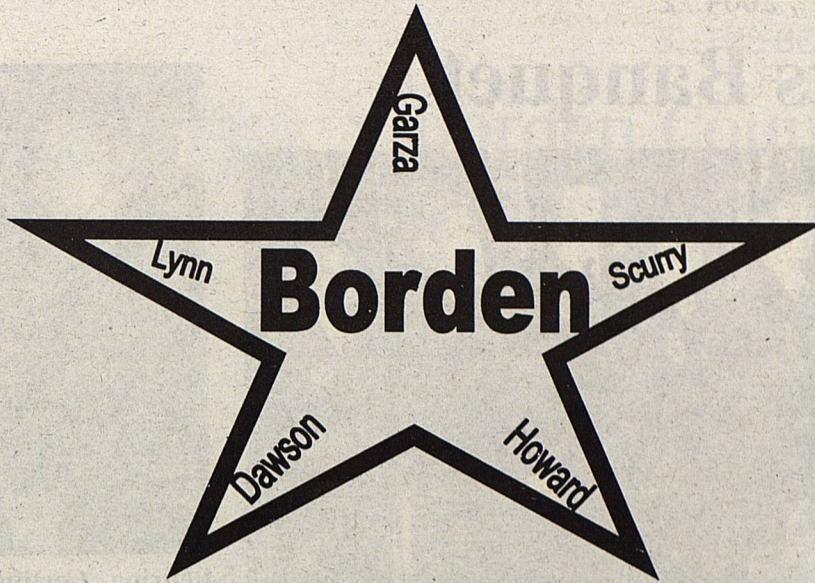


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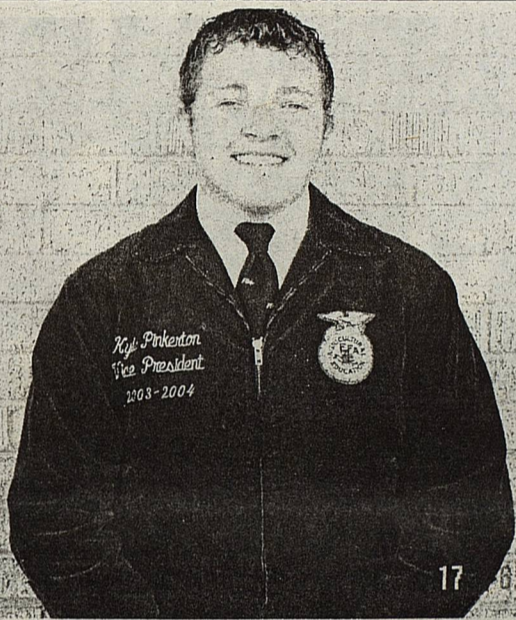
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Kyle Pinkerton Receives \$12,000 FFA Scholarship

A Gail FFA member returned from the State FFA Scholarship meeting a lot richer and a lot happier this past week. Kyle Pinkerton traveled to Tarleton State University on Thursday and competed for an FFA college scholarship with the top members in Texas.

Kyle advanced to the state competition by becoming a top 10 finalist at the Area II Convention in May. At the convention the students were required to submit an application which compiled their past four year FFA achievements and activities. They also interviewed in front of a panel of 20 teachers and college professors. The students were ranked

according to the content of their applications, their academic scores, and the quality of their interviews.

During the state competition the finalists were once again interviewed by a panel of 25 individuals who had reviewed each application.

Kyle's interview and application ranked him 10th out of 100 state applicants and allowed him to receive one of the upper level scholarships available. Mr. Wallace stated that the FFA success story of Kyle Pinkerton started his freshmen year when he set goals in the areas of leadership, participation, and academics.

Charlie Stenholm reflects on his memories of President Ronald Reagan

Well, this week has been a memorable week in Washington, D.C., with the passing of our 40th President Ronald Reagan, the ceremonies in our United States Capitol, the funeral service in our Nation's Cathedral and then the ultimate burial of our President in California.

And it was a week with a lot of fond memories for me because I was in my second term when President Reagan was elected. I couldn't help but remember on Wednesday night, as I was standing in the middle of the Capitol Rotunda watching the casket come in the West Door, that it was January of 1981 when I sat on the West Front of the Capitol and observed the swearing-in of the 40th

Presidents. So a lot of memories for me, especially of the first term of President Reagan, are pleasant.

At that time, in 1981, we Democrats controlled the House of Representatives by 51 votes. In order for the President and his Administration to accomplish any of their goals, they had to have Democratic support, and I was the coordinator of the Conservative Democratic Forum at that time.

We soon became known as the "Boll Weevils." We met many times with President Reagan, and I had the privilege, several times, of meeting one-on-one with the President, and then many times I was in meetings with fellow Democrats and Republicans as we worked to put together a legislative agenda that could pass the House, the Senate and get to the President to accomplish the goals that he had been elected to accomplish. And most of those goals were the same goals that the people of the 17th District had elected me for, too.

There were some differences, obviously, but one of the great attributes of President Reagan, regardless of whether you agreed with him all of the time, some of the time or none of the time,

is that most everyone recognized that he had one of the qualities of leadership and that is finding what it takes to get 218 votes to pass a bill in the House, at a time when the Democrats had a 51-vote advantage.

Compromise was not a four-letter word in President Reagan's vocabulary and obviously in order to get those 218 votes, compromise was necessary. And he did this in much the same way as Speaker Tip O'Neill, the liberal Speaker of the House from Massachusetts. President Reagan and Speaker O'Neill never lost their personal respect for each other.

Did they ever have differences of opinion? You bet they did! But they were able to disagree without being disagreeable. And that was something that made Ronald Reagan a special sort of leader.

President Reagan recognized what needed to be done, and he had excellent people working for him. The White House liaison - those people who come to Capitol Hill to represent the President to the Congress - they were second to none under him. I have served with five

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The scholarship award ceremony will officially take place during the State FFA Convention in July. Congratulations, Kyle!

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Gail FFA Hosts Banquet

The Gail FFA Chapter hosted its' annual Spring Banquet on May 20th in the Borden County School Cafeteria and was attended by 125 members, parents, and guests.

Shayla Gass, Chapter President and Gail officer team began the opening ceremonies to music and a spotlight walk. After a great meal, the crowd was motivated and entertained by guest speaker and 2004 State FFA President, Tobin Redwine. The "Gail Bunch" then cranked out the music as a final tune up for their Area Talent Competition which took place the following day.

Mr. Wallace recognized his students and praised them for their hard work and accomplishments throughout the year. All students were recognized, and several received awards for their outstanding achievements in the following areas:

Star Greenhand: Lacey Newton; Star Chapter Degree: Tyler Wallace; Horse Proficiency: Logan Furlong; Beef Proficiency, Kalli Poole; Swine Proficiency: Megan Brooks; Goat Proficiency: Brandi Hudson; Sheep Proficiency: Symeron Rinehart; Diversified Livestock Proficiency: Cassidy Rinehart; Agricultural Sales Meat: Lacey Newton; Agricultural Sales Cookie Dough: Garrett Thomas; Agricultural Mechanics: Shayla Gass.

This year's chapter officers were also presented their officer pin and recognized for their year of outstanding service. The 2003-2004 officers are: President: Shayla Gass; Vice President: Kyle Pinkerton; Secretary: Menda James; Treasurer: Cassidy Rinehart; Reporter: Cassidy Ogden; Sentinel: Garrett Thomas.

Mrs. Sharlot Stone and Mrs. Julie Smith were awarded the Honorary FFA Degree for their outstanding support of the Gail FFA Chapter. Recipients of this award are selected by the students each year as they



2003-2004 Chapter Officers: Cassidy Ogden, Reporter; Garrett Thomas, Sentinel; Menda James, Secretary; Kyle Pinkerton, Vice President, Cassidy Rinehart, Treasurer; and President, Shayla Gass.



Honorary FFA Degree: Mrs. Julie Smith and Mrs. Sharlot Stone received this years Honorary FFA Degree, presented by Shayla Gass.



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Doing to learn . . .
Earning to live . . .
Living to serve . . .

recognize the hard work and extra effort put forth by adults towards the FFA student success.

The banquet concluded with the installation of the 2004-2005 Gail Chapter officers. Their ceremony was conducted by the outgoing 2003-2004 officer team. Incoming officers are: President: Garrett Thomas; Vice President: Tyler

Wallace; Secretary: Cassidy Rinehart; Treasurer: Brandi Hudson; Reporter: J Ryan Gicklhorn; Sentinel: Becky Dobyms; Student Advisor: Lacey Newton.

The Gail FFA Chapter and Mr. Wallace wish to express a huge "Thank You" to those who attended the banquet and to those who have supported the students this year.



Retiring Certificate of Merit: Vice President, Kyle Pinkerton and President Shayla Gass present Mrs. Barbara York and Mr. Chet Dye with a Retiring Certificate of Merit.



Star Greenhand Recipient: Cassidy Rinehart, presents Lacey Newton with this year's Star Greenhand award.



Star Chapter Degree: Junior Ag member, Tyler Wallace received the Star Chapter degree presented by Garrett Thomas.

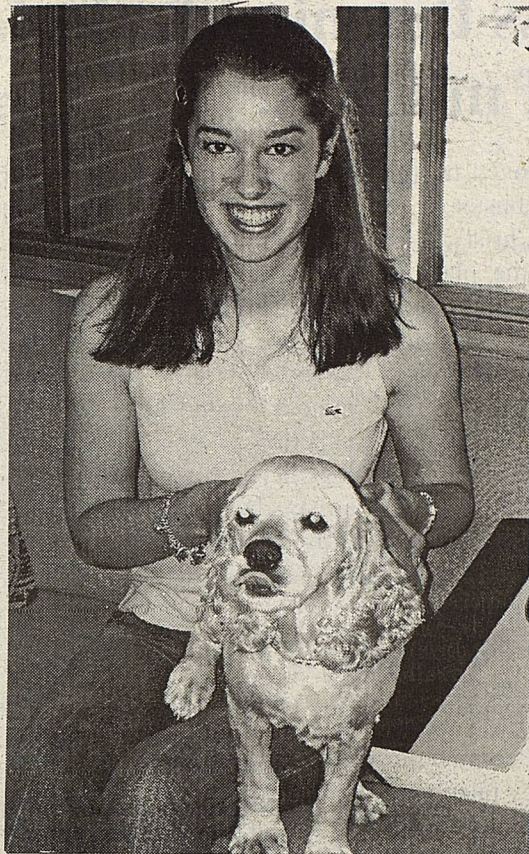
Protecting Our Children

Home Playground Safety

(NAPS)—Backyard playground safety is no accident. Nearly 47,000 children will be treated at emergency rooms this year due to home playset-related injuries.

While backyard play sets are great for kids' physical and social development, when the equipment is improperly designed and constructed it can put kids in danger. To help parents create a safer environment for their children, Swing-N-Slide, the leading manufacturer of play set equipment, has put together these safety guidelines:

- Parents should supervise at all times and instruct children.
 - Surface and shock-absorbing surfacing material should extend out from slides and swings.
 - Use sturdy lumber.
 - Select age-appropriate play activities and accessories.
 - Remove strings from children's clothing and never allow children to attach dog leashes, hoses and jump ropes to the set.
 - Frequently inspect the play set to ensure proper surfacing and anchoring.
 - Select a play set that separates play zones to avoid collisions.
- For a complete play set safety checklist, visit www.playsetsafetycheck.com.



RACHEL AND LUCY Julie Boatright/Press-Reporter
Rachel Wilson, who advanced this year to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. as an eighth grade student at Borden County School in Gail, is pictured at home this past week with her dog, Lucy. Wilson made it to round two of the national event.

Borden County youth returns from national spelling bee

By Julie Boatright
Lamesa Press-Reporter

Local, area and regional spelling champ Rachel Wilson of Gail has returned home from the 77th annual Scripps National Spelling Bee held in Washington D.C.

Wilson made it to round two of the event. On Tuesday, June 1, Wilson and 264 fellow competitors began the bee with a 25 word written test. Among those spelling words included in the first round were "triskaidekaphobia," "rijstafel," "gyascutus," and several others that are sure to set off even the best of word processor spell check tools.

The written round was followed by an oral round, which awarded three points for each word spelled correctly. Only the top 90 scores moved on to round three and, unfortunately, Wilson was not among them.

Despite not advancing to the final rounds, Wilson says she had a great time. She made several friends and met other kids from across the county. She enjoyed a bike tour of The Mall, picnics, game nights and a banquet — all a part of the national spelling bee. "I was just happy to get to go," Wilson said.

Preparation for the event began in sixth grade for Wilson, when she entered the first Borden County School spelling bee. Since that time she has made it to regionals once

before, but this year — her last to participate in spelling bee events — was the very first time that she made it all the way to the national competition.

Wilson's mother, Carol, helped her study "The List," a book consisting of 3,400 words, and quizzed her regularly. Wilson also watched "Spell Bound," an award winning documentary showing behind the scenes of the national spelling bee.

According to her mother, Wilson worked very hard to prepare for the event, crowding the studying of words in between tennis camp, piano competition in Fort Worth, school, and other activities.

"I like the spelling bee, but I also want to do a lot of other things," Wilson said.

Wilson will be a freshman at Borden County High School next year, where she will continue to be involved in basketball, tennis, track, University Interscholastic League (UIL) events, and several other activities.

She also enjoys the usual teenage activities of "hanging out with friends" and playing with her dog, Lucy.

Wilson is the daughter of Carol and Tim Wilson of Gail. She has an older brother, John, who will be a senior at Borden County High School this fall.

The Wilsons are members of the First Presbyterian Church in Lamesa.

Profile

the person behind the face

Chet, Shirley Dye and Family

We would like to express our thanks to everyone at school and in this community. Our eight years have flown by because of you and your friendship. You have a wonderful school system. I know that Mr. Bart McMeans and family will enjoy living and working with you too. Come see us!

Chet & Shirley Dye and Family

**Over the Hill
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and Still Smiling!**

HAPPY 50TH We love ya!

4-H Summer Camp Opportunities

June 23-25, 2004
North Region 4-H Teen Leader Lab (ages 13-18)
Texas 4-H Center - Brownwood
Cost: \$107
Registration due May 30

June 28 - July 2, 2004
South Plains Electric Camp (ages 13-19)
Scott Able 4-H Camp - Cloudcroft, New Mexico
Cost: \$87.00
Registration due May 23

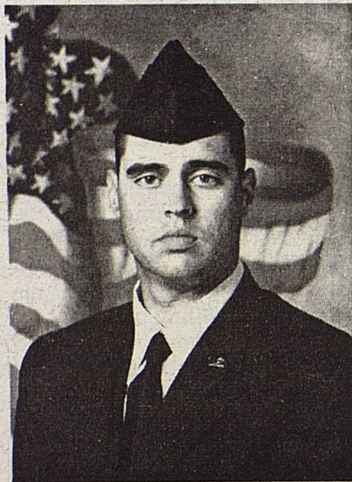
July 18-21, 2004
Prime Time #1 (ages 12-13)
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Cost: \$160
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July 21-24, 2004
Prime Time #2 (ages 9-11)
Texas 4-H Center - Brownwood
Cost: \$160
Registration first come, first serve

July 26-31, 2004
SpecTra '04 (ages 14-18)
Texas 4-H Center - Brownwood
Cost: \$275
Registration first come, first serve

For more information, please contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 as soon as possible. These camps tend to fill up quickly!

OBITUARY



**Senior Airman
John W.
Brummett
1979-2004**

Senior Airman John W. Brummett, 25, of Vealmoor died on Sunday, June 6, 2004, in Warrensburg, Mo.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 12, 2004, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, with the Rev. Clifton Igo of Lamesa, officiating. Interment followed at the Vealmoor Cemetery.

He was born on February 15, 1979, in Big Spring, Texas.

John was a 1998 graduate of Borden County High School where he was a member of the Future Farmers of America and 4-H where he was very involved in showing steers in stock shows. He also played basketball and football, and was a member of the 1997 State Football Championship team.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, ranch work and barbecue cookouts with friends and family.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force in April of 2000, serving with the Air Ground Equipment Unit. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Gail.

Survivors include his parents, Audry and Debbie Brummett of Vealmoor; one sister, Sandy Miller of Lenorah; one nephew, Kelby Miller of Lenorah and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, C.B. Jr. and Jean Brummett; his great-grandparents; C.B. and Martha Brummett and W.O. Jr. and Evelyn Maxwell.

Pallbearers were Clint O'Brien, Clint Cowart, Stacy Perry, Dusty Wells, Trey Harrell and Bill Fuller. Honorary Pallbearers were members of the United States Air Force.

The family suggests memorials to the Borden County EMS, Gail

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Witness the miracle that changed the lives of millions!

If you were moved by this spring's blockbuster hit "Passion of the Christ", Glen Rose, Texas is the place to see the rest of the story. World-famous theatrical performance "The Promise" will mesmerize you this summer which started last Friday, June 11th.

"Over the last 15 years we held unforgettable perfor-

mances for thousands of visitors showing remarkable life and passion of Jesus Christ", says Dr. Ronald Corley, the President of The Promise in Glen Rose. "People from over 150 nations visited Glen Rose to experience this play put together by professional artists, dedicated to creating a truly moving experience your whole family will enjoy."

Performances are held every Friday and Saturday evening, starting June 11th until October 2nd. For more information on The Promise events please contact Benjamin Willbanks at (800)687-2661. To reserve your tickets, call Susan at (800)687-2661. Please make all calls during Central Time business hours.

EMS News

Borden County EMS would like to inform the community on their emergency telephone number and how it allows them to answer 24-hours a day.

First of all, Borden County EMS owns a 100 watt radio capable of communicating all over Borden County and surrounding areas. This radio is several hundred feet higher than Gail atop of Gail Mountain. Each member of the EMS system carries a hand held radio enabling every member to be able to communicate with each other at all times.

Second, on the radio atop of Gail Mountain, they have a telephone radio hookup (806-759-5111) which allow them to answer the emergency number with hand held radios 24-hours a day. The most important thing that they want the community to understand is that when YOU speak on the system you have control of the system. You must remain silent for **one second** to allow the EMT to answer. When the caller is silent for one second it allows the radio telephone system to disengage allowing the EMT to answer. They have found that infant crying, loud radios or TV will not allow the radio to disengage which will not allow an EMT to answer.

INSTRUCTION WHEN CALLING WITH AN EMERGENCY

1. Give your name and the exact location of the patient or patients.
2. Give call back telephone number
3. Give the EMT an idea of how serious the problem is.
4. Be as calm as possible (*Pausing long enough for the EMT to answer*)
5. Tell them all this information before you hang up (*even if there is no answer*) something may have prevented the radio from disengaging;

but they can hear you. Call the sheriff number at 806/756-4311 to make sure they have gotten the message. Borden County EMS realizes this system is not perfect but until 911 dispatching is operational in all of the county it is the best that can be done.

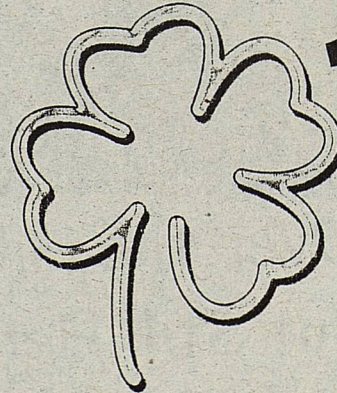


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Charlie Stenholm reflects on his memories

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Presidents, and his people really stand out as top-notch.

I can't help but remember my old Republican colleague from Texas, Tom Loeffle, now retired and back in private life. Tom was elected to the House at the same time I was, and we were in our second terms when Reagan was inaugurated. Quite logically, since there were several Texas Democrats in the House at the same time —

Sam Hall, Ralph Hall, Jack Hightower, Marvin Leath, Phil Gramm, Kent Hance and I — we were all part of the conservative Boll Weevils. Tom Loeffler was the logical Republican member of the House to work with us, and we enjoyed working together with him.

Here are a couple of other little things to remember about President Reagan. Many of you may remember Ashley Bailey, the little 11-month-old girl from near Abilene in the 17th District who needed a liver transplant. She was dying because the liver she had been born with was not functioning, and she was in the University of Minnesota hospital in Minneapolis.

In those days organ donation and organ transplants were not near as common as today, and so her family contacted me for help, and we made the President aware of her plight. He used his radio address on July 23rd, 1983, to appeal to the nation and let everyone know of the situation.

Unfortunately, we didn't get a liver in time to save Ashley, but from that dramatic appeal, hundreds if not thousands of young and old people have now lived because of the organ transplant program that came about soon thereafter. And the nation Organ Donation Awareness Week that we now have every April, that came about as a result of the

President's appeal to the nation on behalf of little Ashley. That's one of my fondest memories of my time

here in Congress and one of my fondest memories of President Reagan.

This week, as our nation has said farewell to our 40th President, our prayers have gone out to Nancy Reagan, a vision of strength. None of us can fully appreciate what a wife or a husband goes through over ten years, watching a spouse slowly wasting away to Alzheimer's disease.

I hope one of the legacies that this country leaves to Mrs. Reagan is that the Congress and the President

will dedicate our best efforts to finding a cure for Alzheimer's. One of the better legacies for all the world, and particularly the United States to remember President Reagan by, is that upon his death, others might live. And so, our prayers go out to Nancy and the Reagan family.

Congressman Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives and is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

Charlie Stenholm is working to reduce the cost of prescription drugs for all Americans!



Dear Friends,

Too often I hear from constituents, especially seniors, who are forced to choose between buying groceries and paying for medicines their doctors prescribe.

That's just plain wrong.

While the new Medicare discount cards are a first step towards making prescription drugs more affordable for seniors, much more needs to be done to bring down the cost of drugs.

As a Congressman from West Texas, I'll continue to work hard to lower prescription drug costs and make medical care more affordable and available for everyone.

And as a founding member of the Rural Health Care Coalition, I'll continue fighting to provide vital assistance to rural hospitals and health care providers.

Charlie

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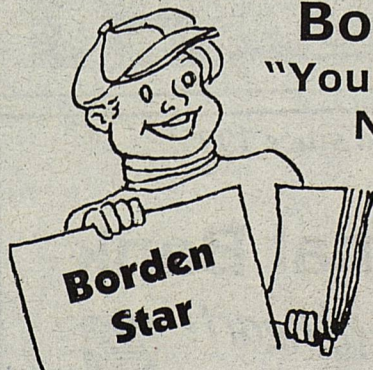


The Pancake Breakfast scheduled for June 20 is postponed until a later date.



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SLOW DOWN! — Watch Out for the Children!

Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On this the 24th day of May, 2004, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK, County Judge, Presiding; **DOUG ISAACS**, Commissioner, Prect. No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Prect. No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Prect. No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Prect. No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court

constituting a quorum when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting of May 10, 2004 were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined and Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion.

COUNTY ATTORNEY BUDGET

Commissioner Adcock

made a motion to amend the County Budget relating to Revenue and Expenditure of County Attorney's Salary. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion.

BORDEN COUNTY WATER

Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to further review the compliance Agreement with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality concerning the Fluoride Violation. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion.

LANDFILL

After a discussion, it was agreed to close the Landfill on Saturday, May 29, 2004.

BORDEN COUNTY WATER SYSTEM

Mark martin with U.M.C. Automation met with the Court and presented a program for the Borden County Water Communication System. No action was taken.

DISCUSSION-ITEMS FOR FURTHER AGENDA

Communication system for Borden County Water System.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by commissioner Belew to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock and approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF JUNE, 2004

Protect Yourself During Poison Ivy Season

New Information Available on Treating and Preventing a Scratchy Situation

(NAPS)—Poison ivy, oak and sumac are the most common causes of allergic skin rashes in the United States. Experts estimate that as much as 70 percent of the population is allergic to urushiol (you-roo-shee-ol), the oil found in the sap of these plants, and that up to 55 million Americans develop allergic reactions to it each year.

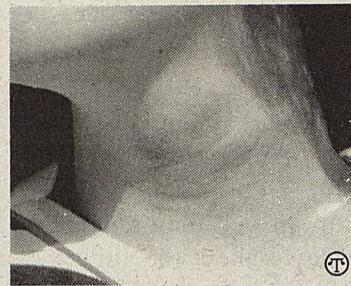
Poison ivy reactions are triggered by the body's allergic response to urushiol, whereby the immune system attacks the skin containing the oil, producing symptoms such as rashes, oozing blisters, itching and swelling. The allergic response occurs anywhere from 12 to 48 hours after exposure to the oil and can take as long as 10 days to three weeks to heal.

A New Resource

Zanfel Laboratories, Inc., the producer of Zanfel[™] Poison Ivy Wash, has developed an information pamphlet on ways to prevent and treat an allergic reaction to poison ivy, oak or sumac. Information included in the pamphlet has been favorably reviewed through the American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation's Health Education Program for Patients. Highlights from the education piece are featured below.

What to do if you've been exposed to poison ivy, oak or sumac:

1. Cleanse: Immediately clean the area with plain soap and water. Urushiol will bind to the skin anywhere from five minutes to two hours after exposure. Once



An example of a poison ivy allergic reaction. Wiping contaminated hands on the neck produced the swollen, streaky appearance.

this occurs, plain soap and water are no longer effective at removing urushiol.

2. Decontaminate: Remove and wash all clothes, gloves, shoes and shoelaces that may have come in contact with the oil.

3. Relieve: If signs or symptoms appear, use Zanfel Poison Ivy Wash, the only product clinically shown to remove urushiol from the skin after breakout and relieve symptoms. Other common remedies, such as calamine lotion, may temporarily relieve the itch but will not remove the oil.

4. Don't scratch! Scratching may cause infection because it allows bacteria from dirt on the hands to enter the skin.

5. See your doctor: A visit is in order if symptoms worsen and/or the rash spreads to the mouth, eyes or genitals. Severe reactions may require further treatment.

Poison ivy treatments, such as steroids like hydrocortisone, also

may produce mild and temporary relief of the itch but do nothing to remove urushiol. Experts caution against use of topical creams containing anesthetics or antihistamines, because these agents may actually worsen the rash and are not shown to be effective at relieving symptoms of poison ivy.

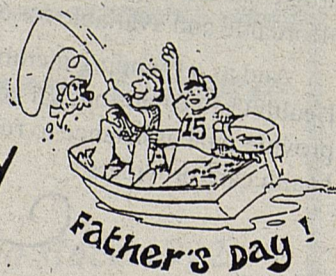
Recent clinical evidence shows that Zanfel significantly decreased the redness and swelling triggered by the body's allergic response to poison ivy within a short time after application and, in some cases, seemed to prevent a reaction entirely. The study, conducted by doctors at St. Luke's Regional Resource Hospital in Bethlehem, Pa., found that the wash appeared to bind the toxin, thus eliminating the root cause of the body's allergic response.

"Prior to using Zanfel, no other treatment—topical or systemic—has been as effective at rapidly relieving redness, itch and pain associated with poison ivy," said Alex Davila, M.D., lead author of the study. "Zanfel is the first product to quickly eradicate the painful, irritating symptoms of poison ivy, oak and sumac by actually removing urushiol from the skin so that the healing can begin."

More information can be found in a free brochure, "Poison Ivy, Oak and Sumac: A Rash of Information About Identification, Treatment and Prevention." The brochure and a sample of the wash, which is sold in the first aid sections of drug stores and pharmacies, are available at www.zanfel.com or by calling 1-800-401-4002.

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It's Grilling Season—Expand Your Kitchen Outdoors

(NAPS)—Think of the grill as an extension of your kitchen. From kabobs and pork tenderloin, to fresh vegetables, grilling is a quick, easy and satisfying way to serve a great meal with meat at the center of the plate.

Be brave! Add interest by grilling proteins that go beyond the traditional hamburger and hot dog. Your grocer's fresh meat case offers many easy, flavorful choices, including Hormel™ Always Tender™ pre-cut teriyaki beef kabobs or zesty peppercorn pork tenderloin. Slice the peppercorn pork tenderloin into disk-shaped cuts, grill and serve on a Kaiser roll for a great meal solution.

Marinades add wonderful flavor to grilled meats. Marinades used to require a lot of planning, with overnight application and messy preparation. Today, the fresh meat case carries many marinated products, such as Hormel™ Always Tender™ pepper-

corn, tequila lime or teriyaki petite filet. The meat is already marinated, ready to grill and serve.

Steaks such as tenderloin, rib eye, T-bone and strip are naturally tender. Bringing out their natural flavor requires nothing more than a seasoning rub or a bit of salt and pepper, followed by a quick grilling. Tenderloin is the most tender cut available, and is ideal for grilling. T-bone steak is a favorite cut of beef and is delicious hot off the grill.

Pork is another favorite for the grill. Pork tenderloins cook quickly, are low in fat and can be sliced easily to be served like burgers. Marinated or pre-cut products also work well on the grill and save on preparation time. Popular varieties include Hormel™ Always Tender™ teriyaki tenderloin, mesquite barbecue or honey mustard filet, and peppercorn chops.



Grilled Teriyaki Pork Kabobs

With all these unique meal solutions, your grill can become a year-round extension of your kitchen. For more great beef and pork recipes, and grilling tips, www.hormel.com/personalchef.

Grilled Teriyaki Pork Kabobs

- 1 Hormel™ Always Tender™ teriyaki flavored pork tenderloin, cut into one-inch cubes
- ½ pint cherry or grape tomatoes
- 1 medium zucchini sliced into one-inch pieces
- Carapelli™ extra virgin olive oil

On large metal skewers, alternately thread pork, zucchini and tomatoes. Lightly brush with olive oil and grill over medium-high coals until pork reaches an internal temperature of 160°F, about 12

minutes. Turn once. Remove from heat and serve. Serve with couscous or crusty French bread, and a salad of fresh strawberries, sliced kiwi and pineapple chunks served on lettuce leaves. Serves four.

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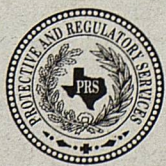
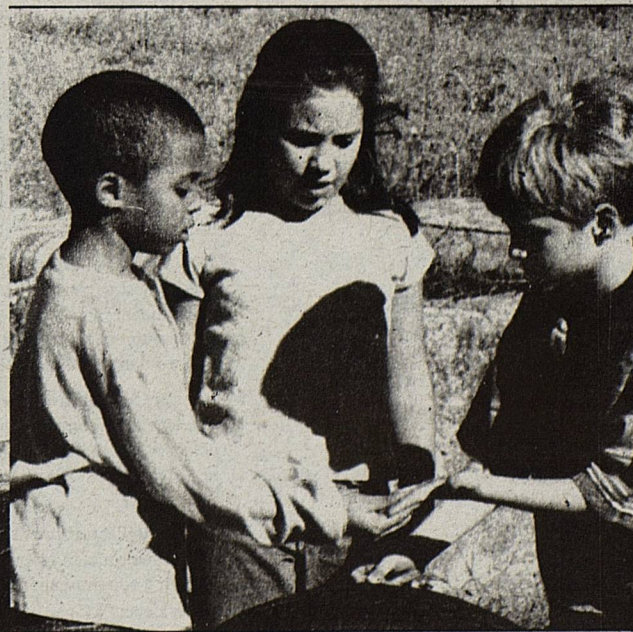
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Consumer Confidence Report 2003

(Drinking Water Quality Report)

BORDEN COUNTY WATER SYSTEM

Phone No: 806/756-4391

Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where do we get our drinking water? Our drinking water is obtained from Ground water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: OGALLALA. The TCEQ has completed a Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for your drinking water source(s). This report describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The information contained in this assessment will allow us to focus our source water protection activities.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in your drinking water. U.S. EPA requires water systems to test up to 97 constituents.

OUR DRINKING WATER IS REGULATED

by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and they have determined that certain water quality issues exist which prevent our water from meeting all of the requirements as stated in the Federal Drinking Water Standards. Each issue is listed in this report as a violation and we are working closely with the TCEQ to achieve solutions.

En Espanol

Este reporte incluye informacion importante sobre el agua para tomar. Si tiene preguntas o discusiones sobre este reporte en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. 806/756-4391 hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Public Participation Opportunities

Date: July 26, 2004
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Borden County Courthouse
Phone No: 806/756-4391

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concerns. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)

The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique (TT) -

A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL) -

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

pCi/l - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/l)

ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Inorganics

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Arsenic	22.5	22.5000-22.5000	50	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
2001	Barium	0.033	0.0330-0.0330	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
2003	Fluoride	6	5.0000-6.0000	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2001	Nitrate	0.79	0.7900-0.7900	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
2001	Selenium	8.8	8.8000-8.8000	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
2001	Gross alpha adjusted	8.1	8.1000-8.1000	15	0	pci/l	Erosion of natural deposits.
2001	Gross beta emitters	9.9	9.9000-9.9000	50	0	pci/l	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

NA = MCL not applicable - not regulated. Special Monitoring Requirement.

Organics NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

Disinfection By-Products NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

Unregulated Contaminants

Year	Constituent	Average of All Sampling Points	Range of Detected Levels	Unit of Measure	Reason for Monitoring
2002-2002	Bromoform	1	1.0000-1.0000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants

2002-2002	Dibromochloromethane	0.5	0.5000-0.5000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
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Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1999	Lead	1.1000	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Copper	0.0640	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

Required Additional Health Information for Arsenic

The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic will be decreasing from 0.05 mg/l (CCR - 50 ppb) to 0.01 mg/l (CCR - 10 ppb) effective January 23, 2006. EPA and States are still discussing the level. Until these issues are worked out, TCEQ is providing the following health effects language according to new Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) reporting. Because the highest reported arsenic level on this report is above 10 ppb, this information is required by EPA:

"Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer."

Total Coliform NOT DETECTED

Fecal Coliform NOT DETECTED

Violations

Violation Type	Explanation	Health Effects	Duration	Steps to Correct
MCL-FLUORIDE	Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Children may get mottled teeth.	7/1/2003 to 9/30/2003	Search for alternate water supply. Provide fluoride free water to children under age 1.	