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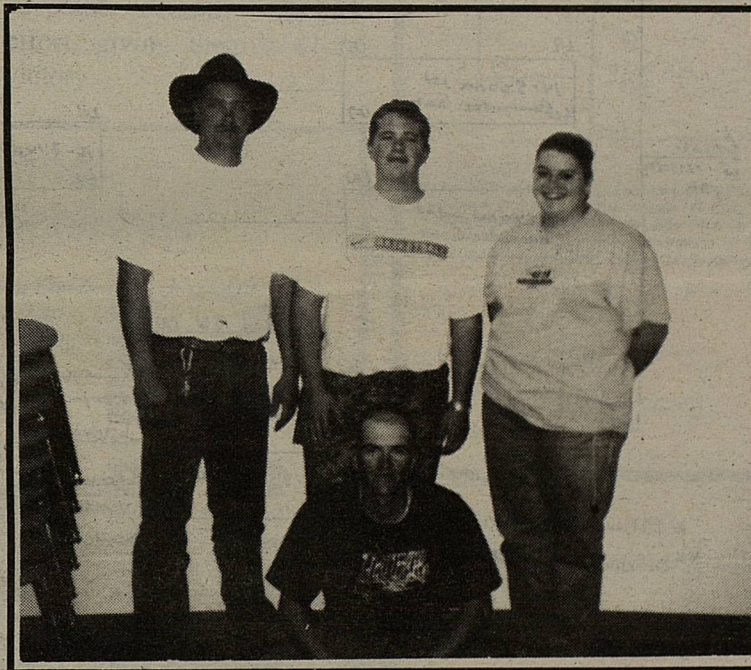
Borden EMS – Back to “Basics”

Borden County EMS has voted in six new members to their organization. These new members have successfully completed a EMT-Basic class, which was taught by Borden County, Paramedic Carrie Hart, and successfully passed the Texas State EMT-Basic Exam. Passing this state certification exam qualifies these new members to administer their newly acquired basic skills in any county in the state of Texas. The new Borden County EMS members are: James Bond, James Garvin, Shane Jones, Philena Farmer, Kandace Kimmel and Shawna Kempf. These students showed dedication and perseverance as they completed all necessary requirements.

Shane Jones, James Bond, James Garvin, and Philena Farmer have all made the decision to go to the next EMT level which is EMT-Intermediate. At this level, skills increase, medical knowledge and patient assessment skills advance plus this is the step that prepares EMT's for the highest level, paramedic. Philena is attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock and Shane Jones, James Garvin James Bond are all attending WTC in Snyder; all for their EMT-Intermediate certification.

These students are to be congratulated for their

selfless efforts and their of all Borden County dedication to the well-being residents.



New BC EMS Members: (L. to R.) James Garvin, James Bond, Kandace Kimmel, and Shane Jones (kneeling) Not pictured: Philena Farmer and Shawna Kempf.

Lights for Gail Ornament Contest Winners Announced

Results of the Lights for Gail Ornament Contest are as follows:

Tanner Richey (K-1)
Cade Williamson-Webber and Erid Espinoza -Tie, (2-4)
Tyrell Massingill (5-6)
Dannelle Copeland (7-8)
Rika Copeland (High School)

These students will all receive a check for \$25.00 for winning in their age group. We apologize for not recognizing these winners

during the Lights for Gail Open House on Friday night. All entries are on display on the Christmas tree in the Commissioner's Courtroom.



Father and Son elected to Serve RHA Board of Overseers

Forty-eight local and area people have been elected to serve on the Board of the Ranching Heritage Association.

James Snyder of Baird serves as the board chair.

Members are: John R. "Rich" Anderson and John Anderson of Gail; J. Martin Bassinger of Slaton; George Beggs IV and Red Steagall of Fort Worth; Bill Bennet, Alton Brazell, Durward Campbell, James Dickey; Robert F. Fee Jr., Larry Hendricks, Betty Major, Jim McAdams, Ronald Phillips, Kevin Pond, Mary Ann Sanderson and Gary Terrell of Lubbock; Don Brothers of Paducah; Rob Brown of Throckmorton; C.C. Burgess, Jim Jennings and Chris Scharbauer of Amarillo; Bill Cauble and Robert Echols of Albany; Tom Christian of Claude; J.R. Coody of Seymour; Eugenie Daniel of Truscott; Linda Davis of Cimarron, N.M.; Bryan Denman of Gonzales; Jim Dudley of Comanche; Phil Guitar and Jim Snyder of Abilene; J Evetts Haley Jr. and Becca Heidelberg of Midland; Jimbo Humphreys of Spur; Patty Kirkpatrick and Bob Macy of Post; Preston Lewis of San Angelo;

Robert Masterson and Bob and Linda Moorhouse of Guthrie; Byron Price of Norman, Okla.; Randy Steele of Austin; Rusty Tinnin of Bell Ranch, N.M.; and Taylor Yates of Breckenridge.

The board members are responsible for representing the Ranching Heritage Association in their respective areas and developing support for the National Ranching Heritage Center in Lubbock.

The Ranching Heritage Association is a non-profit corporation chartered in 1969, with the purpose of preserving the physical, social and cultural aspects of ranching and maintaining interest in ranching history. The Association sponsors the preservation of historic ranch structures and artifacts, the documentation of ranch history and culture, and the presentation of annual awards and special events throughout the year. The RHA is a major supporter of the national Ranching Heritage Center in Lubbock.

Additional information about the Association can be obtained by calling (806)742-0498 or e-mailing RanchHC@ttu.edu.

Garden City Tournament this weekend Southland Heats Up In Second Quarter to Defeat BHS; Lady Coyotes Post Win

Coach Trey Richey's boys outscored Southland in two of the four quarters and tied them in the final period.

A 24-point production by the Eagles in that second period gave them the edge as the visitors took a 61-60 win over the Coyotes.

All Coyotes scored in the game, paced by Talin Pepper's 16 points and T.J. Sharp's 13.

Cody Nowlain was also in double figures with 11 points.

Adding to the Coyotes total was freshman Ben Griffin with 7, Brionne

Jackson with 5, Jacob Zant scoring 4, and T.C. Stipe and Adam Carter making two points each.

Griffin, Jackson, Pepper, and Sharp all had one 3-point shot each.

In the girls' contest, the Lady Coyotes dominated third quarter play to take a convincing 57-16 non-district win.

BHS led by only four after the first quarter, 9-5 but pulled ahead 23-12 at half-time.

After intermission, the girls went on a shooting tear, hitting three 3's in the third period, going on a 22-0 run to push the score to 45-12 going into the fourth quarter.

Southland did manage to score four points in the final period to BHS's 12

to bring the final score to 57-16.

Micah Hensley and Kyla Culp led Lady Coyote scorers with 13 and 10 points, respectively.

Shayla Gass and Bobbie Kempf each had 6 points; Rika Copeland, Dalene Kempf, and Cassidy Rinehart chipped in 5

points each. Also scoring were Pati Rodriguez (4), Carolina Arellanos (2), and Laura Stamper (1).

Jessica Ellison, Ashley Ellison, and Emily Mayes also played in the game.

Micah and Kyla had two 3's while Shayla and

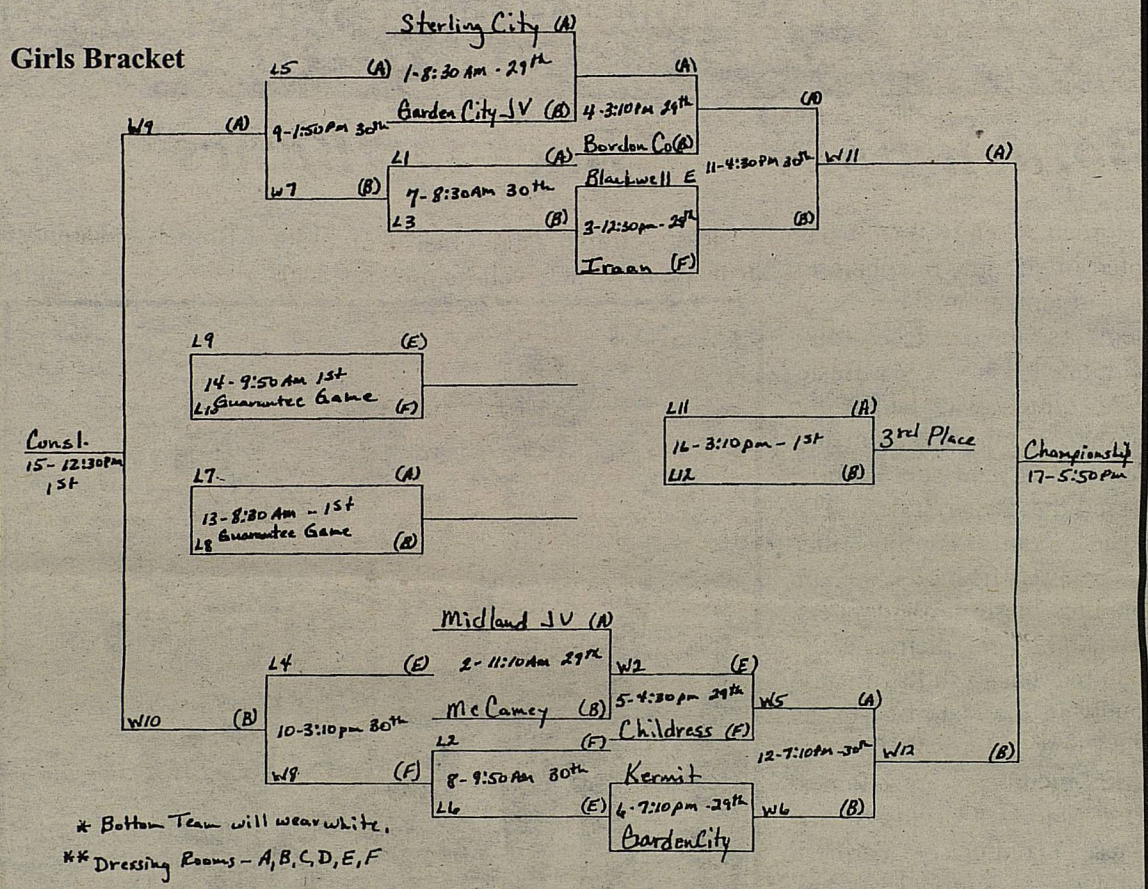
Cassidy each had one.

Both varsity teams see action this weekend in the Bearkat Booster Club Tournament in Garden City.

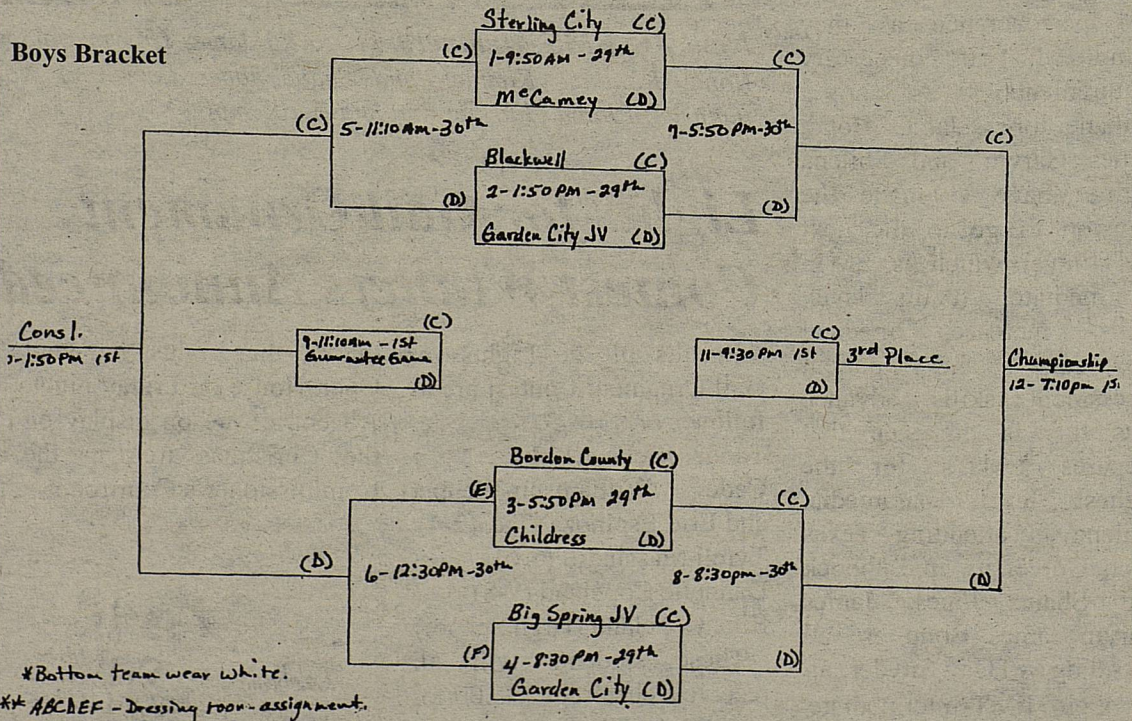
Next week BJH and BHS will host games on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday-Saturday (Borden County Christmas Tournament).

Bearkat Booster Club Tournament

Girls Bracket

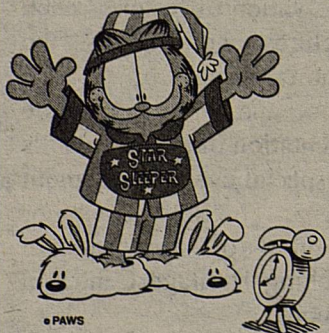


Boys Bracket



Sleep Well, Do Well

For kids to do their best in school or at play, they should get at least nine hours of sleep every night. **Kids can be Star Sleepers like Garfield.** Visit <http://starsleep.nhlbi.nih.gov> for sleep tips and fun activities.



NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
 National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
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School Menu Week Of: December 3rd - 7th

MONDAY: Pizza, corn, salad, pudding & milk
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, juice & Milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken fired Steak, potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit & milk.
Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuit, fruit juice & milk.

WEDNESDAY: Fajita, salad, beans, jell-o & milk.
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, fruit juice & milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken nuggets, green peas, potatoes, hot rolls, fruit & milk.
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, & milk.

FRIDAY: Hot Dog w/chili, onion rings, salad, fruit, cake & milk.
Breakfast: Muffin, fruit juice & milk.

Jr. High Basketball team Falls to Ira Hoopsters

Borden Jr. High's Coyote Pups found themselves in a deep hole in Monday night's game in Ira.

A 26-5 deficit was not exactly the way Coach Richey and his team wanted to start play, but after six minutes, Ira held that margin thanks to a 15-point performance by Ira's Joel Lollar.

BJH came back to outscore Ira in the next six minutes of play (9-8) but still trailed at half-time, 34-14.

The Coyote Pups also claimed a 9-4 margin in the third quarter, but Ira finished with a 13-7 scoring edge in the fourth to take the 51-30 win.

All members of the Coyote Pup roster played: Andrew Lamming, Caden Nowlain, Trey Soto, Austin Tarleton, Garrett Thomas, Chris Zamora, Clint Chapman, Rowdy Clary, John Cowart, Andy Garvin, Taylor Peterson, and Symeron Rinehart.

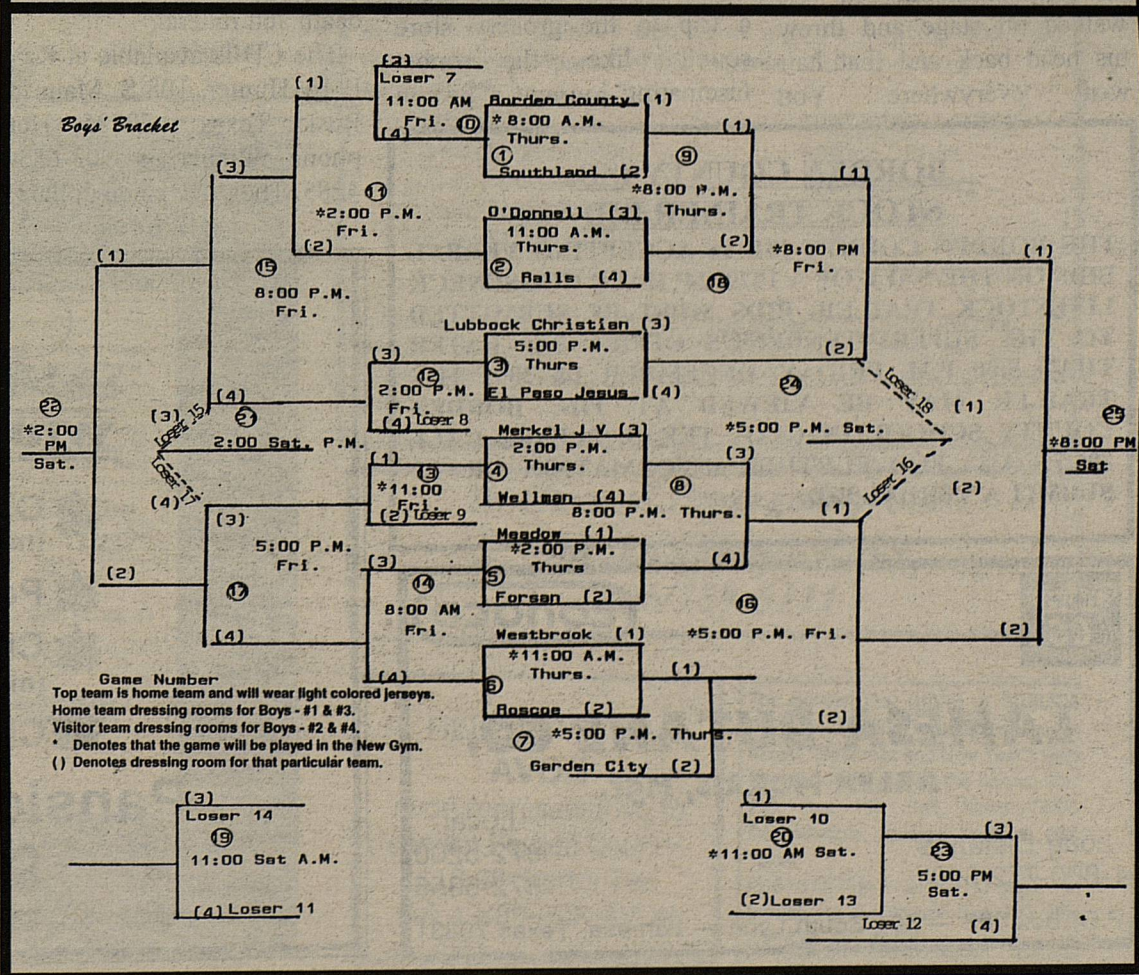
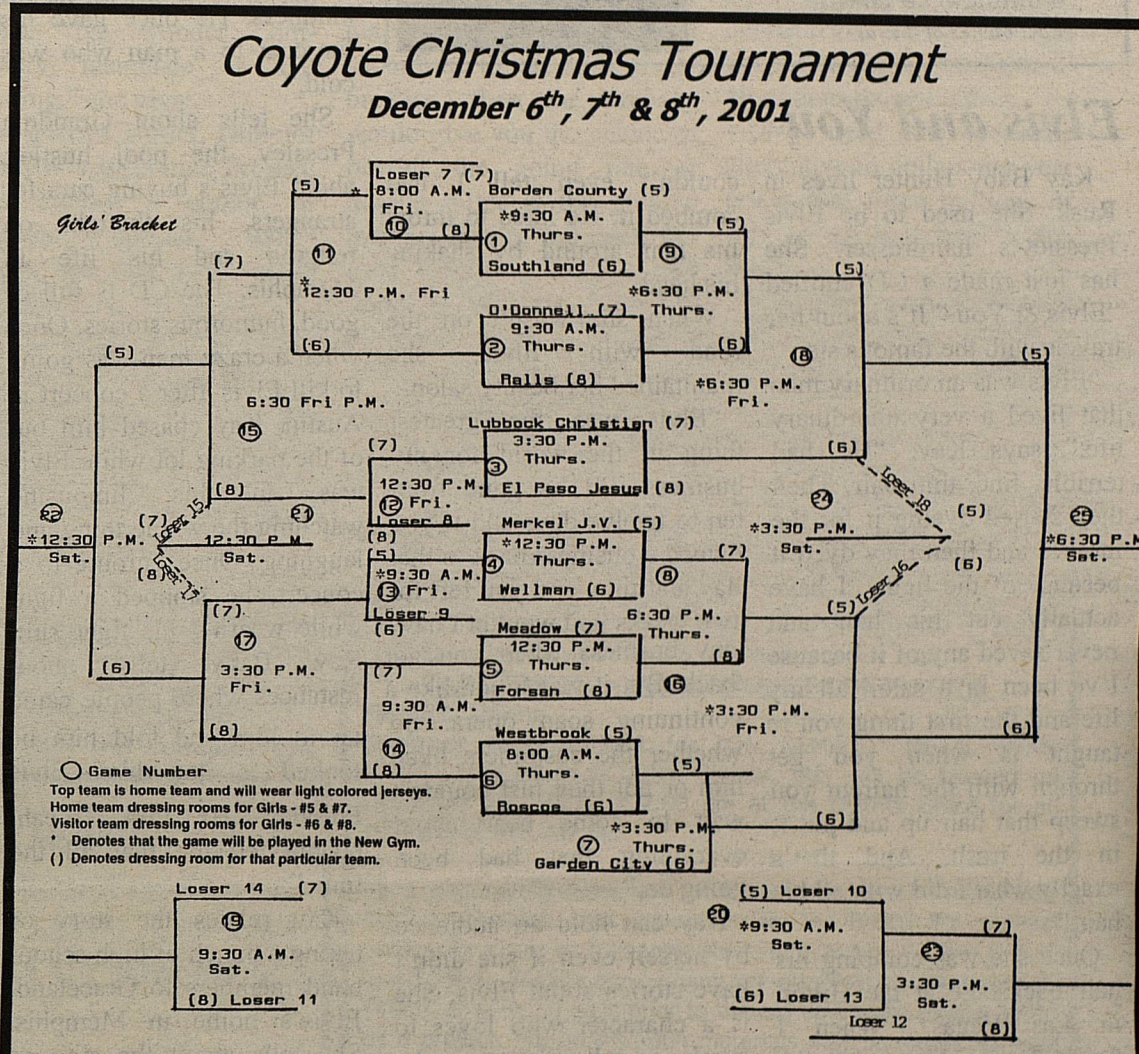
Zamora scored 21 points, followed by Lamming's 3 points. Nowlain, Tarleton, and Thomas all had two points each.

The Missy Coyotes and Missy Bulldogs played close the first three quarters in their game. Ira finally pulled away with a 13-point fourth quarter effort, giving them a 41-24 victory.

Playing for the BJH girls are Whitney Anderson, Megan Brooks, Brandi Hudson, Cassidy Ogden, Ana Arellanos, Sarah Harding, Lacey Newton, Kalli Poole, Cristina Soto, and Lindsey

Stamper. Scoring against Ira was as follows: Anderson and Ogden, 6 points each; Brooks, 5 points; Soto, 3 points; Stamper and Poole, 2 points each. Both jr. high boys and

girls will travel to O'Donnell Saturday for tournament action. The next home game for the jr. high team is Monday, December 3. Game time is set for 6 p.m.



High School Basketball Schedule

Thurs.-Sat. Nov. 29-Dec. 1	Garden City G, B, Tournament
Tues. Dec. 4	Garden City G,B,b Gail 5:00
Thurs.-Sat. Dec. 6-8	Borden County G, B Tournament
Mon. Dec. 10	Idalou G,B,b Idalou 5:00
Fri. Dec. 14	Crosbyton G,B,b Crosbyton 5:00
Mon. Dec. 17	Forsan G,B,b Forsan 5:00
Thurs.-Sat. Dec. 27-29	Sundown G, B Tournament
Fri. Jan. 4	*Grady G,B,b Gail 5:00
Tues. Jan. 8	*Ira G,B,b Ira 5:00
Fri. Jan. 11	*Sands G,B,b Gail 5:00
Tues. Jan. 15	Dawson G,B,b Gail 5:00
Thurs.-Sat. Jan. 17 & 19	Forsan JV Boys Tournament
Fri. Jan. 18	*Westbrook G,B,b Westbrook 5:00
Tues. Jan. 22	*Grady G,B,b Lenora 5:00
Fri. Jan. 25	*Ira G,B,b Gail 5:00
Tues. Jan. 29	*Sands G,B,b Ackerly 5:00
Fri. Feb. 1	Lubbock Rockets G,B Gail 6:30
Tues. Feb. 5	*Westbrook G,B,b Gail 5:00

** Scrimmage *District Game
Girls' Coach: Bobby Avery, Mike Floyd
Boys' Coach: Trey Richey, Bobby Avery
Colors: Red, White, and Columbia Blue

Junior High Basketball Schedule

Sat. Dec. 1	O'Donnell G,B Tournament	TBA
Mon. Dec. 3	Sands G,B Gail	6:00
Thurs. & Sat. Dec. 13 & 15	Idalou Jr. High 7 th & 8 th Boys Tourney	
Mon. Dec. 17	Westbrook G,B Gail	6:00
Mon. Jan. 7	Grady G,B Gail	6:00
Mon. Jan. 14	Ira G,B Gail	6:00
Mon. Jan. 21	Sands G,B Ackerly	6:00
Mon. Jan. 28	O'Donnell G,B,b O'Donnell	6:00
Mon. Feb. 4	*Westbrook G,B Westbrook	6:00

G Junior High Girls
B Junior High Boys (possibly just 8th grade boys)
b Junior High Boys (7th grade boys)

Girls' Coaches: Bobby Avery & Mike Floyd
Boys' Coaches: Trey Richey & Bobby Avery
Colors: Red, White, and Columbia Blue



Texas Stories
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Elvis and You

Kay Baby Hunter lives in Rusk. She used to be Elvis Pressley's hairdresser. She has just made a CD entitled "Elvis & You." It's about her travels with the famous star.

"Elvis was an ordinary man that lived a very unordinary life," says Kay. "He had terrible, fine, thin hair. Then they started dyeing it for the movies and then they dyed it because of the lights. I have actually cut his hair and never saved any of it because I've been in a salon all my life and the first thing you're taught is when you get through with the haircut you sweep that hair up and put it in the trash. And that's exactly what I did with all his hair."

Once she was combing his hair backstage at the Hilton in Las Vegas. "When I finished combing it, he walked on stage and threw his head back and that hair went everywhere. You

couldn't even tell I had combed it. He liked to throw his hair around by shaking his head."

When she wasn't on the road with Elvis, she maintained her beauty salon.

"Elvis was the greatest thing in the world for my business. I'd be gone from ten to twelve days and if you owned a business back in that day and time and you left for two weeks you wouldn't have any business when you got back. But it was kinda like a continuing soap opera. So whether the customers liked him or not they just couldn't wait to come hear about everything that had been going on."

Kay can hold an audience by herself even if she didn't have stories about Elvis. She is a character who loves to laugh and talk. She can make a trip to the grocery store sound like the most fascinating journey a person

could take. When you're with her, you feel like you're at the center of the universe.

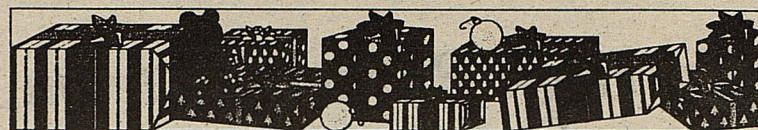
Kay's CD chronicles the time from 1971 to 1977, when she worked for Elvis. She tells about the real Elvis, the one few people knew.

"There were no limits to his kindness. He once gave his fur coat to a man who was cold."

She tells about Grandma Pressley, the pool hustler; about Elvis's buying cars for strangers, his thought on religion and his life in Memphis. The CD is full of good, humorous stories. Once when a crazy man was going to kill Elvis after a concert in Austin, Kay chased him out of the parking lot while Elvis was in his limousine watching the whole thing and laughing. Once enroute to a concert, he stopped a fight while wearing his tiger suit. Kay Baby tells about instances where people came up to him and told him he looked a lot like Elvis Pressley. He told, "Yeah, people tell me that all the time."

Kay relates the story of taking a bunch of high school band members to Graceland, Elvis's home in Memphis. She tells about the singer's death and funeral.

The CD is available at Kay Baby Hunter, 108 S. Main in Rusk, Texas 79785. Her phone number is 903-683-4285. The price is ten dollars.



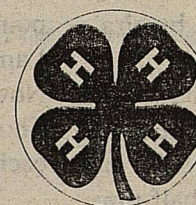
CHRISTMAS JUBILEE!

The Borden County 4-H invites you to do your Christmas Shopping at the Show Barn on Friday, December 7th. The booths will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

When you come to the Christmas Basketball Tournament, make sure you visit the various booths with Christmas gifts and crafts.

The booths consist of:

- Silver Jewelry
- Christmas Wreaths & Centerpieces
- Halters, Headstalls, & Rawhide Bracelets
- Candles
- Vests
- Home Décor
- Homemade Goodies
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- Assorted Wall Crosses
- Birdhouses
- Patriotic Crafts



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For more information contact Jullie Mumme @ 806/756-4336

Make Plans to attend the Annual Harvest Dinner

At the Plains Community Center
Sunday, Dec. 2nd - 12:30 p.m.

The P.C.C. Committee will furnish
Turkey & Dressing
Vegetables, Salads and/or Desserts
are needed.

Help is needed at
the building at
10:00 a.m.
on Friday Morning,
November 30th
to help clean and
decorate.



BORDEN COUNTY ISD STOCK TRAINER BID

THE BORDEN COUNTY ISD IS ACCEPTING VERBAL BIDS ON THE SALE OF A 1979, 24' HALE GOOSENECK LIVESTOCK TRAILER. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2001 THE TRAILER MAY BE VIEWED AT THE BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL IN GIAL, TEXAS. PLEASE CALL 806/756-4313 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT A VERBAL BID.



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New State Law Will Let Texans Buy Car Insurance By the Mile

Starting January 1st, a new state law will encourage insurance companies to let car owners buy miles of insurance as needed. It's called "cents-per-mile choice" and it could finally put Texas on the road to making compulsory car insurance work.

Two decades ago, despite opposition from insurance companies, compulsory car insurance was adopted in Texas. Since then, penalties for noncompliance have been increased and proof-of-insurance requirements have been enacted. But company representatives say the proportion of uninsured cars may be even higher than it was before insurance was made compulsory - about one if five cars now on the road are without insurance.

The major problem according to proponents of the "cents-per-mile now" project is that car insurance can only be bought at fixed rates. Such rates, they contend, make insurance like a tax on owning a car instead of a cost of driving it, the activity that produces accidents. This fixed cost

may be resented, they say, but it's affordable in most zip codes.

However, studies show that in the low income zip codes, making insurance a fixed cost of owning a car forces drivers to put more miles on fewer cars - causing the average miles per insured car to spiral upward, and insurance rated to skyrocket.

"We thank the legislature and governor for this opportunity to put forward an alternative way to buy car insurance that is essential to making compulsory insurance work," said Deborah Bell, president of Texas National Organization for Women (NOW), which lobbied hard to get the Texas law enacted. "We challenge the companies to try to

explain why they oppose compulsory insurance."

Bell also said insurance companies own it to the driving public to explain why they often charge from 50% to 150% more for car insurance in low income zip codes. "No wonder compulsory insurance is not working," she says.

Dr. Patrick Butler, Director of NOW's Insurance Project, says having a choice of payment options won't change the way your car is profiled.

"A company assigns the car to one of the company rate categories by profiling your zip code, car type and use, household drivers, your credit history and other information they have access to. The choice of continuing to pay at a fixed rate or buying miles as needed is offered only after the company sets the rate," Butler explained.

He gave this example: "Say

that your company's going rate for cars in your profile group is \$500 per year, and the average mileage for the group is about 10,000 miles per year. (Companies get mileages from periodic Government studies that determine the averages according to driver and car profiles.) then the company would give you the choice of paying the going rate or buying miles at the group's average cost of 5.0 cents per mile. Choosing to buy 2,000 miles of insurance protection - to be added to the car's current odometer mileage - should cost you \$100 plus a nominal expense fee. Before

these miles were all driven, you would have to buy more miles to stay legally insured."


The new law lets insurance companies restrict availability of the cents-per-mile choice to selected customers. Bell is urging Texans to demand that their companies make this choice available to all of their policyholders.

"We need the per-mile alternative to dollars-per-year prices that force millions of cars to go uninsured," Bell said.

Supporters of cents per mile choice have developed a web site with more information at

www.centspermilenow.org.

Thank You to everyone for helping make the Concession Stand at this years Harvest Carnival such a success for the Senior class. A Special Thank You to Julie Mumme, Sharlot Stone and the BCJLA for their help and donations.



Senior Class of 2002
and Parents

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, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

District: Abilene
Contract 6079-49-001 for "ON DEMAND" METAL BEAM GUARD FENCES in SCURRY County, etc. will be opened on December 19, 2001, at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$73,727.00.

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.

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State Office
Construction Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

DISTRICT OFFICE
Abilene District
District Engineer
4250 N. Clack
Abilene, TX 79601
Phone: 915-676-6800

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.

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				1 J.H. Football Westbrook Here-8:00	2 H.S. Football Westbrook Here-7:30	3 Reg. II Cross Country at Arlington
4	5 FFA Lone Wolf LDE at Roscoe-4:30	6 Girls' Slaton 3-way basketball scrimmage	7	8	9 H.S. Football at Highland-7:30 End 2nd Six Weeks	10 State Cross Country at Round Rock
11	12	13 UIL Elem./J.H. Academic Meet at Grady HIS Basketball New Home 11:50 (GBb)	14	15 UIL Elem./J.H. Academic Meet at Grady	16 Basketball Pictures	17 Area II LDE Howard College Girls' Basketball at Slaton
18	19 H.S. Basketball @ Seagraves-5:00 J.H. Basketball at Grady-6:00	20 H.S. Basketball Southland-H at 5:00 (GBb)	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Holidays - Nov. 21, 22, 23
25	26 JH Basketball at Ira-6:00 Jr. Class Eng. III Theatre-Lubbock	27 H.S. Basketball Meadow-H at 5:00 (GBb)	28	29	30 Progress Reports Garden City Basketball Tournament Nov. 29-Dec. 1 Girls at 8:30 A.M. - Boys at 9:50 A.M.	

Groundbreaking study by American Lung Association reveals Flu shots are Safe for people with Asthma

The American Lung Association Asthma Clinical Research Centers Network, which includes Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and 18 other centers nationwide, conducted the study, which will be published in the November 22, 2001 issue of *The New England Journal of Medicine*. The study has important health implications because influenza causes substantial illness in both children and adults with asthma. The American Lung Association of Texas urges children and adults with asthma, who haven't already received a flu shot this year, to get one right away.

"The study found that people with asthma did not have any higher rates of side effects for the 14 days after receiving the influenza vaccine, compared with those who received a placebo, or inactive shot," said Nicola Iannania, M.D., FCCP, principal investigator for the American Lung Association Asthma Clinical Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "This proves that the flu shot does not trigger asthma attacks. Unfortunately, only about 10% of people with asthma currently get a flu shot, in part because they have been afraid it would adversely affect their asthma. If everyone with asthma gets a flu shot this year, we can prevent millions of asthma attacks, many of which could be severe and result in hospitalizations," he added.

The study included 2,032 children and adults who were diagnosed with asthma. Patients were randomly assigned to receive the actual flu shot or a placebo (inactive) injection that did not contain the flu vaccine. The two groups switched sides so that all participants received the real vaccine by the end of the

study.

The study was conducted and funded by the American Lung Association's newly organized Asthma Clinical Research Centers' (ACRC) Network. Nineteen centers, funded by 23 local Lung Associations, were coordinated by the American Lung Association-American Thoracic Society/Merck Asthma Clinical Research Data Coordinating Center at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

An estimated 26 million Americans - 8.6 million of which are under the age of 18 - have been diagnosed with asthma in their lifetime. Of these 26 million had an asthma attack or episode in the past year. An estimated 1.1 million people in Texas have asthma, including more than 330,000 children under 18. Over the past two decades, asthma deaths have risen both in numbers and rate. The number of deaths attributed to asthma has increased by 109%, from 2,598 in 1979 to 5,438 in 1998.

Influenza can be very dangerous for people with asthma and other "high risk" conditions, including those

with other lung conditions, as well as those with heart and kidney disease. Hospitalization rates for such people increase two- to five-fold during major flu epidemics. The influenza virus is associated with serious illness and even death. During influenza outbreaks, there tends to be an increase in pneumonia cases and a high rate of influenza hospitalizations. Influenza accounts for 192 million days spent in bed, 70 million lost working days, and 346 million days of restricted-activity each year.

Viral respiratory infections, such as influenza, may cause asthma episodes in people of all ages. Viral infections are believed to be the cause of 80%-85% of asthma episodes in children. In addition, influenza infection often renders people with asthma more susceptible to constriction of the airways and persistent decline in lung functions.

For more information about asthma and influenza, call the American Lung Association of Texas at 1-800-LUNG-USA (1-800-586-4872), or visit our web site at <http://www.texaslung.org>.

Treatments after harvest serve eradication purpose

The aerial applicator's plane flies back and forth across a cotton field, a sight familiar to High Plains cotton producers who've long treated fields to control the damage for cotton pests.

What may not be familiar to many of these producers is the sight of an aerial applicator spraying insecticide on a recently harvested field.

Growers on the Plains have witnessed such a sight as boll weevil eradication applications continue across Texas, and they question the sense of treating harvested fields, said Charles Allen, program director for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

But these treatments are critical for successful eradication, he said.

"Fall is a critical time of year for boll weevil eradication, Allen said. "Thorough treatment of fields in the fall provides maximum boll weevil suppression and is the quickest and most economical route to complete elimination of boll weevils from an area."

Two new zones, Southern High Plains/Caprock and Northern High Plains, began eradication in September. These zones are undergoing diapause treatments, where all the cotton fields are sprayed weekly to drastically reduce the number of boll

weevils that will over-winter and re-emerge during the next growing season.

In other Plains zones, which are completing their third year of eradication, fields are treated when weevils are caught in fields where food is present.

Ordinarily, growers would cease treating fields after harvest because spending the money on a harvested field would not make sense from an insect-control standpoint. The goal of control is to prevent significant economic damage to a crop.

However, "until a freeze kills the cotton stalks, they can support the re-growth of leaves, and more importantly, fruit that provide food for boll weevils," Allen said.

When these conditions are present in the diapause phase of eradication, the fields need to be treated, he said.

"It's easy to forget that the goal of treatment in eradication is not just protection of cotton yield but the complete elimination of the boll weevil," Allen said. "With that goal in mind, it not only makes sense to treat harvested fields that have regrown to the point that they have produced boll weevil food, it is critical to the success of the program."

Cotton producers may contact their district or zone offices for more information.

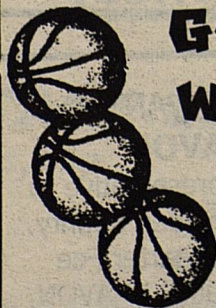
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Fee will be \$11.00 per brand per location. The Borden County Clerks Office have began the processing and will continue through February 28, 2002.

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TDH checking retail stores for recalled toys

They're so cute – that soft goldfish rattle with the big eyes and that lifelike stuffed kitten that purrs when you pet it. And what child wouldn't love a little toy troll that sticks out his tongue when you squeeze him, a flexible-neck lamp with Tweety's face on its plastic shade or a cool baseball video game that features an electronic home plate, ball and bat?

Unfortunately, the goldfish's sewn-on eyes and the troll's balloon tongue can detach, causing a choking hazard. The water inside the stuffed kitten that makes it "lifelike" is contaminated. The bulb in the lamp is a fire and burn risk. And the video game's electronic bat can separate during a swing, releasing broken pieces that have hit and injured numerous children.

These and several other potentially hazardous items make up a sort of "10 Most Wanted" list for product safety division inspectors from the Texas Department of Health. Each fall – just before the big holiday shopping season – the inspectors visit retail stores around Texas making sure that certain recalled toys are no longer available and giving retailers detailed information about each of the recalled items.

It's called "Toy Sweep," and it's a four-day campaign to educate retailers and remind consumers that certain items have been recalled and are not safe for children. This year's effort was held Nov. 15, 16, 19 and 20 in the Austin, Dallas/Fort Worth, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock and San Antonio areas.

"We hold the Toy Sweep at this time because the day after Thanksgiving is the biggest shopping day of the year, and we want safety to be foremost in parents' minds when they select toys for their children," said Annabelle Dillard, chief of the field operations and compliance branch for

TDH's product safety division.

This year's Toy Sweep focused on a sampling of many different products. Some are choking hazards – toys in which the eyes are not sewn on well or toys that can break, causing small parts to be released. Some are electrical hazards (the lamp). Some are mechanical hazards – bicycles with frames or front-suspension forks that can break during use, resulting in serious injury, and the bat that can come apart. And one item, a soft toy for babies, has wire that can poke through fabric, causing cuts, scratches and other injuries.

Why these 10 out of the hundreds of items that manufacturers, in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission, recall each year? Dillard says TDH tries to select different types of toys with different types of hazards that we distributed in Texas and have been recently recalled. Other criteria considered include whether any injuries were reported and whether a significantly large number of the toys were affected by the recall.

Dillard says that manufacturers have gotten better in

recent years at getting information about recalled items to retailers. "The problem is that, once a product has been distributed, it's very difficult to get the work out to all the retail outlets," she said. "That is why a recalled product may still be on store shelves."

For their part, retailers are extremely cooperative with inspectors, she adds. "They don't want to sell an item that's been recalled. They actually welcome our inspectors into their stores because they very much appreciate the information that we provide to them and because we can help them prevent the sale of these items."

Educating the public is also an important aspect of the Toy Sweep. Dillard says it's a good time to remind parents of things to keep in mind when they're shopping for toys or evaluating toys they have at home.

- Read the label carefully. "It's very important to look at the age levels that are recommended on the package," she said. Even if you feel your child is advanced for his or her age, skill level isn't the only issue; there are

safety considerations as well.

- Look for any hazards associated with the toy. "The eyes may not be sewn on very well; they may have points or sharp edges that would not be appropriate for a younger child," she said. "It's important for parents to look at the toy as a whole and determine whether or not it's an appropriate toy for their child."
- Go ahead and buy the accompanying protective gear when you purchase items such as bicycles, scooters and roller blades. That means helmets for bikes and scooters, kneepads, helmets and shin guards for skates, says Dillard.
- If there is more than one child in the household, remember that there will be toys around that aren't appropriate for all ages, abilities and skill levels. "It's important to instruct older children how to take care of their toys,

especially toys with small parts. Make sure they keep those out of the reach of their younger brothers and sisters."

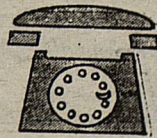
- Periodically examine your children's toys. "It's important for parents to look in their child's toy box regularly, discarding any broken toys and seeing if any of the items there could present a choking hazard or are now dangerous," she said. "A toy that was perfectly safe before may have received so much wear and tear that it's no longer safe."

If you find toys you believe are dangerous, defective or mislabeled, call the TDH product safety division at 512-834-6773. Information is available on the TDH product safety Web site at

www.tdh.state.tx.us/beh/ps/ about toy and product hazards. For more information about all recalled items, consumers can visit the COSC Web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov>.

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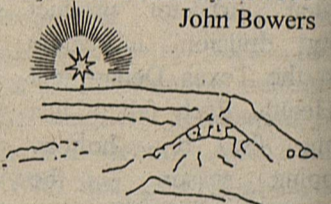
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