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Gold All Around BC U.I.L. Students Excel Once Again

Gold...The color of kings...the color of wealth...and for students of Borden County Elementary and Junior High, it is the color of champions.

When the final bus rolled into Gail last Wednesday night following the District 9-A, Zone 1 U.I.L. Academic Meet, the gold hardware on it was comparable to King Tut's tomb.

Both BC Elementary and Junior High more than doubled their next closest competitors in the overall contests to win the meet with yet another convincing reason that Borden County U.I.L. academic squads are in good shape for years to come.

In the elementary division (grades 2-5), Borden County amassed 713.3 total points in twenty-four events. Highland was second with 348, and Westbrook followed in third with 257.3. Ira and Hermleigh finished out in fourth and fifth with 133 and 111.3 points respectively.

Borden County Junior High students did more of the same in their own division, finishing with a whopping 1286 points in forty-

two events. Westbrook was second in this division with 663, and Highland was third with 498. Once again, Ira (225) finished in fourth, and Hermleigh (170) was fifth.

Below are all Borden County students who participated in each event (by grade level) and their team and individual results:

Creative Writing (2nd grade): Kable Kleck-4th, Thomas Nix-2nd, Trace Richey-5th and sub Thadd Basquez.

Oral Reading (2nd grade): Trace Richey-1st, Nicholas Proulx, Thadd Basquez-4th and sub Kable Kleck.

Storytelling (2nd grade): Thomas Nix-3rd, Thadd Basquez-1st, Nicholas Proulx-6th and Trace Richey.

Music Memory (3rd grade)-2nd team: Hayley Gray, Quinton Kimmel, Dylan Murphy-1st, Maria Neufeld-5th, Bryce Turner and sub Kale Yarbrow.

Oral Reading (3rd grade): Bryce Turner-2nd, Avery Price-1st, Madison Benavidez, and sub Dylan Murphy.

Ready Writing (3rd grade):

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The Play's the Thing Borden County Junior High One-Act Play set for Community Performance & Contest

Thirteen actors, actresses, and crew members of the Borden County Junior High School One-Act Play are excited to announce their community performance and contest dates for this year's production of Michael Cristofer's *The Shadow Box*.

The community performance will be held next Friday, December 14th, 2007, in the Borden County I.S.D. auditorium. The curtain for this performance will rise at 7:00 p.m., and the show will be considered as the cast and crew's dress rehearsal for their District 9-A Contest that is set for the next day, Saturday, December 15th.

The District 9-A Junior High One-Act Play Contest on the 15th will begin at 1:30 p.m. with Borden County's production. Blackwell Junior High's *Egad, What a Cad!* will be second in performance order with a 2:30 start time. Loraine Junior

High's *Our Lady of the Tortilla* will complete the contest with a 3:30 start time. An awards ceremony and the critiques of each show will follow shortly thereafter. Borden County is hoping to add to its list of district championships.

Borden County's production of *The Shadow Box* tells the story of three different cancer patients living in a treatment center and their fight against the terrible disease. Interspersed with hope, humor, and coming to terms with the illness, the play has been quite a challenge for junior high students. In the process of developing this 1977 Tony Award winner for "Best Play," the cast has learned a great deal about the disease's impact not only on the individual, but also on the families involved. Therefore, the students participating would like to dedicate the community performance to those in their fami-

lies and our community who have so bravely fought cancer.

Eighth grader Chris Teel ("Joe"), along with sixth graders Meaghan Herridge ("Maggie") and Matthew Proulx ("Steven"), share the story of a couple who must come to terms with telling their son of his dad's illness. In another storyline, sixth grader Zach McMeans ("Brian") brings the reality of cancer to his best friend - seventh grader Steven Howard as "Mark" - and to his ex-wife - Taylor Gass as "Beverly." Seventh grader Teryn Soto ("Agnes") presents a third plot in the play as she helps her aging mother - "Felicity" played by sixth grader Mollie McMeans - cope with the disease. Along the way, an "Interviewer," played by seventh grader Celina Guerrero, leads the cancer-stricken patients through the process.

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Coyotes Drop First Game of Season

By Coach Baeza

The Coyote Varsity travel to Grady on November 20 to take on the Bearcats of Garden City in what would be their first tough test of the season.

The Bearcats had a very successful season last year and returned some key players with varsity experience which was evident in their style of play.

The Bearcats started the game with pressure defense that rattled the Coyotes right off the bat. It took the first two minutes of the game for the Coyotes to settle down and finally put some points on the board.

Karl Lamming was the go to guy during the first quarter for the Coyotes as he put in six of the Coyotes eight points.

Carlos Hernandez was able to convert on a lay-up which ended the first quarter with the Coyotes trailing by six.

The second quarter began roughly for the Coyotes as the pressure by the Bearcats lead to turnovers that they were able to capitalize on. The Coyotes also allowed too many offensive rebounds that lead to easy baskets for Garden City and 28 first half points.

The second quarter was still slow for the Coyotes as they only managed six points.

Scoring in the second for the Coyotes were Brendan Tarleton 2, Michael Cooley 2, and Karl Lamming 2.

The third and fourth quarters saw the Coyotes handle the pressure of the Bearcat defense better but the Coyotes were still cold shooting from the field. They managed only six points in the third and seven in the fourth.

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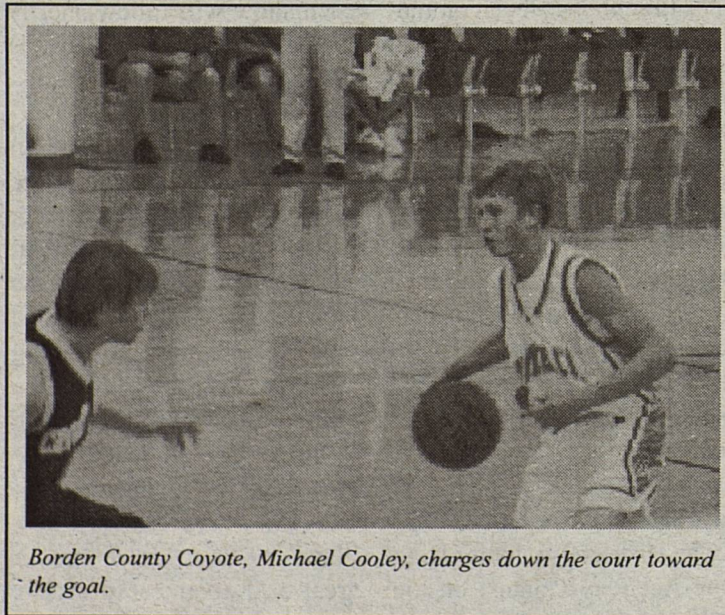
Garden City however was consistent the whole game averaging 14 points a quarter. This allowed the Bearcats to run up a comfortable lead and hold the Coyotes off with a 56-27 victory.

The Coyote defense did a good job defensively in the second half allowing the Bearcats only one shot offensively on many possessions and gave excellent effort throughout the entire game.

This was defiantly a great learning experience for our young Coyote team which shows great promise for the remainder of the season and the years to come.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Flynn Chapman 3, Brendan Tarleton 4, Carlos Hernandez 2, Michael Cooley 6, and Karl Lamming 12. Also contributing for the Coyotes: Tyrell Massingill, Tony Soto, David Rodriguez, Drew Tyler, and Michael Froman

Great Job Coyotes!



Borden County Coyote, Michael Cooley, charges down the court toward the goal.

Coyotes Fall to 2-2 on Season

By Coach Baeza

The Varsity boys played host to the Braves of Crosbyton on November 27 in what would turn out to be the second loss for the Coyotes this season. Once again the Coyotes were matched up against a good opponent that made a good run last season all the way to the regional tournament.

The Coyotes started the game sloppy as they turned the ball over and allowed the Braves some easy fast break points.

Flynn Chapman and Karl Lamming had a good start as they scored six of our eight points from under the basket on offensive rebounds.

Brendan Tarleton and Michael Cooley finished out the first quarter scoring for the Coyotes with a free throw each.

In the second quarter the Coyotes did a better job of taking care of the ball and slowing down the Braves offense.

The Coyotes were also doing a great job of penetrating to the basket and getting the Braves

into foul trouble. The Coyotes were, however, only able to convert on 6 of 13 from the line which allowed Crosbyton to take a 28-18 lead into the half.

The second half began well for the Coyotes as they played good zone defense which frustrated a faster paced Crosbyton team and caused them to make mistakes. Carlos Hernandez, Michael Cooley, and Tyrell Massingill did an excellent job feeding our post in the third in which they had

some success.

By the end of the third however, the Coyotes began to wear down and to allow the pressure defense of Crosbyton control the tempo of the game.

This fast temp allowed the Braves to go on a 20-6 run during the fourth due to our turnovers and their speed and athletic ability. During the course of the game the Coyotes did improve on certain aspects of their game and had some success. However the turnovers early and late in the game proved to be the deciding factor in the game. Scoring for the Coyotes: Chapman 11, Tarleton 12, Cooley 4, and Lamming 7.

Good Job Coyotes!

Lady Coyote Players of the Week



Lady Coyote, Lacy Roberts receives JV Player of the Week. Roberts is the daughter of Freddy and Lee Roberts.



Lady Coyote, Taylor Richey receives Varsity Player of the Week. Richey is the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey.



Borden Lady Coyotes Defeat Crosbyton 56-41

By Coach Turner

The Borden Lady Coyotes defeated Crosbyton by the score of 56-41 in Gail last Tuesday night. The game was close most of the way as BC led only 20-18 at the half and 33-27 after three quarters. In the fourth quarter, Taylor Richey scored 11 of her game high 23 points and the Lady Coyotes coasted to the victory. D'Nae Johnson was 9 of 10 from the free throw line for her points and Baylee Benavidez was 3 of 5 from the three point arc for hers. Olivia Key played a great all-around game and finished with seven points. Both Krystal Hobson and Sharelle Gass had three points Kate Wallace wrapped up the scoring for the Lady Coyotes with two free throws. The win brings the Lady Coyotes to 4-3 on the season.

The Borden Lady Coyote JV lost to Crosbyton by the score of 25-13. Things were looking great going into the fourth quarter, but BC

was held scoreless and the Chieftettes were able to pull away with the win. Lacey Roberts, Chellsie Pigford, Bailey Anderson,

Brittney Day, Phyneshia Rutherford, and Raylea Underwood all scored two points. Chasiti Rutherford had a free throw.



Lady Coyote, Bailey Benavidez (#15), shoots for 3 points against the Crosbyton Chieftettes. Lady Coyotes came away with a 56-41 win.

Pups Pound Wildcats!

By Coach Baeza

The Coyote junior high traveled to Westbrook on November 26 and put together an impressive game.

The Pups dominated every part of the game as they pounded the Wildcats 54-14.

The Coyotes started the game hot as they scored 22 points in the first quarter alone. Blake Turner led all Coyotes in the first with eight points on defensive steels and jump shots.

Tanner Richey added six of his own from under the basket followed by Matthew Roberson who scored four points from underneath. Riley Smith and Austin Tyler added one lay-up each on fast breaks to help the Coyotes take a 22-2 first quarter lead.

The Pups kept the pressure on the Wildcats during the second running their offense effectively allowing easy baskets by the Pups. Blake hit two jump shots from the top of the key while Riley, Tanner, Austin Tyler, and Chance Taylor all got on the board with two points each. The coyotes took a comfortable lead into the half of 34-8.

During the second half of the game the Pups concentrated on getting better on certain parts of their game by playing effective man and zone defense.

On offense the Coyotes played unselfish basketball and they looked to get everyone involved in the scoring. Riley Smith had a hot hand in the second half as he hit two three pointers while Matthew Roberson dominated the board putting in eight second half points. Steven Howard, Luke Burkett, and Austin Fields all had good games contributing with solid defense and assists.

These guys did an excellent job playing team basketball and working to improve for the season.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Riley Smith 10, Chance Taylor 2, Tanner Richey 12, Austin Tyler 4, Blake Turner 14, and Matthew Roberson 12.

Good Job Coyotes!



School Lunch Menu

December 10-14, 2007
MONDAY - Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Corn Dog, Macaroni & Cheese, Salad, Peaches and Milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: chicken Strips, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Applesauce and Milk.

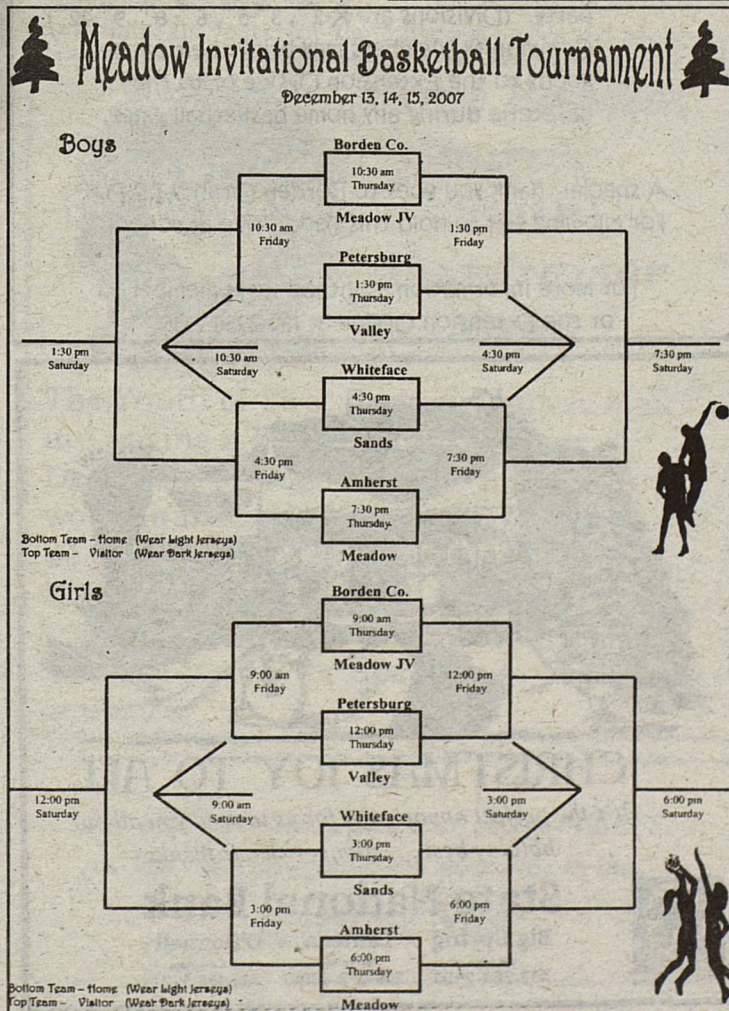
WEDNESDAY - Breakfast: Omelet, Fruit Juice, Milk. Lunch: Fajitas, Salad, Refried Beans, Fruit Cup and Milk.

THURSDAY - Breakfast: Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Taco Casserole, Corn, Tossed Salad, Peaches and Milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk.

Lunch: Grill Cheese, Chips, Salad, Slice Apple w/peanut butter and Milk.

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Heart & Home

By Julie Smith
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Helpful Tips for Holiday Baking

On your mark, get set, GO! Does your holiday baking feel like a race? It can sometimes feel that way, especially with the many tasks we have to accomplish over the holidays. However, baking doesn't have to be one of them! Below are few helpful tips to help make your holiday baking (and baking anytime of the year) a "breeze!"

Ingredients

* It is always best to use fresh ingredients in baking. Use the freshest ingredients you can for quality baked goods.

* It is also important to make sure that refrigerated items are set to room temperature before incorporating them in your recipe (unless otherwise specified in the recipe). To bring items like eggs, milk, and butter to room temperature, set them out on the counter for 30 minutes prior to recipe preparation. Having these foods at room temperature will make a big difference in the product.

* Sugar has an indefinite shelf life if stored properly (air-tight container).

* Flour and Meal (6 to 12 months - depending on the type)

* The original paper packaging is fine for long term cabinet storage as long as the package has not been open.

* Most types of flour keep longer in a cool, dry cabinet if stored in a sealed plastic or glass container.

* The refrigerator is a very good storage area for flour, but the use of a sealed container is

even more important to prevent the flour from absorbing moisture as well as odors and flavors from other foods stored in the refrigerator.

* The freezer is usually the best location for long term storage. Use sealed plastic containers or freezer bags for optimum freshness.

* Flour that does not look or smell good should not be used. Follow these tips to help you use spices and herbs when flavor and quality are best:

* As a general rule, keep:
1 year for herbs or ground spices

2 years for whole spices
* Buy a smaller container until you determine how fast you'll use a particular herb or spice.

* To test freshness:
If it smells strong and flavorful, it's probably still potent.

To smell whole spices, such as peppercorns and cinnamon sticks, crush or break them to release their aroma.

* Initial quality will influence shelf life.

* Label date of purchase on container with a permanent marking pen.

Measuring

* Use the right tools: Liquid and dry standard measuring spoons and cups, and correct pan sizes. All recipes use a standard dry-measuring cup for dry ingredients, including flours, cornmeal, cocoa, granulated and powdered sugars.

* Always stir flour to "loosen" before measuring. Sifting it first is necessary only if

the recipe calls for it. Spoon dry ingredients into the correct-size cups until they are overflowing. Level off with a straight edge (knife or metal spatula). Tip: Keep a spoon in flour bins for convenient stirring and measuring.

* Measure brown sugar by packing it firmly into the dry measuring cup and leveling off. It should hold its shape when turned out of the cup.

* Measure liquids such as water, milk, vegetable oil, honey or syrups in a clear glass or plastic liquid measuring cup that is placed on the counter. Bend down to check the amount at eye level. Use a rubber spatula to scrape out all the liquid. Tip: For easier removal of honey or molasses, grease or spray the cup or spoon first.

* Use measuring spoons, not eating utensils, to measure small amounts. Don't guess. Use the exact measurements and level off spoons with a straight edge spatula or knife. For dry ingredients, dip the measuring spoon into the container until overflowing, then level off. For liquid ingredients, pour liquid until it reaches the top edge of the spoon. Measure over a separate cup or bowl so any extra does not fall into the mix.

* Always use a thermometer to measure liquid temperature before adding yeast.

Baking Pans and Oven Tips

* Don't crowd the oven. The pans should never touch each other or the sides of the oven, or be placed over or under each other on the racks.

* Grease pans using a piece of paper towel, rub a small amount of shortening, butter or margarine evenly over the bottom and on sides of pans, if directed. A small amount of pan spray may be used and spread over the pan, also using the paper towel technique.

* Prevent sharp edges on muffins, bar cookies or quick

breads by greasing the muffin cups or pans only on the bottom and halfway up the sides so the batter is higher than the grease line. This is one time you might not want to use a pan spray.

* To test for doneness in cakes, quick breads and bar cookies, use a toothpick inserted in the center. The toothpick should come out clean and dry, or have only a few crumbs clinging. Yeast breads, rolls and loaves should be golden brown

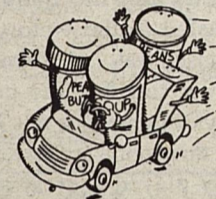
on top, sides and bottom.

Hopefully with these tips, your holiday baking will win the race! If you would like more information on baking and other cooking techniques, please contact the Texas Cooperative Extension-Borden County office at (806)756-4336.

Some information taken from the Home Baking Association Web site (<http://www.homebaking.org>).

Canned Food Drive

Sponsored by Borden County 4-H



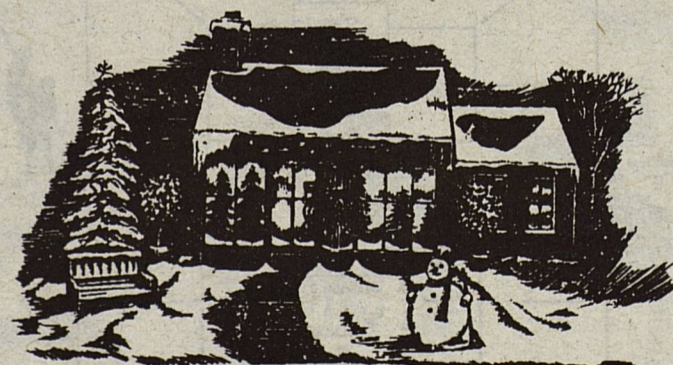
WHEN: Wednesday, November 28th through Thursday, December 13th

WHY: Please help us collect canned goods to be donated to families in Borden County.

WHERE: Students - bring your canned goods to your home room class. The grade in each division that collects the most goods will win a "sweet treat party." (Divisions are K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th) Community Members may bring their canned goods to the Extension Office or to the Cafeteria during any home basketball game.

A special thank you goes to Borden County I.S.D. for allowing 4-H to hold this food drive at school.

For more information, contact a 4-H member or the Extension Office at (806)756-4336.



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Patsy Underwood 1937 - 2007

Funeral services for Patsy Underwood, 70, of Gail, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 4th, 2007 at the Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel, with Rev. Randy Hardeman, pastor of First Baptist Church in Gail officiating.

Interment followed at Cottonwood Flats Cemetery, under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Underwood died at 5:46 a.m., on Sunday, December 2nd, 2007 in Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka, Tx. after a sudden illness.

She was born on February 23, 1937 in Rotan, Texas and lived her growing up years there.

She married Rayond C. "Babe" Underwood in 1954 in Rotan. He preceeded her in death on May 15th, 1994.

Mrs. Underwood worked more than 20 years for the

Borden County ISD before her retirement. She was a custodian and a bus driver.

She was a member of the Baptist faith.

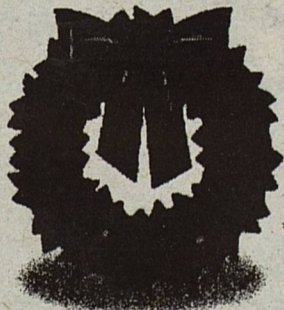
Mrs. Underwood is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Ray Don & Jana Underwood of Gail, Tx.

Three daughters and sons-in-law: Connie & Sid Hart of Gail; Patricia & Guy Zant and Kathy & David Goodman all of Big Spring, Tx.

Grandchildren: Patsy & Robbie Kleck, Carrie Hart and Raylea Underwood all of Gail and Guy Will & Amy Zant of Big Spring, Tx.

A sister and brother whom she reared after her mothers' death at a very young age, Faye Walker of Carlsbad, NM and Robert "Bud" & wife, Brenda Ware of Wink, Tx.

She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.



First Baptist Church Youth Fundraiser Meal

The Youth of First Baptist Church, Gail are having a Fund-Raiser Meal on December 9th following the morning worship from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. They will be serving Chicken Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert and Tea. Come and support our youth as they work to raise money for upcoming activities.



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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Borden County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081 (h) a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00

ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2007 by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Van L York
County Judge
Borden County

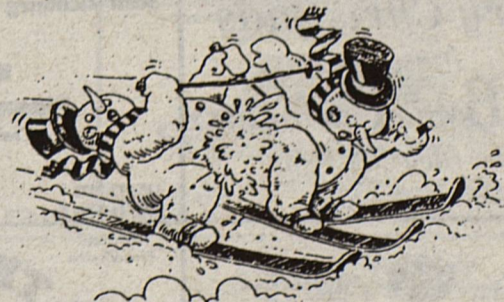
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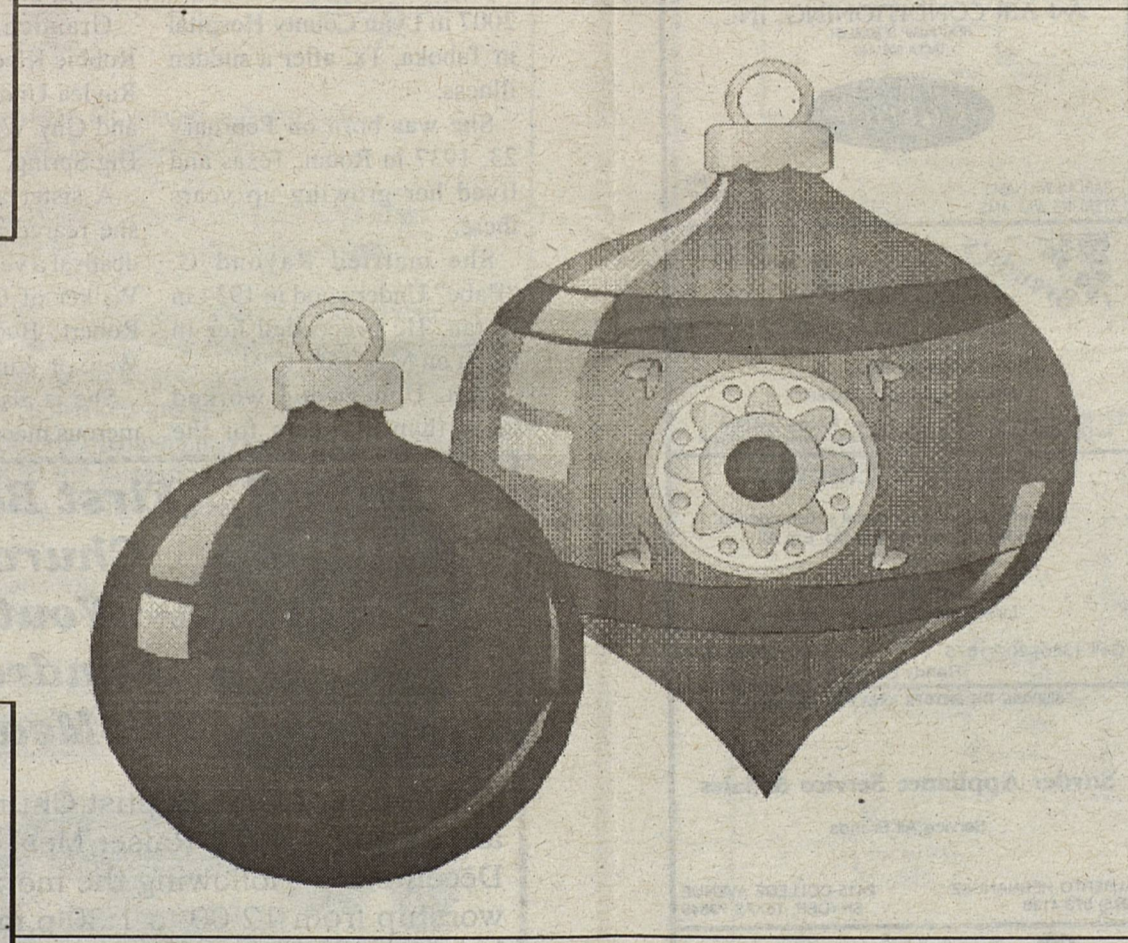
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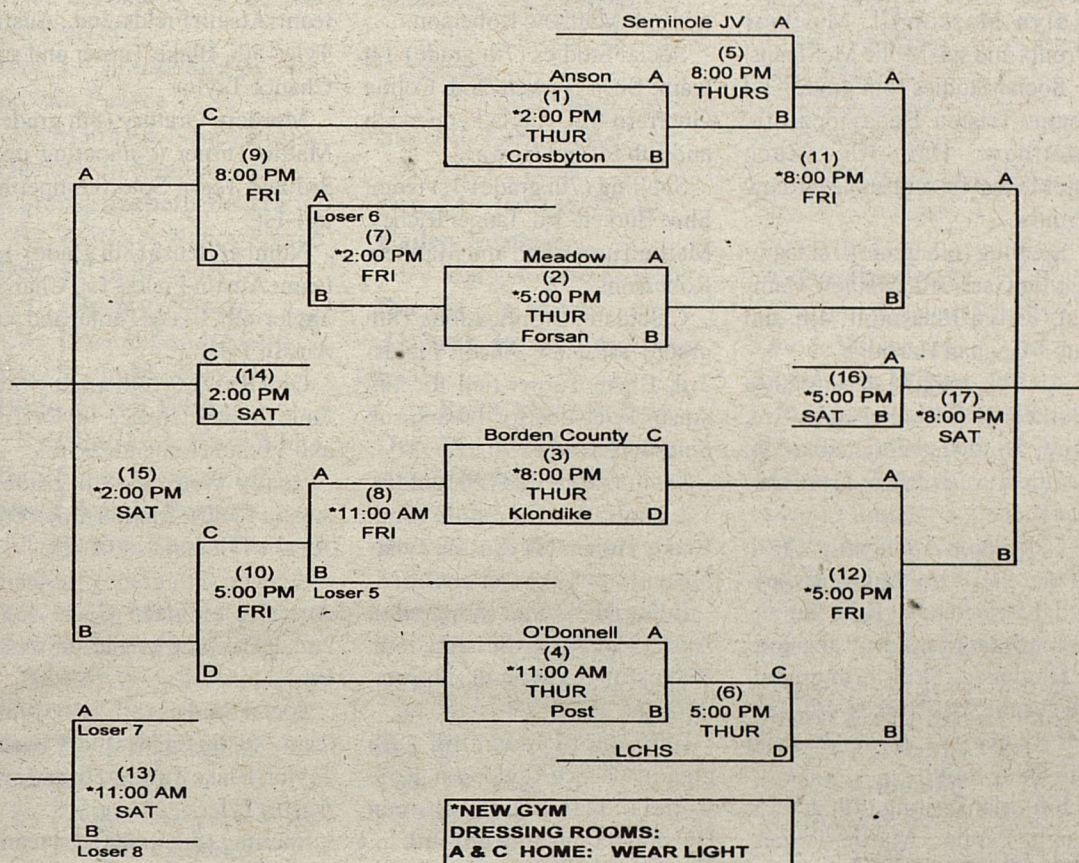
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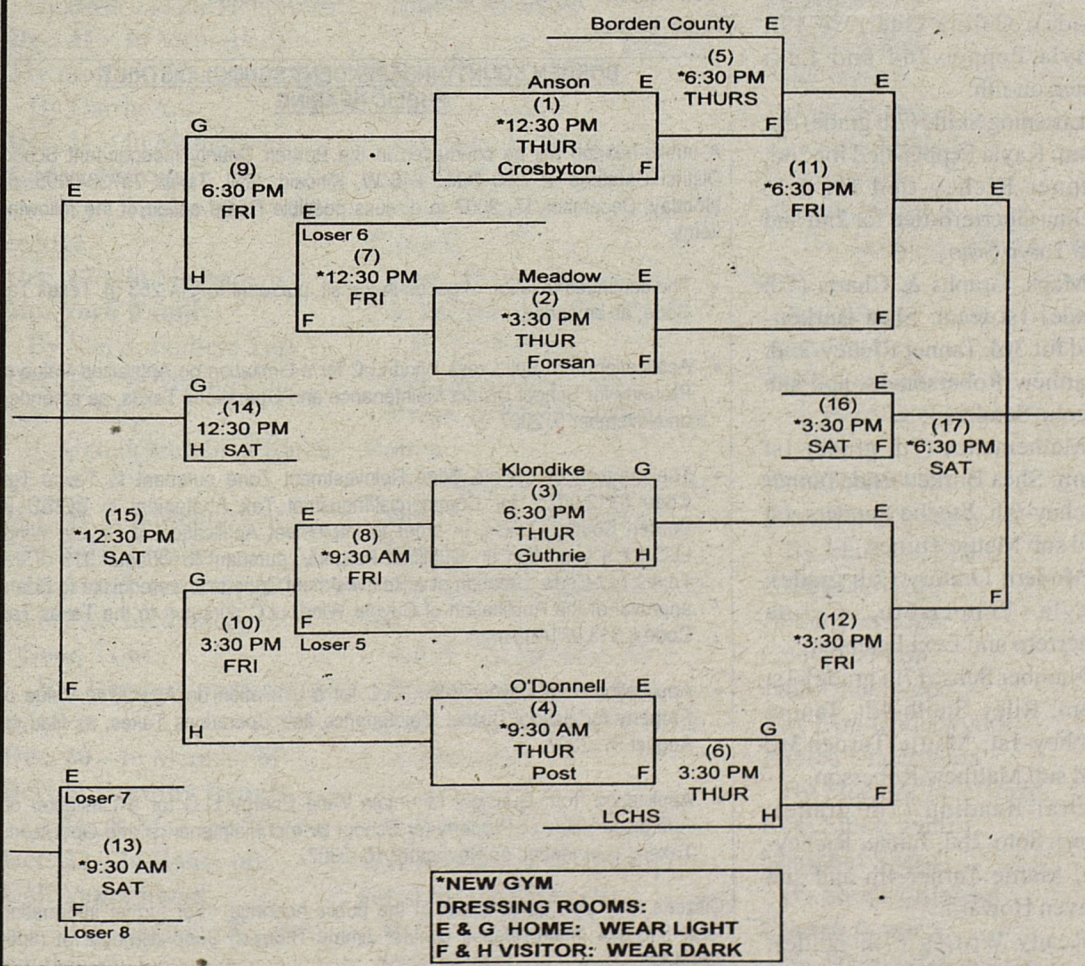
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4-H Canned Food Drive

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By Taylor Gass, 4-H Secretary

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8A

Rule 37 Case No. 0254148

DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec. 5, 2007

Status/Permit No. 648298

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SINCLAIR OIL & GAS COMPANY, (RRC Operator No. 784548) - has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 528, Bk. 97, H&TC RR CO/BOUCHIER, A W Survey, A-1069, HOOD (SPRABERRY) Field, BORDEN County, being 7 miles W direction from FLUVANNA, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

FIELD: HOOD (SPRABERRY)

Lease/Unit Name	MILLER "528"
Lease/Unit Well No.	7
Lease/Unit Acres	640.6
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1014.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	1026.0
Lease Lines	1014.0 F North L, 2657.0 F West L
Survey Lines	1014.0 F North L, 2657.0 F West L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
HOOD (SPRABERRY) OIL statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Robert Krueger, at (801) 524-2742.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest must be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the commission at (512) 463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY January 16, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY
THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

Gold All Around...

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Tanner Freeman, Dylan Murphy, Bryce Turner-2nd and sub Hayley Gray.

Spelling (3rd grade): 1st team: Bryce Turner-1st, Tanner Freeman-4th, Hayley Gray and sub Madison Benavidez.

Storytelling (3rd grade): Avery Price-3rd, Bryce Turner-4th, Hunter Jones-5th and sub Tanner Freeman.

Music Memory (4th grade)-2nd team: Rhaedan Bland, Tatum Richey-5th, Zoie Key, Channing Miller-4th, Kelby Miller-1st and sub Taylor-Roberts.

Art (4th grade)-1st team: Kylee Dean-5th, Tatum Richey-1st, Flint Roberts-tied for 2nd, Taylor Roberts-tied for 2nd, Merik Valentine-4th and sub Channing Miller.

Number Sense (4th grade)-1st team: Samuel Raborn-2nd, Tatum Richey-1st, Tate Wheatley and sub Taylor Roberts.

Oral Reading (4th grade): Channing Miller, Tatum Richey-6th, Zoie Key-1st and sub Kylee Dean.

Ready Writing (4th grade): Channing Miller, Samuel Raborn, Tatum Richey-1st and sub Kelby Miller

Spelling (4th grade)-1st team: Channing Miller-2nd, Kelby Miller-1st, Tatum Richey-3rd and sub Tate Wheatley.

Music Memory (5th grade)-3rd team: Tye Basquez-tied for 3rd, Marlana Seyler, Richy Torres-tied for 3rd, Sean Tucker, Eva Banman-6th and sub Cayden Vaughn.

Art (5th grade)-1st team: Tye Basquez-2nd, Ricky Torres-3rd, Sean Tucker-1st and Nathan Ham-4th.

Number Sense (5th grade)-1st team: Tye Basquez-tied for 5th, Ricky Torres, Sean Tucker-1st and sub Cayden Vaughn.

Dictionary Skills (5th grade)-1st team: Frank Banman-2nd, Tye Basquez-1st, Cayden Vaughn-3rd and sub Eva Banman.

Listening Skills (5th grade)-1st team: Frank Banman-5th, Tye Basquez-6th, Cayden Vaughn-

tied for 3rd and sub Sean Tucker.

Oral Reading (5th grade): Tye Basquez-1st, Cayden Vaughn-3rd, Frank Banman and sub Sean Tucker.

Maps, Graphs, & Charts (5th grade)-1st team: Frank Banman-2nd, Tye Basquez-1st, Sean Tucker-3rd and sub Cayden Vaughn.

Ready Writing (5th grade): Frank Banman, Tye Basquez, Sean Tucker-5th and sub Eva Banman.

Spelling (5th grade)-1st team: Tye Basquez-5th, Sean Tucker-4th, Cayden Vaughn-1st and sub Eva Banman.

Social Studies (5th grade)-2nd team: Tye Basquez-3rd, Nathan Ham, Sean Tucker and Frank Banman.

Art (6th grade)-1st team: Taylor Gass-2nd, Maeghan Herridge, Mallory McMeans-1st and Matthew Proulx.

Music Memory (6th grade)-1st team: Maeghan Herridge-2nd, Sage Wheatley and Taylor Gass 1st.

Calculator Applications (6th grade)-1st team: Maeghan Herridge-4th, Kalyn Massingill-1st, T.J. Basquez-2nd and sub Matthew Proulx.

Dictionary Skills (6th grade)-1st team: T.J. Basquez-2nd, Millie McMeans-1st, Sydney Rebeles-3rd and sub Matthew Proulx.

Listening Skills (6th grade)-1st team: Tristen Benavidez-5th, Zach McMeans-tied for 2nd, Millie McMeans-1st and sub Mallory McMeans.

Mathematics (6th grade)-3rd team: Maeghan Herridge-3rd, Kalyn Massingill, Mallory McMeans and sub Matthew Proulx.

Maps, Graphs, & Charts (6th grade)-1st team: Kalyn Massingill-6th, Matthew Proulx-1st, Zach McMeans-3rd and sub Mollie McMeans.

Number Sense (6th grade)-3rd team: Taylor Gass, Kalyn Massingill, Mallory McMeans and sub Mallory McMeans.

Oral Reading (6th grade): Tay-

lor Gass-4th, Mollie McMeans-6th, Zach McMeans-1st and sub Tristen Benavidez.

Ready Writing (6th grade): Mallory McMeans-1st, Kalyn Massingill, Matthew Proulx and sub Millie McMeans.

Social Studies (6th grade)-1st team: Tristen Benavidez-6th, Matthew Ham-4th, Zach McMeans-1st and sub Matthew Proulx.

Spelling (6th grade)-1st team: Taylor Gass-3rd, Mathew Ham-1st, Kalyn Massingill-4th and sub Maeghan Herridge.

Art (7th grade)-1st team: Shea Burkett-2nd, Kayla Pepper-3rd, Riley Smith-1st, Teryn Soto-5th, Mattie Turner-4th and sub Tanner Richey.

Calculator Applications (7th grade)-2nd team: Tanner Richey-3rd, Kayla Pepper, Riley Smith-1st and sub Matthew Roberson.

Dictionary Skills (7th grade)-2nd team: Shea Burkett-4th, Tanner Richey-3rd, Kylie Voss and sub Riley Smith.

Editorial Writing (7th grade): Kayla Pepper, Mattie Turner, Kylie Voss-6th and sub Teryn Soto.

Impromptu Speaking (7th grade): Celina Guerrero-1st, Kayla Pepper-2nd and Lexi Peterson-6th.

Listening Skills (7th grade)-1st team: Kayla Pepper-tied for 2nd, Tanner Richey-tied for 5th, Celina Guerrero-tied for 2nd and sub Teryn Soto.

Maps, Graphs & Charts (7th grade)-1st team: Shea Burkett-tied for 3rd, Tanner Richey-2nd, Matthew Roberson-1st and sub Steelie Sanders.

Mathematics (7th grade)-1st team: Shea Burkett-2nd, Tanner Richey-6th, Steelie Sanders-1st and sub Mattie Turner.

Modern Oratory (7th grade): Kayla Pepper-6th, Celina Guerrero and Lexi Peterson.

Number Sense (7th grade)-1st team: Riley Smith-4th, Tanner Richey-1st, Mattie Turner-3rd and sub Matthew Roberson.

Oral Reading (7th grade): Teryn Soto-2nd, Tanner Richey-1st, Mattie Turner-4th and sub Steven Howard.

Ready Writing (7th grade): Steven Howard-1st, Kayla Pen-

per, Steelie Sanders sub Mattie Turner.

Science (7th grade)-2nd team: Celina Guerrero-4th, Steven Howard-2nd, Tanner Richey-6th and sub Matthew Roberson.

Social Studies (7th grade)-1st team: Shea Burkett-2nd, Celina Guerrero-4th, Kayla Pepper-5th and sub Steven Howard.

Spelling (7th grade)-1st team: Shea Burkett-3rd, Tanner Richey, Mattie Turner-2nd and Matthew Roberson.

Calculator Applications (8th grade)-1st team: Austin Fields-3rd, Blake Turner-tied for 1st, Austin Tyler-tied for 1st and sub Seleste Herridge.

Dictionary Skills (8th grade)-1st team: Austin Fields-2nd, Blake Turner-1st, Austin Tyler-5th and sub Luke Burkett.

Editorial Writing (8th grade): Austin Fields-1st, Chris Teel-6th, Blake Turner-2nd and sub Austin Tyler.

Impromptu Speaking (8th grade): Chance Taylor-1st, Kyle Copeland-2nd and Steven Howard (competing up)-3rd.

Listening Skills (8th grade)-1st team: Austin Fields-1st, Chris Teel, Austin Tyler-4th and sub Blake Turner.

Maps, Graphs & Charts (8th grade)-2nd team: Austin Fields-1st, Chris Teel, Austin Tyler-4th and sub Blake Turner.

Mathematics (8th grade)-2nd team: Austin Fields-2nd, Austin Tyler-5th, Blake Turner and sub Chance Taylor.

Modern Oratory (8th grade): Mattie Turner (competing up)-3rd and Teryn Soto (competing up)-1st.

Number Sense (8th grade)-1st team: Austin Fields-1st, Chance Taylor-6th, Blake Turner and sub Austin Tyler.

Oral Reading (8th grade): Stefanie Cooley, Chance Taylor-2nd and Vivian Hernandez-5th.

Ready Writing (8th grade): Austin Fields, Blake Turner-6th, Austin Tyler and sub Chris Teel.

Science (8th grade)-1st team: Austin Fields-1st, Chris Teel-2nd, Blake Turner and sub Luke Burkett.

Social Studies (8th grade)-2nd team: Austin Fields-2nd, Chance Taylor, Blake Turner-5th and sub Austin Tyler.

Spelling (8th grade)-1st team: Luke Burkett, Seleste Herridge-4th, Blake Turner-2nd and sub Austin Fields.

BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be conducted in the Borden County Independent School District Cafeteria at 7:00 P.M., 240 W. Kincaid, Gail, Texas 79738-0095, on Monday, December 17, 2007 to discuss possible Board action of the following items:

- The continued taxation of goods-in-transit, pursuant to §11.253 (j), Texas Tax Code, as amended.
- Application from Bull Creek Wind LLC for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, as amended on November 5, 2007.
- The creation of Coyote Wind Reinvestment Zone pursuant to Texas Tax Code §312.0025, for Commercial/Industrial Tax Abatement in BCISD in Borden County, Texas, in order to implement Application of Coyote Wind LLC for a Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code. Creation of a Reinvestment Zone is a prerequisite to Board approval of the Application of Coyote Wind, LLC pursuant to the Texas Tax Code § 313.021(2)(A)(i).
- Application from Coyote Wind, LLC for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, as filed on August 31, 2007.
- Application from Gunsight Mountain Wind Energy LLC for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, as amended on November 10, 2007.

Citizens may sign up to speak at the public hearings. For further information regarding this matter please contact Jimmy Thomas, Superintendent at (806) 756-4313.

14th Annual Lights for Gail

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

- Dec. 1** – In Memory of:
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By Martha & Nancy Pearce
- Dec. 2** – In Memory of:
Karen Elizabeth Pearce
By Martha & Nancy Pearce
- Dec. 3** – In Memory of:
S. C. (Buddy) Sharp
By Ross & Sarah Sharp
- Dec. 5** – In Memory of:
Binie & Nell White
By Binie L. & Edna White
- Dec. 6** – In Memory of:
Skeet & Lela Porter
By the Sam (Porter) Giffords
- Dec. 7** – In Memory of:
Ann & James McLeroy
By Bob & Julie McLeroy Family
- Dec. 7** – In Memory of:
Charles Vaughn
By Cricket Dempsey & the Vaughn Children
- Dec. 10** – In Memory of:
Beno & Donna Hendricks
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Dec. 11** – In Memory of:
My mother, Margaret Ard
By Darrin Ard
- Dec. 11** – In Memory of:
Caden Nowlain
By Jibber & Cindy Herridge
- Dec. 12** – In Memory of:
Jim York Family
By Van & Barbara York
- Dec. 15** – In Memory of:
Karan Key
By Grandchildren of Karan Key
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Lee York Family
By Van & Barbara York
- Dec. 19** – In Memory of:
"Good Times"
By Bertie Copeland & Family
- Dec. 20** – In Memory of:
Bert & Dorothy Dennis
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- Dec. 22** – In Honor of:
Madison Youngblood
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- Dec. 23** – In Memory of:
Skeet & Lela Porter
By Pat J. Porter
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
Caden Nowlain
By Mack & Jane Terry
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
All our loved ones and friends
By Ralph Miller Family
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
Arvil (Babe) Brewer
By Ross & Sarah Sharp
- Dec. 25** – In Honor of:
Mildred Sevey
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- Dec. 25** – In Memory of:
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- Dec. 25** – In Memory of:
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The Play's the Thing...

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Serving as crew members for the production (and who have never gone on strike) are Vivian Hernandez (Stage Manager), Seleste Herridge (Sound Technician), Matthew Ham (Light Technician), and Kalyn Massingill (Props & Costumes Mistress). Darrin Ard, B.C.I.S.D. theatre director, directs the show. Break a leg, BC JH OAP!

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Happy Holidays!

Fourteenth Annual Lighting of the Star LIGHTS FOR GAIL

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DONATION BY _____ (Your Name)

To have your name in the program we must have your list by Friday, November 16, 2007.

Nights available will be from November 25 through December 31, 2007.

Bulbs @ \$5.00 per person per bulb per night.	Nights @ \$25.00 per person or couple per night chosen.	Date
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Total Bulbs \$ _____	Total Nights \$ _____	

To be fair to all please limit each bulb or night to one of the following examples:

John Smith
Mr. & Mrs. John Smith
John Smith Family

If you want to list John, Jane, Joe & Julie Smith Please list them on separate lines at \$5.00 for each name listed.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Your donation is greatly appreciated.
(A receipt will be sent when requested)
Please note below if you wish to have the name listed above "In Honor of..." or "In Memory of..."
For example if you listed Joe Jones for a night, note here that it is in memory of, or any special notation you wish.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Backstage With Big Time Bands

During Charles Sweeney's high school years in Big Spring he started hanging out at one of the local radio stations.

He was fascinated with newsgathering and spent a lot of time in the newsroom listening to the police radio and scanning news coming in on the Associated Press teletype machine.

When he went away to the University of North Texas he got part time employment on the college radio station and at a commercial station in a nearby city.

After graduation he headed for Houston and joined the staff of KPFT, a community station. That means no commercials and not much money, but a lot of fun and creativity.

One of the things he did was to hand out recorders to staff members and go from one end of Westheimer street to the other, interviewing all types of people. At the time, Westheimer stretched across all of Houston. He took all the interviews and put together a two-hour documen-

tary.

Charles had the nickname Chip while growing up in Big Spring. When he got out on his own people started calling him Scoop.

He moved to San Francisco and got a job with Zodiac News Service, which supplied offbeat stories to news outlets all over the country.

Later he became music editor for Zodiac and started covering the west coast music scene. Eventually he started managing bands and producing major concerts.

"Basically we'd arrive at some cow pasture at 3 or 4 in the morning with truckloads of equipment and literally build a city," says Scoop.

"It's a lot more than just putting up a stage. You have to have

a complete infrastructure with a totally self-supporting electrical system to power everything. You have to bring in water, toilets, and vendors to feed the people and we do all this in about 6 or 8 hours. By the end of the night you have to tear it all down. It's a busy 24 hours."

During the Judd's farewell tour in San Bernardino, the crowd was larger than expected and the diesel powered generators got a workout.


"Halfway through the show, I got a call that the low fuel lights were coming on all the generators. That was bad. We ended up having to get 5-gallon water bottles and siphon diesel out of every tour bus and truck on the lot.

The cops thought there was a

real crime wave going on and several of them came up and asked us what we were doing. We told them we were trying to prevent a disaster. We ended up with a fleet of golf carts driving around the outside of the crowd, then filling up the generators during the show."

The audience numbered 35,000, some 10,000 more than expected. 500 porta-potties had to be moved a hundred yards further back to make more room for the crowd.

"We sent forklifts back there to pick up these things and move them. Every once in awhile there would be a scream from one of them. We'd apologize for the surprise move, but we didn't charge them for the ride." Scoop now lives in Elgin.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1 style="text-align: center;">DECEMBER 2007</h1> <p style="text-align: center;">(November 28th – December 12th Canned Food Drive)</p>						
2	3 Loraine BB JH There 6:00 GB UIL Soc. Stud- tutorials- conference room Home for the Holidays 6 p.m. Community Room	4 Forsan BB Here 4:00 gGbB	5	6 UIL Spelling- Tutorials	7	1 Borden JHBB Tourney Amarillo Speech & Debate Meet (11/30 & 12/1) SAT Test (Must have pre- registered)
9	10 Highland BB JH Here 6:00 GB Youth Board Meeting 12:00 – 1:06 p.m.	11 Sands BB Here 4:00.gGbB	12	13 Christmas Concert 7:00 p.m. UIL Social Studies- tutorials-conference room	14 JH OAP Community Performance – 7 p.m. in the auditorium	15 District 9-A JH OAP @ Borden County
16	17	18	19	UIL Spelling- Tutorials 20 UIL Spelling- Tutorials Spanish III production of 'A Christmas Carol' for K-12 Elementary/JH UIL Awards Ceremony – 2:45 in the auditorium	21 End of 3 rd Six Weeks & 1 st Semester Early Dismissal 12:30	22 Staff Development Begin Christmas Holidays
23	24	25	26 SAT deadline for January 26 th test	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

