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2003-2004 School Year begins Aug. 18th

Dear Students, Parents and Borden County School Community:

The 2003-2004 school year will begin on Monday, August 18th. The official school day will begin at 8:05 a.m. and conclude at 3:33 p.m. each day.

New employees for the 2003-2004 school year are as follows:

Mr. Philip Marshall—band director/teacher, and Mrs. Joan Marshall—Clerical Staff. Mrs. Stephanie James served as an instructional aide during the 2002-2003 school year, and Mrs. Lori Stephens served as a Title I teacher. Mrs. James will serve as the Title I teacher, and Mrs. Stephens will serve as the 4th grade teacher during the 2003-2004 school year.

Borden County ISD will experience minimal changes during the upcoming school year. The primary thing that will be different in relation to class offerings and student availability will relate to the fact that the District will have a Title I program that will shift from Targeted Assistance to a School-Wide Title I program. This program allows the Title I teacher to work with all students in grades K-12 that need additional help in their respective

Previously, students had to qualify for Title I to be eligible for these services. High School students in the eleventh and twelfth grades will continue to have the opportunity to earn college courses if they qualify according to state guidelines and testing criteria. In addition, we will make a serious effort to continue to improve upon our student TAKS Test scores during the 2003-2004 school year. Borden County students will also continue to receive free meals during the 2003-2004 school year.

A serious potential for upcoming changes in the school finance system will most likely result in the need for another election in the next few months to maintain the same tax rate of \$1.45 that has been in place for the past nine years. An official decision on this issue will take place in the near future, and a community meeting will be conducted as needed to explain this situation. The primary thing we need to think about when discussing school finance is that our school district cannot survive without a healthy student enrollment. Effort by the Borden County School Community to encourage parents with school aged children to reside and attend school in Borden County will

be sincerely appreciated.

Our desire for the upcoming school year is that every child of the Borden County School will have a successful educational and social experience. Your support and involvement is needed and appreciated. During the 2002-2003 school year a complete review of the Borden County School was conducted by the Texas Education Agency. Our District passed the review with "flying colors" and substantiated what we already knew about our school. We received credit for all indicators and quality points. In addition, our school received no citations for being out of compliance with any state or federal guidelines. We would like to commend our community and staff for their dedication and support to providing an outstanding educational opportunity for our students. We encourage your continued involvement in your child's educational experience. Please contact your child's teachers or the school administration if your child is having problems in classes or extracurricular activities. Your involvement and intervention is the best way to prevent problems relating to your child's educational success and experience. You are

Wallace receives 20-Year Tenure Award



Buddy Wallace, agriculture science teacher at Borden Co. High School, received the 20-year Tenure Award at the annual Professional Development Conference for Agricultural Science and Technology Teachers of Texas, held in Wichita Falls, July 28-August 1, 2003.

Tenure Awards are given by the Vocational Agriculture

Teachers association to agriculture science teachers who have dedicated themselves to teaching agriculture. Wallace has given 20 years of hard work and dedication to agricultural education and the VATAT. The distinguished honor was presented at the VATAT awards ceremony, Wednesday, July 30th.

In Texas, there is an estimated 1,500 agricultural science and technology teachers impacting more than 90,000 students enrolled in agricultural education classes at the secondary level. The Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas is headquartered in Austin and aims to improve agriculture by teaching.

welcome to call the following numbers during the school day or after hours as needed: central office 806-756-4313, principal's office 806-756-4315.

Sincerely,
Jimmy Thomas

2003-2004 Dress Code for Borden County ISD

The Borden County School's dress Code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following.

Borden County's students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health and safety hazard to themselves or others. Clothing and grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operation is prohibited.

The Borden County School prohibits pictures, emblems, or writing on clothing that

1. Is lewd, offensive, vulgar, or contains obscene language
2. Advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited by the school
3. Refers to satanic, cult, prison wear or gang activities.

The following guidelines will be used to determine appropriate dress:

1. Dresses, skirts, split skirts and shorts should not be shorter than two inches above the knee. A student will lose the privilege of wearing shorts for the school year upon a third offense. Parents will be notified when the second offense occurs. Shorts must be tailored (hemmed with no frayed edges). No spandex biker shorts or wind shorts are allowed (loose-legged, a athletic running shorts) and shorts shall not be too tight.
2. Wearing of oversized or baggy pants and/or jeans is prohibited at school or at any school-sponsored activity on or off campus. **NO "saggin, baggin, or draggin."** Pants must be an appropriate length and not drag the floor. Boy's pants will be worn at the waist and properly fit the waistline. NO excessive wide legged pants will be allowed. NO chains will be allowed on school property or at school sponsored functions.
3. Shirts and blouses must be buttoned appropriately with midriff and back covered at all times. (Tops must be long enough that skin does not show when arms are lifted). Clothing shall be designed, constructed,

and worn in a manner that is not suggestive or indecent, and that shall promote proper decorum. The opening on any type of shirt shall not exceed the equivalent of the first button below the collar of a dress shirt. Tank tops and "See through chiffon blouses" will not be allowed unless they are worn with a crew neck T-shirt underneath it or a shirt worn over them during all school hours and activities. Tailored shirt shirttails must be tucked in unless you have a crew T-shirt underneath the shirt. (All tailored shirts will be buttoned and tucked into the pants or skirt when representing Borden County in any extracurricular activities). Sleeveless blouses are permissible but must in good taste. Appropriate undergarments must be worn and must not be exposed at any time.

4. Footwear shall be a part of regular attire. House shoes are not acceptable footwear. Not metal cleats or plates on the soles of shoes shall be worn in the building.

5. Hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times while attending school, school functions, and school sponsored activities. It will be styled in a manner that will keep it out of the student's

eyes and not obstruct one's vision. No unnatural or bizarre hair colors or haircuts will be permitted. Eyebrows must not be notched or shaved in an unnatural manner. Male students' hair may be worn no longer than the top of the collar. In addition: geometric or unusual patterns will not be allowed to be shaved or cut in the hair, and boys may not wear pony tails, rat-tails, or braids. Students are to be clean-shaven at all times. Mustaches and beards are not allowed. Sideburns shall not be worn lower than the bottom of the ear lobe and no wider than one inch at the base.

6. Boys will not wear piercing jewelry. Girls may not wear exposed piercing jewelry other than earrings. No tongue piercing will be allowed for boys or girls.

7. Sunglasses may not be worn in the building during school hours or events inside the building unless prescribed by a

doctor.

8. All types of headwear are prohibited. No hats, caps, bandanas, or hoods may be worn inside the building by boys or girls unless approved by the school administration. This will include basket-ball games and other settings where the school administration, coach, or sponsor determines that headwear is inappropriate.
9. Any clothing or grooming not listed above that is determined by the school administration to pose a disruption, interference, or safety concern to the normal

school operation or Borden County School Community will be prohibited and addresses as appropriate.

A student who violates the dress code shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student shall be assigned to in school suspension either for the remainder of the day or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeat offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person is charge of

an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity (for example: cheerleader uniforms may vary from normal requirements according to principal/sponsor approval). Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the school administration or sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action.

Violations of the Borden County Dress Code may be handled through the Student Code of Conduct.

BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Principal 806-756-4315 Superintendent 806-756-4313

BOX 95

GAIL, TEXAS 79738

2003-2004 SCHOOL CALENDAR

FIRST SEMESTER (84 DAYS)

August 2003

- 11 Staff Development
- 12 Staff Development
- 13 Staff Development
- 14 Staff Development
- 15 Work Day/Staff Development
- 18 First Day of School

September 2003

- 19 Labor Day Holiday
- 22 End of First Six Weeks (24 Days)
- 22 Beginning of Second Six Weeks

October 2003

- 13 Staff Development (Comp Day/Holiday)
- 31 End of Second Six Weeks (29 Days)

November 2003

- 3 Beginning of Third Six Weeks
- 6 Thanksgiving Holidays

December 2003

- 13 End of 3rd Six Weeks & First Semester (31 Days)
- 19 Work Day/Staff Development)
- 19 Christmas Holidays

SECOND SEMESTER (93 Days)

January 2004

- 5 New Year's Day/ Christmas Holidays
- 16 Beginning of Fourth Six Weeks
- 16 Staff Development (Comp Day/Holiday)

February 2004

- 6 Staff Development (Comp Day/Holiday)
- 19 End of Fourth Six Weeks (32 Days)
- 23 Holiday
- 23 Beginning of Fifth Six Weeks

March 2004

- 12 Spring Break
- 19 End of Fifth Six Weeks (30 Days)
- 23 Holiday
- 23 Beginning of Sixth Six Weeks

April 2004

- 13 Bad Weather Day

May 2004

- 27 Bad Weather Day
- 28 End of Sixth Six Weeks (31 Days)
- 28 Work Day/Staff Development

LEGEND

- Beginning of Six Weeks
- End of Six Weeks
- Workday/Staff Development
- Comp Days/Holidays
- Holidays
- Bad Weather Day
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Major Requirements of Stage II Water Rationing

1. School and commercial customers shall water on **Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday**, between 8:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m.
2. Residential customers shall water on **Saturday, Monday and Wednesday**, between 8:00 p.m. and before 10:00 a.m.
3. No open ended hoses for watering.
4. Washing motor vehicles is prohibited except on designated watering days between 8:00 p.m. and before 10:00 a.m.



2003-2004 Borden County Coyote Cheerleaders: LaShae Johnson, Shayla Gass, Menda James, Ashley James, Laura Stamper, Cassidy Rinehart and Christina Soto, Mascott.

NOTICE

Who exactly is a child with "special needs"? We know that all children have needs and that every child is special. However, the needs of some children are greater than or different from those of the "typical" child. The special need might be in the area of mental, social, emotional, or physical development. If you are the parent or a friend of a child that might qualify for individual services, call Bill Tarleton, Special Education Director of Borden County ISD, and Klondike IS at 806/756-4313, or contact the Child Find Coordinator at the Education Service Center at 806/792-4000.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Borden County Independent School District offers career and technology education programs in Agricultural Science, Home Economics and Micro-Computer Applications. Admission to these programs is based on the needs of the students in the Borden County Independent School District.

It is the policy of The Borden County School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

The Borden County Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Jimmy Thomas, P. O. Box 95, Gail, Texas 79738, 1-806-756-4313.

Drive safely. Don't wreck your life.

Borden County High School Coyote Football Schedule 2003-2004

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| Aug. 22 | Aspermont | **Scrimmage | Here | 6:00 |
| Aug. 29 | Jayton | **Scrimmage | There | 6:00 |
| Sept. 5 | Meadow | | Here | 7:30 |
| Sept. 12 | Ropes | | There | 7:30 |
| Sept. 19 | Ira | | Here | 7:30 |
| Sept. 26 | Wellman | | Here | 7:30 |
| Oct. 3 | Highland | | There | 7:30 |
| Oct. 10 | *Klondike | | There | 7:30 |
| Oct. 17 | *Sands | | There | 7:30 |
| Oct. 24 | ***Dawson | Homecoming | | 7:30 |
| Oct. 31 | *Loop | | There | 7:30 |
| Nov. 7 | *Grady | | Here | 7:30 |

** Scrimmage *District Game ***Homecoming

Varsity Head Coach: Bobby Avery
Assistant Coaches: Trey Richey & Kevin James

Colors: Red, White, and Columbia Blue
Superintendent: Jimmy Thomas
Principal: Chet Dye
Band Director: Philip Marshall
Cheerleaders: Shayla Gass, LaShae Johnson, Cassidy Rinehart, Ashley James, Menda James, Lindsey Stamper
Cheerleader Sponsor: Stephanie James
Coyote Mascot: Christina Soto

2003-2004 JUNIOR HIGH AND JUNIOR VARSITY COYOTE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

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| Sept. 4 | Meadow | (JV) | There | 5:30 |
| Sept. 11 | Ropes | (JH) | Here | 6:00 |
| | Ropes | (JV) | Here | 7:30 |
| Sept. 18 | Ira | (JH) | There | 5:30 |
| | Ira | (JV) | There | 7:00 |
| Sept. 25 | Wellman/Union | (JH) | There | 5:30 |
| | Wellman/Union | (JV) | There | 7:00 |
| Oct. 2 | Grady | (JH) | There | 5:30 |
| | Grady | (JV) | There | 7:00 |
| Oct. 9 | Klondike | (JH) | Here | 6:00 |
| | TBA | (JV) | | |
| Oct. 16 | Sands | (JH) | Here | 6:00 |
| | Sands | (JV) | Here | 7:30 |
| Oct. 23 | Dawson | (JH) | There | 5:30 |
| | Dawson | (JV) | There | 7:00 |
| Oct. 30 | Loop | (JH) | Here | 6:00 |
| | TBA | (JV) | | |

Head Coach: Bobby Avery
Assistant Coach: Trey Richey

Cheerleader Sponsor: Cindy Herridge
Cheerleaders: Sharelle Gass, Katherine Froman, Kate Wallace, Rachel Wilson

WANTED:

Parents for Parents Club

All parents are invited to come get involved and become a part of the Borden County Parents Club.

The first meeting will be August 18th, the first day of school at **8:15 a.m.** in the school Conference Room.

Officers for the coming year will be elected along with the election of Room Mothers. Other Parents Club Projects such as the Fall festival, the class parties for K-4th grades, Fund Raisers for the Scholarship Fund and any other necessary business that needs to be discussed.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

GO COYOTES!

WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT SEASON

**Business & Professional Good Neighbor
Review Of Lamesa**

Trade with the firms that support Borden County

Jones-McCall Pharmacy

Jones-McCall Pharmacy is located at 1605 N. Bryan in Lamesa, phone 806/872-5453. Here professional pharmacists accurately fill prescriptions from quality drugs. The relationship between the professional pharmacist and the physician is very close. The people should have confidence in the doctor, and the doctor must have implicit confidence in the pharmacist, for he is unable, without a chemical analysis, to determine whether all the ingredients called for in his prescription are contained in the compound and if they are pure and fresh. Moreover, the pharmacist, in many cases is the medium through which the physician gains of his knowledge. To be progressive he is expected to know all the newer preparations that are available. As soon as any biological or medical discovery is proved of worth, he will have a supply on hand for the doctors and the public use. We in this Good Neighbor Review recommend this pharmacy for your drug needs.

Goolsby Bros. Pipe & Steel Co.

Goolsby Bros. Pipe & Steel Co. is located at 501 N. Lynn in Lamesa, phone 806/872-2243 or toll free 1-800-553-5865. They feature pipe for all purposes including irrigation, and water well casing, fittings, pipe threading and structural steel. This prominent pipe & steel company is doing everything they can to satisfactorily supply all their customers with pipe at reasonable prices. They carry a large stock of pipe for your convenience and economy. You will find that they have added a new product for the convenience of their customers. It is components for the erection of metal buildings. They have everything from the siding and roofing to all the steel parts for the frame, doors and windows. In this special review of Lamesa, we wish to bring attention to **Goolsby Bros. Pipe & Steel**. They have built a fine reputation for fair dealings and they have many satisfied customers through their fair dealings in serving the public. Be sure to see them for all your pipe needs. They also buy all types of scrap metal such as aluminum cans, iron, copper, lead and others. So load up that old scrap metal, bring it in and put money in your pocket.

Claiborne's Supermarket

Lamesa's only Home Owned Supermarket

This enterprising dealer is located at 710 N. 4th. Street in Lamesa. This is the store to which you will want to come if you are interested in keeping that grocery bill within range. They sell on a close margin of profit to give you the advantage of lower prices. Folks in this section have found the values to be as great here as any place in town. You sure won't go wrong by trading at this store. It is a great help to know that you can stop at one grocery and get everything you need. It is no small problem to keep shelves stocked with desirable foods. But, this grocery in Lamesa has done a marvelous job in the past and will continue with their progressive business policy. We are happy to recommend this prominent grocery store in Lamesa and suggest you drop in and look over their many bargains. Phone 872-7011.

Paul Wade Insurance

Agent for State Farm Insurance

The reputation of **Paul Wade Insurance** has been built upon its excellent insurance service, the satisfaction and good will of their many satisfied policyholders. One of the leaders of it's kind in this section, this firm is under the management of a man who knows the insurance business and needs of his customers and furnishes a quality insurance service at fair prices. If you will come by his office, Paul Wade will be glad to go over your coverage with you and advise you on what additional insurance you might need. Or you may phone his office at 872-8069 and he will be glad to visit with you at your home or place of business and go over your insurance needs with you. After going over your insurance coverage and needs, he will advise you on how to meet any additional needs at the most economical price to you. At the present time he is serving a large number of people throughout this section in their insurance needs, whether for auto, life, property or medical. Also, another service they are furnishing the people throughout this area with a complete banking and financial service for all your retirement and educational needs. In this review of the business and professional concerns of this section, we highly recommend **Paul Wade Insurance**, located at 101 Main in Lamesa. Phone 872-8069 for any information or for an appointment.

Sulphur Draw Chiropractic

Dr. Maurene L. Sevedge,

Office hours:

Monday - Thurs: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon -
1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Saturday: By Appointment Only
Accepting Workers Compensation -
Personal Injury - Medicare

611 North Austin
Lamesa, Texas

Office 806/872-6534
Res. 806/872-7919

A-1 Body Shop

Free Estimates - 17 Years Experience

Employees at this firm are specialists in body and fender work as well as auto painting and complete auto glass replacement service. The place to have that car repaired is at **A-1 Body Shop** in Lamesa. They are located at 1311 Lubbock Hwy. phone 872-3150 for any information. The owner of this firm fully understands body and fender repair having 17 years of experience. Because of their excellent workmanship and service it will be well worth your while to have this reliable firm take care of all your auto bodywork. Also, their automobile painting surpasses anything done in this area. They have the know-how that puts their work in a class all by itself. Be sure to see **A-1 Body Shop** in Lamesa and get free estimates for any work in auto body repair, auto painting and auto glass installation. You will find that they have many satisfied customers throughout this area who will highly recommend their work to you.

Branon Funeral Home

Serving in this area since 1922

Time and service have honored the name **Branon Funeral Home** located at 403 N. Austin Ave. in Lamesa. Phone 872-8335. Since 1922 this reputable firm has served the people of this section. They relieve you of all worry and responsibility and by sympathetic cooperation bring comfort in the hour of distress. Their service supplies the consoling thought that the final tribute to your loved one has been beautiful and fitting. They have in their employ only those who have a natural fitness for this profession. When a funeral director must be called may we suggest that you place this firm in charge. They will relieve you of all the many details that must be taken care of and at the same time see that everything is done according to your wishes. In this Good Neighbor Review, we unhesitatingly refer all our many readers to this reliable firm and suggest that you call them when in need of a funeral director.

Higginbotham - Bartlett Co.

Higginbotham - Bartlett is located at 207 So. Austin Ave. in Lamesa. Phone 872-8321. They are the leaders in their field in this section. Their reputation has been achieved through service, satisfaction and quality merchandise. Nowhere will you find a firm that endeavors more to please it's every customer regardless of the size of his order as conscientiously as they do at this reliable firm. Remember when you are in need of anything in the lumber or home building line, contact **Higginbotham - Bartlett** first. They will be glad to help you in any way they can. People from Borden County and surrounding communities are always welcome. Remember this store where prices are low and quality is paramount. You can't go wrong by trading with this firm for they will stand behind every purchase. They know that pleasing a customer is success therefore they will do everything in their power to please you when you trade with them. In this "Good Neighbor Review" we recommend this firm for their quality merchandise, fair prices and the excellent manner in which they serve the public.

K-Bob's Steak House

Mc, Mary & Amber McIlwain, Owners

Here is the popular meeting place for folks in this section. Stop here for a meal the next time you are in Lamesa. They are located at 2200 Lubbock Hwy. Amber and Doug invite you to drop in for some of the fine foods in which they specialize. There is something about **K-Bob's Steak House** that sets it apart from other eating-places and makes it highly satisfactory. The extreme care and thought that goes into everything, the service, cooking and arrangement creates a dining atmosphere that should be visited regularly. All steaks are temptingly delicious and prepared in the most careful manner in a spotless, sanitary kitchen. You will find a delicious meal here with a large varied salad wagon along with your favorite steak prepared to retain their natural flavors. Be sure to eat at **K-Bob's** when you are in Lamesa and we are sure you will be most pleased with their food and service. Phone 872-6531.

Helena Chemical

One the concerns upon which the farmers and ranchers depend a great deal is **Helena Chemical**. This firm has been a friend and renders a service of benefits to the farmers throughout their trade area. They are dealers in Liquid Fertilizers and Dry Bulk Fertilizers. They also offer soil testing, insecticides, herbicides, custom applications and crop consulting. Wyatt Birkner, the new manager was raised around the Houston area and has worked for Helena for the past eight years. He has been in the farm related business sense completing school. He was in the crop spraying business around the Houston area until buying his own crop spraying business in Uvalde in the mid 80's which he ran until joining Helena. He has worked his way up in the company and in January 2003, he was offered the managers' job in Lamesa. With this opportunity, he and his wife are looking to buy a home and plan to work here until his retirement. While interviewing him, he said was looking forward to meeting and serving the farmers and ranchers of this area. For information concerning your fertilizing problems, be sure to call upon **Helena Chemical** located at 107 N. 22nd Av. in Lamesa or phone 872-8883 for any information. It has been the aim of this firm to offer reliable products at honest prices to maintain high quality and save money for their many patrons.

Henry Norris Agency

For all kinds of insurance call **Henry Norris Agency**, representative for all types of insurance, located at 520 S. 1st. in Lamesa. They represent some of the largest companies and they are ready to serve you in all your insurance needs. They are now serving a great number of people in this section with auto, accident, commercial property and life insurance. There are so many things over which we have no control, both of a personable and property nature, that you owe it to yourself and your family to insure against these things which do happen. When you think of insurance think of **Henry Norris Agency**. Go over your needs with them and they will be able to assist you in selecting the kind of insurance suited to protect you adequately. Once they have made a study of your insurance needs they will advise you how best to meet that need. You are invited to come in and discuss insurance with no obligation on your part and you will be able to see if your protection is sufficient. In this Good Neighbor Review we feel a sense of satisfaction in recommending this firm in Lamesa for insurance of all kinds. Phone 806/872-5446 for any information.

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Pierce GM Country in Lamesa is your authorized Cadillac, Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac automobile and GMC truck dealer, featuring complete service and parts. Stop by **Pierce GM Country** and let one of their representatives show you some of the many advantage of owning one of these General Motors products. For the highest engine efficiency, longest durable service and the economy, see these General Motor products today and you will be glad that you did tomorrow. This firm realizes that satisfying a customer means success. They are capable of rendering you the most complete and dependable service for your car or truck, regardless of the make or model. You can be assured that all work will be as you desired and that the prices will be reasonable. At Pierce GM Country all their sales representatives are GM trained and certified through General Motors so they can better handle their customers needs. You will also find that all their Auto Technicians are ASE Certified to GM standards and between them have over 60 years experience. In this Business and Professional good Neighbor Review of Lamesa, we wish to recommend this firm to the people of this trade area. Here you will find a bargain when buying a new auto or truck Phone # 872-2144.

Scarborough Drilling

Scarborough Drilling in Lamesa is completely equipped to drill or repair a water well properly and efficiently. Phone 872-3285 for free estimates and information on any water well you want drilled or repaired. They are located at 2001 S. Hwy. 87 and have had years of experience in drilling and repairing wells. Many in this community have had an occasion to call on them many times in the past. They have always offered efficient and reliable service at a reasonable rate. When you think of drilling a new water well or repairing an old one, always think of **Scarborough Drilling**. In this "Good Neighbor Review", we feel we can highly recommend the reliable services offered by this water well driller, and suggest that you call them and ask for any information and estimates before having any well drilled or repaired. Also, you will find that they carry any size submersible pumps for all your resident or irrigation needs. We feel you will be highly satisfied with their quality work.

WS Electric

Wayne Smith - Owner

Industrial, commercial and residential wiring is a specialty with **WS Electric** located at 2215 South 5th in Lamesa. Phone 806/872-5902. This firm is well known in this area for fast and dependable wiring service. They have been in this type of business for several years and have the know-how to handle any job. Experience does make a difference in the electrical contracting business field. Reasonable bids can only be made when the contractor you call is familiar with the problems involved. You can rest assured that **WS Electric** will be reasonable in all dealings. Their popularity has increased each year they have been in business and they are now recognized as leaders in the field of wiring. This Good Neighbor Review recommends them to all in this section that have wiring of any type to be done. Remember the name, **WS Electric** located at 2215 S. 5th. for the best in electrical wiring service.

Allen's Galley Restaurant

Here is the popular meeting place for folks in this section. Stop here for a meal the next time you are in Lamesa. They are located at 920 N. Dallas at the Y. The management invites you to drop in for some of the fine foods in which they specialize. There is something about **Allen's Galley** in Lamesa that sets it apart from other eating places and makes it highly satisfactory. The extreme care and thought that goes into everything, the service, cooking and arrangement creates a dining atmosphere that should be visited regularly. The food is temptingly delicious and prepared in the most careful manner in a spotless, sanitary kitchen. You will find a delicious meal here with a variety of fresh vegetables and your favorite meats prepared to retain their natural flavors. Be sure to eat at **Allen's Galley** whenever you are in Lamesa and we are sure you will be most pleased with their food and service. Phone 872-3411.

Sew Jo's

Becky Seago - Jonita Riker - Owners

This is one of the leading fabric centers in this area and they have built their reputation upon service, quality merchandise and good will extended to their many satisfied customers. Having been in the fabric business for a number of years **Sew Jo's** provides the demands of their customers with quality fabrics at reasonable prices. They have a complete line of name brand fabrics and other sewing essentials along with a large selection of pattern books for ordering any pattern you may desire. If you are looking for quality fabrics at reasonable prices go to **Sew Jo's** located at 407 S. 1st St. in Lamesa. It has often been said that business goes where it is invited and remains where it is well treated. In the Review of the reliable concerns in our trade territory we recommend **Sew Jo's** in Lamesa. Their years of satisfactory service to the public, their quality merchandise and their prices purvey the ultimate reason for their success. Phone 872-2411.

TLC Assisted Living Center

Lisa Jewell, New Owner

TLC Assisted Living Center is conveniently located at 409 N. 14th Street in Lamesa. This convalescent center is a long term care facility that offers complete care for the aged and disabled with 24-hour nursing services. They also offer rehabilitation services on site, such as, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Speech Therapy for those who may be recovering from illness or injury. They also have a Special Care Unit that was developed to meet the specialized needs of individuals with Alzheimer's and related dementia. The surroundings are pleasant and inviting; stimulating yet less stressful, to promote a feeling of safety and security. Residents in the facility are encouraged to bring their own mementos and family treasures to enhance their long-term memories. The staff at **TLC Assisted Living Center** is dedicated to providing a healthy and safe environment in which those with Alzheimer's, related dementia and long-term care needs will be actively involved in their lives. The facility provides an activity program well-balanced meals, social, nursing and therapy services. For more information about this Long Term Facility or the Special Care Unit please phone 872-8353.

First National Bank of Lamesa A Locally Owned Bank

This FDIC member bank is located at 602 N. 1st. in Lamesa. You may phone 872-8311 for any information on your banking needs. A strong bank instills confidence in its trade area. Grow with your local bank. This bank is not only able but will care for every reasonable want of its customers. Our readers will find this bank a friendly bank. Providing all of the facilities and services of a large city bank together with personal interest in every customer. Be prepared to take advantage of opportunity by depositing a reserve in this strong bank. When you are contemplating making an investment of any kind, it is a safe plan to consult the officers of this bank before you make that investment, rather than have to complain about it later. A great deal of credit is due to the officers and directors of the **First National Bank of Lamesa**, who have done their best toward the developing of the agricultural and other interests of this area. The officers and directors of this bank are fine, public spirited men who believe in West Texas and feel that there are better days ahead for the energetic farmer, rancher or business person who works with a plan backed by sound judgment and reasoning. We are pleased to recommend to our readers this fine bank.

Leatherwood Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning

You will find that this firm in Lamesa is headquarters for all plumbing installation or repairs. They carry a large supply of all plumbing supplies and fittings, thereby being equipped for any plumbing repair that you may require. They have a 24-hour, 7-day emergency service. Just phone 872-2038. Leatherwood is also your dealer for Lennox central heating and air conditioning units along with a large line of disposals, water heaters, water softeners and lawn sprinkler systems. **Leatherwood Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning** has continued a successful career for many years because Dennis Leatherwood and his employees are among the most efficient plumbing, heating and air conditioning craftsmen in this section of the state. They have their appliance store, located downtown at 516 N. 1st. Keith Carter, the manager, will be glad to show you their large selection of name brand refrigerators, ranges, washers, dryers and microwaves, such as Amanda, Maytag, Whirlpool, Frigidare and GE. They also can install Built-In appliances and have a service department where they can repair any and all makes of appliances. So, for your appliances need visit with Keith Carter of Leatherwood's "The Appliance Store", or phone 872-6633. We the writers of this Good Neighbor Review wish to commend this fine firm for their high standards of doing business with the people of this area. Phone 806/872-2038.

First Ag Credit

Formerly - Federal Land Bank Assn. of Lamesa

First Ag Credit is located at 214 N. Houston, phone 872-5415. This firm has a complete loan service for farmers and stockmen for agriculture purposes at reasonable rates of interest. It is our purpose in this review to give our readers throughout this district a list of prominent firms in our trade territory. We wish to bring to your attention, **First Ag Credit** in Lamesa. The management has a reputation for and wide for honest business dealings and is anxious to please every customer alike. Their position among the people of this district is evidence of well-placed confidence and in this review we take pleasure in recommending this loan association to the farmers and ranchers of this and surrounding areas. During their years of operation they have done everything in their power for the improvement of the community. You too will find this a most desirable firm with which to do business. Phone 872-5415 for information on any farm or ranch loan.

Lamesa Tire & Battery

Ramond Vargas, Owner - Freddie Vargas, Mgr.

Lamesa Tire & Battery located at 107 N. Dallas Ave. in Lamesa is your dealer for the world famous Kelly Springfield. When you purchase tires for your automobile, truck or farm equipment, you want tires that will give you the greatest safety. For longer wear and the best in tire quality, buy Kelly Springfield tires. Motorists have praised these tires for years and they have proven to be the best tire your money can buy. At **Lamesa Tire & Battery**, you will find tire experts who will be glad to advise you on your tire needs. Here they realize that quality is as important to everyone as price. They stand behind their service and products and you can be assured that the tires handled by this firm will be the best. You will also find they have a tire repair department where you can have your old tires repaired by experienced workmen, along with a complete wheel alignment service. In this Good Neighbor Review issue, we take great pleasure in recommending such a firm as this to all our many readers. See them for all your tire needs in auto, truck or farm equipment. 872-6702 or 1-800-817-6802.

The Music Box

Doy & Nancy Ferguson - Owners

The Music Box is located at 812 south 1st. Street in Lamesa. Phone 806/872-3642. At **The Music Box** you will find everything in music and nationally known musical instruments. It is headquarters for musicians throughout this area. Here you will find a full line of band instruments, accessories, complete repair shop, good reconditioned used instruments and a complete line of instruction books. They have many real bargains in both new and used musical instruments at very reasonable prices. If your child desires to learn to play an instrument but does not know just what they want, Doy or Nancy Ferguson will be more than happy to help find just the right one for them. You will find that their speciality is in the installation and repair of Sound Systems for both Churches and Schools for such purposes as auditorium, gyms, football stadiums and any other purpose. They are serving an area with in 150 miles of Lamesa with this service. In this Good Neighbor Review of the businesses of Lamesa, it is with great pleasure that we direct the attention of our readers to **The Music Box**.



Safety After School

Many kids spend some time before or after school home alone. Whether it's just a few minutes or a few hours, there are things those kids should know.

- Have set times to call your parent(s) to make sure everything is OK.
- Organize at-home activities to keep from getting bored.
- If someone calls, never tell them you are home alone. Take a number so your parent(s) can return the call.
- Never open the door to a stranger. If you are nervous about the stranger, call a neighbor or nearby adult.
- Don't use appliances or sharp knives without permission.
- Do not enter the house if the door is open or a window is broken. Go to a neighbor's house and call the police and your parent(s).
- If there is a fire or you smell smoke, leave the house immediately. Go to a neighbor's house and call the fire department.

Most importantly, talk to your parent(s) about what you should do in certain situations.

That way, if the power goes off or your pet gets hurt, you'll know what to do.

A EMT – BASIC CLASS will be taught at **Western Texas College by Borden County EMT-P Carrie Hart** beginning **August 26th**. Call Carrie @ **756-4469** or **Kent Holmes @325-573-4164**

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*You are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring
Randace Kimmel,
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Saturday, August 23, 2003
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Borden County Community Center –
Gail, TX
Selections: Wal-Mart, Snyder*

Have a Great Summer!



Moore-Rains Insurance
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BORDEN COUNTY ISD BANK DEPOSITORY BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids to serve as Depository for the purpose of assisting with the banking functions for all funds of the Borden County Independent School District.

Pursuant to existing provisions of Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Texas Education Code, it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the District to select a Depository to assist with the banking functions for all funds of the District for a two-year period commencing not later than September 1, 2003, and ending August 31, 2005, or until such time as a successor Depository is named.

The legal provisions providing for the naming of a Depository of the District are set forth in Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Sections 45.201, of the Texas Education Code. Investments by the District will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2256, Public Funds Investment. Securities pledged as collateral to secure District deposits will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2257, Collateral for Public Funds.

A bidders conference will be held on Thursday, August 14, 2003, at 2:00 P.M. in the school superintendent's office of the Borden County ISD. Bank representation is not required for submitting a bid. However, the submission of a bid shall be Prima facie evidence that the bidder has full knowledge of the detailed requirements as outlined in this bid notice.

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 appropriately as "Borden County ISD Depository Bid". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 14, 2003. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. ***Banks submitting bids should be careful to see that the appropriate bid form is used.*** Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and selected by the Board of Trustees at the regular meeting on August 18, 2003. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

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

Questions regarding bid forms, 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. Transmissions by fax may be sent to 806/756-4310.

It's School Time Again!

Welcome Back Teachers & Students.
May This Be A Productive And
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Obituaries

Louise Coleman 1905-2003

Louise Coleman, 98, of Ackerly, Texas died on Tuesday, August 5, 2003 in a Big Spring nursing home. Graveside funeral services were held at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003 at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring, with the Rev. John Bill Headrick officiating.

She was born Feb. 25, 1905 in Swann, Texas and married V.J. Coleman on July 4, 1925 in Anson, Texas. He preceded her in death on June 16, 1991.

Mrs. Coleman moved to Ackerly after marrying in 1925 and had lived there since that time. She and her late husband enjoyed traveling and were active in the Air Stream Club.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Ackerly and active in the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Dudley Ray and Zula Coleman, one grandson, Dudley Michael Coleman and wife, Sharon, one granddaughter, JoAnne Coleman Welling and husband, Mike, one great-granddaughter, Kimberly Hughes and husband, Wes, and one great-great grandson, Colten Hughes, all of Ackerly.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, two brothers; and two half-brothers.

The family suggests memorials to Lubbock Children's Home, P.O. Box 2824, Lubbock, TX 79408.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring.

Juve "Speedy" Balague, Jr. 1948-2003

Services for Juventino Balague, Jr. was held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, August 7,

2003 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell with Rev. Leonardo Pahmtang officiating. Interment followed at Gail Cemetery, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Mr. Balague passed away Tuesday, August 5, 2003. He was born on September 21, 1948 in Dilley, Texas to Juventino Balague Sr. and Elvira Castillo. He moved to O'Donnell thirty-three years ago. He married Jesusa Barerra in 1967 in Dilley, Texas. He was a farmer and a dedicated employee to the Stephens Family for thirty-three years. He was a Catholic.

He is survived by his wife, Jesusa Balague of O'Donnell; his parents, Jose and Elvira Castillo of Poteet, TX; a son, Juvention Balague III of O'Donnell; three daughters, Cindy Massingill of Fluvanna, TX, Vida Gerda of South Lake, TX and Thelma Balague of O'Donnell; three brothers, George, Thomas, and Rickey all of San Antonio, TX; three sisters, Mary, Nelda, and Graci all of San Antonio, TX; and four grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to Borden County EMS and American Cancer Society.

Ora "Daisy" Mae Graham 1916-2003

Graveside services for Ora "Daisy" Mae Graham were held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 13, 2003 at Carlsbad Cemetery with Father Valentine Jankowski of San Jose Catholic Church officiating. The Carlsbad Veterans Honor Guard also performed military graveside services. Arrangements were by West Funeral Home of Carlsbad, NM.

Daisy Mae Nelson was born June 26, 1916 in Mangum, Oklahoma to Martin and Jessie M. Wilson Nelson. She was raised and

educated in Oklahoma and Arizona. Daisy Mae was a registered nurse in the U.S. Army-Air Corp for several years before working as a private duty nurse for many more years. She married Jack Graham on January 9, 1945 in Ft. Childress, TX. He preceded her in death on November 27, 1970. She moved to Carlsbad in 1987 from Big Spring, TX. Daisy Mae was a member of the Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

She was survived by one daughter, Martye Carpenter and husband, Gordon, of Carlsbad; one sister, Bell Cooper of Ajo, AZ; two granddaughters, Tammie and Sherry Carpenter, both of Carlsbad; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lakeview Hospice, 1300 N. Canal St. Carlsbad, NM 88220

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*The rain has come,
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The girls are mowing,
The money is going.
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Gail Cemetery Association
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O'Donnell, Tx 79351

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806/756-4346 or
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BORDEN COUNTY EMS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Borden County EMS is in desperate need of help! For the BC EMS to maintain 2 modern ambulances with 2 crews 24-hours, 7 days a week.. **WE MUST HAVE PEOPLE TO HELP US.**

The time that it takes to train new EMT's is so long that we must begin to train new personal if we intend to maintain the level of service to this community. Not too many months or years down the road we will be unable to man both ambulances. Classes will be offered in Borden County ISD Building in the near future. Please help us serve our community. These classes will be free of charge for future members of the Borden County EMS. If you are interested in helping, please contact any Borden County EMS member.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
OIL AND GAS DOCKET IN RE: CONSERVATION AND
No. 8A-0235561 PREVENTION OF WASTE OF
AUSTIN, TEXAS CRUDE PETROLEUM AND
July 24, 2003 NATURAL GAS IN THE
STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN RESERVES OIL COMPANY, INC. TO CONSIDER TEMPORARY FIELD RULES FOR THE GALEY (WOLFCAMP) FIELD, BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitles A,B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOVT CODE ANN. Art. ** 2001 et seq. (2003), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on SEPTEMBER 4, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOVT CODE ANN. Art ** 2001 et seq. (2003). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check bulletin board in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Western Reserves Company, Inc. for temporary field rules for the Galey (Wolfcamp) Field, Borden County, Texas. Applicant requests that the following rules be adopted:

1. Spacing: 467/933';
2. Density: 80 acres, plus 40 acres tolerance for the last well on lease; and
3. Allocation: 100% acreage

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Michael McElroy, at (512)327-8111. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel, at (512)463-6848.

IF A CONTINUATION IS NECESSARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin Texas, and to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas.

ANY REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT of this hearing must be received no later than five (5) working days prior to the scheduled date shown above. Copies of such request must be forwarded to all parties shown on the service list.

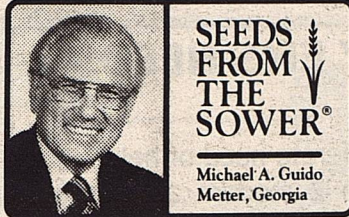
TO APPEAR IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THIS PROCEEDING, a party other than the applicant must file with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, at least five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date, a notice of intent to appear.

IF ANY PARTY DESIRES A WRITTEN TRANSCRIPT of the hearing, that party should notify the Court Reporter's office at (512)463-6926, at least five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date. If a written transcript is requested, the Commission may assess the cost of the transcript to one or more parties. Unless any party requests a written transcript, the record will be made by audio tape recording.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY who needs auxiliary aids and services in order to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in this hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the scheduled hearing by notifying the Personnel office of the Railroad Commission of Texas by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, or by telephone at (512)463-7327 or TDD No. (512)463-7284.

ALL EXHIBITS FILED AS A PART OF THE RECORD IN THIS CAUSE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE. DATA IN COMMISSION RECORDS MAY BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE, BUT THE REFERENCE MUST BE SPECIFIC, AND IF IT INCLUDES EXHIBITS FILED IN PRIOR PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE COMMISSION, A COPY OF SUCH EXHIBIT PROPERLY IDENTIFIED SHALL BE SUBMITTED FOR THIS RECORD.

THIS HEARING REQUIRES NOTICE BY PUBLICATION



It was rumored that President Lincoln polished his own boots. Some believed it. Others didn't.

One day, a politician asked, "Is it true, Mr. President, that you polish your own boots?"

"Whose boots do you think I polished?" he asked.

Whatever needs doing, do it with pride and all your power.

There's no pleasure in having nothing to do. The fun is in having much to do and doing it well.

There's no work so dull that you can't brighten it, no work so low that you can't lift it, and no work so impassive that you can't enliven it.

The Living Bible says, "Whatsoever you do, do well."

September 13, 2003 Special Constitutional Amendment Election

NOW Accepting Applications to vote early by mail
 Aug. 14th Deadline to register to vote for Saturday, September 13th Election
 Aug. 28th First Day of Early Voting by personal appearance
 Sept. 5th Deadline for early voting clerk to accept application for a ballot by mail
 Sept. 9th Last Day of Early Voting by Personal appearance
 Sept 13th **ELECTION DAY!**

**In Case of Emergency Call:
Borden County EMS
806/759-5111**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Borden County I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 7:00 P.M., August 27, 2003 in the Borden County I.S.D. School Cafeteria. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

| | Maintenance & Operations | Interest & Sinking Fund* | Total | Local Revenue Per Student | State Revenue Per Student |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Last Year's Rate | \$ 1.4500 | \$ 0.0000* | \$ 1.4500 | \$ 15,617 | \$ 378 |
| Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service | 1.2993 | 0.0000 | 1.2993 | 15,676 | 274 |
| Proposed Rate | \$ 1.4500 | \$ 0.0000* | \$ 1.4500 | \$ 18,163 | \$ 274 |

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

| | Last Year | This Year |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Average Market Value of Residences | \$ 19,090 | \$ 15,824 |
| Average Taxable Value of Residences | \$ 10,783 | \$ 10,798 |
| Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value | \$ 1.45 | \$ 1.45 |
| Taxes Due on Average Residence | \$ 156.35 | \$ 156.57 |
| Increase (Decrease) in Taxes | | \$.22 |

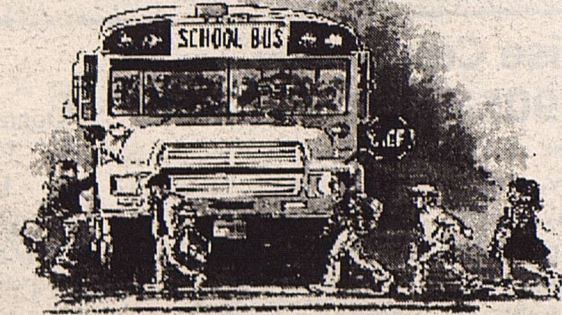
Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.36. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.36.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

| | |
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| Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) | \$ 9,270,368.10 |
| Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) | \$ 0 |



A Safe Ride

About 55 percent, more than 23 million, of all kids ride a school bus every day. According to the National Safety Council, school buses travel about 4.3 billion miles each year. With all those miles and children, it's important that you and your friends take some responsibility to keep safe.

Going to the bus stop . . .

- Whenever possible, walk with friends and others from your school.
- Do not walk in the street. Use sidewalks if they are there; otherwise, walk on the grass next to the street. If you have to walk in the street, walk as close to the curb as possible.
- Be alert and avoid any signs of danger.
- Obey traffic lights and signals.
- When you are crossing the street, cross only at the corner and use crosswalks where possible. Look both ways before crossing.

While you wait for the bus . . .

- Make sure you dress right for the weather.
- Be aware that drawstrings, ties, straps and backpacks can get caught in bus doors, railings or aisles, so be extra careful when getting on or off the bus. You may want to consider shortening or removing those items.
- Arrive at the bus stop on time.
- Stay away from the street while you are waiting for the bus.

Boarding the school bus . . .

- Do not approach the bus until it stops completely. Wait for the driver's signal to board.
- Enter the bus in single file. Do not push.
- Use the handrail.
- Take a seat quickly and sit facing forward.

Riding the bus . . .

- Always obey the school bus rules.
- Remain seated throughout the ride.
- Keep your arms, hands and head inside the bus.
- Help keep the bus neat and clean.
- Do not put any belongings in the aisle, and keep them away from emergency exits.
- Eating and drinking are not allowed on the bus.
- Be courteous to the driver and other riders.
- Listen to any directions the driver gives you.
- Do not make noises or gestures that could distract the driver or annoy other passengers.

Leaving the bus . . .

- Do not stand up until the bus comes to a complete stop.
- Use the handrail when leaving the bus.
- Never walk behind the school bus.
- If you cannot see the bus driver, the driver probably cannot see you. Take five giant steps away from the bus, then you should be able to see the driver, and the driver should be able to see you.
- Never crawl under a bus. Do not bend down near or under the bus.
- If you have to cross the street, wait for the driver to signal, then cross the street in front of the bus.
- Look both ways before crossing the street.
- Never run back to the bus, even if you have forgotten something.