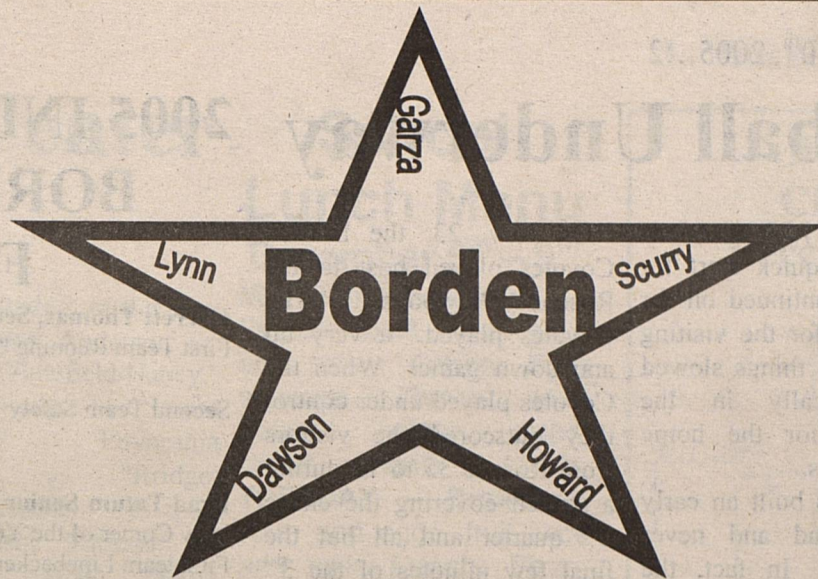


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Gail FFA Leadership Team State Bound!



Radio Broadcast team: One team from the Gail FFA Chapter has secured a trip to the State Leadership contest on December 3rd.

The Gail Radio Broadcast team will represent Area II at the state contest, and will compete with the top two teams from the other nine areas in Texas for the state title.

The team secured their position by winning first at the Area II Leadership competition on November 19th. Speakers Garrett Thomas, J Ryan Gicklhorn, Kate Wallace, and Sound Tech Sharrelle Gass led the pack and defeated 13 teams to secure the Area title.

The team members and Mr. Wallace will depart for their Huntsville trip on December 2nd. The team will perform in the prelims at 11:15 and hope to advance to the finals that evening.

Good luck and congratulations to the state qualifying team members!

Spotlight on Center Stage

BC Junior High OAP to Perform Next Week

After a year's hiatus from competition, the Borden County Junior High One-Act Play will take the stage twice next week in both public and contest performances.

The BCJH cast and crew of

Tom Jones will debut its production on Thursday, December 8th, 2005, as a community performance. The show starts at 7:00 p.m. in the Borden County I.S.D. Auditorium.

The performance is considered the acting troupe's dress rehearsal for the District 9-A Junior High One-Act Play contest to be held here in Borden County

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Crowd gathered for the Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain

There were approximately 130 guests gathered to enjoy the evening on Friday at the Lighting of the Star. Guests began gathering at the Courthouse around 5:00 p.m. for refreshments and visitation. Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived and settled in by the big Christmas tree in the Courtroom ready to take Christmas wishes and have pictures with the children. The committee would like to take this time to thank Santa and Mrs. Claus for coming and taking time to visit with all the children.

While waiting for the lighting of the Star, some of the guests took advantage of the Hay ride around town given by the Sheriff's office personnel.

The tree ornament contest winners were announced. All the ornaments that were received in the contest were on display. The winners were: Kindergarten - 1st grade - Madison Benavidez; 2nd grade - 4th grade - Mollie McMeans; 5th grade - 6th grade - Kayla Pepper; 9th grade - 12th grade - Garrett Thomas. \$25 dollars was given to each age division winner. Each of the winning

ornaments was placed on the tree in the courtroom.

As the time for the lighting of the star came closer, guests gathered outside on the west side of the courthouse. Bro. Randy Hardman led a prayer and everyone sang Christmas carols while waiting to see the lights of the star come on.

Afterwards, folks gathered back in the courtroom for more refreshments and the announcement of the House Decorating contest and the Big Christmas Stocking winner.

Fifteen Poinsettias were given as door prizes to individuals as their names were drawn. Diego Bernal was the winner of the stocking filled with prizes and gifts.

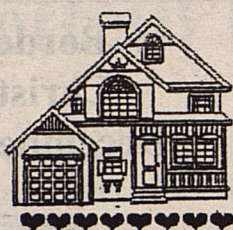
The winners of the Home Lighting Decorating contest sponsored by Lyntegar Electric were as follows: 1st place - Peter & Kerri Benavidez; 2nd place - A'Darrin & Rona Teel; 3rd place - Randy & Verna Adcock; and 4th place - Ross & Sarah Sharp.

The 1st place winners received an Electric Grill by Char-Broil; 2nd place a Char-

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Heart and home...

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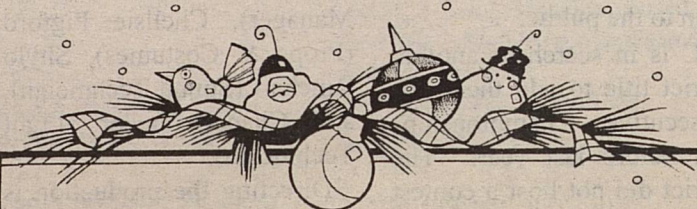
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Spotlight on Center School Stage

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the following Saturday, December 10th, 2005.

In addition to BC, the contest will include productions by junior high students from Blackwell, Highland, and Sands.

The Saturday contest plays begin at 2:00 p.m. Borden County is the second show and should take the stage around 3:00. Be there early because no admission will be allowed during performances.

Both the community and contest performances are open to the public.

BC is in search of another district title to add their five consecutive championships won before last year. The district did not host a contest last year, so the BC production of *Tartuffe* helped this year's cast and crew gain valuable experience.

The BC production is a one-act play version of the classical British novel *The History of Tom Jones, a Foundling*.

Starring in the title role of "Tom Jones" in the Borden County production is seventh grader John Hensley. The play tells segments of the character's escapades as a flirtatious rogue in 18th century England.

Costarring with Hensley in the role of "Sophia Western" is eighth grade veteran Rachael Payne. She is the central pursuit of Jones's love.

Narrating the storyline as "Partridge" is fellow eighth grade veteran Brendan Tarleton.

Complicating the various plots are the following eighth grade actors and actresses: Karl Lamming as "Mr. Western," Chasiti Rutherford as "Miss Western," D'Nae Johnson as "Jenny Jones/Mrs. Waters," Eric Espinoza as "Blifil," Lacey Roberts as "Deborah/Lady Bellaston," and Flynn Chapman as "Servant/Mr. Fitzpatrick."

Seventh graders in the cast include Bailey Anderson as "Mrs. Whitefield/Nancy," Michael Froman as "Squire Allworthy," Phyneshia Rutherford as "Bridget Allworthy/Harriet Fitzpatrick," Krista Tarleton as "Honour," and Miles Valentine as "Highwayman/Constable."

Blake Turner is the lone sixth grade actor, serving in the role of "Captain Blifil/Justice Dowling."

Crew members include Raylea Underwood (Stage Manager), Chellsie Pigford (Props & Costumes), Shylo Rinehart (Sound Technician), and Chance Taylor (Light Technician).

Directing the production is Mr. Darrin Ard.

Junior High One-Act Play

Community Performance
Thursday, Dec. 8th
@ 7:00 P.M.

Contest Performance
Saturday, Dec. 10th
@ 3:00 P.M.

School Lunch Menu December 5th - 9th

MONDAY - Breakfast: French toast, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ sausage, Ranch style beans, potato salad, bread, apricots and milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Ham and eggs, fruit juice and milk; **Lunch:** Pizza, corn, salad, pudding and milk.

WED. - Breakfast: Waffles, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Quesadillas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, fresh fruit and milk.

THURSDAY - Breakfast: Toast, cereal, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, corn, tossed salad, fruit cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast: Omelet, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Steak sandwich, tater tots, salad cups, brownies and milk

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Gail FFA Members Compete at Area II Contest

Seventeen members from the Gail FFA Chapter competed at the Area II Leadership Event this past week. The event was held on November 19th and took place at the Howard College Campus in Big Spring.

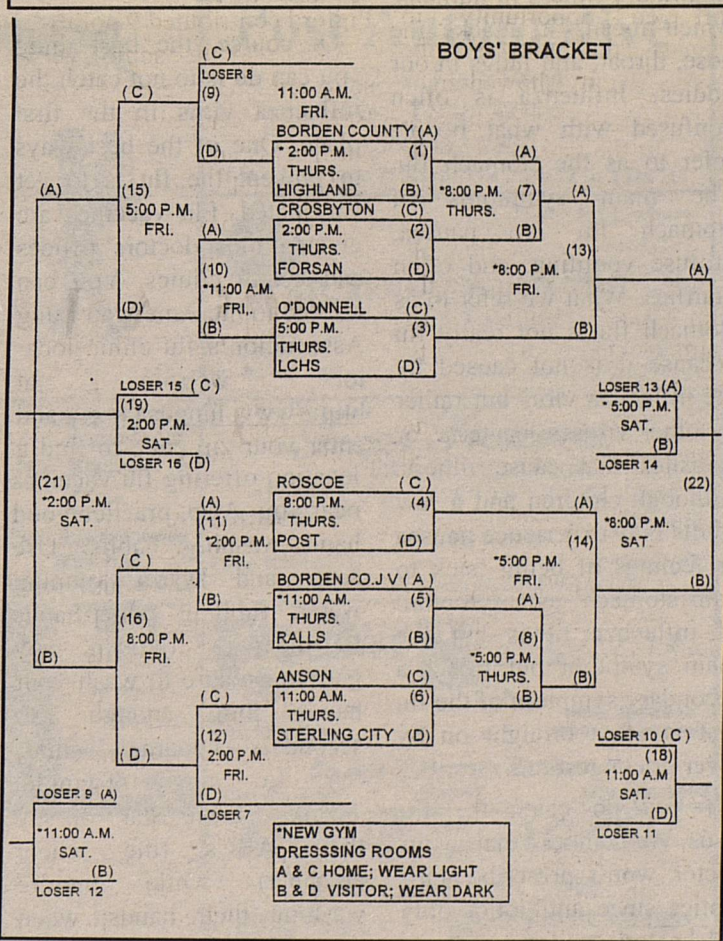
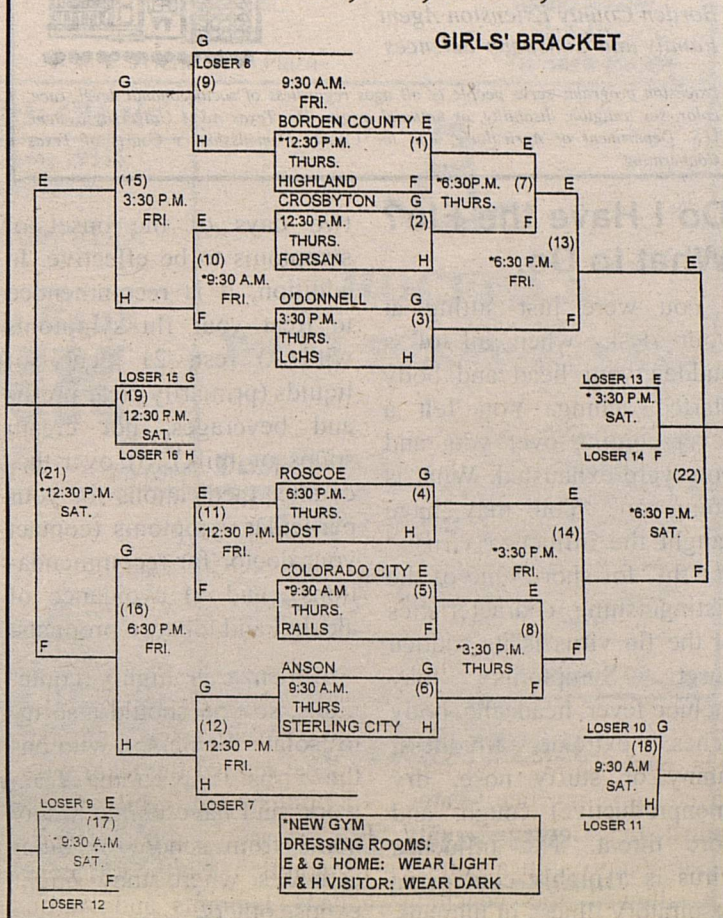
All seventeen members qualified for the event by placing either first or second in their respective district level competitions on November 12th.

Area Team placing is as

- follows:
- Radio:** 1st place (State Qualifier)
- Public Relations:** 6th place
- Sr. Skills:** 6th place
- Sr. Chapter Conducting:** 9th place

Mr. Wallace stated that all of the students had worked very hard this fall to prepare for their contests and that he was extremely proud of all of his team members and their success.

Borden County Coyote Christmas Tournament December 1st, 2nd, & 3rd, 2005

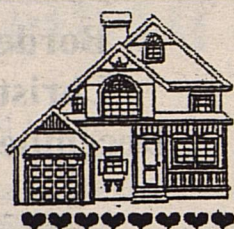


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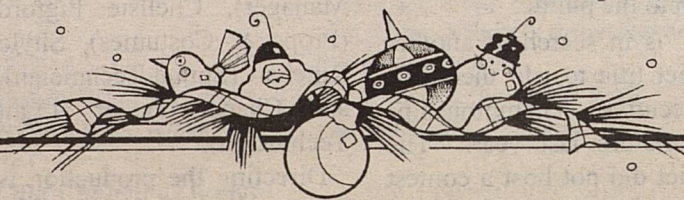
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BHS Grad Enjoying Career as Pro Bass Fisherman

Anyone who knew Jerry Green as a student during the late 70's and 80's knew that more than anything else, he loved to fish.

Now Green, from Justiceburg, is putting that passion to work as he is competing on the FLW Tour, named for Forrest L. Wood who founded Ranger boats.

Since joining the tour in 2001, Green has competed in 47 tournaments, won one, and had four Top-10 finishes.

To date, Green's professional earnings total \$73,520.

A recent highlight for Green was a fifth place finish in the EverStart Series Championship held in Florence, Alabama.

He collected \$24,000 for his two-day total of 11 pounds, 5 ounces.

Green's expertise on the lake is gaining him some recognition, too. The following excerpt appeared in a recent FLW publication.

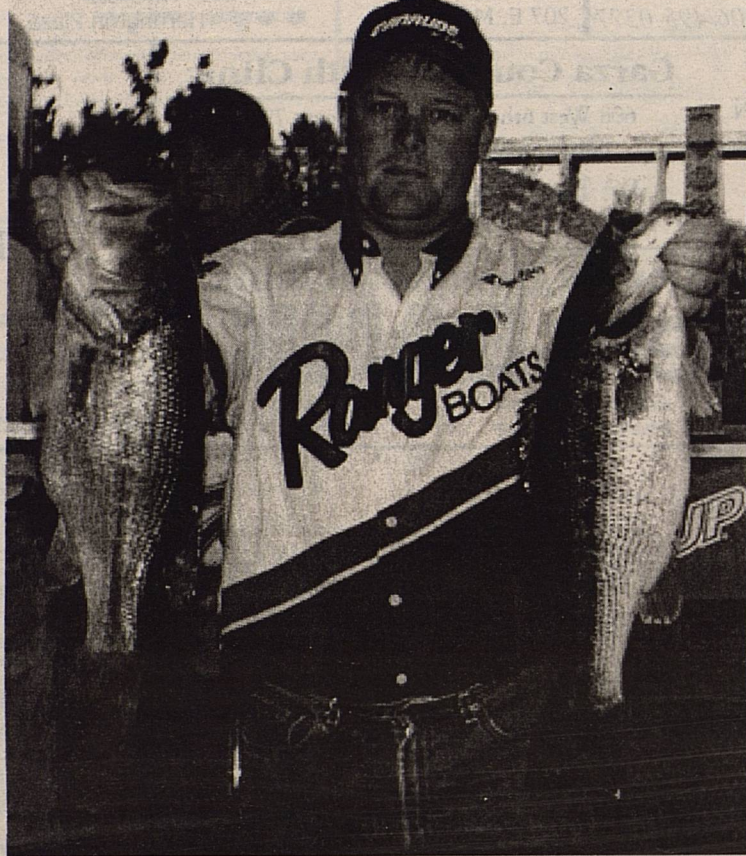
"On the verge ... Jerry Green's fifth-place finish at the EverStart Series Championship brings to a close what has certainly been a career year for the Texas pro.

In January, he got the year off to a good start with a 10th-place finish at the Wal-Mart FLW Tour event on Lake Okeechobee.

Then in February, he claimed his first FLW Outdoors victory with a win at the EverStart Central event on Sam Rayburn.

His Central prowess culminated with a ninth-place ranking in the points standings, enough to qualify him for the 2006 FLW Tour.

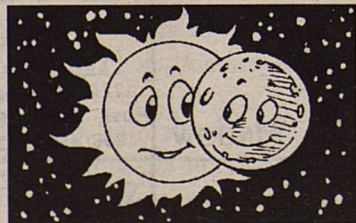
The perfect timing is nothing new to Green, though. 'Earlier this year, we had enough money to fish four tournaments,' he said. 'Then I had a good showing at Okeechobee and that got us through the year. My



boat was worn out, and then I won a boat at Rayburn. Then I was trying to figure out how to get into the FLW Tour, and ...' Green shrugs.

Though Green's season on the FLW Tour in 2005 was not exactly stellar, he proved this week without a doubt that he can compete with the best, as the EverStart Championship top 10 included well-known pros such as Steve Kennedy, Dave Lefebre and winner Sam Newby. Rest assured, this is not the last we've heard of Jerry Green."

Green, the son of Sue Ringener and Charlie Green, graduated from Borden High School in 1986.



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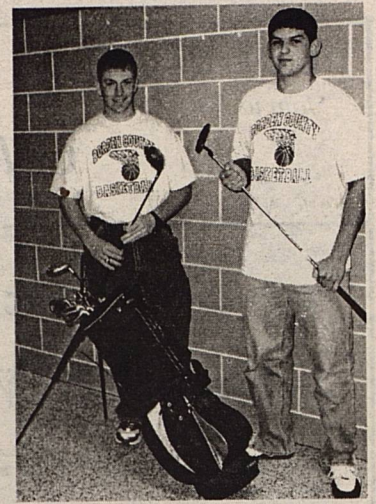
His brother Darrell graduated in 1983.

Green and his wife Linda have two sons: Ryan, 9, and Riley, 3.

And chances are, we will hear more of Jerry—and that comes as no surprise to folks in Borden County who knew him well.

Senior Silent Auction

Be sure to come by the auction and bid on the custom made Golf Clubs donated by Bob & Terri Buchanan and many other items displayed in the cafeteria during the Coyote Basketball Tournament. Bidding will begin on Thursday morning and the winning bids will be announced on Sat. evening.



Lighting of the Star

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Broil Electric Smoker; 3rd place is the second volume of Lyntegar's Typically Texas Cookbook and the 4th place winner received the Texas Co-op Power Cookbook – Recipes from Co-op Kitchens.

The Committee would like to thank Lyntegar for sponsoring this year's Home Decorating contest and for helping judge the contest. There were 9 homes entered in the contest this year. Plan early to join in on the fun of decorating your home next year. Be sure to drive around town and enjoy all the Christmas lights.

Gifts for the "Toys for Tot's" will continue in the courthouse for several more

weeks. Be sure to drop off your gifts to help make the Christmas special for the children at Buckner's Children's Home.

The Committee would like to thank everyone for all the hard work involved in putting on this special Gail Christmas Celebration and for all the donations for the Star.

Let's always remember the Reason for the Season!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from the Lights for Gail Committee.

We're all aglow with the spirit of Christmas and we want to share it with you.

Merry Christmas!

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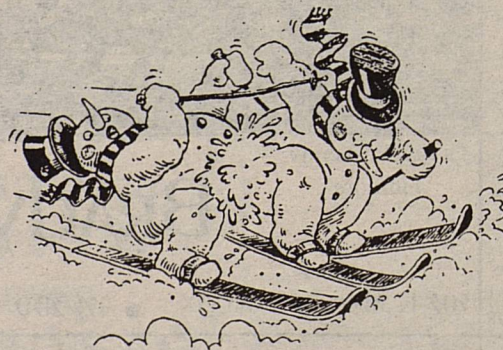


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Have A Safe & Happy Holiday!

There's no telling who you'll run into, so keep your eyes open . . . and enjoy the season!



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O'Donnell, Texas

Obituary

May Pratt Stephens 1908 - 2005

Graveside services for May Pratt Stephens, 96, were held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, November 22, 2005, at Lamesa Memorial Park, with Bro. Rush Coffman officiating. Visitation was held Monday, November 21st, at Branon Funeral Home from 6 to 7 p.m.

May Pratt was born to James and Rosa Kelly Pratt, pioneers of Borden County, on December 23, 1908, on the Pratt homestead. The Pratt's homesteaded their Buck Canyon Ranch in Northwest Borden County just under the Caprock in 1898. May attend both Humpty Dumpty and Mesquite Schools. She rode a horse to school where she excelled in reading and writing. As a school girl, May, a voracious reader, was known to clip stories out of newspapers and magazines to read and reread later. Books were her passion.

May was a first class storyteller and was invited to give book receives all over the state of Texas for such organizations as the Eastern Star, Young Farmers, and Young Homemakers of America. She delighted both young and old with her many stories. In later life, her great niece, compiled stories May had written as a young girl into a book called Tales from West Texas.

On January 1, 1927, May married W.M. "Bill" Stephens in O'Donnell, Texas, a partnership that endured 59 years. May and Bill worked side by side on their Buck Canyon Ranch. Many will testify that May Stephens was as good a cowboy as any man.

January 1, 1977 marked May and Bill's Golden Wedding Anniversary with a party at the Borden County School Cafeteria. May and

Bill were affectionately known to many as "Aunt May and Uncle Bill." Bill, who passed away in 1986, became a Borden County resident in 1924, and was a barber until 1935. He served as Precinct 1 Commissioner for 8 years.

Noted for their community service, May and Bill were the perfect examples of good neighbors. They were long time members of First Baptist Church at Gail, Texas. They were involved with the Borden County Cattle Raisers Association and sponsored many 4-H calves. May and Bill helped establish the Borden County Museum in Gail where Pratt memorabilia can be found. May was also honored at the Borden County Centennial in 1991 as being the person having lived in Borden County the longest. She served as the county's Democratic Chairman for many years. She received the coveted 50 year Eastern Star Membership Award.

May was preceded in death by her husband, parents, sisters, Tama Pratt Hollar and Ruth Pratt Calcote and her brother, Jim Pratt.

She is survived by her nieces, nephews, their families and a host of friends. The family would like to give special thanks to Carmen Gaitan for her loving care over the last 12 years.

Better known as "Aunt May," she will be missed but not forgotten. May's enduring legacies are her exemplary Christian life, her love for mankind and her love for

Christmas Music, Santa, Shopping and an Auction

Old Mill Trade Days this weekend in Post

A special line up of entertainment will be offered at Old Mill Trade Days in Post this weekend. Friday at 11 a.m., the 3rd grade children's choir from Post Elementary will perform. The group, led by Karen Nichols, will sing Christmas music throughout the park.

Saturday the Jubil-Heirs from Seagoville, TX will present a concert on the Rainmaker Stage beginning at 11:30 a.m. followed by Rendition, a women's quartet from Lubbock, who will stroll through OMTD singing Christmas carols. "The Jubil-Heirs is a gospel group of 6 vocalists who also play a variety of instruments. This group is performing the music for the Magic of Christmas show at the elementary school in Post Saturday evening," explained Rosa Latimer, OMTD General Manager. "That event is sponsored by the Women's Division of the

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animals, nature and the environment.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in the name of May Pratt Stephens to the Borden County Historical Commission, Attention: Kenneth Bennett, P.O. Box 153, Gail, Texas 79738.

Thank you,

We wish to express our sincere thanks for all the many acts of kindness shown to our family during "Aunt May's" illness and passing. We appreciate all your prayers, visits, calls, memorials, cards, flowers, food and other acts of concern. A special thank you to Carmen Gaitan and Bro. Rush Coffman.

We are truly blessed to live in such a caring community.

The May Pratt Stephens Family



make shopping fun! Our vendors have many great items for Christmas giving and the Family Harvest Church group will be providing a gift wrapping service for our customers," Latimer concluded.

Old Mill Trade Days is the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of each month. Friday admission to OMTD is \$1.00 and Senior Adults are admitted free. Saturday and Sunday admission is \$2.00. There is no admission for children under 10 and parking is free. Call 495-3529



All the Best

Wishing you and your family joy and happiness all season through.

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Sale of Surplus Equipment

Borden County will accept sealed bids for the following used equipment. Bids will be opened December 12, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. at the Borden County Courthouse. Equipment can be inspected in Gail, Texas. Equipment is as follows:

- One 1983 Ford F600 6 yd. dump truck (Prt. #4)
- One 1984 Ford F600 6 yd. dump truck (Prt. #2)
- One 1979 Chevrolet Truck Tractor (Prt. #4)
- One 1979 Harmon Water Tank Trailer with Honda Transfer Pump (Prt. #4)
- One John Deere Batwing Shredder (Prt. #4)
- 1983 Eager Beaver Flat Bed Equipment Tilt Trailer (Prt. #2)

For further information contact Randy Adcock, Commissioner, Precinct 2, phone 806/756-4378, Joe Belew, Commissioner, Precinct 4, phone 325/573-7718 or Van York, County Judge, phone 806/756-4391.

Mail bids to P.O. Box 156, Gail, Texas 79738. All bids should be marked "BID" on outside of envelope.

Borden County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By Order of the Borden County Commissioners' Court
Van L. York,
County Judge
Borden County

12th Annual Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain

The "Star" on Gail Mountain will be sponsored on the following nights:

Nov. 25 - In Memory of:

Delmo Pearce, Karen Pearce
By the Citizens of Borden County

Nov. 25 - In Honor of:

Martha Pearce
By the Citizens of Borden County

Nov. 26 - In Memory of:

T. E. Burkett
By Carolyn & Earl Chapman

Nov. 26 - In Memory of:

Edward Smith
By Terry Smith

Nov. 27 - In Honor of:

M. J. Taylor, Ruth Taylor
By G. E. Millhollon

Nov. 27 - In Honor of:

Our children, Sally, Mary, John & Martha
By Rich & Barbara Anderson

Nov. 28 - In Memory of:

Lillo Munger
By Marjorie Munger Middleton

Nov. 29 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain
By N. R. King

Nov. 30 - In Memory of:

Philip & Sterling Stewart
By B. J. Stewart

Dec. 1 - In Memory of:

O.D. & Jessie B. Jackson
By R.D. & Carol Lewis

Dec. 2 - In Memory of:

Fagan & Flora Johnson
By Carroll & Jane Stone

Dec. 4 - In Memory of:

Don Cox
By N. R. King

Dec. 4 - In Honor of:

My wife, Connie
By T. Ruffin Johnson

Dec. 5 - In Memory of:

Binie & Nell White
By Binie & Edna White

Dec. 8 - In Memory of:

The J.W.C. Mullins Family
By Margaret Cary Billingsley

Dec. 9 - In Honor of:

Mildred Sevey
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Dec. 10 - In Memory of:

Bert & Dorothy Dennis
By Joel & Betty Dennis

Dec. 10 - In Thankfulness for:

The Reinecke Family
By Margaret Novak

Dec. 10 - In Memory of:

Beno & Donna Hendricks
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Dec. 10 - In Memory of:

Peggy & John Dennis, Debby Dennis, David Dennis

By Jacquie Whalen & Mary Ann Awtry

Dec. 11 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain
By Cindy & Jibber Herridge & Cody Nowlain

Dec. 11 - In Honor of:

My parents, Mack & Jane Terry; my grandmother, Fannie Ballentine

By Cindy & Jibber Herridge

Dec. 15 - In Memory of:

Karan Key
By the Karan Key Family

Dec. 15 - In Memory of:

The Sealy Family
By Jean & Bill Sealy

Dec. 18 - In Honor of:

Terry Millenbine Family

Dec. 19 - In Memory of:

Danny Glenn
By Mr. & Mrs. Monte Davidson

Dec. 20 - In Memory of:

Claude Davidson
By Mr. & Mrs. Monte Davidson

Dec. 22 - In Memory of:

Caden Terry Nowlain
By Ray Don, Jana & Raylea Underwood

Dec. 23 - In Memory of:

T. E. Burkett
By Carolyn & Earl Chapman

Dec. 23 - In Memory of:

Mr. & Mrs. John Johnson
By Billie Jane Rantz

Dec. 23 - In Honor of:

Margaret Sharp, Billy Gannaway, Sarah & Ross Sharp, Sue & Bob Beal

By B. A. Hopkins

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain
By Mack & Jane Terry

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

Our Parents
By the Doyle Newton Family

Dec. 24 - In Honor of:

Christy Hooper

Mr. & Mrs. David Hooper
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

All Our Loved Ones & Friends
By Ralph Miller Family

Dec. 24 - In Honor of:

Shirley & Kenneth Bennett

Joyce & Frank Herridge

Connie & Sidney Hart

Barbara & Van York
By B. A. Hopkins

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

Beno & Donna Hendricks,

Arvil (Babe) Brewer, S. C. (Buddy) Sharp, Bill Gilleland

By The Ross Sharp Family

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

Eldon Pounds & In Honor of: "Aunt Missy" Pounds

By Terry Smith

Dec. 25 - In Memory of:

Houston Tarleton
By Frances Tarleton

Dec. 25 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain
By Austin Tarleton

Dec. 25 - In Honor of:

Our grandchildren & great grandchildren
By Martin & Louise Parks

Dec. 25 - In Memory of:

Clint O'Brien
By Barry & Susan O'Brien

Dec. 25 - In Honor of:

Sheri & Dennis Poole, Sherri & Larry Hopkins, Zella Nixon

By B. A. Hopkins

Dec. 26 - In Memory of:

Pamela Phillips
By B. A. Hopkins

Dec. 26 - In Memory of:

Susan Marie Parks
By Martin & Louise Parks

Dec. 27 - In Memory of:

Caden Terry Nowlain
By Granny & Papaw Herridge

Dec. 28 - In Memory of:

Cody Hawkins
By Tim Duncan, Carol Kempker & Dyllon Duncan

Dec. 29 - In Memory of:

Tom Strutton
By Tim Duncan, Carol Kempker & Dyllon Duncan

Dec. 30 - In Memory of:

Charles Vaughn
By Cricket Vaughn

Dec. 30 - In Honor of:

Gail FFA Horse Evaluation Team: Buddy Wallace, LaShae Johnson, Lacey Newton, Kylan Reynolds, Shelby Roberts

Dec. 31 - In Memory of:

Bert & Dorothy Dennis
By Lisa Dennis Mahler

Dec. 31 - In Memory of:

Our parents, Mary & Jerry Clayton; Brookie & Bill Anderson

By Rich & Barbara Anderson

Dec. 31 - In Honor of:

Borden County EMS
By Mildred Sevey

Jan. 1 - In Memory of:

John Harding
By Joe, Rhonda, Sarah & Clay Harding

Light bulbs for the "Star" on Gail Mountain are being sponsored for the following:

IN MEMORY OF:

Garland Doyle, Glen Kingston, Clay Kingston

By Eva Doyle
Bonnie Sneed

By Norman "Slick" Sneed
My parents, Charlie & Margie Engle

By Helen Engle Humphrey
Barbara Sharp, Buddy Sharp

By Margaret Sharp
Caden Terry Nowlain

By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
Martin Reinecke

By Alma G. Reinecke
Charles Berry Family, John Doyle Family

By Anna Lee Cole Harris & Susan Smith Lewis
Lela Porter, Skeet Porter, J. Pat Porter

By Bob & Cookie Dyess
Caden Nowlain

By The Ross Sharp Family
Caden Nowlain, Rube Smith, Tharon Todd, Dr. Larry Mills, Clint O'Brien

By Jacquie Whalen & Mary Ann Awtry
Alvie & Beulah Melton, Albert & Maude Dempsey, Danny Dempsey, Richard Dempsey, Eddy & Marie Dempsey

By Johnny Dempsey
Mr. & Mrs. R.C. Vaughn

By Cricket Vaughn
Teresa Dempsey, Annette Jackson, Marie Dempsey

By Craig & Tammy Dempsey
Ninny (Marie Dempsey), Nana (Teresa Dempsey)

By Anastacia & Jaidan Dempsey
Sterling & Gladys Williams, Oleita Mitchell, Beno & Donna Hendricks

By Terry Smith
Brandon Adcock, Dottie Adcock, Vernon & Tharon Todd

By Randy Adcock Family
Charles Vaughn, Bill Vaughn

By Cricket Vaughn & Children
Edward Rinehart, Jym & Madge Hendricks

By The Rinehart Family

IN HONOR OF:

Gerry and Julie Smith
By Dick & Kathryn Cade

Ross & Sarah Sharp, Beverly & John Beatty, Helen & James Warden, Toby Sharp, Renee' & Danny Hobson

By Margaret Sharp
Brian & Sharon Jones & Robyn

By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
Mr. & Mrs. Sid Cathey

John Cathey
By Charles Cathey

Jibber & Cindy Herridge, Ray Don & Jana Underwood, Cody Nowlain, Raylea Underwood

By Mack & Jane Terry
Vickie, Gayla, Cody, J. Ky, Lacey

By the Doyle Newton Family
Jim Zack, Clara Zack, Era Lewis, Herb Lewis

By Tumbleweed Smith
Buster York, Velma Burt, Jim York, Katie York

By Juacise B. York
Anastacia Elizabeth Dempsey

Jaidan Craig Dempsey
By Pop (Johnny Dempsey)

Joey Parker & Family

Kay Wilson & Family

Jacque Hendricks & Family

Johnnie Sevey & Family

Jan Rios & Family

Jimmie Sevey & Family
By Mildred Sevey

Ross Sharp Family, Margaret Sharp
By Sarah Gilleland

Christy Hooper, Mr. & Mrs. David Hooper
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.

Andres Lozano Family, Lefty & Jr. Martinez, Andrea & Tury Martinez Family
By Andres Lozano

Jason Sharp, Sarah Gilleland, Margaret Sharp
By Ross & Sarah Sharp

Gerry & Julie Smith, James & Tanya Smith, Turner & Tyler Smith, Warren & Betty Beaver
By Terry Smith

James & Shirley Gass
By Butch Gass Family

Cricket Vaughn
By Shawna & Sherry Gass

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