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Panhandle South Plains Fair coming to Lubbock

Lubbock — Each year in late September and early October the Panhandle South Plains Fair returns to the fair grounds in Lubbock, much to the delight of South Plains fans. With the slogan "family fun for everyone," the fair provides a variety of wholesome, family oriented entertainment throughout its' eight day run and keeps alive the tradition of a county fair where people can always find something new to see, hear or learn.

Because of widespread citizen support, drawn from the Panhandle and South Plains area of Texas as well as Eastern New Mexico, the exposition has become one of the largest attractions in West Texas. In 1998 more than 192,000 persons attended the 81st annual event.

Fairgoers can see a wide range of free entertainment and strolling

acts in every nook and cranny of the grounds, providing virtually non-stop activity every day. Free entertainment might include magicians, ventriloquists, racing pigs, clowns doing balloon sculptures, local and area talent on the outdoor stage, square dancers, high-wire artists, dancing monkeys, dog and pony shows, talent shows or even a children's barnyard and petting zoo.

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COYOTE FANS! Coyote band members prepare for another Coyote victory before Friday night's game against New Home.



TxDOT employees participate in Roadeo: Bob Kempf, left, and Jibber Herridge show off the certificates they earned as participants in the Texas Department of Transportation's 1999 Abilene district Roadeo. This event tested 38 drivers from throughout the district on their precision driving skills and their preventive maintenance knowledge. Kempf and Herridge, both maintenance crew chiefs in the Borden County maintenance section, they took top honors at the county level to earn them the right to compete at district. Herridge went on to win second place at district level and will be competing for state honors in Austin in November.

(TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

COYOTE FOOTBALL
Thursday, September 16th
Coyotes Pups vs Sands JH
6:00 p.m. - There
Coyote JV vs Jayton JV
6:30 p.m. - @ Westbrook
Friday, September 17th
Borden Coyotes vs Highland
7:30 p.m. - There

COYOTE FOOTBALL '99

Coyotes Roll Over the Leopards

The Borden County Coyotes rolled past the New Home Leopards in Gail last Friday. By defeating the opponent 56-0. The game was called at the half due to the 45 point rule. Ed Rodriguez and Joseph Hardman paced the Coyote offense with three touchdowns each. The Coyotes accumulated 251 yards in 20 carries and held the Leopards to just 37 yards in 21 carries.

Rodriguez carried the ball 8 times for 114 yards and three touchdowns on runs of 29, 9, and 51 yards. Rodriguez added 8 points by kicking four extra points good for two points each. He also had 4 tackles on defense.

Hardman carried the ball 6 times for 77 yards and three touchdowns on runs of 5, 7, and 43 yards. He also had 2 tackles on defense.

Dale Grant and D.J. Smith each added a touchdown for 6 and 36 yards respectively. Grant led the defense in tackles with 6 tackles and a hurry of the quarterback.

Robert Stamper had 4 tackles, an interception he returned 25 yards, and two punt returns for 46 and 19 yards.

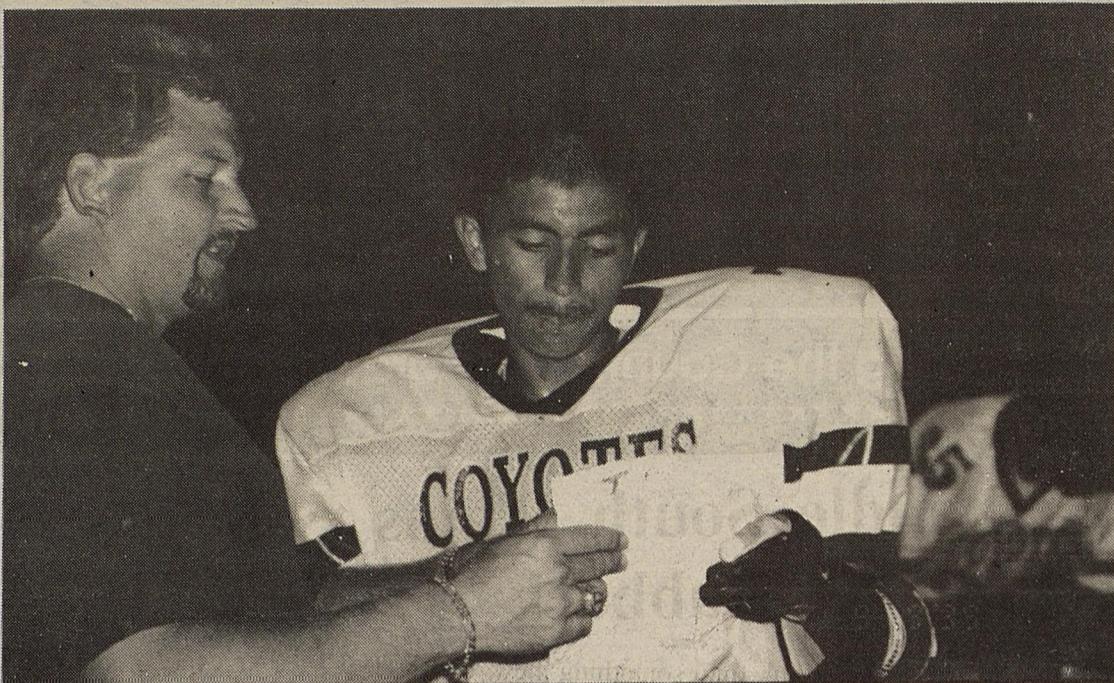
Tom Griffin had 4 tackles and an interception he returned for 10 yards.

Ramon Griffin had 4 tackles. Lee Pepper had 3 tackles. John Harding had 3 tackles and a fumble recovery. Nick Flanigan had 3 tackles and a quarterback sack. Kevin Pinkerton had two tackles. D.J. Smith had 2 tackles.

Ross Aten also added a tackle.

COACHES COMMENTS: By Bobby Avery

The Coyotes are on a roll and are getting better with each week. Our opponents will get tougher each week as well. Our next foe, the Highland Hornets just played Sands to a two point ball game. Balmorhea will be the fourth week and Whitharral will be the fifth week. Both of these teams are in the top ten and highly favored in our region. In the weeks to come we will get to see just how good this Coyote team is. I know we are up to the challenge and are anxiously waiting to prove ourselves once again in this 1999 season. Everyone continue to support the Coyotes in another exciting football season



Coach Richey talks over the game plan with freshman running back, Raul Rodriguez during Thursday night's JV victory over the New Home Leopards.

Coyote Junior Varsity Lasso the Leopards

The Borden County Jayvee Coyotes traveled to New Home. Thursday night to take on the New Home Leopards in hopes of improving their season record to 2-0. The Coyotes

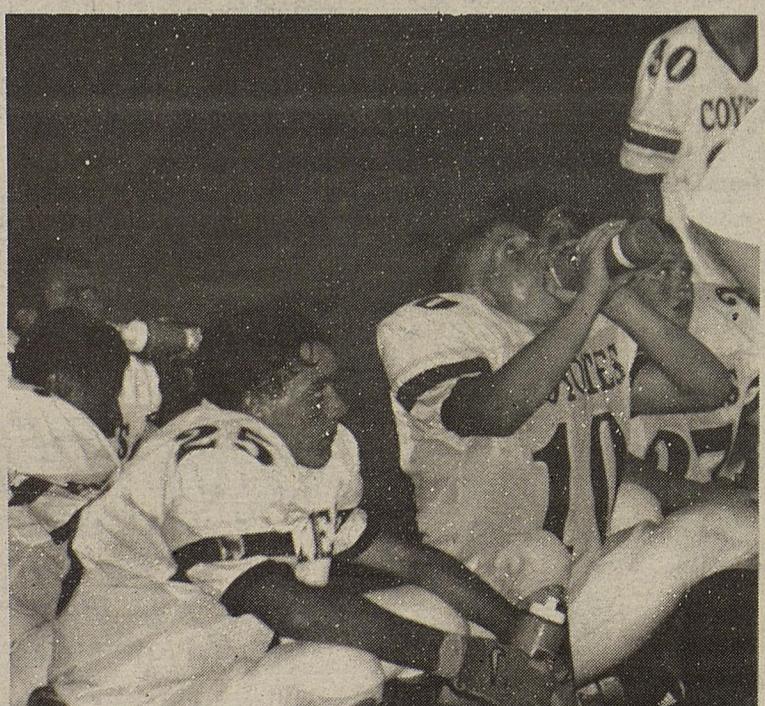
got off to a sluggish start as they failed to score on their first two possessions of the first half. On the next four Coyote drives some good running by T.J. Sharp mixed with some very good blocking enabled the Coyotes to take control of the game in the waning stages of the first quarter and the early stages of the 2nd quarter.

T.J. got the Coyotes on the board with the first of his five touchdowns. T.J. busted loose from 32 yards out to give the Coyotes a 6-0 lead, a lead that they never relinquished. On the Coyotes next offensive series, T.J. busted loose on another long run as he hopped dirt from 35 yards out to boost the Coyotes to a 16-0 lead after he booted his second of four extra points to close the first quarter.

After another super defensive effort by the Coyote defense, the Coyotes hit pay dirt again

as Sharp finished off a Coyote drive that included three good completions. Coyote quarterback Brionne Jackson hit Payton Brown on a 22 yard pass play, and then T.J. hit Payton for another 15 yards and Cody Nowlain for 21 yards before galloping the final 8 yards of his own for a 24-0 score. The Coyotes got the ball again just seconds before the close of the first half, and again made good on the drive as T.J. dropped back to pass, but scrambled away from the pressure for a 48 yard touchdown run to give the visiting Coyotes a commanding 30-0 lead. The extra point made the score at halftime 32-0.

In the second half, the Coyotes played a little sluggishly as they committed three turnovers. Raul Rodriguez put the Coyotes up 38-0 as he scampered 65 yards. The Coyotes and Leopards



Coyote JV take time out from a hard fought Coyote defeat of the New Home Leopards. Pictured are T.J. Sharp, Raul Rodriguez, Payton Brown, Rowdy Dunlap, James Bond and other JV Coyotes.

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OFF AND RUNNING

Cross Country News

By Trent Pepper



Results from Seminole

Pepper Places First, Thomas Takes Seventh

No team totals were tallied, but the Coyotes brought home six individual medals from the cross country meet in Seminole on Saturday. These included a gold medal by Trent Pepper, a seventh place medal by Holly Thomas, and a fourth place medal by Cassidy Rinehart.

In the varsity boys division, Trent Pepper won his second gold medal of the year by completing the 3.3 mile course in a time of 16:52. Teammate Payton Brown also ran in this division.

Holly Thomas led the high school varsity girls with a seventh place finish, covering the 2.2 mile course in 14:16. She was followed by medalist Julie Mayes' fourteenth place finish in 14:43. Other members of the varsity girls team included Bekah Hensley, Shaina Isaacs, Micah Hensley, Crystal Dye, and Staci O'Brien.

There were no Borden County individual medalists in the junior varsity girls division, but representing the Coyotes were Patty Rodriguez and Michelle Bond.

Evan Winegarner, Adam Carter, and Charles Grant all competed in the junior high boys division.

Cassidy Rinehart, Emily Mayes, and Shayla Gass all medalled individually in the junior high girls division. Cassidy covered the 2.2 mile course in 15:12, en route to a fourth place finish. Emily finished in a time of 16:00, placing tenth, and Shayla ran a 16:20,

finishing fourteenth.

The Coyotes next meet will be in Abernathy on Saturday.

1999	
Cross Country Schedule	
Date	Location
Sept. 18 th	Abernathy
Sept. 25 th	OPEN
Oct. 2 nd	Lubbock
Oct. 9 th	Abilene
Oct. 16 th	New Home
Oct. 23 rd	Levelland
TBA	District TBA
Nov. 6 th	Regional Lubbock
Nov. 13 th	State Round Rock

Abernathy	
Cross Country Schedule	
Leave school at 6:15 a.m.	
Junior High Girls	9:00
Junior High Boys	9:20
JV. Girls	9:40
Varsity Girls	10:00
JV Boys	10:20
Varsity Boys:	10:40



Coyote Cross Country Runner Trent Pepper paces himself during his 3 mile run in Seminole Saturday.



Some Coyote Junior High Cross Country girls and boys team members gather to congratulate each other for an outstanding day at the meet: (L. to R.) Emily Mayes, Shayla Gass, Cassidy Rinehart, Adam Carter, Evan Winegarner and Charles Grant.

Coyote JV Lasso Leopards

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traded possessions without much excitement. Just as it appeared that the Coyotes would halt the game via the 45 point rule, a mix up in the backfield caused a fumble that a Leopard picked up and raced 60 yards to the Coyotes 3 yard line before Raul Rodriguez tackled the runaway Leopard. It took the hometown Leopards four plays to score to end the Coyotes scoreless quarter streak at seven.

On the ensuing kickoff, T.J. Sharp put an exclamation point on the Coyotes victory as he rumbled 66 yards for his fifth score. And a 44 to 6 Coyote victory.

T.J. Sharp finished the contest with 311 yards rushing and 46 yards passing. Payton Brown added 56 yards rushing and 37 yards receiving, while Raul Rodriguez tallied 111 yards rushing. Cody Nowlain had 21 yards receiving, and Brionne Jackson playing the entire game at quarterback had

22 yards passing and did a super job of running the Coyote offense. The line of Rowdy Dunlap, James Bond, Cody Nowlain and Payton Brown did another solid job of blocking. On defense, Raul Rodriguez and T.C. Stipe broke up several passes each. Others turning in another solid defensive effort were T.J. Sharp, Cody Nowlain, Rowdy Dunlap, Payton Brown and James Bond.

COACHES COMMENTS: By Trey Richey

Super job guys, another convincing victory in which the Coyotes dominated every phase of the game. These young men are really playing well together and seem to be having a lot of fun playing the game. Thank you all for your support. Come see us in Westbrook Thursday, as we face the Jayton Jaybirds. Congratulations on another victory, and good luck this week.

Menu

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

Sept. 13th-17th

MONDAY: Tacos, Beans, Salad, Fruit Salad & Milk

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

TUESDAY: Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese, Pickles, Fruit & Milk

Breakfast: Donuts, Fruit, Juice & Milk

WEDNESDAY: Steak Fingers, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Rolls, Fruit & Milk

Breakfast: Eggs & Bacon, Toast, Juice & Milk

THURSDAY: Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Carrots, Garlic Toast, Jello & Milk

Breakfast: French Toast, Juice & Milk

FRIDAY: Chicken on a Bun, Tator Tots, Salad Cup, Cake & Milk

Breakfast: Breakfast Burritos, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk



Gail FFA Chapter Begins Variety Meat Sale

The Gail FFA chapter officially began its variety meat fundraiser on Friday, Sept. 4th. The Chapter members will be selling 14 different meat items and will be using the Golden Valley Meat Company again this year. The sale will conclude on September 22nd. And the product will arrive during the first week in October. The chapter wishes to express their thanks to all who supported past year's fundraisers and they look forward to working with you again this year.

Anyone who has questions concerning the sale or would like to place an order should contact a FFA salesman or Buddy Wallace at 806/756-4313.

FFA Salesmen:

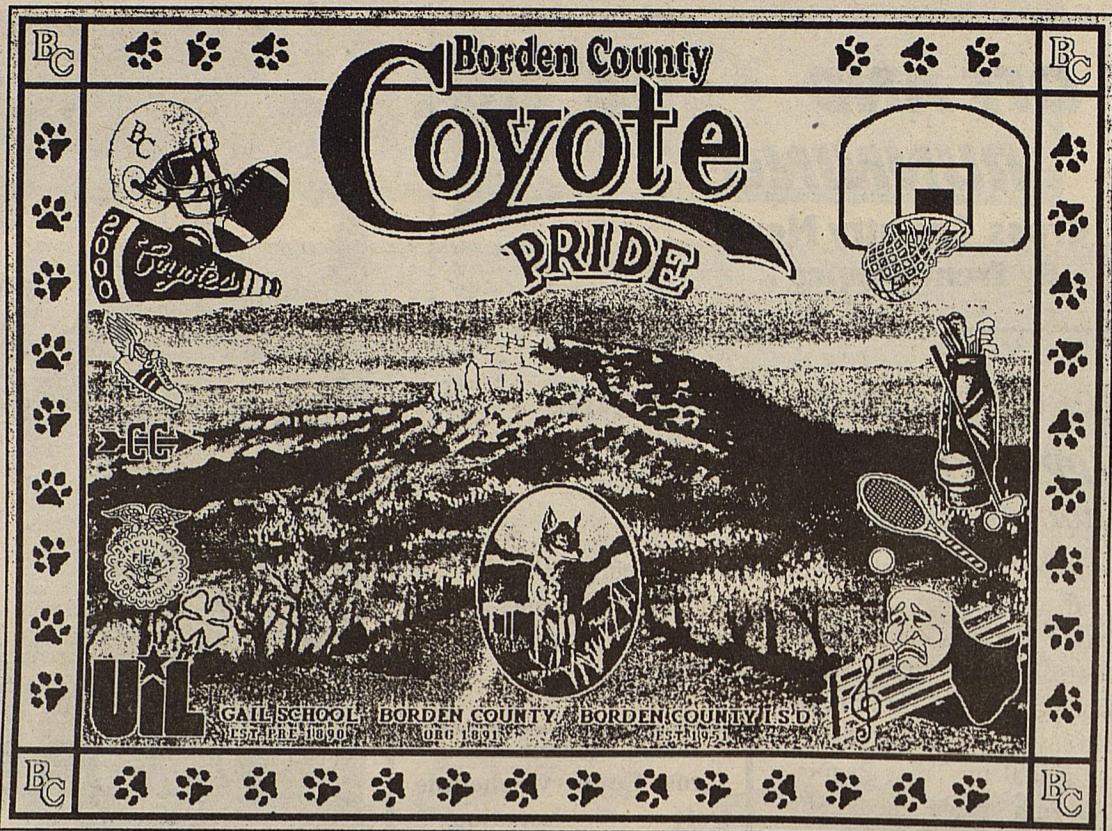
Kyla Culp
Kevin Ellison
Brionne Jackson
Bobbie Kempf
Dalene Kempf
Tanner Poole
Raul Rodriguez
Payton Brown
Joe Costillo
Jessica Ellison
Cody Nowlain
T.C. Stipe
Jacob Zant
Shawna Kempf
Kandace Kimmel
James Bond
Ramon Griffin
Foston Wilson
Kaci Poole
Justin Lawrence
Hailey Adcock
Anthony Aguinaga
Crystal Dye
Nick Flanigan
John Harding
Kevin Pinkerton
Robert Stamper

Items	Product	Price
A	Smoked Turkey (8-10 lbs)	\$17.00
B	Breakfast Tacos (10 per box)	9.00
C	Smoked Sliced Bacon (3-lbs)	10.00
D	Smoked Sliced Peppered Bacon (3-lbs.)	10.00
E	Hickory Smoked Ham (6-8 lbs)	21.00
F	Smoked Peppered Turkey Breast (3-lbs.)	16.00
G	Smoked Sausage Links (3-lbs)	12.00
H	Smoked Sausage Rings (3-lbs)	13.00
I	Pork Breakfast Patties (3-lbs)	9.50
J	Pork Breakfast Links (3-lbs)	9.50
K	Pork Sausage Roll (2-lbs.)	7.00
L	Party Pack (includes chicken tenders, nuggets, and buffalo wings)	13.50
M	Beef Fajitas (2-lbs)	10.00
N	Chicken Fajita Strips (2-lbs)	10.00

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BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids on the district's Employee Health Insurance Program for the 1999-2000 school year.

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 "Health Insurance Bid". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 1:00 P.M. on September 17, 1999. Bid proposals will be opened and read aloud in the Board Room at that time. Bid proposals will be tabulated, researched, and presented to the Board of Trustees for their consideration at the September 20, 1999 meeting. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD 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 or 806/756-4316. 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

Coyote Football Continued

Coyote Pups out-play Leopards

Defense was the big key as the Borden County Junior High Football Team defeated the New Home Leopards last Thursday in New Home by a score of 13 to 6. The Coyotes kept the Leopard Cubs in check all night except one time when a Leopard runner broke into the clear for the touchdown. At one point the Leopard Cubs were on the Coyote two-inch line threatening to score before the Pups took over on their own 10 yard line. Kyle Pinkerton and Dusty Gwinn stopped up the defensive line. Cade Peterson and John Stamper played corner back. Dan Griffin and Andy Lozano were the linebackers. Also

seeing time on defense were John Wilson, Charles Grant and Tyler Wallace.

The two touchdowns of the Pups were scored by Dan Griffin. Dan took the ball around left end and raced 55 yards for the TD of the first half. Andy Lozano ran the one point PAT over to make the score 7 to 0. The young Leopards scored their lone touchdown in the third quarter and their PAT was spoiled by the Pup defense. Later in the third quarter the Pups put up their

second TD as Dan Griffin once again ran around left end and went 40 yards for the touchdown. The PAT failed to make the score 13-0.

John Stamper played quarterback, as did Garrett Chapman. Cade Peterson played in the fullback position. Andy Lozano and Adam Carter played at guard. Kyle Pinkerton and Clay John Anderson played at the end position. Other playing on offense were Billy Roper and Derek Rodriguez.



CHEERING FOR THE 1999-2000 COYOTE PUPS: (L. to R.) Back row Cassidy Rinehart, 7th grade; Mandy Vasquez, 7th grade. Front row: Emily Mayes, 7th grade, and Shayla Gass 8th grade.

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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

More than 24 million children will ride a school bus to and from school this year. If your child is one, take a moment to review the following safety tips with him or her:

- While waiting for your bus, stay away from the street and avoid rough-housing.
- Don't step into the street until the bus has stopped and the bus driver has opened the door.
- Inside the bus, take your
- seat and avoid loud talking or other behavior that could distract the driver. Show respect for the driver and other riders.
- When exiting the bus, don't stand up until the bus has come to a complete stop.
- If you drop something on the street, don't stoop to pick it up, unless you tell the driver.
- to cross the street, walk at least 10 feet in front of the bus and maintain eye contact with the driver. Don't forget to look both ways.
- If you drop something on the street, don't stoop to pick it up, unless you tell the driver.

✓ School buses are one of the safest forms of transportation available. However, accidents do occur. The greatest risk to children is when they are approaching or leaving the bus. Remind your children to be especially alert at these times.

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1999 Junior Varsity Football Roster

No.	Name	Class	Height	Weight	Position
# 7	Raul Rodriguez	9 th	5'7"	135	RB/S
#10	Rowdy Dunlap	10 th	6'0"	175	C/E
#11	Tanner Poole	9 th	5'9"	135	E/E
#12	Brionne Jackson	9 th	5'2"	120	QB/E
#25	Payton Brown	10 th	6'2"	150	E/LB
#30	Talin Pepper	10 th	5'9"	130	E/E
#32	T.J. Sharp	9 th	5'10"	180	RB/LB
#33	Cody Nowlain	10 th	6'1"	150	E/LB
#35	Jacob Zant	10 th	5'11"	145	QB/LB
#36	T.C. Stipe	10 th	5'10"	135	E/S
#37	James Bond	11 th	5'11"	180	E/E

Junior High Football Roster

#10	Adam Carte	7 th	RB/LB
#11	Dan Griffin	8 th	RB/LB
#12	Tyler Wallace	7 th	C/E
#16	Garrett Chapman	7 th	QB/LB
#19	Andy Lozano	8 th	E/LB
#20	Clay John Anderson	8 th	E/LB
#21	John Stamper	8 th	QB/LB
#23	Kyle Pinkerton	8 th	E/E
#24	Billy Roper	7 th	E/E
#25	John Wilson	7 th	RB/LB
#31	Charles Grant	7 th	E/LB
#32	Cade Peterson	8 th	RB/LB
#33	Derek Rodriguez	7 th	E/E
#44	Dusty Gwinn	8 th	C/E

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Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On this the 23rd day of August, 1999, 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, Prec. No. 1; **Larry D. Smith**, Commissioner, Prec. No. 2; **Vernon Wolf**, Commissioner, Prec. No. 3; **Hurston Lemons, Jr.** Commissioner, Prec. 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 August 9th, 1999 were read. Commissioner Lemons made a motion to approve said minutes and motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined and Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Lemons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TITLE IV-PROGRAM CONTRACT

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to give County Judge Van L. York the authority to sign a contract with the Texas Attorney General For Borden County to cooperate for Title IV-Program. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf. Motion carried.

BUDGET HEARING

At 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to recess the Commissioners Court Meeting and call the Budget Hearing to order, as advertised. Commissioner Lemons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

No interested persons appeared at the Budget Hearing.

A motion was made at 10:30 a.m. by Commissioner Smith that said hearing be adjourned and reconvene Commissioners Court Meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaacs. Motion carried.

OFFICE OF CONSTABLE

Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Court Order stating the office of Constable is now vacant and that all compensation cease. Commissioner Lemons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

YEAR 2000 COUNTY BUDGET

Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to approve the County Budget for the year 2000. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf. Motion carried.

TAX RATE

A motion was made by Commissioner Lemons to set the tax rate at \$.485 (48-1/2c) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaacs. Voting For: Commissioners Isaacs, Smith and Lemons. Voting Against: Commissioner Wolf

TAX DISCOUNT

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to allow discounts of 3%, 2% and 1% for early payment of taxes in October, November and December, respectively. Commissioner

Panhandle South Plains Fair

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Moderately priced reserved seating Fair Park Coliseum show tickets allow fair goers to be entertained nightly by top Country artists. Scheduled to appear on stage for the 1999 fair is Ricky Van Shelton, La Mafia, Mark Lowry, Anthony Burger, Sammy Kershaw and Jars of Clay. On other nights the coliseum is host to general admission free shows sponsored by local business and media.

Tempting food, ranging from grilled turkey legs to cheese sticks or hamburgers, is served by more than 4 dozen local non-profit groups who use their fair concession profits to benefit charities serving the South Plains. Since the early 1970's no new commercial food vendors have been allowed on the independent midway.

Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TAXES - SPLIT PAYMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to NOT ALLOW split payment of taxes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf. Motion carried.

ELECTION JUDGES

Shirley Bennett was appointed alternate Judge for Precinct No. 2A. Carolyn Stephens was appointed Alternate Judge for Precinct No. 1. Due to deadline of September 2, 1999 for appointment of election judges and alternate judges the following alternates for Precinct No.

1 are Mary Lynn Williams and Judy Kingston. The above appointments were made due to original appointees declining the appointment. Commissioner Smith made a motion to appoint the above for the respective positions and Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Over the past 25 years the fair has contributed over \$500,000 to scholarship funds at Texas Tech, Lubbock Christian University, Wayland Baptist University, South Plains College and Texas Western College. Since 1986 fair goers have contributed more than 125 tons of canned food for the South Plains Food Bank during the carnival's popular two-for-one day. Patrons can contribute three cans of food and get one carnival ride coupon booklet free when they purchase a ride coupon booklet on Thursday only. Carnival ride coupons purchased during the food drive are honored throughout the remainder of the fair.

Heart pounding swirls of exciting carnival rides and games are furnished on the midway for those hearty enough to try them. Reed Exposition Midway of Houston provides 60 or more rides ranging from merry go rounds for the kiddies to high tech thrillers for adults, plus games of skill for one and all. Several of the rides expected for the 1999 fair have never been seen before in the South Plains area.

Reed Exposition Midway is a family owned and operated carnival which conducts daily documented safety inspections of their rides.

Operating as a regional fair for education and encouragement of agriculture and horticulture, fair

exhibits include home crafts, crop, flowers, commercial vendors, art, ag-mechanics, open and junior livestock shows and small animal and bird competitions. The 1999 fair will offer competition in 31 different areas and anyone with a desire for a blue ribbon can compete in the shows and competitions. Many will take home a share of the more than \$100,000 in premium money awarded annually among the 12,000 or so exhibits.

Special "free-admission" days at the fair include school days, Monday through Wednesday, when the area public school children and staff members are admitted free with a ticket distributed to schools. Lubbock State School clients and handicapped children are admitted free on Tuesday, Senior Citizens day is Thursday when special gospel shows on the outdoor stage and the Coliseum are provided as free entertainment and college students are admitted free on Friday.

Admission for the fair is \$4.00 for adults 12 or older and \$1 for children 6-11. Parking is \$2 per vehicle. Parking and gate admission is charged after 1 p.m. on weekdays and 10 a.m. on weekends. All buildings open at 11 a.m. daily and the carnival opens at 11 a.m. on weekends and 1 p.m. on weekdays.

Branon Funeral Home

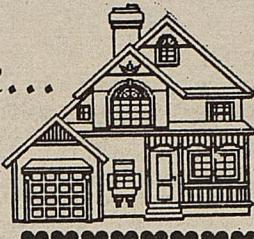
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Do You Eat Five a Day?

Less than 25% of Americans eat five or more daily servings of fruits and vegetables. However, according to a recent national phone survey, 36% know they should eat at least 5 A Day for better health. On the other hand, only 195 of Americans know about the government's recommendation for moderate physical activity - 30 minutes or more most days of the week. But a substantial 40% say they're meeting or exceeding this goal.

Proper nutrition and physical activity are the two basic elements of fitness, according to most health experts' definitions. During National 5 A Day Week, September 12-18, the National Cancer Institute is reminding Americans to "get fit with 5" by eating five or more servings of fruits and vegetables a day.

Most of us tend to do ok with moderate physical activity, but most of us are not eating the recommended amount of fruits and vegetables. For many, adding 5 A Day to an existing physical activity routine would be an easy step toward more complete

fitness and overall better health.

One way to determine if you are eating your five is to track yourself. Those who want to see how they measure up have a new personal trainer in cyberspace. The National Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently launched an interactive Web site on www.5aday.gov. The site's interactive chart allows visitors to fill out how many fruits and vegetables servings they ate yesterday, along with how many minutes of physical activity they did. They then receive a personalized response showing how they are doing compared to other Americans and the experts' recommendations, and they receive a set of personalized, specific tips.

Take a 5 A Day challenge! During National 5 A Day Week, challenge your friends, family, and coworkers to eat five or more daily servings of fruits and vegetables every day. A combination of 5 A Day with 30 minutes of moderate physical activity most days of the week are two of the easiest and most concrete things to do for better health.



4-H Food & Nutrition Project

The first Food and Nutrition project meeting will be held on Monday, September 20th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. (after school) in the Home Economics Department. If you would like to learn more about basic nutrition, eating

All varieties of fruits and vegetables - fresh, frozen, canned, dried and juice - count toward 5 A Day, and a serving is smaller than many people think. One serving can be a medium piece of fruit, 1/2 cup of cooked, canned, or cup-up vegetables or fruit, a cup of chopped lettuce and other raw leafy vegetables, 3/4 cup (6 oz.) of 100-percent fruit or vegetable juice, 1/2 cup of canned legumes (beans and peas), or 1/4 cup dried fruit.

Good luck to you in eating your 5 A Day! For more information about nutrition and health, contact the Extension Office at (806)756-4336.

*His mother's nose. His daddy's chin. We've waited so long to see that grin.
The day finally arrived, August 21st 1999.*

*when the Lord placed Matthew David Hastey in our lives.
He weighs 7 lbs. 6 oz. and is 20 inches long.*

*Everyday he grows more healthy and strong,
and with the Lord's help will be running and jumping before too long.
We thank the Lord everyday for the tiny blessing He has sent our way.*

*Very Proud Parents: Ken & Erica Haste
Very, Very Proud Grandparents:
Royce & Nora Nance; Maurice & Loretta Haste
Great-Grandparents: UeeCee Nance; Lucy Cabrera; Israel Ybanez
Many Very Proud: Aunts, Uncles & Cousins*

*Matthew
A Gift of God*

Burleson's New Label Helps Protect Babies

T.W. Burleson & Son, Inc. recently introduced new labeling to warn parents against feeding hone to their infants. Although honey is thought to be just about the perfect food for just about everyone, the folks at Burleson's know that honey should never be fed to infants under the age of twelve months. Because their digestive systems are immature, babies less than one year of age are susceptible to infant botulism, an illness that can originate from spores (microorganisms) found in dust in the air, on surfaces in the baby's environment, on uncooked fruits and vegetables, or in honey.

Burleson's Honey is taking the lead in informing consumers about the dangers of feeding hone to infants. Burleson's is the first honey processor in the United States to include a warning on its package label. "It's a preventative measure on our part, but we believe it is



Tristen Edward Benavidez
is proud to announce the birth of his
new baby sister:

Madison Marie Benavidez

Born: August 9, 1999 5:23 a.m.
Covenant Medical Center, Lubbock

Proud Parents:

Peter & Kerri Benavidez, Lubbock

Grandparents:

Casey & Pam Zachary, Post

Alfonso & Marie Benavidez, Borden County

honey, was founded in 1907 and is based in Waxahachie, Texas. The company markets its products under the Burleson's Pure Honey brand name. Known as the Southwest's oldest and largest honey packer, Burleson's has established a reputation for consistent and quality. Burleson's specially blends its honey through a unique computerized process that delivers a product that is always consistent in taste, flavor and quality. Burleson's buys only the best varieties of honey available worldwide for blending into its own high-quality product. Using the latest in specialized instruments and equipment, Burleson's applies strict quality control checks both before and during the packaging process, resulting in nothing less than the best. Burleson's honey products are all natural (no additives or preservatives), kosher certified, and ISIRA/SIRA tested for purity. Burleson's is always packed to USDA Grade A specifications.

PUBLIC NOTICE
BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF
PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
Special Election
NOVEMBER 2, 1999

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 44 - HJR 44 proposes a constitutional amendment that would ensure a clear succession in event of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Specifically, the amendment would provide that if after qualifying for the office, the Governor is temporarily unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until the Governor is able to serve; but if the Governor is permanently unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall become the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The amendment would require a Lieutenant Governor who becomes Governor to forfeit the office of Lieutenant Governor. The amendment would also provide similar succession procedures when a vacancy occurs in the office of Governor before the newly elected Governor qualifies for office, and when the newly elected Governor is temporarily unable to take office. The amendment also would provide that if there is a temporary vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate will fill the position; but if there is a permanent vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate shall serve as Lieutenant Governor only until such time as the whole senate can convene to elect one of its members to perform the duties of Lieutenant Governor. Finally, the amendment would provide that if the Lieutenant Governor, while temporarily exercising the powers of the Governor, becomes temporarily disabled or unable to serve, the President pro tempore of the senate shall exercise the powers and authority of the office of the Governor until such time as the Governor or Lieutenant Governor resumes those powers and duties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to revise the provisions for the filling of a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 2
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 12 - SJR 12 proposes a constitutional amendment that would resolve conflicts between the Texas Constitution and federal law relating to the definition, rules, and procedures of reverse mortgages. The amendment would define "reverse mortgage" in part as an extension of credit made against the homestead of a person who is 62 years or older, or whose spouse is 62 years or older. It would expand the list of circumstances under which payment of principal and interest become due and the procedures involved in foreclosure, and would require certain advances to be made according to specific terms in loan documents, including advances by the lender, on behalf of the borrower for payments necessary to protect the lender's interest. Finally, the amendment would require the Texas Supreme Court to promulgate rules of civil procedure expediting court-ordered foreclosures of reverse mortgage liens.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the making of advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage."

**PROPOSITION NO. 3
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 62 - HJR 62 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would simplify and clarify the language of the Texas Constitution. The amendment would make no substantive changes, but would eliminate duplicative, expired, out-of-date, and ineffective terms.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate duplicative, expired, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of the Texas Constitution."

**PROPOSITION NO. 4
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 4 - HJR 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would broaden the definition of charitable organizations. The amendment would exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of any organization engaged primarily in public charitable functions, and it would allow such an organization to conduct additional activities to support its charitable functions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt property owned by institutions engaged primarily in public charitable functions from ad valorem taxation."

**PROPOSITION NO. 5
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 26 - SJR 26 proposes an amendment that would remove the restriction prohibiting state employees who receive all or part of their compensation from the state from serving as members of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district unless the state employee receives no salary for such service. The amendment would allow state employees to receive compensation from the governing bodies of which they are members.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing state employees to receive compensation for serving as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district."

**PROPOSITION NO. 6
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 22 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would increase the maximum size of an urban homestead, which is a homestead in a city, town, or village, from one acre to ten acres and require the urban homestead to be composed of either a single lot or several lots that are adjacent to one another. The amendment also would provide that the urban homestead must be used as a home or as both a home and place of business, whereas current law does not require that an urban homestead that is used as a place of business be used also as a home.

Current law further allows a person to secure a home equity loan on their homestead, provided that the loan does not overburden the homestead. That is, the principal amount of the home equity loan, when added to the total of the outstanding principal balances of all other indebtedness secured against the homestead, does not exceed 80 percent of the fair market value of the homestead on the date the extension of credit is made. The

proposed amendment would clarify current law by specifically allowing home equity loans on all or part of urban homesteads of up to ten acres and subject such loans to the same requirement that the refinanced or new loan not overburden the homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres, prescribing permissible uses of urban homesteads, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead."

**PROPOSITION NO. 7
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 16 - HJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that if an employee is delinquent in paying court-ordered spousal maintenance, a portion of that employee's wages may be withheld to pay the spousal maintenance. Current law allows such withholding, or garnishment, only for payment of delinquent court-ordered child support.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a company."

**PROPOSITION NO. 8
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 95 - HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the adjutant general, who is appointed by the Governor and who serves as the governing officer of the state military forces, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the adjutant general serves at the pleasure of the governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 9
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 10 - SJR 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to create a judicial compensation committee to make recommendations for salaries for the justices and judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Courts of Appeals, and the District Courts. The amendment would mandate that the recommendations become law if neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives rejects them by majority vote.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a judicial compensation commission."

**PROPOSITION NO. 10
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 74 - HJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the commissioner of health and human services, who is appointed by the Governor, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 11
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 69 - HJR 69 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a county, city, town, or other political subdivision to

spend public funds or extend credit to purchase nonassessable property or casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. Under current law, a political subdivision is generally prohibited from spending public funds or extending credit to become a stockholder in a corporation but is permitted to purchase nonassessable life, health or accident insurance policies from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a company.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company in the same manner that the political subdivision purchases life, health, and accident insurance."

**PROPOSITION NO. 12
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 21 - SJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt from ad valorem taxation a leased motor vehicle that is not used by the lessee primarily to produce income. The amendment would provide that the legislature also may limit the ability of a political subdivision to subject such a vehicle to taxation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property."

**PROPOSITION NO. 13
ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 16 - SJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to allow the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$400 million in order to finance educational loans to students. The amendment also would authorize the Legislature to limit the amount of interest the bonds can bear and establish procedures for the investment of the bond proceeds. The proposed amendment would specify the method of repaying the bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students."

**PROPOSITION NO. 14
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 29 - HJR 29 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize the Legislature to require the board of regents of the state university and boards of trustees or managers of the educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the state, whose members serve six year terms, to be composed of an odd number of three or more board members (for example, 5, 7, or 9 members). The proposed amendment would allow approximately one-third of members of boards whose membership is not evenly divisible by three to be elected or appointed every two years. The amendment also would allow the Legislature to set the composition of constitutionally required boards, whose members serve for a term of six years, to a number divisible by three so that exactly one-third of the board members may be elected or appointed every two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board composed of an odd number of three or more

members."

**PROPOSITION NO. 15
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 36 - HJR 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow spouses, by an agreement in writing, to convert all or part of their separate property into community property. Separate property is primarily the property owned or claimed by the spouse before marriage and the property acquired by the spouse during the marriage by gift or inheritance. Community property consists of the property, other than separate property, acquired by either spouse during marriage.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property."

**PROPOSITION NO. 16
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 71 - HJR 71 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county with a population of 50,000 or more, rather than 30,000 or more, to be divided into four to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts. The amendment also would allow a county with a population between 18,000 and 50,000 to have two to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts, rather than the current maximum of five precincts. Furthermore, the amendment would limit Randall County to not less than two and not more than six precincts. Finally, the amendment would set a minimum of four precincts for any county that as of November 2, 1999, is divided into four or more precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of precincts."

**PROPOSITION NO. 17
ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 58 - HJR 58 proposes a constitutional amendment which would require the board of regents of the University of Texas System to manage investments of the permanent university fund (PUF) according to the standards of a prudent investor. Generally, earnings from the PUF are distributed to the available university fund (AUF) and then ultimately distributed to the public university systems of Texas. Under the amendment, the amount distributed to the AUF would consist of distributions, as determined by the University of Texas System board of regents, from the total return on all investment assets of the PUF, instead of consisting only of the dividends, interest, and other income of the PUF minus administrative expenses. The amendment also would provide guidelines for minimum and maximum amounts to be distributed to the AUF, and require that the board of regents manage distributions to the AUF in a manner that will provide the AUF with a stable and predictable stream of annual distributions and maintain the purchasing power of the PUF investments and annual distributions to the AUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 2 de noviembre de 1999. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Tx 78711.

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