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Realignment touches area schools

The University Interscholastic League unveiled its 2002 biennial realignment Monday morning, and as usual there were plenty of changes.

In the six-man football alignment, Borden County will go west for the next few years leaving Ira Hermleigh, Loraine, Highland and Westbrook behind. Borden County will join District 5 along with Sands, Klondike, Grady, Loop and Dawson.

The Class A Division II basketball district took on a new look also, with six teams now in each league instead of five.

Borden County, will face Sands, Klondike, Grady, Dawson and Ira in district hoops action.

The new alignments take effect next school year and run through the spring of 2004.

Following is a list of schools from the South Plains/Panhandle regions that changed classes in the biennial UIL realignment that was released Monday.

CLASS 5A

District 3-5A became District 2-5A and District 4-5A became District 6-5A

CLASS 4A

Borger, Canyon and Snyder moved to Class 3A

CLASS 3A

Roosevelt, Shallowater and Sanford-Fritch moved to Class 2A

CLASS 2A

Morton, Plains, Ralls, and Sundown moved to Class 1A.

CLASS 1A

Aspermont, Meadow, Motley County and Spur moved to Six-Man.

2002-2003 Districts

Following are the South Plains/Panhandle regions established by the UIL for the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 school years.

CLASS 5-A

District 2-5A

Amarillo, Coronado, Lubbock High, Monterey, San Angelo Central, Tascosa.

District 3-5A

Abilene, Abilene Cooper, Midland, Midland, Lee, Odessa Odessa-Permian.

CLASS 4A

District 3-4A

Caprock, Dumas, Hereford, Palo Duro, Pampa, Plainview, Randall.

District 4-4A

Andrews, Big Spring, Estacado, Frenship, Levelland, San Angelo Lake View.

CLASS 3A

District 1-3A

Borger, Canyon, Dalhart, Perryton, River Road, Tulia

District 2-3A

Brownfield, Cooper, Dimmitt, Littlefield, Muleshoe, Slaton.

District 3-3A

Denver City, Lamesa, Merkel, Seminole, Snyder, Sweetwater

CLASS 2A

District 3-2A

Coahoma, Colorado City, Crane, Forsan, Seagraves, Stanton

District 4-2A

Idalou, New Deal, Post, Roosevelt, Shallowater, Tahoka.

District 5-2A

Abernathy, Floydada, Friona, Hale Center, Lockney, Olton.

CLASS 1A

District 4-1A

Bovina, Farwell, Hart, Kress, Nazareth, Springlake-Earth.

District 5-1A

Anton, Crosbyton, Lorenzo, Petersburg, Ralls, Sundan

District 6-1A

Morton, O'Donnell, Plains, Snyder, Sundown, Whiteface.

District 9-1A

Crowell, Hamlin, Knox City, Munday, Paducah, Rotan.

District 15-1A

Bronte, Miles, Robert Lee, Roby, Roscoe, Sterling City.

SIX-MAN

District 2-A

Happy, Hedley, Motley County, Patton Springs, Silverton, Valley

District 3A

Amherst, Cotton Center, Lazbuddie, Spade, Whitharral.

District 4A

Meadow, New Home, Ropes, Southland, Wellman-Union, Wilson.

District 5-A

Borden County, Klondike, Grady, Loop, Dawson, Sands

District 7-A

Aspermont, Jayton, Lueders-Avoca, Paint Creek, Rule Spur

District 8-A

Hermleigh, Highland, Ira, Loraine, Trent, Westbrook

**All the Way!
Lady Coyotes
Lots of Luck
in the upcoming
Play-off
games!**

Poka Lambro Scholarship Available

Poka Lambro is now accepting applications for three \$2,500 scholarships. To be eligible a student must be the son or daughter of a Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative member graduating from an area high school.

Scholarship selection is based on academic achievement, involvement in extracurricular activities, and financial need. Entry deadline

is **March 5, 2002.**

Scholarship presentations will be made at Poka Lambro's Annual Membership Meeting in March.

Applications have been sent to area high schools and may also be obtained from our office.

Please contact Amy Preston toll-free at 1-800-422-2387 if you have questions or need additional information.

Wildlife "Brigade" Camps Seeking Recruits

The call is going out for enlistment's into 2002's "Texas Brigades," a group of wildlife-oriented youth camps aimed at cadets 13-17 years old. The camps use bobwhite quail, white-tailed deer, and wild turkey as vehicles to equip young people with communications skills and leadership development in an outdoor setting. The skills cadets learn I the fast-paced summer camps are invaluable regardless of their future career goals.

"This year marks the 10th year of the Brigade concept," said Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist

and founder of the Brigades. "These camps continue to grow in popularity, not only in Texas, but in at least five other states. We've combined the Bobwhite, Buckskin and Feather Force Brigades into the overarching Texas Brigades' as the camps have continued to expand."

The two Buckskin Brigades dates and locations are: South Texas, 3rd Battalion, LaPryor, June 2-6; and North Texas, 1st Battalion Luedes, July 21-25. Dates and locations for the two Bobwhite Brigades are: Rolling Plains, 10th Battalion, Lueders, June 22-26; and South Texas, 5th

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Playoff Action begins Next Week

Coyotes Round up Mustangs; Girls Clinch District Title

The Borden High School boys' basketball team won its 10th game of the season January 29 with a victory over Sands, 59-42.

Sands only lead of the game would come in the first minute of play, but it was short-lived as Jacob Zant tied the score with 6:55 on the clock.

The Coyotes reeled off the next 8 points, culminating with a perfectly-executed in-bounds pass from junior Talin Pepper to junior T.J. Sharp at the 2:37 mark to extend the lead to 10-2.

A last-second razzle-dazzle play (Ben Griffin's intentional backboard pass deflecting into Zant's hands) ended the quarter with Zant's attempt falling short but getting fouled.

His frees throws were good to give BHS a 14-4 first-quarter lead.

Griffin had the hot hand in the second quarter as the freshman went two-for-two from behind the arc, bumping the Coyote lead to 24-7 with 4:12 remaining in the half.

Sands would mount a small rally, scoring the final 8 points of the quarter and closing the gap to 26-18.

The two teams traded buckets to begin the third period, and with 3:47 left in the quarter, Zant's offensive rebound and put back put the Coyotes out in front, 34-22.

Once again Sands rallied in the final seconds of quarter play, hitting a three and a field goal to make it a 40-30 game with eight minutes to play.

The fourth quarter belonged to Talin Pepper as the junior took advantage of the free throw, hitting 6-of-7, including three in a row

on a technical called on the Sands' bench.

The Mustangs were never able to regain momentum—the closest they would get would be an 11-point margin with only 1:23 left in the game.

With 14 seconds left, Pepper threw a perfect pass to Sharp who took it in for the Coyotes' final points.

VARSIY GIRLS

Riding a big first quarter, the Borden High School Lady Coyotes got the job done at Sands January 29, winning their 7th district game and more importantly, the district championship.

The 57-41 victory propels the Lady Coyotes into playoff action after their final regular season game with Westbrook February 5 in Gail.

Senior Rika Copeland got things started off with a steal in the lane and subsequent basket on the BHS end of the floor.

The Lady Mustangs actually led twice in the next two minutes of the game, but after junior Bobbie Kempf drove the lane to put the Lady Coyotes up 6-5, BHS never looked back.

Copeland did a great job of feeding the ball back out when she was double-teamed, allowing juniors Micah Hensley and Kyliia Culp to shoot from the perimeter.

Culp hit three shots for 7 points as the Lady Coyotes held a 20-5 lead after eight minutes of play.

Hensley also paced the first-quarter barrage with five steals and went 4-for-4 from the free throw line.

Copeland did some more damage from the free-throw line, going 3-of-4 in the second quarter.

Junior Pati Rodriguez put BHS up 25-9 at the 5:42 mark on a sweet pull-up jumper at the top of the key.

The half ended with the girls leading 32-18.

Sands scored 12 points in the third quarter, but it was not enough to overcome the Lady Coyotes' decisive lead.

Junior Dalene Kempf aided the girls' cause with six points in the third quarter, the last bucket coming at 2:06 to increase the lead to 44-26.

Culp added another three-pointer in the final period to pad the margin as BHS closed out the win with two Laura Stamper free throws with less than 20 seconds remaining in the game.

BHS 14 12 14 19 59
SHS 4 14 12 12 42
Zant (10 pts., 8 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists); **Nowlain** (7 pts., 5 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists); **Pepper** (12 pts., 3 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists); **Sharp** (20 pts., 7 rebounds, 5 steals); **Pinkerton** (4 pts., 1 rebound); **Griffin** (6 pts., 1 rebound, 1 steal); **Stipe** (2 rebounds); **Brionne Jackson** also seeing action—others, **Adam Carter, John Wilson, Shane Tarleton, Garrett Chapman**

BHS 20 12 14 11 57
SHS 5 13 12 11 41
Copeland (9 pts., 4 rebounds, 5 steals, 2 blocked shots, 3 assists); **B. Kempf** (11 pts., 3 rebounds, 4 steals, 1 blocked shot); **D. Kempf** (8 pts., 8 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists); **Hensley** (7 pts., 7 rebounds, 6 steals, 1 assist); **Culp** (14 pts.); **Rodriguez** (6 pts., 3 rebounds, 2 steals, 4 assists); **Stamper** (2 pts., 1 rebound); **Gass** (3 rebounds, 1 steal); **Arellanos** (2 rebounds); **Mayes** (1 rebound)...also seeing action were **Cassidy Rinehart** and **Jessica Ellison**

Junior High Basketball Season Ends

With road games the past two weeks, both the girls and boys' jr. high basketball teams wrapped up the 2001-2002 season.

BJH traveled to O'Donnell January 28 to take on the Eagles in non-district contests.

The girls dropped a 25-21 to the Lady Eagles while the boys fell 54-43.

In the final game of the season against host Westbrook, the Missy Coyotes won 44-9; the Coyotes Pups led by three points after three quarters, but Westbrook rallied to win in the final quarter, 40-37.

GIRLS' BOX SCORES

BJH 7 4 4 6 21
OJH 4 2 7 12 25
Anderson (6 pts.), **Brooks** (6 pts.), **Stamper** (5 pts.), **Ogden** (2 pts.), and **Soto** (2 pts.)...other team members are **Lacey Newton, Ana Arellanos, Sarah Harding, Kalli Poole, b Brandi Hudson**

BJH 6 22 6 10 44
WJH 3 2 2 2 9
Stamper (8 pts.), **Soto** (6 pts.), **Ogden** (6 pts.), **Arellanos** (6 pts.), **Brooks** (6 pts.), **Poole** (6 pts.), **Anderson** (4 pts.), **Harding** (2 pts.)...also playing were **Newton, Hudson**

BOYS' BOX SCORE

BJH 13 6 14 4 37
WHS 10 14 6 10 40
Zamora (16 pts.), **Thomas** (12 pts.), **Tarleton** (7 pts.), **Pigford** (2 pts.)...also playing were **Caden Nowlain, J. Ryan Gicklhorn, Trey Soto, Andrew Lamming, Symeron Rinehart** (2 pts. in the 7th grade game on a steal and lay-up in last 12 seconds of game), **Zane Williamson, Rowdy Clary** (2 pts. in 7th grade game on an assist from **Taylor Peterson, Taylor Peterson, Andy Garvin, John Cowart, Clint Chapman, Dore Rodriguez**)



Show Your Colors

The Lady Coyotes are heading for the play-offs! Special orders of play-off t-shirts will be available from seniors, beginning Friday night, February 2.

Borden County T-shirts are available from seniors 24-7. Order on-line at www.bordencountyisd.esc17.net in the Coyote Den and click on Coyote Gear!



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Watch Out for our Children . . .



Let Me Get My Hat!

By Dennis Poole,
Borden County CEA-Ag.

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 Court of Texas Cooperating.

Ft. Worth Stock Show Results

Several 4-H members recently traveled to Ft. Worth to participate in the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. Results are as follows:

Lambs:

LaShae Johnson - 3rd & 5th Place HW Southdown and 10th & 16th Place HW Medium Wool

Steers:

Tanner Poole - 1st Place LW American
Kylia Culp - 4th Place HW American

J. Ryan Gicklhorn - 7th Place LW American
Kalli Poole - 7th Place LW Shorthorn

Also exhibiting steers were Brionne Jackson, Sunni Shipp, Sydney Shipp, and Chelsea Stephens.

Congratulations to these exhibitors! Thanks to all who helped in preparing animals for the show, transportation of the animals and exhibitors, and for all efforts that go along with a major stock show! Good luck to those of you preparing for San Antonio.

Wildlife "Brigade" Camp

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Battalion, Campbellton, July 14-18. The East Texas "Feather Forces" Brigade, 6th Battalion, July 28 - August 1 at Broadus, centers around quail and turkey.

"Oftentimes after I've given a talk somewhere, kids and parents ask me about possible careers in wildlife management. While our primary objective is not to be training our Brigade cadets as future wildlife biologists, they do have a great opportunity to rub elbows with the 'who's who' of Texas wildlife professionals," said Rollins. "To that end, many have a chance to get a real taste of a wildlife-oriented career track."

Rollins said after graduating, each cadet is expected to present educational program in his or her home county.

"These camps themselves have received several state and national awards, as have some of the cadets who've been trained," said Rollins. "For example, two of our recent cadets, John and Drew

McEachern, twins from Paducah, were named Outstanding Youth Conservationists by the Sportsmens Conservationists of Texas.

"I believe 2002 is going to be a 'hit high gear' year for the Texas Brigades Wildlife Camps. We've been successful in enlisting a number of corporate sponsors and the enthusiasm among the adults involved in putting on the camps continues to be one of 'gung ho.'"

The camps' sponsors include Texas Cooperative Extension, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Quail Unlimited, local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, private businesses, and landowners.

Tuition for all camps is \$200 per cadet. Organizers are willing to help cadets find scholarships for at least half of the tuition. Applications are available in .pdf format at <http://texnat.tamu.edu> or

Deadline for Director Nominations in Regional Boll Weevil Vote

Cotton producers in the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone who wish to represent the 22-county area on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation's statewide board of directors have until Friday, Feb. 8 to officially place their names into nomination.

The deadline comes as cotton farmers and landowners who farmed cotton in 2001 get set to decide in a March 11

referendum whether to continue a boll weevil eradication program in the Rolling Plains Central Zone.

Cotton producers who farm in the zone and have grown cotton for at least seven years may place their names on the March 11 ballot for the board member position. Those wishing to be placed on the ballot must fill out a nomination form along with a biographical information sheet. In addition, the nomination must be supported by the signatures of at least 10 other eligible cotton growers in the zone.

Nomination forms are

available at county cooperative extension service offices and the Texas Department of Agriculture in Austin at 512.463.7593.

Producers can mail the form to the Texas Department of Agriculture at P. O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711 or fax the form to 512.463.1104. The nomination must be received in Austin by Feb. 8.

Woody Anderson of Mitchell County currently represents the Rolling Plains Central Zone on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc.

Growers in the Rolling Plains Central Zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program on Dec. 1,

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School Menu Week Of:

February 11th - 15th

MONDAY: Beef & Bean Burrito, potato wedges, salad, ice cream & milk
Breakfast: Muffin, juice & Milk.

TUESDAY: Fish, black-eyed peas, potato salad, hush puppies, fruit & Milk.
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit juice & milk.

WEDNESDAY: Meat & gravy, potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit & milk.
Breakfast: Pancake pup, fruit juice & milk.

THURSDAY: Beef soup, grilled cheese, pickles, cinnamon rolls, & milk.
Breakfast: Cheese toast, fruit, & milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken on a bun, French fries, salad cup, cake & milk. **Breakfast:** Hot Pocket, fruit juice & milk.

www.texasbrigades.org. Applications are due by April 15. Send them to Helen Holdsworth, 3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 212, San Antonio, TX 78230.

For further information contact Dr. Dale Rollins at (915)653-4576 or e-mail him at d-rollins@tamu.edu or contact Helen Holdsworth, San Antonio-based Texas Brigades executive director, at (210)467-6578 or e-mail her at h-holdsworth@tamu.edu.

From the Counselor: By Mary Airhart

Poka-Lambro Scholarship

Poka-Lambro Scholarship applications are in. The completed application is due March 2, 2002. This award is based on academic achievement, involvement in extra-curricular activities, and financial need.

FAFSA Forms

FAFSA's (Free Application for Federal Student Air, including Pell Grant), printed forms have been given to seniors. 2001 income tax information **must be used** on this application. Senior parents should prepare their

income tax returns as soon as possible. The early bird gets most of the worm, so the information should be filed electronically as soon as income tax information is compiled. If parents or students do not file a return, the FAFSA may be submitted now.

TTU Visitation Day Set

Saturday, February 22, is Texas Tech University visitation day for seniors who may be considering attending TTU. Several events are planned as well as campus tours.

Borden County Parents' Club Fund Raisers

Parents' Club 2002 Calendars are now here. If you did not order one and would like one, we have extras. They are \$5.00 each

Also, we have 4 of our cookbooks left and they are \$10.00 and school directors left and they are \$3.00.

Contact a BC PC member and get your today. All proceeds go toward a scholarship for a graduating senior.



Texas Stories

A showcase of the Texas Spirit

Tumbleweed Smith
Part owner of Texas



Men and their Patriotic Verse

Some junior high and high school students in Colorado City are interviewing war veterans. They hope to get photos, memorabilia and tape recorded reminiscences from all the veterans in their county.

I heard about the program and invited the students and some of their teachers to come speak to my oral history class, which I teach at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin in Odessa.

They not only came 100 miles one-way on a school bus to speak to my 7:30 p.m. class; they came with their Principal, their parents, sponsors and teachers and impressive display on several of the veterans they had interviewed. They also brought video and audio-tapes of some of their interviewees and a power point presentation about their project. Their program started with a girl singing a song from the World War Two era.

The students were impressed. So was I.

The group of about 20 students and that many adults went to eat at the local fast food restaurant before coming to the campus. All the youngsters wore matching shirts and pants and looked extremely professional. A

man sitting near them in the restaurant asked them what they were doing. When he found out, he pulled out a poem he had written on January 17, 1991 and gave them a copy. It is called FREEDOM and goes like this:

The rattle sabers, they roll their tanks. It is not a game, so don't say thanks. The brave will fight, the cowards run. Regardless which it is no fun.

For young and old, some lose their lives. And mothers cry, the same with wives. Sometime in life we must unite. To have our freedom we all must fight.

That poem was written by Tommy Johnson of Odessa.

The other day I was eating at my favorite barbecue restaurant when the waitress brought over a piece of very fine paper with a poem and a picture of an eagle on it. She told me, "That man sitting over there asked me to give this to you." I read the poem, then went over and met the man. Bo Bokelman. He wrote a poem titled LET THE EAGLE FLY. The words follow:

There's a powerful message for you and me. It's written in the Bible in Ecclesiastes Chapter 3. "There's a time to

kill and a time to heal, a time to be born and a time to die." Now, its time for the Doves to watch the Eagles fly.

We've tried to talk; we've tried to get along. We've bent over backwards and we've danced to their song. We've watched our ships blown apart and our children die. It's time for the Doves to watch the Eagles fly.

The world can't fathom the fiber of this land. The more you damage it the harder it is to bend. The people come together with one common cry; for the Dove to watch the Eagle fly.

We've been taught to listen to God when He speaks. Let's listen closely, we don't need a repeat. "There's a time for peace and a time for war." The message is clear. We don't need anymore. How many more people have to die before the Doves stand down and let the Eagles fly.

And when every thing settled and the world's on the mend, let the Eagles stand

down and let the Doves fly again.

I'm sure that both these two men represent thousands more who have taken up a pencil or pen during wartime to express how they feel. These two have not just

written their words to keep in a book some where. They have taken the time to have them printed professionally and are handling them out on rare occasions to people who might understand and appreciate them.

RED
A Tribute to Red Skelton,
by Tom Mullica

Hottest Show on the Road!!

Sunday, Feb. 17: 3:00 P.M.
School Auditorium, Post, Tx.
211 West 8th Street

\$18.00 Reserved
\$12.00 Gen. Admission
Caprock Cultural Association
Call: (806) 495-4148

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\$39,000.00
915/573-4782

POLITICAL
CALENDAR

County Judge:
Van L. York, (D)

County & District Clerk
Joyce Herridge, (D)

County Treasurer
Kenneth P. Bennett, (D)

Justice of the Peace
Jane Jones, (D)

County Commissioner
Precinct #2
Randy Adcock, (D)

Precinct #4
Joe T. Belew, (D)
Chuck Kimmel, (D)
Cody Newton, (D)
Joel S. Dennis, (D)

17th Dist. US Congress
Charles Stenholm (D)

March Democratic
Primaries

PRIMARY ELECTION 2002
CALENDAR

Applications for an early ballot by mail for the General Primary Election or for both the General Primary and the Runoff Primary are now being accepted in the CLERK'S OFFICE

January 26th First day to mail ballots to qualified voters who have requested ballots by mail.

February 8th First day for voter to submit an application for an early ballot by mail for the runoff Primary Election. A person may request ballots for both the General Primary and the Primary Runoff Elections on the same application.

February 10th Last day a voter who has moved to a different election precinct within the county may submit a change of address to be eligible to vote (in the General Primary) in the precinct of his or her new residence.

February 11th Last day a person may submit an application to register to vote in the March 12th, 2002 Primary Election.

February 25th Early voting by personal appearance begins at the Clerk's Office in the Courthouse

March 5th Last day to receive applications for ballots by mail.

March 8th Last day to vote early by personal appearance.

March 11th Last day on which a person may submit an application to register to vote in April 9, 2002 Runoff Primary Election.

March 12th **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY**

BORDEN COUNTY ISD
AUTOMOBILE BID

THE BORDEN COUNTY ISD IS ACCEPTING VERBAL BIDS ON THE SALE OF A 1992 BUICK CENTURY AUTOMOBILE. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2002. THE AUTOMOBILE MAY BE VIEWED AT THE BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL IN GAIL, TEXAS. PLEASE CALL 806/756-4313 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT A VERBAL BID.

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.

Child Safety seat Check-up Event – Feb. 14th in Snyder

There are rear-facing car seats, forward-facing car seats, belt-positioning booster seats, and high back booster seats. All these are critical in keeping a child safe in a vehicle, but they are not the most important factor. Parents are the most important factor in ensuring that children are securely placed in the proper child safety seat for the child and the vehicle.

On Thursday, February 14th, Texas Cooperative Extension in Borden and Scurry counties will conduct a child safety seat check-up event at United Supermarkets in Snyder. The checkup event, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Valentine's Day is Free.

Four out of five car seats are used incorrectly. Many of us think that if we just put the seat in the car and snap it, we are restraining our child. However, the safety belt must be routed through the correct slots on the child safety seat and the safety seat should be secure enough so that it doesn't move more than an inch from side to side or toward the front of the vehicle.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will go over the checkup form with parents and point out what is correct and incorrect with each child safety seat. They will then properly install the child safety seats, take them

bags of groceries in the trunk of a car or in the very back of a sport utility vehicle or car. In a crash, cans and jars can turn into deadly projectiles.

Also, never place an infant seat in the front seat of a car, especially with a passenger side air bag. The safest place for all children 12 and under is the back seat.

back out and then allow the parents to re-install them. Inspections may take up to 30 minutes each, depending on how many pointers are given to the parents. If your child safety seat does not meet safety regulations or is broken or misused, you may be eligible to receive a free safety seat. People that wish to have their safety seats checked are urged to bring their children with them and know the weights of their children which are restrained.

Besides buckling a child improperly, there are other measures to take to help ensure child safety seats. Put

For families with more than one child, tips on the safest seat positions for all children will be given out. Texas Cooperative Extension in Borden and Scurry Counties is working with the Texas Extension Education Association in Scurry County, Rural Passenger Safety Education in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation, and United Supermarkets – Snyder to sponsor this event.

For more information, please contact Julie Mumme at 806/756-4336.

**Congratulations
Coyotes and Lady Coyotes
Let the Play-off's Begin
Go Lady Coyotes!**

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**Renewals of
Registered
Brands**



Every ten years Texas livestock producers are required by law to renew their brands and earmarks if they intend to continue using them. All brands must be renewed by February 28, 2002. Brands that have not been renewed will become "VOID" on March 1, 2002 and available for the general public.

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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Free Child Safety Seat Checkup Bring your child Know child's weight



Are harness straps snug?

Are you using it correctly?

Is retainer clip in right place?

Is child safety seat tight in vehicle?

Studies show over 85% are misused!

Get help

When: February 14, 2002
10:00 am - 1:30 pm

Where: United Supermarket
3500 College Ave.
Snyder, TX

For more information, contact:
Julie Mumme, (806)756-4336 Borden County Extension Agent
Beth Dannheim, (915)573-5423 Scurry County Extension Agent

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RED

A Performance Tribute
By Tom Mullica

"Freddy the Freeloader",
Clem Kaddiddlehopper,
Gertrude & Heathcliff,

Tom Mullica presents the timeless Skelton classics in this realistic tribute to America's beloved and respected funny man.



Tom Mullica
as Red Skelton
"Freddy the Freeloader"

It's The Hottest Show To Hit The Road!

Reserved Seating: \$18.00 General Admission: \$12.00

For Reservations: (pay at the door)

Call (806) 495-4148: Leave a message: or write to:

Caprock Cultural Association

P.O. Box 37

Post, Texas 79356

SUNDAY AFTERNOON: FEBRUARY 17, 2002 - 3:00 P.M.

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Lamesa, Texas

Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees Deadline for Director

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2002.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

Colorado Blue spruces have silver blue-green color and a compact conical shape. They

can be used as individual ornamentals, an energy-saving windbreak, a privacy screen, or as living Christmas trees.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they

will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 86410, by February 28, 2002.

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1994 and a maximum assessment of \$10 per land acre to fund it. With producers voting to continue the program the current assessment rate will not be affected.

In March 1998, cotton growers voted by more than a six-to-one margin to continue a boll weevil eradication program in the zone.

The Rolling Plains Central Zone covers approximately

700,000 acres in the following counties: Baylor, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Young and parts of Archer, Borden, Brown and Taylor.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Energy: An Essential Component of National Defense

Energy is not only a matter of economic security – it is vital to our national security. Now, more than ever before, it is critical that we reduce our reliance on foreign sources of oil.

In addition to altering the course of our lives and pushing us into a battle against terrorism, September 11, 2001 served as an unfortunate reminder of why our country must adopt a sensible, national energy policy. Stability depends on opening up our own resources.

Today, the United States depends on foreign oil production for about 60 percent of national demand. Yet back when the oil shocks of the 1970s knocked the wind out of our economy, that figure was closer to one-third. This is unacceptable – but solvable. We must take control of our destiny and increase domestic production to help stabilize oil prices, control our own energy supply and put Americans back to work – a strong energy policy would be one of the best economic stimulus packages Congress could pass.

Utilizing the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

One of the first steps to reduce dependence on the Middle East is to open up the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) for drilling. Opponents of drilling in the ANWR have unfortunately painted an inaccurate picture of environmental destruction and disregard for its habitat. The truth of the matter is that while the Refuge is the size of South Carolina, the proposed drilling area in Alaska is only 2,000 acres – smaller than the San Antonio Interna-

tional Airport. New technologies enable drillers to efficiently use much smaller plots of land, effectively reducing any disruption to the surrounding wildlife and natural habitat. If we made the commitment to drill in the ANWR today, in one year's time we could have the full capacity to produce the amount of oil that we import from Saddam Hussein's Iraq everyday.

Uncapping our Marginal Wells

There are nearly 500,000 low-volume wells around the country that have the capacity to produce roughly 10-15 barrels a day. While that figure may sound low, the combined production of these wells would equal 20 percent of America's oil needs – nearly the same amount we currently import from Saudi Arabia.

Unfortunately there is currently no economic incentive for producers to incur the expense of reopening and maintaining these wells. Producers need a safety net to weather the storm of price fluctuations. That's why I have proposed bipartisan legislation that provides a tax credit for marginal well operators if oil prices fall to between \$18 and \$15 per barrel. By implementing a floor on the price per barrel, we can create stability and ensure that domestic producers can continue contributing to our nation's oil demands, even in the face of dropping prices.

The Solution

We must free ourselves from the whims of foreign dictators and unstable regimes that do not have America's best interests at heart. Increasing domestic production by encouraging marginal wells and allowing access to ANWR resources would be a critical step towards ensuring that we are not beholden to foreign countries for our nation's energy needs.

It is critical that we emphasize a balanced and comprehensive strategy that meets the needs of today and plans for tomorrow – one that effectively balances conservation, development of alternative sources of energy, and commonsense exploration to increase our own energy supply here at home. This will be one of my highest priorities for Congress this Spring.

We must now focus on stability for our country – our economy, homeland defense and national security.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGES IN ELECTION PRECINCTS

Pursuant to §42.035, Texas Election Code, the Commissioners court of Borden County, Texas, herein provides notice of changes in County political boundaries as adopted by the Commissioners Court, and as precleared by the United States Department of Justice on the 18th day of December 2001.

Interested individuals may review the adopted changes in the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.

The changes in county election precincts were necessitated by redistricting of County Commissioners Court precincts in compliance with the United States Constitution and 42 U.S.C. §1973, also known as the Voting Rights Act, following the release of 2000 census data. Changes in county election precincts were designed to achieve numerical balance between the four commissioners court precincts, and to insure the voting rights of all citizens of Borden County, Texas.

Joyce Herridge,
County Clerk

AVISO PUBLICO DE CAMBIOS EN ELECCION RECINTOS

Conforme a §42.035, Tejas Eleccion Codigo, la Corte de Comisario, Condado Borden, Tejas, avisa cambio en las fronteras politicas de condados segun se adopto por la corte de comisario y aprobado (precleared) por Estado Unidos Ministerio Justicia el 18th de December 2002.

Los individuos interesado pueden repasar los cambios adoptados en la oficina del oficial Condado (County Clerk) durante horas de ofician regulares.

Los cambios en recintos de la eleccion del condado fueron hechos necesario por cambios de los recintos de comisiones del condado en conformidad con la constitucion de Estados Unidos y 42 U.S.C. §1973, tambien sabido como Derechos Al Voto, despues del desbloquear do los datos 2000 de censo. Cambios en eleccion recintos del condado fueron disenados para alcanzar el equilibrio numerico entre los cuatro recintos de la corte de las comisiones, y para asegurar los derechos al voto de todos los ciudadanos del condado Borden de Tejas.

Joyce Herridge
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Choice of Mile Rates Now Available if Car Insurers Cooperate

The approval January 23rd, by the Texas Insurance Commissioner of rules to implement the "cents-per-mile choice" law has been hailed by the Texas National Organization for Women (NOW) as clearing the Way for Texans to demand that insurance companies make this choice available to all of their customers.

If insurance companies cooperate with what the law and new rules authorize, car owners can choose either the annual rate of the new cents-per-mile rate for their car's profile group. Owners can decide when to buy miles of protection in advance and how many miles to buy at a time suit budget and convenience — much like buying gasoline.

According to NOW, selling insurance miles like gasoline also reduces administrative cost for companies because car owners are responsible for monitoring their own car's odometer — like watching the gasoline gauge — and for buying more miles as needed to keep insurance continuously in force. Fraud is strongly discouraged because disabling or tampering with the car's odometer voids the insurance coverage and is also punishable by severe fines and jail under federal and state odometer law.

Supporters of cents-per-mile choice have developed a web site with more information at www.centspermilenow.org.

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,
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Keeping an Eye on Texas

Allergies on the Attack

An estimated 40 to 50 million people suffer allergies in the U.S. Many Texans suffer severe allergies during ragweed season, which usually lasts July to mid-November.

Sources:
Carole Keeton Rylander,
Texas Comptroller
(www.window.state.tx.us) and
the Methodist Health Care System.

FIGHTING BACK:

- Remain indoors when the pollen count is high.
- Dust-proof the home, particularly the bedroom.
- Wear a face mask when working in the yard.
- Use air conditioning instead of opening the windows.

BORDEN COUNTY ISD BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids for gymnasium lighting.

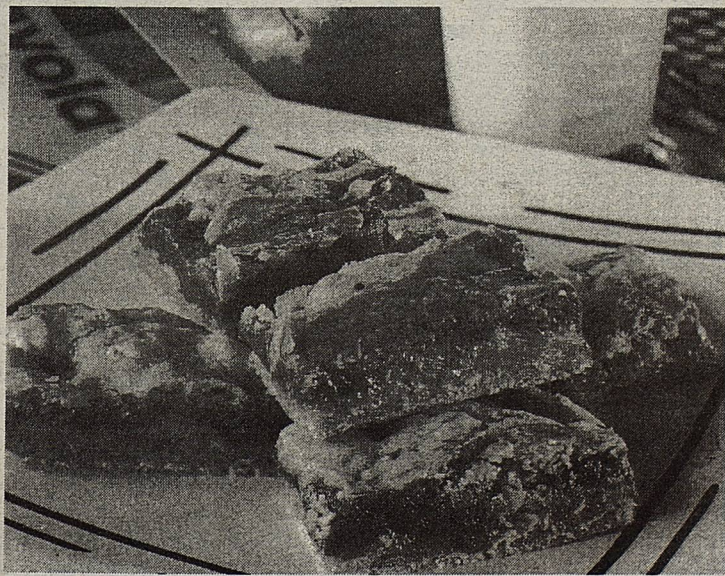
Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas; Borden County Independent School District, Box 95; Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked "Gymnasium Lighting Bid." Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, February 15, 2002. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and presented to the board of trustees for their consideration at the next scheduled meeting. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the District.

Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by e-mail to jthomas@esc17.net or by calling 806/756-4313.

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Borden County Independent School District
Joe Harding Secretary

Quick-to-Make Bars for Busy Stay-at-Home and Career Moms



These rich, chewy oat bars will satisfy kids of all ages when you serve them after school or after work.

Whether you're a stay-at-home mom or a mom with a career outside the home, you know that one of the needs of busy moms everywhere is for tasty, nutritious treats to satisfy kids' after-school hunger pangs.

Make these Chewy Chocolate Marble Bars for a fresh-from-the-oven after-school treat. They're the perfect way to keep your hungry kids happy when they get home from school. "You don't even need a mixer to prepare them—just a bowl, a spoon

and a baking pan," says Margi Walstrom, culinary professional for Pioneer Brand. The fudge-like filling in these bars, made with melted chocolate and sweetened condensed milk, combines with old-fashioned oats, convenient biscuit and baking mix, butter and brown sugar for chewy goodness. The two mixtures are swirled together to make an attractive marbled design that you and your kids won't be able to resist.

Chewy Chocolate Marble Bars

- 1 package (6 oz.) or 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 2/3 cup-sweetened condensed milk (1/2 of a 14-oz. can)
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 cups packed light brown sugar
- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine, melted
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups Pioneer Buttermilk Biscuit & Baking Mix
- 1 cup old-fashioned oats

In 4-cup glass measure, combine chocolate chips, sweetened condensed milk and 1 tablespoon butter. Microwave on High for 1 to 2 minutes, stirring after every 30 seconds. Stir until chocolate is melted and mixture is smooth; set aside. In large mixing bowl, stir together brown sugar, 3/4 cup butter, eggs and vanilla until smooth. Stir in biscuit and baking mix and oats until well combined. Spoon 2/3 of the batter into a 13x9x2-inch baking pan that has been coated with cooking spray; press to flatten. Drop chocolate mixture by teaspoonfuls over batter. Drop teaspoonfuls of remaining batter over top of chocolate; swirl together with tip of knife or wooden pick. Bake at 350° for 20 to 25 minutes or until bars are light golden brown and center is almost set. Cool completely. Cut into bars. Makes 4 dozen bars.

Helpful Tip: When measuring biscuit and baking mix, gently spoon mix into nested (dry) measuring cup/s. Using a metal spatula or straight-edged knife, level off the top.



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Calcium-boosting carbohydrate studied

A new study called BoneMax is testing whether a carbohydrate, inulin, can help growing kids absorb more calcium and build stronger bones.

A pilot study completed last year at the USDA/ARS children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine suggests it can.

"In our earlier study, inulin supplements increased the amount of calcium adolescent girls absorbed from a high-calcium diet by nearly 80 milligrams or 18 percent," said Dr. Steven Abrams, professor of pediatrics at Baylor and the principal investigator of the study.

Older children normally absorb only about 30 percent

of the calcium present in their diets. So, an 80 milligram boost is equivalent to drinking an extra seven ounces of milk.

Inulin's ability to "raise the bar" of calcium absorption among kids who consume a high-calcium diet leads Abrams to believe it might also help kids whose calcium intakes are less than optimal.

"Encouraging kids to consume plenty of calcium-rich foods is very important," he said. "but, if inulin can help kids absorb more calcium from the foods they already eat, the impact on developing skeletons, especially in kids with marginal diets, could be significant."

Inulin is already present in many processed foods, where it is used to add texture to low-calories spreads, candies, processed cheeses, yogurt, ice cream, baked goods and low-fat meats and meat substitutes. Natural sources include onions, asparagus, leeks, garlic, artichokes, bananas, wheat, rye, barley and chicory.

High in soluble fiber and low in calories, inulin is considered a "partially digestible" carbohydrate, yielding just 1.5 calories per gram, compared to 4 calories per gram for fully digestible carbohydrates like sugar and 9 calories per gram for fat.

Children, ages 9-12, enrolled in the study will

drink calcium-fortified orange juice or milk containing a small amount of a flavorless inulin powder, or a placebo, every day for one year. The study also involves

periodic body composition tests, including bone density and percent-body fat scans, and calcium balance studies.

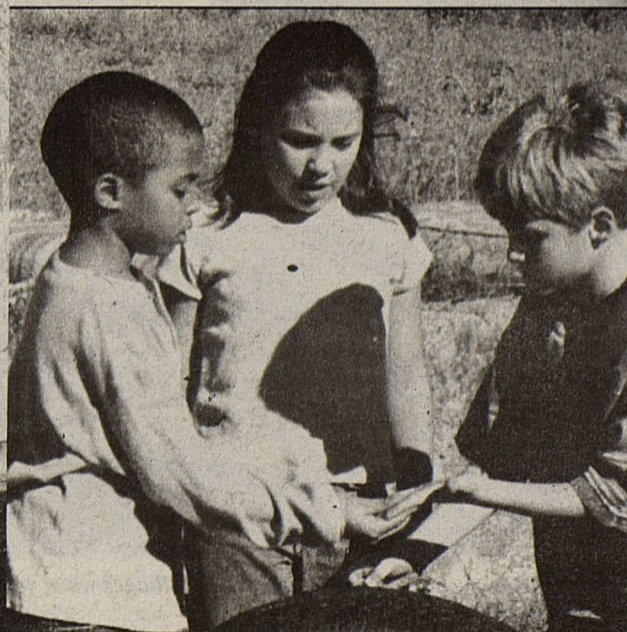
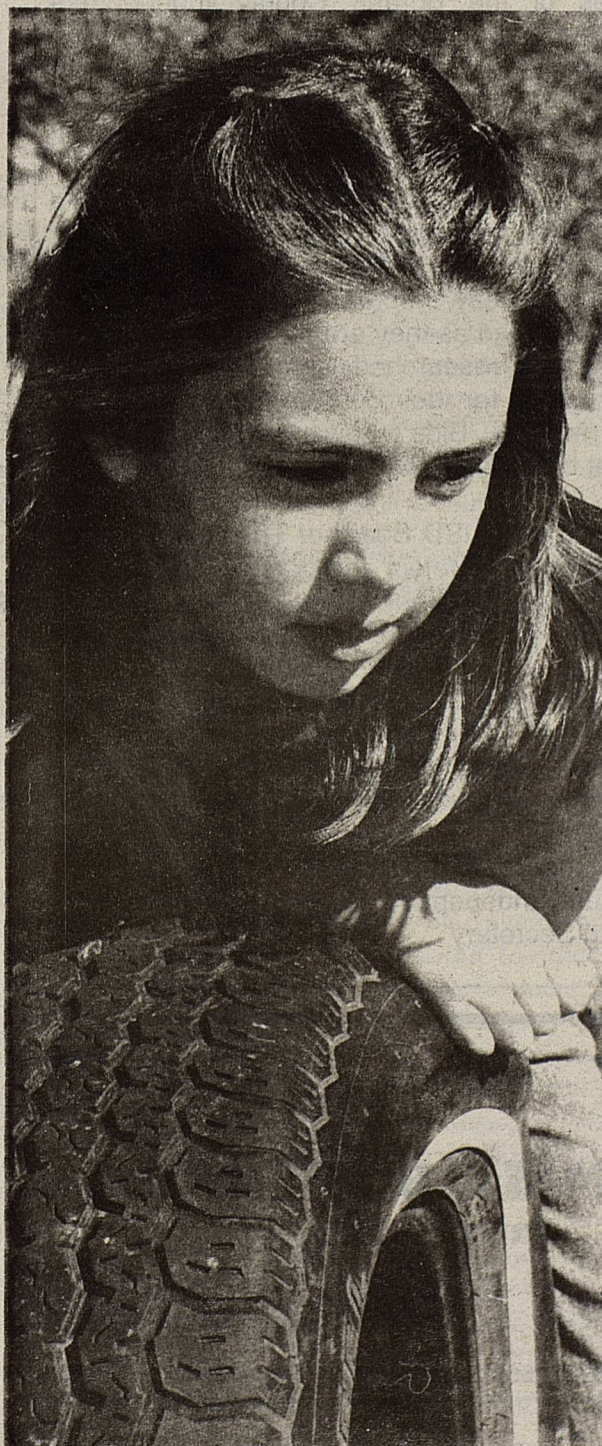
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