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Graduating Driving Class of 2001

*Training Tomorrow's Drivers Today**

By Sue Jane Mayes

Ah.....what would this world be like without the student driver?

One might say in a loud voice, "A LOT SAFER!" to which I would say, "AMEN."

But before those of us with our licenses cast the first citation, let's all remember that we, too, were once novice drivers.

And some of us still drive like we are.

The graduating class of 2001—fondly nicknamed "Flatliners" by their instructor—provided many a close encounter, many a tight squeeze, and many white knuckle moments.

There was the turning left from the right lane moment in Lamesa, the near broadside experience in Slaton, and the offroad driving while not in an offroad vehicle.

In addition, there was the "dead dove splattered on the windshield crisis," the jackrabbit obstacle course on Willow Valley Road, and the on-going effort to avoid black beetle build-up on the tires.

This year's driving class also produced the inevitable: the moment when my life flashed before my eyes: If you, the reader, have never experienced such a white-

light moment, try taking a basic 90 degree turn at 40 miles per hour with a teenage driver behind the wheel.

However, many maneuvers were done correctly. At those times, I found myself touched to the point of tears, knowing that I had played a small role in the development of these beginning drivers.

Such tissue moments occurred when students

were successful in pulling in to the Sonic for the first time in their lives, placing an order, and having correct change.

On other "I'm so happy I could cry" times, it would be something as simple as a correct right turn on red maneuver—I mean, how proud could I be when the students finally realized that they didn't have to sit there and wait all day?

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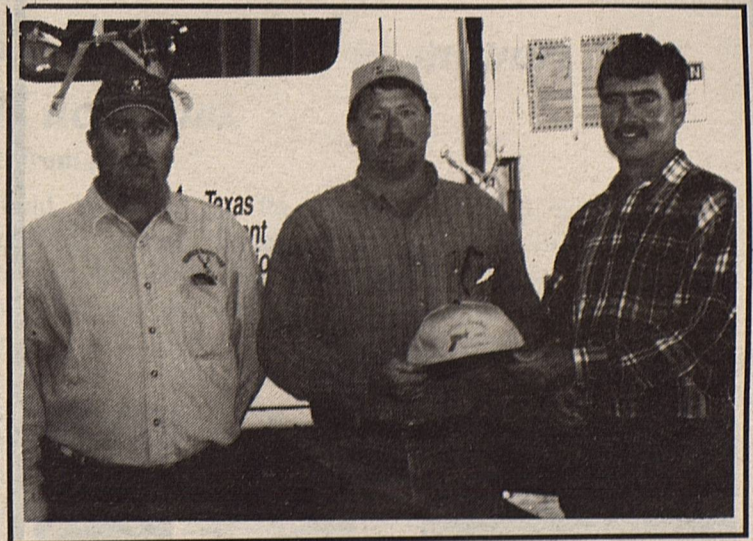
A visit to the police station in Big Spring—the driver ed. class took time to visit with Cpl. Thad Thomas who took students on a tour of the jail and explained to students about procedures for DWI incidents. Pictured left to right are students Kevin Ellison, Dan Griffin, and Oralia Galacios.

Golf Tournament to Support South Plains 4-H Activities

The South Plains 4-H program will host a one-day golf tournament at the Plainview Country Club. The tournament is open to anyone wishing to play golf. The format for the tournament will be a four-person scramble with two divisions: Adult (18 and over) and Youth (17 and under). The entry fee is \$50.00 per person (\$200 per team). Individuals

are welcome. Entries are due July 6. Your entry fee covers the green fee, cart rental, mulligans, lunch, beverages, and all the fun you can have. Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th teams in each of the divisions. The tournament will include individual prizes for closest to the pin, and the shortest drive used, and door prizes.

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Borden County employees participate in Rodeo: Jibber Herridge, center, and Ray Don Underwood, left, represented Borden County in the Texas Department of Transportation's 2001 Abilene District Rodeo. The event tested 37 section winners from throughout the 13-county district on their driving skills and their preventive maintenance knowledge. Herridge, a maintenance crew chief, and Underwood, a maintenance technician in the Borden County maintenance section, took first and second place respectively at the county level to earn them the right to compete at district. During the district competition, Underwood, also won the award for parking his truck closest to the stop line. With the contestants is Bill Hale, Abilene district engineer. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

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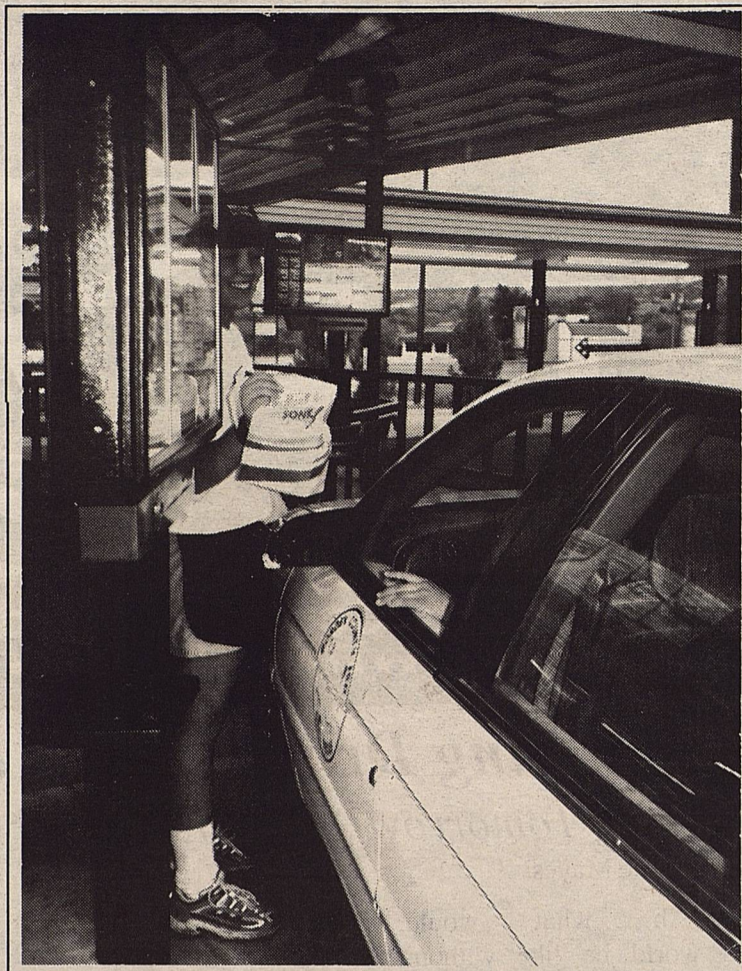
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Perhaps the most by driving around and inspirational times came looking for a place—they when students finally got established the locale and the difficult concept of drove right to it. deciding where we were Another two months going to eat. They learned of driving instruction is quickly not to waste gas over for me, but I must

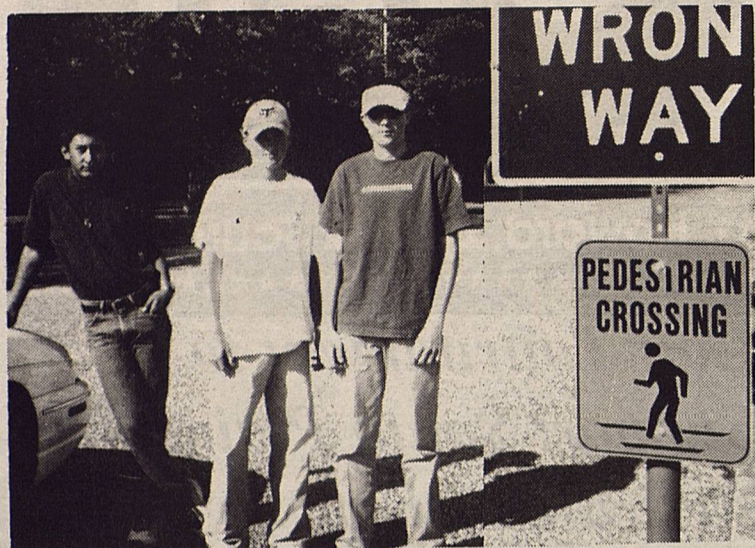
take my show on the road now. I am in such demand that even our rival schools are calling and asking for some driving expertise.

My driving school will now be called the "Drivin' Mrs. Mayesy Crazy Co-op" with the same old slogan, "Training Tomorrow's Drivers Today."

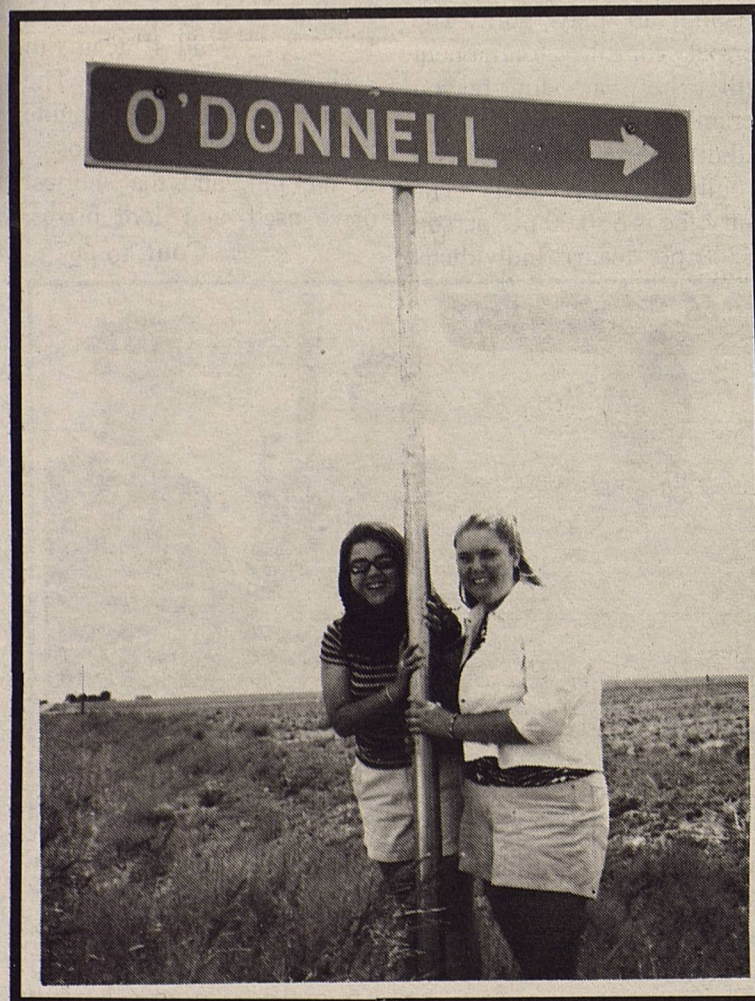
Watch next week's paper for pictures of new Borden County drivers to watch for.



Proud sponsor of Borden County driver ed., Sonic, who furnished beverages and food at regular prices.



Reading signs was a big part of the driving instruction for Andy Lozano, Cade Peterson, and Clay John Anderson.



Visiting exciting places like Gail and O'Donnell was just part of the driver ed. fun for Heather Crawford and Alexis Brooks.

Drive Safely
Watch for our Children

Annual 4th of July Celebration

Sponsored by First Baptist Church Gail

CONCERT

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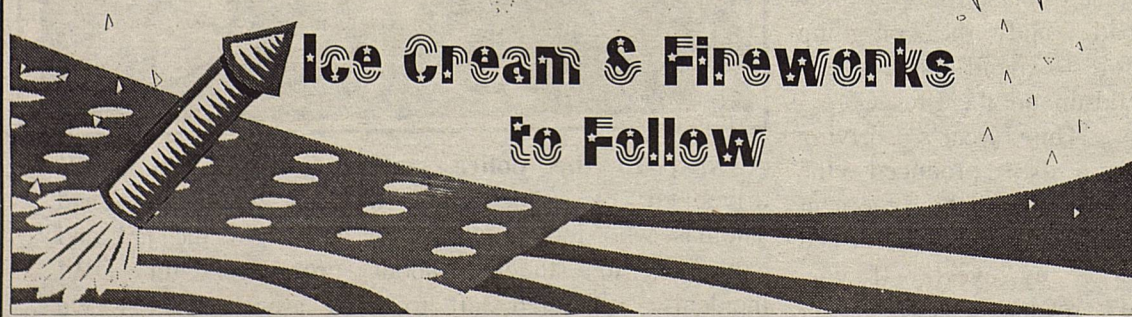
Sunday, July 1st

6:00 p.m.

County Show Barn
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(bring your favorite Homemade Ice cream
& Goodies and your fireworks)

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Cooley graduates

Tammy Cooley a graduate of Borden County High School successfully completed her studies at South Plains College on May 11, 2001.

In completing her studies, she received an Associate Degree, a Child Care Certificate, and a Child Care Administrators Certificate in Child Development. She is currently employed at Early Odyssey Developmental School in Lubbock. She works with 18 months to 5-year-old children. Tammy's gift of love for children, has helps her in her career choice and hopes to help children of the future. Tammy is the



daughter of Joe and Pam Cooley of Gail.

'95 BHS GRAD MAKES WTC HONOR ROLL

Borden County native Cande Hernandez has been named to the Merit List for the spring 2001 semester at Western Texas College.

To qualify for Merit List, students must have a 3.5 grade point average and enroll for more than 8 hours and less than 12 hours of course work.

EMS Memorials & Donations

Donations have been made to the Borden County EMS

In Memory Of:

HARLAN WILLIAMS

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4-H News

Summer Horse Project Results

The Borden County 4-H Horse Project held its County Horse Show and Final Point Night on Thursday, June 21, 2001. Thirty-one participants and their families and friends enjoyed a hot dog supper prior to competition. The awards for the Horse Project will be handed out at the annual 4-H Achievement Picnic that will be held at the Bi-Centennial Park (behind the school) on Tuesday, July 17. 4-H'ers, watch the mail for this important information!

Results are as follows:

PEE WEE

1. Chance Taylor
2. Bailey Anderson
3. Riley Smith
4. Branson Smith
5. Lacey Roberts
6. John Hensley
7. Mandi Hudson
8. Flint Roberts

JUNIOR

1. Cutter Whipple
2. Shiloh Pool

Golf Tournament to support 4-H activities

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The field is limited to 96 golfers (24 teams). Lunch (hamburger, hot dogs, chips and a coke) will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. There will be a 1:00 p.m. Shotgun start. Sign up at your County Extension Office or call the Pro Shop at the Plainview Country Club at (806)296-6148.

The golf tournament supports two important South Plains 4-H activities. The Bob Benson Memorial 4-H Scholarship - Bob Benson was a longtime county agent in the South Plains 4-H,

3. Symeron Rinehart
4. Caden Nowlain
5. Rowdy Clary
6. Lacey Newton
7. KyAnn Williams
8. Keid Williams
9. Kylan Reynolds
10. Sharelle Gass
11. Garrett Pool
12. Brice Smith
13. Kalli Poole
14. Shylo Rinehart
15. Shelby Roberts
16. Chelsea Minnick
17. Whitney Anderson
18. Clay Harding
19. Brandi Hudson

SENIOR

1. Clay John Anderson
2. Tanner Poole
3. Kyla Culp
4. Amanda Boucher

Congratulations to all these participants? Thanks again to all the parents that offered their help and expertise in various ways.

Have a wonderful summer and we will see you on July 17th!

District 2, Hale County. Bob lost his battle with cancer in August 1999, and a memorial educational scholarship was developed in Bob's name for South Plains 4-H members. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be used to fund the scholarship. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be used for the 4-H EXCELL Scholarship, a travel fund for South Plains 4-H members who have qualified for National 4-H activities. EXCELL stands for Experience, Citizenship, and Examples for Lifetime Leadership.

DRIVE SAFELY!

Watch out for the Children . . .

Thank you to everyone that participated in the 4-H Horse Project Bake Sale! We want to thank everyone who purchased baked goods or made donations to this fund-raiser. Your continued support is greatly appreciated and helps to make this project a success. Once again, Thanks!

Borden County 4-H
Horse Project Participants



Thank You!

I would like to Thank all my friends for the prayers, food, flowers, cards and well wishes, after my knee surgery and stay in the hospital. It's friends and neighbors like you that make me proud to live in a loving and caring community like this.

Thank You,
Pam Cooley



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**ATTENTION!
Reward
Offered**

There will be a Cash Reward for any information which leads to the arrest and conviction of the person/s responsible for the June 19th break-in and theft at the Coyote Country Store. Responses may be directed to the Borden County Sheriff's Office @756-4311 or the Coyote Country Store @756-4430

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Watch Out for our Children...

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED
TEXAS HIGHWAYIMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS**

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

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

District: Abilene
Contract 6068-25-001 for ROUTINE STREET SWEEPING in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on July 31, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$147,240.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Pre-qualified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit pre-qualification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Pre-qualification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 3858

STATE OFFICE Construction Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, TX 78740 Phone: 512/416-2540	DISTRICT OFFICE Abilene District District Engineer 4250 N. Clack Abilene, TX 79601 Phone: 915/676-6800
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

Have a Great Summer!



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END OF GAME NOTICE

For these three, the game's almost over.



On July 31st, 2001, three Texas Lottery instant games will close - \$25,000 Diamonds (#196), Matching Suit (#116), and 3 Across (#79). You have until January 27th, 2002, to redeem any winning tickets for this game. You can win up to \$25,000 playing \$25,000 Diamonds, up to \$4,000 playing Matching Suit, and up to \$1,000 playing 3 Across. You can claim prizes of up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable at one of the 22 Texas Lottery claim centers or by Lottery Customer Service Line at 1-800-37-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).



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NOTICE: A Scratch Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. For current information on prizes remaining in a Scratch Off game, call 1-800-37-LOTTO. Overall odds of winning any prize in \$25,000 Diamonds are 1 in 4.88 including break-even prizes. Overall odds of winning any prize in Matching Suit are 1 in 4.92 including break-even prizes. Overall odds of winning any prize in 3 Across are 1 in 4.67 including break-even prizes. Must be 18 years or older to purchase a ticket. © 2001 Texas Lottery.

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