

THE BORDEN STAR

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“Master Marketer Program Returns to Lubbock in 2000”

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is looking for a few good agricultural marketers who are interested in sharpening their marketing skills to an even higher level and helping their neighbors do the same. The Master Marketer Program is an in-depth, intensive risk management program design-

ed to enable the participants to develop marketing plans, evaluate their alternatives, and gain all the skills necessary to execute their marketing plan and better manage risks to improve their profitability. The Master Marketer Program participants will receive training in a series of four two-day sessions, taught by outstanding speakers from across the United States.

The Master Marketer Program applies the successful master volunteer concept to agricultural marketing in combination with another successful educational tool -- marketing clubs. The best clubs have been those with good leadership. This program is designed to take interested, capable leaders and improve their marketing skills and confidence to a level where they can provide the leadership for a successful marketing club.

This program will provide to a select group of farmers and ranchers marketing education and training that will pay dividends which can directly impact their bottom line. A survey of previous Master Marketer graduates suggests that using what they have learned has increased their income, on average, by over \$32,000 annually. As these master marketers pass on part of their new found skills to other producers

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6th Annual Lighting of the Star

You are invited to attend the 6th Annual Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain. Once again, the “Star” on the Gail Mountain will be lit on Friday, November 26th, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. and will continue to shine until January 1st, 2000.

The Museum in the Courtyard will be open at 5:00 p.m. for reminiscing, visitation and refreshments. There will be local talent providing music for your enjoyment.

Please make plans to attend.



College Night Sponsored by LHS

Lamesa High School is hosting a College Night on Thursday, October 21st, from 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. Senior students and their parents are invited to attend this event

This College Night will allow parents and students to visit booths and representatives of the colleges they are interested in. This night will be an ideal time for parents and students to have their personal questions answered and to receive current materials, applications, catalogs, etc.

Opry Talent Search

The 1999 COYOTE Ben & Bud Talent Agency OPRY is just around the corner. In fact, it is just 13 days away. Several key entertainers have been lined up, but there is still room for a few more. The talent committee is still searching for that “undiscovered act” to add to their star studded cast, so tune those pipes and make the call! Anyone interested must contact the

Ben Miller: 915/573-6004
Buddy Wallace: 806/756-4478

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, October 31st
Don't forget . . .
Move your clocks back 1 hour!



November 2, 1999 STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT GENERAL ELECTION

- Oct. 18th First day of early voting by personal appearance in Clerk's Office
- Oct. 26th Deadline for early voting clerk to receive application for ballot by mail
- Oct. 29th Last Day of early voting by personal appearance
- Nov. 2nd ELECTION DAY

This Week's COYOTE FOOTBALL

- Thurs, Oct. 21st Coyote Pups vs Grady - There-6:00
Coyote JV vs Blackwell-There-6:00
- Friday, Oct. 22nd Coyotes vs Grady - Here - 7:30

COYOTE FOOTBALL '99

Coyotes Fall to Mustangs

The Borden County Coyotes Varsity football team lost a district game to the Sands Mustangs last Friday, 24-14. The Coyotes fought hard all night long and just could not consistently get the offense going against a tough Mustang defense.

It looked as though the Coyotes would get on the board first as Joseph Hardman was at or near the end zone after an 18-yard gain. In his effort to put the ball over the goal line, the official said the ball came loose before he entered, the ball proceeded to roll out the side of the end zone and the ruling was finally a fumble and a touchback. The Mustangs took over at the 20-yard line. This was a bad break for the Coyotes who could have possibly taken an 8-0 lead in the first period.

In the second period Sands was the first to get on the scoreboard on a 47-yard pass completion. Their PAT was blocked. They led 6-0.

The Coyotes tied the score just 10 seconds later as Kevin Pinkerton hit Hardman with a pass for a 55-yard reception and touchdown. In an attempt to take the lead the Coyotes faked the extra point kick and attempted to pass the ball in the end zone. It was incomplete, and the score was still tied, 6-6.

With just six seconds left in the first half, and on fourth and goal, the Mustangs took the lead again on a 12 yard run. Their PAT kick was missed, and the score was 12-6 at the half.

Early in the third quarter the Mustangs

extended their lead with a 40-yard run to the end zone. The PAT kick failed, and the score was 18-6.

The Coyotes got on the board next as Hardman carried the ball over from four yards out. Ed Rodriguez kicked the PAT good and the Coyotes were now just four points away. The score was 18-14, with 5:22 left in the game.

One more defensive stop and a Coyote score would have put the Coyotes on top with little time left in the game. But it was not to be. The Mustangs took the ball and after a first down converting a third and long, the Mustangs traveled 40 yards on the next play to put the game away. Their PAT failed again, but with a 10-point lead they all but clinched the game, 24-14.

The Mustangs dominated every aspect of the game. Since the Coyotes were unable to move the ball on every possession the Mustangs had the ball longer than the Coyotes. The Coyotes had 26 rushing plays for 113 yards. The Mustangs had 43 rushing plays for 283 yards. Each team completed 4 of 12 passes. The Coyotes had 82 yards passing and the Mustangs had 118 yards passing. The Coyotes put the ball on the ground 6 times and lost one fumble. The Mustangs dropped the ball 7 times, and lost one fumble. Each team had three penalties. The Coyotes punted 5 times for 37.8 yards, and the Mustangs punted one time for 30 yards.

Ed Rodriguez carried the ball 17 times for 96

yards. He caught one pass for 5 yards, and he completed 2 of 5 passes for 22 yards. Ed led the defense with 16 tackles including a quarterback sack and 2 quarterback hurries.

Joseph Hardman carried the ball 7 times for 20 yards and a touchdown. Joseph caught a pass for 55 yards and a touchdown. He had 14 tackles on defense.

T.J. Sharp carried the ball one time for 4 yards. He had 5 tackles on defense.

Kevin Pinkerton completed 2 of 7 passes for 60 yards and a touchdown. He punted 5 times for an average of 37.8 yards. His longest punt was of 50 yards. Kevin had 14 tackles on defense.

Nick Flanigan caught a pass for 18 yards and a first down. Nick spent most of the night blocking for the Coyotes from the end position.

Ramon Griffin snapped the ball on offense and tallied 6 tackles on defense including a quarterback hurry and a recovered fumble.

Robert Stamper had a good night of defense in his first game back from orthoscopic knee surgery. He had 9 tackles from the safety position, and he broke up a pass that would have been a big play for the Mustangs.

John Harding played on the defensive line and at offensive guard blocking for the Coyote runners.

Dale Grant played offensive end, defensive end, and defensive cornerback. He had 7 tackles and caused a fumble.

attainable. The district is more even this year and there is not a week to relax with Grady, Ira, and Hermleigh left on the schedule. Do not give up on the Coyotes yet, there is still a lot of football to be played. We are in one of the toughest districts in the state. The representatives from this district will have the opportunity of playing for a while in the play-offs.

Ross Aten also played

on the defensive line.

COACHES COMMENT: By Coach Avery

The loss drops the Coyote's record to 5-2 on the season and 1-1 in district play. We have found ourselves in the same situation we were in this time last year in district play. The Coyotes need to win out for the rest of district play. It will not be an easy task, but certainly one that is

Coyote JV Shock Sands

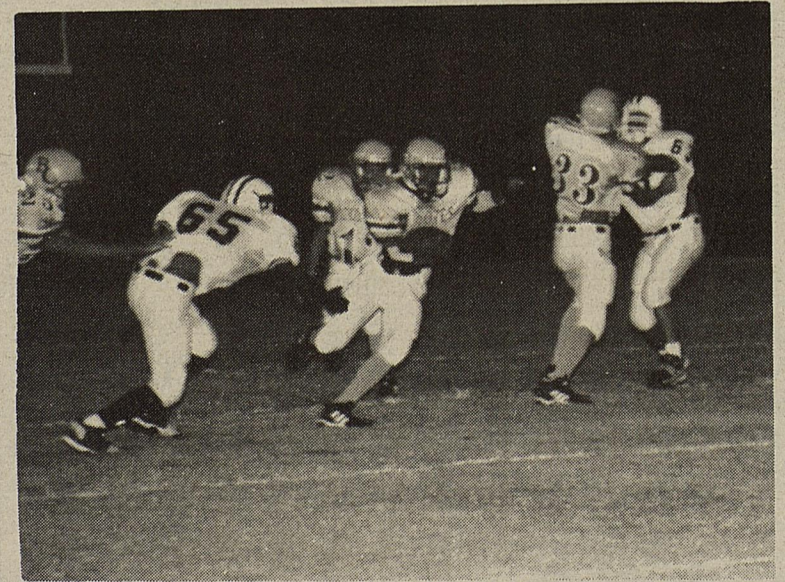
The Borden County Junior Varsity played its first home game of the season as they hosted arch rival Sands Thursday night. The Coyotes hoped to show the home town fans an exciting contest, and that's just what they did. The Coyotes hoping to improve on an earlier 19-6 victory over the Mustangs looked primed to do just that in the early going of the contest. But just a few plays into the contest starting quarterback and cornerback Jacob Zant went down with a serious knee

injury after converting a fourth down play on a ten yard run. Unfortunately, that was and will be Jacob's final play of the 1999 season due to the severity of the injury.

Under the guidance of freshman back-up quarterback, Brionne Jackson and the running of Raul Rodriquez, and Payton Brown the Coyotes were able to punch the ball in for a 6-0 lead on a Payton Brown 3-yard run.

During the course of the entire first half, the

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Coyote JV runner looking for the end zone during Thursday nights victory over the Sands Mustangs.

(Photo by LaNita)

Coyotes Shock Sands

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Coyotes kept the visiting Mustangs out of the end zone.

On the final drive of the first half, the Coyotes mounted an impressive march. Jackson connected with Rowdy Dunlap for a 22-yard gain. Cody Nowlain turned in a very good effort as he took the designed reverse pass into a 16 yard run and a Coyote first down as he did a little ad libbing of his own on this crucial 4th down play. Two plays later, Payton Brown had his 2nd score of the night on a 1-yard plunge into the end zone. Raul Rodriquez booted the extra point to increase the Coyotes lead to 14-0 at

halftime. In the second half, a botched play turned good seemed to awaken the sleeping Mustangs offense. The visitors pounded the ball to pay dirt and cut the lead to 14 to 7. On the Coyotes next drive, the Coyotes appeared to be driving to reassert themselves, but a fumble gave the Mustangs the ball again. The Mustangs wasted little time to score 13 for the Coyotes. The Mustangs recovered the ensuring kickoff and on the 2nd play of the 4th quarter, the Mustangs took their first lead of the night and season at 19-14. Cody Nowlain broke up the

extra-point pass, which would prove to be a big play.

The Coyotes looked to be driving again, but yet another fumble gave the Mustangs the ball in Coyote territory. Just when it looked as though the Mustangs had complete control with only three minutes to go the Coyote defense of Rowdy Dunlap, Cody Nowlain, Payton Brown, Talin Pepper, Raul Rodriquez, James Bond and TC Stipe (subbing as cornerback for Jacob) put together their best series of the night. After holding the Mustangs the Coyotes got the ball back on their own 20-yard line with only 1:30 left in the game. On 2nd down, Payton Brown connected with Cody Nowlain on a 10 yard pass and catch play. On the next play, Payton stepped up in the pocket and began to scramble. He cut to his left and used a very good Talin Pepper block along with a lot of heart, determination and speed to out raced the Mustangs to the end zone and obtain the game winning score 20-19. The Coyotes held the Mustangs on the next four plays to ensure the

dramatic 20-19 comeback and an unblemished 7-0 record on the season.

Talin Pepper, Rowdy Dunlap, Payton Brown and Cody Nowlain all had very big nights defensively along with a very good job by TC Stipe of replacing Jacob Zant.

On offense, Brionne Jackson did a super job of running the show while Payton Brown and Raul Rodriquez chewed up the yardage behind the good blocking of Tanner Poole, Rowdy Dunlap, Payton Brown, Cody Nowlain and James Bond.

Payton Brown had 12 carried for 123 yards, while Raul Rodriquez had 11 carried for 65 yards. Jacob Zant was 3 of 5 for 23 yards and 21 yards

rushing while Cody Nowlain had 3 catches for 41 yards and one big one for 16 yards. Rowdy Dunlap had the other catch for 22 yards on a 1 of 2 night by Jackson.

COACHES COMMENTS: by Coach Richey

What an exciting game. This was a total team victory. Our hearts go out to Jacob and the entire Zant family, Jacob was having a tremendous season, and we wish him a speedy, recovery. Good job guys. You showed a lot of heart and character. Good Luck on Thursday at Blackwell at 6:00 p.m. Thank you all for your support. See you at Blackwell.

Coyote Pups Tame Mustangs

The Borden County junior high Pups football team hosted the Sands Mustangs last Thursday and defeated the Little 'Stangs by a score of 33-0

The Pups had a lot of fun in the victory, especially in shutting out the 'Stangs. This is the second time the Pups have played Sands, the first time the Pups won 12-6. This wide margin of victory shows how much this team has improved.

Dan Griffin scored first for the Pups on a 15-yard run. Kyle Pinkerton kicked the PAT good and the score was 8-0.

Andy Lozano put the points on the board for the Pups next as he ran 35 yards for the score. The PAT failed and the lead increased to 14-0

Dan Griffin scored the third touchdown for the Pups on a 3-yard plunge into the end zone. The PAT failed making the score 20-0.

Kyle Pinkerton scored next as he caught a 20-yard pass from John

Stamper near the end zone. The PAT failed and the margin was increased, 26-0.

Adam Carter scored the final touchdown of the evening as he carried the ball over from 25 yards out. Derek Rodriguez ran the extra point over for one point to make the score 33-0.

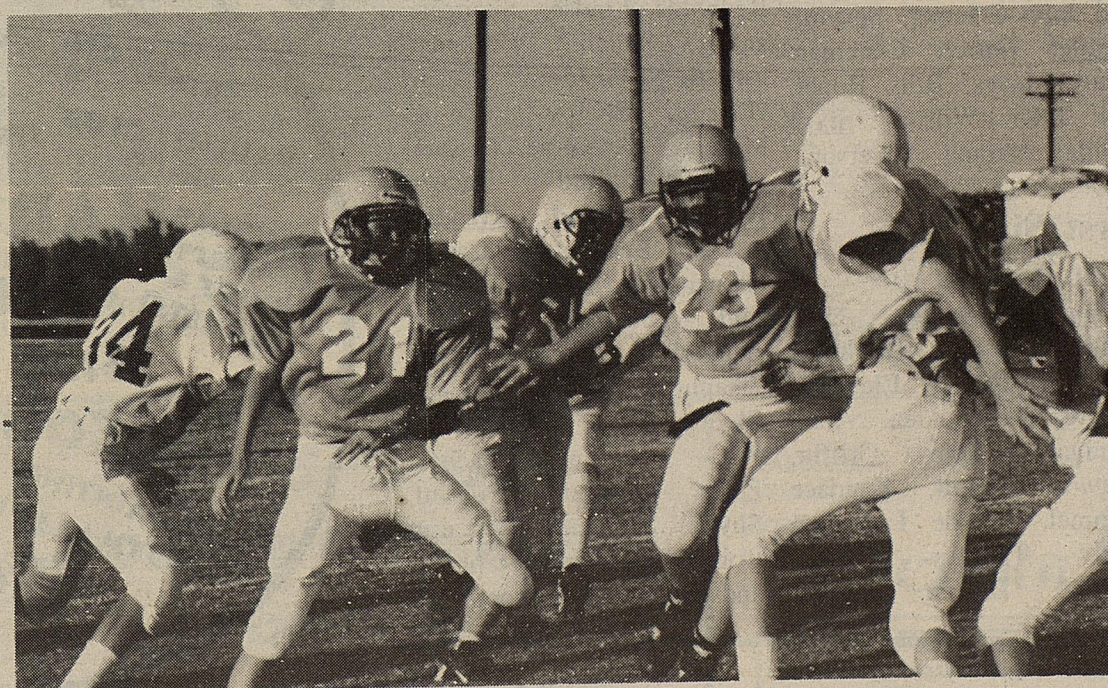
The defense did a great job on the evening allowing no points for the 'Stangs. Kyle Pinkerton, Dusty Gwinn, and Billy Roper controlled the line of scrimmage. John Wilson, John Stamper and Garrett Chapman contained the Sands runners' form the cornerback position. Dan Griffin, Andy Lozano, Derek Rodriguez and Adam Carter played linebacker.

COACHES COMMENTS: By Coach Avery

These guys had a lot of fun and improved their record 5-0. We have only two games left, Grady and Ira. They will both be tough but if we keep up the good work maybe we can continue a perfect season.

Public-Service Announcement from the UIL

Role models are more important than ever in today's society. You can serve as a role model for others the next time you display good sportsmanship at a high school athletic event. Good sports are winners, so the next time you attend a sporting event, remember to be a good sport and act properly. Everyone appreciates the good values portrayed by acts of good sportsmanship. A public service message from the University Interscholastic League.



John Stamper #21 and Kyle Pinkerton #23 holds off a Mustang stampede while a Coyote Pup works his way to the end zone for a Coyote Pup touchdown.
(Photo by LaNita)

*From the Counselor:
By Mary Airhart*

Students do good job on ACT

Last summer, nine added registration cost. Borden County 1999-2000 Even though that Saturday seniors were registered to take the ACT in Lamesa on June 12, 1999; however, a violent storm including flash flooding and several tornadoes prevented most of them from making the trip to take the test. When informed of the hazardous travel conditions, ACT officials agreed to let them take the test on September 25, 1999, in Lamesa at no

date followed a very long road trip to Balmorhea, these students performed as well on the test as they had in the game the night before. First time testers did well, and those who were taking the test a second time raised their scores - two very significantly.

We applaud their efforts and dedication to achievement.

First Six-Weeks Honor Roll and Beta announced

First Six-Weeks Beta Achievement:

Twelfth Grade: Jana Himes, Staci O'Brien, and Amanda Watts. **Eleventh Grade:** Rebekah Hensley, Trent Pepper, and Valerie Wootan. **Tenth Grade:** Andrea Lozano, and Michele Bond. **Eighth Grade:** Kyle Pinkerton, and John Stamper. **Seventh Grade:** Garrett Chapman, Emily Mayes, Billy Roper, and John Wilson. **Sixth Grade:** Whitney Anderson.

First Six-Weeks Honor Roll:

Twelfth Grade: Nick Flanigan, Joseph Hardman, and Julie Mayes. **Eleventh Grade:** Ross Aten, Abby Flanigan, Tom Griffin, Shawna Kempf, Kandace Kimmel, Krystle Lee, and Holly Thomas. **Ninth Grade:** Dalene Kempf.

Eighth Grade: Clay John Anderson, Dan Griffin, and Evan Winegarner. **Sixth Grade:** J Ryan Gicklhorn, Andrew Lamming, Cassidy Ogden, and Garrett Thomas. **Fifth Grade:** Ana Arellanos, Clint Chapman, Rowdy Clary, John Coward, Sarah Harding, Alejandra Mujica, Jake Payne, Kalli Poole, Kylan Reynolds, Lindsey Stamper, and Daniel Williams. **Fourth Grade:** Logan Howard, Shelby Roberts, Miller Valentine, Kate Wallace, and Rachel Wilson. **Third Grade:** Baylee Benavidez, Carlos Hernandez, Krystle Hobson, and Jessica Pelham. **Second Grade:** Flynn Chapman, Michael Cooley, Skyler Dear, Olivia Key, Karl Lamming, Rachael Payne, Chelsie Pigford, Shylo Rinehart, Lacey Roberts, Chelsea Stephens, and Raylea Underwood.

Letter to Parents:

Dear Parents,
It is time to have our Fall Festival again, and I hope most of you are ready since it is only two weeks away. I know this is a hard project to get together, but with support from everyone; we can make the Festival fun and enjoyable! It takes everyone's help to get the Festival organized. Room-mothers from each class should already have a work schedule and a time set up to decorate your booths. If you have any questions call your room-mother or me. The Festival is for our kids, and everyone needs to help in any way they can. It takes every parent and child to make the Festival successful. I urge you to work together with the other parents and kids in your class.

There will be a costume contest this year for kids and adults. Please

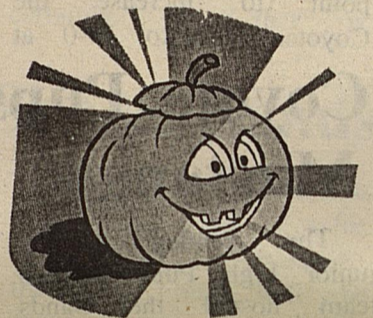
try to keep your costumes tasteful. We don not want to offend anyone; we just want to have fun. Twenty-five dollars will be given to the best-decorated booth. So please have your booth finished by 6:00 p.m. so that they can be judged. The money will be put into the classes fund along with the money they make from the Festival. All the money made from the Festival goes toward our children's senior trip. It is important for us and our kids to participate in the Festival. There will also be a Haunted House this year.

The Parents Club has Bingo every year to help raise money for different events, such as, teacher appreciation luncheon, homecoming dance, school directories, the Festival, and most importantly, our scholarship fund. Please donate one item to the Bingo to help us raise

money for these events. Your support will be greatly appreciated. People are also needed to help work the Bingo. If you would like to lend a hand please let Jana Underwood or myself know.

If you have any questions or comments about the Festival or the Parents Club, please call 756-4493. I will try to help you in anyway I can.

Thank You,
Tracy Cooley
Parents Club President



BINGO PRIZES NEEDED: THE PARENTS' CLUB IS NEEDING PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY DURING THE BINGO GAMES. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A PRIZE OR PRIZES, THEY WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

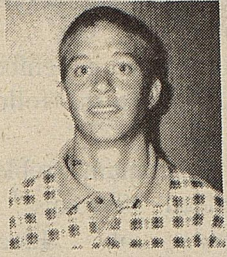
Drive Safely



Watch out for the Children . . .

OFF AND RUNNING

Cross Country News
By Trent Pepper



New Home CC Results Pepper Wins Gold Stipe Places Fourth

Trent Pepper won the gold, and T.C. Stipe earned the fourth place medal at the New Home Cotton Field Classic on Saturday. The high school varsity girls placed third as a team.

Trent Pepper held off a late surge by Felix Saldana from Seminole and won the varsity boy's race, covering the three-mile course in 16:30. T.C. Stipe placed fourth, finishing in a time of 17:21. They were followed by Cody Nowlain and Talin Pepper.

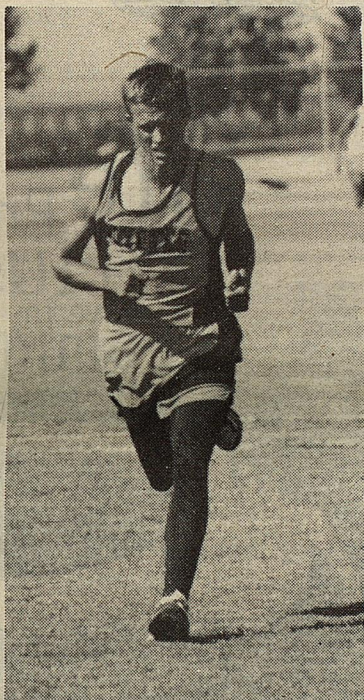
Medallist Holly Thomas led the Lady Coyotes to a third place team finish in the high school varsity girl's division. Holly finished the two-mile course in 14:21, placing ninth. She was followed by medallists Bobbie and Dalene Kempf, who finished tenth in 14:26 and eleventh in 14:27, respectively. Shaina Isaacs, Micah Hensley, Bekah Hensley and Crystal Dye were also members of the girl's team.

Three Borden County girls medalled in the high school junior varsity division. Hailey Adcock led the way with a eleventh place finish in 16:38. She was followed by Kaci Poole's seventeenth place finish in 17:47, and Laura Stamper's twentieth place finish in 17:57. Amanda Watts also ran in this division.

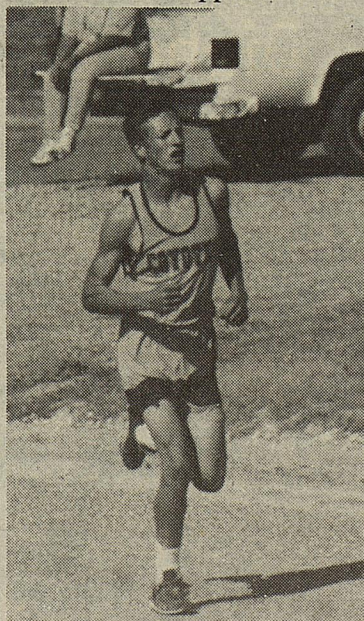
Emily Mayes was the junior high girl's lone medallist on Saturday. Emily placed thirteenth,

covering the tow-mile course in 16:35. Thelma Ballgame also ran in this division.

Charles Grant missed a medal in the junior highboys division by two places. Charles placed twenty-second, finishing the two-mile course in 19:45.



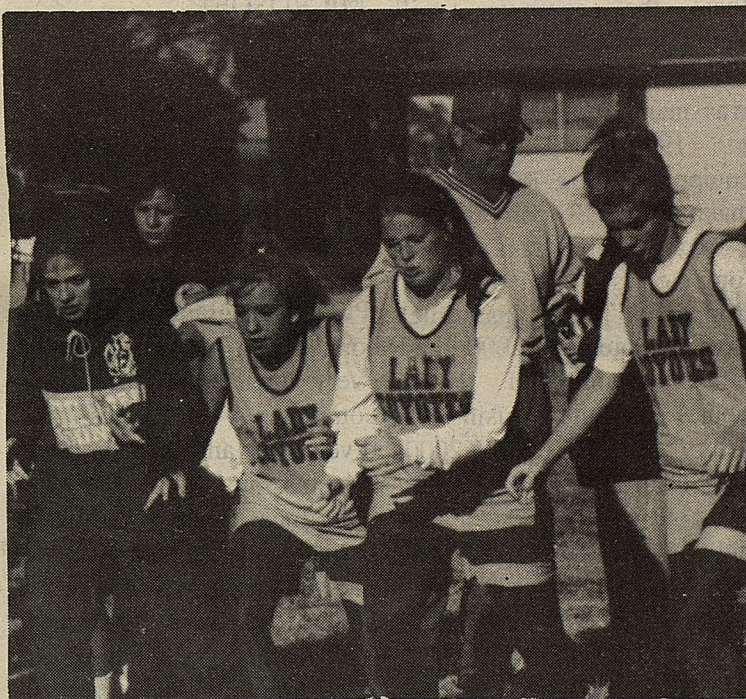
Gold Medal winner BC's Trent Pepper.



TC Stipe come in Fourth place in meet.



Lady Coyote Cross Country Team waiting for time to take off during Saturday mornings Cross Country Meet. Lady Coyotes from left to right; Bobbie Kempf, Dalene Kempf, Bekah Hensley, Holly Thomas, Crystal Dye and Shaina Isaacs.



Lady Coyote JV runners getting ready for the starting gun during Saturday mornings Cross Country Meet in New Home. Pictured (L. to R.) Laura Stamper, Hailey Adcock, Amanda Watts and Kaci Poole. (Photo by LaNita)

Menu

Lunch: \$1.00 K-6th.
\$1.25 7th-12th.
Breakfast - 50c

October 25th-29th

MONDAY: Beef & Bean Burrito, w/Salsa, Potato Wedges, salad, Fruit Square & Milk

Breakfast: Hot Pocket, Fruit, Juice & Milk

TUESDAY: Chicken, corn, Potatoes, Hot Rolls. Fruit & Milk

Breakfast: Egg & Cheese English Muffin, Juice & Milk

WEDNESDAY: Lasagna, Baby Carrots, Green Beans, Garlic Toast, Jello & Milk

Breakfast: Oatmeal, Toast, Juice & Milk

THURSDAY: Hot Dog w/ Chili, Onion Rings, Beans, Fruit, Cookies & Milk

Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Biscuit, Juice & Milk

FRIDAY:

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Hand-Made Crochet Gift Items For Sale

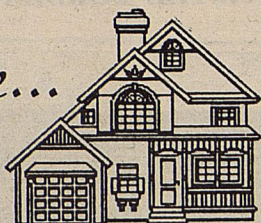
Christmas - Birthday - etc.

Call Brenda at 756-4345

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Heart and home...

By Julie D. Mumme
Borden County, Extension Agent -
Family and Consumer Sciences



Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. the Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Have You Heard Enough About Y2K?

Every popular magazine and newspaper seems to carry something about this Y2K thing. As with most people, I am not too concerned. Of course the computers in our office are compatible, and my home computer is compatible. But what about everyone else's computers?

Exactly what is Y2K anyway? When microcomputers were first constructed, memory was expensive. In an effort to save money, programmers coded dates as a 6-position field (mmddyy). That is, the first two positions were the month, the second two positions were the date and the third two positions were the year. Thus, August 19, 1987 was stored as 081987. If March 4, 1991 was stored, it looked like 030491. Everyone knew 91 came after 89. The computer subtracting these two numbers knew that the events were two years apart.

But what happens when we get to 2000? For example, if you put in a breeding date for August 1, 1999 and the expected calving date is April 24, 2000, the computer subtracts the numbers 99 and 00 and thinks the events are 99 years apart. This happens when your computer is not Y2K compatible.

Three issues are at the heart of the Y2K problem. Make sure your computer can deal with them successfully to be Y2K compliant.

ONE: Hardware? All Pentium computers less than three years old are Y2K compliant. Most other personal computers based on Intel Corporation's X86 (286, 386, 486) and Pentium

microprocessors are built with the century information. However, some of these computers will not automatically roll over to the 21st century and change the 19 to 20 for the year 2000. The number for the year will change from 99 to 00 and the computer's hardware thinks it's dealing with dates from 1900.

With many computers you can manually reset the date to January 1, 2000 when that date arrives. After that, the computer will know it's way into the 21st century. If your computer was manufactured after 1993 to 1995 it has been equipped with a ROM-BIOS making it Y2K compliant.

To insure that your computer is Y2K compliant, companies such as Intel Corp., Gateway 2000 and others recommend testing your computer using a utility called YMARK2000. The YMARK2000 utility was developed by the National Software Testing Labs (NSTL). The NSTL provides global standards for information technology as the world's leading independent testing lab. The YMARK2000 utility is free and can be downloaded from NSTL's Web site at: http://www.nstl.com/html/nstl_ymark2000.htm

Another good Web site for Y2K background information and links to many computer hardware and software manufacturer's Y2K resources is the Intel Corporation site at: <http://support.intel.com/support/year2000>

TWO: Software? Even though your hardware may be Y2K compliant, it does not necessarily follow that

your computer software is. Most of the latest popular, commercially available software are Y2K compliant, or can be updated. Regardless, it is important to take an inventory of the software on your computer, especially programs critical to your business (e.g. accounting software). Write down the version number of each software product and check with the manufacturer concerning its Y2K status and what you need to do, if anything, to make it Y2K compliant.

Links to many software manufacturers are provided on Intel's Web site (address previously listed). The Web addresses for Y2K information for Microsoft and Intuit (Quicken, Quick books) products are listed below:

MICROSOFT
<http://www.microsoft.com/tehnet/year2k>

INTUIT
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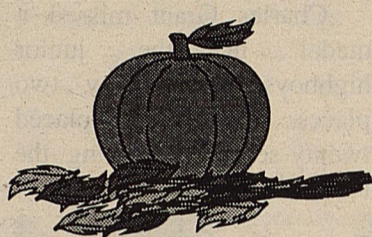
THREE: Embedded chips? Small computers called micro-controllers (or PLCs, programmable logic controllers), are in almost every device with electrical components. Devices as diverse as anti-lock braking systems, automobile ignition and fuel systems, cellular phones, fax machines and programmable VCRs are equipped with these microchips. These chips are programmed with software instructions that tell the device how to operate. Most devices equipped with embedded chips will not be affected by the Y2K problem.

Those most likely affected usually have a display showing calendar dates (e.g. the LCD readout on your programmable VCR or your fax machine). If you suspect that a piece of equipment contains embedded chips and that equipment is critical to your business and employee safety, check with the manufacturer to insure that

the device is Y2K compliant. For more information on embedded chips, contact the following Web site:

"The Millennium Problem in Embedded Systems," UK Institute of Electrical Engineers
<http://www.icee.org.uk/2000risk>

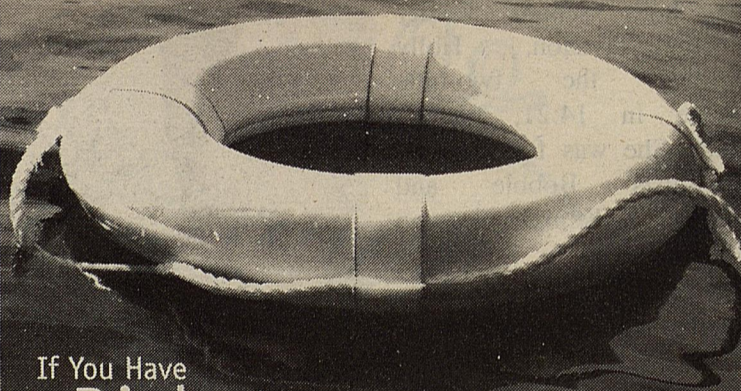
Are you ready? This is one problem that will NOT go away. Take the time to check your computer today! Information adapted from "Have You Heard Enough About Y2K?" written by Michael Tomaszewski, Extension Dairy Specialist in the TAEX Balanced Dairying Production Newsletter.



Family & Community Education Study Group Meeting

The next meeting of the FCE Study Group will be Monday, October 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Computer Lab at Borden County High School. We will have a program on using the internet entitled, *Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Cyberspace*. We appreciate Sheri Poole for allowing us to use her classroom, and the school allowing us to use their facility. We look forward to seeing you on the 25th!

What Do A
Life Preserver
And A **Flu Shot**
Have In
Common?



If You Have
Diabetes,
Ask Your
Doctor.

If you live with diabetes, you're more likely to die with the flu. Just ask the families of the 30,000 people with diabetes who died of flu or pneumonia complications. Then ask your doctor for a life-saving flu shot for you and those closest to you, and about the other risks you face when you face diabetes. Because with diabetes, *prevention is control*, and control is your life line.

This message is brought to you by  **CDC** and your health department.
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

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Let Me Get My Hat!

By Dennis Poole, Borden Co. CEA-Ag.

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through marketing clubs, the investment in training by the Agricultural Extension Service and the other supporters of the program will be effectively spread to a much larger group.

The registration fee is \$250, plus a commitment to work with your county agent to try to start a marketing club. The registration fee covers only a small portion of the total cost of the program. Most of the cost is paid by major

sponsoring groups, including the Texas Corn Producers Board, Texas Wheat Producers Board, Texas Farm Bureau, other organizations, and area agri-businesses.

The Lubbock 2000 Master Marketer Program will be held at Lubbock Four Points Sheraton beginning January 12-13, 2000.

To register for this program or for more information, contact the Borden County Extension Office at (806) 756-4336.

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BORDEN COUNTY 4-H NEWS
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Fall Festival 4-H Cake Walk

Borden County 4-H will again sponsor the cake walk at our 1999 Fall Festival to be held on Saturday, October 30 at 6:00 p.m. This activity serves as our sole fund-raiser to assist with 4-H awards and our annual achievement awards supper.

Each 4-H family is requested to bring two (2) pastry items of your choice (cake, pie, cookies, brownies, etc.) to assist with the success of our cake walk. If at all possible, please bring your items to the booth by 5:45 p.m. Thanks in advance for assisting with this activity in support of Borden County 4-H.

A work schedule has been mailed; however, if your name was not included on the work schedule and you would like to work in

the 4-H booth, just go by the booth that evening and offer your assistance!

See you at the Cake Walk!! and thanks once

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NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTION PRECINCTS

Three Borden County Election Precincts have been consolidated for the Constitutional Amendment Election to be held November 2, 1999. This consolidation is for this Constitutional Amendment Election only.

Election precinct 2B (Vealmoor) has been consolidated with election precinct 2A. Registered voters in this election precinct will vote in election precinct 2A (Community Room) at Gail, Texas.

Election precinct 3B (Fairview) has been consolidated with election precinct 3A. Registered voters in this election precinct will vote in election precinct 3A (Murphy) at the Murphy Election Building.

Election precinct 4B (Snelling) has been consolidated with election precinct 4A. Registered voters in this election precinct will vote in election precinct 4A (North Gail) at the County showbarn, Gail, Texas.

again for your time and assistance in helping with the success of this annual fund-raiser.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

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Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Michael Molter, Area Engineer, Snyder, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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**BORDEN COUNTY ISD
BID REQUEST**

The Superintendent's office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids for the purchase and installation of Computer Equipment related to upgrading the District's Technology Hardware System.

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 "Technology Hardware Equipment Bid". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 1:00 P.M. on November 11, 1999. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and approved by the Board or its designee by no later than November 15, 1999. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

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

Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address or by calling 806-756-4313. Transmissions by fax may be sent to 806-756-4310.

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Borden County Independent School District
Joel Dennis, Secretary

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BID REQUEST**

The Superintendent's office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids for the purchase and installation of an Emergency Communication System for the school plant.

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Select light-colored or reflective costumes made from flame-resistant material. Check to make sure your child can see clearly and walk without tripping. Provide a

flashlight for visibility.

"Young trick-or-treaters need to be accompanied by an older sibling or adult," said Dr. Milton Nirken at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "For maximum safety, only visit family and friends or check to see if there are community parties in your neighborhood."

Older children going door to door should stay close to home and return at a set time. They need to travel in a group, avoid dark houses, and beware of animals and strangers.

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