin where he spent his summer days, attending seminars for grant writing.

spent researching and preparing for events in which he excelled--

persuasive speaking and LD debate. Three appearances to Austin (for UIL State Academic Meets)

resulted in two third-place medals.

A 1997 graduate of Lubbock Christian University, Shawn is the son of R.D. and Carol Lewis of Gail.

## Balloons to rise in Alpine Labor Day Weekend

The hot air balloons are headed back to Alpine in full force this Labor Day Weekend, according to the Alpine Chamber of Commerce. Twenty-five colorful balloons are scheduled to appear at the Annual Labor Day Balloon Rally slated for September 5-7.

"Once again Bruce

Boatman will be serving as Balloonmeister," said Alpine Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Guy Combs. Boatman lived in Alpine in 1980's and has flown the skies over Alpine more than 400 times. According to Combs, he is thoroughly versed in the safety aspects of hot

air balloons and will be overseeing the entire event.

Three launchings are planned, but the location has not been finalized. "These launchings all depend on wind direction," said Combs. "We are currently in the process of finalizing the set location and seeking back up locations should the winds be from a different direction."

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## Meet The COYOTES Night!



### COME OUT AND MEET THE COYOTES!

FOOTBALL TEAM MEMBERS,  
CHEERLEADERS, TWIRLERS,  
BAND MEMBERS AND  
ALL THE STUDENTS AT BHS

Immediately following the scrimmage against Jayton beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Friday August 28th

On the Practice Field (South side of school)

There are no bleachers, so bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the game and entertainment.

### COYOTE FEVER . . .

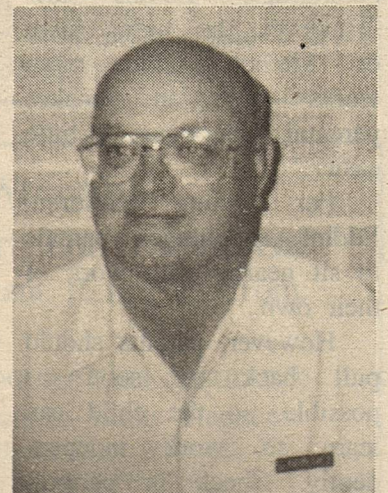
### CATCH IT!!!

Everyone attending is asked to PLEASE bring home-made ice cream, brownies, cookies, etc.

## Meet Your EMT

The Borden Co. EMT for this week is James Aaron.

James is an EMT-Intermediate for Borden County EMS. He started taking the EMT class at Snyder in 1984. He is a first responder for the Fluvanna Community and is a certified CPR instructor and also a Skills Examiner.



James Aaron



# Balloons to rise in Alpine

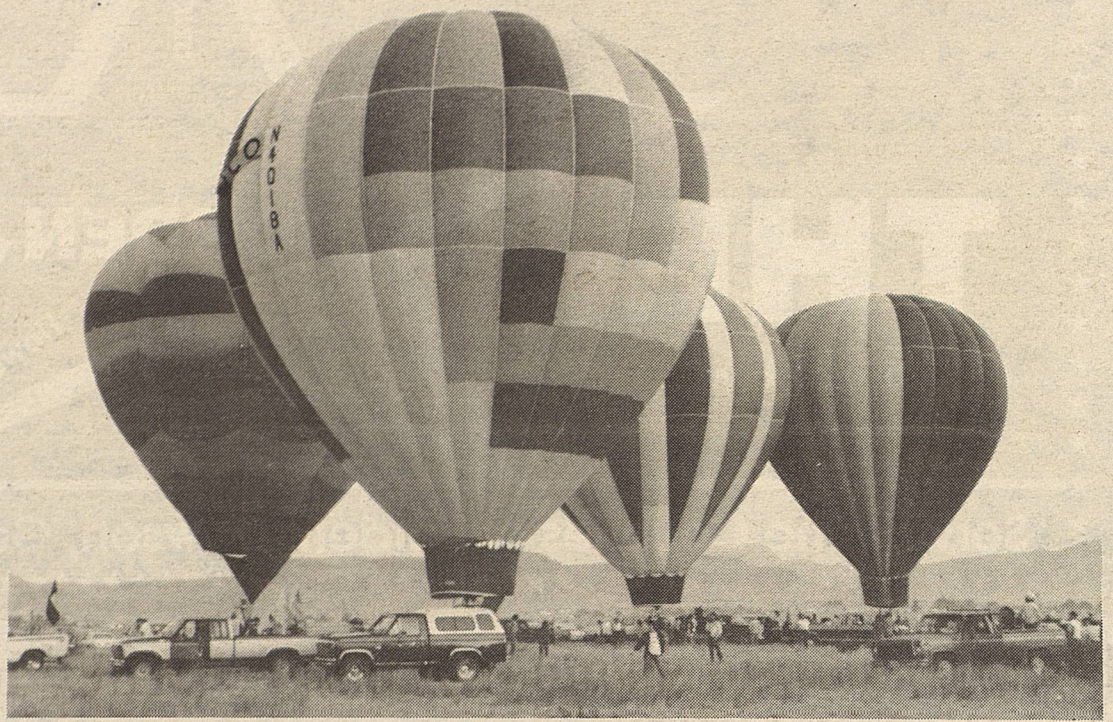
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Last year the balloon pilots are crew attempted to hold a Balloon glow in the evening, but it was unsuccessful due to the winds. This year they plan to hold a Balloon Burn, allowing onlookers to learn about the procedures and the equipment needed to boost the large balloons into the West Texas skies.

"It was a blast last year," said Combs. "Residents of Alpine and tourists got a chance to meet these talented people and learn what skill it takes to fly a balloon. We are hoping that this year the balloon burn is remembered as being one of the most interesting parts of the event."

The schedule for pilots and crew involved in the Invitational will begin at a Friday night registration and reception party. Saturday will see a morning competitive flight, an afternoon reception, and the evening balloon burn. Sunday includes a competitive flight and an awards brunch around noon.

"We are looking forward to bringing the balloons back to Alpine," said Combs. "I can't imagine anything more beautiful than waking up to a sky full of color."



## Improving homework habits

A structured environment can turn homework woes into successes.

"If doing homework has been a problem in the past, use the new school year as a time to implement change," said Dr. Florence Eddins, a child psychiatrist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Work with your child to settle key homework issues of where, when and the surroundings."

One homework essential is adequate study space with good lighting and few distractions.

"Desks in rooms can be fine if they aren't covered with clothes or other belongings," Eddins said. "However, the dining room or kitchen table often works well and makes parental supervision a little easier."

For young children, Eddins encourages parents to sit nearby with work of their own.

However, parents should pull back as soon as possible, so the child can learn to work independently. Check in periodically on older children

rather than hovering over them.

To establish a homework time, talk with your children about the time of day that works best for them.

"Many children prefer 'time off' for play or for an afternoon snack, but others will do best completing assignments before television time or engaging in other activities," she said.

Flexibility is another key ingredient to creating the right homework environment. Eddins cautions parents to remember that what works for them may not be right for their child.

"You may need uninterrupted quiet to get work done, but your child may like music in the background," she said. "The important thing is to experiment and learn what works best for your child."

Homework success also depends on good communication between the parents and teacher. parents should learn what the school expects of the child and of the parents.

If remembering homework has been a problem

in the past, ask the teacher to send home written notices of homework assignments. This system allows parents to monitor assignments and reward their child for completing assigned work.

"A minimal reward for remembering assignments four night out of five puts the focus on the positive, not the negative," Eddins said. "Taking time to notice your child's efforts can make a big difference."

Stay up with Jerry and watch the stars come out.

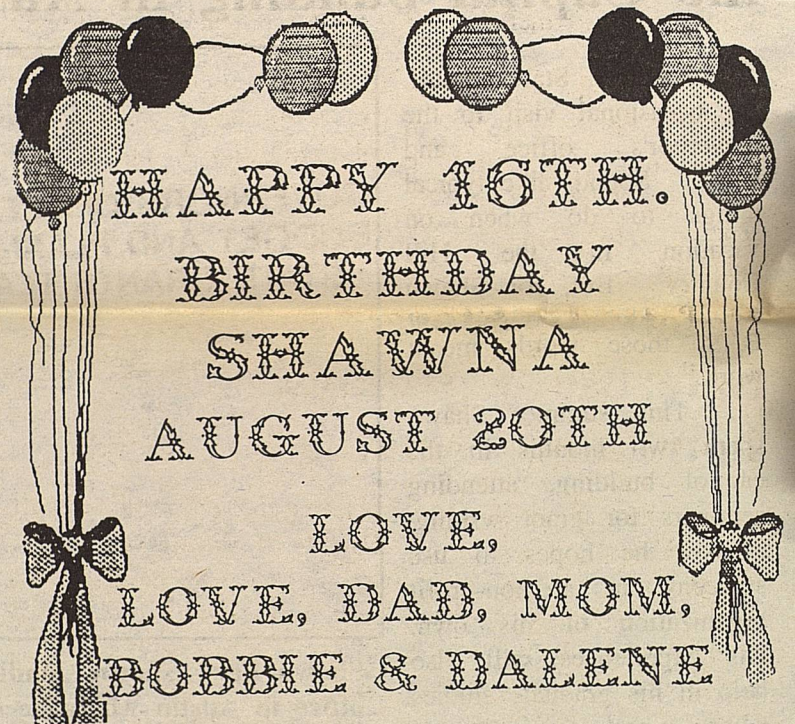
### SEPT. 6-7 JERRY LEWIS LABOR DAY TELETHON

Check local listings for time and station.

1-800-FIGHTMD

### MDA

Muscular Dystrophy Association  
www.mdausa.org



## Going Away To College?

Keep up with Borden County area and school news by subscribing to the Borden Star.

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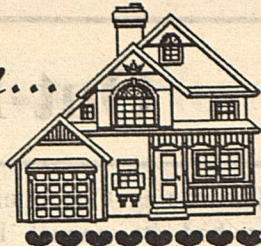
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## THE BORDEN STAR



# Heart and home...

By Julie D. Mumme  
Borden County Extension Agent -  
Family and Consumer Sciences



Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

## Breakfast & Learning

New research confirms the popular wisdom that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. We've known for years that eating breakfast before school has a profound impact on a child's ability to learn. Through the USDA's School Breakfast Program, more than 7 million students get a healthy start to their school day. Recent research shows that children who eat breakfast perform better on standardized tests and have fewer behavior problems in school. They also have generally improved math

grades, reduced hyperactivity, decreased absence and tardy rates, and improved psycho-social behaviors compared with children who rarely eat breakfast.

A healthy breakfast doesn't necessarily mean eggs and bacon. Something as simple as a peanut butter sandwich and glass of milk can be a great day starter. Hungry children can't concentrate and can't learn. Breakfast is a simple way to give all children the nutritional boost they need to start the day ready to learn.

Garza County Extension Service

## Safety In Store:

### Safe use & storage of household cleaning products

As we fight the on-going battle against germs, it's important to remember that household cleaning products should be used - and stored - with care. Accidental exposure happens most often with children under age 5. The most common age for accidental exposure is age 1, followed by age 2 - as you know, these are the ages when children are actively exploring their surroundings. In about half the cases, accidents occur while the product is in use.

Typically, accidental exposure occurs during busy periods: in the home, this is often between 4:00 and 8:00 P.M., when there is maximum activity, confusion and distractions. In child care settings, where the number of children makes germ control and even greater challenge, there are several busy

periods throughout the day. Parents, teachers, and staff members must be careful during these busy periods that no cleaning products are in use or within sight of children. These include lunch and snack time, as well as when children are arriving at, or departing from home or school.

If you would like more information on using household cleaning products safely around children, storing and disposing of containers properly, please contact the Extension office at 756-4336.

Soap & Detergent Association,  
Cleaning and Safe brochure

## Summer Cookbooks

The summer cookbooks are finally here and are ready for purchase in the Extension office. Come by and get your today!!!

## How To Live Longer

"Accumulate 30 minutes or more of moderate intensity physical activity on most days," say the experts. That means your daily activity should be equal to walking two mile sin 30 to 40 minutes. Here are some "moderate-intensity" activities:

- Brisk walking (3 to 4 mph)
- Cycling (20 mph or less)
- Swimming or calisthenics
- Racket Sports or table tennis
- Golf (if you pull your cart or carry your clubs)
- Housecleaning, general\*
- Raking leaves\* or dancing\*
- Playing actively with children"

\*These are "moderate" only if they are performed at an intensity comparable to brisk walking.

### School Lunch Menu

Lunch: \$1.00 K-6th.  
\$1.25 7th-12th.  
Breakfast: .50c

#### August 24th-28th.

**MONDAY:** Corn dog, Cheese Potatoes, Salad & Milk

**Breakfast:** French Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

**TUESDAY:** Enchilada Casserole, Green Beans, Corn, Tortilla Chips, Pudding & Milk

**Breakfast:** Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

**WEDNESDAY:** Fish, Peas & Carrots, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Fruit & Milk

**Breakfast:** Pancakes, Ham, Juice & Milk

**THURSDAY:** Baked Potato, w/cheese & ham, Salad, Crackers, Ice Cream & Milk

**Breakfast:** Cereal, Toast, Juice & Milk

**FRIDAY:** Sub Sandwich, Salad Cup, Tatter Tots, Cake, & Milk

**Breakfast:** Breakfast Burrito, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk

## 1998 Coyote Football Schedules - Varsity -

Aug. 20 (Scrimmage)	Dawson	There	6:00
Aug. 28 (Scrimmage)	Jayton	Here	6:00
Sept. 4	Wilson	Here	7:30
Sept. 11	Newhome	There	7:30
Sept. 18	Highland	Here	7:30
Sept. 25	Balmorhea	Here	7:30
Oct. 2	Whitharral	There	7:30
*Oct. 9	Westbrook	There	7:30
*Oct. 16	Sands	Here	7:30
*Oct. 23	Grady	There	7:30
*Oct. 30	Ira	Here	7:30
*Nov. 6	Hermleigh	There	7:30

\* Denotes District Games

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## Junior Varsity and Junior High Schedule

Sept. 10	Jr. High	New Home	Here	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	New Home	Here	7:30
Sept. 17	Jr. High	Sands	Here	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	TBA		
Sept. 24	Jr. High	OPEN		
	Jr. Varsity	Blackwell	There	6:00
Oct. 1	Jr. High	Hermleigh	Here	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	Ira	Here	7:30
Oct. 8	Jr. High	Westbrook	Here	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	Westbrook	Here	7:30
Oct. 15	Jr. High	Sands	There	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	Highland	Here	6:00
Oct. 22	Jr. High	Grady	Here	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	Highland	There	7:30
Oct. 29	Jr. High	Ira	There	6:00
	Jr. Varsity	Ira	There	7:30

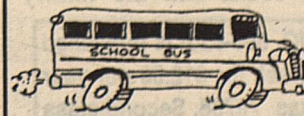
### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Who exactly is a child with "special needs?" We know that all children have needs and that every child is special. However, the needs of some children are greater than or different from those of the "typical" child. The special need might be in the area of mental, social, emotional, physical or language development. If you are the parent or friend of a child, who lives in Borden County ISD, who might qualify for individual services, call Johnnye Smith, director, Bi-County Shared Services Arrangement, 806/756-4315. Services are available when the child turns three years of age. It is not necessary to wait until the following school year.

### School Starting...

### Watch Out for The Children!

A Important Reminder from:



BACK TO SCHOOL

Moore-Rains Insurance  
Frances Rains Stephens  
701 8th Street O'Donnell, TX  
806/428-3335



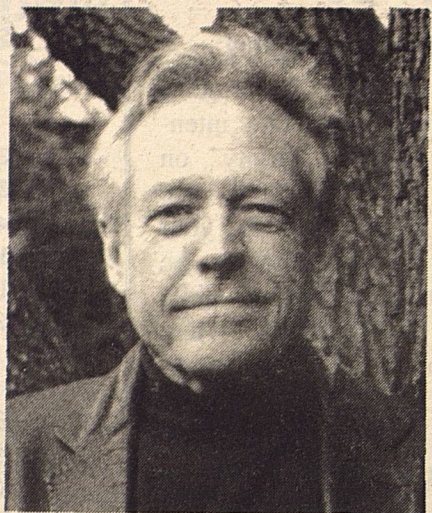
## Out-N-About

### Texas Stories

*A showcase of the Texas Spirit*

#### Tumbleweed Smith

*Part owner of Texas*



### Manny & Judy

We met our Minnesota friends Manny and Judy in Santa Fe last Tuesday. We visited for awhile, got up to date on kids and grand-kids, then moseyed over to Vanessie's to hear piano player Doug Montgomery. It's one of our favorite things to do in Santa Fe.

Manny and Judy are easy to be with. We love to sit around and talk. Manny and I were in the Army together. We've kept in touch with each other since the cold war years and have discovered we can have as much fun out of the Army as we did when we were in it. Manny sort of stayed in for awhile, joining the CIA and working all over the world. His and Judy's three kids were born on three different continents.

In Santa Fe, we exchanged stories. Judy told about how when she worked as director of the Alumni Association for Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota, she worked in an office with two other women. The three husbands decided one Valentine's Day to spruce up their wives' office with a bouquet of flowers. They called the florist to send a bunch of roses over to the office and sing the card "The Three Handsome Lovers." When the card got there it read "The Handsome Lumber Company." The girls were somewhat confused.

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Manny told about a motel experience he had on the way down to Santa Fe. They spent the night in a motel which had a night clerk that didn't speak very good English. When Manny checked out, he noticed a four dollar phone charge and asked the clerk to explain it. The clerk replied, "I don't 'splain nothin." Manny still doesn't know what the charge was for, but he certainly has had his money's worth telling the story. We repeated the phrase often during the remainder of the trip.

Judy told of a visit to her mother who lives in nursing home. It was actually Judy's sister who made the visit. She had her four year old grandson with her. When they arrived at the nursing home, they met grandma in the lobby. She is not doing well and never recognizes anyone, but all the kids make over her anyway, giving her warm greetings and saying Hello, Grandma, how're ya doin' and you're lookin' good. The attendant wheeled the old lady down to her room and the family

followed. The grandmother wasn't doing too well. she was falling asleep, then belching and looking just pitiful. The four year old boy said, "Couldn't we just take her back where we got her and go home?" Out of the mouths of babes.

High on a mountain we discussed a topic to which I had never given two seconds' worth of thought: the way a roll of toilet paper is put on a roller. Some said the newest part of the roll should be on the front, others said it should be on the back. Such lofty topics.

We were together 6 days and nights. It was a blast. no telling what we'll talk about next time. Manny and I always have someone take a picture of us in front of flag we ended up with while we stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. I keep the flag, Manny keeps the eagle that was on top of the flag pole.

I got a lot out of our visit. And yes, I have started noticing which way a roll of toilet paper is put on a roller.

The Plains Community Center had its annual Ice Cream Supper. Thirty-five members enjoyed various flavors of home-made ice cream, brownies, cookies, and other delicious deserts. Some members were unable to attend but new folks in the area that came ate their share of the goodies.

Members were very appreciative of the work by the employees of Prect. #1 on the PCC parking lot. They had applied fresh tar and gravel and filled in the chug holes. Thanks guys!

The annual Harvest Dinner at the community center will be held November 8th at 12:30 p.m. Reminders of this event will be in later issues of the *Borden Star*.

Dan and Ouida Turner have sold their house and moved to Lamesa. Their involvement in the doings of Borden County and the Plains community will be missed.

Another Plains community resident has moved to Lamesa. Mrs. Alta Staggs decided she wanted to live in the retirement village there. The day she moved in, a lady came by to make plans to take her to eat Kentucky fried chicken with the regular bunch. I don't think Mrs. Staggs will have time to miss her home as she is fitting right into the activities of the other residents.

Banty Hancock is home from his Lubbock UMC hospital stay that involved surgery. He and his wife Juanda were unable to

attend the aforementioned ice cream supper and Bob Dyess among others really missed them. You see he and Banty always had a friendly competition going of who could eat the most home-made ice cream. Sorry Banty, I guess Bob won by default. Keep building up your strength and appetite and come see which of you two guys can eat the most turkey and dressing at the Harvest Dinner.

Monday, Mrs. Pat Porter of Vealmoor was the guest speaker at the Howard County chapter of the Retired Teachers' Association. As she is Chairman of the State Citizens Advisory Council of the Texas Department On Aging (TDOD), she was able to give important information to the sixty-six members present at their first monthly meeting of the school year. (Even retired, these teachers still

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## 1958 Class Reunion Planned

The Borden County I.S.D. Class of 1958 is planning a 40 Year Class Reunion on Saturday, October 31st following Homecoming on Friday night. There will be more reunion information available at an later date. Be sure to make plans to attend.

There are some addresses needed for some of the class members. If anyone has any of the addresses for the following class members please contact Judy Kingston at Rt. 1 Box 118 O'Donnell, Texas 79351:  
Peggy Moser; Delores Spear, Leona Dodson, Donald Dodd, Cooper Porter.

### Laredo Supper and Bake Sale

The Fluvanna Volunteer Fire Department will have its annual Laredo Supper and Bake Sale Saturday, August 22nd, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fluvanna Community Center. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the evening!

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# Scurry Co. Museum News & Activities

## "From the Earth"

August 25 - October 9th  
The Museum Shop presents a six-week Pottery show and sale of work by nationally-known artists.

## Pottery Show

### Programs:

#### "Remembrance"

Sunday, August 30th, Kline Room, 2:4:00 PM James Watkins, Professor, TTU School of Architecture. Slide presentation of 20 years survey of art work development.

#### "Fire and Clay From A-Z, Acoma-Zuni"

Wednesday, August 9th, Kline Room, 10:12 noon. Bill Davies sharing information on Indian Pottery and Showing of private Southwest pottery collection.

#### "Mud Pies"

-Tuesday, September 15th, Kline Room, 2:4:00 PM. Pat Zappe, Pottery artist demonstrating pottery wheel techniques.

#### "Handmade From Nature"

Thursday, September 24th, Kline Room, 6:30-8:00 PM Mike and Jackie Torivio, Pueblo potters from acoma pueblo in New Mexico. Film of painting raw pottery with yucca brush and demonstration will also be included.

Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 24th-26th, Kline Room, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Demonstration and Trunk Show.

Fri., Sept. 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Trunk Show only.

#### "Ceramics Today"

Thursday, October 8th Kline Room, 6:30-8:00 PM Dr. Verne Funk, Professor Emeritus. TTU Art Department. Slide presentation and lecture on contemporary pottery.

The Museum Shop is non-profit: all monies support the Museum and its programs.

For additional information, contact Charlotte

Moody at 806/795-7662 or the Museum Shop 806/742-2436

## Taste of Scurry County

Mark September 10 on your calendar. The Scurry County Museum is planning "A Taste of Scurry County." It will be an evening long, at the Scurry County Coliseum, fun-filled event beginning with food samples at 6:30 p.m. Other events during the evening include door prizes, a silent auction, and a bid auction. Raffle tickets for a dollhouse assembled by John Bailey will also be available. Other entertainment is still being planned.

The following restaurants have said will participate: Snyder County

Club; Spanish Inn; The Ritz Dinner; Golden Corral Steakhouse; McDonald's; Pizza Hut; Subway; Taco John's; The Shack; Dairy Queen; Lawrence IGA; Long John Silver's; Lotta Burger; Taco John's; Burger King; Grandy's and Great Western Dining.

Tickets are available from the museum and it volunteers.

The Scurry County Museum is located on the southwest corner of Western Texas College campus, 6200 College Avenue, Snyder.

## ATTENTION, ALL QUILTERS

The Algerita Arts Center at 131 East Main Street in Post, Texas will be hosting a "Quilt Show".

All quilters are invited to enter their quilts. This is not a juried show, just an exhibit. however, we will be glad to offer any quilt for sale if the exhibitor wishes. The sales commission is 20%.

The Quilt Show will be on exhibit during Post's Annual Founders Day Celebration and for the following weekend of "Old Mills Trade Days."

Entries will be accepted on: Thursday, Sept. 17 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Entry pickup will be on: Tuesday, October 6 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The exhibit will be open for viewing:

Sept. 23rd - Oct. 3rd

Quilts are handed down through the generations, each quilt is unique and meaningful.

Quilts symbolize, Family Traditions, Memories, History and Art.

For more information contact:

Opal Rudd  
Algerita Arts Center  
10:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - Friday  
(806)495-4000



*It's A Girl!*

*Kaylea Maddison*  
4 lbs. 4 oz. - 18"

*It's A Boy*

*Kabren Matthew*  
3 lbs. 14 oz. - 17 3/4"

Born: July 1, 1998

Parents: Ty & Mindi Wills

Big Sister: Malak

Grandparents:

Roger & Comelle Williams, Snyder

Don & Jacqueline Wills, Fluvanna

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice of Surface Production Commingling Application (Statewide Rule 26) for the Eicke Ranch No. 1 and Eicke Ranch No. 2, both located in the north half of the north east quarter of Section 24, Block 30, T-6-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Borden County, Texas. Fasken Oil & Ranch, Ltd. has filed an Application to surface commingle the Eicke Rance No. 1 and 2 wells. This notice will run four consecutive weeks. Any protest must be filed in writing within 21 days from the date of last publication. Protests to the Surface Commingle Application should be filed with the Texas Railroad Commission of Texas, Oil and Gas Division - Permitting Services, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Ph. 512-463-6873).

## LEGAL NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for Borden County for 1999, beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 24, 1998, at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas.

A summary of the proposed Borden County budget is as follows:

Jury Fund -- \$850.00  
General Fund -- \$672,066.00  
Road & Bridge Fund -- \$537,465.00  
Permanent Improvement Fund -- \$15,000.00

This proposed budget does not include a salary or wage increase for County employees and elected officials.

Any interested persons is invited to attend and present oral or written comments. The proposed budget may be examined at the office of the County Clerk or the County Judge.

The proposed tax rate for 1998 is .385 per \$100.00. The tax rate for 1997 was .385 per \$100.00.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York  
County Judge  
Borden County

## BRANON FUNERAL HOME

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## Laurdry on your own: Solutions for common stains for college bound students

In an effort to cut down on laundry time so you can spend more time studying, following are typical college life stains and removal tips. First of all, treat the stain as soon as possible -- not the next time you go home on break!

Use a blotting motion, working from the inside of the garment (or back of the stain) out rather than into the fabric. In other words, don't rub!

There are several types of prewash stain removers. Liquid and aerosol should be applied to wet garments. Wait one to three minutes, then wash. Don't leave gels on brights or fluorescents for more than a few minutes before washing -- they may lose their color. Stain sticks can be used on garments three to four days before washing.

**Acne medication:** Many contain benzoil peroxide that leaves a rusty, yellowish stain making the area look bleached. Cannot be removed.

**Oily stains like pizza, mayonnaise, lipstick and that late night fav, chocolate:** Freely apply liquid detergent or prewash stain remover, working into the stain. Rinse hands, repeat. Machine wash at highest recommended temperature with a cup of detergent.

**Ink stains, like ballpoint pen, felt tip markers and liquid ink:** Freely apply

liquid detergent or prewash stain remover, working into the stain. Rinse hands, repeat. To wash, add 1 cup of non-chlorine bleach to 1 cup detergent. If fabric is white or colorfast, use chlorine bleach or a commercial color remover. Some inks may prove impossible to remove and laundering may actually set the ink.

**Fingernail polish:** In may not be possible to remove nail polish. Place the stained area face-down on clean paper towels. Sponge nail polish remover on wrong side of fabric. Don't try this on fabrics containing acetate or triacetate fabrics. Replace paper towels frequently, repeating application until stain disappears. Rinse and wash. **Deodorants and anti-perspirants:** Apply liquid detergent, massage into fabric. Rinse. Wash in warm water. Or, pretreat with a stain remover allowing it to stand 5-10 minutes. Residues of aluminum or zinc salts may not come out.

**Bodily fluids or other protein/plant stains, like ketchup, meat sauces and dairy products:** Freely apply liquid detergent or prewash stain remover, working into the stain. Rinse hands, repeat. Wash with one cup of detergent and one cup non-chlorine bleach with an enzyme presoak. If the stains remains, soak for one or two days, stir water

occasionally. Machine wash again, air dry.

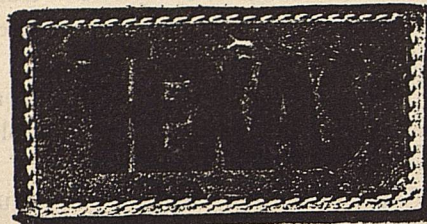
**Gum:** Apply ice to harden sticky residue. Crack or scrape off excess. Apply

pretreatment, rinse, wash.

**Mildew:** Fabrics badly damaged by mildew may be impossible to clean. Wash with chlorine bleach, if safe for fabric. Or use enon-chlorine bleach and soak in hot water, then wash.

**Wine, fruit juice:** Colored items must be pretested. Rinse in cold water to dilute stain. Soak up to 30 minutes. Discard water. Wash with one cup detergent with bleach in hottest water safe for fabric.

SERIES ONE OF TEN: "ON THE RANGE"



## T R I V I A

Match wits with "HyperTex"! He knows everything about Texas...do you?

Test your Texas know-how by answering the 10 questions below.

Some are tougher than you think!

Answer all 10: You're a Texas star!  
Answer 7-9: You're elected sheriff!  
Answer 3-6: Proud to call you pardner!  
Answer less than 3: You must be from Oklahoma!



1. What was the name of legendary Texas cowboy Pecos Bill's horse?
2. What is the most common type of cactus in Texas?
3. In what Texas city is every week "Rodeo Week"?
4. What was the legendary Texas critter that deceived settlers by putting its tail in its mouth and rolling down the road leaving a track resembling a wagon wheel?
5. What famous cattle trail passed through Waco and Waxahachie?
6. What is the fruit of the prickly pear commonly known as?
7. Where is the Cattleman's Museum?
8. McLean is home to the Devil's Rope Museum. The name refers to what?
9. Where will you find a historical marker commemorating the final battle with the Cherokees?
10. Palo Pinto (meaning "Painted Post") got its name from what geological feature?

**BONUS QUESTION** (for the title of Cattle Baron):

What Texas region is larger than several states combined?

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Answers: 1. Widow Maker; 2. Fishhook Barrel Cactus; 3. Mesquite; 4. Hoop Snake; 5. Chisholm Trail; 6. Tuna; 7. Fort Worth; 8. Barbed wire; 9. Van Zandt County; 10. Deposits of painted wood

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# COTTON NEWS



FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

**LUBBOCK, Aug. 14, 1998**  
by Shawn Wade

Plains Cotton Growers effort to obtain deviations for a modified boll count appraisal system have been successful.

Light suddenly appeared at the end of the tunnel when PCG learned that the USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) is in the process of issuing a modified boll count deviation effective immediately for cotton in Texas. The same deviation will apparently also be issued for the state of Alabama.

If processed as expected cotton producers could begin requesting appraisals as soon as August 15. Producers who want to have their crops adjusted should do so as quickly as possible according to PCG.

Efforts to gain the modified boll count deviation and have FCIC switch to the boll count appraisal method appeared headed to a September 1 implementation date. PCG discussions with RMA Assistant Administrator Michael Hand August 14 brought to light their intention to issue the necessary notices immediately.

The boll count deviation will allow cotton producers to have their crops adjusted based on a factor of 500 green and unopened bolls per pound of lint. The deviation will be applicable for all cotton which has achieved "cut-out" mode.

The Federal Crop Insurance Cotton Handbook identifies mature cotton as cotton which has ceased setting bolls that will contribute to the ultimate yield.

PCG officials noted to RMA officials on several occasions that drought stressed cotton in the

Texas High Plains was exhibiting smaller than normal boll size and was maturing several weeks ahead of schedule as a result of high temperatures and below normal rainfall across the region.

Producer concern about late rains fueling plant regrowth and possibly providing food sources for boll weevil and other pests also added to the sense of urgency.

The announcement of the modified boll count deviation is good news for producers who worried about the potential problems and expense of carrying crops to harvest that had little or no yield potential.

Cotton growers on the Texas High Plains got a shot of good news with the approval of a Section 18 label for Furadan 4F for aphid control.

The Section 18 was granted following the documentation of four control failures in the area using currently labeled products.

Another piece of good news is that this Section 18 label contains NO restrictions pertaining to residues in gin trash. At this time the Section 18 label applies only to Texas Agricultural Extension Service District 2 which includes 20 High Plains counties.

Counties included in the Section 18 approval for District 2 are: Bailey, Borden, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Mitchell, Parmer, Scurry, Swisher, Terry and Yoakum.

Producers using Furadan should follow label directions as well any additional

requirements included with the Section 18 labeling. Producers can obtain this information from local Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Agents and agricultural chemical suppliers.

Efforts to educate congressional staff members about agriculture and the effects of this year's drought is rapidly becoming

an important function as the cotton industry works towards implementation of assistance programs for farmers affected by this year's drought.

PCG is working with staff members from the National Cotton Council to bring this effort to Lubbock on August 17 and 18.

A group of legislative aides representing the

House of Representative's Agriculture committee and the offices of several other legislators will arrive in Lubbock August 17 to learn about cotton and the regions agricultural industries.

The eight member group will tour the American Cotton Growers Denim plant in Littlefield

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## Out-N-About

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follow the nine-month school year.) She also handed out flyers with numbers to call to answer questions or give out more information on services provided to older people. That senior helpline is 1-800-491-4636. The agency has also developed SALT...Seniors And Lawmen Together...to provide help where needed. Pat explained that TDOA is very important, as the people 65 years of age and older will double in Texas by the year 2020. Her mother-in-law Lela Porter, a member of the RTA and her sister-in-law Cookie Dyess, a guest, were present for the talk.

Lela Porter and Cookie Dyess traveled to Paint Rock last week to attend the graveside services of Charles McLaughlin, Lela's nephew. Lela had not been to Paint Rock for awhile so all the nieces, grand nieces and nephews and old friends were very glad to see her. She said it was probably a shock to many of them that she was still up and kicking. They also attended church

Sunday. At least one or more members of Lela's family have had a continuous membership in the First Baptist Church in Paint Rock for over 85 years.

Bro. Clifton Igo resigned from his pastorate at the First Baptist Church in Gail. He hasn't slowed down any as he is already temporarily filling in a vacancy at the First Baptist Church at Ackerly. Gail will miss him, but he said

he and his wife Norma will try and visit when the church has their "dinners on the ground".

Erin and Spencer Kitten of Lubbock came and spent the last week-end of summer vacation with grandparents Bob and Cookie Dyess. Erin is eight and will be in the third grade and five year old Spencer will be an all-day kindergartner. (3 years ago his sister only went a half day, but they are not telling Spencer about that.)



Soapstone, also known as steatite, feels soapy, but don't try to wash with it! It's a soft rock made up mostly of mineral talc.

## PCG News

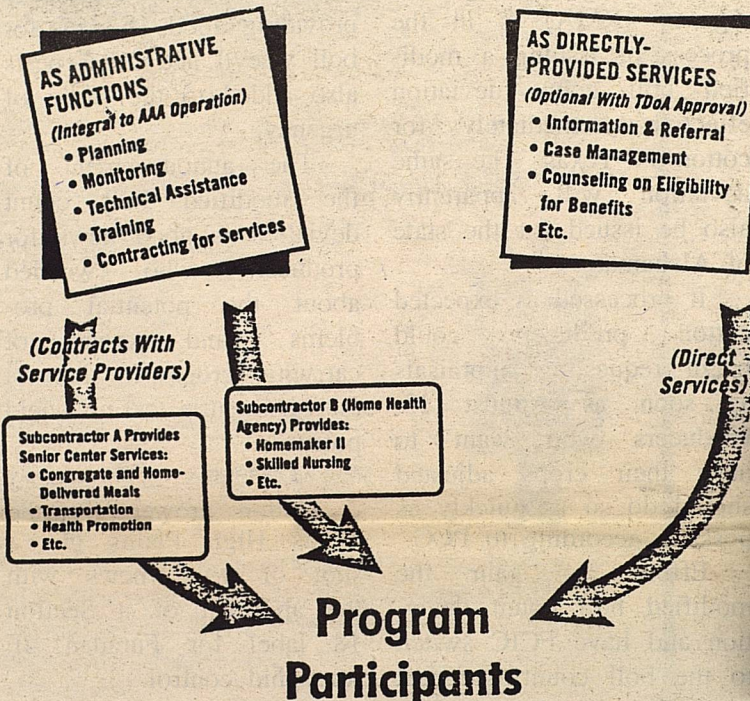
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and be given the opportunity to learn about techniques used to grow harvest and process cotton. They will also visit with a number of cotton producers during their stay in Lubbock.

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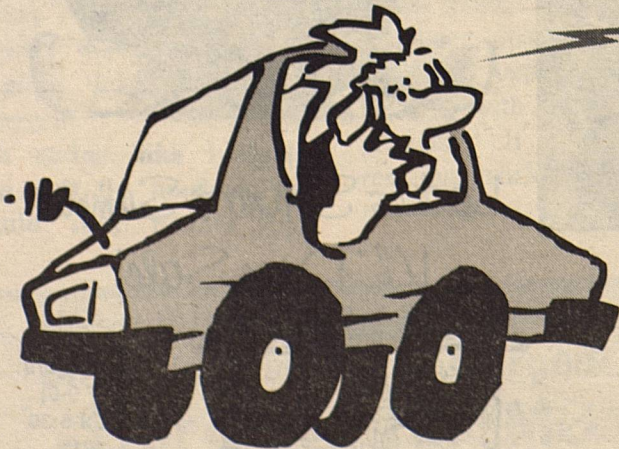
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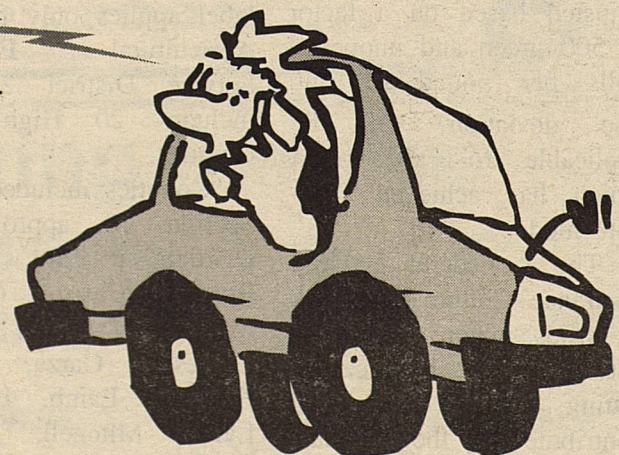
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